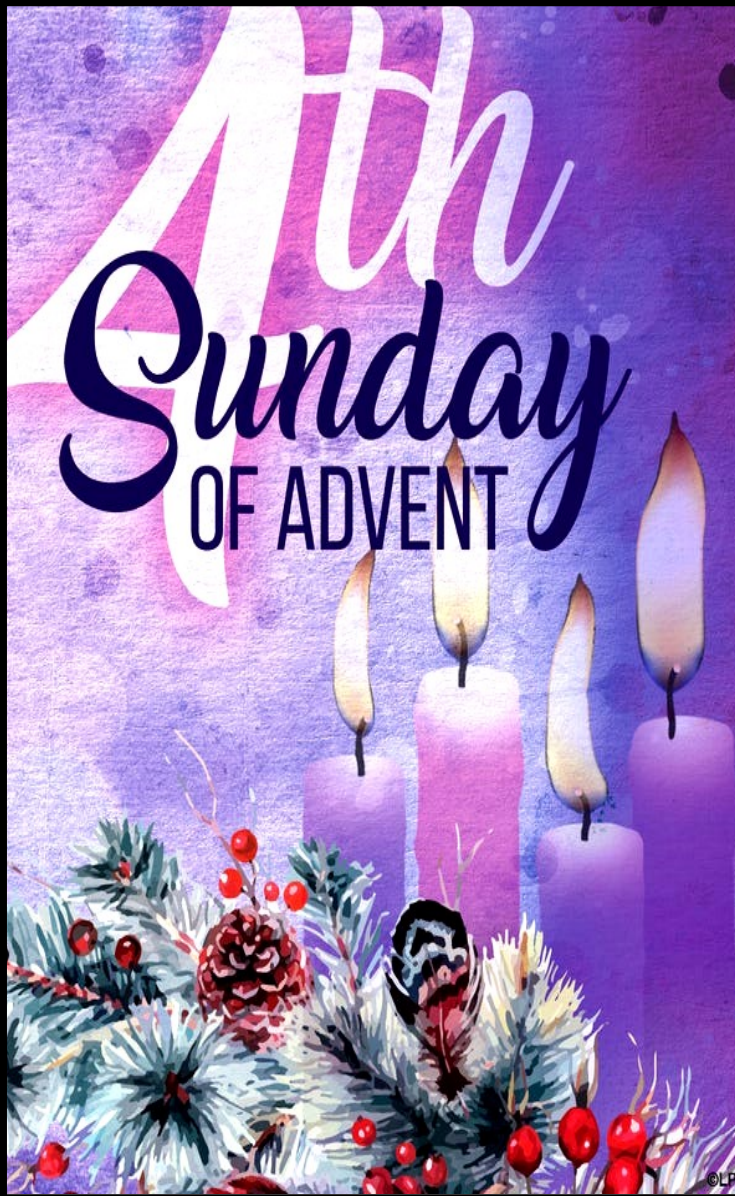


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



Advent Wreath Prayer for the Fourth Week of Advent

Bestir, O Lord, Thy might, we beseech Thee, and come; and with great power come to our aid, that, by the help of Thy grace, that which is hindered by our sins may be hastened by Thy merciful forgiveness. Who livest and reignest, with God the Father, in the unity of the Holy Ghost, God, world without end. Amen

An Explanation of the Advent Wreath Prayer for the Fourth Week of Advent ...In the Advent Wreath Prayer for the Third Week of Advent, we asked Christ to enlighten our minds through His grace. This week, we ask Him to grant us that same grace so that we can be prepared to accept the salvation that He brings to us through His Incarnation. Amen.

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 20th		
No Mass		
Tuesday, December 21st	St. Peter Canisius	
Mass 5:15 pm		Advent Confessions
† Marvin & Mary Jelinek		6:00 pm-7:00 pm
Wednesday, December 22nd		Advent Confessions
Mass 8:15 am		5:00 pm- 7:00 pm
† Deceased members & families of the Fr. McKeivitt Knights of Columbus		
Thursday, December 23rd		Advent Confessions
Mass 8:15am		5:30-7:30 pm
† Joe & Margaret Slaney		St. John of Kanty
		Adoration following Mass
Friday December 24th		
Confessions 3:15-3:50 pm		
Christmas Vigil 4:00 pm (Incense)		
† Evelyn Scheckel		
Saturday, December 25th		The Nativity of the Lord
Confessions 7:30-7:55 am		
Christmas Mass 8:00 am		
Andrew Peckham SP.I.		
Saturday, December 25th		The Nativity of the Lord
Confessions 9:30-10:25 am		
Christmas Mass 10:30 am (Incense)		
† Connie Cosgrove		
Sunday, December 26th		The Holy Family
Confessions 7:30 -7:55 am		
Mass 8:00 am		
Our Parish Family		
Confessions 9:30 -10:25 am		
Mass 10:30 am		
† Deb Zorea		

The Ministry Schedule can be found on third page of the Bulletin.

Parish Calendar Events

12/21	Tuesday, Advent Confessions 6:00 pm-7:00 pm
12/22	Wednesday, Advent Confessions 5:00 pm-7:00 pm
12/23	Thursday, Advent Confessions 5:30 pm-7:30 pm Confessions 1 Hour before Sunday and Christmas Masses)
12/24	Friday, Christmas Eve Mass 4:00 pm (Incense)
12/25	Saturday, Christmas Day Mass 8:00 am (No Incense)
12/25	Saturday, Christmas Day Mass 10:30 am (Incense)
02/05	Saturday, Synod held in the Undercroft from 9-11 am

From your pastor . . .

Attached to the front of this bulletin is an important invitation for you to participate in what is known as a “synodal” process of consultation within the Church. I introduced this in a column approximately a month ago, but I wish again to bring it to your attention. Please take the time to read the attachment. This was prepared by the Parish Pastoral Council with the hope that you will respond to the invitation by January 10th. This can be done by calling the rectory and indicating who will be coming. Once we know how many people will be participating we will know how much time to allot each person for speaking. In all probability, it will be no more than five minutes and it could be less, depending on participation.

The date of the gathering here at Saint Mary’s in the undercroft of the Church is February 5, 2022 from 9:00 – 11:00 a.m. On that day, after you have given your testimony you will be free to leave if you do not want to remain and listen to the other testimonies. It will be possible for anyone who is unable to attend in person on that day, to submit a written testimony based on the nine themes or topics that appear on the invitation.

It is the Holy Father’s desire that the Church attempt to reach out to people who may no longer participate at Mass. Please consider showing or giving this attachment to members of your family, neighbors or acquaintances whom you may know are no longer participating in the life of the Church. This attachment will also appear on the next bulletin that will be distributed at the Christmas Masses. Often there are many Catholics who are in attendance at those Masses that don’t come throughout the year. Hopefully the invitation will reach them.

As we come ever closer to Christmas, please be mindful of the extra opportunities to participate in the Sacrament of Penance. There is no better way to be prepared for Christmas than having allowed God’s mercy through absolution to wash and heal your soul. This past Wednesday, December 15th, the Catholic second graders in the school made their first Confession. It was a wonderful experience as their pastor to witness the excitement and careful preparation they exhibited for this holy occasion in their lives.

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

Pilgrimage for Life 2022
March for Life in Washington DC
To Defend All
Human Life
from Conception to
Natural Death



Leaving, Wed, January 19th ...

Returning, Sunday, January 23rd

Cost \$395.00 per youth (Parish will cover \$195.00 per youth)

Your Cost \$200.00 Sweatshirt cost \$40.00

For more information and to register call

Cheryl at the rectory 608-647-2621 or Candace 608-647-2400

The Knights of Columbus #3942 Council

Will be collecting food and money
for the local food pantry.

We will have containers at all of St Mary’s exits during
the months of November & December.

Please bring non-perishable food items and cash donations.
Cash donations should be placed in an envelope marked Food
Pantry and put in the collection or
dropped off at the parish office.

Readings for the week of December 19, 2021

Sunday:	Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/ Lk 1:39-45
Monday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/ Lk 1:26-38
Tuesday:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45
Wednesday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/ Lk 1:46-56
Thursday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
Friday: Morn:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29, 2]/Lk 1:67-79
Saturday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/ Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
Night:	Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11 14/Lk 2:1-14
Dawn:	Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20
Day:	Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/ Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12- 21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/ Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/ Lk 2:41-52

CHRISTMAS FLOWER & MEMORIALS

Janet Aber	“ Byron & Dorothy McBain
Audrey Barnett	“ Christmas Flowers
James & Linda Barnett	“ William (Bill) Barnett
Jack Bauer	“ Janice M. Bauer
Ronald & Janet Bladl	“ Lyle & Ruby Baltz
	“ Irvin & Florence Bladl
Jon & Jane Bosworth	“ Christmas Flowers
Virgil Cosgrove	“ Connie Cosgrove
Agnes Dearborn	“ Courtlynn (Dolly) Schneider
Jerome & Sandy Durst	“ St Mary’s Church Family
Dr William & Judith Hilleman	“ Patrick Hilleman
Family of Gretchen Jelinek	“ Marvin & Mary Jelinek
Irene Joyce	“ John & Marguerite Kinney Family
	“ Harry & Erma Joyce Family
Ramedias & Mimie Jara	“ Joe Jara & Jara Family
	“ Andrea Yu
	“ Felix and Yu Families
Kraig & Jean Kinney	“ Kinney, Goplin, Hackl &
	“ Stanek Families
Mary Knothe	“ John & Marguerite Kinney
	“ Mark & Mike Knothe
	“ Christmas Flowers
Fran & Laurie Krajco	“ Al & Dorothy Doerr
Dolores & David Lenz	“ Duane Meyer
Donna Meyer	“ Helen & George Perry
	“ Mary Ann Moore
Gordon Moore	“ Christmas Flowers
Tena Moore	“ Francis Mueller
Bernadine Mueller	“ Randy Mueller
	“ Miranda Mueller
	“ Linda Mueller
Philip & June Nee	“ Jim Nee
	“ Frank Stafford
Bill & Marilyn Paulsen	“ James & Alberta Delaney
Paul & Julie Peckham	“ Edmund & Jane Guelig
	“ Cameron & Agatha Peckham
	“ Harvey & Joan Bestor
	“ William Shaw
Tom & Vicki Peckham	“ Cameron & Agatha Peckham
	“ Wayne & Marci Faber
Rodney Reetz	“ Sandy Reetz
	“ Nordy & Fae Reetz
	“ Cleo Hasburgh
Frank & Vietta Reising	“ Tina Franseen
Paul & Mary Jo Salisbury	“ Francis Mueller
	“ Randy Mueller
	“ Miranda Mueller
	“ Linda Mueller
Jason & Sara Schultz	“ Christmas Flowers
Colleen Schroeder	“ Bill Schroeder
	“ Arnold Schroeder
	“ Helen Schroeder Olsen
	“ Ronald Olsen
	“ Joseph Weisensel
Ronald & JoAnn Tennant	“ Joe & Marguerite Slaney
	“ Larry & Lillian Tennant
Joe & Sue Triggs	“ Charles & Joanne Beranek
	“ Leo & Marie Triggs
Alan & Grace Welte	“ Harry & Anna Verdeen
	“ Charles & Mary Welte &
	“ deceased family members
	“ Richard Unbehaun

Christmas flowers cont...

Linda Wymer	” Eric Wymer
Mary Lu Marshall	“ Jack Curnow and the
	“ Trojan & Curnow Families
Candace McGrath	“ Nicholas Lawson
Tena Moore	“ Christmas Flowers
Brad & Diane Walker	“ Christmas Flowers
Charles & Georgine Worthington	“ Worthington Families
	“ Novak Families
Melanie Ziaja	“ Richard Ziaja
	“ Clara Zydlo

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

every Thursday

following Holy Mass

“ You could not watch with me one hour?

”MT 26:40

Friday, December 24th @ 4:00 pm

Lector: Maly Krajco **Christmas Vigil**

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Brayden & Tristan Arms,
Alexander & Carter Kloehn

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Andrew Wright
Family

Saturday, December 25th @ 8:00 am

Lector: Candace McGrath **Christmas Day**

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Fynn Lemke, Mara Puls, Ella & Garrison Weiss

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Andrew Wright
Family

Saturday, December 25th @ 10:30 am

Lector: Gabriel Schmitt **Christmas Day**

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Mason Jelinek, Avery & Daryn Kepler,
Andrew Mata

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Kevin Jelinek
Family

Sunday, December 26th @ 8:00 am

Holy Family of Jesus Mary & Joseph

Lector: Sara Schultz

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Thomas Honer, Emma Jelinek, Laif Morris,
Adelyn Wertz

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Timothy Honer
Family

Sunday, December 26th @ 10:30 am

Lector: Cheryl Blankenship

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Jay & Jolee Larse, Connor & Laura Stoltz

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Jamie Larse Family

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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.

2021/2022 Calendar Drawing Winners

November 2, 2021.....Tom Rubenzer, Chippewa Falls, WI
November 4, 2021 Jerome & Sandra Durst, Richland Ctr.
November 9, 2021 ... John Durst, Richland Center, WI
November 11, 2021 ... Todd Wienkes, Eau Claire, WI
November 16, 2021 ... Tim Murphy, Blue River, WI
November 18, 2021 ... William Rupperecht, Jefferson, WI
November 23, 2021 ... Timothy & Susan Zach, Gilman, WI
November 30, 2021 ... Edward Libke, Edgewood, TX
December 2, 2021 ... Phil Clark, Mauston, WI
December 7, 2021 ... Jon Rippinger, Minocqua, WI

Everyone Welcome! Daily Mass
Tuesday through Friday at 8:15 am

Order of 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.)