

RECORD OF FAITHFULLNESS
FOR THE WEEK OF
JANUARY 25, 2026

	AMT		AMT
Envelopes	\$2,950	Maintenance & Repairs	\$
Loose	\$64	Church in Latin America	\$619
Votive	\$34	CASC	\$
Loose	\$		\$
Sub Total	\$3,014		\$
Grand Total	\$3,633	Sub Total	\$619

8AM	30	9:30	66	Total	96
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Capital Campaign/Parish Center			
Weekly Total	\$9,500	Grand Total	\$33,768.75

Prayers for Our Military



As a faith community, we lift up in prayer the women and men serving in our armed forces, especially those from our parish family who are on active duty. We ask for God's protection, strength, and peace for them and their loved ones. Please join us in praying for the service members:

Major Thomas G., USMC
Major Joseph G., USAF
James Kobyra, CDR, USN

If you have a St. Mary’s Church family member currently serving in the military whom you'd like to include in our prayers, please email stmarys165@gmail.com with their name, rank, and branch of service.

DAILY REFLECTIONS

MONDAY: [Luke 2:22-24](#)
Reflect today on the hidden ways God invites you to imitate these paradoxes. Are there areas where you resist humble obedience, preferring your own will over God’s? Are there sacrifices you are tempted to avoid, forgetting that true love embraces the Cross? Offer yourself to the Father with Mary’s obedience and Christ’s perfect humility so that your life, like theirs, may become a pure offering of love.

TUESDAY: [Mark 5:25-29](#)
Reflect today on the example of this holy and humble woman. Her act of faith inspires us to approach Christ with humble confidence, especially in moments of suffering and need. Like her, we are called to humble ourselves, reach out to Jesus in prayer, and trust in His power to spiritually heal and restore. In the sacraments, particularly Reconciliation and the Eucharist, we touch the hem of Christ’s garment and encounter the transformative power of His mercy. Pray for the grace to trust in God’s providence, knowing that He lovingly permits even our trials to lead us to deeper communion with Him and to reveal His glory in our lives.

WEDNESDAY: [Mark 6:4-6](#)
Reflect today on those closest to you and ponder how easily you seek and find Christ in them. Everyone you know—including yourself—is a sinner. It’s easy to find fault and dwell on it, even sometimes when there is no fault to be found—such as with Jesus at Nazareth. Prayerfully reject that fallen human tendency and embrace the mission of seeking Christ in others, for “the one who seeks, finds.” Seek Jesus everywhere and celebrate the Good News of His ongoing presence in our world, especially in the lives of those with whom you are most familiar.

THURSDAY: [Mark 6:10-13](#)
Reflect today on the mission Christ has entrusted to you. Parents, spouses, siblings, co-workers, friends, and neighbors are all called to share in Christ’s mission in unique and varied ways. As you ponder your own mission, consider two questions. First, have you, like the Twelve, embraced repentance and conversion by drawing closer to our Lord? Have you committed yourself to deepening that conversion so as to be more fully united with Christ? Secondly, have you allowed your union with Christ to equip you for the mission God has entrusted to you? Do you sense His divine authority in your life, enabling you to preach in His name through your words and deeds? Does your mere presence bring Christ’s grace, dispelling darkness and evil? Resolve to continue the mission given to the Twelve in accord with God’s will, and you, too, will be amazed at what God will do through you.

FRIDAY: [Mark 6:14-16](#)
Reflect today on the importance of sincere and total repentance for past sins. Though difficult, an honest assessment of our sins and sincere repentance is the path to immediate freedom and eternal glory. We must understand and believe in the power of repentance. When we fall into sin, we must have the courage to face it, own it, and seek God’s mercy. Learn from Herod by rejecting his example, and allow God’s mercy to flood your life, eliminating the effects of a guilty conscience and leading you to peace and freedom.

SATURDAY: [Mark 6:30-31](#)
Reflect today on the excitement the Twelve must have felt as they witnessed the crowd’s hunger and thirst for spiritual nourishment. Consider your own mission of loving service—whether to your friends, family, community, or church. Are there moments when the demands on your time feel overwhelming, testing your patience and charity? In those times, strive to cultivate the compassion Jesus modeled for the Twelve, allowing His example to inspire you to respond with love, patience, and selfless care for others.

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FOURTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME
FEBRUARY 1, 2026

MISSION STATEMENT

Our mission is to form Christian Communities that will glorify
God by our loving and serving one another, and to extend
our love, support, and compassion to the needy.

Most Rev. Jacques Fabre-Jeune
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MASS SCHEDULE

Sunday 8am & 9:30am
Wednesday 9:00am
Friday* 9:00am
*Adoration following Mass
on the 1st Friday
RECONCILIATION
Sunday 7:15-8am
Wed/Fri 8:30-9am

Diocesan Office of Protective Services
(843) 261-0430
Diocese Victim Assistance Ministries
(843) 856-0748

PARISH NEWS AND ACTIVITIES

WELCOME: WE WELCOME ALL OUR VISITORS TO ST. MARY'S! WE TRUST YOU WILL FIND US A WELCOMING AND SPIRITUAL COMMUNITY AS YOU JOIN US IN CELEBRATING THE MASS TODAY. COFFEE IS AVAILABLE IN THE PARISH CENTER AFTER MASS. WE LOOK FORWARD TO GETTING TO KNOW YOU!

PLEASE JOIN US IN WELCOMING PEGGY AND JEFF BROOKS AND RITA DANIEL TO THE ST. MARY’S PARISH FAMILY.

MASS INTENTIONS: **Today’s 9:30** mass is being offered for Carl Nandrasy, on behalf of Thomas and Dianne Kincaid.

ST. MARY'S BOOK CLUB: Our next meeting will be **1pm on Wednesday, February 4** at 4199 Hwy 165. We are reading "One Thousand Gifts" by Ann Voskamp. "A dare to live fully, right where you are." You are welcome to join us at any time. Please call (843) 729-1644 for more information.

BAKE SALE: Ladies Guild will be holding a Bake Sale on **Sunday, February 15th**, after both Masses. Please support the Guild by participating as a baker or a buyer.

LAST YEAR’S PALMS: It's that time again, time to bring Last Year's blessed palms back to St. Mary's for proper disposal. There will be a basket in the Narthex of the Church for the palm.

2025 DONATION LETTERS: 2025 donation letters have been mailed to parishioners. If you didn't receive yours, or you don't feel it is correct, please call the church office. Catholic Appeal of SC donations are acknowledged directly by CASC.

BECOMING A ST. MARY’S REGISTERED PARISHIONER: For those interested in becoming registered members of St. Mary's Parish, the registration forms are in the back of the Church or ask an Usher can provide you with one.

Lector Schedule for 02/08/2026
8am Scott Bradley
9:30am Alison Levitt
Eucharistic Ministers for 02/08/2026
8am Donna Hudson
9:30am Wes Levitt
Second Collection 02/08/26
Second Collection – Maintenance and Repairs

We pray for each other. In your time of prayer, please remember the following people and intentions:



Helaine Ahern, Hazel Basilio, Sam Blackburn, Chester Broton, Jr., James Butski Jr., Allison Condon Chappell, Frank Chestnut, Julliet Collins, Jack Cooper, Cherry Constable, Maryanne Cortez, Sonja Dees, Teresita Y. Domingo, Jacob Matthew Dupree, Frances Enos, Tricia Espiritu, Erlinda Evangelista, Ricardo Evangelista, Victoria Flanders, Ken Fleming, Avery Goetz, J. Gould, Jamekia Grampus, Krist Groover, Jerrie Hess, Doris Heffernan, Mary & Rod Jaros, Danny Kenney, Yvonne Livingston, Gus Long, John Lucas, Susan Mance Kelly Meyer, Patti McDermott, Jane Morley, Ray Marrone, Nirmala Mary Narichetti, Yvonne Nasser, Terri Nobleman, John North, Evan North, Connor O’Brien, Sarah Proulx, Miquelina Sanchez, Elizabeth Smith, Landon Smith, Bill Smyer, Diane Stokes, Eloise Stroud, Sandy Unger, Soul of Marlene Ille Vincent, Larry Walker, Mary Walker, Ellie Wilson, Mary Wilson, Jose Yabut, Domingo Zarate Jr., and All Parishioners of our parish family.

MASS INTENTIONS

Father JP welcomes your mass intentions for celebrating a special occasion, on behalf of a family member or friend, or a deceased loved one. A Mass request can be submitted by the following:

- Calling our Parish office at 843-889-8549. You may leave a message with your contact information.
- Completing a Mass Intention Envelope, checking the calendar located in the back of the church for date availability and placing your envelope in the box above the calendar.
- Requesting a Mass Card be mailed directly to you, for whose All-Mass Intentions are voluntary offerings, since the Holy Eucharist is the universal prayer of all the church. The typical offering is ten dollars.

Stipends for Mass Intentions may be brought or mailed to the Parish office (cash or check).



GOSPEL REFLECTION

The Beatitudes call us to the heights of morality and holiness. Those who live according to these divine precepts are blessed beyond measure. The promises to those who live this high calling are great: They become children of God and inherit the Kingdom of Heaven. Furthermore, they receive comfort, satisfaction, mercy, purity, and peace. Though the rewards are great, so are the requirements: spiritual poverty, holy sorrow, meekness, longing for righteousness, a merciful heart, purity, peacemaking, and patient endurance during persecution.

The Beatitudes reveal the culmination of God’s moral teaching and the highest revelation of the Christian life. To fully appreciate their significance, it is helpful to understand the history of moral revelation. Doing so is more than a history lesson on God’s deepening revelation, it also reveals the path for our spiritual journey toward perfection.

Morality begins with the Natural Law—the innate understanding of right and wrong written on the human heart. This Law is from God and is often described as living in accord with right reason or common sense. All people have access to this moral law within their own consciences, enabling them to recognize God as the Creator, honor Him, respect human dignity and the common good, and refrain from acts such as murder, theft, and deception. Though universally present in all people, sin and our fallen human nature cloud our ability to clearly see and follow that law.

In the Old Testament, God slowly revealed Himself and called His people to greater holiness and moral living by adding to the Natural Law through revelation. From Abraham and his descendants, God raised up Moses through whom He revealed the Ten Commandments—a concise moral code rooted in Natural Law but explicitly revealed by God that called His chosen people to right worship, justice, and love for one’s neighbor.

Through the prophets—such as Isaiah, Jeremiah, and Ezekiel—God called Israel to move beyond mere external observance of the law to an interior conversion of heart. Isaiah emphasized the virtues of justice and mercy, Jeremiah prophesied a new covenant in which God’s law would be written on the hearts of His people, and Ezekiel promised that God would give His people a new heart and a new spirit, enabling them to follow His statutes.

The wisdom literature—Psalms, Proverbs, Ecclesiastes, Wisdom, Sirach—deepened the understanding of moral life by revealing moral gifts, such as the Fear of the Lord, the blessedness of righteousness, and the call to trust in God’s providence and live a virtuous life.

The Beatitudes elevate all laws of the Old Covenant. Jesus not only calls us to profound holiness, He also provides the means to achieve it through His Sacrifice, transmitted through the grace of the Sacraments. To live the Beatitudes is to live in imitation of Christ, who perfectly embodied all virtues in His life, Passion, and Resurrection. Hence, the Beatitudes are not only a moral code we must follow, they are a participation in and union with the Son of God, Who lived the Beatitudes to perfection.

As we ponder the Beatitudes, reflect today on their high and glorious calling, as well as their rewards. Sometimes, reading the Beatitudes can leave us discouraged, as we are aware of how far we are away from perfecting them. Dispel discouragement and know that these new divine precepts are attainable by grace. Set your eyes on the heights of perfection and open yourself to the abundant grace offered. Doing so will not only result in glorious spiritual rewards in this life, it will also result in the greatest eternal rewards in Heaven.