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Dolan Springs, AZ

SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2026 | TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
20 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 2026 | VIGÉSIMO QUINTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Welcome!
¡Bienvenido!

**MASS SCHEDULE /
HORARIO DE MISAS**

**Weekend Masses /
Misas de fin de semana**

Saturday | 4:00pm Vigil (English)
 Sunday | 11:30am (Español)

Sábado | 4:00 p. m. Vigilia (inglés)
 Domingo | 11:30 a. m. (español)

**Weekend Rosaries /
Rosarios de fin de semana**

Saturday | At the Church (privately) 3:20pm
 Sunday | With Litanies of the Blessed
 Virgin Mary 11:00am

Sábado | En la iglesia (en privado) 3:20pm
 Domingo | Con las Letanías de la Santísima
 Virgen María 11:00am

Confession / Confesión

Saturday | By Appointment
 (English/Español)

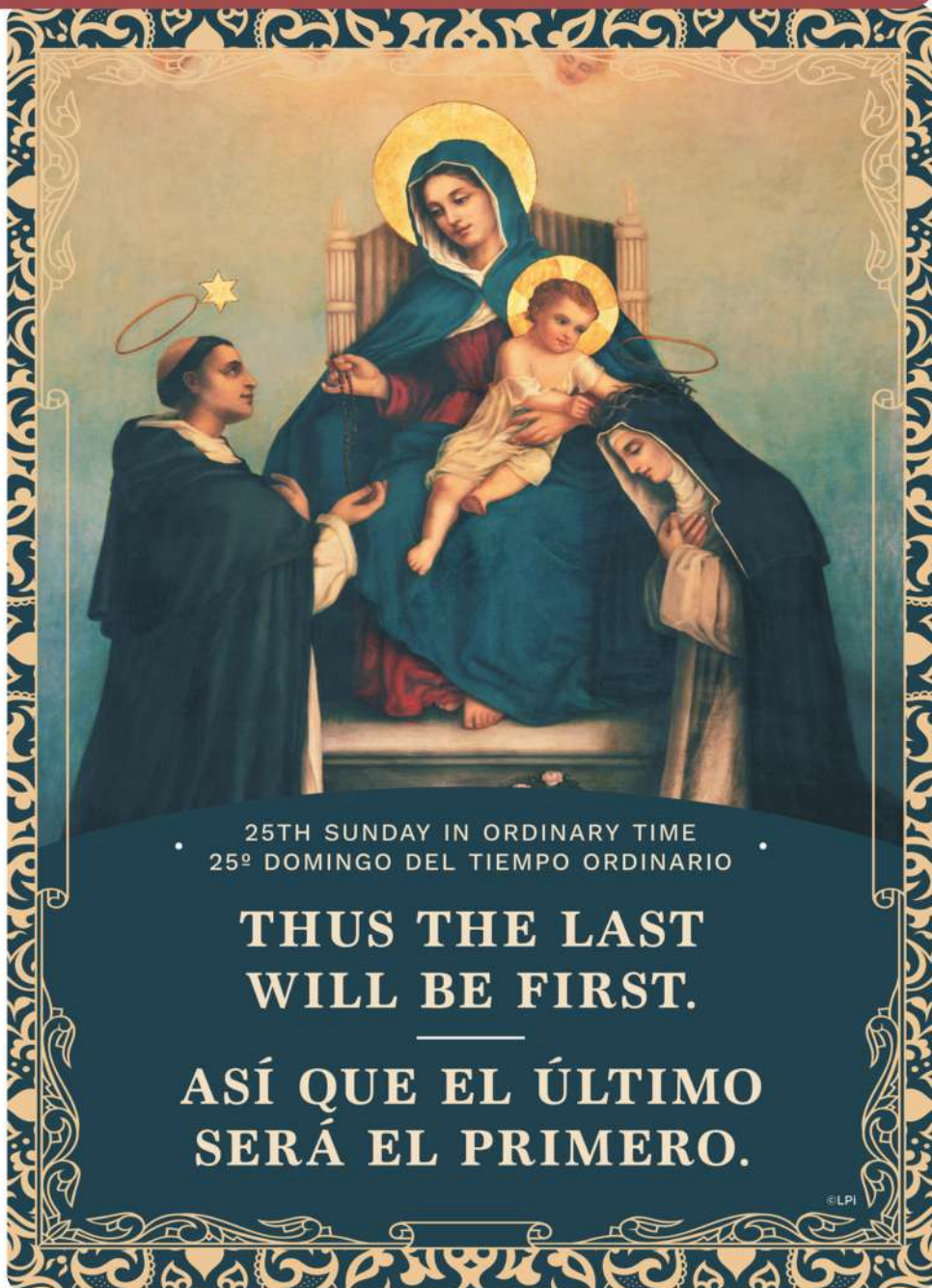
Sábado | Con cita previa (Inglés/Español)

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25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
 25º DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

**THUS THE LAST
WILL BE FIRST.**

**ASÍ QUE EL ÚLTIMO
SERÁ EL PRIMERO.**

PARISH CLERGY

Pastor Fr. Chris Axline

Parochial Vicar Fr. Johnson Vadakkumcherry

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Vicario parroquial: P. Johnson Vadakkumcherry

September- Happening This Month at St. Mary's Kingman

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
 Our Lady of Sorrows September Nuestra Señora de los Dolores		Sept. 01 8:00am Mass	02 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	03 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	04 5:00pm First Friday Devotion <i>In the Chapel</i> 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	05 8:30-9:30am Confessions 2:30pm First Saturday Devotion <i>In the Chapel</i> 4:00pm Mass
06 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	07 Office closed for Labor Day 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC	08 THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 8:00am Mass	09 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	10 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	11 No Mass - Diamondbacks Game in PHX 6:45pm CERS	12 8:30-9:30am Confessions 9:30 am Pro-life Rosary/ Meeting 4:00pm Mass
13 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC	15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS 8:00am Mass	16 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	17 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class 	18 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	19 8:30-9:30am Confessions 4:00pm Mass Gifts from the Holy Land available at this weekend's Masses
20 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Catechetical Sunday 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	21 No Mass 6:00pm JPC	22 No Mass	23 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class  - cancelled	24 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	25 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	26 8:30-9:30am Confessions 4:00pm Mass
27 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 10:00am-2:00pm Fall Festival 2:00pm Misa (Español)	28 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC 	29 8:00am Mass	30 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class			

Worship & Observances

Prayer for an OCIA Class

Dear God,
You never cease calling
each of us to You.
Be with our OCIA class as we
journey to know You better.
Inspire our conversations,
guide our lessons,
and direct our hearts as
each of us seeks Your will.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 20, 2026

Sunday

Is 55:6-9/Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-18/Phil 1:20c-24, 27a/
Mt 20:1-16a

Monday

Eph 4:1-7, 11-13/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Mt 9:9-13

Tuesday

Prv 21:1-6, 10-13/Ps 119:1, 27, 30, 34, 35, 44/Lk 8:19-21

Wednesday

Prv 30:5-9/Ps 119:29, 72, 89, 101, 104, 163/Lk 9:1-6

Thursday

Eccl 1:2-11/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17bc/Lk 9:7-9

Friday

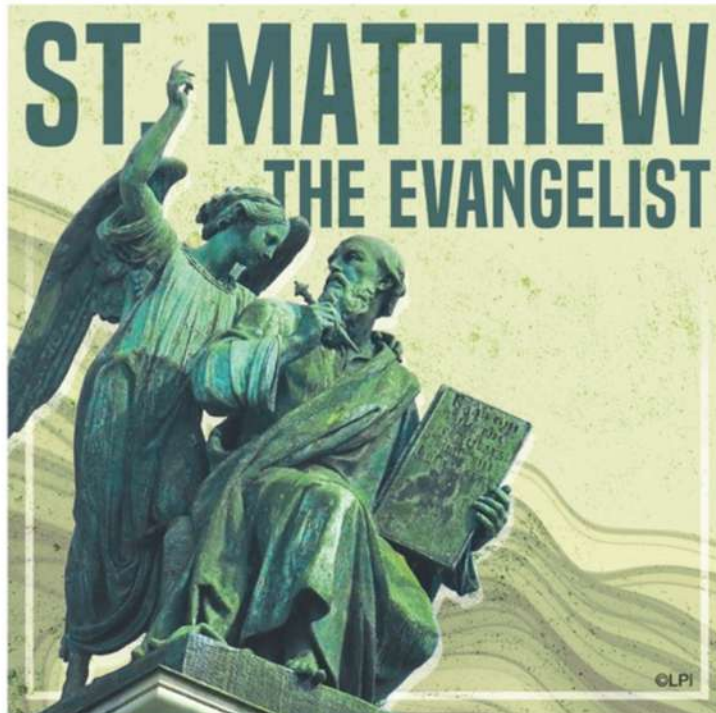
Eccl 3:1-11/Ps 144:1b and 2abc, 3-4/Lk 9:18-22

Saturday

Eccl 11:9-12:8/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14 and 17/
Lk 9:43b-45

Next Sunday

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
Mt 21:28-32



Observances for the Week of September 20, 2026

Sunday

25th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Catechetical Sunday

Monday

St. Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist;
National Migration Week

Wednesday

St. Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

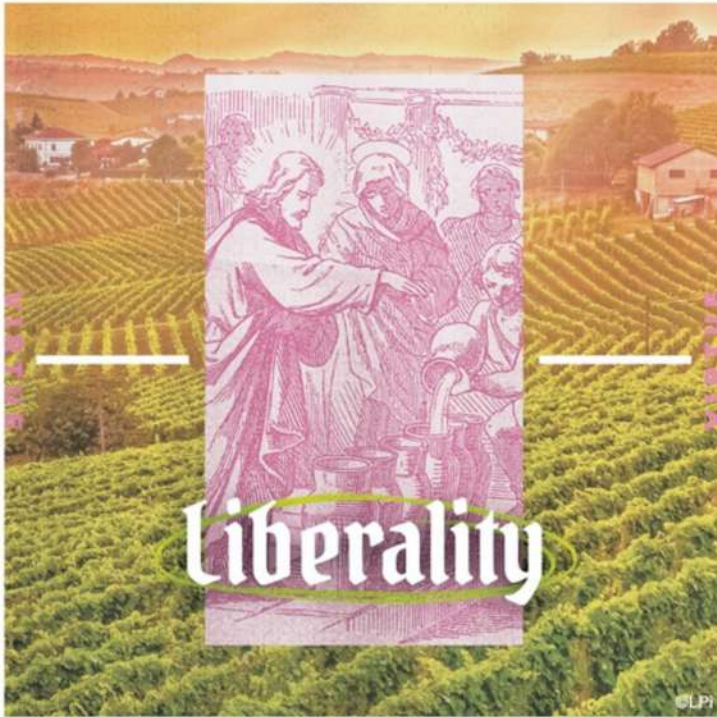
Saturday

Sts. Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs

Next Sunday

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Priesthood Sunday

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

Jesus told the rich young man that in order to be saved, he must sell all he owned and give the proceeds to the poor. This is the virtue of liberality — giving of one's resources freely and in abundance.

However, the virtue of liberality should be practiced by each person according to his state in life. The rich young man could afford to lose everything — and indeed, was too attached to his wealth. We are all called to give selflessly of what we have, but “we have gifts that differ according to the grace given to us,” writes St. Paul (Romans 12:6).

Some of us have too much time and have grown idle. Some of us have too much talent and use it only to benefit ourselves. Some of us have too much wealth, and hoard it jealously. Whatever we have too much of will keep us from God. So let's practice liberality, and be generous.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

Seek the Lord while he may be found,
call him while he is near. (Is 55:6)

Psalm

The Lord is near to all who call upon him. (Ps 145)

Second Reading

I am caught between the two.
I long to depart this life and be with Christ,
for that is far better. (Phil 1:23)

Gospel

“What if I wish to give this last one the same as you?
Or am I not free to do as I wish with my own money?
Are you envious because I am generous?”
(Mt 20:14-15)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

The master rewards the latecomers with the same wage as those who labored all day, upsetting the construct of who deserves what — and why. May we never seek to be the judge of what others deserve. May we labor in our vineyard with joy and gratitude.

Liturgical Life

St. Pius of Pietrelcina

Pray for us!

Born Francesco Forgione in 1887 in Pietrelcina, Italy, St. Pius of Pietrelcina (May 25, 1887 – September 23, 1968) — better known as Padre Pio — joined the Capuchin Franciscans at 15 and was ordained in 1910. He endured lifelong illness and bore the stigmata, the wounds of Christ, for the last 50 years of his life. After serving briefly in the Italian Medical Corps during World War I, he was assigned to San Giovanni Rotondo, where he became renowned for celebrating Mass, hearing confessions throughout the day, and his ardent desire to serve the sick and poor. His compassion inspired the founding of Casa Sollievo della Sofferenza, a hospital that opened in 1956.

St. Pius of Pietrelcina died on September 23, 1968, and he was beatified in 1999. Canonized in 2002 by Pope St. John Paul II, he is the patron saint of adolescents, civil defense volunteers, and Pietrelcina.



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Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus tells the parable of the landowner who pays all of the workers of his vineyard a just daily wage, reminding them that "the last will be first and the first will be last."

The Why

Sometimes, the Gospel takes everything you think you know about Jesus, throws it in a box, shakes it violently, dumps it on the floor, looks you in the eye and says: "Clean it up."

And there you are, picking up the pieces, wondering how, after 2,000 years, someone can still keep you guessing.

Today is one of those Gospels. We know Jesus as a champion of the poor. We envision him as a social justice warrior. And now he's advocating for time theft in the workplace? Make it make sense.

Well, at its heart, today's Gospel is a story about who gets what. A story about comparison, which we are told is the thief of joy — but without comparison, nothing would ever get done. In this world, wages are set, court cases are settled, international borders are drawn, all by comparing one entity to another and evaluating that comparison to make a judgment.

What this Gospel doesn't tell us is the "why." The workers who labored longest in the vineyard feel

cheated because those who showed up later earn the same wage. This would be egregious — unless we consider that the only criteria used in the comparison is the length of the work day's duration. Quality and efficiency of work is never even mentioned. For all we know, those all-day workers could have been standing around fanning themselves, and should feel lucky to get what they did.

"Why" is a question we ask a lot in this life. Why did my dad die? Why did I get cancer? Why did my husband lose his job? As we pick up the pieces of today's Gospel, we should ask ourselves this: when we know what we know about Who decides who gets what, do we have to know the "why?"

-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman





Annual Fall Festival to be held Sunday, September 27th

from 10am-2pm in the Parish Center parking lot.

Food, beverages, games, raffles,
and Fr. Chris in a dunk tank!

Great time for fellowship! **Hope to see you there!**



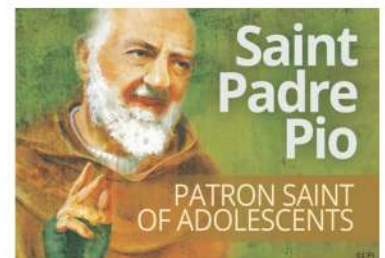
Gifts from the Holy Land

Olive wood items will be available to buy at
this weekend's Masses (09/19-09/20).

Get beautiful gifts and support Christians living
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PEOPLE WHO KEEP
THE MEMORY
OF GOD ALIVE;
THEY KEEP IT ALIVE
IN THEMSELVES
AND THEY ARE
ABLE TO REVIVE
IT IN OTHERS."
- POPE FRANCIS



STEWARDSHIP

September 6th

Attendance: 778

Weekly Collection	\$ 7,812.10
Online Giving	\$ 1,012.54
Building Fund	\$ 459.00
Weekly Total	\$ 9,283.64

August 2026

Monthly Collection	\$ 47,039.45
Monthly Expenses.....	\$ 45,215.22
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AAPC (Advice & Aid
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starting the Baby Bottle
campaign on Sept. 5th.

Bottles are now available.

*It'll be handed in by end of
October.*

**Thanks very much for
your support!**



Altar flowers for the September 20th weekend are in memory of **Steven Garger**

Donated by Marilyn Garger

If you would like to donate altar flowers in memory of a loved one,
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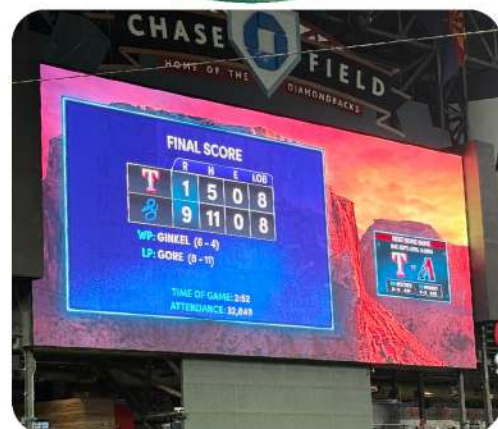
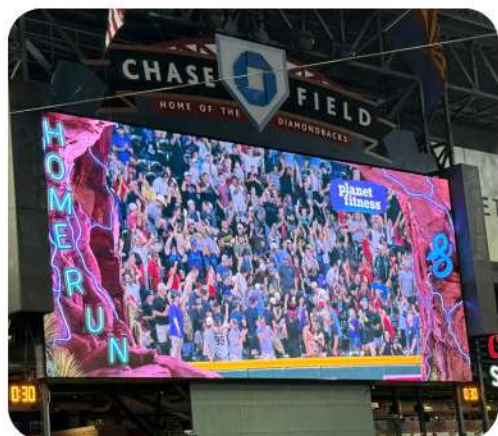
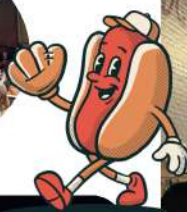
Catholic Night at the Diamondbacks Game

Parishioners from St. Mary's attended Catholic Night at Chase Field on Friday, September 11th. The Diamondbacks beat the Texas Rangers 9-1, with 9 runs and 11 hits.

It was an exciting game with back-to-back home runs by the Diamondbacks! The game also featured tributes to September 11th and ended with a fireworks show.

Thank you to Fr. Chris for arranging the trip, and thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their help in paying for the bus.

Everyone had a great time and we can't wait to do it again next year!



Welcome to Our Lady of the Desert

Catholic Night at the Diamondbacks Game



IN OUR HEARTS

Those Who Have Died

Robin "Rob" Grumbles
Helen Clark
Laura Bennett
Mary Deering
James Collins
Kyle Hurley
Marie Staab
Michelle Guenther



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Sick Parishioners

Paula Poublon
Arthur Penfold
Fr. Matthew Krempel
Raeshel Lucero Hogue
Taylor Dupee
Rob Grumbles
Ginny Ludwilowski
Joey Mathews
Steffen Urban



MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY GOSPELS

Saturday, September 19th

Saint Januarius, Bishop and Martyr; BVM

Lk 8:4-15

4:00pm | Seigworth Family †

Sunday, September 20th

TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 20:1-16a

9:00am | Steve Garger †

2:00pm | Pro Populo

Monday, September 21st

Saint Matthew, Apostle and Evangelist

Mt 9:9-13

8:00am | Julina Muertique †

Tuesday, September 22nd

Weekday

Lk 8:19-21

8:00am | Teodora Migabon †

Wednesday, September 23rd

Saint Pius of Pietrelcina, Priest

Lk 9:1-6

6:00pm | Ramirez & Torres Family

Thursday, September 24th

Weekday

Lk 9:7-9

8:00am | Katie Filippi †

Friday, September 25th

Weekday

Lk 9:18-22

6:00pm | Jeremy & Jared Rhizor

Next Saturday, September 26th

Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM

Lk 9:43b-45

4:00pm | Mstr. Sgt. William Joseph Nash †

Next Sunday, September 27th

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 21:28-32

9:00am | Brother May Davied Tennies †,

Mary Daniel †

2:00pm | Maria Esperanza Angeles †

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Kids Corner

Sharing the Gospel

Your Father says, "Will you work eight hours in my garden for one hundred dollars?" You answer, "Yes." You work hard for seven hours. Then your Father says to two other people, "Will you work one hour in my garden for one hundred dollars?" You shout angrily, "Father, you are not fair." He says, "You agreed to work eight hours for one hundred dollars. That is fair."



**Now color
the picture!**

Prayer

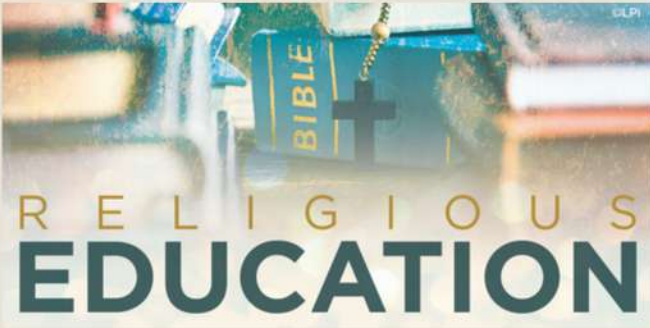
When I am first or when I am last, thanks for giving me what I need, Father.

Mission for the Week

I will do chores and give the money that I earn to the poor.



Religious Formation and Sacraments



Registration for the children's 2026-2027 Religious Education session has ended.

Next year's registration will begin in June 2027.

Please check our website and Facebook page for more updates!



COME JOIN OUR ADULT OCIA CLASS!

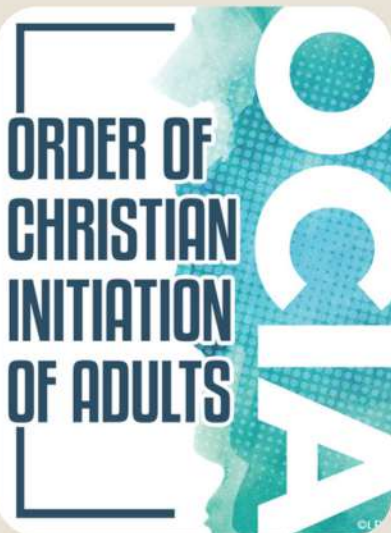
**Classes meet weekly on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm.
We will be meeting in Rooms 5, 6, & 7 in the parish hall.**

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



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 will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.



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