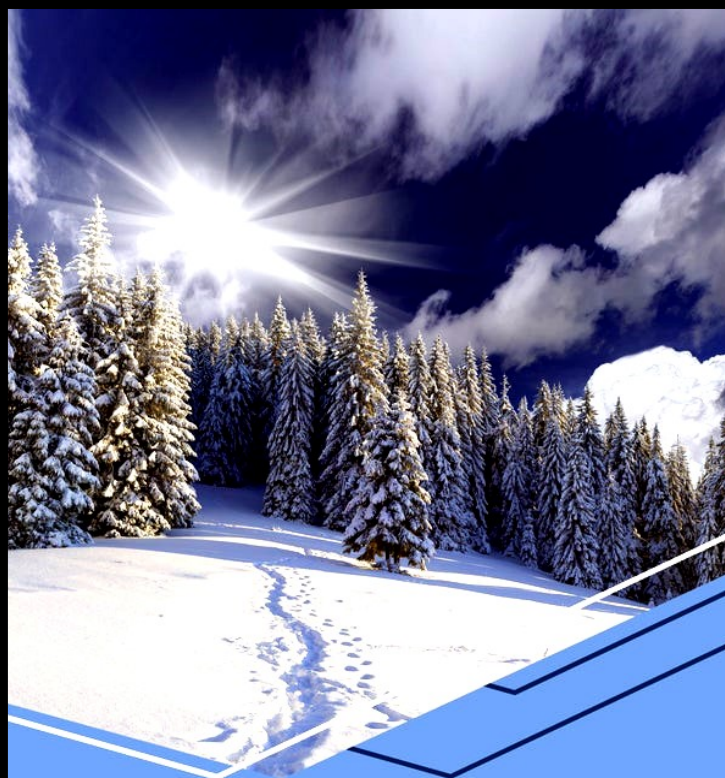


Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you." - Mt 11:10

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December 11, 2022

Saturday, December 17th, 5:15 pm

Lector: Mark Jelinek

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Owen Drier, Avery & Daryn Kepler,
Andrew Mata

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Steven Bauer Family .

Scrip: Colleen Pulvermacher

Sunday, December 18th, 8:00 am

Lector: Maly Krajco

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Aubrey & Bryce Kohlstedt,
Ainsley & Everett Myers

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Bryan Myers Family

Scrip: Jonna Ray

Sunday, December 18th, 10:30 am

Lector: Alisa Weiss

Minister of Holy Communion: Deacon Tully

Servers: Lydia Durst, Collin Halverson, Ella & Will Weiss

Ushers: Knights of Columbus **Gifts:** Brian Weiss Family

Scrip: Shelly Schmidt

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 12th **Our Lady of Guadalupe**
No Mass

Tuesday, December 13th **St. Lucy**
Mass 8:15 am
† Charlie Ray

Wednesday, December 14th **St. John of the Cross**
Mass 8:15 pm **School Christmas Program**
† Albert & Mercedes Leineweber

Thursday, December 15th **Adoration following Mass**
Mass 8:15 am
L & D Members of the Pepich Family

Friday, December 16th
Mass 8:15 am
† Herb Rebhan

Saturday, December 17th
Confessions 4:00–4:50 pm
Mass 5:15 pm
† Joe Murphy

Sunday, December 18th **Fourth Sunday of Advent**
Confessions 7:30-7:50 am
Mass 8:00 am
Our Parish Family

Confessions 9:30-10:25 am
Mass 10:30 am
† Fr Roman Kirin



**St Mary's All School
Christmas Program**
Wednesday December 14th
1:00 pm & 6:30 pm in the Church

Parish Calendar Events

12/13 Tuesday, Finance Council mtg 6:30 pm

12/14 Wednesday, All School Christmas program
1:00 & 6:30 pm

12/28 Wednesday, Endowment Trust Mtg 6:30 pm

01/28 Saturday, Pre-Cana Class

From your pastor . . .

Today we celebrate Guadete (Rejoice!) Sunday. It is always celebrated on the Third Sunday of Advent and is signaled by the lighting of the rose candle in the Advent wreath. The reason we rejoice is that this is when we make the 'turn' in the Advent season from anticipating the second and final coming of our Lord (first two Sundays of Advent) to the coming that has already taken place in history (last two Sundays of Advent) – our Lord's coming having been born of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the First Christmas.

Another good reason for us to REJOICE as a parish is that as was (or will be) announced at today's Masses, we have met and surpassed the Inspired by the Spirit Campaign goal of \$480,000 that was assigned to us. Thank you to all of you who gave generously and sacrificially to make this happen. If you haven't donated to the campaign, you can do so by sending it to the parish or directly to the Inspired by the Spirit Office in La Crosse.

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

Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel

Please be mindful of the importance of making a good and complete confession of your sins prior to the celebration of Christmas. The schedule for confessions is as follows:

Wednesday, December 21st – 5:00 – 7:00 p.m.

Thursday, December 22nd – 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Friday, December 23rd – 5:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Saturday, December 24th – 3:15 p.m. -3:45

Confessions will be heard before the Midnight Mass and the 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass

Below is the Order for Making a Good Confession that you can cut out and bring with you to the confessional.

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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.)

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!



Scrip News

Monday, Dec. 12th at 8am is the last day for special order physical cards to be guaranteed for delivery before Christmas. Just ask your Scrip seller or email scrip@stmarysrc.com.

Walmart has recently updated their payment options, so gift cards can now be used to pay for online grocery orders. Earn 2.5% for St. Mary's on all your Walmart purchases, including groceries.

Whether you shop in-store or online, for pickup or delivery. Simply select "gift card" as your payment method and enter your Walmart gift card details to pay for your order.

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Thank you to the Alan & Kathy Eggers Family who did the landscaping and work around the church and rectory this past Fall at no cost to St Mary's
God Bless you !

Christmas Angel Gifts

St Mary of the Assumption Church and School Will be collecting donations for our local nursing homes. Containers will be located at the church entrance and school.

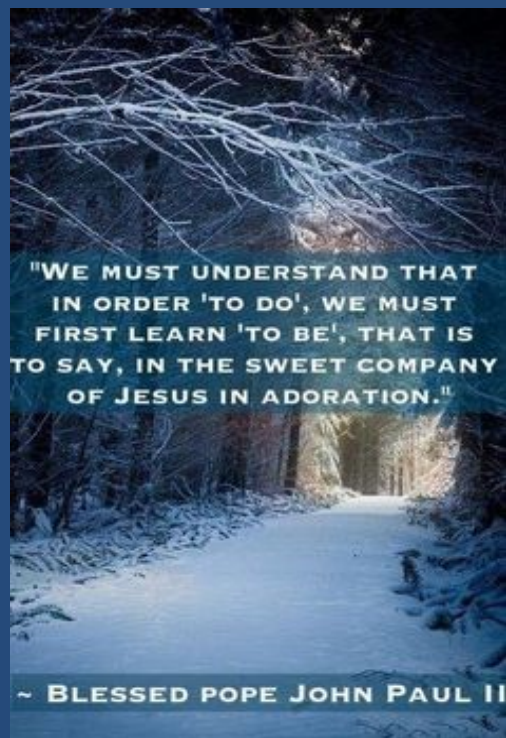
Please put the items in the box prior to December 16th.

Some of the items we are looking for are blankets, lap robes, wheelchair bags, gripper socks, puzzles, sugar free candy and cookies etc.

A more complete list can be found at the entry of the church.



“ It is time to stop searching
for worldly solutions to spiritual problems ”



EUCHARISTIC ADORATION
every Thursday following Holy Mass

The Knights of Columbus #3492

Will be collecting food and money for the local food pantry during November and early December. Please bring non-perishable food items and cash donations to St. Mary's Church. Cash donations should be put in a envelope marked Food Pantry, and put it into the collection basket or dropped off at the Parish office.



Readings for the week of December 11, 2022

Sunday:	Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/ Mt 11:2-11
Monday:	Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
Tuesday:	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/ Mt 21:28-32
Wednesday:	Is 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/ Lk 7:18b-23
Thursday:	Is 54:1-10/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b/ Lk 7:24-30
Friday:	Is 56:1-3a, 6-8/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8/Jn 5:33-36
Saturday:	Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17/Mt 1:1-17
Next Sunday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/ Mt 1:18-24

Christmas Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 24th
Christmas Eve Vigil 4:00 pm ... **Incense**
Confessions 3:15 to 3:45 pm

Midnight Mass : Midnight ... **Incense**
Confessions before Mass

Christmas Morning
Sunday, December 25th 9:00 am ... **NO Incense**
Confessions before Mass

Christmas Flowers



Please use the envelopes in your packet or any (marked envelope) to make a memorial for a loved one.

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

An Advent Prayer

God of light and hope,
look upon us in love,
and fill us with the Spirit of Jesus
that we may love you and serve you in your kingdom.
Protect us during this week
and keep us watchful in prayer
as we await the coming of our Lord, Jesus Christ,
who is the light of the world,
and who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit,
one God, for ever and ever.



December 3/4, 2022 Stewardship

Adult Tithe.....	\$4,362.00
Offertory.....	555.61
Student Offertory	20.62
Christmas Flowers.....	176.00
Christmas	30.00
Holy Day Collection	31.00
Total.....	\$5,175.23
November (ACH) Automatic Contributions 5,865.00	

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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.