

# Saint Mary of the Assumption Catholic Church



## Mass Schedule

Monday, December 21st **St. Peter Canisius**  
No Mass Confessions 5:00 to 6:00 pm

Tuesday, December 22nd  
Mass 8:15 am Confessions 6:00 to 7:00 pm  
Mickie Alandy SP.I.

Wednesday, December 23rd **St. John of Kanty**  
Mass 8:15 am Confessions 6:00 to 7:00 pm  
† Joe and Emmet Joyce

**Thursday, December 24th Christmas Eve**  
Christmas Vigil Mass 3:00 pm (No Incense)  
† Ruth Collins

Christmas Vigil Mass 5:15 pm  
† Evelyn Scheckel

**Friday, December 25th The Nativity of the Lord**  
Mass 8:00 am (No Incense) **Christmas Day**  
Andrew Peckham SP.I.

Mass 10.30 am  
† Joe Jara

Saturday, December 26th **St. Stephen**  
Confessions 4:15- 4:50 pm  
Mass 5:15 am  
† Marie & Leo Triggs

Sunday, December 27th **The Holy Family**  
Confessions 7:30 -7:50 am  
Mass 8:00 am  
† Carter & Georgia Harrison

Confessions 9:30 -10:20 am  
Mass 10:30 am Our Parish Family

 **Merry Christmas !**

## The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Thursday, December 31st 5:15 Vigil Mass

Friday, January 1st 8:00 am Mass

Friday, January 1st 10:30 am Mass

## FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

*O Lord, stir up Thy power, we pray Thee, and come; and with great might help us, that with the help of Thy Grace, Thy merciful forgiveness may hasten what our sins impede. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.*



## From your pastor . . .

This Friday we celebrate the anniversary of the birth of Jesus Christ – Christmas. It is an extraordinarily wonderful Feast Day that celebrates an extraordinarily wonderful expression of God’s love for the human race, a love so deep and merciful we can barely begin to fathom it. The earthly loves that we have – with parents, spouses, children and friends – are only a shadow of the love that God reveals to us through the birth of his Incarnate Son.

Confessions this week are scheduled for Monday – 5:00 - 6:00 p.m.; Tuesday – 6:00– 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday 6:00 -7:00 p.m. I also hope to hear confessions immediately before the Christmas Masses, however it will be best if you please make an attempt to utilize one of the days and times mentioned above.

The Christmas Masses are: Vigil Mass – Thursday, December 24<sup>th</sup> – 3:00 pm. (with no incense); 5:15 p.m. with incense. Christmas Mass of Dawn – 8:00 a.m. – (no incense); Christmas Mass of the Day -10:30 a.m. with incense. We are hoping that with two vigil Masses, will ease any crowding that tends to happen at the Christmas Vigil Mass. Unfortunately choirs are not allowed during this time. Only a keyboardist and cantor are permitted. Please remember to bring your hymnal/missals with you.

The Feast of the Holy Family is celebrated two days after Christmas and when we shall be returning back to our regular Sunday Mass schedule. One week later (Friday, January 1) we celebrate another Holy Day – the Solemnity of Mary the Mother of God. At this Mass we honor Mary under her title of Mother of God. We will have two Masses on this Feast Day – a 5:15 p.m. Vigil Mass on Thursday – New Year’s Eve and 9:00 a.m. Mass on New Year’s Day. The Feast of the Epiphany will be celebrated on Saturday, January 2 and Sunday, January 3 following the usual Sunday Mass schedule. Due to COVID 19 there are no obligations accompanying any of the Masses during this Christmas Season. Hopefully you will be able to find various Masses that you and your family will be able to attend. This is a grace-filled time of the year and I hope that all of you are able to experience the peace and joy that accompanies the celebration of Christmas in spite of the COVID challenge.

Thank you to all who have sent various forms of Christmas greetings to the rectory.  
May God bless you for your kindness.

Deacon Tully and I look forward to praying with you in the days ahead.

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

**Monsignor Roger J. Scheckel**

## CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & MEMORIALS

Janet Aber	in memory of	Byron & Dorothy McBain
William & Audrey Barnett	“	Christmas flowers
Jack Bauer	in memory of	Janice Marie Bauer
Joan Borland	in memory of	Bernard Coy
Agnes Dearborn	in memory of	Courtlynn Schneider
Jerome & Sandy Durst	“	All St. Mary’s families
Kraig & Jean Kinney	in memory of	Kinney & Hackl families
	“	Stanek & Goplin families
Bill & Judy Hilleman	in memory of	Patrick Hilleman
	“	Hilleman & Harris families
Mimie Jara	in memory of	Joe Jara
		Andrea Yu
		Jara, Felix, Alona, & Bernardo families
Mari Lu Marshall	in memory of	Jack Curnow
	“	Curnow & Trojan families
Candace McGrath	“	Nicholas Lawson
Harry Monteith	in memory of	Eric D. Monteith
	“	Ralph & Helen Montieth
Judy Murphy	in memory of	Joe Murphy
Gordon Moore	“	Christmas flowers
Bernadine Mueller	in memory of	Seep & Mueller families
Paul & Mary Jo Salisbury	in memory of	Francis Mueller
	“	Randy Mueller
	“	Miranda Mueller
	“	Linda Mueller
Jason & Sara Schultz	“	Christmas flowers
Frank & Vietta Reising	in memory of	Tina Franseen
Colleen Schroeder	in memory of	Bill Schroeder
	“	Helen & Arnold Schroeder
	“	Joe Weinsensel
Joe & Sue Triggs	“	Charles & Jeanne Beranek
	“	Leo & Marie Triggs
Brad & Dianne Walker	“	Christmas flowers
Louie Williams	in memory of	Ruth Williams

## 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.)



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**MARY**  
OF NAZARETH



"St Marys' Lending Library"

Located in the south-west vestibule of St. Mary's is a lending library. There are books, DVDs, and CDs about a wide range of topics from Scott Hahn, Matthew Kelly, Pope Benedict, Pope Francis, Pope John Paul II, on prayer, on saints, on teaching of the Church. Simply sign out the article and return it when you are through. Borrow and share with family and friends.

Check it out !!!

**CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

Saturday December 19th, from 7:00—7:45 pm  
Please gather at the Courthouse lawn for a time of singing Christmas Carols, reading the Christmas story in Christian unity. Song books will be provided We are hoping to bring people together at Christmas time in these very difficult times.

**Readings for the week of December 20, 2020**

- Sunday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/ Rom 16:25 27 Lk 1:26-38
- Monday:** Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/ Lk 1:39-45
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
- Wednesday:** Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/ Lk 1:57-66
- Thursday:** 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/ Lk 1:67-79
- Friday: 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 :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- Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
- Saturday:** Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/ Mt 10:17-22
- Next Sunday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 05:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 1-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-4

**2020/2021 Diocesan Annual Appeal**

Thank you to all who have responded  
**Target \$33,855.00 Currently at \$42,006.00**

**December 12/13, 2020 Stewardship**

Adult Tithe.....	4,177.00
Offertory.....	175.25
Catholic School Support.....	125.00
Building & Maintenance.....	26.00
Cemetery Fund.....	20.00
Holy Days.....	82.00
Religious Retire .....	46.00
Christmas Flowers.....	325.00
Christmas .....	65.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$5,041.25</b>

*October (ACH) Automatic Contributions.... \$6,220.00*  
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**ST. MARY'S PCCW  
INVOLVEMENT SCHOLARSHIPS**

The PCCW will award three scholarships for graduating seniors whom are members of St. Mary's Parish.  
For more information refer to the application. Applications are in the main entrance of the church. The deadline is March 1st, 2021

**CHRISTMAS FLOWERS**

We are still accepting donations.  
Please use the envelopes in your packet  
Or any (marked envelope)  
To make a memorial for a loved one.  
Thank you !



**Prayer Chain**

If you, or someone you know,  
is in need of prayer,  
please send your prayer request  
[prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com](mailto:prayer.chain@stmarysrc.com)

**2020/2021 Calendar Drawing Winners**

**December 3, 2020 ... Ryan Little, West Bend, WI**  
**December 8, 2020 ... Ronald Rogers, Batavia , IL**

## SCRIP NEWS

New App Exclusive! You now have the option to get gift cards for over 250 top-selling brands sent right to you with the new ship to home feature. It is available only in the mobile app, RaiseRight. Shipping fees apply and you must pay with a bank account or credit card. Contact scrip@stmarysrc.com for how to enroll on the app and start earning for St. Mary's! And don't forget to visit your scrip sellers after Mass today for all the local Scrip cards.

**THERE ARE NO MASS SALES NEXT WEEKEND  
MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

Questions? scrip@stmarysrc.com  
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### Scrip Sellers

December 19 5:15 P.M Jolene Frawley  
December 20 8:00 A.M Colleen Schroeder  
December 20 10:30 A.M. Judy Barnicle

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#### Parish Council of Catholic Women (PCCW)

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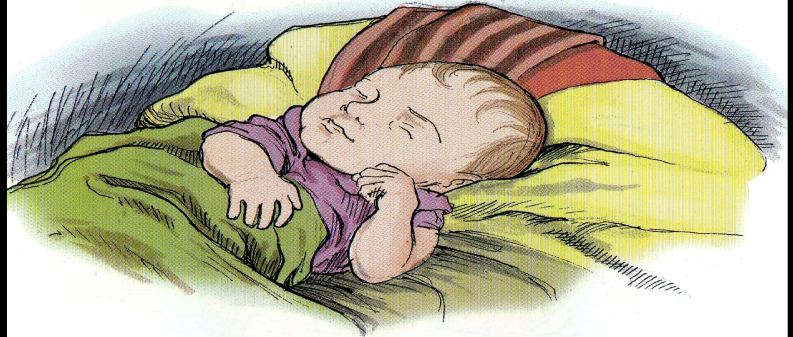
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#### Wedding Planning Information

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.

## BIRTH



*Here* I AM, WORLD!!! A bouncing baby girl full of life and excitement, and so very happy to be here! I'm weighing in at seven and one-half pounds, and measuring 21 inches from head top to tip toes! Wow! What an amazing journey I've had getting here—so much happening in such a short time! Every little aspect of my body, inside and out, has been carefully designed with detailed precision. Complex systems are interacting and functioning. I am uniquely and wonderfully made! Only a loving God could design and create life as I'm experiencing it!

*"I chose you before I gave you life,  
and before you were born I selected you."*

—JEREMIAH 1:5

Thank you, Lord, for choosing me and loving me into Life! Your love is beyond my comprehension! Every beat of my heart is yet another gift from you. Help me to always treasure the gift of life with its many blessings, those blessings I enjoy as well as those blessings in disguise that I am not yet able to understand. Only you, Lord, are able to see the entire "big picture" of my life, so I trust you and ask you to please guide the rest of my "Life Journey" so that I may live a life pleasing to you! Amen.

Love,  
Baby Margaret Mary

## Christmas Angel Gifts

Thank you to all who brought various gifts for the local nursing homes. Your kindness was a bright spot in their day knowing they have not been forgotten. Thank you again for letting the Light of Christ shine through all of you!

May God's blessings be yours this Christmas Season and always.  
St Mary of the Assumption Church and School

### 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 November. Please bring non-perishable food items and cash donations to St. Mary's church. Cash donations should be put in an envelope marked Food Pantry and put in the collection, dropped off at parish office or mailed to Gary Hardy 25073 Hall Ln. RC.

### Advent Confession Schedule:

Monday December 21st, 5:00 to 6:00 pm  
Tuesday December 22nd, 6:00 to 7:00 pm  
Wednesday December 23rd, 6:00 to 7:00 pm