



# St. Mary's Catholic Church

Located at the Corner of First & Polk in Moscow & 138 Jackson St. in Genesee

Rev. Benjamin Onyemachi, SMMM, Pastor Rev. Anthony Ujagbo, Parochial Vicar

21th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
Aug 25, 2024

**“Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life.” Jn 6:68**

Beloved people of God as the summer season gradually gives way to the fall of the year, we give thanks to God for His graciousness and love. In spite of all odds, it was in my opinion a beautiful summer. I hope you enjoyed it.

As part of our community's response to the sacrilegious depiction of the event of the Last Supper (the institution of the Most Holy Eucharist) at the opening ceremony of the Paris Olympics on July 26, 2024; we are advocating that every parishioner of St Mary's who can, should devote an hour of Adoration before the Blessed Sacrament in atonement and reparations. Kindly find time within the month to be part of it. As a community, we have added to our usual first Friday all day Adoration and Tuesday evening Adoration, a Holy Hour before morning Mass beginning at 7am on Mondays and Thursdays, every other Wednesday, and every other Friday that is not first Friday. Except Fridays during the school year. We are also rolling out plans for 33 days of Eucharistic glory as a follow up to the national Eucharist revival just conclude in Indianapolis.

We thank our community for the huge support to our school – St. Mary's Catholic School. We continue to encourage all our families with kids to enroll in our Pre-school, Pre-K, and K-8 program. We have an amazing program that provides holistic formation to our children vis-à-vis intellectual, spiritual, moral, and human formation. Our doors are open to Catholic and non-Catholic families. Our faculty and staff are the best in town. We know, value, love and care for every child entrusted to us. We plan for the best and nothing short of the best for them.

As you may have observed, we have been able to complete the Church's brick repointing and cleaning, the roof repair, and painting of the soffits, window, and door frames. We needed to embark on these projects because some serious dilapidation was discovered in hidden places on the building capable of leading to greater damage. Big thanks to our maintenance team.

—Fr. Ben.



<https://reason2bcatholic.com/2021/08/22/gospel-reflections-to-whom-shall-we->

## This Week at St. Mary's Church

Mon.	Aug. 26	8:00 am Mass (†Barbara Pfeifer) 8:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry
Tues.	Aug. 27	8:00 am Mass (†Nadine Smith) 4:30 pm Adoration & Confession 5:30 pm Mass (†Wanda Ramsey) 5:00 pm St. Mary's School Back to School BBQ
Wed.	Aug. 28	<i>1st Day of School</i> 8:00 am Mass (†Charlene Johndro) 5:00 pm AA 6:30 pm Marian Cenacle of Prayer 6:30 pm Mass in Genesee (Int. David Douglas)
Thurs.	Aug. 29	8:00 am Mass (†Anna Dixson) 6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society
Fri.	Aug. 30	9:00 am School Mass (†Dru Shrum) 10:30 am Mass at Paradise Creek
Sat.	Aug. 31	8:00 am Mass (†Annie Goff) 8:45 am Reconciliation 5:00 pm Mass

### *Schedule of Masses*

Saturday Evening—5:00 pm  
Sunday Morning— 8:00 & 11:30 am  
Genesee—9:45 am Rosary @ 9:15 am  
Daily Rosary—*New time*—7:35 am

### *Sacrament of Reconciliation*

Saturday—8:45 am  
Tuesday—4:30 pm  
Sunday (Genesee)—9:15 am

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## Family Faith Formation

Registration is now open for Religious Education, 1st Sacrament Prep, Middle and High School Youth Groups, and Confirmation Prep!

Registration forms available in the vestibule or online at <https://stmarysparishmoscow.org/fffp/>

## Second Collection

In our continued effort to support families of our parish with medical and hospital expenses, we will take a second collection after all the Masses this weekend. Please consider contributing. Thank you for your generous support both financially and through your prayers.

## Parish Picnic

Mark your calendars for Sunday, September 22nd and a return of our annual Parish Picnic Social! Join us at the Family Center and Rectory Lawn. There will be food, games, and prizes! Bring your camp chairs, canopies, or yard games if you have them. More details to come!

## KC Blood Drive

Thursday, September 12th at the Family Center.

## Safe Environment

The next training will be on Tuesday, September 17th at 6:30 pm in the Family Center. Please come if you plan to work with children and youth in our parish.

## Diocesan Special Collections—2024

September 7-8—Diocesan Priests/Special Needs

September 21-22—Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy

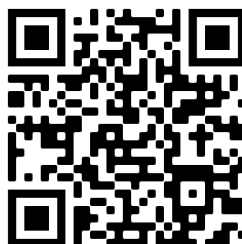
October 19-20—World Mission Sunday

November 16-17—Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Children's Collection for the month of August—

## Multiple parish families' urgent medical and hospital expenses

### Online Giving



Scan the Code or Visit:

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### Sacrificial Giving: August 2024

Budgeted Offertory Income: \$27,361.52

Aug. 4: \$ 7,008.56

Aug. 11: \$ 4,280.56

Aug. 18: \$ 6,280.56

Aug. 25: \$

August Offertory Income: \$ 17,569.68

*Our Offertory Goal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2025 is \$318,000. At 13% of the year, we have received 13.93% of our annual goal. Thank you!*

## Thinking About Becoming Catholic?

Or do you know someone who would like to know more about our faith? St. Mary's Inquiry classes will be starting Wednesday, September 11th at 7:00 pm in the Parish Center. If you know of someone who is searching, ask them to come and see what we are about or call the office with their name and one of the team members will invite them. For more information contact the Parish Office @ 208-882-4813 or Caroline @ 208-882-4355.

## Women's Conference Registration

Registration for the highly anticipated Idaho Catholic Women's Conference is open. The conference will be September 14th at Holy Apostles in Meridian and has online options including watch parties at St. Mary's in Moscow! The theme is "The Joy of the Lord is our Strength" with a particular focus on healing. Speakers include Fr. John Mosier, Carrie Schuchts Daunt from the John Paul II Healing Center, a Nashville Dominican Sister, and Mass with Bishop Peter. For more details and to secure your spot, visit [idahocatholicwomen.org](http://idahocatholicwomen.org). Ladies, don't miss it!

## ~ Summer Evening Social ~ Happy "Hors d'oeuvre" Hour

To celebrate the end of summer, join us after Mass, or for the social only, on Saturday, August 24 at 6pm in the Parish Family Center. All are welcome! Bring friends and a "potluck hors d'oeuvre" to share - aka finger food!

## Coffee Socials—Canceled!!

There will **not** be Coffee Social this weekend. Please consider signing up to host. We are always looking for more volunteers!! Contact the office for more information.



## St. Mary's School News

St. Mary's School opens for classes on August 28<sup>th</sup>. We have our Back-to-School Barbecue on August 27<sup>th</sup> at 5:00 at the school. We are looking forward to seeing everyone. We've missed you over the summer. We have some great activities planned this fall and look forward to getting out in our parish and community- igniting our faith, knowledge, creativity and service.

<[www.stmarysmoscow.org](http://www.stmarysmoscow.org)>

## Good Comes from Giving to Others

On August 23, the Idaho Catholic Register (ICR) will publish a tribute story about the Moscow Food Bank. This is the first time the ICR has highlighted this blessed ministry.

For over 43 years it has faithfully served the Moscow area community from the St. Mary's parish grounds. Just last year, over 21,000 people received food from its charitable doors. The food bank is a loving testament of faith and devotion that continues to meet the increasing needs of others. Many, many dedicated and caring parishioners (past and present) have made sure our neighbors have food to eat. We are grateful. It is a miracle in our midst!

The food bank began in a small closet within the Family Parish Center and was started by the Catholic Women's League. Linda Nickels is the current Moscow Food Bank Director and has overseen its operation for over 30 years as a volunteer. She is "in progress" of leaving her post, but has been a loving, steady rock from which the food bank has been built. Please take time to read the story, thank those involved, and give generously.

## Please Join Us in Prayer

- ◆ **For the repose of the souls of our loved ones:** Rose Sharp, Barbara McHugh, Msgr. Andy Schumacher, Deacon George Canney, Mary Jane Davie, Tom Terhaar, Anna Petersen, Dick Gludt, Fr. Joseph Muha, Babette Jackson, Camille Cooper, David Clark, Mary Ann Moser, Doug Mayer, John Rector, Deacon Frederick Joseph Schmidt, Margaret Joyce, Amelia Turk, Olga "Honey" Canney, Sue Schendel, Patty Funke, Sister Lillian Repak OSU, Sennoi Roth, Phil Mohan, Dave Hutton, Rodger Pedersen, Terry Dahmen.
- ◆ **For our friends and family:** Arlene Stoddard, Chuck Stoddard, Mera Peterson, Irene Fracz, Annie Redinger, Wyatt Reeves, Cade McKinley, Steve Abrams, Mark & Kari Kimsey, Alaura Scott, Debbie Meshishnek, Carlton (C.K.) Brown, Amy Scott, Scott Troka, Kim Squires, Linda Nickels, Martha Bieker, & Bettina Gilbert.
- ◆ **For our Diocesan Seminarians:** Ronald Onyekwelu, John Dyson, Charlie Ineck, Ian Willnerd, Nathan Ribb, Nicholas Sower, Monico Heredia, Ryan Olenick, Leonardo Guillermo Gutierrez.
- ◆ **For all married couples celebrating an anniversary in the month of August.**



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