



St. Mary's Catholic Church

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

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Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
November 26, 2023

MISSION APPEAL FOR THE CONGREGATION OF SONS OF MARY MOTHER OF MERCY

Beloved people of God, you may have read in our bulletin about a special collection for the Congregation of Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy. That was as a result of the privilege granted to the order by the Diocese of Boise in a letter dated September 21, 2023, addressed to the Regional Superior in the USA, permitting the congregation to conduct mission appeals in the parishes served by the priests of the Congregation within the Diocese. The collection will be used for the training of her seminarians for mission as well as the upkeep and maintenance of other apostolates.

BRIEF HISTORY OF THE CONGREGATION ORIGIN

The Congregation of Sons of Mary Mother of Mercy (SMMM) is an indigenous religious congregation founded in Nigeria by Most Rev. Dr. Anthony Gogo Nwedo, C.S.Sp., of blessed memory on the 25th of October, 1970. It is a missionary congregation of priests and brothers; and the first indigenous religious congregation for men founded in Africa, by a West African residential Bishop, for a worldwide mission. This religious order was born following the civil war in the Country between 1967 and 1970 to address the shortage of priests and missionaries as well as other humanitarian needs in Nigeria.

APOSTOLATE

The Priest members of the Congregation teach in schools and minister in parishes, while members who are Reverend Brothers make sacred vestments, teach in schools, teach doctrines in parishes and care for the sick and needy.

CHARISM

The Congregation enjoys the Charism of bearing witness to the Mercy of God, following the footsteps of Christ the Merciful Savior and Mary our Mother of Mercy. This Mercy is expressed in Compassion, Forgiveness and Kindness; as exemplified by our Divine Master Jesus Christ in the following scriptural references: Mt.9:4; Mt. 18:21-22; Luke 1:39,56; John 2:3

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This Week at St. Mary's Church

Mon.	Nov. 27	8:00 am Mass (†Carmella Helbling) 8:30 am Prayer Shawl Ministry 11:30 am St. Anthony's Slice of Heaven (High School) 1:00 pm Pinochle
Tues.	Nov. 28	8:00 am Mass (†Sue Schendel) 2:00 pm Gospel of John Bible Study 4:30 pm Adoration & Confession 5:30 pm Mass 6:00 pm CWL Paint & Sip
Wed.	Nov. 29	8:00 am Mass (†Olga "Honey" Canney) 9:00 am St. Zelig Martin Moms' Group 5:00 pm AA 6:30 pm Genesee Mass (†Patricia Funke) 7:00 pm RCIA/OCIA
Thurs.	Nov. 30	8:00 am Mass (†Joetta Pfeifer) 6:30 pm St. Vincent de Paul Society
Fri.	Dec. 1	8:00 am First Friday Mass (†Bill Helbling) Followed by 24 hr Adoration 10:30 am Mass at Paradise Creek of Olympus
Sat.	Dec. 2	8:00 am First Saturday Mass 8:45 am Reconciliation 9:00 am Children's Rosary 10:00 am CWL Meeting, Raffle, & Brunch 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
Rosary—Mon-Fri. 7:40 am Fri. 8:35 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

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

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Family Faith Formation

December 3rd

Religious Education 9:15 am

MS/HS Youth Group 12:45 p.m.

Blood Drive—Dec. 5th

KC and St. Mary's School blood drive will be on Tuesday, December 5th, from 2:00-6:30 in the Family Center. There are as of this Sunday, just 30 days remaining in which to sign up to give blood through Vitalent.org. Potential donors can either contact Dcn. George, or Joe Fairbanks (Vitalent regional coordinator) at 509-790-0836 for more information.

Thursday 11:30 Mass—Cancelled

Unfortunately the 11:30 Mass on Thursdays has not been well attended. We have discontinued this option moving forward. Mass will still be held at 8am on Thursday mornings.

Keep Christ in Christmas

The Knights of Columbus will be selling Christmas cards for \$8/box. Available at the Family Center while supplies last.

Catholic Women's League

The next CWL meeting will be Saturday morning, December 2 at 10 o'clock. This is our December meeting where our raffle prizes are given out. All women of the parish are invited to come, to enjoy a lovely brunch and celebrate all the winners and their prizes. We will look at what has been done and look ahead at events for the upcoming year. Mark your calendar for December 2nd and don't forget to bring any raffle tickets you may have and, of course, bring a friend.

Children's Rosary

Every First Saturday after the 8am Mass, we will be hosting a Children's Rosary Prayer Group. Join us on Saturday, December 3 at 9am at the church. All are welcome.

Living Nativity and Celebration at St. Mary's Church

Friday, December 15th 5:30 - 7:00 p.m.

Walk through the Living Nativity, then join us inside for a Hot Chocolate Bar, Cookies and Crafts! Interested in volunteering? Have Questions?

Contact the office at 208-882-4813.

Online Giving



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Sacrificial Giving: November 2023

Budgeted Offertory Income: \$25,173.20

November 5: \$ 6,896.00

November 12: \$ 5,514.96

November 19: \$ 4,255.39

November 26: \$

November Offertory Income: \$12,410.96

Our Offertory Goal for the fiscal year ending June 30, 2024 is \$318,000. At 40% of the year, we have received 40.17% of our annual goal. Thank you!

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SPIRIT

The spirit of the Congregation is that of Charity, Humility, Prayer, Penance and Abandonment to the will of God.

GROWTH

Since its inception in 1970, the Congregation, like the biblical mustard seed, has been growing steadily from strength to strength. At the moment, we have a total of 304 professed members, 221 priests, and 77 major seminarians preparing for the sacred priesthood. In addition, we have 18 novices, 18 postulants and many aspirants.

MISSION AREAS

Many of our members are working in Nigeria and other African countries namely: Cameroun, Burkina Faso and Ghana. Some are working outside Africa as missionaries in the following countries: Germany, Belgium, Austria, Italy, Switzerland, Luxemburg, England, Northern Ireland, Canada, United States of America and The Philippines.

INSTITUTIONS

- Mercy Seminary, Bende in Umuahia Diocese.
- Bishop Anthony Nwedo Memorial Boys High School, Ossah, in Umuahia Diocese.
- Lucy Memorial Secondary School, Amiri.in Aba Diocese.
- Holy Family Secondary School, Osusu Isiala-Ngwa, in Aba Diocese.
- Loretto Boys High School, Osusu Umuelendu, in Aba Diocese.
- Holy Family Secondary School, Mgbokojn Aba Diocese.
- Sons of Mary Students; Community (Theologate), Ulaikwo, in Owerri Archdiocese.
- Holy Family Secondary School, Umundugbajn in Orlu Diocese.
- Holy Family Secondary School, Aguneze Mbaise, in Ahiara Diocese.
- Mother Paul Offiah Memorial Secondary School, Azia, in Nnewi Diocese.
- Bishop Nwedo Memorial Group of Schools, Ikorodu, Lagos, in Lagos Archdiocese (School in building)

Through these institutions, the Congregation provides education to less privileged children, boys and girls, Catholics and Non-Catholic alike from across the country. Prayerfully consider supporting the Mission of the Congregation through your generous donation. **Our Mission Appeal will take place on December 2nd and 3rd.** Remain blessed as we entrust you to the care of the Blessed Virgin Mary our Mother of Mercy.

—Fr. Benjamin.

Advent Reflection Books

Please pick up your Advent reflection book at the entrances to Church or at the office. We have family and children copies available as well.

2023 Idaho Catholic Appeal

St. Mary's Moscow

Total Pledged: \$ 60,288
Parish Goal: \$ 57,583
Percent of Goal: 104.7%
Rebate Earned: \$ 2,705
Rebate Received: \$ 0

St. Mary's Genesee

Total Pledged: \$ 9,460
Parish Goal: \$ 7,067
Percent of Goal: 134.71%
Rebate Earned: \$ 2,453
Rebate Received: \$ 2,143

Thank you so much for your generosity and support for the 2023 Idaho Catholic Appeal.

Liturgical New Year's Eve Ball

The Catholic Homeschool Group along with St Mary's Catholic School invite one and all to the first annual Catholic Community Liturgical New Year's Eve Ball on December 2nd from 4-8pm at the St Mary's school gym in Moscow.

A potluck dinner will be followed by a called contra dance. American Contra Dance is a traditional line dance derivative of the old English Country Dance. A caller teaches each dance and then calls the steps as the dance is performed. No experience or partner necessary - if you can move and follow along (or be carried by someone who can), you can take part!

So put on some festive attire, bring a dish to share, and get your family or your friends together to celebrate the start of the New Liturgical Year!

Potluck signup <https://mealtrain.com/51wrgy>

Please Join Us in Prayer

- ♦ **For the repose of the souls of our loved ones:** 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, Alice Hall, Joe Ulliman, Sr. Mary Forman, Ellie Olesen, Harold Grassl, Conor Richards, Fr. Sean Caulfield, Leslie Wilson, Norma Bailey, Fern Bielenberg, Deborah Evans.
- ♦ **For our friends and family:** Jill Rinaldi, Linda Nickels, Martha Bieker, Bettina Gilbert, Leona Ahles, Fr. Gabriel Morales, Mary Ann Moser, Eileen Brady, Dick & Doris Gludt, Sheryl Evans, Terry Bielenberg, Arlene Stoddard, Deacon George, Randy Osborne, Doris West, Chuck Stoddard, Brad Flodin, & Jessie Shell.
- ♦ **For our Diocesan Seminarians:** Joshua Tennyson, Ian Willnerd, Nathan Ribb, Nicholas Sower, Monico Heredia, Connor Brown, Ryan Olenick, Zachary MacKeller, Joseph Patti, Christopher Din, Ronald Onyekwelu, Leonardo Guillermo Gutierrez.
- ♦ **For all married couples celebrating an anniversary in the month of November.**

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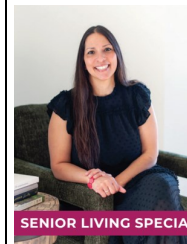
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