

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



December 25th, 2022
Christmas

Saturday, December 31st, 5:15 pm

Lector: Gretchen Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Andrew Mata, Danicka & Riley Spencer,
Brielle Weeden

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Gregg Schmitt Family

Scrip: Susan Tully

Sunday, January 1st, 8:00 am

Lector: Paul Peckham

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Abe & Wes Bosworth, Thomas Honer, Adelyn Wertz

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

Scrip: Judy Barnicle

Sunday, January 1st, 10:30 am

Lector: Mary Ellen Boak

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Brayden & Tristen Arms, Jolee Larse, Mara Puls

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Raymond Morris Family

Scrip:

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 26th **St. Stephen**
No Mass **Rectory Closed**

Tuesday, December 27th **St. John**
Mass 8:15 am
† Mary Jo Cosgrove DaSilva

Wednesday, December 28th **The Holy Innocents**
Mass 8:15 pm
Mickie Alandy SP.I.

Thursday, December 29th **St. Thomas Becket**
Mass 8:15 am **Adoration following Mass**
† Joe Jara

Friday, December 30th **Holy Family of**
No Mass **Jesus, Mary and Joseph**

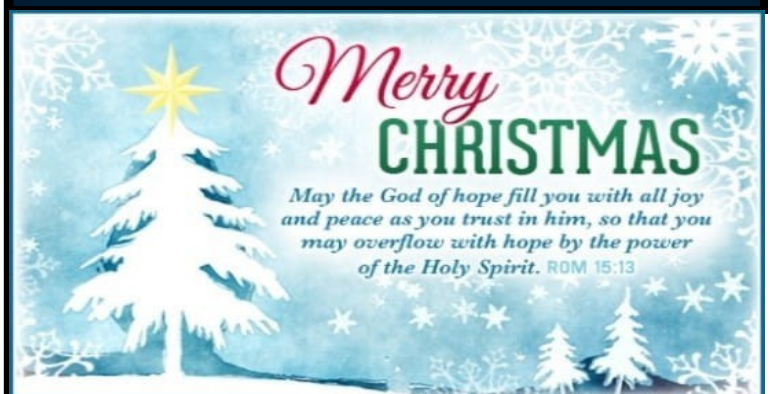
Saturday, December 31st
Confessions 4:00-4:50 pm
Mass 5:15 pm **St. Sylvester I**
† Ben Ryan

Sunday, January 1st **Mary, The Holy Mother of God**
Confessions 7:30 to 7:50 am
Mass 8:00 am **New Year's Day**
Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:30-10:20 am
Mass 10:30 am **World Day of Peace**
† Ray Stafford

Parish Calendar Events

12/28 Wednesday, Endowment Trust Mtg 6:30 pm
01/04 Wednesday, Parish Discussion Group 6:30 pm
01/28 Saturday, Pre-Cana Class



From your pastor ...

I take this opportunity on behalf of Deacon Tully and myself to extend to all parishioners of Saint Mary Parish, a blessed Christmas Day and season. A special thank you to all of the parishioners who have been involved in preparing our church and parish for the celebration of Christmas as well as the feast days that will be included in the Christmas season, those being: the Feast of the Holy Family, Friday, (Dec. 30th), the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, Sunday (Jan. 1), the Solemnity of the Epiphany, Sunday (Jan.8) and the Feast of the Baptism of our Lord, (Jan.9), which brings to conclusion the Season of Christmas.

I thank in particular those who decorated our Church inside and outside, those who donated toward the flowers that grace our sanctuary.

I also thank those many parishioners who have greeted me with Christmas cards and various gifts. Your kindness and generosity are very much appreciated.

In celebrating the sacred event of Christmas, we once again welcome the Christ child into our world and our lives. Jesus is the light that has come into our world to overcome the darkness of sin and death. As we begin to observe in nature the slow retrieval of more and more daylight with the slow tilting of the earth toward the sun, so too our lives should tilt more and more toward the Son of God who has come as spiritual light for us and for all the people of the earth. Ask God for the grace to make this Christmas season more than a holiday that passes by quickly, but for it to be a time when our lives are changed for the better by having been receptive to those powerful graces that God makes available to us during these holy days. By receiving into our lives these abundant graces, we shall experience ever more firmly the peace and good will that was proclaimed by the angels at the first Christmas:

“Glory to God in the highest and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.”

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

Merry Christmas!

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & MEMORIALS

In Loving memory of

Audrey Barnett	“	Christmas Flowers
Jack Bauer	“	Janice Bauer
Ronald & Janet Bladl	“	Lyle & Ruby Baltz
	“	Irwin & Florence Bladl
Ronald & Janet Bladl	“	Lyle & Ruby Baltz
	“	Irwin & Florence Bladl
Jon & Jane Bosworth	“	Christmas Flowers
Barbara Brown	“	Christmas Flowers
Virgil Cosgrove	“	Connie Cosgrove
Marvin & Margaret Lewis	“	Christmas Flowers
Marcia Mueller	“	Miranda Mueller
	“	Randy Mueller
	“	Carol Kraska
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William & Marilyn Paulsen	“	James & Alberta Delaney
Paul & Julie Peckham	“	Christmas Flowers
Audrey Pletzer	“	Herb Pletzer
Rodney Reetz	“	Sandy Reetz
	“	Cleo & Tootie Hasburg
	“	Nordy & Fae Reetz
Frank & Vietta Reising	“	Tina Franseen
	“	Seth Trindal
	“	Gene & Francis Reising
Paul & Mary Jo Salisbury	“	Francis Mueller
	“	Randy Mueller
	“	Miranda Mueller
	“	Linda Mueller
Colleen Schroeder	“	Bill Schroeder
Jason & Sara Schultz	“	Christmas Flowers
David & Doreen Short	“	Christmas Flowers
Joseph Simon	“	Christmas Flowers
Bradford Walker	“	Christmas Flowers



Dear Lord,

As we prepare for your coming,
let us reflect on the journey your
earthly parents took.

They were tired and alone,
yet there was no room for them at the inn.
There was no one to lend a helping hand.

Lord, help us to recognize those who may
need our help or love this Christmas.
Let us pray for those who have none.
We pray that those without loved ones
will still share in the season's blessings.
We especially pray for those who feel
forgotten and unloved.

Lord, break our hearts for what breaks yours.
Help us to see with your eyes,
serve with your hands, and to give of the
talents and treasures you have blessed us with.

We implore you, O Lord, to stretch forth
your paternal arms to anyone feeling the
sting of loneliness or pangs of sadness
this Christmas season. Please bring them
into your love and peace.

Amen.



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CHRISTMAS WITH
THE CHOSEN
"THE MESSENGERS"

Married Love:

Two Becoming One
Preparation for Marriage

Saturday, January 28, 2023

St Mary's Richland Center

Call the Rectory for more Information 647-2621



December 10/11, 2022 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$6,175.00
Offertory.....	378.45
Student Offertory	6.92
Pastoral Care.....	50.00
Building & Maintenance.....	81.00
Catholic School Support.....	251.00
Military Chaplain.....	50.00
Religious Retirement.....	25.00
Cemetery Care.....	50.00
Holy Christmas	550.00
Christmas Flowers.....	530.00
Holy Day Collection	643.28
Total.....	\$8,790.65

November (ACH) Automatic Contributions 5,865.00

Gift Bearers at Mass

During Mass, there is a little but so significant moment that can often go unnoticed. After the Prayers of the Faithful and after the collection baskets are passed, members of our parish carry the gifts of bread and wine to the priest or deacon. These Gift Bearers represent the entire parish as we return to God a small part of the many blessings that he has given to us, gifts that will become the body and blood of Christ Jesus. What a wonderful way to express thanks and joy to God by bearing these gifts! Many times people bring up the gifts to commemorate a special event an anniversary, baptism of a child, service to the community, or for a special remembrance. Individuals or whole families are welcome to bring up the gifts together. Interested?

Contact Deacon Tully via email at
donald.tully@stmarysrc.com

Richland County Elderly Nutrition Program

Drivers needed to deliver Meals on Wheels
in Richland Center

(45 minutes to an hour a week)

For more information contact Tanya Webster,
Nutrition Program Coordinator 647-8821 ext. 5937

Readings for the week of December 25, 2022

Sunday:	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/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 [3]/Heb 1:1 6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Monday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Tuesday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Wednesday:	1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18
Thursday:	1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35
Friday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/ Ps 128:12, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23
Saturday:	1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18
Next Sunday:	Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/Gal 4:4-7/ Lk 2:16-21

MERRY CHRISTMAS !

From the St. Mary Scrip Program and all our Scrip sellers. Gift cards are great for gift giving, but you can also use them on everything you need this season. Traveling? Use gift cards to book your flights, hotels and rental cars. If you're road tripping to grandma's house, grab gas station gift cards that you can register and reload along the way. Questions? Contact scrip@stmarysrc.com.

The scrip-to-go box will be in the Parish Office this week as school is off until January 2nd.

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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.