

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

IGLESIA CATÓLICA DE SANTA MARÍA

1291 E. MADISON AVE

ATHENS, TN 37303

**THIRTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME— JUNE 30, 2024**

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**PARISH OFFICE HOURS:** Monday– Thursday 7:30AM—5:00PM

**CONFESSION—After daily Mass—Saturday 4:00-4:45pm Sunday 9:30-9:45am//12:30-12:45pm**

**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 10:00am English and 1pm Spanish

## Stewardship/Collection

**JUNE 22/23, 2024**

Offertory (Envelopes/Check-Cash-On Line)	\$ 1,966.00
Offertory Loose collection	\$ 1,083.00
Holy Day	\$
Mass/Coffee/Candles/Rmbr/Rent/Flowers/etc.	\$ 77.63
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ 3,126.63</b>

### JUNE COLLECTIONS

Building—Maintenance Fund	\$ 1,080.00	\$ 210.00
Columbarium Fund Donations	\$ 8,175.00 from 7/23	\$
06/23—Good Samaritan—1/2 to Good Faith Clinic	\$ 690.00	\$ 640.00
Ladies for Charity	\$ 200.00	\$ 50.00
Bereavement Trust Fund Donation		\$
World Mission Sunday	\$ 9.00	\$
6/30 Peter's Pence	\$ 10.00	\$
Deficit Reduction—As of June 23, 2024—\$60,857.11		\$ 453.00

To donate online go to [www.stmaryathenstn.org](http://www.stmaryathenstn.org). Click on the DONATE TAB AT THE BOTTOM OF THE PAGE IT WILL TAKE YOU THE VANCO SITE. FOLLOW THE INSTRUCTIONS. Thank you

May 31, 2024—Finance Report is located in the message board.

If you would like to receive envelopes call the office.

## **Daily Mass Readings Beginning**

**June 30-July 6, 2024**

Method for Prayerfully Reading the Scriptures (Lectio Divina) 1. Read  
2. Reflect (meditate) 3. Respond (pray) 4. Rest (contemplate)

Sunday, June 30—Wi 1:13-15, 2:23-24// 2 Cor 8:7, 9, 13-15//

Mk 5:21-43 or 5:21-24, 25b-43

Monday, July 1—Am 2:6-10, 13-16//Mt 8:18-22//

Tuesday, July 2—Am 3:1-8; 4:11-12//Mk 8:23-27

Wednesday, July 3—Eph 2:19-22//Jn 20:24-29

Thursday, July 4—Am 7:10-17//Mt 9:1-8

Friday, July 5—Am 8:4-6, 9-12//Mt 9:9-13

Saturday, July 6—Am 9:11-15// Mt 9:14-17

Mass begins in the front of the Journeysongs, book with the gray edge pages.

**Today's readings begin with — “Year B” # 965**

## *This Week in our Parish*

**Sunday, June 30, 2024**

**ATTEND MASS**

**Monday, July 1, 2024**

11AM—Legion of Mary in the church

**Tuesday, July 2, 2024**

6PM—K Of C COR Group

**Wednesday, July 3, 2024**

6:45PM—RCIA— Library

**Thursday, July 4, 2024**

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY AMERICA**

**HAPPY FOURTH OF JULY**

OFFICE CLOSED

**Friday, July 5, 2024**

**Saturday, July 6, 2024**

TEAM ONE CLEAN

**Sunday, July 7, 2024**

**ATTEND MASS**

**CANDLE DONATIONS**—We are asking for a donation of \$5.00 per candle to help defray the cost of the candles and Blue Globes



## ATTENDANCE—

**JUNE 15/16, 2024**

5pm—86//10am—163//1pm 98—Total 347

**May -2024 WEEKLY AVG - 486**

5pm—70//8am—107//10am—165//1pm—132

## **Altar Flowers**

**Are from St. Mary  
Parish.**



Please sign up to have flowers in our Church for a loved one, a Blessing or just because. The donation is \$50.00 or more if you would like more. More than one family can sign up at the same time.

**THANK YOU—TO OUR RECTORY PAINTERS-** Brian Bates, Sam Brocato, Hollis Burnette, Lou Dionne, Jay Ekiss, Orville Fisher, Bill Gates, Martin Hall, Jesus Sanchez, Ramone Sanchez, and Toallo Jesus Carptino and Lou Dionne.

**THANK YOU** - Ed Fiegler and Lou Dione for the repairs made to the CCD Building back porch, trim and paint with more work to still be done.

**Columbarium Update—**

The Columbarium Committee has completed the preliminary design and project estimate for a Columbarium at St. Mary Parish. The proposed design shows a columbarium to be located in the area of the Statue of the Unborn. The committee looks forward to providing communication regarding cremation during the summer months in preparation for presentation to the parish after the new school year starts. The presentation will provide more details of the layout and generally what the process would be reserve a niche and the associated anticipated cost. If you have any questions, please talk with anyone on the committee (Barb Bever, Holly Currier, Lou Dionne, Ed Fiegler or Paul Kessler).

**NEW TO OUR PARISH—CURIA LIGIONS (Legions of Mary)—**Join Maria Cox on Monday's at 11am in the Church to learn more and become a part of this group. Call Maria at 423-337-1817, for more information.



**Food  
Pantry  
Needs**

**Ladies for Charity** – If you have a food need contact Barb Bever at 423-745-9788. The needs of our food pantry are greater due to the current economic conditions. Requested food products are Shredded Wheat Cereal, Grape and Strawberry jelly and instant mash potatoes. Thank you for your generosity through food and monetary donations which help our parishioners in need.

**PRAYER CHAIN**—Call/Text Paulette Croteau at 423-333-8674, or the office to be placed on the prayer chain, or if you would like to help with the prayer chain. Keep in your prayers Alicia Mora, Connie A, Bryce William Allan Wescott who just left to go serve in US Army, Grace Gordon and all of the known and unknown, all of our sick family and friends, our unborn children and our Homebound. Names will remain on the bulletin part of prayer chain for three months or if you request they be removed. They never come off the prayer chain.



**YARD SALE—AUGUST 23RD AND 24TH—VOLUNTEERS NEEDED.**

**Collection days for the yard sale: (NO CLOTHES)**

**Saturday, July 27th before Masses @ 4pm and after Mass.**

**Sunday, July 28th Before and After Masses.**

**Wednesday, August 7th—3:00 pm—6:00pm.**

**Wednesday, August 14th 3:00pm to 6:00pm.**

**For more information contact Kay—Mobile 423-506-7706 or**

**Home 423-543-2049 or Orville at 707-501-7625**



The Library in the PFLC has been cleaned up and organized and is ready for you to make use of the books, and other items made available for you. Open during regular office hours.

**NEW TO OUR PARISH**—If you are new to our parish see one of our ushers for a **PARISH REGISTRATION FORM (Green)**—They are also located in the Narthex in the slots in back of the church on the left as you leave. Also let the office know if you would like envelopes. You may put it in with the collection or drop it off at the office. **TO UPDATE YOUR INFORMATION (CHANGES) FILL OUT THE PARISH REGISTRATION FORM AND LET OFFICE KNOW IT IS A "UPDATE" ON YOUR FAMILY. Place with the collection or drop it off at the office**



**Mass Intentions**  
June 29– July 7, 2024

**June 29 —Saturday—5PM**  
Jack William Kibble from Joe and Boni Kross

**June 30—Sunday 10AM//1PM**  
10AM —St. Mary Parish and Fr. Paul Hostettler from St. Mary parish  
1PM—+Lenning Huerta and brothers Liu and Ithzuy Huerta from Erika Martinez

**July 1—Monday—9AM**  
+Chris Harrison from Knights of Columbus

**July 2—Tuesday—9AM**  
+Charles Robinson from Knights of Columbus

**July 3—Wednesday 9AM and 6PM**  
Conversion of Families from Mary Sherina  
+Angel Navarrete from Rosa Navarrete

**July 4—Thursday—9AM**  
+John Arnott from Knights of Columbus

**July 5—Friday—9AM**  
+Jose and Tila Enciso from Maria Byers

**July 6—Saturday—9AM and 5PM**  
St. Mary Parish  
+Ray Smyczsk from Bonnie Kross

**June 7—Sunday 10AM//1PM**  
10AM —St. Mary Parish and Victoria Orr from Ron and Lorene Steffes  
1PM—+Lenning Huerta and brothers Liu and Ithzuy Huerta from Erika Martinez

*WEEKDAY'S - AFTER MORNING MASS YOU ARE WELCOME TO STAY FOR THE CHAPLET OF DIVINE MERCY AND THE ROSARY*  
Mass Donation is \$5.00 per Mass. Due at the time of the request.

**MONTHLY FINANCE REPORT**  
**MAY 31, 2024**  
**ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH**

BUDGET CATEGORY	EXPENDITURES		%
	BUDGET	THRU 5/31/2024	
PASTORAL-ADMIN/GENERAL.	\$ 188,974	\$ 167,966	89%
LITURGY	21,249	23,483	111%
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION	14,588	9,101	62%
MINISTRY OF YOUTH	7,546	3,878	51%
MINISTRY FAMILY/PARISH.	2,900	1,357	47%
PARISH COUNCIL-GENERAL	320	257	80%
PLANT/PARISH OPER. & MAINT	91,130	82,862	91%
<b>TOTALS</b>	<b>\$ 326,807</b>	<b>\$ 288,904</b>	<b>88%</b>

CURRENT MONTH		YEAR TO DATE	
MONTHLY REV. MAY 2024	\$ 24,958	REV. JULY 2023-MAY 2024	\$302,086
MONTHLY EXP. MAY 2024	24,430	EXP. JULY 2023-MAY 2024	288,904
OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT) \$	528	OPER. SURPLUS (DEFICIT) \$	13,182

**SUMMARY:**

CURRENT FY 2024 SURPLUS (DEFICIT) \$ 13,182  
CARRY OVER DEFICIT PRIOR YEAR (19,418)  
FALL FESTIVAL FUNDS AS OF MAY 2024 -0-

(ALL FIGURES ARE ROUNDED)  
“THANK YOU FOR YOUR STEWARDSHIP GENEROSITY”

**I SAID A PRAYER FOR YOU TODAY**

I said a prayer for you today and I know God must have heard.  
I felt the answer in my heart, although he spoke no word.  
I didn't ask for wealth or fame.  
(I knew you wouldn't mind)  
I asked him to send treasures of a far more lasting kind.  
I prayed that he be near you at the start of each new day,  
To grant you health and blessings and friends to share your way.  
I asked for happiness in all things great and small.  
But it was for his loving care I prayed for most of all.

We received this with a Thank You card from Coach so I thought I would share, his Families prayer for each of you. Card is in the display box.

**JUNE SECOND COLLECTIONS—**

**June 29/30—Peter's Pence Collection—Peter's Pence Collection.** A second collection will be taken up on June 30 in support of “Peter's Pence” that assists the Holy Father with his charitable works. Your donations help the Holy Father to respond with emergency financial assistance to the neediest and most disadvantaged throughout the world—especially those who suffer as a result of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Your contributions will be combined with those of Catholics from around the world to help the Holy Father reach out to the voiceless and most vulnerable in need.

Bishop-elect Mark Beckman will be ordained as the fourth bishop of the Diocese of Knoxville on Friday, July 26 at 2 p.m. at the Knoxville Convention Center. On Monday, June 24 at 9 a.m. Eastern Time, the diocese will begin accepting ticket requests online (FIRST COME – FIRST SERVED) so that you can attend this special Mass. To register for tickets, please go to the diocesan website—[dioknox.org](http://dioknox.org)— so that you can review all information and be prepared to register for tickets beginning Monday, June 24. In addition to the sign-up link, you will find information on hotels, parking, shuttle bus services, a list of frequently asked questions, and other helpful information. This is a joyous occasion for the Diocese of Knoxville. Please go to [dioknox.org](http://dioknox.org) for more information.



**JULY SECOND COLLECTIONS—**

**July 21—Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa—National Collection for the Church in Africa.** A second collection will be taken up on July 21 in support of the Pastoral Solidarity Fund for the Church in Africa. This National Collection supports a wide range of essential and unique pastoral projects that build the capacity of the rapidly growing Church in Africa, so rich with faith, hope, and immense need. The Solidarity Fund supports essential pastoral projects throughout this vast continent that includes outreach programs, schools, evangelization, and education of clergy and lay ministers. Mindful of the priests and religious from Africa who assist us so unselfishly here in the Diocese of Knoxville, please show your appreciation with your generous support of this appeal for the Church in Africa.

**July 28—Good Samaritan—Hope Center -The H.O.P.E. Center Inc.** is a domestic violence service in *Athens, TN* providing help for people dealing with domestic abuse. We donate 1/2 of our Good Samaritan collection this month to support the needs of the HOPE Center.

**VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL— REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE IN THE NARTHEX**

**“Come to the Table”**

July 22nd—July 25th

6-8:15pm—Dinner from 5:30-5:55pm

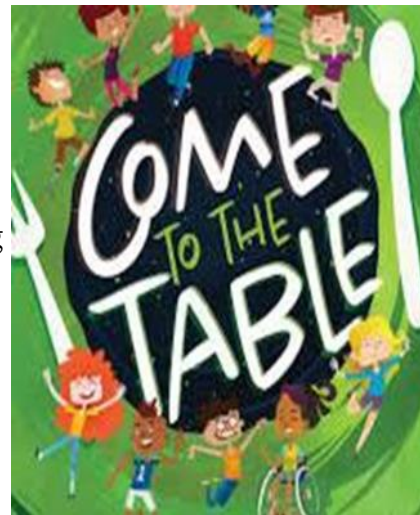
Family members welcome with sign up

Contact Sue at 423-506-7836 or Debbie at 865-297-6350.

Pre K- incoming 6th graders

Incoming 7th graders and up can be HELPERS

Adults are welcome to help, also! Contact Sue for training at 423-506-7836.



**ADULT SESSIONS** available during VBS, Starting at 6:30pm.  
Sign ups are encouraged!

**VBS DEADLINES**

With t-shirt—Monday, July 8th, 5pm

Without t-shirt—Monday, July 15th, 5pm

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**Safe Reminder – To Everyone that Volunteers in a parish group.**

To comply with the [USCCB Charter and Norms](#), the Diocese of Knoxville’s Safe Environment Program requires all clergy, employees, contracted school personnel, volunteers, members of groups and organizations, over the age of 18, who work, volunteer, or participate in any capacity to complete the Diocesan Safe Environment training and have a criminal background check before they may begin employment, volunteer, or participate with ministries, groups and organizations.

In addition, the mandatory renewal training must be completed every 5 years and a new background check submitted before the 5-year expiration of prior training. The Diocese of Knoxville Safe Environment compliance training and renewal training is a condition of employment and for volunteer ministry in the Diocese of Knoxville.

Please follow the steps below to register and complete the required training and background check:

- 1 Visit <https://dioknox.org/safe-environment/>
- 2 Click on the link that best describes your relationship to the parish.
- 3 If you have not had a background check since July 2018, please also complete the background check after completing the required training.
4. Once your training is complete, please download the completion certificate and forward a copy to the parish office.

***Reminder: all parents/guardian/parishioner, please escort your young children to the restrooms and on church property, always. Please keep a watch out for your children, never leave them unattended inside or outside alone.***



St. Mary's Legacy Clinic

We believe in the healing ministry of Jesus Christ and in continuing the legacy of the Sisters of Mercy by providing healthcare to the poor and medically underserved in the rural areas of East Tennessee. Call 865-212-5570, to schedule an appointment. They are here at St Mary Catholic Church every 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday, from 10AM-2PM.

**The Good Faith Clinic**—is primary health care for residents of McMinn and Meigs counties, ages 18 to 65 who do not have any form of medical insurance, including Tenn Care. The clinic will be open on two Thursday's each month. The clinic is at 14 Congress Parkway S, here in Athens. Phone 423-745-8185.

**CONTACTS FOR:**

**CCD Director**— **Debbie Forsythe**— 865-297-6350 or at [debforsthe@rocketmail.com](mailto:debforsthe@rocketmail.com) along with Deacon Al Forsythe (Volunteer) /// **Youth Ministries**—**Sue Granger**—423-506-7836/// **RCIA**—**Jack Cox** - 423-836-2979/// **Hispanic Ministry**—**Alicia Mora**—423-368-5310/// **Baptism Preparation**—**Paulette Croteau** at 423-333-8674. Parish Family Life Center (PFLC) - Call the Office to schedule all use/rental of the PFLC by parish groups and the public.