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Misión**

Dolan Springs, AZ

SEPTEMBER 27TH, 2026 | TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME
27 DE SEPTIEMBRE DE 2026 | VIGÉSIMO SEXTO DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

Welcome!
¡Bienvenido!

**MASS SCHEDULE /
HORARIO DE MISAS**

**Weekend Masses /
Misas de fin de semana**

Saturday | 4:00pm Vigil (English)
 Sunday | 11:30am (Español)

Sábado | 4:00 p. m. Vigilia (inglés)
 Domingo | 11:30 a. m. (español)

**Weekend Rosaries /
Rosarios de fin de semana**

Saturday | At the Church (privately) 3:20pm
 Sunday | With Litanies of the Blessed Virgin Mary 11:00am

Sábado | En la iglesia (en privado) 3:20pm
 Domingo | Con las Letanías de la Santísima Virgen María 11:00am

Confession / Confesión

Saturday | By Appointment
 (English/Español)

Sábado | Con cita previa (Inglés/Español)

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26TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." - Mt 21:31

26° DOMINGO DEL TIEMPO ORDINARIO

**"Yo les aseguro que los publicanos y las prostitutas se les han adelantado en el camino del Reino de Dios".
 - Mt 21, 31**

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Pastor Fr. Chris Axline

Parochial Vicar Fr. Johnson Vadakkumcherry

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September- Happening This Month at St. Mary's Kingman

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thur	Fri	Sat
 Our Lady of Sorrows Nuestra Señora de los Dolores		Sept. 01 8:00am Mass	02 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	03 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	04 5:00pm First Friday Devotion <i>In the Chapel</i> 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	05 8:30-9:30am Confessions 2:30pm First Saturday Devotion <i>In the Chapel</i> 4:00pm Mass
06 TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	07 Office closed for Labor Day 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC	08 THE NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY 8:00am Mass	09 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	10 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	11 No Mass - Diamondbacks Game in PHX 6:45pm CERS	12 8:30-9:30am Confessions 9:30 am Pro-life Rosary/ Meeting 4:00pm Mass
13 TWENTY-FOURTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	14 THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC	15 OUR LADY OF SORROWS 8:00am Mass	16 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class	17 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	18 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	19 8:30-9:30am Confessions 4:00pm Mass Gifts from the Holy Land available at this weekend's Masses
20 TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME Catechetical Sunday 9:00am Mass (English) 2:00pm Misa (Español)	21 No Mass 6:00pm JPC	22 No Mass	23 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class - cancelled	24 8:00am Mass 9am-5pm Eucharistic Adoration <i>In the Chapel</i> 5:30-7pm Religious Education Class	25 6:00pm Mass 6:45pm CERS	26 8:30-9:30am Confessions 4:00pm Mass
27 TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 9:00am Mass (English) 10:00am-2:00pm Fall Festival 2:00pm Misa (Español)	28 8:00am Mass 6:00pm JPC	29 8:00am Mass	30 10:00am Rosary 6:00pm Misa (Esp.) 6:45pm CERS 6:45pm CERS Youth 6:45pm JPC 7-8:30pm OCIA class			

Worship & Observances

Prayer for Autumn

Dear God,
As the weather changes,
the birds migrate, and autumn's
flowers, colors, and clouds make
their entrance, we thank You for
the gift of this beautiful season!
Help us use this season to
draw closer to each
other and to You.
Amen.

Readings for the Week of September 27, 2026

Sunday

Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/
Mt 21:28-32

Monday

Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday

Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12ab/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3,
4-5/Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday

Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday

Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14/Lk 10:1-12

Friday

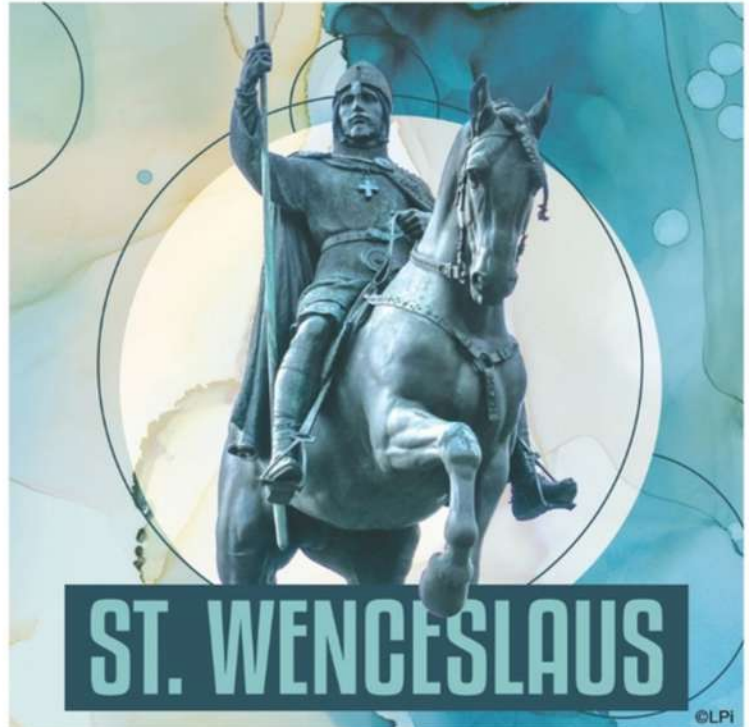
Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 139:1-3, 7-8, 9-10, 13-14ab/
Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday

Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130/
Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday

Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9 and 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20/Phil 4:6-9/
Mt 21:33-43



Observances for the Week of September 27, 2026

Sunday

26th Sunday in Ordinary Time;
Priesthood Sunday

Monday

St. Wenceslaus, Martyr; St. Lawrence Ruiz and
Companions, Martyrs

Tuesday

Sts. Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels

Wednesday

St. Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Thursday

St. Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and
Doctor of the Church

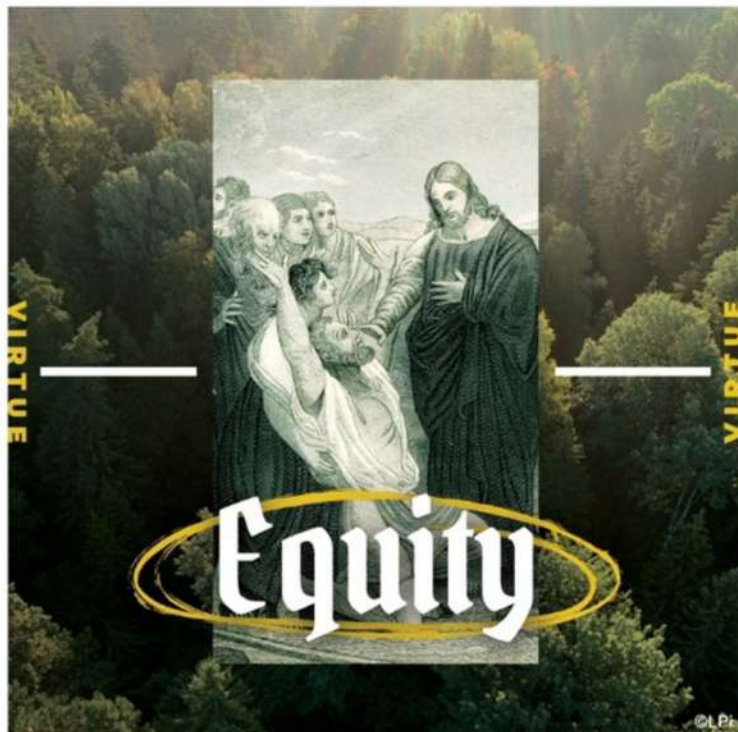
Friday

The Holy Guardian Angels

Next Sunday

27th Sunday in Ordinary Time; Respect Life Sunday

Weekly Scripture



Virtues, Explained!

Our God is just — but our God is also merciful. Practicing the virtue of equity means striving to imitate God in both these important aspects.

Governments draft legislation and authorities enforce laws in an attempt to create a system of rules and regulations that will ensure the common good. But we live in a fallen world, and there will never be a perfect justice system. Following one law will demand much more of one man than it does another, just the same as breaking one law will be easier for one woman than it is for another — and exacting punishment for the sake of punishment is never justice.

The virtue of equity is practiced by those who attend to the letter of the law, but who do so using their God-given human faculties and the mercy required of a Christian. To practice equity is to look at the whole picture — especially the divinely crafted person at the center of it.

Sunday's Readings

First Reading

But if he turns from the wickedness he has committed, he does what is right and just, he shall preserve his life. (Ez 18:27)

Psalm

Remember your mercies, O Lord. (Ps 25)

Second Reading

That at the name of Jesus every knee should bend, of those in heaven and on earth and under the earth, and every tongue confess that Jesus Christ is Lord, to the glory of God the Father. (Phil 2:10-11)

Gospel

Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." (Mt 21:31)

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Live The Liturgy

Inspiration of the Week

The owner of the vineyard gave both his sons the same opportunity. Only one took it, even though he had rejected it at first. Always remember: it is never too late to do the will of God. He waits for you.

Liturgical Life

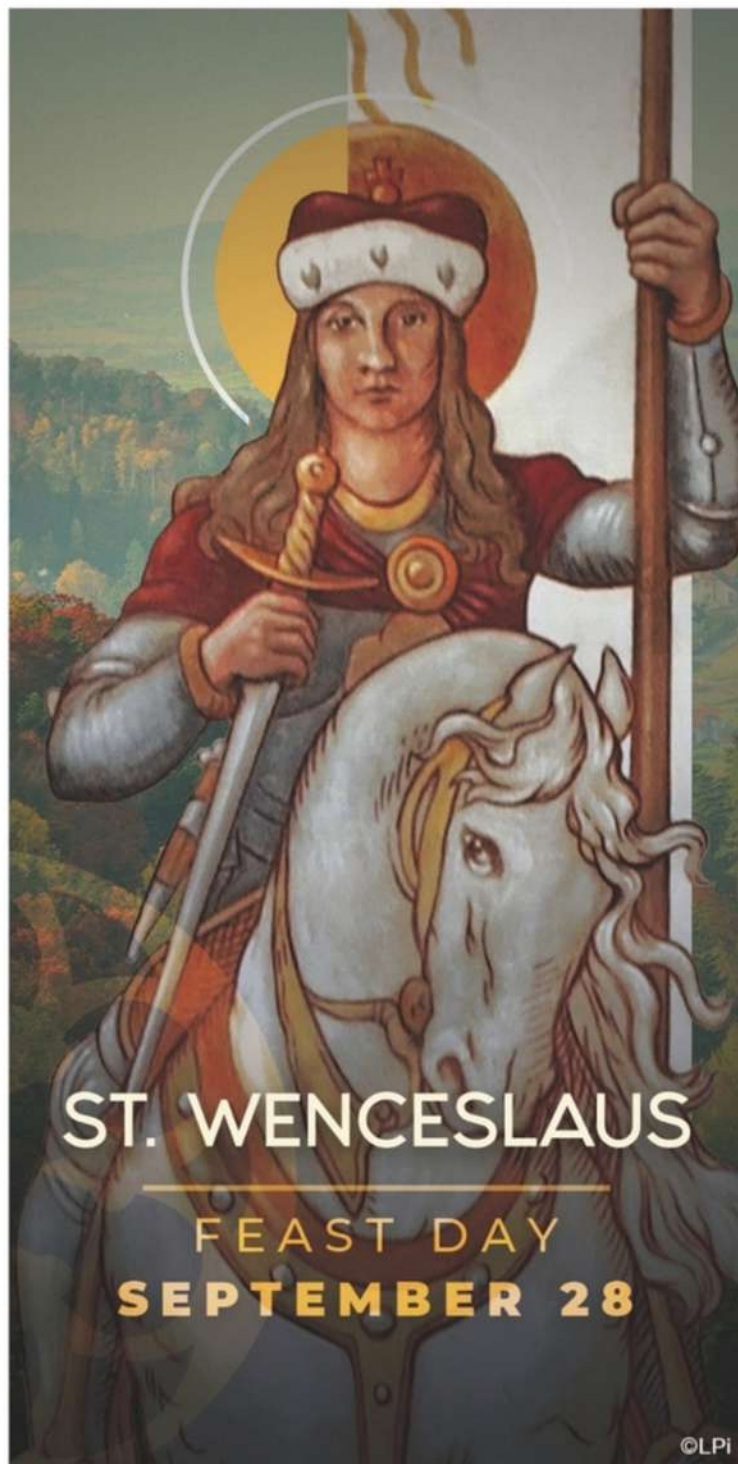
St. Wenceslaus

Pray for us!

You may know St. Wenceslaus better than you think; he is, in fact, the “Good King Wenceslas” from the Christmas carol penned in the 19th century.

Born near Prague in 907, St. Wenceslaus (c. 907 – 929) was raised in the Christian faith by his grandmother, St. Ludmila. After his father's death, political and religious conflict gripped Bohemia, but Wenceslaus became duke and worked to unite his people. He strengthened the Church by building churches and was known for his charity to the poor, sick, widows, and orphans.

Seeking peace, he allied with King Henry the Fowler, a decision that angered some nobles. He was ultimately killed by his brother Boleslaus or his followers, forgiving his brother with his dying words. Honored as a martyr, he became the first Czech saint and patron of the Czech Republic.



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Liturgical Life

(PRACTICING) CATHOLIC

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus shares the parable of the two sons and the vineyard, telling the chief priests and elders that to enter the kingdom of God, they must change their minds about John the Baptist's message of repentance.

The God of Changed Minds

I wonder what was so important.

The man gave both his sons the same order: go out and work in the vineyard today. One son said yes. One refused.

The first son doesn't show up. The second son changes his mind, and does what his father asked. I wonder what was so important, that it kept the first from fulfilling his word. I wonder what was so important, that it prevented the second from committing wholeheartedly.

I have an image in my head of the sun setting on the vineyard. The second son pauses for a moment to catch his breath while his father sits at the gate, anxiously scanning the horizon. "Any sign?" the son asks the father, who instead of answering drops his gaze into his lap.

With this parable, Jesus acknowledges that few of his disciples can anticipate a straight path to Heaven. Most of us are destined for a few bends in the road.

Most of us will suffer failures of will and strength. We will become distracted. We will become preoccupied. We will doubt ourselves. There will be so many things that seem important, and it will take us too long to realize they aren't. Once we have, we may be too proud to change course.

The shadows grow long in the vineyard. Any moment and they will give way to darkness. With its dying breath, the sun illuminates the contours of a figure making his way toward the father and son. When the figure cries out, it is a voice they recognize. "Am I too late?"

We worship the God of second chances. The God of changed minds. The God of never-too-late.

-Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman





Annual Fall Festival to be held Sunday, September 27th

from 10am-2pm in the Parish Center parking lot.

Food, beverages, games, raffles,
and Fr. Chris in a dunk tank!

Great time for fellowship! **Hope to see you there!**



St. Vincent de Paul

In addition to monetary donations, we rely on donated goods to provide a wide range of assistance to the needy in our community. A large portion of our revenue comes from donated furniture and appliances. Unfortunately our one driver is dealing with family obligations and is often unavailable to pick up those items. We have to refer donors to other agencies, causing our revenue to suffer.

We are asking all able-bodied men in the Parish to seriously consider volunteering even one day a week to help alleviate this situation.

You will be joining a great team of dedicated volunteers!

Volunteers Needed



STEWARDSHIP

September 20th

Attendance: pending

Weekly Collection \$ pending

Online Giving \$ pending

Building Fund \$ pending

Weekly Total \$ pending

August 2026

Monthly Collection \$ 47,039.45

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PR^{EST}HOOD Sunday

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BABY BOTTLE CAMPAIGN!

AAPC (Advice & Aid
Pregnancy Center) is
starting the Baby Bottle
campaign on Sept. 5th.

Bottles are now available.

It'll be handed in by end of
October.

**Thanks very much for
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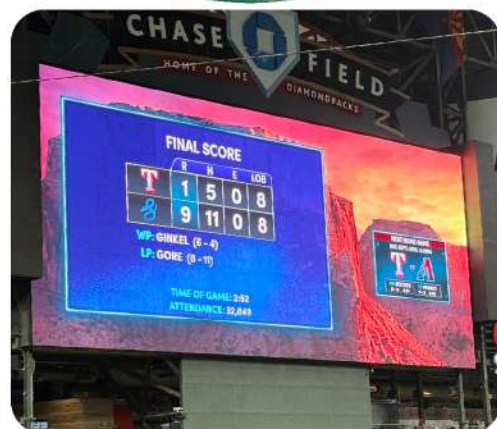
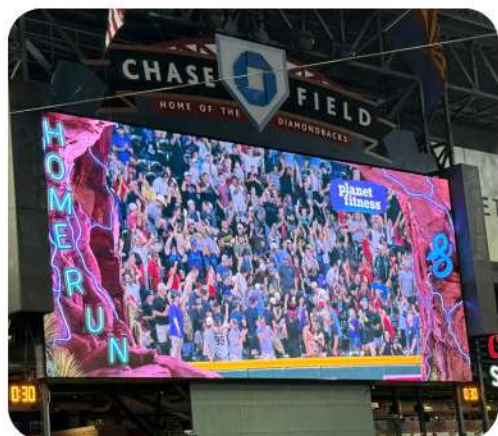
Catholic Night at the Diamondbacks Game

Parishioners from St. Mary's attended Catholic Night at Chase Field on Friday, September 11th. The Diamondbacks beat the Texas Rangers 9-1, with 9 runs and 11 hits.

It was an exciting game with back-to-back home runs by the Diamondbacks! The game also featured tributes to September 11th and ended with a fireworks show.

Thank you to Fr. Chris for arranging the trip, and thank you to the Knights of Columbus for their help in paying for the bus.

Everyone had a great time and we can't wait to do it again next year!



Welcome to Our Lady of the Desert

Catholic Night at the Diamondbacks Game



MASS INTENTIONS & DAILY GOSPELS

Saturday, September 26th

Saints Cosmas and Damian, Martyrs; BVM

Lk 9:43b-45

4:00pm | Mstr. Sgt. William Joseph Nash †

Sunday, September 27th

TWENTY-SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Mt 21:28-32

9:00am | Brother May Davied Tennies †,
Mary Daniel †

2:00pm | Maria Esperanza Angeles †

Monday, September 28th

*Weekday; Saint Wenceslaus, Martyr;
Saint Lawrence Ruiz and Companions,
Martyrs*

Lk 9:46-50

8:00am | Monica Nemeth

Our Lady of the Desert Mission

Tuesday, September 29th

*Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael,
Archangels*

Jn 1:47-51

8:00am | Teodora Migabon †

Wednesday, September 30th

*Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor
of the Church*

Lk 9:57-62

6:00pm | Maria Esperanza Angeles †,
Miguel Velasquez †

Thursday, October 1st

*Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus,
Virgin and Doctor of the Church*

Lk 10:1-12

8:00am | Mstr. Sgt. William Joseph Nash †

IN OUR HEARTS

Those Who Have Died

Robin "Rob" Grumbles

Helen Clark

Laura Bennett

Mary Deering

James Collins

Kyle Hurley

Marie Staab

Michelle Guenther



PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Our Sick Parishioners

Paula Poublon

Arthur Penfold

Fr. Matthew Krempel

Raeshel Lucero Hogue

Taylor Dupee

Rob Grumbles

Ginny Ludwilowski

Joey Mathews

Steffen Urban



Friday, October 2nd

The Holy Guardian Angels

Mt 18:1-5, 10

6:00pm | Jeremy & Jared Rhizor

Next Saturday, October 3rd

Weekday; BVM

Lk 10:17-24

4:00pm | Jared Rhizor

Next Sunday, October 4th

*TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN
ORDINARY TIME*

Mt 21:33-43

9:00am | Steve Garger †

2:00pm | Andrea Harvard †

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Kids Corner

Sharing the Gospel

God wants you to change your way of behaving after you hear his words. He wants you to say you are sorry and believe in him. He wants you to be a better person. He wants you to choose good over evil. Write your favorite Bible verse. Stick it on your mirror or your lunch box. When you know it by heart and do what it says, then get a new verse. That will make God smile.



**Now color
the picture!**

Prayer

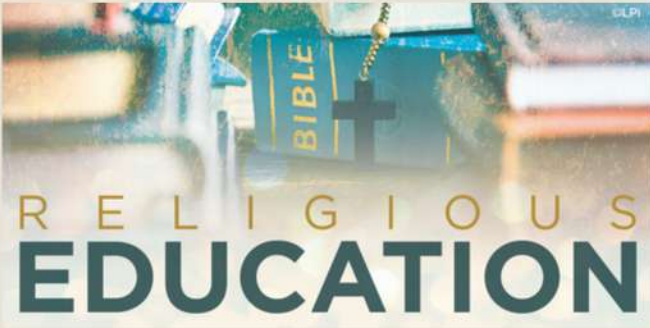
God, I want to listen to your words.

Mission for the Week

I will ask my parents to read the Bible to me every day.



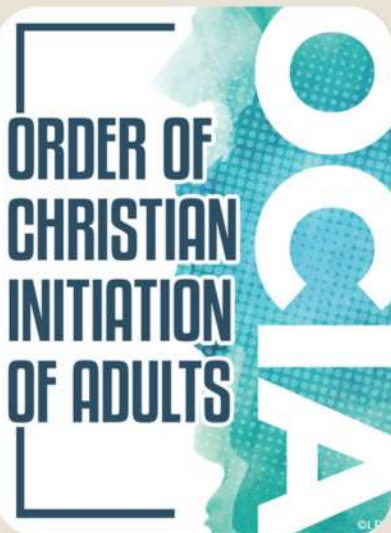
Religious Formation and Sacraments



Registration for the children's 2026-2027 Religious Education session has ended.

Next year's registration will begin in June 2027.

Please check our website and Facebook page for more updates!



COME JOIN OUR ADULT OCIA CLASS!

**Classes meet weekly on Wednesdays from 7-8:30pm.
We will be meeting in Rooms 5, 6, & 7 in the parish hall.**

Enroll by filling out the OCIA application, which can be picked up in the parish office or the Gift Shop.

Enrollees must be registered to the parish.

The workbook is \$25 & can be paid by cash or check.

Make checks out to: St. Mary's / memo: OCIA



Baptism Information

(children ages 6 and younger)



REQUIREMENTS FOR THE BAPTISM OF YOUR CHILD To

have your child baptized in our parish, a parent of

the child to be baptized must come to the Parish Office to obtain an outline describing the required forms.

After submitting these required forms to the office, the parents and godparents will be scheduled to attend a pre-baptism class. Only after all requirements have been met can the baptism of your child be scheduled.

If you have any questions regarding the above, please call the Parish Office: (928) 377-3435.



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