



ST. MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Mary Mission Statement:
To be companions with Christ
our Savior

Sunday Masses

Saturday Vigil -5:30pm
Lord's Day -8:30am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Forgiveness (Confession)

Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment
Sun. 8:00-8:25 am

December 8, 2019

Second Sunday
of Advent

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2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

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Adoration Chapel
Open Hours:
Tuesday: 10am
Thursday: 1am
Friday: 3pm & 8pm
Saturday: 1am

Mass Schedule This Week:
Monday: 8am- The Immaculate
Conception. Tuesday: 5:30pm
Wednesday, Thursday and
Friday: 8am
Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 9-4:30



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday	Dec. 9, Immaculate Conception
8:00 a.m.	✠James Soth
Tuesday	Dec. 10
5:30 p.m.	Benefactors of St. Vincent dePaul Society
Wednesday	Dec. 11, St. Damasus
8:00 a.m.	✠Gerald Rogers
Thursday	Dec. 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe
8:00 a.m.	✠Casey Thomas
Friday	Dec. 13, St. Lucy
8:00 a.m.	✠Leon Jenista
Saturday	Dec. 14, St. John of the Cross
8:00a.m.	Lou & Anna Voelker
5:30p.m.	✠Marceline Lefort
Sunday	Dec. 15, Third Sunday of Advent
8:30a.m.	✠Dolores McNeil
10:30a.m.	People of the Parish

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!!

A warm welcome to our newest members & families:
John & Mary Anne Lillis and children Joseph, Eva & Raymond

Stewardship Message—Empowered! “Fully Alive as Missionary Disciples”

Second Sunday of Advent

Is 11:1-10 Rom 15:4-9 Mt 3:1-12

Let's face it...John the Baptist was weird. His clothing was strange, his diet was strange, and his message was strange. If there is one thing we can learn about discipleship from John the Baptist, it is this: conformity is not an option. Yet odd as he was, people from “the whole region around the Jordan” were flocking to him for baptism. The people were enthralled with this strange man and his message of repentance. John the Baptist had a knack for speaking the truth, and this became the purpose of his life. As we reflect on our own stewardship, we have to ask what gifts we have been blessed with. Are we using those gifts to glorify God, no matter how “weird” it makes us feel? Are we using those gifts to “Produce good fruit as evidence of [our] repentance”? Like John the Baptist, we have been EMPOWERED by the Holy Spirit and are called to share message of repentance with all who will hear. There is no better time than Advent to work for the conversion of hearts! What are you waiting for?

Parish Events

DAILY MASS: Mon: 8am; Tues: 5:30pm; Wed—Fri: 8am
Scheduled this week:
 Sunday (Dec. 8th): Penance Service 7pm
 Monday: K of C 7:30pm-OLG
 Tuesday: Fr. Voelker class on Joel/Hosea 7:30-9:00-PC
 Wednesday: PSR-6:30; CYM-7pm
 Thursday: Legion of Mary-6:30; RCIA-7pm
 Friday: Family Home Rosary (316) 570-7455 for info

ST. MARY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS

The Scholastic Book Fair will open Tuesday, December 10th and close on Thursday, December 19th. Come on by to purchase some great books for Christmas!
 Our music program will be held on Tuesday, December 17th starting at 6:45 PM. All are welcome!
 Our 8th Grade Play will present "The Lion, the Witch, and the Wardrobe" on Thursday, December 19th at 7:00 PM. All are welcome!

CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Sierra Noel Janzen, daughter of Aaron Janzen & Amy Meyers, was baptized on November 23, 2019.
Elijah Ray Gronau, son of Cody & Jessica Gronau, was baptized on Nov. 29, 2019. He is the grandson of Jose & Maria Navarro.

Please Pray For our Home-Bound & Care Home Parishioners:

Geraldine Adkins	Gertrude Mahoney	Lois Silvernale
Carmen Alvarado	Stella Miller	Virginia Schierling
Charmaine	Sara Quinones	Sharon Story
DeMezza	Bryan Sahlfeld	Ethel Wetschensky

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year: July 2019-June 2020

Collections for: **November 17, 2019**

*Regular collection.....	\$ 14,111.25
Children's collection.....	\$ <u>42.86</u>
	14,154.11
Building Fund....	\$ 1,194.00
Budget per week is.....	\$ 15,186.92
Collections year-to-date compared to budget through Nov. 17, 2019.....	\$ (13,141.60)

Collections for: **November 24, 2019**

*Regular collection.....	\$ 13,680.75
Children's Collection	\$ <u>74.25</u>
	\$ 13,755.00
Other: * Building Fund.....	\$ 185.00
Collections year-to-date compared to budget through Nov. 24, 2019	\$ (14,647.77)

Collections for: **Dec. 1, 2019**

*Regular collection	17,539.70
Children's Collection	<u>62.64</u>
	17,602.64
Other: * Building Fund	510.00
Budget per week is.....	\$ 15,186.92
Collections year-to-date compared to budget through Dec. 1, 2019.....	(12,294.99)

DOCTRINAL SECTION

We confess that the Kingdom of God begun here below in the Church of Christ is not of this world whose form is passing, and that its proper growth cannot be confounded with the progress of civilization, of science or of human technology, but that it consists in an ever more profound knowledge of the unfathomable riches of Christ, an ever stronger hope in eternal blessings, an ever more ardent response to the love of God, and an ever more generous bestowal of grace and holiness among men. But it is this same love which induces the Church to concern herself constantly about the true temporal welfare of men. Without ceasing to recall to her children that they have not here a lasting dwelling, she also urges them to contribute, each according to his vocation and his means, to the welfare of their earthly city, to promote justice, peace and brotherhood among men, to give their aid freely to their brothers, especially to the poorest and most unfortunate. The deep solicitude of the Church, the Spouse of Christ, for the needs of men, for their joys and hopes, their griefs and efforts, is therefore nothing other than her great desire to be present to them, in order to illuminate them with the light of Christ and to gather them all in Him, their only Savior. This solicitude can never mean that the Church conform herself to the things of this world, or that she lessen the ardor of her expectation of her Lord and of the eternal Kingdom. We believe in the life eternal. We believe that the souls of all those who die in the grace of Christ whether they must still be purified in purgatory, or whether from the moment they leave their bodies Jesus takes them to paradise as He did for the Good Thief are the People of God in the eternity beyond death, which will be finally conquered on the day of the Resurrection when these souls will be reunited with their bodies.

~Pope St. Paul VI

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

CHRISTMAS PARTY HAS BEEN CANCELLED DUE TO NUMEROUS CONFLICTS. LOOK FOR IT NEXT YEAR!

The Knights will be serving an all-u-can-eat breakfast, Sunday, December 15th from 8am to 11am at St. Mary's in the gym. The proceeds to benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society. The menu: biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes, coffee-milk-or juice. The cost: \$6.00 dine in or carry out. The Knights of Columbus Annual Family Corporate Wellness Center membership renewal date will be Sunday December 15th. Membership covers both parents and all children (12 years & older). Any parishioner can join under the KofC family membership. The yearly cost, as of last year (2018) is \$285, with an increase of 9 additional families, the 2019 cost would be \$230 (a regular family rate would be \$600 for the year). To determine the discounted rate, those interested in joining under the Knights need to contact NRC by December 13th at 283-7330 or tstrain@newtonrec.org Payment—1/2 due at enrollment (Dec. 15) 2nd half by Feb. 15.

Readings for the week of December 8, 2019

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15:4-9/ Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

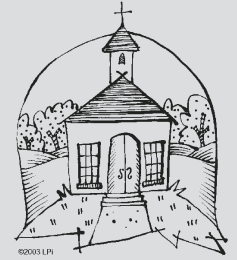
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/ Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 [Is 35:4]/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-

Parish Information

Communion to the Sick

If you are unable to attend Mass due to age, illness, or are recovering from surgery, call the parish office so that Communion may be brought to you.



Bulletin Deadline

Must be submitted in writing no later than 10am on Tue.

Religious Education Class Times (PSR)

Grades 1st- 8th - Wednesday 6:30 - 7:40pm Mandy Casey (620) 200-7278

Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Wednesday: 7pm; Grades 9-12 Greg & Resa Davenport/Bill & Carrie Weber.

Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 415 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour call coordinator, Lettie Kruse at 727-1200 or 283-0026.

Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Michelle Stump at 620-386-0421 or if she is not available call both Barbara Fayette 283-6467 & Lou Kuestersteffen 283-6414 to activate both prayer lines.

Welcome/Registering

Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Parish. Please register by calling or dropping by the parish office. Please keep us informed of changes of names, addresses, numbers, etc.

Interested in the Catholic Faith

A warm invitation is extended to non-Catholics to attend any of our religious services. They are particularly invited to learn more about the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. For more information, call the parish office at 316-282-0459, or Mark Frazier at 316-727-6287.

Information About Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are required to be registered in the parish. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

In an emergency of serious illness, if sick and confined to a home, entering a hospital or local nursing home - please notify the rectory.

Sacrament of Forgiveness (Confession)

Sat. 4:00 -5:00 p.m. Tuesday 5:00-5:20 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00-8:25 a.m. Any time by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples intending to enter into Christian Marriage are asked to call the parish office for an appointment. The first appointment must be scheduled at least nine months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS

Poinsettia forms are in the back of church. If you wish to donate toward a poinsettia in memory of a loved one, or in honor of a loved one, the decorating committee will purchase poinsettias to be used as Altar decorations during the Christmas season.



St. Vincent DePaul Society Second Sunday of Advent

In today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "Prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas

come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the parish office so that together with your St. Vincent de Paul Society we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas. Don't forget to attend our bake sale Sunday, December 15th in the St. Mary's gym.



Adult choir is meeting on Wednesday evenings at 6:30 in the choir loft. We are working on Christmas music! That is always fun. We are looking for more singers: bass, tenor, alto and sopranos. And if you are unsure but want to try singing, come join us. Several of our members don't read music and are still learning the music. Looking forward to Christmas music and new members for the choir.

RESPECT LIFE & SOCIAL JUSTICE

The Social Justice Committee will be holding our annual Giving Tree. There will be options for choosing a tag for a specific child from St. Mary School as well as the Newton Community (Salvation Army). We ask that you register your tag with a Social Justice Volunteer, attach the tag to UNWRAPPED gift and return it NO LATER THAN DECEMBER 11. Thank you for taking part in this cause!

New to the Parish?

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish, we are pleased to have you join us in worship. If you would like to join the parish please complete the information below and return it to us in the collection basket, or by mail. We will send you registration information or you may come by the parish office and register.

Welcome and God Bless!

Name _____

Address _____

Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Liturgical Role

Altar Servers

Wed. 12/11 8:00am K. Erwin, C. Weber, T. Monares
Thur. 12/12 8:00am G. Espada, N. Rasmirez, B. Killman
Fri. 12/13 8:00am M. Heppler, N. Rusche, K. Lujano
Sat. 12/14 5:30pm O. Mick, R. Ruggiero, A. Weber
Sun. 12/15 8:30am Ethan & Gavin Stucky, Payton Ryan
Sun. 12/15 10:30am Alex Rohr, Gage Schmidt, Bailey & Spencer Steinmetz *Adrian

Greeters & Gift Bearers

Sat. 12/14 5:30pm Richard Mick family
Sun. 12/15 8:30am Trinity Muth family
Sun. 12/15 10:30am Isaac Coutre family

Cantor/Accompanist

Sat. 12/14 5:30pm B. Nguyen, S. Herdler
Sun. 12/15 8:30am P. McNeill, K. Ryan
Sun. 12/15 10:30am M. Mick, E. Mick

Lector

Sat. 12/14 5:30pm Karen McNulty, Mark Frazier
Sun. 12/15 8:30am Marshall Kendrick, Pauline Casey
Sun. 12/15 10:30am Ellie Rohr, Roger Mick

Sacristans

Weekday—Dec. 10-14 Linda Frazier
Sat. 12/14 5:30pm Shelly Oswald
Sun. 12/15 8:30am Sharon McCall
Sun. 12/15 10:30am Terri Bockhaus

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion (EMHC)

Weekday—Dec. 11-13—Kathy Wiens
Sat. 12/14 5:30pm Deb Henning, Mike Weber, R. Sadowski
Sun. 12/15 8:30am *J Pomeroy, Kathy Wiens, Daniel Casey
Sun. 12/15 10:30am C. Woerner, Steve Rusche, S. Holub

Nursing Homes: (Pres. & Shut ins) - Dec. 14-Rita Sadowski

EMHC-Hospital—Month of December covered by OLG

Ushers

Sat. 12/14 5:30pm Richard Hushka, Carrol Langenhorst
Kyle & Linda Kientz
Sun. 12/15 8:30am Fred Kuestersteffen, Robert Peters
Trinity & Austin Muth
Sun. 12/15 10:30am James & Carrie Reid
Brian Schulte, Pat McCreary

Church Cleaners Dec. 13

Sharon Erwin, Brigitte Loescher, Amber Holguin

Wash Server Albs December—

Linda Guhr & Marcia Mathews

Our advertiser of the week is
Cottonwood Pediatrics
Healthcare for Tots, Tweens & Teens

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