

Church of Saint Mary

May 28th & June 4th
2023

Mass and Sacraments

Holy Mass

Saturday Vigil: 5:00pm

Sunday Masses: 8:00am, 10:00am

Monday-Friday: 7:00am

Sacramental Confession

Saturdays: 4:00-4:45pm

Sundays: 7:15-7:45am

Anointing of the Sick

Please call the Church anytime
day or night.

Parish Office

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Utica, IL 61373

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www.stmarysutica.org

Hours: Tuesdays & Wednesdays

8:00 a.m. — 12:30 p.m.

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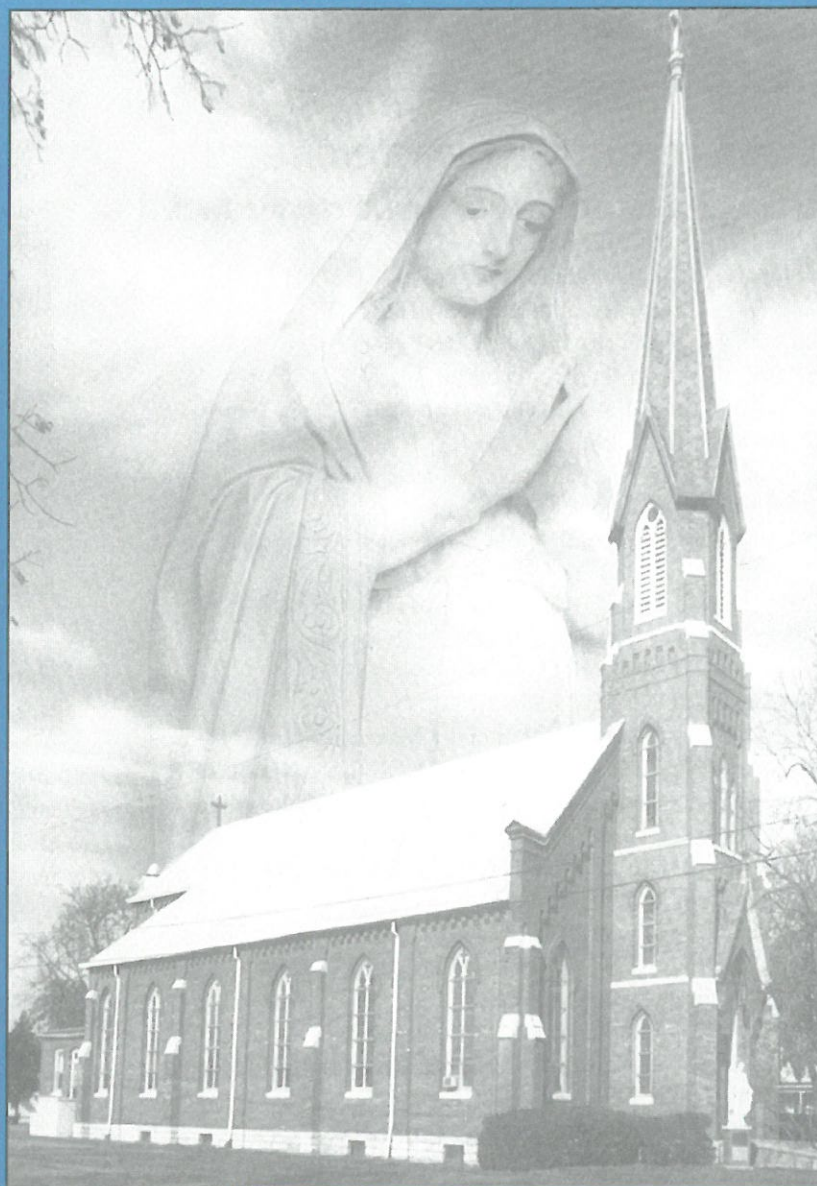
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On Holy Thursday, April 11, 1675, Father Jacques Marquette offered the first parochial Mass in the Illinois Country at Utica in the presence of 5,000 Native Americans. Father Marquette and his companion, Louis Joliet, took possession of this land in the name of Jesus Christ and founded the Mission of the Immaculate Conception. A monument in his honor stands in the northeast corner of the property. That mission eventually became the Church of Saint Mary. In 1858 a small frame church was built which was destroyed by fire seventeen years later and a brick and stone church was built. The Reverend Canon Jeremiah Moynihan was appointed the first resident pastor in 1884. The Reverend Francis J. O'Reilly succeeded Canon Moynihan in 1888 and in the same year erected the present church. In September 1986, Saint Mary's Church was completely redecorated. Though damaged, it survived the Utica tornado of 2004 and was quickly restored.



Saint Mary's Church
Diocese of Peoria
303 S. Division Street
North Utica, IL 61373



Mass Intentions and Schedule

SATURDAY, MAY 27TH - ST. AUGUSTINE/CANTERBURY

4:00-4:45pm CONFESSIONS

5:00pm + Donald Pfalzgraf (anniv. + 5/24)
by Geo and Mary Kay Hodgson

SUNDAY, MAY 28TH - PENTECOST

8:00am For the People of the Parish

10:00am + Jim Christman (birthdate 5/22) by family

MONDAY, MAY 29TH

7:00am + Mary Ann Newell by family

TUESDAY, MAY 30TH

7:00am + Harold Aubry by Ron and Jeri Davis

7:00pm EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

WEDNESDAY, MAY 31ST - VISITATION OF BVM

7:00am + Edward P. Alvarado (birthdate)
by Gloria Alvarado

THURSDAY, JUNE 1ST - ST. JUSTIN

7:00am + Loretta Harmon by Maureen Harmon Cole

FRIDAY, JUNE 2ND - STS. MARCELLINUS AND PETER

7:00am Living and Deceased Members of the Olinger
Family

SATURDAY, JUNE 3RD - ST. CHARLES LWANGA

4:00-4:45pm CONFESSIONS

5:00pm + Mary Newell-Farrar (birthdate)

SUNDAY, JUNE 4TH - THE MOST HOLY TRINITY

7:15-7:45am CONFESSIONS

8:00am For the People of the Parish

10:00am + Robert and Doris Grusk by Barb Doherty

MONDAY, JUNE 5TH - ST. BONIFACE

7:00am + Douglas Jensen (anniv. + 6/6)

TUESDAY, JUNE 6TH - ST. NORBERT

7:00am + Nicholas Connell
by Mark and Beth Ann Connell

7:00pm EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR

WEDNESDAY, JUNE 7TH

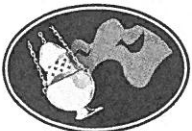
7:00am + Loretta Harmon (birthdate) by James Jereb

THURSDAY, JUNE 8TH

7:00am + Kathleen Olson (anniv. + 6/9)

FRIDAY, JUNE 9TH - ST. EPHREM

7:00am + Patricia Corrigan-Burk
by Glenn and Sheila Hanson



Incense Use:

5:00 p.m. Vigil = YES

8:00 a.m. Mass = NO

Bulletins are printed every two weeks. Please keep this in mind when submitting information for publication.

Meditation for May 28th

...from every nation under heaven.

Today's first reading makes it pretty clear: the Holy Spirit wants everyone to hear the good news and come together through faith in Jesus. Men and women from all over the known world were in Jerusalem for the feast of Pentecost, and they didn't all speak the same language. But when the Spirit came upon the believers gathered in the upper room, that massive crowd heard the disciples proclaiming God's mighty works in their own languages, and that manifestation of God's power helped them come to believe!

That miracle of God gathering people from all over the world wasn't limited to the first Pentecost. Consider Philip preaching to the Ethiopian court official or Peter preaching to the Roman centurion Cornelius or Paul preaching to the philosophers of Athens. The Spirit came in power both upon those who preached and those who heard. He broke down barriers and brought people together through the gospel.

The Holy Spirit still wants to dismantle walls between people from all walks of life and bring them together. And by virtue of your baptism, you are called to participate in that mission.

How? You can start right where you live. You're sure to encounter someone who might not "speak your language." Maybe someone in your family or among your neighbors has a different worldview than you do. Maybe there are people who come from a different country or from a different generation. Bring Jesus to them. Just say a prayer, open your mouth, and trust the Spirit to work through you to bring them together.

The Holy Spirit is still eager to bring us all together in Christ. Let him fill you on this special day!

"Holy Spirit, give me the words to proclaim the good news wherever I go."

Weekly Offering

Donations received May 11 - 24

Adult Envelopes	\$3,605.00
Loose Collection	\$1,404.00
Building Fund	\$1,126.00
Online Giving	\$195.00
Ascension	\$520.00
Initial Offering	\$10.00
Peter's Pence	\$10.00
Cemetery Upkeep	\$10.00
Food Pantry	\$10.00

10:00 a.m. Altar Servers

May 28th	Joey and Jake Patyk, Nathan Leffers
June 4th	Jackson Myers, Bentley DiLuciano

Weekends of May 28th & June 4th

Readings Week of May 28th

Sunday: Acts 2:1-11; Psalm 104; 1 Corinthians 12:3b-7, 12-13; John 20:19-23

Monday: Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Psalm 87; John 19:25-34

Tuesday: Sirach 35:1-12; Psalm 50; Mark 10:28-31

Wednesday: Zephaniah 3:14-18a; Isaiah 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6; Luke 1:39-56

Thursday: Sirach 42:15-25; Psalm 33; Mark 10:46-52

Friday: Sirach 44:1, 9-13; Psalm 149; Mark 11:11-26

Saturday: Sirach 51:12cd-20; Psalm 19; Mark 11:27-33

Readings Week of June 4th

Sunday: Exodus 34:4b-6, 8-9; Daniel 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56; 2 Corinthians 13:11-13; John 3:16-18

Monday: Tobit 1:3; 2:1b-8; Psalm 112; Mark 12:1-12

Tuesday: Tobit 2:9-14; Psalm 112; Mark 12:13-17

Wednesday: Tobit 3:1-11a, 16-17; Psalm 25; Mark 12:18-27

Thursday: Tobit 6:10-11; 7:1bcde, 9-17; 8:4-9a; Psalm 128; Mark 12:28-34

Friday: Tobit 11:5-17; Psalm 146; Mark 12:35-37

Saturday: Tobit 12:1, 5-15, 20; Tobit 13:2, 6efgh, 7, 8; Mark 12:38-44

Work Day Planned: The Knights of Columbus will be having another work morning on church grounds Saturday, June 3rd, beginning at 8:30 a.m. We are planning to work on the repair of the church cellar doors, paint needed items on the rectory exterior and do other light repairs and ground maintenance. All are welcome to help! Please contact Jim Polizzi at (815) 252-2084 or Chuck Voreis at (815) 228-2040 for more information and/or to let us know that you can attend.

Change for Life: Thank you to everyone that participated in this ProLife event! **It is now time to return your baby bottles.** The return box is located in the entryway as you leave Mass. Totals of our donation to the Abigail Women's Center of LaSalle County will be provided soon.

Corpus Christi Celebration: Come celebrate and honor the real presence of the body of Jesus Christ in the Eucharist. There will be a procession at St. Hyacinth Church in LaSalle (927 10th St.) on Sunday, June 11th at 1:00 p.m.

* First Communicants are invited to wear their 1st communion outfits and altar servers can bring your cassocks or alb from your home parish.

Totus Tuus: The summer catechetical program for students in grades 1-12 will be offered in both Ottawa and LaSalle! Choose whichever dates work best for your family.

Ottawa Catholic Parishes

Grades 1-6

Monday, June 12th thru Friday, June 16th
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

* Please bring a sack lunch, snack and water bottle each day. *

Grades 7-12

Sunday, June 11th thru Thursday, June 15th
6:30 - 8:15 p.m.

Cost of the Program

\$25/child - Grades 1 to 6

\$15/teen - Grades 7 to 12

Maximum Family Cost \$60

Registration paperwork is on the back table.

LaSalle Catholic Parishes

Grades 1-6

Monday, July 17th thru Friday, July 21st
9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Grades 7-12

Sunday, June 16th thru Thursday, July 20th
6:30 - 8:15 p.m.

Registration information will be available online at lasallecatholic.org.

Announcements

Congratulations to Our 1st Communicants: What a lovely day May 14th was.... we celebrated three young men who received our Lord in Holy Communion for the first time and crowned our Blessed Mother with flowers. Pictures from the day are on the back of the bulletin.

Away on Retreat: Fr. Driscoll will be away on retreat June 12th through June 15th. During these days, we will not offer public daily Mass and our evening Tuesday Holy Hour will also be cancelled. The Mass intentions scheduled for these dates will be offered privately by Fr. Driscoll. If you would prefer to reschedule your intention, please call (815) 667-4677 or e-mail (office@stmarysutica.org) Jennifer at the parish office.



Feast of the Sacred Heart: Join us for our annual Mass and procession honoring the Sacred Heart of our Lord. The devotion especially emphasizes the unmitigated love, compassion, and long-suffering heart of Christ towards humanity. We are excited to welcome Msgr. Philip Halfacre as guest homilist. Msgr. Halfacre serves as pastor of the parishes in Streator and Leonore, and is the Vicar General for the Diocese of Peoria.

When: Friday, June 16th

Where: St. Mary Church, Utica

Time: 7:00 p.m.

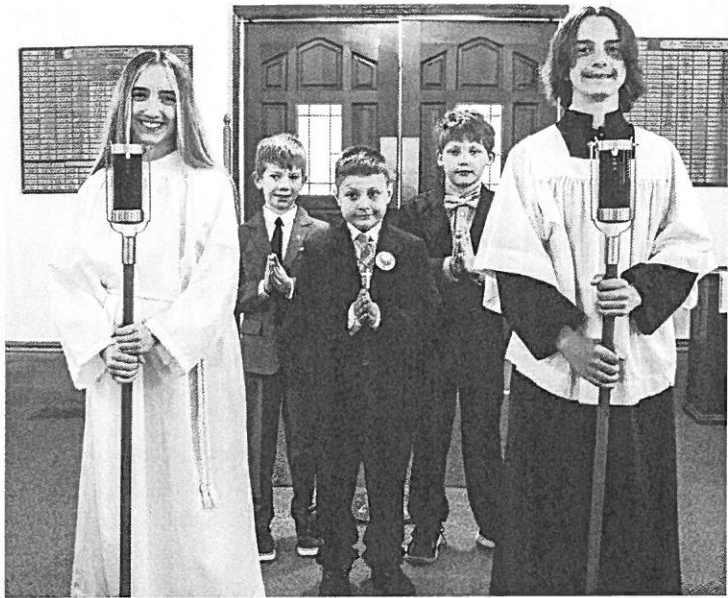
On June 16th, our morning Mass and scheduled intention will be moved to the 7:00 p.m. Sacred Heart Mass and Procession.

Newly Ordained Priests!: May 27th marked the ordination of four men in the Peoria Diocese! Congratulations Fr. Nathan Hopper, Fr. Ignacio Cardenas-Moran, Fr. Jacob Wille, and Fr. Daniel Dionesotes. May God continue to bless and lead these young men as they begin their priestly ministry.

Pray for the Sick of our Parish

Michael Ball, Katie Becker, Don and Pam Edwards, Hank Farrar, Darlene Jenkins, Jill Kain, Richard Kepper, Ed Liss, Judy Lock, Ava Lukacsy, Rosie Sander, Drew Shinnick, Dennise Watson, Karen Williams

1st Communion & May Crowning May 14, 2023



*Pictured above—Left to Right
Camillo (CJ) DiLuciano, Liam Wenskunas, and Hunter Ewing*

