

Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church

3rd Sunday OF ADVENT



Saturday, December 18th @ 5:15 pm

Lector: Judy Murphy
Minister of Holy Communion: Suzanne Walter
Servers: Avery & Daryn Kepler, Blake & Madelyn Mueller
Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Steven Bauer Family
Scrip: Colleen Pulvermacher

Sunday, December 19th @ 8:00 am

Lector: Gregg Schmitt
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Abe & Wes Bosworth, Ainsley Myers,
Grayson Schmitt
Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Bryan Myers Family
Scrip: Fran Wilkinson/Joanne Hall

Sunday, December 19th @ 10:30 am

Lector: Alisa Weiss
Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully
Servers: Owen Mueller, Ella, Garrison & Will Weiss
Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Brian Weiss Family
Scrip: Shelly Schmidt

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 13th **St. Lucy**
No Mass

Tuesday, December 14th **St. John**
Mass 8:15 am
† Charlie Ray

Wednesday, December 15th **School Christmas Concert**
Mass 8:15 am **1:00 pm & 7:00 pm**
Evelyn Groh SP.I.

Thursday, December 16th
Mass 8:15am **Adoration following Mass**
† Richard Unbehaun

Friday, December 17th
Mass 8:15 am
† Fr Roman Kirin

Saturday, December 18th
Confessions 4:15-4:50 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Richard Ziaja

Sunday, December 19th **4th Sunday of Advent**
Confessions 7:30 -7:55 am
Mass 8:00 am
Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:30 -10:25 am
Mass 10:30 am
† Edward & Elsie Gaura

Parish Calendar Events

12/15 Wednesday, **St. Mary School Christmas Concert**
1:00 pm and 7:00 pm

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 **Christmas Eve Mass 4:00 pm (Incense)**

12/25 **Christmas Day Mass 8:00 am**
Christmas Day Mass 10:30 am (Incense)

02/05 Saturday, Synod held in the Undercroft from 9-11 am

Christmas Angel Gifts

Please place the items in the box
by Friday, December 17th.

From your pastor . . .

You will have witnessed at the Masses this weekend the blessing of our new ambo (lectern/pulpit) that now graces the sanctuary. This corresponds more closely to the altar in material (marble) and design (Celtic cross). It was made possible by a parish family that provided the financial means to purchase it and who have asked to remain anonymous.

We had anticipated this ambo appearing in our sanctuary approximately a year earlier, but it was ordered from Italy a few months before the pandemic of COVID-19 appeared world-wide. It was shipped here in two crates that when added together weighed over 1400 pounds. This past Wednesday a number of people came together to unpack it from the shipping crates and to fit the pieces together making a wonderful addition to our sanctuary.

I wish to publicly thank the following men who came together to help with this project: Deacon Don Tully, Patrick Schwingle (parish custodian), Al and Jerome Durst, Gary Hardy and Randy Putz.

For the remainder of this column I wish to quote from the *General Instruction of the Roman Missal*, which provides the rationale and the directives for how the sanctuary of a Catholic Church is to be properly appointed. The passage from the General Instruction appears in *italics*.

The Ambo

The dignity of the Word of God requires that in the church there be a suitable place from which it may be proclaimed and toward which the attention of the faithful naturally turns during the Liturgy of the Word.

It is appropriate that generally this place be a stationary ambo and not simply a movable lectern. The ambo must be located in keeping with the design of each church in such a way that the ordained ministers and readers may be clearly seen and heard by the faithful.

From the ambo only the readings, the Responsorial Psalm, and the Easter Proclamation (Exsultet) are proclaimed; likewise it may be used for giving the homily and for announcing the intentions of the Universal Prayer. The dignity of the ambo requires that only a minister of the word should stand at it.

It is appropriate that before being put into liturgical use a new ambo be blessed according to the rite described in the Roman Ritual.

It is this last directive that was accomplished at the Masses this Sunday. This ambo is very beautiful and corresponds to the altar. This is purposively done so as to show the unity between the Word and Sacrament.

The symbol on the front of both the altar and the ambo is that of the Celtic cross which also is located on the pinnacle of our church steeple.

I hope that our parish will appreciate and enjoy this ambo for many generations to come.

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel



CHRISTMAS FLOWER & MEMORIALS

In memory of

| | | |
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| Janet Aber | “ | Byron & Dorothy McBain |
| Audrey Barnett | “ | Christmas Flowers |
| Ronald & Janet Bladl | “ | Lyle & Ruby Baltz |
| | “ | Irwin & Florence Bladl |
| Jon & Jane Bosworth | “ | Christmas Flowers |
| Virgil Cosgrove | “ | Connie Cosgrove |
| Agnes Dearborn | “ | Courtlynn Schneider |
| Irene Joyce | “ | John & Marguerite Kinney |
| | “ | Harry & Erma Joyce Family |
| Ramedias & Mimie Jara | “ | Joe Jara & Jara Family |
| | “ | Andrea Yu |
| | “ | Deceased Members of the |
| | “ | Felix and Yu Families |
| Kraig & Jean Kinney | “ | Kraig Goplin, Hackl & |
| | “ | Stanek Families |
| Mary Knothe | “ | John & Marguerite Kinney |
| | “ | Mark & Mike Knothe |
| Fran & Laurie Krajco | “ | Christmas Flowers |
| Bill & Marilyn Paulsen | “ | James & Alberta Delaney |
| Gordon Moore | “ | Mary Ann Moore |
| Bernadine Mueller | “ | Mueller & Seep Families |
| | “ | Francis Mueller |
| | “ | Randy Mueller |
| | “ | Miranda Mueller |
| | “ | Linda Mueller |
| Paul & Julie Peckham | “ | Edmund & Jane Guelig |
| | “ | Cam & Agatha Peckham |
| | “ | Harvey & Jean Bestor |
| | “ | William Shaw |
| Tom & Vicki Peckham | “ | Cam & Agatha Peckham |
| | “ | Wayne & Marie Faber |
| 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 & JoAnn Beranek |
| | “ | Leo & Marie Triggs |
| Alan & Grace Welte | “ | Harry & Anna Verdeen |
| | “ | Charles & Mary Welte |
| | “ | Richard Unbehaun |
| 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 |
| Frank & Vietta Reising | “ | Tina Franseen |
| Melanie Ziaja | “ | Richard Ziaja |
| | “ | Clara Zydlo |

December 4/5, 2021 Stewardship

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| Adult Tithe..... | \$4,910.00 |
| Offertory..... | 281.81 |
| Student Offertory..... | 34.85 |
| Pastoral Care..... | 655.00 |
| Building & Maintenance..... | 55.00 |
| Christmas..... | 120.00 |
| Christmas Flowers..... | 500.00 |
| Religious Retiree..... | 80.00 |
| Holy Day..... | 125.00 |
| Mission Sunday..... | 10.00 |
| Total..... | \$6,771.66 |
| <i>November (ACH) Automatic Contributions \$6,505.00</i> | |

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.



Please welcome to our parish family

Edmund James Peckham

Baptized ,November 28th, 2021

Parents, Will & Addie

Please pray for Edmund as he continues
 to grow in his faith.

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Advent and Christmas
with Dr. Michael Barber



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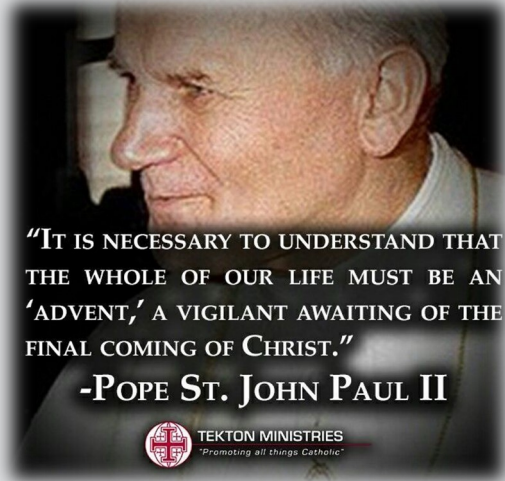
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Wedding Planning Information

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.



"IT IS NECESSARY TO UNDERSTAND THAT
THE WHOLE OF OUR LIFE MUST BE AN
'ADVENT,' A VIGILANT AWAITING OF THE
FINAL COMING OF CHRIST."

-POPE ST. JOHN PAUL II



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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.)