

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

Third Sunday of
ADVENT



December 15th, 2024

Saturday, December 21st, 5:15 pm

Reader: Judy Murphy

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Eleanor & Declan Jelinek,
Brielle & Sienna Weeden

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Kevin Jelinek Family **Scrip:** Nancy Schumacher

Sunday, December 22nd, 8:00 am

Reader: John Tennant

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Easton & Emma Jelinek
Luke & Nicholas Perna

Ushers: Knights of Columbus

Gifts: Andrew Wright Family **Scrip:** Fran Wilkinson

Sunday, December 22nd, 10:30 am

Reader: Katy Ueek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Jolee Larse, Madalyn Stadele
Makenna & Blake Mueller

Gifts: Cheryl Blankenship Family

Scrip: Colleen Schroeder

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 16th

No Mass Confessions 6:00 to 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 17th

Mass 8:15am Confessions 5:30 to 7:00pm

Fran Krajco SP.I.

Wednesday, December 18th

Mass 8:15am Confessions 5:30 to 6:30 pm

† Betty Faykish

Thursday, December 19th

Mass 8:15am

Adoration following Mass

† Rudy Nigl Confessions 5:00 to 6:30 pm

Friday, December 20th

Mass 9:30 am Schmitt Woodland Hills

† Edwin & Agnes Slaney

Funeral Mass 11:00am

Saturday, December 21st

St. Peter Canisius

Mass 5:15 pm

† Janice Marie Bauer

Sunday, December 22nd

4th Sunday of Advent

Confessions 7:30 am

Mass 8:00 am

† Mary Laubmeier

Confessions 9:30 am

Mass 10:30 am

Our Parish Family

Parish Calendar of Events

12/15 Sunday, Youth Group Movie Night 6 to 8pm

01/22 to 01/26... March for Life, Washington, D.C.

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From your pastor . . .

In the homily for the First Sunday of Advent, I emphasized that the first two weeks of Advent focus on the coming of Christ that is in the future, His coming in glory. When that event transpires the New Testament describes the world in a state of besiegement, where a great amount of turmoil happens. What is to be emphasized when reading these various descriptions of the end of the world as we presently experience it, is that evil and sin will be destroyed, while what is good will pass through a final purification. It is most important is that we repent of our sins and have removed ourselves from associating with any kind of evil. Our Lord has provided the spiritual means to be cleansed from sin and all traces of evil through the Sacrament of Penance. During the season of Advent, the Church emphasizes our participation in the forgiveness of sins by making a good confession. To assist in this important matter, the confession schedule is extended throughout the days listed below. Please utilize the opportunities provided for your spiritual well-being as we await the coming of the Lord. Also, as has been done in the past, the Order for Making A Good Confession is reproduced at the bottom of the column. Many people clip this part of the column and bring it with them to the confessional.

Advent Confession Schedule

Monday, December 16: 6:00 -7:00 p.m.

Tuesday, December 17: 5:30-7:00 p.m.

Wednesday, December 18: 5:30-6:30 p.m.

Thursday, December 19: 5:00-6:30 p.m.

Monday, December 23: 5:00 -6:30 p.m.

Confessions are also available before the weekend Masses.

Until I write again, may God bless you and all the parishioners of Saint Mary's Parish.

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

Order for Making a Good Confession

Priest: In the Name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit.

Penitent: Amen

Penitent: Bless me Father for I have sinned. My last confession was _____ ago and these are my sins.

(At this point you make a complete confession of your sins to the best of your recollection.) . . . **and I am sorry for these and all the sins of my life.**

(The priest will give you words of counsel and assign your penance)

Penitent: (Recites this Act of Contrition or any other one they may wish to use)

O My God, I am heartily sorry for having offended you. And I detest all my sins because of thy just punishments. But most of all because they offend you my God who are all good and deserving of all my love. I firmly resolve with the help of your grace to sin no more and to avoid the near occasion of sin. Amen.

Priest: (Recites the prayer of absolution) God the Father of mercies, through the death and resurrection of his Son has reconciled the world to himself and sent the Holy Spirit among us for the forgiveness of sins; through the ministry of the Church may God give you pardon and peace, and I absolve you from your sins in the name of the Father, and of the Son, + and of the Holy Spirit.

Penitent: Amen.

Priest: Give thanks to the Lord for He is good.

Penitent: And His mercy endures forever.

Priest: The Lord has freed you from your sins. Go in peace.

Penitent: Thanks be to God. (You now leave the confessional to carry out your assigned penance.)

“ Receive Communion often, very often...there you have the sole remedy, if you want to be cured.
Jesus has not put this attraction in your heart for nothing...”
“The guest of our soul knows our misery; He comes to find an empty tent within us– that is all He asks.”
St. Therese of Lisieux

Christmas Angel Gifts



This Sunday, the 15th is the last day to donate.
Thank you to everyone who donated
to the Christmas Angel Gifts.
Merry Christmas! & God bless you!



Christmas flowers

Please use the envelopes in your
packet or any
(marked envelope)
in memory of a loved one

Scrip News

Turn all your holiday shopping into earnings!
Join our RaiseRight program and earn money for
St. Mary's Parish simply by buying gift cards and shop-
ping online. Dazzle Days bonus earnings are December
1-13! If you haven't joined our RaiseRight program yet,
now is a great time to sign up and get extra gift card
earnings from your favorite brands. Or simply shop our
“to-go” box after Mass. Contact scrip@stmarysrc.com
with all your questions.

**Last date for special orders to arrive
by Christmas is December 15th.**



Altar Servers Drawings

July ... Brayden Arms
August ... Brielle Weeden
September ... Eli Weiss
October ... Makenna Mueller
November ... Owen Drier

St. Mary/s PCCW Scholarship Applications are to be submitted to:

St Mary of the Assumption Parish
Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)
160 West Fourth Street
Richland Center, WI 53581

Applications are available at the Parish Office
608-647-2621
must be received no later than March 1, 2025



The St. Mary's 7th grade class is selling frozen cut-
out Christmas cookies as a fundraiser for their mis-
sion trip next year. Cookies are \$5 a dozen and can
be purchased in the church kitchen during school
hours. If you have any questions, please contact
Erin Jelinek at erin.jelinek@stmarysrc.com.

BELIEVE IN THE REALITY OF HELP AND HEALING, THERE IS HOPE

The Diocese of La Crosse is committed to creating a safe environment
within the Church and within our society for children and youth.
We continue to express a special care for and a commitment to reaching out to
victims of sexual abuse and their families.

To report allegations of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest,
deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer)
please fill out the report from found at:

www.dioc.org/safe-environment/reporting

Alternatively, you can contact
Mrs. Teresa Brown
Complaint Intake Agent
The Diocese of La Crosse
P.O. Box 4004
La Crosse, WI 54602-4004

Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Brown at 608.791.0179
or intakeagent@52213dioc.org

Spiritual Adoption Program

MONTH EIGHT

Now your spiritually adopted baby is finished
developing and is concentrating on gaining weight;
she might be making her mother uncomfortable with her
size. She will need a layer of fat to help her stay warm after
she leaves the perfect temperature inside her mother's
womb. In a short time, this baby will be born. Your baby's
mother appreciated the prayers you have said for her and her
baby throughout the pregnancy. It has not been easy, but
your prayers have given her the grace she needed to bring
her baby to term and the life God has planned for her.

**Diocese of La Crosse
PILGRIMAGE FOR LIFE 2025**

The March for Life will be in Washington, D.C.
January 22nd to 26th
through the Diocese of La Crosse

The Total cost is \$415.00 per person
The parish will make available ...
\$265.00 towards the total cost.

The youth will need to make a request to the
parish with their cost of \$150.00

Contact the Rectory 647-2621



TO DEFEND HUMAN LIFE
FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH

**ADVENT
WEEK 3**



**Already have a
FORMED Account ?**

1. Visit FORMED .org
2. Click Sign In
3. Enter your email
4. Click link in email
5. You're in!

**Want to create a new
FORMED account?**

1. Visit FORMED.org
2. Click Sign-up
3. "I belong to a Parish
4. Find St Mary's by zip
5. Enter your email, done!

Readings for the week of December 15, 2024

- Sunday:** Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)/Phil 4:4-7/
Lk 3:10-18
- Monday:** Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/
Mt 21:23-27
- Tuesday:** Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
- Wednesday:** Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19/Mt 1:18-25
- Thursday:** Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/
Lk 1:5-25
- Friday:** Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
- Saturday:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-
21/Lk 1:39-45
- Next Sunday:** Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/
Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

November 30, & December 1, 2024

Adult Tithe.....	\$3,311.00
Offertory.....	829.00
Pastoral Care.....	20.00
Cemetery Perpetual Care	25.00
Christmas Flowers.....	440.00
Total.....	\$4,625.00
10/15/2024 ACH Contributions	\$5,915.00

ConsiderAutomatic Tithing

**Your contribution would be on the 15th of every month,
distributed however you wish. e.g. tithe, 10.00 to school etc.
No checks to write.... Save time and money !**

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Wedding Planning Information

For those seeking the Sacrament of Marriage in our Church
please notify the pastor as soon as you are engaged,
but **not less than six months**
prior to the proposed wedding date.