

St. Mary's
CATHOLIC CHURCH
Jackson, Tennessee

April 28, 2024
Fifth Sunday of Easter



St. Mary's Catholic Church
Parroquia Santa Maria
1665 Highway 45 Bypass
Jackson, TN 38305

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission
Misión Nuestra Señora de Guadalupe
172 Main St.
Bells, TN 38006

St. John's Catholic Church
Parroquia San Juan
910 N. Washington Ave.
Brownsville, TN 38012

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Fr. David Graham, Pastor
Fr. Jonathan Perez, Associate Pastor
Fr. Gabe Bouck, Associate Pastor
Rev. Mr. Dale Brown, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Jim Moss, Deacon
Rev. Dr. Eddy Koonce, Deacon
Rev. Mr. Bill Winston, Deacon

Parish Office
Open Monday thru Friday
9:00am-5:00pm
Phone: 731-668-2596
Email: parishinfo@stmarys.tn.org



Reconciliation
Tuesdays: 5:45pm-6:15pm
Wednesdays: 11:30am-12pm
Saturdays: 3:20 pm-3:50 pm
Sundays: 7:30am-7:50am, 10am-10:20am,
 & 12:30pm-12:50pm
 and by appointment
**Confessions will be heard in the confessional.*

Baptisms
 Class required for 1st time parents and are offered the 2nd Mon. of every month.

Weddings
 Contact the parish office at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick
 By appointment.
 In case of a serious illness or death, call the parish office.
Our after hours answering service will get a message to a priest.

Contact Our Catholic Schools

 **SMS: 731-668-2525**
 **SHJHS: 731-660-4774**








Weekend Mass Schedule

English Mass
- Saturday Vigil -
4:00pm
- Sunday -
8:00am
*10:30am **
**Live-Streamed*
Spanish Mass
Sundays at 1:00pm

St. Mary's Catholic Church
Daily Mass Schedule

M	<i>7:00am</i>
T	<i>7:00am & 6:15pm</i>
W	<i>7:00am, 8:10am & 12pm</i>
TH	<i>7:00am</i>
F	<i>7:00am & 8:10am</i>
SA	<i>8:00am</i>

Connect with us!



 Keep in touch with us
VIA EMAIL AND TEXT MESSAGE
  Instagram
find us on  **YouTube**

*Please submit **ALL** bulletin information to parishinfo@stmarys.tn.org*

St. John Church
Brownsville, Tennessee
Sunday Mass at 9am

For the Latest News & Info with our Diocese,
 check out: www.cdom.org



Our Parish Mission: Celebrating, Proclaiming, & Living the Joy of the Gospel



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Mass Intentions for the Week

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Saturday	April 27
8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
4:00pm	B'day Int. of Tammy Meyers by the Todd Family
Sunday	April 28
8:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory
10:30am	Deacon Bob Russell
1:00pm	Guadalupe Vazquez de parte de la familia Vazquez
Monday	April 29
7:00am	Abelardo Antique by Carol Antique
11:45am	Deacon Jim Cooley by Deacon Dale & Linda Brown
Tuesday	April 30
7:00am	Int. of Louis Okafor by the Okafor Family
6:15pm	Mauricia Ortiz de parte de la familia Vazquez
Wed.	May 1
7:00am	Holy Souls in Purgatory by Carolina Fortner
8:10am	Int. of Sister Benedicta by Austin Jourdan
12:00pm	Jerry M. Velez, Sr. de parte de Maria Velez
Thurs.	May 2
7:00pm	Kayla Sanchez de parte de la familia Ray
11:45am	Mary Timby by Father Timby
Friday	May 3
7:00am	Santas Almas en el Purgatorio de parte de Alicia Cruz
8:10am	B'day Int. of Pelagia Sioson by Carol Antique
Saturday	May 4
8:00am	Pely Siosow by Priscilla & David Aherrera
4:00pm	Lourdes Graham de parte de Marilu Ramirez
*Masses at 11:45 a.m. on Mondays and Thursdays are held at Sacred Heart of Jesus High School.	

Our Lady of Guadalupe Mission

Bells, TN

Saturday	April 27
6:00pm	Int. de cumpleaños de Anna Santos
Saturday	May 4
6:00pm	José Andres Martinez Gonzales de parte de Catalina Gurrola

St. John's

Brownsville, TN

Sunday	April 28
9:00am	Por nuestra comunidad de SMC, OLG y SJC
Sunday	May 5
9:00am	Enriqueta Garcia

Men's Prayer Group, 6:00am to 6:50 am. Fraternity, formation and prayer.

We meet every first and third Thursday in Our Lady of Africa room. All men of the Parish are encouraged to attend.
For additional information email: ddallas@ascend.net



During the Month of May, the rosary will be prayed before all the weekend Masses. Please arrive 20 minutes early, if you want to pray the rosary.



Comments from Deacon Dale Brown

Are you trying to strengthen your faith? Are you looking for the right answers? Are there some questions that you need an answer to? All of us are here today because we love Jesus Christ, and we want to follow him more and more closely. In other words, there is still a gap between the kind of Catholic we would like to be, and the kind of Catholic we actually are. We know that a follower of Christ should be patient, self-controlled, faithful, generous, and kind. And we also know that although we follow that recipe sometimes, many other times we don't. In the face of this contrast between the desire of our hearts and the reality of our daily lives, we can be tempted to frustration. But today the Church is giving us an antidote to that frustration in the example of St Paul. In today's First Reading, St Paul shows up in Jerusalem three years after his dramatic conversion on the road to Damascus. He has been believing in and following Christ for three years already. And yet, he arrives in Jerusalem, and what happens? His bold and abrasive personality gets him in trouble right away. He shows up full of faith and love for Christ, overflowing with zeal and sincerity. But his old violent and intimidating temperament hasn't gone away. In a matter of days, he instills deep fear in the Christians, and he infuriates the Jews so much that they start plotting to kill him! Things are so bad, in fact, that he must be sent away to Tarsus, his hometown, 500 miles away! And notice what happens as soon as he's gone; St Luke writes: "The Church throughout Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was at peace." The great St Paul didn't become a saint overnight - it took time for God's grace to transform him, and it takes time for God's grace to transform us too. Do not become frustrated when you are searching for answers, or when looking to improve or deepen your Faith. It does take time, and hopefully you will never stop trying to improve!



Work on the new Covered Dropoff at the Holy Family Hall entrance begins this Monday, April 29.

This is part of our *Building Our Faith and Future Capital Campaign* and funds have already been collected to cover the cost.

The parking lot will be demolished and rebuilt, so please be patient during construction!

Visit our parish website: www.stmarys.tn.org

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YOUR GIFTS TO GOD & PARISH

	St. Mary's	St. John's
Weekly Offertory	\$16,551	\$767
April Weekly Offertory Goal	\$19,000	\$675
Total Offertory to Date	\$874,029	\$29,527
Offertory Goal to Date	\$847,500	\$29,025
United in Faith Pledges OLG: \$23,780 St. John's: \$28,230		
Generations of Generosity Pledges (Families 350) Pledges paid:	\$1,759,423.46	\$1,062,104.85



Annual Catholic Appeal

Thanks to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the Annual Catholic Appeal. St. Mary's is 85% towards our goal of \$86,000 with 21% of parish families participating.

If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, please fill out a commitment card located in the Narthex. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

For Mother's Day on May 12th

at the weekend Masses, we will remember in prayer all of our moms, living and deceased. Pick up an envelope in the Narthex, if you want your mother's name placed on the altar for the month of May.



We honor our graduating HS Seniors!

May 5th at 10:30 Mass

Please call the parish office & let us know if your senior will be participating. This is a long-standing tradition in our parish, and we look forward to celebrating with you.



THE ADORATION CHAPEL:

SIGN-UP, CHOOSE A TIME ONLINE AT
ST. MARY'S WEBSITE:

<https://stmarys.tn.org/adoration/>

AND Please enter the chapel by way of the chapel door which is located on the South side of the Church.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ROSARY.

Join us every Monday at 6:00pm.
For info about the Knights of Columbus,
contact Grand Knight:
Dennis Arendt at breeze4114@bellsouth.net



Padre Pio Prayer Group

Gathering every 1st Friday at 5pm
In the Church Sanctuary
For more info, contact: Joseph Okolo
okolojoseph@hotmail.com



Family Faith Formation Information

2024 ATRIUM SCHEDULE

SUNDAY SESSIONS

WEDNESDAY SESSIONS

9:10-10:20 (3yrs.-3rd grade)
11:40-12:50 (grades 1-5)

5:45pm-7:20pm
(grades 1-6)

Apr. 28—Last Sun. session
May 1—Rehearsals (Wed.)

May 4 (Sat.)—FIRST COMMUNION
Masses at St. Mary's: 11am (Span.)
and 4pm (Eng.).

Did your child LOVE coming to the atrium this year? Does your child need to prepare to receive First Holy Communion? Do you want your child to continue to learn and grow in their Catholic faith? **Registration for atrium is open.** All children ages 3-12 can participate in atrium. Cost: \$50 for individual child & \$80 per family. Registration is due no later than Monday, August 12th, 2024. Registration is not considered completed until all forms, certificates, and fees are collected at the Parish Office.

Each atrium session will be limited to 20 children. Once 20 children have registered, that session will be closed. Register SOON (we suggest NOW!) to keep your child's place in the atrium session of your choice. Scan code to access registration form online.



Every Sunday after the 8am
and 10:30am Masses

Topic: Being the Body of Christ



This is our last Sunday! Join us for rich discussions and delicious home-made food. Fr. David will be leading our discussions.

Childcare will be provided during the second session. Children can eat with their families and then be dismissed: 0- to 5-year-olds will be in the nursery, and 6- to 12-year-olds will be in Our Lady of Fatima room or the playground.

Sympathy, Encouragement,
Get Well, & More

Our April: Contact:

Elaine Northern

willelainort@gmail.com



Card
Ministry

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YOUTH MINISTRY
Fr. Gabe invites all 6th to 12th graders this Sunday from **4:30–6pm**. Dropoff & pickup is at St. Mary's School Cafeteria. Bring a friend!



Young Adults

Grow in faith and friendship with other young adults in the parish (18-40)!

Join GroupMe for details.



Altaration: The Mystery of the Mass Revealed-Study this Thursday, 7:30pm in Our Lady of Africa Room!

Celebrate Life

Please pray for the women in our parish who are with child. Prayers are a wonderful way to support a mother & her family.



Dear Heavenly Father,
we ask you to protect the little babies who are being knit together in their mothers' wombs. Comfort their mothers & fathers during the time they are growing & developing. Lord Jesus, give these smallest of persons the strength to come into this world, to fully participate in your creation. Send your Holy Spirit to infuse their souls with love for you. After long, healthy, & loving lives, bring them safely home to you. Amen.

Expectant Mothers:

Amber Jackson
Nora Dixon Thompson Diana Holt
Rode Garcia Garcia Erin Drummer
Cynthia Galicia
Abby Bautista Alexander

Congratulations to:

Sydney Moore
Candice Jacobson Graham

Contact: To add to this list, receive meals, or to support these moms: Email [Gretchen](mailto:Gretchen.Longeway@stmarys.tn.org) at Gretchen.Longeway@stmarys.tn.org

Prayer Requests

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| Abellana, Felisa | Galindez, Amalia | Neihoff, Tony |
| Adams, Grant | Galicha, Orlin | Nunn, Marvin |
| Allison, Judy | Galicia, Cynthia | Okolo, Joseph |
| Antonia, Maria | Gastador, Maria | Ormerod, Barbara |
| Arendt, Brenda | Geibel, Stephanie | Osgood, Philip |
| Babcock, Craig | Gill, Rose | Osses, Jose Maria |
| Bailey, Frank & Karen | Goethals, Kyle | Overbey, Michael |
| Bargiachi, Charlie | Grant, Susan | Patterson, Lori |
| Batistel, Mamerto | Grant, Phillip | Powers, Cindy |
| Bautista, Laura | Graning, Dee | Preston, Anderson |
| Beach, Jayden | Grijalva, Montano | Quinton, Jun |
| Beals, Gerry | Gurrola, Martha C. | Quinton, Leonardo |
| Beare, Peggy | Gyenge, Lorraine | Ragan, Phillip |
| Bell, Carmen | Harmon, Sherri | Rasquero, Irma |
| Benjamin, Rick | Harrell, Deborah | Reed, Elvia |
| Blanton, Dottie | Henke, Max | Reese, Charlie |
| Bonds, Carolyn | Holmes, Wayne | Regenhold, Lynn |
| Boosey, Harry | Holt, Carol Kay | Rodriguez, Jesus Mata |
| Branton, Dottie | Howell, Cash | Rogers, Steven |
| Brewer, Sandra | Hulderman, Bobbie | Sabella, Jim & Marsha |
| Brown, David | Hughes, Roger | Saia, Lou |
| Brown, Kailyn | Ivory, Julie & James | Sain, Anne |
| Browning, Geneva | Jensen, Heidi | Sallee, Alan |
| Browning, Shirley | Johns, Bryan | Samonte, Josephine |
| Bryant, Martha | Johnson, Paula | Sanders, James |
| Buchholz, Helen | Johnson, Mabel | Sandlin, Janice |
| Cabo, Grace | Johnson, Theresa | Schoenbacher, Martha |
| Cano, Carmen | Jones, Brian | Sisinni, John Michael |
| Carpenter, Brad | Jones, Glen | Smith, Elias, Jr. |
| DOT Carlock | Jones, Rhonda | Smith, Mike |
| Ciniglio, Albert | Kain, Otto | Smith, Patricia |
| Clark, Juanita | Keyes, Ken | Soto Corpuz, Victor |
| Clift, Dorothy | Kirkpatrick, Kim Abell | Sparks, Don |
| Collins, Jared | Knight-Wilson, Dawn | Speechley, Jean |
| Courcelle, Tracy | Lay, Tyler | Stchura, David |
| Crosnoe, Jimmy | Leon, Diego | Storms, Mary |
| Cummings, Chris | Lifsey, Dafon | Strazzella, Chris |
| Davis, Dorothy | Lipe, Fitts | Strazzella, Larry & Mona |
| Davis, Heather | Londino, Joe | Sturgis, Larry |
| Davis, Ronald | Lovell, Tom | Styers, William |
| Day, Barbara | Luy, Suzanne Joy | Taylor, Edna |
| DeArmitt, Amy | Lycette, Missi | Tom Abell Family |
| DeArmitt, Becky | Malon, Amy Garner | Thomas, Nicole |
| Derenzo, Adeline | Manes, Lolita | Thompson, Alta |
| Diaz, Aurelio | Markowski, Diane | Todd, Mary & Norris |
| Diaz, Luz Elena | Marshall, Phyllis | Tyson, Diane |
| Doumitt, Chuck Sr. | Masters, Thomas | Ubelhor, Wayne |
| Doumitt, Deedee | Maia, Melissa | Vars, Elaine |
| Durning, Maureen | Mccage, Amy Lynn | Vicerra, Rolando |
| Dwyer, Charles | McLeary, Ralph | Villanueva, Nerissa |
| Dwyer, Pollyanne | Medvec, Dolores | Vucina, Maggie |
| Edds, Wanda | Mercado, Pacita | Walker, Robert |
| Edelen, Nancy J. | Meyer, Jill | Wallace, Permela |
| Edwards, Carter | Meyer, Michelle | Ward, Dan |
| Elligton, Lisa | Meyers, Karen | Warmath, Marvin |
| Englert, Harriette | Miller, Laurene Rose | White, John |
| Faulkner, Janice | Miller, Michael | Wilson, Jack |
| Ferri, Alex | Miracle, Jordan | Wood, Debra |
| Filomeno, Jose Juan | Mitchelson, Joe | Wyatt, Sherri |
| Flores, Melissa | Moody, Lois | Yodushock, Carl |
| Franks, Grayson | Moore, Leah | Young, Christian |
| Franey, Judith | Morrison, Libby | Young, Evlgene |
| | Neal, Mary | Younger, Kristen |



Generations OF Generosity
United in Faith

Our campaign moves forward!
The construction of the Parish Office & Columbarium is completed. Plans for the St. Joseph Center are being revised with cost-saving strategies in mind. All flat & shingled roofs are completed. The Holy Family Hall Covered Drop-off project is ready to start. Fundraising for the St. Joseph Activity Center continues.



Thank you for your continued generosity.



WEEKLY
DIVINE
MERCY
CHAPLET
& ROSARY



EVERY SUNDAY @ 3:00PM
In the Mary Courtyard
Location during bad weather:
CHURCH SANCTUARY or LIBRARY



Life in Spirit Prayer Group

Join us on the 2nd & 4th Wednesday at 7:15pm in Our Lady of Fatima Rm. For more info, email Sharon at sacreiter@gmail.com.

For information about Mass Intentions, call 731.668.2596.

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PARISH EDUCATION SCHOOL NEWS



First Holy Communion



St. Mary's Church,
Saturday, May 4, 2024
at the 11:00am Mass (Spanish) and
4:00pm Mass (English)
Rehearsals will be Wednesday,
May 1: 5:30pm-English. & 6:15pm-Spanish



Confirmation Mass

Thursday, May 2, 6:00pm
(English) Confirmandi and Sponsors
must show up one hour before.
Congratulations, Confirmandi!



LEARNING ABOUT BUTTERFLIES

Ms. Diano's Little Angels
& Mrs. Jones's Little
Angels explore the life
cycle of butterflies.



Join us at the Nelson Family Barn for a night full of food, family, friends, and fun!
Featuring the band Skyelor Anderson, come by and grab some Crawfish or Shrimp,
check out the Table Decorating Contest, and enter the Heads or Tails game to win
prizes!

Call 731-668-2525 for tickets or more information.

Featuring
art work from
Pre-K 2-4th grade students,
and Sacred Heart of Jesus High School

ART Show

WED. MAY 1, 2024
From 5:30 to 7:00

Mark your
calendars
PLEASE

Saint Mary's School 3865 US-45 BTP, Jackson, TN 38305

Come see the creative
endeavors of St. Mary's
students! Artwork will be
displayed throughout the
school for your viewing
pleasure. AND, artwork by
SHJHS students will be
available to purchase.

Catholic Classical Education for the Mind, Body & Spirit

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Homebound & Senior Citizens' Corner

Column Prepared by

Maggie-Poole Vucina

Phone: 731-664-8328

Call Maggie for help in locating any tradesman (carpenter, electrician, etc.) any home-health/medical or non-medical agency or for prayer cards: **O BLESSED MOTHER, PRAY FOR THE USA & EVENING PRAYER OF ST. AUGUSTINE.**

NEWS YOU CAN USE

SUMMER begins June 20. Use the month of May to prepare your house & yourself for the heat. *Have air conditioner serviced – Have new air flow filters installed – Check your summer wardrobe.*

***one more thing**

Don't forget to keep your pets cool in the heat.

UPCOMING FEAST DAYS AND SPECIAL DAYS

Sun., 4/28 Fifth Sunday of Easter – known as CANTATA Sunday

Mon., 4/29 Feast day of **St. Catherine of Siena** – a 14th century Italian girl who dedicated herself to God. She & St. Francis of Assisi were declared CO-PATRONS of Italy. She is patroness of Italy & Europe.

Tues., 4/30 Feast day of Pope Pius V – a 16th century Italian whose function was to implement the Council of Trent. He is patron saint of Bosco, Marengo, Italy, his birthplace.

THE MONTH OF MAY IS dedicated to **MARY & PRAYING A DAILY ROSARY.**

Wed., 5/1 Feast day of **St. Joseph the Worker** – a skilled carpenter who was given the noble task of watching over the **BLESSED MOTHER & JESUS.**

Thurs., 5/2 Feast day of **St. Athanasius** – a 4th century Egyptian, Bishop & Doctor of the Church, who attended the Council of Nicaea & was a formidable defender of the Council's teaching on Christ's divinity. & **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** – in the early 1950's, an evangelical movement led by Rev. Billy Graham, called for Congress & the President to proclaim a NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER.

Fri., 5/3 Feast day of **Saints Philip & James** – two ordinary human beings chosen by Jesus to be His Apostles. We are reminded that holiness and its consequent Apostolate are entirely gifts of God, not a matter of human achievement.

NOTABLE QUOTABLE

“The **NATIONAL DAY OF PRAYER** signifies that prayer is as important to our nation today as it was in the beginning.” (Author unknown)



MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If you are interested in this worthwhile ministry, please join Deacon Bill Winston, Saturday, May 18 at 11:00am in the Church for training. To sign-up, please call the Parish office at 731-668-2596



Spring
At
The Well



Join us Wednesday, MAY 1,
6:30pm
at *Feed Your Soul*



WE TAKE CREDIT CARDS!



STOP BY ST. ELIZABETH'S BOOKSTORE!

Check out Father Timby's delicious jellies and jams, pickles & salsa. Homemade in Padre's kitchen. All proceeds go to St. Mary's Youth Group.

We're Updating the Parish Guidebook & Directory!



We are in the process of updating our annual Guide Book & Directory for the parish. This book will contain everything pertinent to our church: the various ministries, organizations, committees, activities, functions & events plus a complete directory of all members. This edition is being provided and direct-mailed to each family at no cost to our church. It is subsidized by local businesses that advertise. If you are updating your information, please respond before May 31, 2024.

To update your address, phone number or any other contact info OR if you own or manage a business and would like to find out about advertising in our book, please call the Church Office at: 731-668-2596

HOLY HOUR & ADORATION
7:00pm
Next Adoration: First Friday, May 3
Holy Hour & Rosary. Adoration will continue until the 8am Mass on Saturday morning, May 4.

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