



ST. MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

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

Dec. 27, 2020

The Holy Family of Jesus,
Mary & Joseph

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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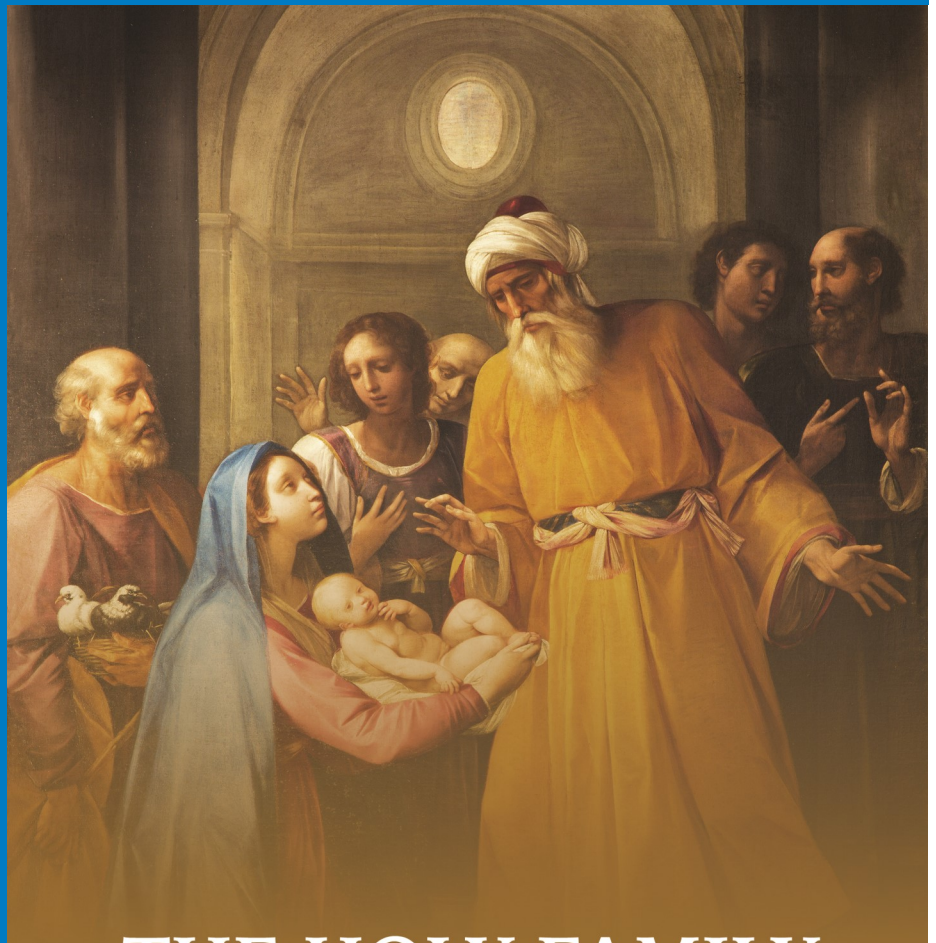
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Knights of Columbus

Dave Englestad-316-804-8632

Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)

Mandy Casey-(620) 200-7278



THE HOLY FAMILY

“For my eyes have seen your salvation,
which you prepared in the sight of all the peoples.”

- Lk 2:30-31

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: 9:00am--4:30pm

Closed Friday January 1st

WEEKDAY MASS:

No Mass Tuesday or Wednesday

Thursday, Dec. 31st: 5:30pm

Friday, Jan. 1st: Solemnity of Mary

Mother of God: 9:00am



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	Dec. 29, St. Thomas Becket
5:30pm	No Mass
Wednesday	Dec. 30
8:00 a.m.	No Mass
Thursday	Dec. 31, St. Sylvester
5:30pm	Clayton & Rita Sadowski
Friday	Jan. 1, Solemnity of Mary Mother of God
9:00 a.m.	People of the Parish
Saturday	Jan. 2, Sts. Basil & Gregory Nazianzen
5:30pm	Ethel Wetschensky
Sunday	Jan. 3, The Epiphany of the Lord
8:30am	Pauline Casey
10:30am	People of the Parish

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

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

Stewardship Message—The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 Col 3:12-21 Lk 2:22-40

At the center of today's readings is the family. St. John Paul II said, "As the family goes, so goes the nation and so goes the whole world in which we live." It is no wonder Satan works so hard to destroy our understanding of family! While we tend to look at stewardship in regards to time, talent, and treasure, it is vital that we understand that stewardship also relates to how we receive and care for other people, in particular, our family members! In today's first and second readings, we see words such as "subordinate," "honor," and "considerate." Sadly, these traits are becoming difficult to find anywhere, let alone in families that are so wounded by sin. Our stewardship must extend to those around us, and we must be willing to make sacrifices for those people. As we approach the new year, make it a goal to pray as a family, surround your family with God's protection, and consecrate yourselves to the members of the Holy Family.

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 e-giving is another way to give using a debit or credit card. You may make a one time gift or recurring, it's up to you!

Our Deepest Sympathy....

To the family of **Fred Kuestersteffen**, who passed away on December 8, 2020. He was the husband of Lou Kuestersteffen.

—*May the Love of God comfort you all.*

Social Justice & Respect Life

The Social Justice/Respect Life Commission would like to say THANK YOU to all who made a contribution to the Giving Tree. Your generosity made Christmas a little happier for a young person in Harvey County. Have a Blessed Christmas season!

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year: July 2020-June 2021

****Due to early bulletin submission, collections for Dec. 20 will be in the Jan. 3rd bulletin.**

Collections for: Dec. 13, 2020

*Regular Collection	\$ 15,399.00
Children's Collection	\$ -
	\$ 15,399.00

Other:	
*Building Fund.....	\$ 820.00

Budget per week is.....	\$ 14,584.60
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Collections year-to-date compared to budget
Through December 13, 2020 \$ (39,390.51)**

****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**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will serve a carry out breakfast Sunday, January 10th from 8am—11am at Our Lady of Guadalupe. Carry out meals will be picked up from the parish hall kitchen. The menu: biscuits & gravy, scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes. The cost is \$6.00. Social distancing and masks will be observed. Enter the parish hall through the west side glass double doors, exit through the south side steel doors. The proceeds to benefit St. Vincent de Paul Society.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL

If you haven't turned in your St. Vincent de Paul virtual tea fundraiser donation, you can still mail it to Joanne Ruggiero: 405 Witmarsum West Drive, North Newton, KS 67117

RESPECT LIFE

You are invited to come and recite the Holy Rosary to defend the unborn on the 1st Saturday—January 2nd, 2021 at Trust Women Abortion Facility, 5107 E. Kellogg, Wichita, KS., at 9:00 a.m. Let us pray the rosary to change hearts.

If you cannot come and pray with us due to distance you can participate by saying the Holy Rosary at 9am on Saturday, January 2, 2021 as a family, group of friends or at your church. Questions contact the Respect Life Social Justice Office at 316 269-3935.

KAPAUN'S MENS GROUP

Kapaun's Men Group for Retired Men, beginning January 13. A new group will start meeting monthly for retired men on Wednesday, January 13, 2021 from 1:30-2:30 p.m. at the St. Joseph Pastoral Center. All retired men are invited to attend. Please call Scott Carter at (316) 269-3900 for more information.

CATHOLIC IN RECOVERY

January 29th, 7pm - January 31st, 1pm, Scott Weeman will be hosting a healing retreat at the SLC. This event is open to anyone struggling with an addiction or unhealthy attachments. Participants will be encouraged to encounter the Lord and grow closer to him through talks, reflection, prayer and sharing, as well as a faith-centric approach to the 12-Steps of Addiction Recovery principles. Confession and Mass will be offered.

Readings for the week of December 27, 2020

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 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Monday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40

Thursday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18

Friday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 1:19-28

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

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. 2

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
The Christmas Mystery

The apostle Paul writes: "The grace of God has appeared, bringing salvation to all men" (*Tit* 2:11). What is Grace? It is precisely love that gives. In the emptiness and solitude of this night in Bethlehem, the "giving" love of the Father comes into the world in the Son, born of the Virgin: a Son is given to us. Already with the first moment of his coming: "he teaches us - as the apostle writes - to deny impiety and worldly desires and to live with sobriety, justice and piety in this world, awaiting blessed hope and the manifestation of glory. .. " This is taught by the Child who is born - the Son who is given to us. However, no one seems to hear his voice right now. Nobody even seems to notice his birth. None - except Mary and Joseph. Nobody? And yet there are already some who first noticed. They were the first to welcome the good news. And they came first. The shepherds. The angel had told them: "You will find a child wrapped in swaddling clothes, lying in a manger". They went in the direction indicated. First among the inhabitants of this earth, they joined "the heavenly army", proclaiming the descent of the Eternal Son and the beginning of the Kingdom of God in the hearts of men. What power is on the shoulders of this child who is born in the solitude and emptiness of the night of Bethlehem? In fact, the prophet says: "On his shoulders is the sign / of sovereignty". And then he says: "His dominion will be great / and peace will have no end ... / now and forever ..." Nothing seems to confirm this sovereignty and this dominion, in the emptiness and solitude of the night of Bethlehem. Rather everything speaks of poverty, of "disinheritance" ...

~St. John Paul II

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 _____

Liturgical Role

Altar Servers (two servers, no cross bearer)

- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Alex & Luke Littlejohn
- Fri. 01/01 9:00am Gage Mathews & Andrew Eustace
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm Ben & Matthew Heppler
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am Emmet & Aedan O'Halloran
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am Aiden Bridgeman, Anne John *Dominic

Cantor/Accompanist

- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Littlejohn
- Fri. 01/01 10:00am J. Damon, S. Herdler
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm M. Frazier, L. Curiel
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am P. McNeill, S. Koerner
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am A. Bridgeman, E. Stabler

Lector

- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Richard Mick
- Fri. 01/01 9:00am Marshall Kendrick
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm Robert Oswald
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am Martha Muth
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am Philip Blaufuss

Sacristans

- Weekday Dec. 31—Jan. 2—Dixie Pomeroy
- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Gary Chaffee
- Fri. 01/01 9:00am Kathleen Morris
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm Shelly Oswald
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am Sharon McCall
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am Terri Bockhaus

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Rita Sadowski
- Fri. 01/01 9:00am Mike O'Halloran
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm Karen McAnulty
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am Kathleen Morris
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am Mary Ann Bruggeman

Nursing Homes & Shut Ins/EMHC-Hospital—suspended

Ushers

- Thurs. 12/31 5:30pm Gary Littlejohn, Rik Ozbun
- Fri. 01/01 9:00am Leroy Koehn, Robert Peters
- Sat. 01/02 5:30pm Paul O'Brien & Steven Rusche
- Sun. 01/03 8:30am Trinity & Austin Muth
- Sun. 01/03 10:30am Brian Schulte & David Vinduska

Church Cleaners—Jan. 2—

Emily, Ella, Lily Baier, Matt Dunlavy, Steve Mead

Wash Server Albs—Jan. 4

Claire Hanna & Teri Wray

Readings for next Sunday in the new Journey Hymnal:
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph (B) #874
The Order of the Mass: 140—165

Our advertiser of the week is
Cottonwood Pediatrics
 Please check their ad in 316-283-7100
 the back of the bulletin.

Calendar of Events

January 2021

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
31 8:30 & 10:30 Masses				Dec. 31st Vigil Mass 5:30pm	1 Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God 9:00am Mass	2 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
3 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry A-F	4 No Mass Scouts 3:15pm SVdP 7pm (Virtual) Scouts 3:15-PC	5 5:30pm Mass SMCS Resumes Walk in Sister's Shoes begins	6 8am Mass Ladies Painting Group-6:30pm	7 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm	8 8am Mass Fr. Voelker Scouts 3:15-PC	9 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
10 8:30 & 10:30 Masses K of C Breakfast OLG 8-11am benefit SVdP Lord's Pantry G-L	11 No Mass Scouts 3:15-PC Knights of Columbus 7:30	12 5:30pm Mass	13 8am Mass	14 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm	15 8am Mass Fr. Voelker	16 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
17 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry M-R	18 No Mass <i>Fr. Voelker out Jan. 18-22</i>	19 No Mass	20 No Mass	21 8am Mass Fr. Max Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm SVdP 7pm (Virtual)	22 No Mass	23 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
24 8:30 & 10:30 Masses Lord's Pantry S-Z	25 No Mass Scouts 3:15-PC	26 5:30pm Mass	27 8am Mass	28 8am Mass Legion of Mary 5pm RCIA-7pm Finance Council 7pm	29 8am Mass Scouts 3:15-PC	30 8am Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass