



AUGUST 16TH, 2026 | TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Welcome!

MASS SCHEDULE

Weekend Masses

Saturday | 4:00pm Vigil
Sunday | 9:00am (English),
2:00pm (Español)

Weekday Masses

Monday | 8:00am
Tuesday | 8:00am
Wednesday | 6:00pm (Español)
Thursday | 8:00am
Friday | 6:00pm

Confession

Saturday | 8:30am - 9:30am
Other | By Appointment

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PARISH CLERGY

Pastor Fr. Chris Axline

Parochial Vicar Fr. Johnson Vadakkumcherry

Deacon Francis Staab

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

A CANAANITE WOMAN CALLED OUT.

— MATTHEW 15:22 —



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August - Happening This Month

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
						August 01 8:30-9:30am Confessions 10am - 2pm Catechist Training 2:30pm First Saturday Devotion <i>In the Chapel</i> 4:00pm Mass
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Readings for the week of August 16, 2026

Sunday:

Is 56:1, 6-7/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8/
Rom 11:13-15, 29-32/Mt 15:21-28

Monday:

Ez 24:15-23/Dt 32:18-19, 20, 21/
Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday:

Ez 28:1-10/Dt 32:26-27ab, 27cd-28, 30,
35cd-36ab/Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday:

Ez 34:1-11/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/
Mt 20:1-16

Thursday:

Ez 36:23-28/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19/
Mt 22:1-14

Friday:

Ez 37:1-14/Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Mt 22:34-40

Saturday:

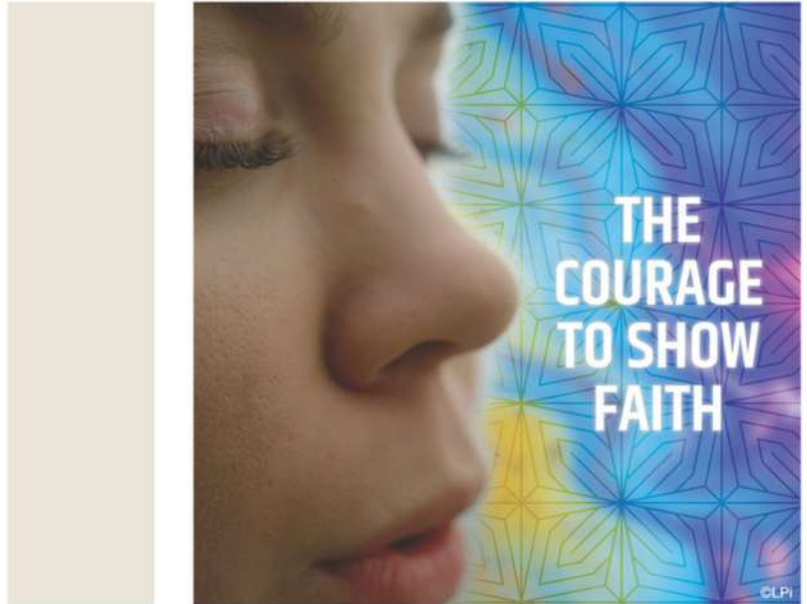
Ez 43:1-7ab/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-
14/Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday:

Is 22:19-23/Ps 138:1-2a, 2b-3, 6 and 8/
Rom 11:33-36/Mt 16:13-20



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Gospel Meditation

Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Does God ignore or act a bit rough with you? Jesus crosses the border into the pagan region of Tyre and Sidon, the territory long outside the covenant. There, a Canaanite woman calls out, **“Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David.”** At first, he is silent. Then he rebuffs her. **“It is not right to take the food of the children and throw it to the dogs.”** But the Church Fathers saw this not as an insult but as an initiation. Christ draws out of her heart a deeper faith.

She presses on. **“Please, Lord, even the dogs eat the scraps that fall from the table of their masters.”** Jesus’ silence and response solidify her humility and trust. She thus becomes a model for prayer for centuries of Christians. St. Augustine said she shows how sinners come to grace by moving from silence to humility to perseverance.

This woman is the Church. She is you and me. She is every soul who dares to cry out from the margins, who endures divine silence until it turns to compassion. When Jesus says, **“O woman, great is your faith,”** it is the joyful cry of God discovering faith where the world least expects it. Even the smallest crumb of Your mercy, Lord, is enough to heal the soul. Do we have the courage to show faith like that?

— *Father John Muir*

Weekly Prayer

Sunday's Readings

First Reading:

Thus says the LORD:
Observe what is right, do what is just;
for my salvation is about to come,
my justice, about to be revealed. (Is 56:1)

Psalm:

O God, let all the nations praise you! (Ps 67)

Second Reading:

For God delivered all to disobedience,
that he might have mercy upon all. (Rom 11:32)

Gospel:

Then Jesus said to her in reply,
"O woman, great is your faith!
Let it be done for you as you wish." (Mt 15:28)

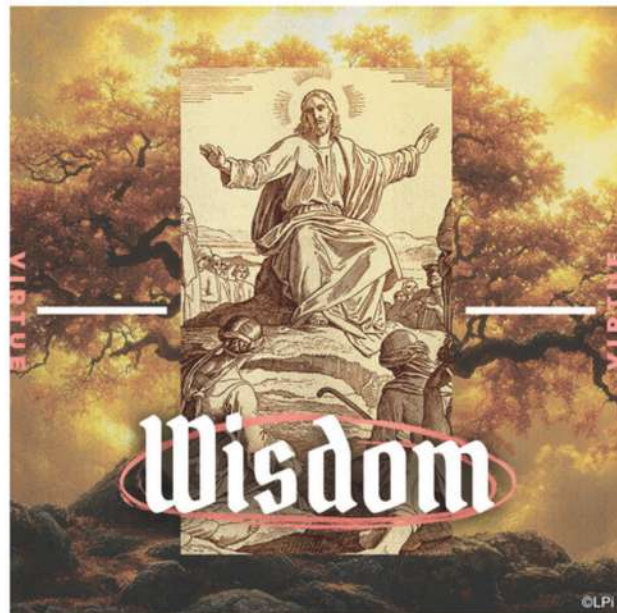
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Live The Liturgy Inspiration of the Week

The Canaanite woman did not take Jesus' initial refusal as rejection, but as an invitation to engage with God, to show him the depth of her faith. When our prayers are not answered as we wish, will we have the courage to do the same?

Observances for the week of August 16, 2026

Sunday:	20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Wednesday:	St. John Eudes, Priest
Thursday:	St. Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Friday:	St. Pius X, Pope
Saturday:	The Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Next Sunday:	21st Sunday in Ordinary Time



Virtues, Explained!

They say that wisdom comes with experience, and it does — but only if you accept it. Wisdom originates in both our will and in our intellect, meaning we must ask the Holy Spirit for the gift of wisdom — and remember to be ready when it comes.

Prayer for Conversion in Our Communities

Dear God,
Move in our community:
Bring Your light to the darkness,
Your justice to the oppressed,
Your hope to those in despair,
Your healing to those in pain.
Work in us, Lord, and change our hearts,
making us more loving, more merciful, and more compassionate.
Amen.

And behold, a Canaanite woman of that district came and called out, "Have pity on me, Lord, Son of David! My daughter is tormented by a demon." He said in reply, "I was sent only to the lost sheep of the house of Israel." But the woman came and did Jesus homage, saying, "Lord, help me."
- Mt 15:22, 24-25

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Questions of the Week

Invite Parishioners to Reflect and Respond to Scripture

First Reading:

The Lord reveals to Isaiah that He desires a house of prayer for all peoples. Do you see your faith community being open to outsiders?

Second Reading:

Paul sees how God used Israel's unbelief in Jesus as an opportunity to extend His mercy to the Gentiles. Have you ever shown mercy to someone in an unexpected way?

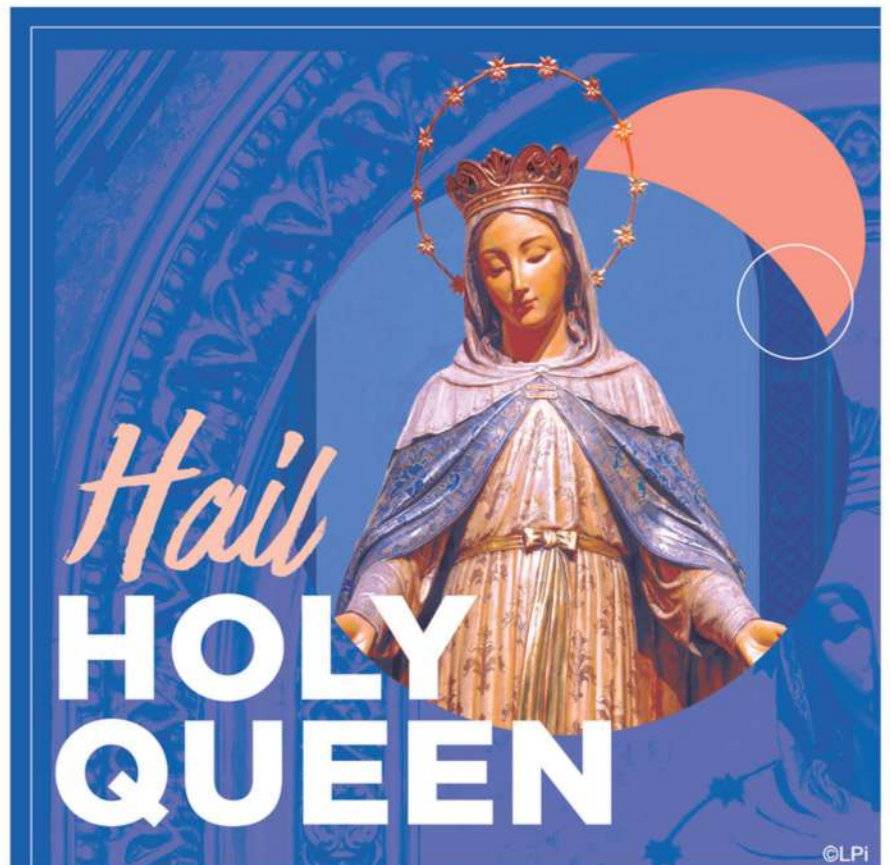
Gospel:

The Canaanite woman is persistent with Jesus to heal her demon-possessed daughter, and so he does. When have you felt heard by Jesus?



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Chess, Not Checkers

There's a saying that good leaders have to play chess, not checkers.

It will surprise no one who knows me well that I am terrible at chess. It's not so much a lack of skill (although that's part of it) as a lack of effort. I find chess exhausting. To succeed at this complex game of strategy, you have to see not just the board in front of you, but the person in front of you — and more than that, you have to consider not just what is, but what could be.

I prefer checkers.

When I read a Gospel passage like today's, I think of what Jesus would be like as a chess player. It's so easy to see this account of the Canaanite woman and her tenacity and take it at face value, as a reminder to pray without ceasing, to never stop asking God for what we need. And certainly, it is that.

But it's not only that.

We see a woman begging God for help, and we see God refuse — at first. We see her persist, and we see him capitulate. At least, that's what it looks like to us.

What does it look like to Jesus?

Jesus sees this woman's face and hears her words, just as his disciples do — but he also sees her heart. He sees her whole life. He sees every moment that leads up to this one. He sees her belief, but he also sees her unbelief. He sees her wounds. He sees her daughter.

He sees the game board not just for what it is, but for what it could be.

— Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman

Why do we do that?

Catholic Life Explained

Question:

Our prayer group is discussing ways we can change and strengthen our faith. What one thing could we change that would have the greatest impact on our faith?

Answer:

A famous coach once said that when the team is in trouble and things aren't going well, go back to the basics; when the team is winning and things are going well, go back to the basics! Any renewal program, faith development, or spiritual growth effort has to start with the basic core of what it means to believe. If the foundation is not strong, the house will not stand.

So if you work on one thing, begin with the idea that God is love, who loves us and calls us to love one another. If we really take that belief to heart, it changes how we see God, ourselves, and one another. It would change how we pray, how we treat others, and how we understand and live our own lives. Our sense of mission and purpose will be more focused on God's plan and our role in it. Love is the core of faith, the goal of life, and the hope of heaven. Whatever we do to strengthen and deepen our faith will begin and end with love.

St. Mary Women's Fellowship – For women 18 years and up

Our upcoming Fall Study program:

"Oremus: A Guide to Catholic Prayer," an 8-session study that teaches the essential steps of a faithful and fruitful prayer life. You will pray with Scripture, listen for God's voice in daily life, overcome distractions, and learn to build a consistent prayer life.



Ordering workbooks: This year we will order as a group to save on the shipping cost. The more workbooks ordered the more discount we all receive. For more information, please email Rina by August 8th: caterinar1986@gmail.com

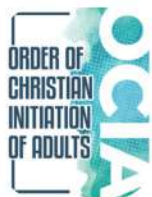
Payment due Saturday, August 15 to be included in the group discount.

The Fellowship meets the 2nd & 4th Tuesdays of the month except for December (1st & 3rd Tuesdays).

First meeting: **Tuesday, Sept 08 @6:00–7:30pm/Parish Center Library**



OCIA Class begins 08/19/26



Come join our adult OCIA class! Classes start on Wednesday, August 19th, from 7–8:30pm.

We will be meeting in Rooms 5, 6, & 7 in the parish hall.

Enroll by filling out the OCIA application, which can be picked up in the parish office or the Gift Shop. Enrollees must be registered to the parish.

The workbook is \$25 & can be paid by cash or check. Make checks out to: St. Mary's / memo: OCIA

LUKE: THE STORY OF SALVATION FULFILLED

Come one and all to start your journey for a deeper prayer life and see how the Holy Spirit is working in your life, just as he did in the life of Jesus. You will experience joy as you see how God has been faithful throughout the ages and how God's promise can guide you in your everyday life.

We begin on Tuesday, September 8 at 10 am in the Parish Center.

There will be a video presentation each class with Jeff Cavins and Dr. Jeffrey Morrow.



You can obtain the workbook on the Ascensionpress.com site.

If you order yourself, you can also obtain the video online if you are unable to attend a class.

If you have any questions or concerns, please contact grace.mcnaair@gmail.com

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August 9th Attendance: 760

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July 2026

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Dear St. Mary's,

I want to thank you for a wonderful first year here in Kingman. We are seeing tremendous growth in our community and that brings with it many new blessings and also some new challenges. Today I want to share with you an overview of our parish financial situation. While not the only indicator of a parish's health, finances do show how I am striving to practice good stewardship of the community's resources and offering them to the Lord for the proclamation of the Gospel, fostering a relationship with Jesus Christ, and community building events to draw members of the Mystical Body of Christ together in common purpose. To that end, I have compiled this report with the help of Alex Lozano our parish bookkeeper and our Renee Periera from our parish finance council so that you can see where our parish stands financially.

Our parish's fiscal year starts July 1st and ends June 30. So, from July 1, 2025 until June 30, 2026 we saw as a community a \$61,000 increase in plate income compared to last year meaning that after subtracting expenses (which also went up) our net income was \$25,000. This means that our parish income exceeds our expenses and that is due to all of you and your generosity for which I am so grateful for. What these excess funds allow us to do is to put some away into savings but also to maintain our existing facilities including performing deferred maintenance of our facilities. Additionally, we have no debt meaning that our solid financial status and extant savings allow us to look to future endeavors including, but not limited to, expansion and renovations.

Again, thank you all for your prayers, participation, and support of our community and I look forward to walking with you where the Lord guides us. If you have any additional questions please feel free to reach out.

*God bless,
Fr. Chris*

Estimada St. Mary's:

Quiero agradecerles por este maravilloso primer año aquí en Kingman. Estamos viendo un crecimiento tremendo en nuestra comunidad y eso trae consigo muchas nuevas bendiciones, pero también algunos nuevos desafíos. Hoy quiero compartir con ustedes un resumen de la situación financiera de nuestra parroquia. Aunque no es el único indicador de la salud de una parroquia, las finanzas sí muestran cómo me esfuerzo por administrar bien los recursos de la comunidad y ofrecerlos al Señor para la proclamación del Evangelio, el fomento de una relación con Jesucristo y la organización de eventos que fortalezcan la comunidad, con el fin de unir a los miembros del Cuerpo Místico de Cristo en un propósito común. Con ese fin, he elaborado este informe con la ayuda de Alex Lozano, nuestro contador parroquial, y de Renee Periera, de nuestro consejo financiero parroquial, para que puedan ver cuál es la situación financiera de nuestra parroquia.

El año fiscal de nuestra parroquia comienza el 1 de julio y termina el 30 de junio. Así pues, desde el 1 de julio de 2025 hasta el 30 de junio de 2026, como comunidad registramos un aumento de 61 000 dólares en los ingresos por ofrendas en comparación con el año pasado, lo que significa que, tras restar los gastos (que también aumentaron), nuestros ingresos netos fueron de 25 000 dólares. Esto significa que los ingresos de nuestra parroquia superan nuestros gastos, y eso se debe a todos ustedes y a su generosidad, por lo cual estoy muy agradecido. Estos fondos excedentes nos permiten destinar una parte a nuestros ahorros, pero también mantener nuestras instalaciones actuales, incluyendo la realización de trabajos de mantenimiento pospuestos. Además, no tenemos deudas, lo que significa que nuestra sólida situación financiera y los ahorros disponibles nos permiten pensar en proyectos futuros, incluyendo, entre otros, la expansión y las renovaciones.

Una vez más, gracias a todos por sus oraciones, su participación y su apoyo a nuestra comunidad, y espero con ilusión seguir caminando junto a ustedes por donde el Señor nos guíe. Si tienen alguna pregunta adicional, no duden en ponerse en contacto conmigo.

Que Dios te bendiga,
P. Chris



Welcome to St. Mary's!



A SPECIAL NOTE FROM ST. VINCENT DE PAUL WE NEED YOUR HELP.

During the month of July, we lost several volunteers to illness or moving out of state.

We must gain additional volunteers to fill those positions. We especially need able-bodied men to drive the box truck to pick up donations of furniture and appliances and make deliveries. The Thrift Store & Warehouse are open three days a week, but one day or even a few hours a week would be of help if we can count on you.

Please consider joining our team and our mission to help the needy in our community.

IN OUR HEARTS

Those Who Have Died

Laura Bennett
Mary Deering
James Collins
Kyle Hurley
Marie Staab
Michelle Guenther
Lois Robinson
Simon "Robby" Robinson



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Sick Parishioners

Ginny Ludwilowski
Joey Mathews
Steffen Urban
Pam Weineister & Family
Jeff McBride
Gregory Cull
Paula Poublon
Wenerlyn Fabiana Silva Mendez

St. Mary's SAINTS in the Making is back!

Saints in the Making is back!
Our Saints and service program for confirmed children, ages 9-13, is accepting up to 10 children for the 2026-2027 year.

To register your child, please email Crystal Palmer at
cpalmer@stmarykingman.com.



MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY GOSPELS

Saturday, August 15th

THE ASSUMPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Vigil - Lk 11:27-28, Day - Lk 1:39-56
4:00pm | Ronald Baker †

Sunday, August 16th

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mt 15:21-28

9:00am | Buddy Goldberg
2:00pm | Pro Populo

Monday, August 17th

Weekday
Mt 19:16-22
8:00am | Ed & Pat Whitehead †

Tuesday, August 18th

Weekday
Mt 19:23-30
8:00am | Ed & Pat Whitehead †

Wednesday, August 19th

Weekday; Saint John Eudes, Priest
Mt 20:1-16
6:00pm | Seigworth Family †

Thursday, August 20th

Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
Mt 22:1-14
8:00am | Ed & Pat Whitehead †

Friday, August 21st

Saint Pius X, Pope
Mt 22:34-40
6:00pm | Ed & Pat Whitehead †

Next Saturday, August 22nd

THE QUEENSHIP OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY
Mt 23:1-12
4:00pm | Pro Populo

Next Sunday, August 23rd

TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
Mt 16:13-20
9:00am | Clarence PeeWee Smith †
2:00pm | Pro Populo

Prayer

Jesus, I believe you can help.

Mission for the Week

When I hear a siren, I will pray for the people inside the ambulance.

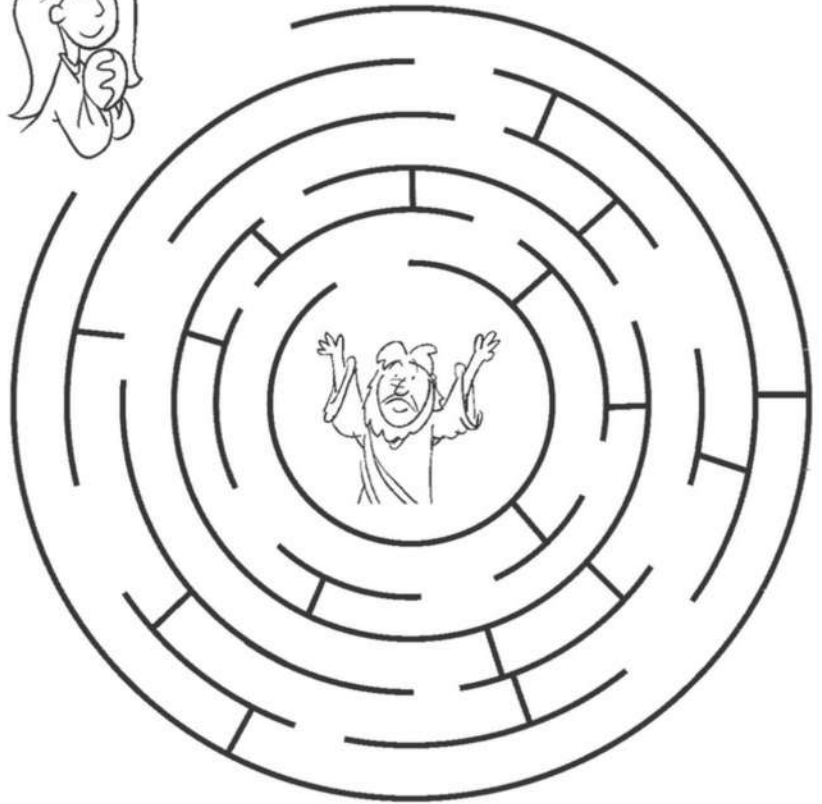
Sharing the Gospel

A woman begged Jesus to cure her daughter who was possessed by demons. This lady believed that Jesus could cure her daughter. He cured her daughter because of her faith. Ask God to help someone you know who is very sick. Ask God to help the homeless find jobs so they can pay for a place to live. Ask God to help you and your sisters and brothers play without fighting. He will help because of your faith.

Now color the picture!



Find the matching shadow



Religious Formation and Sacraments

REGISTER FOR RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

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Registration for the 2026-2027 session
has ended:

**Classes begin on Thursday, August 13th,
from 5:30-7:00pm at the Parish Center.**



The side doors will open at 5:15pm



Please check our website and Facebook page
for more information!



We look forward to seeing our St. Mary's families next session!



Baptism Information

(children ages 6 and younger)



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD To

have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of

**the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline
describing the required forms.**

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents
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