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THE GOOD NEWS Pentecost Sunday June 8, 2025

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 to 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.



PENTECOST SUNDAY

[Jesus] breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." - Jn 20:22-23

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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: 5:30 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.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

St. Mary's: Saturdays: 4 ~ 4:45pm 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.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday, June 10
5:00 pm Nana Matt & Pearman Family

Wednesday, June 11
8:00 am ☩ Brad Neal by Lugene Joines

Thursday, June 12
8:00 am ☩ John McNary

Friday, June 13
8:00 am ☩ Fr. Donald Meehling

Saturday, June 14
5:30 pm ☩ Ed Pool by John Yuza

Sunday, June 15
7:00 am the Keys and Morrissey Families by Matt Pearman
8:30 am Living & Deceased parishioners of our parishes
10:15am ☩ Oland & Ann Hanner

Happening This Week

Tuesday, June 10
Adoration 5:00am—5:00pm at St. Mary
5:00 pm Mass - St. Mary
5:30pm Capital Campaign Committee, B & G Mtg.
7:00pm KC Meeting.

Wednesday, June 11
8:00 am Mass - St. Mary

Thursday, June 12
8:00 am Mass - St. Mary
6:00pm St. Michael's Pastoral Council Mtg.

Friday, June 13
8:00 am Mass or Adoration- St. Mary

Saturday, June 14
4:00 ~ 4:45pm Confession at St. Mary
5:30 pm Mass - St. Mary

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



Ministers' Schedule

June 14/15, 2025

St. Mary 5:30pm (Sat.)

GREETER: Doug Happ
LECTOR: Jim Moore
EM: Lugene Joines & Volunteer
SERVERS: Volunteer
GIFTS: Volunteer

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

GREETER: Joe Keys
LECTORS: Angie Barrett
EM: Linda Hahn
SERVERS: Scott Neal/Kallen Keys
GIFTS: the Keys Family

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

GREETER: Beth Harbaugh
LECTORS: Phyllis Stone/PSR
SERVERS: Leah Wood/Abner Wood
GIFTS: the Jansen Family

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

GREETER: Brad Cash/Judy Haymaker
LECTORS: Chris Wright
EM: Andy Goodwin, Brian Murphy & Terry Sullivan
SERVERS: Santi Rea/Jocelyn Tracy
GIFTS: the Staub Family

Reminders

June 24: 7:00pm KC Meeting.
June 28/29: Peter's Pence Collection.

July 6-11: Totus Tuus Week

July 14: 5:00pm St. Aloysius Finance Council Mtg.
July 14: 6:00pm St. Aloysius Pastoral Council Mtg.
July 15: 5:30pm St. Michael Finance Council Mtg.
July 17: 5:00pm St. Mary's Finance Council Mtg.
July 22: 5:30pm St. Mary's Pastoral Council Mtg.
August 24: Picnic at St. Aloysius at noon

Prayer Lists

Please let the office know if you know that:

- 1) the person whom you requested is healed or passed
- 2) the Expectant Mother has given birth to her baby
- 3) members in our Military have retired from serving

Thank you very much!

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

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Collection Online Giving Links & QR Codes

St. Aloysius North Arm

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St. Mary Paris

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



St. Michael Hume

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



Bequests:

Have you documented your final wishes?

Creating your estate plan is an act of care that can help you protect your loved ones, communicate healthcare and financial decisions about the future, and establish a legacy that honors your Catholic faith. Our new estate planning tool at www.freewill.com/dioceseofspringfield can help you write your legal will for free and makes it easy to make a sustaining gift to your parish home, ensuring the ministry of **St. Mary, St. Aloysius and St. Michael** continues for generations to come. For specific questions about how estate planning may impact your personal situation, consult a tax advisor or lawyer.

QCDs:

Give to **St. Mary, St. Aloysius and St. Michael** from your IRA- Qualified Charitable Distributions (QCDs), also known as IRA Charitable Rollovers, are the savviest way for those age 70½ or older to use their IRAs to maximize their charitable impact. And, if you are subject to a Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), an IRA gift can help you meet your RMD without increasing your taxable income. Visit bit.ly/ParishQCD to learn more about this giving option and to initiate a [QCD](#) gift to your church. For specific questions about how IRA giving may impact your personal situation, consult a financial or tax advisor.

Stocks:

Consider donating stock [as a way to](#) continue supporting **St. Mary, St. Aloysius and St. Michael**. Stock giving allows you to save your cash, avoid capital gains, and maximize your impact. You may also receive a tax deduction for the full value of the gift. Visit our secure stock giving site at bit.ly/ParishStock which makes stock giving easy and secure by providing the correct transfer form, helping you fill out the necessary fields, and providing clear instructions for submitting the form to your brokerage. For specific questions about how stock giving may impact on your personal situation, consult a financial or tax advisor.

Birthdays/Anniversaries

Happy Birthday!

June 11

Rosemary Ogle

June 12

Agnes Laughlin

June 14

Jackson Boland

Sara Phipps

June 15

Priscilla Hutton

William Thomas Magers

June 16

Fern Kelley Laughlin

Steve Williams

June 17

Russell Keske



June 12

Matt & Christi McClain

June 14

Creighton & Lucy Tarr

June 16

Scott & Amy Hogan

June 18

Jeremy & Jayme Rollings

Capital Campaign

St. Aloysius Parish ~ Goal:	\$71,220.00
Weekly received:	
Up-to-date total:	\$25,440.00
Fund needed:	\$45,780.00
St. Michael's Parish ~ Goal:	\$90,130.00
Weekly received:	\$500.00
Up-to-date total:	\$3,725.00
Fund needed:	\$86,405.00
St. Mary's Parish ~ Goal:	\$725,250.00
Weekly received:	\$1,164.00
Up-to-date total:	\$210,075.00
Fund needed:	\$515,175.00



Weekly Offertory May 31/June 1, 2025

ST. ALOYSIUS

Sunday	1,218.00
Online Giving	\$0
Mission Coop Appeal	\$275.00
Total Collection:	\$1,493.00

ST. MICHAEL

Sunday	\$2,090.00
Online Giving	\$510.00
Mission Coop Appeal	\$523.00
Total Collection:	\$3,123.00

ST. MARY

Sunday	\$3,221.00
Online Giving	\$61.00
Father's Day	\$50.00
Ascension of the Lord	\$220.00
Mission Coop Appeal	\$2,595.00
Retired Diocesan priests	\$170.00
Peter's Pence	\$140.00
Total Collection:	\$6,457.00

2024/2025 Fiscal Year Diocesan 10% Tithing

St. Aloysius Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$429.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$4,786.00

St. Michael's Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: 687.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$4,865.00

St. Mary's Parish

April Diocesan Monthly Tithing: \$2,168.00
Total Fiscal Year Tithing to date: \$29,925.00

Prayer Requests

For the Sick

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

Jerry St. Louis	Adam Dennison
Donna Keys	Mary Stoneburner
Maggie Scott	Margaret Huckeby
Brian Mullenix	Melissa Cohn
Linda McHenry	Kathryn Lentz
Randy Turner	Kenneth Kocher
Richard Yates	Jeff Brinkley
Jana McIntosh	Andrew Hostetler
Tamera Brown Tadlock	Alice Kramer
Theresa Armstrong Coombs	Sharon Bailey
Larry Elsberry	Rosemary Ogle
Kami Kraemer	Jody Crandell
Connie Hart	Priscilla Hutton
David Volk	Leigh Ketner
Joanie Hutchcraft	Isaac Hayes
Steve Allen	Donnie Farris
Ruby Kindred	Jean Kramer
Andrew Ferucci	Marie Hibner
John Yuza	Ross Lanter
Patricia Sullivan	Dan Bruner
Mary Jiron	Sheila Brothers
Kent Laughlin	Doris Bernard
Phil Ludington	Joseph Finch
Beverly Haase	Marc Wolf
Sydney Shanks	
Peter David	

For Our Expectant Mothers

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

Jill Cucinella	Bryanna Garver
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For Our Military

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

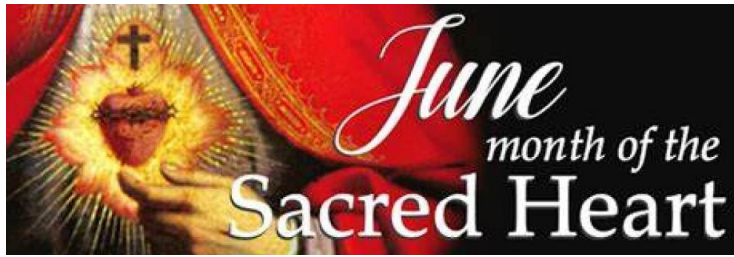
Jeff Walsh	Justin Vice
Nathan Gatlin	Joe Kachmar
Caleb Machuca	Joseph Livesay
Simon Holzer	Raynell Kahala
Joe Jenness	Paul Devore
Richard Scott	Michael Whitacre

For Our PSR Families

We pray that God grant abundant grace upon all of our parents and children so that our Christian identity becomes rooted in the lives of our children through day-to-day religious practices.

Bulletin Deadline

Please forward information for the bulletin to: jkoutsoumpas@stmaryschurchparis.org
by Wednesday at 12:00 P.M.
before the following Sunday publication.



Prayers to the Sacred Heart of Jesus

O MOST Holy Heart of Jesus, fountain of every blessing, I adore Thee, I love Thee and with a lively sorrow for my sins, I offer Thee this poor heart of mine. Make me humble, patient, pure, and wholly obedient to Thy will. Grant, good Jesus, that I may live in Thee and for Thee.

Protect me in the midst of danger; comfort me in my afflictions; give me health of body, assistance in my temporal needs, Thy blessing on all that I do, and the grace of a holy death. Within Thy Heart I place my every care. In every need let me come to Thee with humble trust saying, 'Heart of Jesus help me'. Amen.

Stewardship Corner

Pentecost Sunday

"The Advocate, the Holy Spirit whom the Father will send in my name, will teach you everything and remind you of all that I told you." (John 14:26)

The materialism of our society lures us to concentrate more on what we want than on what God wants for us. The relativism of our world tells us that we should be tolerant of all things, that there is no absolute truth. Pray to the Holy Spirit to transform our lives and to guide our thoughts, words and actions. What you put in your mind, heart, and soul affects your actions. Put good things in and good things will come out.

Word of Life

June 8th

"Dearest St. Joseph... Help us to faithfully commit ourselves to the service and defense of human life —especially where it is vulnerable or threatened. Obtain for us the grace to do the will of God in all things. Amen."

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities, "[Prayer to St. Joseph, Defender of Life](#)"

Volunteers Needed

to assist Totus Tuus Program

- 1) **2 host families** for the stay of the missionaries, one for the boys and one for the girls.
- 2) to help prepare lunch for the team at the church
- 3) to host dinner on **July 6, 7, 8, 9 & 10** for the team -sign up sheet in the Gathering Space at St. Mary's.
- 4) We encourage all you, our parishioners, to invite your families and friends who have children to send their children to this camp.

Your participation is appreciated greatly and crucial for the success of this camp! Please contact Juliana at 217-466-3355 if you can share your blessings with us!

In Christ,
Fr. Aloysius Ndeanaefo

Summer Camp -Totus Tuus- July 6-11

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!

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

**Please register your child/children by
scanning Here
Or at St. Mary's Church**



This Summer Camp is
for all children Grades 1-12
free of charge.

1st - 6th Grade Program
9:00am - 2:30pm
Middle & High School Program
6:30pm - 8:45pm



Congratulations to Confirmandi who received the Sacraments of Confirmation and 1st Holy Communion at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Springfield on May 31, 2025. Let us keep praying that the Holy Spirit will dwell in their hearts guiding every step of their journey towards eternity! Picture taken with Bishop Paprocki and Fr. Aloysius: (Left to Right) Solomon Jansen, Rosemary Keys, Millie Wilhoit, Maryn Grider, Catelynn Cornwell and Landon Keske.

Let us pray to our Heavenly Father for our earthly fathers...

Gracious God and Father, our first father,
 You are the One who has brought us
 to life in this world you created.
 You created us and everything around us.
 We turned away from you
 and only after disappointing you did we return your love.
 Look with favor on our earthly fathers.
 They helped create us in your image.
 We have disappointed them,
 but have come to realize just how important they are to us.
 Bless all our fathers, living and deceased,
 with comfort and health.
 We bring all their needs to you
 and ask for strength so they may live worthy lives.
 We ask all this in the name of your Son,
 our model of what it means
 to reverence our fathers.
 In Christ's name. Amen.



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Pastoral Reflections

Pentecost Sunday

My dear parishioners,

God is Good!!! All the time!!! And all the time!!! God is Good!!!

Now the apostles receive the gift of the Holy Spirit. Luke identifies this as a significant event by declaring it to be a time of fulfillment. A dramatic stage has arrived in God's plan of salvation. The risen Lord prepared the apostles for this event by insisting they stay in Jerusalem after his ascension; they must await the promise of the Father.

Luke's description brings to mind details in the creation account. There is a strong driving wind that can be heard and felt throughout the house. In a similar way, a strong wind sweeps over the waters in Gn 1. Just as the wind fills the entire house, the message of the gospel will fill the earth. At creation, God filled the man of clay with the breath of life. Now the apostles are filled with a new breath of life as the Holy Spirit enters into them. Appropriately, this divine gift appears as tongues of fire over each of them. Fire represents the divine; tongues, the power of speech.

Without delay, the apostles begin proclaiming the mighty acts of God, all the dramatic works of God leading humanity to salvation. Luke takes time to list all the different places of origin represented by the crowd gathered in Jerusalem for the feast of Pentecost. In spite of the mix of languages in that city, everyone hears in his or her own tongue the message of the gospel. At Babel, language had to be confused to limit the influence of harmful ideas. But there can be no barrier to the life-giving word of God.

Today's Gospel is sometimes referred to as the "Johannine Pentecost." It consists of the following elements. First, Jesus appears to the community of disciples, offering them his peace. Second, he bestows upon them an apostolic commissioning and sends them out to continue his work. Third, he ratifies this commissioning by breathing on them the gift of the Holy Spirit.

On the evening of the same day Jesus was raised up, he passes through locked and secured doors to appear to his community of disciples. They are filled with fear and rightly so. What is to prohibit what happened to Jesus (killed as a criminal) from also happening to them? He offers the disciples his peace, but they are not yet in a position to receive it. When Jesus shows them his hands and side, they recognize him and rejoice. Again, Jesus offers them peace; this time they accept it.

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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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