

SAINT MARY'S & HOLY FAMILY

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MASS TIMES

WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday	4:00 PM	HF
	5:15 PM	SM
Sunday	7:30 AM	HF
	9:00 AM	SM
	10:30 AM	HF

WEEKDAY MASSES

Monday	8:30 AM	SM
Tuesday	7:30 AM	HF
	9:00 AM	HF
Wednesday	7:30 AM	HF
	8:30 AM	SM
Thursday	7:30 AM	HF
Friday	8:30 AM	SM

CONFESSIONS

Saturday	3:15 PM	HF
Sunday	7:00 AM	HF
Tuesday	6:30 PM	SM
Wednesday	5:30 PM	HF
Friday	9:00 AM	SM

ADORATION

Tuesday	6:00-7:00 PM	SM
Weds	4:30-6:30 PM	HF



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You are in me, and I in you.

JOHN 14:20

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MAY 10, 2026

SIXTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

NEWS & EVENTS



Office Closed: The parish office will be closed on Monday, May 11th.

Candle Etiquette: While we regularly replace candles as they burn down, parishioners may replace the large votive candles if needed. Please be aware that the glass holder must remain in place—only the plastic insert should be removed. The glass is required for insurance purposes, and its removal has led to breakage of our colored hurricane glass.

Support Life – Baby Bottle Campaign: Please take a baby bottle from the main entrances of our churches and fill it with change, cash, or checks. The campaign runs from Mother’s Day (May 10th) through Father’s Day (June 21st) to benefit the Abigail Women’s Center. Every bottle makes a difference in supporting mothers, babies, and families in our community!

Illinois Valley Cursillo News: Join the Illinois Valley Cursillo community for the May Ultreya on Saturday, May 16th, in Peterstown. A potluck dinner begins at 6:00 p.m., followed by the program, “*The Importance of Palanca*,” presented by Carol Lauer and Vickie Fullerton. Mass will be celebrated at 7:30 p.m. with Fr. Greg Nelson. Guests are always welcome.

Upcoming Cursillo weekends will be held June 11th–14th (Men’s) and June 25th–28th (Women’s). For more information, please contact Ray (815-993-5418), Dan (815-343-2987), Laura (815-579-1794), or Greg (815-252-4174).

May Crownings: We will honor the Blessed Mother in Utica this weekend at the 9:00 a.m. Mass. Instructions and a carnation for children who would like to participate will be given at Mass.

The ASCA Oglesby Campus will celebrate Mass at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 12th, at Holy Family Church, followed by a May Crowning in the rosary garden (*weather permitting*).

Parishioners are also invited to bring flowers for Mary throughout the month of May.

CDA Meeting: Women of the Illinois Valley are invited to attend the Catholic Daughters Court #276 meeting on Tuesday, May 12th, at the LaSalle Knights of Columbus Hall, beginning at 6:00 p.m. The Rosary will be recited, and all are welcome to join.

IV Youth Group News: Support the Catholic youth of the Illinois Valley by becoming a “stockholder.” Contributions help fund activities, retreats, and camps. A “share” is \$25, though gifts of any amount are appreciated and tax-deductible. Stockholders are remembered in the daily prayers of our youth group and are invited to an annual “Stockholder Meeting,” where you’ll receive an update on youth activities and enjoy refreshments and fellowship. Forms are available in the main vestibule, and completed forms with payment may be returned in the collection basket.

Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima: The International Pilgrim Virgin Statue of Fatima will visit St. Hyacinth Church on Sunday, May 17th, at 4:00 p.m. The visit will include a procession, prayers, a talk on the Fatima message, and Benediction. All are invited to take part in this special time of prayer and devotion.



Congratulations to the 1st Communion Class at Holy Family Church!

Front Row L to R: Luca Krowlek, Ava Ebner, Gianna Holt, Ryan Spangler, Henry Fay, Garrett Goy, Charlotte Borio, Raven Rubley, Makinlee Elliott
Back Row L to R: Joaquin Otero, Benny Ghighi, Adeline Weide, Gino Rios, Khloee Elliott, Melanie DeVries, Jack Ator, Auden Maggi

A Mother's Day Prayer

Heavenly Father, we thank You for the gift of mothers, through whom Your love is revealed in so many ways. Bless all mothers: those who are joyful, and those who are burdened, those expecting new life, and those who mourn a loss, those who nurture children now, and those who lovingly remember.

Grant them strength, patience, and joy in their vocation. May the Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of our Lord, be their guide and consolation. Let their sacrifices be honored, their love returned, and their hearts filled with peace.

We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

As we celebrate Mother's Day, we honor the women who have given us life, love, and steadfast faith. Whether with us now or called home to eternal life, mothers hold a sacred place in our hearts. In their quiet strength, daily sacrifices, and generous love, we glimpse God's own care and compassion.

GOSPEL MEDITATION

In my family, we can hardly speak about orphans without tears. My father was adopted as a baby and often told how his parents welcomed him not just into their home, but into their hearts. It was more than a legal act—it was the joy of being chosen, of receiving a family, a name, and a place to belong forever. Even now, that gift moves him to quiet gratitude.

That same tenderness is behind Jesus' words in today's Gospel: "I will not leave you orphans; I will come to you" (John 14:18). Though he goes away, he does not abandon us. He sends the Advocate, the Holy Spirit—his own Spirit, shared with the Father—to dwell within us. Through the Spirit, Christ remains in us, and we in him. We are given a home and a family in God.

We deepen this truth through the sacraments, in prayer, and in the life of the Church. The Spirit is the bond of our belonging, making us sons and daughters of God, not spiritual orphans. And this gift is not one-time; the Spirit is continually poured out, renewing the promise that we are never alone.

If only we shared my father's gratitude for his adoption, recognizing that we, too, have been chosen—adopted by God himself. In Christ, we are never left as orphans.

~ Father John Muir

WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Holy Family

Adult Envelopes: \$3,068.00
Loose Donations: \$951.00
Mail-in Donations: \$730.00
Online Giving: \$720.00
ADA: \$145.00
Diocesan Collections: \$25.00
Maintenance: \$372.00
St. Martin Society: \$50.00
Sanctuary Donation: \$20.00
Diocesan Appeal: 234%

St. Mary

Adult Envelopes: \$2,645.00
Easter Envelopes: \$10.00
Loose Donations: \$827.00
Catholic Charities: \$10.00
Building Fund: \$50.00
Cemetery Upkeep: \$45.00
Diocesan Appeal: 73%

MASS SCHEDULE

- 5/9, Saturday**
4:00 p.m. (HF) + Tim Duncan by Claudia Bachman
5:15 p.m. (STM) + Karen Robey by Donald Robey
- 5/10, 6th Sunday of Easter**
7:30 a.m. (HF) + Patrick O'Kier and Charles Hoscheit by Pat & Jane O'Kier
9:00 a.m. (STM) For the 1st Communion Class at St. Mary
10:30 a.m. (HF) + Kaye Arkins by Bill Arkins, Don & Jill Shields
- 5/11, Monday**
8:30 a.m. (STM) Fr. Jeff Windy 30th anniversary of ordination (5/25)
- 5/12, Tuesday**
7:30 a.m. (HF) + Lucille Omahen by her family
9:00 a.m. (HF) + Bruce Perona (anniv. + 5/31) by the Perona Family
- 5/13, Wednesday**
7:30 a.m. (HF) + Audrey Piscia (birthdate 5/13) by Mark & Kelly Duttlinger
8:30 a.m. (STM) For the Holy Souls in Purgatory
- 5/14, Thursday**
7:30 a.m. (HF) + Rich and Linda Sarosinski (wed anniv. 5/15) by Judy Arenz
- 5/15, Friday**
8:30 a.m. (STM) Shae Suarez (BD 5/25) by Tim & Mary Burgess
- 5/16, Saturday**
4:00 p.m. (HF) + Stephen and Elizabeth Kasap by Dave & Stephanie Sell
5:15 p.m. (STM) + Mary Margaret Pawlak (anniv. 5/23) by Joe & Darlene Woodshank
- 5/17, Sunday - Ascension of the Lord**
7:30 a.m. (HF) + James and Anna Skerston and Family by Mitzi Banich
9:00 a.m. (STM) For the People of the Parish
10:30 a.m. (HF) + William and Eleanore (birthdate 5/19) Kuhar by their family

MINISTER SCHEDULE

- May 9th, 4:00 p.m. (HF)**
Reader: Sue Van De Wyngaerde
EMHC: Maureen Polster
Altar Servers: Natalie D., Everly S., Vivian S.
Ushers: Mark V. & Joe V.
- May 10th, 7:30 a.m. (HF)**
Reader: Colette Spears
EMHC: Landon Moss
Altar Servers: Claire B., Aubrey D., Aryanna M., Landon M.
Ushers: Joel G. & Drew J.
- May 10th, 9:00 a.m. (STM)**
1st Reading: David Ludford
2nd Reading: Nathan Leffers
Altar Servers: Abby Brown, CJ DiLuciano
- May 10th, 10:30 a.m. (HF)**
Reader: Stan Wolf
EMHC: Camden Vasquez
Altar Servers: Jase E., Callie H., Webb H., Berkley K., Jase K., Camden V.
Ushers: Andy S. & Brian T.
- May 16th, 4:00 p.m. (HF)**
Reader: Deena Pavinato
EMHC: Deena Pavinato
Altar Servers: Natalie D., Aubrey E., Emery L.
Ushers: Terry P. & Tim W.
- May 17th, 7:30 a.m. (HF)**
Reader: Teagan Mullane
EMHC: Landon Moss
Altar Servers: Aubrey G., Aryanna M., Landon M.
Ushers: Jim C. & TBD
- May 17th, 9:00 a.m. (STM)**
1st Reading/Psalm: Ryan Mann
2nd Reading: Bill Mattingly
Altar Servers: Abby Brown, Nina Leffers
- May 17th, 10:30 a.m. (HF)**
Reader: Brian Sherman
EMHC: Lana Peterlin
Altar Servers: Lilli B., Leighton F., Kennedy G., Lola K., James O., Kaitlynn O., Liam T.
Ushers: Cathy G. & Gary P.