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THE GOOD NEWS

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ

June 7, 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

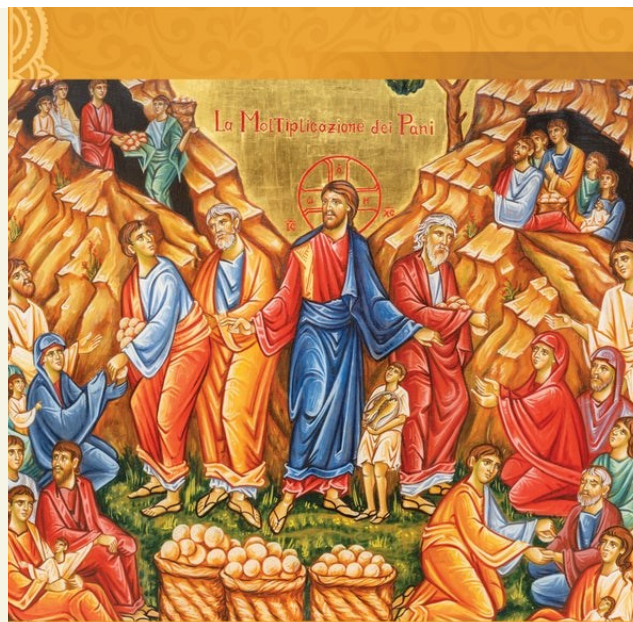
St. Mary's: Saturdays: 3:15—3:45pm or by appointment

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.



THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

"Jesus said to the Jewish crowds: 'I am the living bread that came down from heaven.'" John 6:51

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CHURCH CENTRAL OFFICE

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PARISH STAFF

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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 9
 5:00 pm † Mathew & Margaretta Merkel

Wednesday, June 10
 8:00 am † Doyle Cingolani

Thursday, June 11
 8:00 am † Larry Bryan

Friday, June 12
 8:00 am † Pauline Anderson

Saturday, June 13
 4:00 pm † Dick Scott

Sunday, June 14
 7:00 am Living & Deceased parishioners of our parishes
 8:30am † Kay Barrett
 10:15am † Cash Wright

Happening This Week

Monday, June 8
5:00 pm - St. Aloysius Finance Meeting
6:00pm—St. Aloysius Pastoral Meeting

Tuesday, June 9
5:00 am ~ 5:00 pm Adoration - St. Mary
11:00 am Hobby & Craft Circle at St. Mary
5:30pm—St. Mary's Pastoral Meeting
 5:00pm Mass - St. Mary

Wednesday, June 10
 8:00am Mass - St. Mary

Thursday, June 11
 8:00am Mass - St. Mary
5:00 pm - St. Michael's Pastoral Meeting
6:00pm—St. Michael's Finance Meeting

Friday, June 12
 8:00am Mass & Adoration- St. Mary

Saturday, June 13
3:15 ~ 3:45pm Confession at St. Mary
 4:00pm Mass - St. Mary

Sunday, June 14
 7:00am Mass - St. Aloysius
 8:30 am Mass - St. Michael
 10:15 am Mass - St. Mary

Reminders


June 28: 10:00am St. Michael's 150th Celebration
 July 5 ~ 10: Totus Tuus Week

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 13/14, 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: Beth Harbaugh
LECTOR: Kevin Smith
SERVERS: Leah Wood/Solomon Jansen
GIFTS: the Wilhoit Family

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

GREETER: Brad Cash/Judy Haymaker
LECTOR: Mary Liz Wright/Bryce McGrath
EM: Andy Goodwin, Janet Tracy & Jeff Roush
SERVERS: Santi Rea/Jocelyn Tracy
GIFTS: the Family

Parish Council & Committee Chairs

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St. Michael Hume

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Birthdays / Anniversaries

Happy Birthday!

June 20
Kay Boland
Jackson Tarr

June 21
Holly Goodwin
Emaline Tarr

June 21
Barbara Felgenhauer
Fr. Aloysius Ndeanaefo

June 23
Amy McGinness
Isaac Staub
Susi Willis



June 16
Scott & Amy Hogan

June 18
Jeremy & Jayme Rollings

June 19
Andy & Holly Goodwin

June 20
Olie & Ruth Smith
June 21
Dale & Cheryl Curl



CALLED & COURAGEOUS WOMEN'S CONFERENCE

*Living with Purpose and
Understanding our Worth*

Featured Speaker:
Dr. Mary Ruth Hackett
Catholic author, speaker, and podcast host



Sign up for Called and Courageous Women's Conference in Springfield

**What is preventing you from trusting
God more deeply?**

Life is full of highs and lows, and it can be hard to see where God is in the middle of it all. At this year's Catholic Women's Conference, discover how to trust God in the messy, real moments of everyday life. Learn how your emotions influence your spiritual life and how to challenge the lies that lead to self-criticism, comparison,

and discouragement. You'll leave with practical tools to learn how to recognize God in your daily life, grow in prayer, and live with greater confidence in your identity as a beloved daughter of God. No matter what your season of life – single, married, divorced, widowed, young adult, or retired – you'll find encouragement, community, and hope. When? **Saturday, October 10**. Christ the King parish Center, Springfield. Women ages 18+. Cost \$30. For the full schedule, speaker information, and registration, visit go.dio.org/cac. Even if you are on the fence about God, remember: God is not on the fence about you. Questions? Contact Gracie Ortiz at gortiz@dio.org or 217-321-1124.

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:	\$25.00
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:	\$52,512.00
Up-to-date total:	\$441,880.00
Fund needed:	\$283,370.00



Weekly Offertory May 30/31, 2026

ST. ALOYSIUS

Sunday	\$717.00
Online Giving	\$102.20
Total Collection:	\$819.20

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday	\$870.00
Online Giving	\$416.10
Total Collection:	\$1,286.10

ST. MARY

Sunday	\$4,144.25
Online Giving	\$95.00
Father's Day	\$80.00
Retired Priests	\$25.00
Peter's Pence	\$20.00
Total Collection:	\$4,364.25

Thank you for your support!

2025/2026 Fiscal Year Diocesan 10% Tithing

St. Aloysius Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$483.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$4,668.00

St. Michael's Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$325.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$6,121.00

St. Mary's Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$2,224.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$28,780.00

Prayer Requests

For the Sick

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

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

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

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

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

Callie Keys Cannady

A gentle reminder!

Summer is HERE !

All are encouraged to dress appropriately at holy Mass, especially, Liturgical ministers! Please consider either "business casual" or "formal business attire."

Thank you!



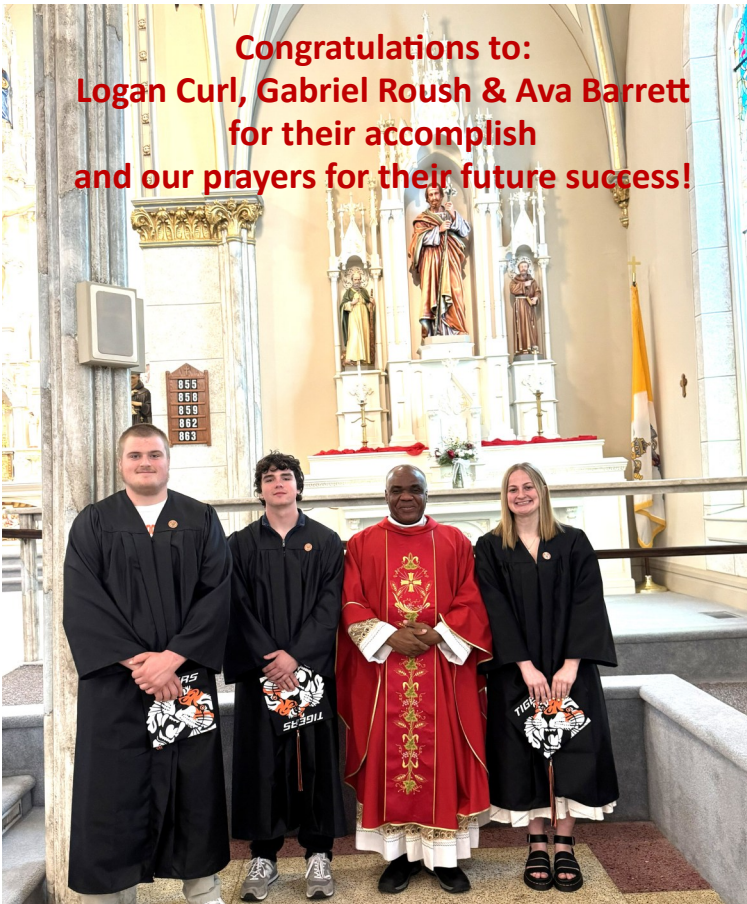
Most Sacred Heart of Jesus, truly present in the Holy Eucharist, I place my trust in you.

SAINT OF THE MONTH

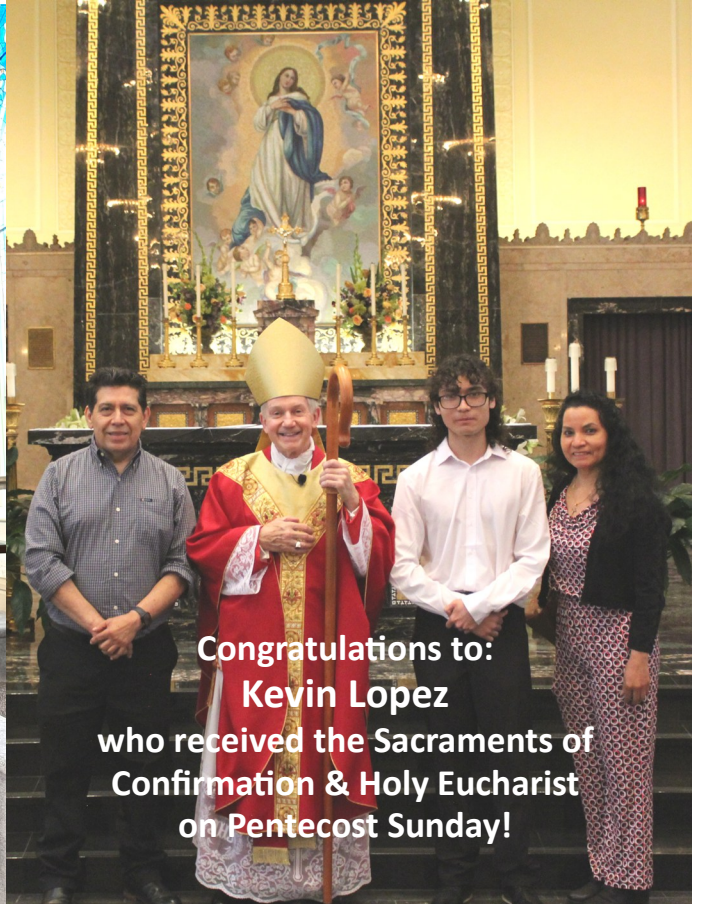
June 24, 2026: Nativity of St. John the Baptist

In 2022, on the feast of the Nativity of St. John the Baptist, the Supreme Court case *Roe v Wade*, which legalized abortion nationwide, was overturned. St. John the Baptist was the first person to recognize Jesus in the womb of the Blessed Mother. While still in the womb himself, he leapt for joy at the presence of Christ. May we too rejoice in the gift of every preborn child and pray for their legal protection.

St. John the Baptist, pray for us!



**Congratulations to:
Logan Curl, Gabriel Roush & Ava Barrett
for their accomplish
and our prayers for their future success!**



**Congratulations to:
Kevin Lopez
who received the Sacraments of
Confirmation & Holy Eucharist
on Pentecost Sunday!**

June 7th

Word of Life

“Christ’s blood reveals to man that his greatness, and therefore his vocation, consists in the sincere gift of self. ...It is from the blood of Christ that all draw the strength to commit themselves to promoting life. It is precisely this blood that is the most powerful source of hope, indeed it is the foundation of the absolute certitude that in God’s plan life will be victorious.”

*Pope Saint John Paul II, Evangelium vitae
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Stewardship Corner

The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ (Corpus Christi)

“Because there is one bread, we, who are many, are one body, for we all partake of the one bread.” 1 CORINTHIANS 10:17

As disciples of Jesus, we are called to lead holy lives and invite others to join us. We are called to be fed and to feed others. Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, serves a twofold purpose. One, it helps build God’s kingdom here on earth. Two, it helps us strengthen each other’s relationship with God the Father, Jesus, and the Holy Spirit. It becomes our roadmap to Heaven. Let’s help each other get there!

Summer Camp - Totus Tuus

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! **Just scan 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



TOTUS TUUS

5-10 JULY
2026

St. Mary,
Paris



Grades 1-6

Monday-Friday
9:00am-2:30pm
Bring sack lunch



Grades 7-12

Sunday-Thursday
6:30-8:15pm
Snack provided

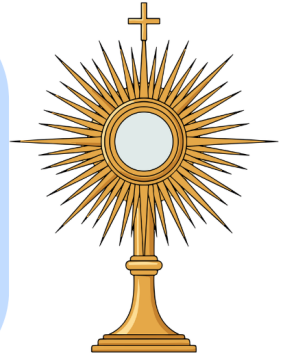
QUESTIONS?

Email Mary Liz Wright at mlwright@stmaryschurchparis.org



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



STORIES YOU'VE NEVER HEARD

FROM WHITE HOUSE INSIDER
TOM GROPP



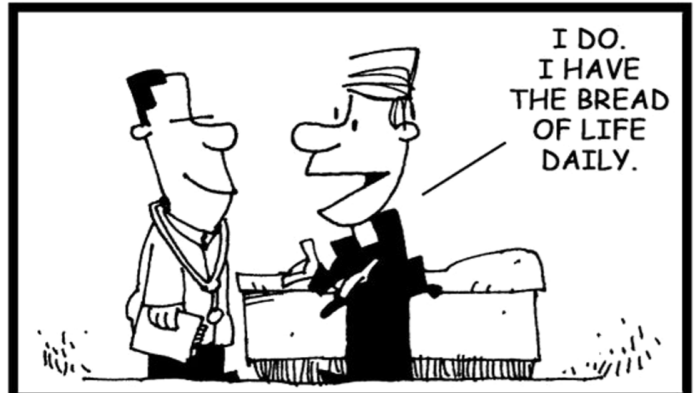
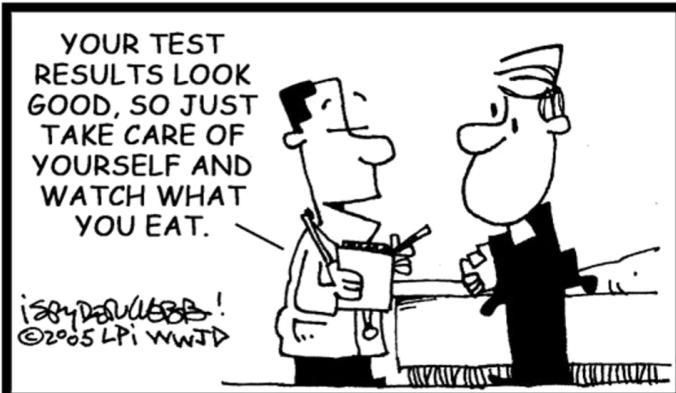
Vatican II Didn't Do What You Think It Did

Vatican II in the 1960's continues to be discussed, implemented, debated, and disagreed upon all these decades later. But did Vatican II really implement changes so many people think it did? The answer is no. Go to youtube.com/diospringfield or search "Dive Deep" on all the major podcast platforms to listen and subscribe. *Dive Deep* is the podcast of the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois.

Rosary before Mass

Please come and join us
to pray the Rosary.
Sunday @8:00am – St. Michael
Sunday @9:45am – St. Mary
Rosary before Daily Mass at St. Mary

BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST



Pastoral Reflections

Solemnity of the Body and Blood of Christ

My dear parishioners,

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

The opening lines of today's Gospel are some of the most hotly debated words in the entire Gospel of John.

Obviously they were meant to be eucharistic. The debate is over whether they were inserted into the Gospel later on, or whether they are part of John's original text. We follow the majority of Catholic exegetes who understand this whole passage to be original with the Evangelist who intended them to be understood eucharistically.

I am the living bread. This "I am" assertion comes at the end of a long discourse on the bread of life. It offers a deeper understanding of what happened when Jesus miraculously fed 5,000 people with a few barley loaves and two fish. If read carefully, one can see that what is said here in John 6:51-58 flows from what has been previously said by Jesus in this discourse. It is not a separate section inserted out of context. The one who fed the Israelites with manna in the desert (Ex 16) is the same one who just fed the 5,000 with barley loaves and fish. But now he equates himself with the bread, and whoever eats this bread will live forever. Just as the Word became flesh, so also this flesh is for the life of the world.

A misunderstanding. The Judeans cannot grasp how Jesus can give his flesh for them to eat. This makes no sense to them at all. Jesus does not appeal to logic. Instead, he pushes the conversation even deeper. Having life eternal depends on one eating the flesh of the Son of Man and drinking his blood. Clearly this is Johannine Eucharistic theology based on the foundation of Eucharist as divine food, the body and blood of Christ, coming from God.

Eucharist as divine relationship. Whoever eats his flesh and drinks his blood actually enters into a divine relationship with Jesus. There is shared divine mutuality here expressed by the term remain. Jesus is himself the bread come down from heaven. But, unlike the manna which God provided for the Israelites, Jesus is the living bread, and whoever eats of this bread will never die. Throughout this whole discourse, Eucharist is understood as God's way of abundantly filling the people with divine nourishment, which will lead them into eternal life.

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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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