



# ST. MARY

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Nov. 29, 2020

First Sunday  
of Advent

### 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

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Bill & Carrie Weber – 212-0137

### Legion of Mary- President

Steve Holub – 316-836-7822

### Knights of Columbus

Dave Englestad-316-804-8632

### Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)

Mandy Casey-(620) 200-7278



# 1<sup>st</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house  
is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at  
cockcrow, or in the morning.” - Mk 13:35

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

### Open Adoration Hours:

Tues: 12am, 1am  
Wed: 7am & 12pm  
Thurs: 2am, 3am, 4am, 6am  
Please consider an hour, or  
becoming a substitute!!

### OFFICE HOURS:

Monday – Thursday 9am-4:30pm  
Friday: 9am-12:30pm  
DAILY MASS SCHEDULE:  
Tuesday: 5:30pm; Wednesday,  
Thursday & Friday 8:00am



# Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	Dec. 1
5:30pm	✠Mary Lou Frazier
Wednesday	Dec. 2
8:00 a.m.	Rylee Carson
Thursday	Dec. 3, St. Francis Xavier
8:00 a.m.	✠Sharon Story
Friday	Dec. 4, St. John Damascene
8:00 a.m.	✠J.T. Kelso
Saturday	Dec. 5
8:00am	✠Fr. Mannion (Latin Mass)
5:30pm	✠Phyllis Prouty
Sunday	Dec. 6, Second Sunday of Advent
8:30am	People of the Parish
10:30am	✠Casey Thomas

Please Pray For our Sick, Home Bound & Care Home Parishioners:

Geraldine Adkins	Karen Mosqueda	Norman Salmans
Carmen Alvarado	Sara Quinones	Walt & Lois
Nancy Budde	Brett Roufs	Silvernale
Elesa Garcia	Bryan Sahlfeld	Ethel Wetschensky

## Stewardship Message—Fiat “Leave Nothing for Tomorrow”

Is 63: 16b-17, 19b; 64: 2-7 / 1 Cor 1: 3-9 / Mark 13: 33-37

Advent is a time to prepare for the coming of the King. As disciples, however, we should realize that our entire lives should be spent preparing for the coming of the King. We live in a very busy era, and most of us are held hostage by our clocks and our calendars, yet the most important event of our lives is beyond our ability to plan. Even Jesus, by choice, is ignorant to the day and hour of His second coming. Therefore, as disciples, let us remember to finish our “work” each day, and leave nothing for tomorrow. Let us be good stewards of time, and let us be watchful and alert for the arrival of the King of Kings!

## COVID-19 SCHEDULE & INFO

We are committed to taking every precaution for our parishioners and their safety.

- Social distancing is practiced in the church.
- Hand sanitizer is available in the vestibule.
- New hardbound Journey Hymnals are available to purchase through the office for \$20.
- The church is cleaned & sanitized twice a week.
- There is a safety screen between parishioner and priest/extraordinary minister for distribution of communion.
- There is no offertory at this time, so please place your envelope/offering in the box in the vestibule on the right side. Thanks!
- eGiving is now available online at [www.stmarynewton.org](http://www.stmarynewton.org)

### The Social Justice/Respect Live Commission

Due to COVID-19 getting more prevalent, we have changed the format of the Giving Tree. Instead of taking a tag off the tree and purchasing items that the child has requested, we have placed envelopes on the tree and ask that you make a donation to the Salvation Army and they will purchase the gifts. **They are asking for the contributions by December 6, so that the children will have their gifts by their distribution date.** You may place your envelope in the collection box, or mail directly to the Salvation Army. We appreciate your understanding of this change, and pray that we can get back to normal in 2021!

## Our Deepest Sympathy....

To the family of **Paula Delmez**, who passed away on November 16, 2020. She was the wife of Art Delmez.  
—May the Love of God comfort you all.

## Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year: July 2020-June 2021

Due to early bulletin submission for Thanksgiving, the Nov. 22 numbers will be in the Dec. 6 bulletin.

Collections for: Nov. 15, 2020

*Regular Collection	\$ 6,123.27
Children's Collection	\$ _____
	\$ 6,123.27

Other:

\*Building Fund..... \$ 830.00

Budget per week is..... \$ 14,584.60

Collections year-to-date compared to budget

Through November 15, 2020 \$ (46,468.17)\*\*

**\*\*Your contributions are greatly appreciated and very important to the operation of the parish and school. If you are behind, please make every effort to catch up and do your part. Thank you! —Father Voelker**

## ALTAR SOCIETY NEWS

Altar Society will have our Annual Christmas Social on Thursday, December 10, beginning at 6:30 PM. Due to this, we will NOT have a regular meeting on December 3. We will be playing Bunco and having an Ugly Christmas Sweater Apparel Contest. There will be an entry fee of \$5.00 to participate in Bunco. To have enough tables for Bunco, please RSVP to C.J. Sutton at 620-446-2664. You are encouraged to bring a beverage and an appetizer. The Social will take place at 2111 N. Main, North Newton. We hope to see you there!

## ST. MARY SCHOOL

Substitute Teachers Wanted: If you or someone you know is interested in substituting at St. Mary Catholic School, please contact Joshua Bargdill at (316)282-1974. Substitutes need to have a teacher license or an emergency substitute license. To obtain an emergency substitute license one needs a minimum of 60 college credits. Our school can help you apply for the license.

## ANNUAL STEWARDSHIP

Please pick your 2021 Stewardship packets up to save us the cost of mailing them. To ensure that the parish ministries continue to perform at their best and to keep the ministry and tithing records accurate, we ask that you turn your forms in as soon as possible! You may do so by mailing or dropping them off at the parish office, or putting in collection box in church, or filling it out and submitting it online at [www.stmarynewton.org](http://www.stmarynewton.org)

## CELEBRATION OF SACRAMENTAL LIFE

*Bernadette Sharon Sauerwein* was baptized November 14, 2020. She is the daughter of Tyler & Kari Sauerwein.

## Knights of Columbus

The K of C will serve a carry-out Pork Chili Supper on Saturday, December 5th from 5-7pm at OLG parish hall. The proceeds will benefit Seminarian Joseph Mick. The menu-pork chili, rice, beans, tortillas and dessert. The cost- \$7.50 per meal. Please enter on the west side, through the glass double doors, pick up your meals and exit through the south side steel doors. Social distancing & masks will need to be observed. Thank you to everyone for your support of the Knights of Columbus fundraising efforts.

## St. Vincent de Paul Virtual Tea Party

Our Lady of Guadalupe and St. Mary St. Vincent dePaul organization will be conducting a virtual tea party! Invitations will go out in the mail on December 1st. We would appreciate ANY donation, as our funds are low at this time. We continue to assist all Harvey County residences with rent, utilities, food and clothing. God bless you all for your continued support.

**Readings for next Sunday in the new Journey Hymnal:**

**Second Sunday of Advent #859**

**The Order of the Mass: 140—165**

## 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.

### Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)

Grades 1st- 8th - Wednesday: TBD 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, call Laurie Kimere at (417)531-8904.

### Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Mickey Stump at 620-386-0421 or if she is not available call Barbara Fayette at 283-6467 to activate the line.

### 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.

## Information About Sacraments

\*\*PLEASE CALL FR. VOELKER AT 316-282-0459 EXT. 1

### 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)

Saturday 4:00 -5:00 p.m. 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.

## DOCTRINAL SECTION—ADVENT REFLECTIONS

The opening of the Advent Season and re-echoes as the antiphon of the entire liturgical year. Let us listen to it again: "Proclaim to the peoples: God our Saviour is coming". At the beginning of a new yearly cycle, the liturgy invites the Church to renew her proclamation to all the peoples and sums it up in two words "God comes". These words, so concise, contain an ever new evocative power. Let us pause a moment to reflect: it is not used in the past tense - God has come, - nor in the future - God will come, - but in the present: "God comes". At a closer look, this is a continuous present, that is, an ever-continuous action: it happened, it is happening now and it will happen again. In whichever moment, "God comes". The verb "to come" appears here as a theological verb, indeed theological, since it says something about God's very nature. Proclaiming that "God comes" is equivalent, therefore, to simply announcing God himself, through one of his essential and qualifying features: his being the God-who-comes. Advent calls believers to become aware of this truth and to act accordingly. It rings out as a salutary appeal in the days, weeks and months that repeat: Awaken! Remember that God comes! Not yesterday, not tomorrow, but today, now! The one true God, "the God of Abraham, Isaac and Jacob", is not a God who is there in Heaven, unconcerned with us and our history, but he is the-God-who-comes. He is a Father who never stops thinking of us and, in the extreme respect of our freedom, desires to meet us and visit us; he wants to come, to dwell among us, to stay with us. His "coming" is motivated by the desire to free us from evil and death, from all that prevents our true happiness. God comes to save us. The Fathers of the Church observe that the "coming" of God - continuous and, as it were, co-natural with his very being - is centred in the two principal comings of Christ: his Incarnation and his glorious return at the end of time (Cyril of Jerusalem).

~Pope emeritus Benedict XVI

### CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING

Priests play an essential role of sanctifying, teaching and leading. They are servants to all. Very soon, you will be receiving an invitation from Bishop Kemme asking you to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing. Your gift is used to benefit the 33 men currently studying for the priesthood in the Wichita Diocese and the 17 priests in retirement. I would ask that you prayerfully consider a special gift this year to support our priests.

#### Readings for the week of November 29, 2020

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 [8]/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

## Liturgical Role

### Altar Servers (two servers, no cross bearer)

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm Ben & Matthew Heppler

Sun. 12/06 8:30am David & Patrick Graham

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Joshua Englestad & Alex Littlejohn \*Dom

### Cantor/Accompanist

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm B. Nguyen & S. Herdler

Sun. 12/06 8:30am P. McNeill, & E. Stabler

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Littlejohn

### Lector

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm Sandra Kelso

Sun. 12/06 8:30am Monica Davis

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Philip Blaufuss

### Sacristans

Weekday Dec. 1—5—Dixie Pomeroy

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm Gary Chaffee

Sun. 12/06 8:30am Kathleen Morris

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Terri Bockhaus

### Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Weekday Dec. 2-4—Marcia, MAB, Deb Henning

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm Mike Weber

Sun. 12/06 8:30am Morgan Kaufman

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Mary Ann Bruggeman

\* sub is needed

### Nursing Homes & Shut Ins/EMHC-Hospital—suspended

### Ushers

Sat. 12/05 5:30pm Paul O'Brien, Steven Rusche

Sun. 12/06 8:30am Trinity & Austin Muth

Sun. 12/06 10:30am Brian Schulte & David Vinduska

### Church Cleaners— Dec—4

Trent, Erin, James, Abigail, Elizabeth & Stella Shepherd

## 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 \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

# Calendar of Events

## December 2020

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
		<b>1</b> 5:30pm Mass Bible Study "Christ in the Old Testament" Fr. Max -7pm St. Mary Parish Center	<b>2</b> 8am Mass Ladies painting group 6:30 PC Bible Study "Christ in the Old Testament" Fr. Max -7pm <i>Sacred Heart Parish Hall</i>	<b>3</b> 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm	<b>4</b> 8am Mass Fr. Voelker	<b>5</b> 8am Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass K of C Pork Chili OLG 5-7pm Fundraiser for Joseph Mick
<b>6</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry A-F First Confession 3p SMCS/Catechism Confessions 7pm Sacred Heart	<b>7</b> Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 5:30pm SVdP 7pm (Virtual)	<b>8</b> Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass 8am & 5:30pm No School	<b>9</b> 8am Mass Ladies Painting Group-6:30pm	<b>10</b> 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm Altar Society Christmas Party RCIA-7pm	<b>11</b> 8am Mass Fr. Voelker	<b>12</b> 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
<b>13</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry G-L Penance Service 7pm	<b>14</b> No Mass	<b>15</b> 5:30pm Mass	<b>16</b> 8am Mass	<b>17</b> 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm SVdP 7pm (Virtual)	<b>18</b> 8am Mass Fr. Voelker	<b>19</b> 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
<b>20</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry M-R	<b>21</b> No Mass	<b>22</b> 5:30pm Mass Confession/Adoration 7-9pm Ladies Painting Group-6:30-PC SMCS Noon dismissal	<b>23</b> 8am Mass Confession/Adoration 7-9pm No School	<b>24</b> 4pm Vigil Mass 11pm Vigil Mass No School	<b>25</b> 7am Latin Mass 10am Christmas Mass-no incense  No School	<b>26</b> 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
<b>27</b> 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry S-Z	<b>28</b> No Mass No School	<b>29</b> 5:30pm Mass No School	<b>30</b> 8am Mass No School	<b>31</b> 5:30 Vigil Mass Solemnity of Mary Mother of God No School	<b>1</b> 9:00am Mass Solemnity of Mary Mother of God No School	