

ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH *Est. 1853*

1171 Jefferson St., Carlyle, IL 62231

Fr. Steven Pautler, Pastor
Fr. Devarajulu Ubbarapu

April 12, 2026

Second Sunday of Easter (Sunday of Divine Mercy)

First Reading: Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47

Second Reading: 1 Peter 1:3-9

Gospel: John 20:19-31

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Bingo: Wed. at 7:30pm.

Meetings—2nd Tuesday of the month 7:30pm

Breakfast— 3rd Sun of the month 8-noon.

Fish fry's —*First Friday of the month*



STRAIGHT FROM THE COLLAR PADRE STEVE, WHAT'S THE DEAL WITH...

Got burning questions, holy curiosities, or just want to stomp your parish priest? Send them to spautler@stmarycentralia.org and I'll give it my best shot—collar, coffee, and a sense of humor included!

Question: I attend the Chrism Mass did the bishop really breathe into the oil. And was it on fire?

Answer:

You saw it correctly. No flames, no smoke, and no need to check the fire exits. The bishop breathes over the oil as a sign of the Holy Spirit, echoing Christ breathing on the apostles. It is one of those moments where the Church quietly says something very big. That oil will be used all year for Baptisms, Confirmations, and Ordinations, so it is not just symbolic, it is important. So no, it was not on fire, but something far more powerful was happening. Once you notice it, you never unsee it! Not by headlines, but by Him!

VOCATION CORNER

April 12:

Today's Gospel is the familiar story of Thomas' declaration of unbelief in the Resurrection until "I put my finger in the nail marks." These kinds of thoughts often attack the minds of those discerning a religious vocation. They are seeking that "definite" sign that the path they are pursuing is the right one. The Lord does not always afford that. Let us pray often for these discerners that they "hear the call" of the Lord and continue to respond to it.

Walking in the Parish Center

M-F only 8am-3pm

With the exception of holidays

ST. BONIFACE CHURCH 6TH ANNUAL QUILT RAFFLE

We will be giving away 20 beautiful hand quilted, queen-sized quilts! Tickets are \$25 each, with only 500 tickets sold. If your name gets drawn as a winner, your name goes back in for the remaining draws. To purchase a ticket, you can either place your check/cash in an envelope and put it in the collection basket at St. Boniface or St. Cecilia Church, you can place it in the drop box at either parish office, or mail it to: St. Boniface Church, PO Box 280, Germantown, IL 62245. Please include your name and a valid phone number with your ticket purchase. Also, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope so we can mail you your ticket stub. If you do not enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope, we will presume that you do not want your ticket stub. You can also purchase a ticket at Germantown Trust and Savings Bank, either Germantown, Bartelso, or Breese location. The tickets cannot leave the bank since we have a limited number to be sold, so they will need to be purchased and filled out at the bank. The 20 winners will be drawn on Sunday, June 14!

Schedule of Upcoming 2026 Healing Masses

Information will be updated whenever the office is notified.

St. Anthony (Beckemeyer)/St. Dominic/St. Augustine - 5/19/26

St. Cecilia/St. Boniface-7/21/26

St. Elizabeth/St. Teresa (Salem) - 9/15/26

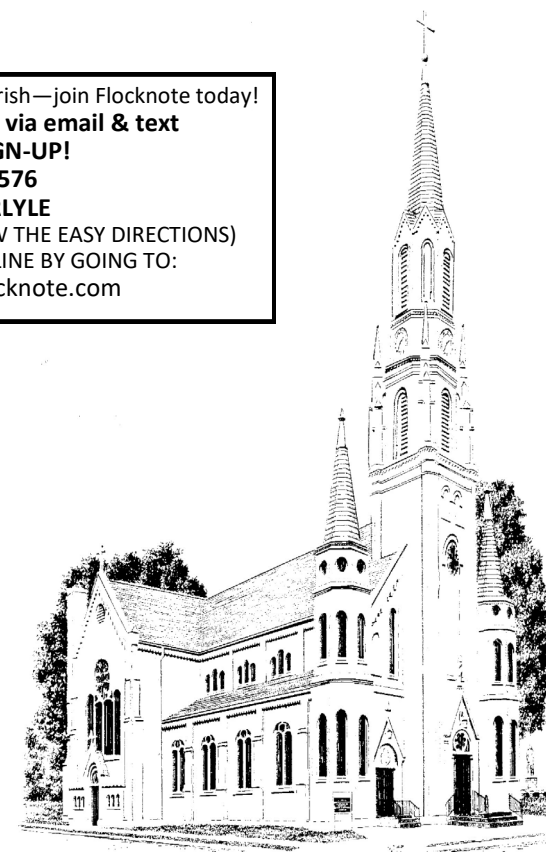
Classes in Parish Center Hospitality Room

Yoga 8:15 am Chair Yoga 9:15 am

Fitness 5:30 am and 6:00 pm
All Classes on Mondays and Thursdays
For more information, contact Michele Kern 618-401-1894

Need a Visit or the Sacraments?
If someone is hospitalized, homebound, or in urgent need of the sacraments, including Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. Steve directly 618-532-6291 x307

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Mission statement:
Our mission is to involve ourselves in lay ministries, living and spreading the gospel message of justice and peace.

BELLEVILLE DIOCESE CHILD PROTECTION
www.diobelle.org/faith-formation/child-protection
SEXUAL ABUSE HOTLINE: Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual misconduct by a priest or other diocesan personnel please call the hotline: 800-640-3044.

		LECTOR	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER		MASS SERVERS	GIFT BEARERS	USHERS
Apr 11	4:30 pm	Kendra Vaughn	Chuck Rolfingsmeier	Elaine Horstmann	Keaston Vaughn	Jerome Diekemper Family	Skip Etter
Apr 12			Kerri Peters	Tiffany Wesselmann			
	10:00 am	Jeannie Kleber	Linda Peppenhorst	Jan Kauling	Kinsley Vaughn		Darlene Diekemper
			Susan Winkeler	Beverly Schlau	Volunteer	Joel & Lindsey Tucker Family	Karen Miller
			Emily Von Hatten	Kelly Dempsey	Volunteer		Gail Von Hatten
			Angie Von Hatten	Linda McNurlen	Julie Von Hatten		Chad Holthaus
			Ed Kleber				
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Apr 18	4:30 pm	Suzanne Christ	Richard Christ	Rosie Nehrt	Caleb Aeschbacher	Volunteer Family	Skip Etter
Apr 19			Linda Peppenhorst	Jane Beckmann			
	10:00 am	Brigid Nalewajka	Matt Diekemper	Paula Kampwerth	Owen Clark		Darlene Diekemper
			Mary Hartung	Jim Nalewajka	Charlotte Nolte	Travis Diekemper Family	Karen Miller
			Elyse Caplinger	Ethan Wheelan	Volunteer		Gail Von Hatten
			David Caplinger	Ron Zurliene			Chad Holthaus
			David Rodden				

MASS TIMES:

Monday - Friday - 7:30 am

Thursday— 10:00am— Carlyle Health Care Center

Saturday—4:30pm

Sunday—10:00am

Reconciliation—Sat. 3:45-4:15pm

Holy Days—as announced

Staff:

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Fax: 618-594-4638

Faith Formation:

Every Wednesday 6:30pm-7:30pm

Call 594-2284 for more information

To join the Choir or become a Cantor:

Contact the office at 594-2225

Church Calendar on Google:

stmarycarlyle@gmail.com

Sacrament of Baptism:

Call Fr. Pautler 594-2225 to register.

Sacrament of Marriage:

Please make an appointment with Fr. Pautler at least six months in advance, preferably a year.

Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA):

Meets Monday evenings from 7pm to 8:30pm (September thru Easter) at the St. Dominic Annex in Breese. Please contact Fr. Pautler for any questions.

Questions about Vocations:

Call Fr. Nick Junker 618-722-5035 or email njunker08@hotmail.com

Parish Registration:

We welcome Catholics new to Carlyle and ask that you register with us by filling out the blue form located on the radiators or by stopping at the office in the Parish Center. Parish Registration forms are also online.

Library Hours:

Wed. 6:30-7:30pm during school year

Bulletin Deadline:

Wednesday, 9:00 am

OUR CATHOLIC SCHOOLS:

Mater Dei High School 618-526-7216 materdeiknights.org

All Saints Academy 618-526-4323 www.asasaints.com

PARTNERED PARISH

St. Teresa of Avila Catholic Church

18021 Marydale Rd., Carlyle, IL

618-594-3266 www.stteresamarydale.com

MASS TIMES: Saturday 7:30pm, Sunday 8:00am

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Liturgy for the Week...

Sat, Apr 11	4:30 pm	Al & Betty Brueggemann George Litzenburg Ed, Bea & Dan Frank
Sun, Apr 12	10:00 am	Georgette Brueggemann Leland & Margaret Lovell Al & Dorothy Wesselmann
Mon, Apr 13	7:30 am	For students, teachers and all who seek wisdom.
Tues, Apr 14	7:30 am	Ben Brueggemann
Wed, Apr 15	7:30 am	For farmers and all who work to provide food
Thu, Apr 16	7:30 am	Bernard & Louise Brueggemann
Fri, Apr 17	7:30 am	For the unemployed and those struggling financially.
Sat, Apr 18	4:30 pm	Johanna Diekemper L/D members of the Kapp & Edmund Families
Sun, Apr 19	10:00 am	George & Rosie Becker Janae Becker & Kenny Becker Jr. Carol Kellermann Johanna & Orville Rueter & Bernice Kauling-Rueter

Stewardship... April 5th collections

Envelopes: \$8961	Loose: \$1755
Online Giving: \$3928.50	Cemetery: \$330
Catholic School Assessment: \$185	Capital Campaign: \$600
Easter Flowers: \$20	Guatemala: \$551
Christmas/Flowers: \$100	Holy Land/Good Friday \$426

Register Now for VBS 2026

to join us at Changemakers Lab. The Bible stories throughout the week of **June 15th-June 19th** will explore examples of people who experienced or brought about change in the world around them. At Changemakers Lab, kids, ages 3½ yrs. old to students entering 5th grade, will see and experience the transforming love of God and will discover and share creative ways to make a difference in the world through words and actions. Grounded in God's love, children will use their unique gifts to make a difference wherever they go! Registration forms were passed out at Faith Formation and are available in church or at the Parish Center. **The registration deadline is MAY 6, 2026.**



Local author **Kazuko Blacke** will discuss her book *Kazuko: Sixth Grade in World War II Hiroshima*, at **Case-Halstead P.L.** on **Sunday, April 19th at 2 p.m.** Kazuko is an atomic bomb survivor. Her memoir details her experiences before, during, and after the war, providing a glimpse into a historically significance and answer your questions at this library event. Please join us for this living history presentation.

Adult Servers	Mon., Wed., Fri. April 13, 15, & 17: Ron Zurliene Tues. & Thur., April 14 & 16: Chuck Rolfingsmeier
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Schedule of Events...

Wednesday 6:30-7:30 pm Faith Formation
Sun. Apr 19: K of C Breakfast to benefit Newman Fund
Tues. Apr 21: Confirmation-at St. Cecilia, Bartelso
Fri. April 24th: St. Mary, Carlyle Pork Steak Dinner

Pork Chop Dinner: Sunday, April 12. 11am to 2pm, Ferrin School Basement. Drive Through Only. Sponsored by the Huey, Ferrin, Boulder Fire Protection District.

Pork Steak Dinner: Friday, April 24th. 4:00 pm –6:30 pm. St. Mary Parish, Carlyle. Drive-thru only. \$15.

Rummage/Bake Sale: St. Anthony's Parish Center, 451 West Third St., Beckemeyer, **April 30th, May 1 & 2, 2026.** Hours: Thursday, April 30 9am-8pm (Full Price), Friday, May 1 9am-8pm (1/2 price), Sat. May 2 9am-12pm (\$4/Bag).

Vendor Fair: St. Elizabeth's Catholic Church Altar Society is having a Spring Vendor Fair on Saturday, April 26, from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. The Vendor Fair will be held in the parish hall located at 120 N. Windmill, Marine, IL Free entry; food will be available.

The North Central Vicariate Council of Catholic Women (NCVCCW) and the ladies of **St Theresa of Avila Parish, Salem** invites all women to the **NCVCCW Spring Meeting & Day of Spiritual Reflection on Wednesday, April 29, 2026, from 8:00 AM –2:30 PM** at St. Theresa's Parish Center. The day will focus on prayer and spiritual renewal. Anyone wanting to attend please contact Jane Beckmann, 618-791-7607. The Sodality will pay the \$25 registration fee (which includes lunch) for any members of our parish. Deadline for registration is April 24th.

If you would like to be considered for a ticket to the ordination of **Bishop-elect Godfrey Mullen, OSB**, please contact the parish office and your name will be placed on a list. The ordination will be live-streamed. We are planning to host a viewing at St. Mary Church in Centralia and at St. Mary Church in Carlyle. More details will be shared as plans are finalized.

THANK YOU!

Again this Lenten season, your prayers and generous support of our Giving Cross and CRS Rice Bowl program will have a lasting impact on the lives of our brothers and sisters in need. Your giving will give a boost to services provided by The Joseph Center and Matthew 25 as they reach out to many veterans and families in our area. Through your sacrifices, Catholic Relief Services will provide worldwide access to nutritious food, helping families thrive and reach their God-given potential. Farmers will be given funding to learn innovative ways to grow drought and disease resistant crops. Your gifts to CRS of \$1590 will go far to find long term solutions for families - not just quick fixes. In addition, \$500 will be given to Caring for Carlyle, a local backpack snack program helping provide food support for children in need. A special thanks to our Faith Formation Youth families for their donations of \$566, as they learn we have the power to make our world a better place for all. Thank you for spreading hope and changing lives this Lent.

Mon., Wed., Fri. April 20, 22, & 24: John Rubsam Tues. & Thurs., April 21 & 23: Kevin Frank
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Message from our pastor Father Steve

Father Steven Pautler

We all know that person. You tell a story and before you even finish, they are already shaking their head. No way. That didn't happen. You're exaggerating. You say you caught the biggest fish of your life. They want proof. You say something amazing happened. They want details, witnesses, maybe even a signed affidavit. Somewhere along the line, we smile and realize something uncomfortable. We are that person. There is a little bit of Thomas in every one of us.

Poor Thomas. He has carried that nickname for more than two thousand years. Doubting Thomas. As if the others had it all together. The Gospel tells us they were locked in a room, afraid and unsure. When Jesus stood among them, it was not instant confidence. It was shock. It was fear. Thomas simply said out loud what the others felt inside. Unless I see, I will not believe. That line hits close to home. We say it in quieter ways. I will believe when things get better. I will believe when the prayer is answered. I will believe when I feel something. Until then, we keep God at a distance. Respectful, but cautious. We want faith with guarantees. We want certainty without surrender.

Then Jesus returns. Not with frustration. Not with a lecture. He walks straight to Thomas. He knows what he said. He knows what he needs. Put your finger here. See my hands. It is personal. Direct. No shame. Just an invitation. Jesus meets him right where he is, not where he should be.

And Thomas, the so called doubter, becomes the one who says it best. My Lord and my God. Not a question. Not a guess. A declaration. Strong. certain. personal. That is the turning point. Doubt did not push Thomas away. It brought him closer. Look at our own lives. Jesus is not absent. He is present. In the Eucharist. In the quiet strength of someone carrying a burden. In the kindness we did not expect. In the ordinary moments we almost overlook because we want something dramatic. He keeps showing up, even when we miss him. We ask for signs. God gives presence. We ask for proof. God gives himself.

Faith is not about having every answer. It is about staying close enough to recognize him when he comes. Thomas stayed with the others, and that made all the difference. At some point, each of us has to move from I need to see to My Lord and my God. And when we do, we realize something steady and true. He was there the whole time. There is something sacred about this ground we stand on. Not because of brick or pavement, but because of what lies beneath and who once walked among us. This past week we remembered those one hundred eleven men of the Centralia mine. Fathers. Sons. Brothers. Men who left home for an ordinary day and never returned. In their pockets were simple notes. "I love you." "Please forgive me." "Tell them I love them." No polish. No extra words. Only truth. When time ran out, everything became clear. Love mattered. Family mattered. God mattered. Palm Sunday brings us to that same clarity. Jesus enters Jerusalem to cheers and waving palms. It feels like victory. Yet we know where the road leads. It leads to betrayal, to suffering, to the cross. And still, He walks forward. No hesitation. No turning back.

On the cross, His words carry that same truth. "Father, forgive them." "Into your hands I commend my spirit." Nothing extra. Only love. Only trust. Everything given. Those men did not choose their moment. Christ did. Yet in both, we see what remains when everything else falls away. Love spoken. Lives entrusted to God. So here is the question Palm Sunday places before us. If this were our last day, what would be left unsaid. Who needs forgiveness. Who needs to hear they are loved. What have we been putting off. We do not wait for the final moment to get it right. We begin now. Because the road before us is the same road Christ walks today. It is the road of love given, life offered, and trust placed in the Father.

Please remember in our prayers: Sandy Wehking, Tom & Gwen Baird, Darlene Rodden, Candy Blackburn, Travis Van Dorn, Alana Kampwerth White, Ryan Wittenauer, Geri Wellinghoff, Diane Langenhorst, Baillie Johnson, Sharon Aach, Dasalm Family, Scott Carson, JoAnn Gray, Mel Thole, Zoe Puetz, Jillian Musgrove, Ron Lager, Jennifer Riesmeyer, Vince Rolves, Sr. Carole Langhauser PHJC, Janet Compare and Ethel Petermeyer

If you wish your loved ones to be added to prayer list, please contact the parish office. Thank you.

Please pray for all expectant mothers and the child they are carrying or have recently had their babies along with their families:

Lauren, Jessica & Courtney

Are you an expectant mother or do you know of someone that we can pray for throughout the pregnancy & post-term? Please contact the office. We will place a rose on the altar by Mary with the parents name and the baby's expectant month of arrival on a card attached to the rose.

Once the baby is born, the family may take the rose.

Please contact the parish office once the baby is born so we can take mom's name off the list.

During the month of April the Sanctuary candle in our parish church burns in loving memory of:



Leroy Wiegmann

May 2026	Barry Dixon
June 2026	Jerry & Abby Beer
July 2026	Mike Stanfa & Jackie Turner
August 2026	Nancy Zieren
September 2026	Arnie & Fern Wobbe
October 2026	Jeff & John Peppenhorst
November 2026	Darrell Evans, Joe & Agnes Kampwerth, Ruth Limpers
December 2026	Deceased Members of Diekemper & Wiegman Families
April 2027	Leroy Wiegmann
July 2027	Bradley Edmund

To help cover the expenses of the candle, we offer the opportunity each month for individuals to dedicate an intention. A \$60.00 donation is requested. Please reach out to the Parish Office to make your intention.