

ST. MARY

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

CATHOLIC

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

January 1, 2017
Mary, The Holy Mother
of God

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www.stmarynewton.org

Parish Office Hours: 9am-4:30pm

Monday - Friday

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Bill & Carrie Weber - 316-212-0137

Legion of Mary
Linda Bennett— 316-587-5337

Knights of Columbus
Mike Ruggiero- 316-804-4289



MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD

When eight days were completed for his circumcision, he was named Jesus, the name given him by the angel before he was conceived in the womb. - Lk 2:21

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OPEN ADORATION HOURS:

Saturday—2:00pm & 4:00pm

Parish Events

Scheduled This Week

Mass: Tue. 5:30pm, Wed.—Fri. 8:00am

Monday: St. Vincent de Paul—7PM OLG

Wednesday: Legion of Mary—6:30pm Sacristy; RCIA 7PM

Saturday: 11AM Mandatory Bishop Carroll Parent meeting—PC; 4-7:30PM—Knights of Columbus Pork Chili supper to benefit Seminarian Matt Dolechek.

Lord's Pantry Next Sunday: G-L

ST. MARY CEMETERY NOTE

St. Mary and Our Lady of Guadalupe has a stewardship opportunity for someone who wants to truly make a difference. We need an individual to keep cemetery records on the computer, meet with families, sell burial sites, work with our local mortuaries, and Greenwood Cemetery employees. There is another opportunity for someone who enjoys working outdoors during the summer months. We have a need for a grounds person to coordinate volunteers who mow sections of the cemetery, occasionally meet with Greenwood Cemetery employees, locate grave sites, work with the record keeper, and other miscellaneous activities. Please contact Fr. Voelker, Fr. Juan or Carrol Langenhorst for more information. These stewardship activities would be excellent for a retired couple to work together serving the Church and their fellow church members.

Annual Tri Parish Women's Retreat: Jan. 20 & 21st Sacred Heart, Halstead. All ladies of St. Mary parish are invited to attend the annual Tri Parish Women's Retreat at Sacred Heart, Halstead. The theme is The Spirituality of Sno White and the Seven Dwarfs: A Liturgical Journey. Mark your calendars and more information will be coming.

Stewardship Message—

January 1, 2017

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

"Stewarding our Gifts: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life."

"The LORD bless you and keep you! The LORD let his face shine upon you, and be gracious to you!" This very familiar blessing comes from the book of Numbers. The Israelites received the blessing of the Lord as they prepared to depart from Mount Saini. The theme of journeys continues in the Gospel of Luke, as the shepherds made their journey toward the newborn Lord. While a journey usually has an "end" in mind, the potential for conversion is in the journey itself. How were the Israelites transformed in their various journeys? How were the shepherds transformed as they followed the star and the stories they'd heard about the newborn King? And what about us? How do we allow the journey of life to transform and prepare us to meet our King? As we begin 2017, it is a perfect time to commit ourselves to the journey, to allow God to change our hearts, and to be grateful for the Lord's blessing upon us!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus will serve a pork chili supper Saturday, Jan. 7th at St. Mary's gym from 4-7:30PM. The proceeds to benefit Seminarian Matt Dolechek. Menu—pork chili, beans, rice, tortillas, drink and dessert. Cost—\$6.00 large plate, \$4.00 small plate. Dine in or carry out. The Knights of Columbus Annual Free Throw Contest will be held Sunday, Jan. 15th at St. Mary's in the gym. This competition is open to all boys and girls, ages 9-14. There is no cost to compete. Each boy and girl compete in their own age group, age as of Jan. 1, 2017 determines age group. Registration will be at 1:00PM, competition begins at 1:30.

ALTAR SOCIETY

HAPPY NEW YEAR!! May each of you reflect back on the year that was and enjoy the memories that were made and may God bless you throughout this coming year. Altar Society would like to invite the ladies of the parish to attend our January Meeting on Thursday, January 5th at 6:30 in the Parish Center. We will begin the evening with a Soup Tasting Cook Off. We are looking for five or more ladies that would like to enter their soup into the contest. If you are interested please call Kathy at 316-772-2995. Following the soup tasting contest we will open the meeting as we brainstorm for new ideas on FUN, FELLOWSHIP, FUNDING and FAITH. This is your chance to have your ideas heard so plan to attend. We look forward to seeing you on January 5th at 6:30.

GOOD BOOKS: THE BROTHERS KARAMOZOV

Begins Tuesday, Jan. 3. Join us on the first Tuesday of each month to discuss books from the great Christian Tradition. This is the first meeting for "The Brothers Karamozov" by Fyodor Dostoevsky. On Jan. 3, we will discuss part one. No charge. Book is available in the SLC bookstore. Spiritual Life Center. Visit www.slwichita.org or 316-744-0167

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year July 2016 - June 2017

Collections for Dec. 18, 2016

Envelopes & Loose Cash.....	\$ 17,811.00
Children's collection.....	\$ 20.75
Total	\$ 17,831.75
Other: Christmas	\$ 50.00
SVdP	\$ 5,000.00
Building Fund	\$ 1,705.00

Budget per week is..... \$16,103.81

Collections year to date compared to budget
Through Dec. 2016 (\$41,231.07)

****If you are behind, please make every effort to catch up and do your part. Thank You! — Father Voelker**



January 1, 2017

Today's second reading is possibly one of the most hopeful verses in the New Testament. Imagine going from a slave to a child of God. How awesome.

It is time to share some data with you as Vincentians continue to be active. Although visits tend to slow down over the Christmas holidays we have made 55 visits since the 1st of October and of those visits we have served 37 children. Over \$4,000 went to rent assistance, \$4,500 to utilities and \$1,300 to food and other assistance. We share these numbers not so much as to say what we have been able to do but to point out how wonderful your support has been for us to be in a position to help. God Bless you, Thank you and Happy New Year.



"APPARITION HILL"

A special showing of a documentary on **Medjugorje**, entitled *Apparition Hill* will be showing at the Warren West Theater on Sunday, January 8th, 2017 at

2:15pm. More show times may become available but this will be based on demand. So purchase tickets early by going online to www.apparitionhill.org or by contacting Aaron Crisler at 316-712-3338. All proceeds will be going to **The Lord's Diner**. This inspiring documentary is rated PG-13 and is 1hr 55min.



TOPEKA MARCH FOR LIFE MASS & RALLY



PLEASE JOIN BISHOP KEMME

As we pray for an end to abortion Monday, January 23, 2017. We will attend Mass at 11:00 at the Topeka Performing Arts Center. Rally will follow at the Capitol steps. (we will stop for lunch at Texas Roadhouse in Topeka-cost for lunch approximately \$10.00)

Bus will leave at 8:30 a.m. Cost is \$20.00

RSVP—Jan.5th, 2017 to RLSJ office 316-269-3935
voegeligid@catholicdioceseofwichita.org

Readings for the Week of January 1, 2017

Sunday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Monday: 1 Jn 2:22-28/Ps 98/Jn 1:19-28

Tuesday: 1 Jn 2:29--3:6/Ps 98/Jn 1:29-34

Wednesday: 1 Jn 3:7-10/Ps 98/Jn 1:35-42

Thursday: 1 Jn 3:11-21/Ps 100/Jn 1:43-51

Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147/Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-28 or 3:23, 31-34, 36, 38

Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149/Jn 2:1-11

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72/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 noon on Tue.

Religious Education Class Times (PSR)

Grades Kdgn thru 8 - Wednesday 6:30 - 7:45pm

Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Grades 9-12

Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 415 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour call one of the coordinators, Lettie Kruse 283-0026, Terry Schmitz 283-5428 or Kathy Pitts 680-9386.

Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Elesa Garcia 283-5658 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, phone 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. Call the parish office for more information.

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.

Mass Intentions

Tue. 01/03 5:30pm †Elenora Lane
Wed. 01/04 8:00am †Melvin O'Keefe
Thur. 01/05 8:00am †Bill Zuercher
Fri. 01/06 8:00am †Elam Peachey
Sat. 01/07 8:00am Deacon Fennewald
Sat. 01/07 5:30pm †Brian Bergkamp
Sun. 01/08 8:30am †Don Schommer
Sun. 01/08 10:30am People of the Parish

LEGION OF MARY

The Legion of Mary would like to extend warm wishes to all parishioners of St. Mary's, a very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year. During the month of January 2017, we cordially extend an invitation to come to the Sacristy, and pray the rosary with us, by candle-light. It's beautiful. After the rosary, Mary Immaculata will continue on with our meeting, which is active members only. We will be hosting an informational session about the Legion of Mary, to be announced. If you have ever wondered about what the Legion is about, now would be a good time to find out. We work on our spiritual path to Mary, then Mother Mary takes it from there. You will be truly amazed at the journey you find yourself on.....We also would like to announce that Brother Steve Holub, will be the new President, effective the first Wednesday of January. We elect officers every 3 years. Please congratulate Brother Steve and pray for him.

Compassionate friends support group is for parents or grandparents who have suffered the loss of a child or grandchild. Please call Stacy Arellano at 316-942-3799 or Jim Arellano at 316-288-5549.
—We are here for you!

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

Tue. 01/03 5:30pm
Wed. 01/04 8:00am E. Wagner, G. Valdivia, O. Tierney
Thur. 01/05 8:00am N. Camacho, O. Bencomo, L. Acevedo
Fri. 01/06 8:00am A. Littlejohn, A. Cox, Andrew Eustace
Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Abby Weber, Bailey & S. Steinmetz
Sun. 01/08 8:30am T. Weber, D. Englestad, R. Ring
Sun. 01/08 10:30am D. Petz, J. Mick, G. Stucky, O Tierney

Greeters & Gift Bearers

Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Gary Littlejohn Family
Sun. 01/08 8:30am Phyllis Prouty
Sun. 01/08 10:30am Tom & Lettie Kruse

Cantor/Accompanist

Sat. 01/07 5:30pm M. Frazier, L. Curiel
Sun. 01/08 8:30am V. Smith, S. Koerner
Sun. 01/08 10:00am A. Torres, E. Stabler

Lectors

Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Karen McAnulty, Sylvia Yoder
Sun. 01/08 8:30am Marshall Kendrick, Claire Blann
Sun. 01/08 10:30am Roger Mick, Philip Blaufuss

Sacristans

Weekday Jan. 3-7—Kathleen Morris
Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Shelly Oswald
Sun. 01/08 8:30am Robert & Sharon McCall
Sun. 01/08 10:30am Doug & Mary Ann Bruggeman

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Daily Masses—Jan. 4-6—Deb Henning
Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Mike & Linda Smith, Mike Weber
Sun. 01/08 8:30am*Sue Schmidt, F Becker, Morgan Kaufman
Sun. 01/08 10:30am B. Mabry, M. Bruggeman, C. Woerner

Hospital Extraordinary Minister Schedule

Jan. 8—Rita Sadowski

Ushers

Sat. 01/07 5:30pm Austin & Shane Bollinger
Ron Ferguson, Richard Hushka
Sun. 01/08 8:30am Alan Pitts, Raymond Schmitt
John Sommers, Phil Blann
Sun. 01/08 10:30am Steve & Terri Bockhaus
Randy & Tami Carlgren

Church Cleaners

Jan. 6—Shirley, Megan, Allison & Abigayle Weber

Wash Server Albs-

Jan. 2 & 16—Brigitte Loescher & Deanna Hernandez

Our advertiser of the week is
Welcome to
Farmers Insurance
Jason Heppler
Please check their ad on
the back of the bulletin.



Calendar of Events

January 2017

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
1 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses Lord's Pantry A-F	2 No Mass 7PM SVdP OLG	3 5:30 PM Mass	4 8AM Mass 6:30PM PSR RCIA 7PM	5 8AM Mass 6:30PM —PC Altar Society-Soup Tasting Cook Off 7PM Adult Choir	6 8AM Mass	7 8 AM Latin Mass 11AM-Mandatory Bishop Carroll Parent meeting-PC 4-7:30PM KofC Pork Chili benefit for Seminarian Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
8 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses Lord's Pantry G-L 6PM Confirmation Class	9 No Mass	10 5:30 PM Mass	11 8AM Mass 3:30 Children's Choir 6:30 PM Legion of Mary-Sacristy 6:30PM-PSR 7PM-RCIA	12 8AM Mass 7PM Adult Choir 7PM Pastoral Council	13 8AM Mass Harvest House 10:00AM Parish Center	14 9AM Confirmation Retreat-McPherson Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass
15 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses 12pm-KofC Free throw Contest-Gym Lord's Pantry M-R 6PM Confirmation Class	16 No Mass 7:30PM Knights Of Columbus-OLG	17 5:30 PM Mass	18 8AM Mass 6:30 PM Legion of Mary-Sacristy 6:30PM-PSR 7PM-RCIA	19 8AM Mass 7PM-Adult Choir 7PM Stewardship Council 7PM SVdP OLG	20 8AM Mass Tri Parish Women's Retreat-Sacred Heart Halstead	21 8 AM Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass Tri Parish Women's Retreat-Sacred Heart Halstead
22 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses Lord's Pantry S-Z 6PM Confirmation Class	23 No Mass	24 5:30 PM Mass	25 8AM Mass 6:30 PM Legion of Mary-Sacristy	26 8AM Mass 7PM Finance Council 7PM Adult Choir	27 8AM Mass	28 8 AM Latin Mass Confessions 4-5pm 5:30 PM Mass Knights of Columbus leading Rosary before Mass
29 8:30 & 10:30 AM Masses Lord's Pantry S-Z 6PM Confirmation Class	30 No Mass	31 5:30PM Mass				