ST. MARYS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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OFFICE HOURS: Mon. – Closed - Call the Rectory for sacramental emergencies. Please only use for sacramental emergencies (illness or death). Thanks 276-228-1019 Tues., Wed., Thurs. 9 am – 5 pm Fri. 9 am – 3 pm

MASS SCHEDULE: Fridays 12:00 pm unless otherwise posted differently; <u>Confessions immediately</u> <u>following or by appointment.</u> Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 9:00 a.m. St. Edwards: Sunday 11:00 am

St. Marys Weekly Calendar

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Saturday, February 22	5:00 pm Liturgy	
Sunday, February 23	9:00 am Liturgy Intentions-Gary Gibson	
<u>Monday, February 24</u>	Office Closed	
Friday, February 28	12:00 pm Noon Liturgy	
Saturday, March 1	5:00 pm Liturgy	
Sunday, March 2	9:00 am Liturgy Intentions-Gary Gibson	

Mass Intentions for Sun., Feb. 23rd are in loving memory of Gary Gibson given by Michael Canestrari.

SECOND COLLECTIONS		
March 1-2, 2025	St. Mary's Capital Improvement	
March 29-30, 2025	Catholic Relief Services	

<u>A REMINDER:</u> Father Boat's Homily is available on the parish website every Tuesday after the weekend Masses. The website address is <u>www.stmaryswytheville.org</u>. It is also available on St. Edward's website, usually Sunday afternoon. <u>www.stedwardpulaski.org</u>.

Please continue your prayers for our sick and homebound: Brother John, Helen Conrad, Jason Conrad, Eileen Cummings, Gene Deshler, Glenda Dunford, Tonya Dunford, Lori Francis, George Fuderer, Tonia Johnson, Suzanne Molloy, Bill Mutschler, Sister Mary Ellen, Elizabeth Paradise, Mary Pemberton, Frances Post, Joe Post, and Kathy Sherowsky. *If there is anyone that you would like to add to or can be removed from the list, please email, or call the office. Thank you!*

"OLD PALMS" Please bring in your old palms to be burned for ashes for Ash Wednesday by *THIS* Sunday, February 23rd. There is a basket in the gathering space.

<u>ASH WEDNESDAY, MARCH 5, 2025:</u> The Mass/Distribution of Ashes has been scheduled for 6:00 pm here at St. Mary's and 4:00 pm at St. Edward's. *The first soup supper of the 2025 Lenten season will follow in the Pastoral Center. The Pastoral Council will be hosting. Everyone is welcome to attend.*

<u>2025 LENTEN SOUP SUPPERS</u>: Soup suppers will be held in the Pastoral Center during the 2025 Lenten Season on Wednesdays from March 12th – April 9th at 6:00 pm. Everyone is welcome to attend. Host information is forthcoming, but if you plan to attend, all food contributions are welcome. Please contact Brenda May with questions.

2025 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (ADA): Many of you may have received a letter from Bishop Knestout asking for your support of the 2025 ADA. The appeal will provide critical funding to many diverse and impactful ministries that affect the lives of thousands of people in our Diocese. This year's parish goal is **\$8,050.00**. Please keep in mind that St. Mary's is a mission parish and that 50% of your donations come back to the parish tax-free. For the 2024 appeal, the parish received tax-free funds back in the amount of **\$6,132.50**, **AND was instrumental in the Home Missions Grant that was received to help with the Rectory repairs last fall.** Please prayerfully consider donating generously to the 2025 ADA. Thank you. For a full list of the ministries supported by the Appeal please visit <u>richmondcatholicfoundation.org/appeal</u>.

Sacrificial Offering		
February 15-16, 2025	Operating Funds	<u>\$1213.00</u>
•	Capital Improvements	\$50.00

Updated finance information is now available on the bulletin boards.

ALSO: The minutes from the last Pastoral Council meeting are available on the bulletin boards.

PREGNANCY RESOURCE CENTER-SWVA: Please see the sign-donation container in the gathering space for the Pregnancy Resource Center. Donations requested are: **Unisex baby blankets, Infant boys & girls' clothes, diapers, baby wipes, baby bottles and onesies.** If you have any questions, please see Brenda May.

<u>AGAPE FOOD PANTRY:</u> *First quarter of 2025 requests:* soup, macaroni & cheese, and canned beans. Thank you for your continued support.

FAMILY RESOURCE CENTER: Along with the needed items on the list on the wall above the bin, packaged plastic silverware is also needed. They can use this along with all other paper products when they must house a family in a motel. **Please leave your donations in the designated container in the gathering space.** Thanks.

HOPE PACK PROGRAM: We continue to accept donations for the Hope Pack Program in memory of Deacon Charles May. The baskets and envelopes are in the gathering space and at the Monroe Street entrance. *Please make all checks payable to <u>"Open Door Community."</u> Plastic shopping bags continue to be accepted. Also, the bags are packed each Wednesday evening at 5:00 pm at Open Door Community. All volunteers are always welcome. Thank you for your continued support.*