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THE GOOD NEWS

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time
June 21, 2026

PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

We are Baptized and Confirmed members called to serve in the Catholic Church, to reach out to our own and to others by prayer, sacrifice and service, all for the praise and Glory of God.

WELCOME

Anyone new to the community or not yet officially registered, we welcome you to call or stop by the Parish Office during office hours to register.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

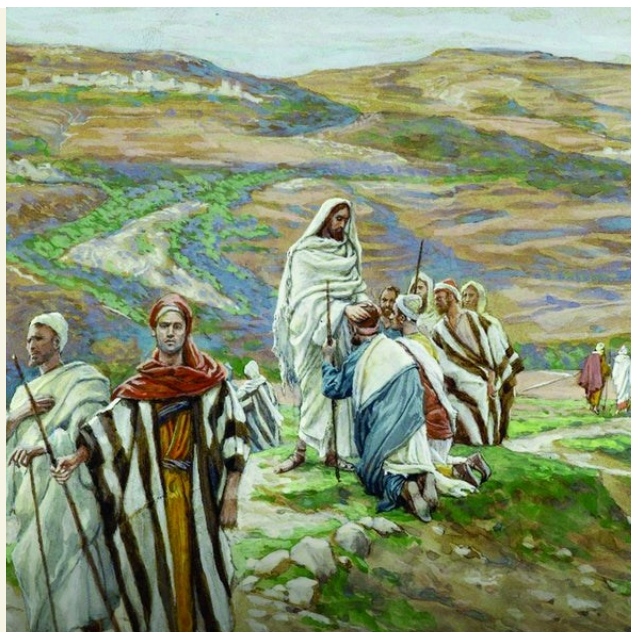
St. Mary's: Saturdays: 3:15—3:45pm or by appointment

MINISTRY TO HOMEBOUND

Anointing of the sick and communion calls are provided regularly for those who so desire. Please keep us informed of the needs of those who are ill.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Please, call 6 months in advance of desired wedding date.



12TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Do not be afraid; you are worth more than many sparrows." - Mt 10:31

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OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Friday: 9:00am ~ 4:00pm
(Closed on Holidays and Holy days)

MASS SCHEDULE

Daily Mass: Tuesdays 5:00pm at St. Mary

Wed-Fri 8am at St. Mary

Saturday Vigil at St. Mary: 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass at St. Aloysius: 7:00 a.m.

Sunday Mass at St. Michael: 8:30 a.m.

Sunday Mass at St. Mary: 10:15 a.m.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, June 23
 5:00 pm † Dorothy & Marvin Updegraff

Wednesday, June 24
 8:00 am † Virginia Sullivan

Thursday, June 25
 8:00 am † Teresa Esposito

Friday, June 26
 8:00 am Nana Matt & Pearman Family

Saturday, June 27
 4:00 pm † Linda Clayton

Sunday, June 28
 7:00 am the Keys & Morrissey Families
 8:30am † Doris Stone
 10:15am Living & Deceased parishioners of our parishes

Happening This Week

Tuesday, June 23
5:00 am ~ 5:00 pm Adoration - St. Mary
11:00 am Hobby & Craft Circle at St. Mary
 5:00pm Mass - St. Mary

Wednesday, June 24
 8:00am Mass - St. Mary

Thursday, June 25
 8:00am Mass - St. Mary

Friday, June 26
 8:00am Mass & Adoration- St. Mary

Saturday, June 27
3:15 ~ 3:45pm Confession at St. Mary
 4:00pm Mass - St. Mary

Sunday, June 28
 7:00am Mass - St. Aloysius
 10:00 am Mass - St. Michael
 10:15 am Mass - St. Mary

**St. Michael's 150th Celebration
 2nd Collection—Peter's Pence**

Reminders


July 5: 9:30am Patriotic Rosary - St. Mary's
 July 5 ~ 10: Totus Tuus Week
 July 13: 5pm St. Aloysius' Pastoral Council meeting
 July 16: 6:00pm St. Mary's Finance Council meeting
 July 20: 10am St. Aloysius' Finance Council meeting
 July 21: 6:00pm St. Michael's Finance Council meeting
 August 23: Picnic at St. Aloysius's Lawn

Pray & Play Dates (5:15—7:30pm) for you to mark your calendar

June 26	August 7
September 4	October 2
November 6	December 4

The Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick and the Dying

Please call or text Father Aloysius(217-412-4344) if you have a loved one who is seriously ill or close to death to receive this Sacrament, which can only be administered to the living. It is recommended that any Catholic who is facing surgery or has a serious illness, receive the Sacrament of the Sick. Once administered, the sense of the Lord's presence draws everyone more closely together. The sacrament is not a guarantee that healing is in the Divine Will of God. It assures that whatever the outcome, God will be present and guide the patient and family throughout the entire journey.



Ministers' Schedule

June 27/28, 2026

St. Mary 4:00pm (Sat.)

GREETER: Volunteer
LECTOR: Jim Moore
EM: Lugene Joines & Volunteer
SERVER: Doug Happ/Ryan Sullivan
GIFTS: Volunteer

St. Aloysius: 7:00 am (Sun.)

GREETER: Joe Keys
LECTOR: Angie Barrett
EM: Linda Hahn
SERVERS: Volunteer
GIFTS: the Keys Family

St. Michael: 8:30 am (Sun.)

GREETER: Justin Wood
LECTOR: Martha Williams
SERVERS: Leah Wood/Landon Keske
GIFTS: the Wilhoit Family

St. Mary: 10:15 am (Sun.)

GREETER: Brad Cash/Judy Haymaker
LECTOR: Jim Aydt
EM: Janet Tracy, Jeff Roush & Mary Liz Wright
SERVERS: Santi Rea/Jocelyn Tracy
GIFTS: the Magers Family

Parish Council & Committee Chairs

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St. Mary Paris

<https://pushpay.com/g/stmarysparis>



St. Michael Hume

<https://pushpay.com/g/stmichaelhume>



Birthdays / Anniversaries

Happy Birthday!

July 2
Kevin Smith

July 3
Judy Haymaker

July 4
Cecilia Laughlin

July 5
Tom Blandford

July 6
Paulette Burgett

July 7
Mary McFatrige

July 8
Patrick Kelly

Anniversary Blessings

July 3
Peter & Pia Krieger

July 4
Brad & Sharon Cash

July 6
Dave & Charlene Creech

St Mary's Celebrates America's 250th

July 5th

Patriotic Rosary before Mass (9:30)

Lunch for everyone after Mass

Bring your favorite dessert and the parish will provide sandwiches and drinks

Patriotic Rosary

The Patriotic Rosary is a special form of praying the Rosary dedicated to the United States, its leaders, and its citizens. Inspired by Marian apparitions and the call for national prayer, this devotion focuses on seeking God's protection, healing, and unity for the country through the powerful intercession of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This wonderful prayer calls to mind our elected and appointed officials and all the citizens of our country. Please consider arriving to Mass early (9:30) on July 5th as we thank God for our great country and pray for our future.

Our Dearly Departed

Marjorie Milligan

*Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord!
May she rest in peace!*



Capital Campaign

St. Aloysius Parish ~ Goal:	\$71,220.00
Weekly received:	\$.00
Up-to-date total:	\$27,580.00
Fund needed:	\$43,640.00
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St. Michael's Parish ~ Goal:	\$90,130.00
Weekly received:	\$.00
Up-to-date total:	\$24,205.00
Fund needed:	\$65,725.00
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St. Mary's Parish ~ Goal:	\$725,250.00
Weekly received:	\$2,012.00
Up-to-date total:	\$445,014.00
Fund needed:	\$280,236.00



Prayer Requests

For the Sick

Let us pray for healing and strength of those who are experiencing illness!

Mike McFtridge	Larry Elsberry
Andrew Hochestler	Joanie Hutchcraft
Mindy Brown	John Yuza
Karen Ayres	Patricia Sullivan
Sharon Farrington	Mary Jiron
John David Jones	Kent Laughlin
Bill Englum	Peter David
John Cannady	Mary Stoneburner
Colson Zerrusen	Margaret Huckleby
Sarah Prater	Alice Kramer
Janet Vaught	Sharon Bailey
Brad Cash	Rosemary Ogle
Claudia Blumthal	Leigh Ketner
John Throneburg	Isaac Hayes
Wink Cooper	Donnie Farris
Meredith Blumthal	Jean Kramer
Sandy Thompson	Marie Hibner
Tina Halloran	Dan Bruner
Victoria Magers	Doris Bernard
John Halloran	Joseph Finch
Barry Twigg	Marc Wolf
Lahaunda Madrid	&
Eleanor Macey	<u>For those who have no one</u>
Donna Keys	<u>to pray for them</u>
Brian Mullenix	
Linda McHenry	
Richard Yates	
Tamera Brown Tadlock	
Theresa Armstrong Coombs	



Weekly Offertory June 13/14, 2026

ST. ALOYSIUS

Sunday	\$1,451.00
Online Giving	\$0
Total Collection:	\$1,451.00

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday	\$750.00
Online Giving	\$115.00
Total Collection:	\$865.00

ST. MARY

Sunday	\$4,985.00
Online Giving	\$150.19
Father's Day	\$245.00
Peter's Pence	\$120.00
Total Collection:	\$5,500.19

Thank you for your support!

2025/2026 Fiscal Year Diocesan 10% Tithing

St. Aloysius Parish

May Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$964.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$5,632.00

St. Michael's Parish

May Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$737.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$6,858.00

St. Mary's Parish

May Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$2,369.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$31,149.00

For Our Military

Lord, hold our troops in your loving hands. Protect them as they protect us.

Henry Arp	Michael Whitacre
Jeff Walsh	Nathan Gatlin
Joe Kachmar	Raynell Reynolds
Joseph Livesay	Richard Scott
Juliana Akhavan	Collyn Smith
Justin Vice	

For Our Expectant Mothers

We pray that God will bless and protect them during this time of waiting.
Callie Keys Cannady

Summer Camp - Totus Tuus (July 5 - 10)

Totus Tuus is a summer Catholic youth program dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting the Catholic Faith through evangelization, catechesis, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship.

Parents and grandparents, please register your child/children and save the week for the Lord by scanning the QR code below.

*Let the little children come to me and do not hinder them, for to such belongs the kingdom of heaven. -
Matthew 19:14*



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FREE TO ATTEND



Grades 1-6

Monday-Friday

9:00am-2:30pm

Bring sack lunch

Grades 7-12

Sunday-Thursday

6:30-8:15pm

Snack provided

QUESTIONS?

Email Mary Liz Wright at mlwright@stmaryschurchparis.org



OUR 2026 MISSION COOPERATIVE APPEAL

The Propagation of the Faith Office of our diocese has invited the Diocese of Kumbakonam, India to participate in the Mission Cooperative Appeal in our parish. **Rev. Don Bosco Selvaraj** will speak about this on the week end of **July 04/05.**—**Here is an overview of the missionary assets, activities, challenges and needs of the Diocese of Kumbakonam.** This Diocese, established in 1899 in the State of Tamil Nadu, India, has an area of 7824 sq.km., a Catholic population of 2,13,000(6% of the total population),95 parishes and 610 missions, 198 diocesan and 74 religious priests,620 nuns, 12 trained catechists and 590 untrained lay catechists, two Social Service Centres, 136 schools and 12 orphanages.

Most pressing missionary needs of this mission-diocese are :-1) 4 more new parishes, each with a new church and rectory. Large parishes need to be divided into smaller parishes with a resident priest for better pastoral ministry. But the people are cannot this project due to their poverty.

2) Schools are our main means of ushering in progress at all levels. Education is a main means of evangelization and boosting the future prospects of the youth. In this context, the 136 Catholic schools and 12 orphanages in the missions need better facilities, building, infrastructure, educational and technical tools, children's Bibles, a projector, catechetical materials in the form of videos, pictures, text-books and workbooks to improve the quality of religious and faith formation of Catholic and non-Catholic students in mission-schools.

3) Training 480 nuns and 4955 Catholic teachers in charge of catechetical, educational, medical and social ministries throughout this rural diocese, to educate the children and adults in the Catholic faith and to help the people, particularly the poor and the marginalized for their integral development, through annual seminars on Scripture and Catechetics and Motivation Courses and annual Retreats.

4) Projecting the healing touch and loving care of Jesus, the Divine Healer through our diocesan hospitals for lepers, home and school for hearing impaired children, HIV patients& their children and the many rural medical clinics, staffed by nuns.

5) Education of more seminarians since the diocese abounds in vocation to priesthood and religious life so that some could be sent as missionaries to missions abroad where there is a shortage of priests. Now 28 priests of this diocese are missionaries abroad.

Note: Every year an average of 120 young men and women go from this diocese to other Missions and Religious Orders in India and abroad as missionaries.

6) To educate 2500 very poor or orphan children, of single mothers and widows, and of addictive and abusive fathers by providing them with free board & lodge, in order to eradicate child labor. Such children are forced to tend cattle, work in hazardous conditions in factories, hotels or farms in order to eke out a living for the family.

7) To build low cost homes with \$6,000 for these poor families with elderly parents who do not have a proper home.

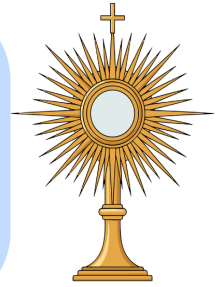
All the above mission projects are 80% dependent on MCP funds, Due to acute poverty of 65% of the Catholics, the diocese depends mostly on funds from annual Mission Appeal for the pastoral, educational, medical, and socio-economic emancipation of the marginalized and poor converts.

Important: please make checks payable to your church: St. Mary, St. Aloysius or St. Michael



Pray and Play

Please note the date change
 The First Fridays in June & July are too busy!
JOIN US
FRIDAY, JUNE 26
5:15-7:30



Peter's Pence Collection

Next week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including the charitable works of Pope Leo XIV. There works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Be a sign of hope with your generosity. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

Nora Keske received at her home parish on June 7th after her 1st Holy Communion on Saturday, June 6th in Springfield by Bishop Paparocki. Father Aloy presented her with a gift from the parish and a reception was held for her after Mass to celebrate.

June 21st

Word of Life

"Through our prayers and through the intercession of St. Joseph, patron of fathers, may fathers come to know the *irreplaceable* role they hold in the lives of their children, and the responsibility they share in welcoming God's gift of new life!"

Most Reverend Shelton J. Fabre, Bishop of Houma-Thibodaux
 "Fathers' Irreplaceable Role in Welcoming Life"

Stewardship Corner

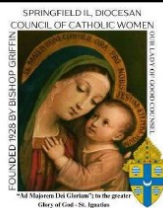
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"Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father."
 MATTHEW 10:32

Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

Project Rachel

Help for women and men to heal from the pain of abortion.
 For assistance: call 1-877-RACHEL-5.



Save the Date!

SDCCW 97th Annual Convention
 Springfield IL, Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

THURSDAY, September 3, 2026, Quincy, IL

Hosted by the Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women

Guest Speaker: Teresa Tomeo



Event Theme: *Handmaids of the Lord:*
Make Me a Channel of Your Peace

Teresa Tomeo is an author, syndicated Catholic talk show host, and motivational speaker with more than 40 years of experience in TV, radio, and newspaper, 20 of which were as a secular reporter/anchor in the Detroit market. Teresa appears frequently on the EWTN Global Catholic Television Network, including hosting the *EWTN Learn Series*, "Saints in Italy."

Morning Rosary and Mass at St Anthony of Padua Church, Quincy IL
 Followed by Registration and Program at The Ambiance Banquet Hall, Quincy, IL

Registration information will be sent out later.

Follow Quincy Deanery Council of Catholic Women on Facebook

Pastoral Reflections

12th Sunday in Ordinary Time

My dear parishioners,

God Is Good!!! All the Time!!! And All the Time!!! God Is Good!!!

When chosen to serve as a prophet, Jeremiah heard God assure him he had nothing to fear from the people he would confront. But Jeremiah was only human. His book is filled with personal reflections on the hardships he had to face as a spokesman for God. This reading is one of those reflections.

Today's Gospel comes from Matthew's "mission discourse" which covers Matthew 10:5–42. The discourse is addressed to the disciples providing guidance for their task of preaching the good news of the kingdom of heaven. The various sayings found in this section are not clearly related to one another. They have to be understood from the perspective of the larger missionary challenges the disciples will have to face.

Fear no one. The opening admonition focuses on fear. The disciples are instructed that they should not fear any human being or situation in which they find themselves. God alone is to be feared. Everything is now to be put out in the open. The earlier practices of secrecy and hiding for fear of being attacked or persecuted have ended. Now the Gospel in its fullness is to be proclaimed far and wide. Everything is to be brought out into the open.

You are valuable in the eyes of God. No doubt the danger involved in missionary activity was real. Christians were neither big nor powerful. They were easy targets for whoever opposed them. Nevertheless, Jesus encourages them to be brave and strong because God will be looking after them. Certainly, if God cares so faithfully for tiny sparrows and protects them from harm, all the more will God care for the disciples. Jesus wants to assure his disciples that God is aware of how difficult and dangerous their mission work is, and that they can trust that God will care for them. It is because of this trust that the disciples need not fear anyone or anything. Even so, bodily harm is not the worst thing that could happen to them. Harm that penetrates to the inner person, the heart and soul, is what is lethal. However, if the disciples trust in God, they will be spared the threats against the heart and soul.

Rewards and punishments. Those disciples who are courageous and acknowledge their discipleship to Jesus will be rewarded by being acknowledged before God. Those who deny Jesus will be denied by God. This was always a concern for the disciples. Apostasy was the great sin. It was the temptation that Christians asked to be delivered from. To be strong in the face of persecution required deep faith and a strong trust in Jesus.

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Fr. Aloysius



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The Unity Prayer

My adorable Jesus, May our feet journey together. May our hands gather in unity. May our hearts beat in unison. May our souls be in harmony. May our thoughts be as one. May our ears listen to the silence together. May our glances profoundly penetrate each other. May our lips pray together to gain mercy from the Eternal Father.

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