



Most Pure Heart of Mary Catholic Church

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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME ~ AUGUST 24, 2025

Mass Times

Daily: Monday-Saturday, 8:00 am
Saturday: 4:00 pm & 5:30 pm
Sunday: 7:30 am, 9:30 am, 11:30 am

Confessions

Wednesdays Noon
Saturdays 2:45 - 3:45 pm
1st Saturdays 7:00 - 7:45 am

Readings: Is 66:18-21; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30

Today's readings show us that it is not enough to be Christ's disciples in name only. To be a real disciple, we must live for Christ every day and in every aspect of life. This kind of life takes strength and discipline.

Intentionally and consistently offering the Lord the best of our Time, Talent, and Treasure through a stewardship way of life is a form of spiritual discipline. These spiritual disciplines teach us to become ever more aware of God's constant provision for us and they keep us on the narrow path towards the Kingdom of Heaven. The more we embrace this way of life, the more we can be "trained" by the Lord in the ways of true discipleship. Though difficult, these disciplines become a source of spiritual strength.

Our Lord Himself speaks of the difficult path to the Kingdom of Heaven in today's Gospel passage from Luke. He is asked, "Lord, will only a few be saved?" Jesus responds, "Strive to enter through the narrow gate, for many, I tell you, will attempt to enter but will not be strong enough." Showing up for Mass on Sunday while living as if Christ is an afterthought the rest of the week does not make us disciples. What's more, this approach to our faith is an unjust and unloving response to our good God who has given us all that we have and are.

Jesus does not want us to merely go through the motions of faith. He wants much more from us and for us. He wants to know us deeply and for us to get to know Him so that we become His holy disciples. This is not a burden; it is a privilege. But it does take discipline, the discipline of a stewardship way of life.

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2025-2026

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Grades 1st - 8th & CGS

CLASSES BEGIN Wednesday, September 10th

Pick up registration forms at the Church Office, 1800 SW Stone,
Monday-Friday, 8:30 am-5 pm

or go to mphm.com for printable forms

Contact Katie Tappan ~ 785-272-3203 ~ tappan@mphm.com

Adult Faith Formation

OCIA

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults

Formerly known as RCIA, this process provides an opportunity for questions, learning, spiritual growth, and preparation for the sacraments

Come journey with us Tuesday evenings starting September 9th

CONTACT SARAH
sholthausmphm.com
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Unlocking the Mystery of the Bible

JEFF CAVINS and SARAH CHRISTMYER

Join us for this 8-week study as we uncover the story woven throughout Scripture. This series will help you pick up the Bible with confidence and understand how you fit into God's plan.

MONDAYS STARTING SEPTEMBER 22ND AT 6:30PM

Cost: \$28 Register by Friday Sept. 12th - sholthaus@mphm.com



God : THE MYSTERY OF THE TRINITY IN THE BIBLE
Join us this Fall in a 9 week series as we explore misconceptions about God & grow in our relationship with Him.

Starts Thursday, Oct. 2nd at 9:30AM

Cost: \$20 Register by Friday Sept. 26th sholthaus@mphm.com

Religious Ed Volunteers Needed

Prayerfully consider sharing your time & love of Jesus with our youth

- catechists
- classroom aides
- substitute catechists
- party/reception help
- office aide

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Daughters of Isabella Little Flower Circle Meeting, August 24, in Yadrach Hall, at Christ the King, 5973 SW 25th St. Rosary, 12:40 pm, followed by a business meeting, including election of Officers. If anyone knows of a member or family member of Daughters of Isabella in need of the Circle's prayers call Shirley Gustafson, 785-554-3028 or Chancellor Gen Orozco. 785-230-2473.

Christian Widow and Widowers Organization (*open to all faiths*) **Potluck Dinner**, Thursday, August 28, 5 pm in the Culhane Room at MPH. Bring a covered dish or dessert and your friends. Quarter Bingo will be played after dinner. For more information, text Gen Orozco, 785-230-2473.

Holy Smokin' Jamboree, September 6 & 7 at Mother Teresa's. See schedule of events and register for the 5K Run/Walk, Car Show, & Cornhole Tournament online at holysmokinjamboree.org! Fun for the whole family!

Spanish Classes, Tuesdays. 6-7:30 pm, beginning September 9, at Holy Family West Campus, 210 NE Chandler. Classes include: grammar, writing skills, vocabulary building, idioms, mannerisms, expressions, and verbal communication. For information contact Richard Vasquez, 785-633-1604. Free of charge.

Contenders: Making the Case for Life, September 10, 6 pm, Washburn University Memorial Union. Featuring nationally recognized pro-life speaker and trainer Dr. Marc Newman, president of Speaker for Life.

Baptism

Please welcome these children recently baptized at Most Pure Heart of Mary:

Lucy Maria Boyle

child of Brendan & Cheryl (Kaderli) Boyle

Jackson Carl Jones

child of Christopher & Ciara (Walter) Jones

Blair Monroe Paul

child of Tracer & Miranda (Beck) Paul

May the Holy Spirit continue to guide them all the days of their lives.

**Stewardship of Treasure Update
Fiscal Year July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026**

Weekly Total August 17, 2025

Envelopes	\$15,244
Electronic Giving	\$ 2,662
Plate/Loose checks	\$ 2,867
Total	\$20,773

Maintenance and Improvement Fund	\$ 1,727
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*Thank you from the
Funeral Dinner Committee*

A funeral lunch was held for the family & friends of Mary Kasten on August 16. Food was donated by 15 parishioners and 4 parishioners served the lunch for 27 guests. **We appreciate all those that volunteered!**

Thanks and God Bless: Judy, Pam, Janice, Jan, Lise.



Congratulations
**MOST PURE HEART OF MARY
CATHOLIC CHURCH**
Voted Best Place to Worship

MPHM PRESCHOOL
CAME IN 2ND PLACE IN THE PRESCHOOL CATEGORY

MPHM SCHOOL
WHILE MPHM SCHOOL CAME IN 3RD PLACE, IT WAS CATHOLIC EDUCATION FOR THE CLEAN SWEEP! HAYDEN HIGH SCHOOL WAS 1ST AND CHRIST THE KING SCHOOL CAME IN 2ND PLACE.

Cor Christi Catholic Center at Washburn University is seeking Sponsors for our **2025 Evening of Hope** event on October, 18. Please see our website where you can find more information in the sponsorship letter and the form to fill out and return if you are Interested: <https://www.wucatholic.com/2025-evening-of-hope-sponsorship-letter-and-form> Contact Jessica Hammer at wucatholic@hotmail.com or 785-233-2204

**Intentions at St. John of the Cross Kronum,
Kumasi, Ghana, Fr. Michael Kantanka**

Living & Deceased Members of the Ronnebaum & Welch families ~ 6:00 am: August 25, 2025

† John Daniel Kenn ~ 6:00 am: August 26, 2025

Living & Deceased Members of the Appel & Crock families ~ 6:00 am: August 27, 2025

**† Eddie Stanley ~ 7:00 pm: August 28, 2025;
8:30 am: August 31, 2025**

Living & Deceased Members of the McGivern families ~ 6:00 am: August 29, 2025

† David Dijos~6:30 am: August 31, 2025

TMIY
THAT MAN IS YOU!
BECOMING A MAN AFTER GOD'S OWN HEART
7 DYNAMIC SPEAKERS | NEWLY FILMED | MORE RELEVANT THAN EVER

LIFE-TRANSFORMING CONTENT:

Identify the four leadership roles of men and the five traits essential for authentic male leadership. Recognize Satan's ongoing attack on true leadership and how Christ models perfect leadership, extending that calling to all men. Understand the three core orientations through which we encounter God, the three main spiritual temptations, and how to overcome them. Establish a personal spiritual plan.

THAT MAN IS YOU! HAS PROVEN TO:

- Facilitate a personal encounter and relationship with Jesus Christ.
- Meet men wherever they are in their spiritual lives and help them take one step further.
- Turn the hearts of fathers to their spouse and children.
- Form authentic leaders capable of transforming their families and greater society.
- Form bonds of friendship and fellowship that strengthen the parish community.

Most Pure Heart of Mary ~ Culhane Room

Saturday Mornings, 6:15-7:50 am

Begins September 20, 2025

To register use the QR code or go to:

programs.paradisusdei.org/join/CA739B



MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday/Sunday, August 23 / August 24

4:00 pm*: † Veronica and Don Stafford
 5:30 pm*: Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
 7:30 am: † Mary Andersen
 9:30 am: † Matthew Cook
 11:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

Monday, August 25

8:00 am: Special Intention-Rosie Binder

Tuesday, August 26

8:00 am: † Stan Sinnott

Wednesday, August 27

8:00 am: Special Intention-Bobbie Hansford

Thursday, August 28

8:00 am: † John Festa

Friday, August 29

8:00 am: † Emily Stueve

Saturday, August 30 *Collective Mass**

† Mark McGivern; † Joseph L. Johnson; † Eli Devlin;
 † Emily Stueve;
 Special Intentions-Michael L. Johnson; Eden Johnson

Saturday/Sunday, August 30 / August 31

4:00 pm*: Special Intention-Derek Ahlstedt
 5:30 pm*: Vocations to the Priesthood & Religious Life
 7:30 am: † Carol Cummings (1st Anniversary of Death)
 9:30 am: † Special Intention-Nancy Lacore
 11:30 am: Most Pure Heart of Mary Parishioners

***Saturday evening Masses 4:00 pm and 5:30 pm**

Souls of Marge Robards, mother of Bev Robards, Evelyn Matalone, Henry Perez and all the faithful departed. May they rest in the peace of our Lord.

Project Joseph Retreat for men who have been involved in an abortion(s). Saturday, September 6, 8:30 am-4 pm. KCKS (location given at registration). Learn how abortion affects men, reflect on how it may have impacted you and learn ways to cope, heal and move past its effects on your life. Register at projectrachelks@archkck.org or call/text 913-621-2199.

PRAYER CORNER

Prayers for Homebound and Health Issues:

Robbie Armentrout	Sandra Kraus
Mary Jo Bergkamp	Don Kuckelman
Carolyn Brentlinger	Steve LaGrone
Owen Burns	Jan Lippincott
Dory Bushong	Cynthia Markula
Steve Clifton	Margaret Masilionis
Beth Compton	Jerri & Roger Matzke
Kelly Davis	Cathy Mies
Barbara Duran	Andrea Diane Nienhuis
Susan Engroff	Mike Nolen
Vincent Gish	Sarah O'Loughlin
Judy Hartegan	Stephani Paletta
LeRoy Haug	Patricia Quinn
Michael Hogan	Bruce Reichmuth
Mary Hohman	Becky Reyer
Joe Hovorka	Jimmy Rogers
Julane Hovorka	Ford Ross
Suzi Hubb	Phyllis Shaw
Janice Johnson	Joe & Mary Tetuan
Johnny King	Marilyn Trechter
Sandy Klene	Matt Tull
Darryl Krape	Nancy Weber
Patricia Kratina	Shirley Willis

Most Pure Heart of Mary - Legion of Mary, a lay apostolic association that serves the Church on a voluntary basis, meets every Wednesday, 5:30 pm in the lower level of the Parish Center. Attend a meeting or two-no obligation to join. For more information call Jerry Baker, 785-383-4054.

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