



*Feast of St. Mary (The Assumption)*  
August 15



*Feast of St. Raymond Nonnatus*  
August 31



*Feast of St. Maurice*  
September 22

## THE PARISHES OF

### ST. MARY

310 Nobbe St.  
Farmersville, IL 62533

### ST. RAYMOND

306 S McElroy  
Raymond, IL 62560

### ST. MAURICE

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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 16**

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17**

8:00 am St. Raymond: Marge Held

10:00 am St. Maurice: John & Dena Fahl

### **TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 19**

8:00 am St. Mary: Helen Boehler

### **WEDNESDAY, NOVEMBER 20**

8:00 am St. Raymond: Bill & Jeanette Broaddus

### **FRIDAY, NOVEMBER 22**

8:00 am St. Maurice: Raymond O'Brien

### **SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 23**

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

### **SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24**

8:00 am St. Raymond: Marilyn Barto

10:00 am St. Maurice: Howard & Rita Fishburn

### **THANKSGIVING DAY - THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 28**

9:00 am St. Mary

## 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

*There will be no Adoration on November 27 & 28*

*Adoration will be held in the main church while our chapel is having repair work done*

### **ST. MAURICE**

8:00 am - 10:00 pm Wednesday

## SAINTS OF THE WEEK

November 18: St. Rose-Philippine Duchesne

November 19: St. Matilda (Mechtilde), Virgin

November 20: St. Gelasius I, Pope

November 21: B. Mary of Jesus The Good Shepherd

November 22: St. Cecilia, Virgin & Martyr

November 23: St. Clement I, Pope & Martyr

November 24: Sts. Andrew Dũng Lạc, & companions, Martyrs

## FATHER'S COLUMN

Jesus said to his disciples:

"Learn a lesson from the fig tree.

When its branch becomes tender and sprouts leaves,  
you know that summer is near.

In the same way, when you see these things happening,  
know that he is near, at the gates."

After a hard, cold, difficult winter, we usually welcome the green foliage of trees into spring and into early summer with so much joy! Indeed, the rhythms of nature do affect us, capture us, direct us. Even when we do not pay conscious attention to them, we are drawn into their changes.

In nature, beginning and ending are blurred in the ever-repeated pattern of death and life. What seems to be an end is, in fact, a beginning.

In the gospel of this Sunday, Jesus predicts the end of the old, created world; he also announces the beginning of a new world. This new world is the reign of God: where darkness gives way to light, and dormancy to new growth and life.

The words of Jesus in this gospel communicate hope for those among us who may hear only the destruction and darkness this gospel announces. In fact, when our world is falling apart, our Almighty Savior is breaking in. He is eternal Light. He is always near; always!

As we near the end of the liturgical year, we are invited to remain focused on Jesus, and when we do so, the end times holds no fear for us.

We remain focused on Jesus, for example, when we continue to study the Scriptures and pray over his eternal words; when we remain faithful to the dying and rising rhythm of life; when we see his face in the goodness of others, in the surprise of an unexpected gift, in those we encounter each day. Immersed in the now, we find him always near. In his nearness, the new world order dawns anew each day.

## MINISTRY SCHEDULES

### ST. MARY

#### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, Nov 16:  
Mary Ann Rimini  
& Emily Martin

Saturday, Nov 23:  
Patty Clarke  
Mary Ann Rimini

#### Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, Nov 28:  
Mary Jane Schmidt  
& Patty Clarke

Saturday, Nov 30:  
Emily Martin  
& Mary Jane Schmidt

#### LECTORS

Saturday, Nov 16:  
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, Nov 23:  
Carol Hupp

#### Thanksgiving Day

Thursday, Nov 28:  
Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, Nov 30:  
Tony Krager

Saturday, Dec 1:  
Dan Martin

### ST. RAYMOND

#### NOVEMBER

LECTOR ..... Doris Morehouse  
CANTOR ..... Tim Mizera  
HOSPITALITY ..... Gabe Pope

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS  
Larry Weitekamp  
Dianne Hampton

#### HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Nov 3 - Hocking/Krager  
Nov 10 - Dick Lyons  
Nov 17 - Carl Marten  
Nov 24 - Noller/Morehouse

#### SERVERS:

Sun, Nov 3 - Avery & Luke Pope  
Sun, Nov 10 - Avery & Luke Pope,  
Austin Nicol  
Sun, Nov 17 - Denny Held  
Sun, Nov 24 - Dan Held

#### DECEMBER

LECTOR ..... Tricia Pinkston  
CANTOR ..... Chris Mizera  
HOSPITALITY ..... Mark Meisner  
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Carl Marten  
John Barto

### ST. MAURICE

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17

LECTOR ..... Dereke Dunkirk

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS .....  
Catherine O'Connell  
Ed Goebel  
Larry Goebel

USHERS ..... Mark Langen  
Ed Goebel  
Pat & Glenna Wolf

SERVERS ..... Macie Ferrill  
Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk

#### SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

LECTOR ..... Pat Wolf

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS .....  
John Bergschneider  
Gerry Goebel  
Dale Brockamp

USHERS ..... Mark Langen  
Ed Goebel  
Pat & Glenna Wolf

SERVER .....  
Lucas, Noah, and Emma Grundy

## COLLECTION TOTALS FOR NOVEMBER 9/10

St. Mary: not available at print

St. Raymond: \$2,215

St. Maurice: \$1,728

## OUR PRAYER LIST

Donna Boeh, Lenora Brown, Terry Goby, Janet (Cobb) Myers, Cindy Sale, Chuck Sale, Brant Weitekamp, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Greg Weitekamp, Katrina Cunningham, Glenn Rovey, Enriqueta Hernandez, Brandi Malutinok, Debbie Lucas, Drake Lucas, Cindy Sale, Chuck Sale, Martha Beeler, Trent Boston, Mike Sheedy

Remember to pray for our Pope, Bishop, priests and 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@stmr.org](mailto:kmarten@stmr.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.

## PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

### Farmersville KC Monthly Sunday Breakfast

November 17, 7:30 to 11:00 am at the KC Hall

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### Pro-Life Prayer Meeting

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

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### St. Raymond Christmas Party

Sunday, December 8 at 5:30 pm at the KC Hall.

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### Ladies Advent Meditation by Candlelight

All the ladies of our three parishes are invited to an evening of prayerful advent meditation.

Wine & cheese social to follow. Bring a candle

Thursday, December 12

6:30 pm at the St. Raymond rectory

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### Study on The Gospel of Matthew

Each Tuesday with 2 options for location/time:

- 10:00 am in Farmersville at the Parish Rectory

- 6:30 pm in Raymond at the KC Hall

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### Teen Bible Study

Meeting each Wednesday

at the St. Maurice parish rectory

Pizza at 6 pm, session starts at 6:30 pm

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### Family of Faith

Classes are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville starting at 6:00 pm

### St. Raymond CCW Thanksgiving Foodless Bakesale

Envelopes will be passed out before/after Mass and then also available in the back of the church.

Please return envelopes by December 1 by placing them in the offering basket.

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### St. Mary Participating in Toy Drive

Please have toys placed in the box in the vestibule by Sunday, December 1. Illuminatus will distributed toys with Christmas baskets for Feed the Need.

## LETTER FROM OUR BISHOP

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

With a population of over 1.1 million inhabitants, the Diocese of Springfield in Illinois has tens of thousands of people in our midst living in poverty. These men, women and children seldom make the headlines. However, their needs are real and deserve our prayer, action, and financial support.

Our annual Diocesan Collection for Justice and Hope (DCJH) will be taken the weekend of November 23-24, 2024. This collection gives Catholics an opportunity to reach out in solidarity to those who suffer and lack basic human necessities. All funds donated during the DCJH collection are granted to organizations that give realistic hope to the poor to break out of the cycle of poverty.

Like all Catholic ministries, the DCJH grant program reaches out to the broader community, without regard to race, ethnicity or religion. This campaign seeks to address the Gospel command to care for "the least of these" (Matthew 25), and also address the systemic injustices that contribute to poverty.

Please give generously to this DCJH collection and, when possible, reach out in service and solidarity to those organizations that help the poor among us.

May God bless you and reward you with peace, joy, and hope,

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Thomas John Paprocki  
Bishop of Springfield in Illinois