

## Mass Intentions

April 18-26, 2020

THE CHURCH WILL BE LOCKED DURING  
PRIVATE MASS TIMES

- April 18—5PM  
+William Barrett from Jim and Pat Barrett
- April 19—8AM Sunday—Latin/10AM English//1PM Spanish  
+Gary Klein from Judy Klein  
+Rosemarie Weinziert from Paul and Sally Kessler  
St. Mary Parish  
3PM Divine Mercy Chaplet
- April 20 —9AM Monday  
Leonard Mathey, Jr. from Stephen and Toni Pacitti
- April 21—9AM Tuesday  
+Mother Teresa of Calcuta
- April 22—9AM and 6PM Wednesday  
+Robert Whitaker, Jr from Jim and Pat Barrett  
St. Mary Parish
- April 23—9AM  
+Edmund DuChemin for his soul from Annette
- April 24— 9AM  
+Clarice Dugan from Denise Michaud
- April 25—5PM  
St. Mary Parish
- April 26—8AM Sunday—Latin/10AM English//1PM Spanish  
Abbe Christian Juneau from Andre Juneau  
+Gloria Carrick from Bob and Carolee Gladish  
Sick and Homebound of St. Mary Parish

Call the office to have a Mass Scheduled. Donation of \$5.00.

## ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT FEBRUARY 29, 2020

BUDGET CATEGORY	FY 2020 BUDGET	EXPENDITURES THROUGH 2/29/2020	% EXPENDED
PASTORAL-ADMIN/GENERAL	\$191,991	\$ 127,844	67%
LITURGY	22,400	14,701	66%
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	13,675	9,407	69%
MINISTRY OF YOUTH	7,573	2,378	31%
MINISTRY FAMILY/PARISH LIFE	2,505	1,053	42%
PARISH COUNCIL-GENERAL	320	215	67%
PLANT/PARISH OPER & MAINT	71,980	52,120	72%
TOTALS	\$310,444	\$207,718	67%

	CURRENT MONTH	YEAR TO DATE
MONTHLY REV. FEB. 2020	\$ 20,418	REV. JULY 2019 – FEB. 2020 \$ 193,597
MONTHLY EXP. FEB. 2020	25,521	EXP. JULY 2019 – FEB. 2020 207,718
OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT)	\$ (5,103)	OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT) (\$14,121)

SUMMARY:

CURRENT FY 2020 DEFICIT	(\$ 14,121)
CARRY OVER DEFICIT PRIOR YEARS	(\$ 30,583)
FALL FESTIVAL FUNDS AS OF 2/29/2020	\$ 16,962
ST. MARY CHURCH ACCUMULATED DEFICIT	(\$ 27,742)

PARISH FAMILY LIFE CENTER DEBT:

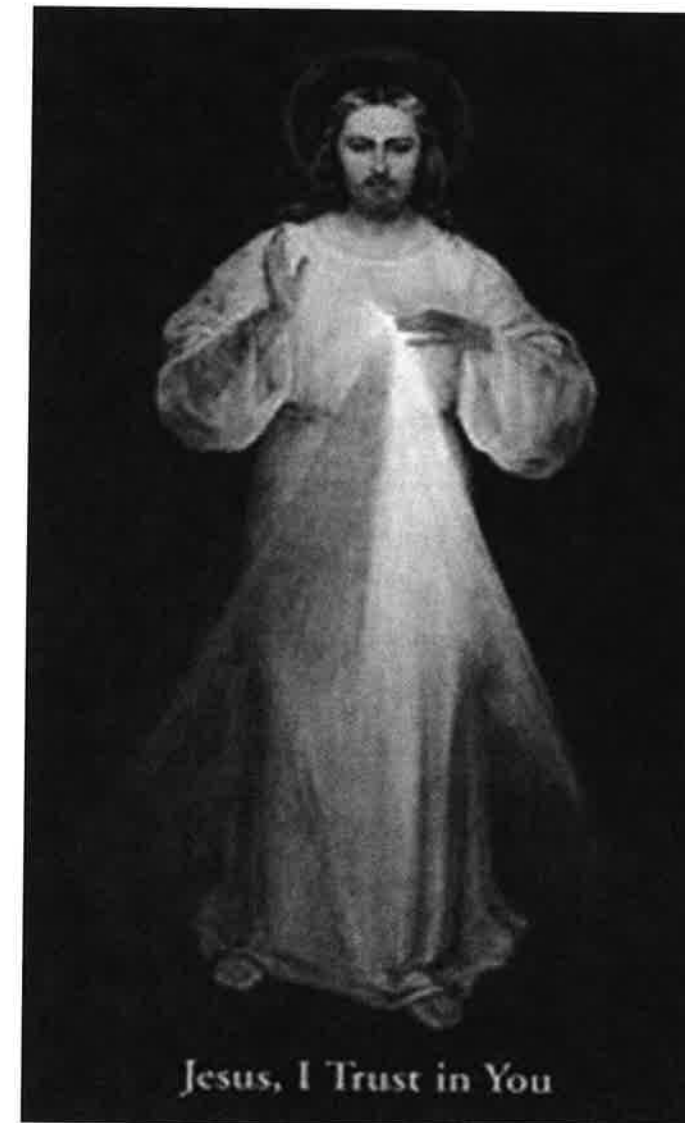
ORIGINAL NOTE (12/1/2012)	\$625,000	
NOTE BALANCE AS OF (2/29/2020)		\$111,954

(All Figures Rounded)

"Thank you for your stewardship generosity."

**ON LINE GIVING** - Visit our website at [www.stmaryathenstn.org](http://www.stmaryathenstn.org) to become a part of our "ON LINE GIVING," available to our parish.

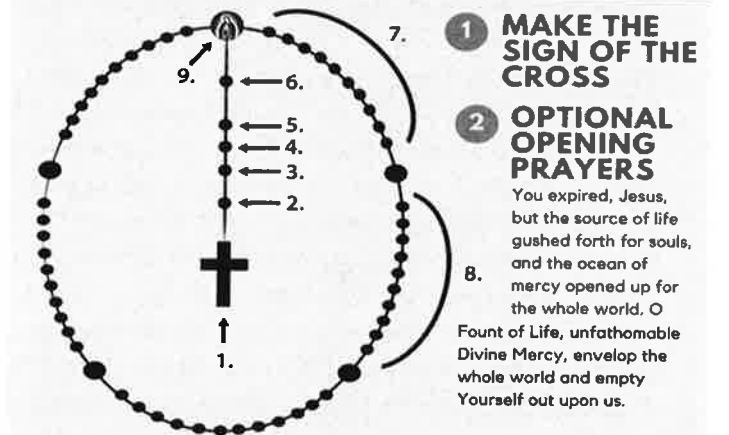
## DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY



### PRAYING THE CHAPLET OF

# DIVINE MERCY

The Chaplet of Divine Mercy is recited using ordinary rosary beads. It is preceded by two opening prayers from the Diary of St. Faustina and followed by a closing prayer.



(Repeat three times) O Blood and Water, which gushed forth from the Heart of Jesus as a fountain of Mercy for us, I trust in You!

For updates from the Diocese please go the DOK website at "dioknox.org" for the most recent update from the Bishop.

To receive the bulletin by e-mail please send me your name and e-mail to—stmaryathenstn@att.net.

If you know of an elderly or sick/homebound that has errand's that need to be run call the office at 745-4277 or Sissy's cell 423-462-5625 or text Paulette at 423-333-8674. If you would like to help with this call the office or Sissy. **If anyone in our parish is in need of food, please contact the Ladies for Charity at 745-9062.**

**Ladies for Charity.** Thank you Parishioners for your continued generosity of donating food for our Food Pantry. If you need food assistance, please call Diane Schwartz at 423-745-9062.

**THE CHURCH IS OPEN FOR YOU TO COME PRAY AND SPEND TIME WITH JESUS.  
8AM—4:30PM**



Thank you all for continuing to support our parish during these hard times. Please continue to mail in your contribution or go to our web site and consider giving online. God Bless us all.....

PARISH DIRECTORY— Work has been placed on hold till further notice.

\*\*\*\*\*EXTENDED THRU 4/30—\*\*\*\*\*

**ST. MARY SCHOLARSHIP PROGRAM - High School Seniors and College Students**

Applications and all required submissions will be accepted from January 1st to APRIL 30TH of 2020. Applications (along with the rules) can be picked up at the church office or at the St. Mary web site, [www.stmaryathenstn.org](http://www.stmaryathenstn.org). The annual program awards at least two scholarships per year with a maximum of \$20,000.00 per year. Application is open to any incoming freshman or returning college student as well as any incoming or returning technical school student from Meigs, McMinn, Monroe and Polk counties. The deadline for application to be accepted if complete and postmarked between Jan 1st and APRIL 30TH, of each year. All paper work must be completed and returned by APRIL 30, 2020 or postmarked by the 30TH. Funding for this program is provided through a private donation specifically for this program.

*In 1933, God gave Sister Faustina a striking vision of His Mercy, St. Faustina tells us: "I saw a great light, with God the Father in the midst of it. Between this light and the earth I saw Jesus nailed to the Cross and in such a way that God, wanting to look upon the earth, had a look through Our Lord's wounds and I understood that God blessed the earth for the sake of Jesus."*

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

## IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SANTA MARÍA

1291 E. MADISON AVE

ATHENS, TN 37303

My dear parishioners,

Peace! On the feast of Our Lady of the Rosary, 7 October, 2019, Pope Francis established the feast of Our Lady of Loreto, to be observed each year on the 10<sup>th</sup> of December. At the same time Pope Francis proclaimed a Laurentian Jubilee Holy Year to run from 8 December, 2019 through 10 December, 2020. There are fifty-one invocations in the *Litany of Loreto*. The following is a reflection on the seventeenth invocation: **Virgin most prudent, pray for us**

What does it mean to call Saint Mary “Virgin most prudent”? First we consider Our Lady’s virginity. Holy Mother Church venerates Saint Mary, ever virgin, in her prayers and in her Saints. The *Confetior* (I confess...) of the Mass we “ask Mary, ever Virgin...” to pray for us Saint Athanasius (+373) in his *Discourses Against the Arians* (2:70; 360) asserts the perpetual virginity of Saint Mary. Saint Jerome (+420) asserts the perpetual virginity of Saint Mary in his *Against Helvidius: The Perpetual Virginity of Mary* (19; 383). Saint Augustine (+430) asserts the perpetual virginity of Saint Mary in his *Sermon* 186:1 (411) saying that she was “A Virgin conceiving, a Virgin bearing, a Virgin pregnant, a Virgin bringing forth, a Virgin perpetual.” Pope Saint Leo I (+461) asserts Saint Mary’s perpetual virginity in *Sermon* 22:2 (450).

Prudence is one of the Cardinal Virtues (with Temperance, Fortitude and Justice). Saint Mary, the Blessed Virgin, live all of the virtues, including prudence, doing the right thing at the right time in the right way for the right reason(s). The prudence of Our Lady as regards her perpetual virginity allows for consideration of one of her virtues. When we look both ways before crossing the street it is prudent, so as not to get run over. Our Lady is no less prudent. In her manner of dress she was prudent. In the company she kept she was prudent. In the activities she undertook she was prudent. Saint Thomas Aquinas, OP (+1274) addresses the virtue of prudence in his *Summa Theologiae* II-II Q. 47-56. St Thomas even identifies various parts of prudence, including: memory, understanding, docility, shrewdness, reason, foresight, circumspection, and caution (ST II-II Q.49, a. 1-8). Citing Proverbs 21:20, St Thomas identifies imprudence as a sin (ST II-II Q. 53, a. 1).

Our age, like that of pagan Rome and that of the barbarians, does not seem to much value chastity or moral prudence. As devotees of Our Lady and followers of her Son, however, we know where our nature comes from (God) and the rewards. When we honor Our Lady under her title “Virgin Most Prudent” we are asking her to help us grow in both chastity and prudence. A supernatural prudence even takes into consideration the judgment of God upon our souls. When presented with the will of God for her life and our salvation (cf. Luke 1:26-38), Saint Mary, the perpetual prudent virgin accepted God’s plan and agreed to become the Mother of God.

Father John Arthur Orr

### Contacts for :

CCD—Oneta Fioravanti— 865-712-6819—classes meet Sunday at 11:15-12:45 in the CCD Building and Youth Room.

Youth Ministries—Sue Granger— 423-506-7836. Meets in the Youth Room on Wednesday following mass.

RCIA—Jack Cox - 423-836-2979

Hispanic Ministry—Alicia Mora—423-368-5310

Parish Family Life Center (PFLC) - Kay Prevatt 423-453-2049. Contact her to schedule all use/rental of the PFLC by parish groups and the public.

To schedule use of the Narthex call the office.

**NEW TO OUR PARISH**—If you are new to our parish see one of our ushers for a **BLUE PARISH CENSUS FORM**. They are also located on the Narthex Table or the slots in back of the church on the left as you leave. Also let the office know if you would like envelopes. **TO UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION (CHANGES) FILL OUT THE YELLOW COPY ONLY.**  
**For Sacrament information call the office.**

### SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY — APRIL 19, 2020

Pastor: Rev. Dr. John Arthur Orr

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS: Monday– Thursday 8am-4:30pm Friday 8:00—11am

WEEK DAY DAILY MASS: 9am plus Wednesday at 6pm.

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS TIMES 9AM AND 7PM**

Saturday: First Saturday of month 9am; Vigil Mass 5pm **If Holy Day is on a Wednesday Mass will be at 6PM**

Sunday: Mass 8am Latin, 10:00am English and 1pm Spanish

CONFESSION: Saturday 4:00-4:45pm Sunday 9–9:45am, 12-12:45pm

### Stewardship/Collection

April 11/12, 2020

Offertory (Envelopes/Check-Cash-On Line)	\$ 5,290.00
Loose Offering	\$ 226.00
Mass/Coffee/Candles/Rmbr/Rent/Flowers/etc.	\$ 115.54
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 5,631.54</b>
Building Fund - April total to date—	\$ 3,764.37
Second collections will be collected after Communion	

### SECOND COLLECTIONS

4/10—Good Friday—the Holy Land	\$ 220.00	\$ 180.00
4/12—Diocesan Seminarian Education	\$ 180.00	\$ 160.00
4/19— Good Samaritan—1/2 Coord. Charities	\$ 218.00	\$ 128.00
4/26—Home Missions Appeal	\$ 40.00	\$ 30.00
Catholic Relief Services		\$ 100.00
Deficit Reduction—As of July 2019	\$ 49,818.01	\$ 523.00

DEFICIT REDUCTION ENVELOPES (GOLD) AVAILABE AT THE BACK OF THE CHURCH

HOME CAMPAIGN (\$73,024.53)

For the month of—February 2020—\$327.00

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH MONTHLY FINANCIAL REPORT—

February 29, 2020 is posted in Message Center

If you would like to receive collection envelopes please call the office.

### Daily Mass Readings

April 20, 2020—April 26, 2020

-Method for Prayerfully Reading the Scriptures

(Lectio Divina) 1. Read 2. Reflect (meditate) 3. Respond (pray) 4. Rest (contemplate)

Monday, April 20—Acts 4:23-31//Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday, April 21—Acts 4:32-27//Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday, April 22— Acts 5:17-33//Jn 3:16-21

Thursday, April 23— Acts 5:27-33//Jn 3:31-36

Friday, April 24—Acts 5:34-42//Jn 6:1-15

Saturday, April 25—Acts 1:Pt 5:5b-14//Mk 16:15-20

Sunday, April 26—Acts 2:14, 22-33//1 Pt 1:17-21//Lk 24:13-35

**READINGS - YEAR A** – Order of the Mass begins in section with the gray edges #140

04/19/2020—Divine Mercy Sunday—#903

04/26/2020—Third Sunday of Easter—#904

05/03/2020—Fourth Sunday of Easter—#907

05/10/2020—Fifth Sunday of Easter—# 910

### This Week in our Parish

"During these times that we are not physically attending Mass, Father John Orr is recording timely video messages and prayers for all of us. Links to these videos, along with messages from the Bishop, and televised Masses are available on our website. The website is updated routinely to facilitate communication within our Church. Other means to view Father John's messages is via St Mary's Facebook page and YouTube channel (links are on our website). Please subscribe/Like the page in order to get updates."

[www.stmaryathenstn@att.org](http://www.stmaryathenstn@att.org)

Sunday—April 19, 2020

**DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY**

Monday—April 20, 2020

Tuesday—April 21, 2020

Wednesday—April 22, 2020

Thursday—April 23, 2020

Friday—April 24, 2020

Saturday—April 25, 2020

If anyone would like to volunteer to help clean the Church please stop by when the church is open.— Thank you

Sunday—April 26, 2020

**KEEP READING THE BIBLE WITH YOUR FAMILY**

**CANDLE DONATIONS**—We are asking for a donation of \$3.00 per candle to help defray the cost of the candles and Blue Globes

### ATTENDANCE—

April 11/12, 2020—Total

5pm—00— //8am— 00 //10am—00 1pm—00



**ALTAR FLOWERS—**

**FROM ST. MARY PARISH**

Flowers are \$50.00 for the Altar flowers and \$25.00 for Sacred Heart flowers and must be paid for in advance. You can pay for and request larger arrangement if you wish.

**PRAYER CHAIN**—Call Carol Webb at 744-7378 to be placed on the prayer chain, or if you would like to help. Keep in your prayers Jane Meyer, Tom and Mandy Nichols, Laura, Bill and Mary Nichols, James Winner, Levi and Sally Sanford, Karen Humphries, Phil Frye and all of our sick and homebound.