FEBRUARY 4, 2024 | 5TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME







THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

310 Nobbe St. Farmersville, IL 62533

St. Raymond

306 S McElroy Raymond, IL 62560 ST. MAURICE

706 SE 4th St. Morrisonville, IL 62546

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 3

5:00 pm St. Mary: Georgeann Rossmiller

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

8:00 am St. Raymond: Lucille & Ralph Beeler 10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 6

8:00 am St. Mary: Tootie Fleigle

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 7

8:00 am St. Raymond: Dan & Catherine

Edmiston White

FRIDAY, FEBRUARY 9

8:00 am St. Maurice: Barbara Clarke

SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 10

5:00 pm St. Mary: Dan Murphy

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

10:00 am St. Maurice: Mark Minnis

SCHEDULE FOR ASH WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 14

8:00 am St. Raymond: Bernie Leitschuh 5:30 pm St. Mary: Joe Brockamp

7:00 pm St. Maurice: Lawrence "Tuffy" Held

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice

4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary **SUNDAYS**

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

FATHER'S COLUMN

Simon and those who were with him pursued him and on finding him said,

"Everyone is looking for you."

"Everyone is looking for you." For whom do people look today? Most often, the latest sports superstar, rock or movie star, supermodel. Yet most often these people's personal lives leave little to admire. It's no surprise therefore that many of them very often fall into scandals. The challenge is to redirect our attention for whom and for what we look.

This Gospel of this Sunday gives us clear direction. We look for Jesus, whose way of living and relating to others is totally in accord with what he preached by word and action. He approached Simon's mother-in-law, grasped her hand, and helped her up; he cured the sick, drove out demons, prayed, went out to bring Good News to all people. Jesus did none of this to draw attention to himself, but instead to draw attention to God's work of salvation.

God's work of salvation is the Good News. We too are called to become Good News for others. We ourselves become Good News when we look for Jesus in the goodness of others, during prayer, in choosing to do good rather than evil. We ourselves become Good News when we speak words of comfort to those who are suffering or grieving, when we encourage those in difficulties, when we fight endlessly for Gospel values.

When, like Jesus, we make preaching the Good News through words and actions the purpose and pattern of our lives, others will definitely say, "Everyone is looking for you."

EUCHARISTIC DEVOTION

What are the benefits of adoring the Lord in the Eucharist outside of Mass?

When we visit with the Lord in the Eucharistic Adoration, we visit with our best friend. This conversation with the Lord forms us in holiness when we spend time with Him. Pope Paul VI recommended that the faithful make a daily visit to the Blessed Sacrament with lively faith to show the Lord their love and gratitude. In the Eucharist, the Lord, Who is the Model of humility and love, shows us how to be humble and how to love and trust in Him.

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

St. Raymond

ST. MAURICE

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, February 3:

Mary Ann Rimini

& Glenn Rovev

Saturday, February 10: Patty Clarke & Mary Ann Rimini

Ash Wednesday, February 14:

Mary Jane Schmidt

& Patty Clarke

Saturday, February 17: Glenn Rovey

& Mary Jane Schmidt

LECTORS

Saturday, February 3:
Carol Hupp
Saturday, February 10:
Mary Jane Fuchs
Ash Wednesday, February 14:
Tony Krager
Saturday, February 17:
Dan Martin
Saturday, February 24:

Kathy Rovey

FEBRUARY

LECTOR Verne Pinkston
CANTOR Tim Mizera
HOSPITALITY Denny Held
EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Tricia Pinkston John Barto

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Feb 4 - Mary & Julie Krager

Feb 11 - Dick Lyons Feb 18 - Carl Marten

Feb 25 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

Sun, Feb 4 - Dan Held

Sun, Feb 11 - Avery & Luke Pope Ash Wednesday, Feb 14 -

TBD

Sun, Feb 18 - Denny Held

Sun, Feb 25 - Morgan Hampton

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 4

LECTOR Ed Goebel

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Catherine O'Connell Larry Goebel Dale Brockamp

USHERS Eric O'Brien

Becky O'Brien Mark Langen

SERVER

Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11

LECTOR Dale Brockamp

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Charlie Golitko

Ed Goebel John Bergschneider

USHERS Eric O'Brien

Becky O'Brien Mark Langen

SERVERS

Nathaniel and Nicholas DeBrun

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR JANUARY 27/28

OUR PRAYER LIST

Wayne Angle, Danny Fark, Tricia Fark, Jason Fark, Vickie Norris, Ed Weitekamp, Steve Mundhenke, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Brant Weitekamp, Martha Kay Reed, Chuck Sale, Pam Bates, Paul Held, Donna Lemon, Randy Prange, Martha Beeler, Ramona Grundy, Wyatt Spurgeon, Jim Renner, Drake Lucas, Lenora Brown, Callie Jones

Remember to pray for our seminarians and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

To add a name to the prayer list, please email Kateri at kmarten@stmrm.org and specify how many weeks you'd like that name to appear for (1 week up to a maximum of 12 weeks). You're always welcome to re-add the name at the end of this period if the need for prayer is still present, but this will help keep the list focused and fresh.

If you know of a parishioner that you'd like added to Father's visitation list, please let him or Kateri know.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

Farmersville K of C Pork Chop Dinner

Saturday, February 17 4:00 to 7:00 pm

Dine in or carry out

\$15 meal includes: 2 pork chops, baked potato, green beans, and cake.

Farmersville K of C Monthly Breakfast

3rd Sunday of the Month February 18, 7:30 am to Noon at the Farmersville K of C Hall

St. Raymond Pro-Life Prayer Group

Friday mornings at 9:00 am

St. Raymond Altar Servers

If you are interested in serving at Mass, contact Lindsay Pope at 217-836-4544

Rosary Repair

If anyone has a rosary in need of repairs, please contact Jim Sale at 217-229-3485.

Winter Weather Mass Notice

If school is canceled due to bad weather, weekday mass will also be canceled.

Email Bulletin

If you would like to receive our weekly email bulletin, please let Kateri know at kmarten@stmrm.org

Contribution Statements Available for St. Raymond and St. Mary

2023 contribution statements for these parishes are now available. If you would like yours mailed, please contact Kateri (kmarten@stmrm.org) or Marlene (mmarten@stmrm.org), or call the Raymond parish office at 217-229-4435.

Family of Faith Class Dates

February 21 | March 20 | April 17 | May 15 6:00 - 8:00 pm at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville

Adult Faith Formation: What We Believe

Session 10: Almsgiving: Our Mission of Mercy

In this session we will discuss how almsgiving doesn't just mean to give money, but to give of oneself. We'll also explore faith and works, merit, works of mercy, and our goal, heaven.

Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:

- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the K of C hall
- 6:30 pm in Raymond at the K of C hall

SDCCW Scholarship for Diocesan Catholic Female Seniors

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Scholarship Program is now open for application. Four \$2000 scholarships will be awarded. Applications are available in the vestibule of each of our churches and are due March 30.

SDCCW Annual Lenten Retreat Theme: Gathered in Worship

The Springfield Diocesan Council of Catholic Women is inviting all women of our diocese to their annual Lenten Retreat. It will be a time for spiritual presentations, reflection, prayer, Holy Mass, Confession, fellowship and much more. Bring your sister, mom, friend. All are welcome!

9:00 am Tuesday, February 27 to 12:00 pm on Wednesday, February 28 At the Villa Maria in Springfield

Retreat master: Fr. Richard Chiola, retired priest of our diocese

Registration deadline is February 17

Forms are available in the vestibule of each of our churches. For more info, contact Mary Ann Sullivan at 217-822-1928