

# St. Mary's and St. Rose Parishes Bear Creek /Clintonville

DECEMBER 19, 2021 THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, December 20  
No Daily Mass

Tuesday, December 21  
5:30 pm Daily Mass-SM  
-For Living and Deceased Members of  
St. Rose and St. Mary's Parish Families

Wednesday, December 22  
8:15 am Daily Mass -SR  
-Francis Kopecky and Don Scherer

Thursday, December 23  
8:15 am Mass-SM  
- Becky Jarvis Kunnanz

Friday, December 24  
No Daily Mass-SR

4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass-SR  
-Roger "Pudge" Erdmann  
6:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass-SM  
-Duane and Maude Finger

Saturday, December 25  
8:30 AM Christmas Day Mass-SR  
-Patti Bessette  
10:30 AM Christmas Day Mass-SM  
-Leo McGinty  
No 4:00 PM Mass-SR

Sunday, December 26  
8:30 AM Mass-SR  
-Jane Rogalski

Broadcast on AM 1380, FM 94.9, or FM 96.5

10:30 AM Mass-SM  
-For Leo Bricco & Everett Spoehr  
Families

### On the Cover – December 19<sup>th</sup>



Not only Elizabeth, recognizing the presence of Jesus within Mary's womb, but her own unborn child, John the Baptist, kicking and leaping at the presence of Jesus within Mary!  
**How could people say that they love the 'Jesus' they see in us?**

## God's Word guides our lives...

...Day by Day.

### The 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent

**December 19<sup>th</sup> – Luke 1:39-45.**

*"Blessed are you Mary, who believed."*

### Monday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

**December 20<sup>th</sup> – Luke 1:26-38.**

*"Hail full of grace! The Lord is with you!"*

### Tuesday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

**Saint Peter Canisius – Priest & Doctor**

**December 21<sup>st</sup> – Luke 1:39-45.**

*"Blessed are you Mary, who believed."*

### Wednesday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

**December 22<sup>nd</sup> – Luke 1:46-56.**

*"God has looked with favor in His servant."*

### Thursday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

**December 23<sup>rd</sup> – Luke 1:57-66.**

*"His name is John."*

### Friday of the 4<sup>th</sup> Week of Advent

**Christmas Eve**

**December 24<sup>th</sup> – Luke 1:67-79.**

*"God has raised up a mighty Savior."*

### The Solemnity of the Birth of the Lord Jesus

**The 1<sup>st</sup> Day of Christmas, 2021**

**December 25<sup>th</sup> – Luke 2:1-14.**

*"She gave birth to her firstborn son!"*

### The Feast of the Holy Family

**The 2<sup>nd</sup> Day of Christmas, 2021**

**St. Stephen – Deacon & Martyr**

**December 26<sup>th</sup> – Luke 2:41-52.**

*"Jesus grew in age, wisdom and grace."*

### Christmas Break Office Hours

The Parish Office will be closed on December 23rd through December 28th. The office will be open December 29th from 8:00am-Noon and on December 30th from 8:00am-Noon. The office will be closed all day on December 31st. Normal office hours will resume on January 3rd, 2022.



### Meetings This Week

December 20 6:30pm Bible Study Group-St. Rose Parish Meeting Room

December 21 6:00pm Knights of Columbus- St. Rose St. Mary's School

### Calendar Winners for the Week of December 12, 2021

Dec 12	Tom Kraeger	\$50 Caroline
Dec 13	Carol Corn	\$25 Suring
Dec 14	Trevin Marquardt	\$25 Clintonville
Dec 15	Pat & Terez Shulze	\$25 Seymour
Dec 16	Randy & Bridget Miller	\$25 Kaukauna
Dec 17	Mercede Lorge	\$25 Clintonville
Dec 18	Gay Acevedo	\$25 Clintonville

### Giving through 11/28/21

St. Mary's Parish	Week	Year To Date	St. Rose Parish	Week	Year To Date
Envelopes	\$1,575.00	\$39,295.00	Envelopes	\$2,963.00	\$94,656.00
Online Giving	\$425.00	\$10,875.78	Online Giving	\$1,432.00	\$25,830.00
Loose	\$12.00	\$1,164.20	Loose	\$370.00	\$4,522.00
<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$2,012.00</b>	<b>\$51,334.98</b>	<b>Total Giving</b>	<b>\$4,805.00</b>	<b>\$126,426.00</b>
Budget	\$2,365.00	\$52,030.00	Budget	\$5,585.00	\$128,455.00
Variance	(\$353.00)	(\$695.02)	Variance	(\$780.00)	(\$2,029.00)

## Faith Formation Calendar

Wednesday, December 22, 2021  
No Class for All Students

Wednesday, December 29, 2021  
No Class for All Students

Wednesday, January 5th, 2022  
No Class for All Students  
6:00 pm Catechist Inservice

Have a fantastic Christmas Break!

### Baptized in Jesus Christ!



*'Congratulations & Welcome' to Miles John Hill— son of Rob & Lisa (Neely) Hill.*

*He was baptized on Sunday, December 12<sup>th</sup>, at St. Mary's. "Big Brothers" are Matthew & Mason.*

*Welcome Miles! God bless you, your Mom & Dad and your whole Family*

### Year-End Contributions

The Parish Office will be closed from December 23rd through December 28th, 2021.

***The Parish Office will be open on December 29th from 8:00 am until noon and on December 30th from 8:00 am until noon*** to receive year-end donations. You may also use the Sunday offering basket, or the U.S. Postal Service.

**All donations received after December 30th are credited to 2022. Please get your year end contributions in before then!**

### Ministry Schedule

<b>Friday, December 24</b>	<b>4:00 PM-St. Rose</b>
Lector	Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer
Accompanist	Joan Kersten
Cantor	Kayla Lorge
<b>Friday, December 24</b>	<b>4:00 PM-St. Rose</b>
Lector	Ken Baierl
Eucharistic Minister	Kathy Lawson
Accompanist	Margie Cunningham
Cantor	Steve Flanagan
<b>Saturday, December 25</b>	<b>8:30 AM-St. Rose</b>
Lector	Volunteer
Eucharistic Minister	Volunteer
Accompanist	Cheryl Seelig
Cantor	Julia Fenn
<b>Saturday, December 25</b>	<b>10:30 AM- St. Mary's</b>
Lector	Ryan Conratt
Eucharistic Minister	Gerri Conratt
Accompanist	Cheryl Seelig
Cantor	Grace Ann Seelig
<b>Sunday, December 26</b>	<b>8:30 AM-St. Rose</b>
Lector	Elisha Wagenson
Eucharistic Minister	Gay Ann Smith
Accompanist	Cheryl Seelig
Cantor	Jean Morgan
<b>Sunday, December 26</b>	<b>10:30 AM- St. Mary's</b>
Lector	Mary Behnke
Eucharistic Minister	Jim Mares
Accompanist	Joan Kersten
Cantor	Ken Baierl

**The St. Rose PCCW  
Invite the women of St. Rose and St. Mary's  
to a  
Holiday Brunch Potluck**

**Saturday, January 8, 2022 - 10:30AM**

**Clintonville Community Center  
30 S. Main St, Clintonville**

**Please bring a dish to share and an appetite.  
RSVP required by January 3<sup>rd</sup> to –  
Kathy 715-460-3129 or Teri 715-823-6762**

# Rose, Mary & Tim: "I love the 'Jesus' I see in you!"



**This Fourth Sunday of Advent** – Luke's Gospel/Cycle 'C' – has the account of *Mary's Visitation to her pregnant cousin, Elizabeth*, after Mary herself becomes pregnant with Jesus. The Holy Spirit overshadowed Mary, with her consent, and caused Jesus to be present and grow within her; not only Elizabeth could sense His Presence, but even her unborn son, John the Baptist, stirred in his Mother's belly, at the closeness of the Messiah, who he would later announce to the world!

It's really like that for us, brothers & sisters: We 'consent' to the Holy Spirit's living deeply within us, especially through hearing the Scriptures and receiving Holy Communion; then, Jesus lives within us! *We are – all of us – women, men, young & old, "pregnant with Jesus" and called "labor" to "deliver" Him to the world, "giving birth to Him"* through our words, actions, relationships, virtue, mercy, goodness and healing love for each other!

*The greatest of all compliments for a Christian* – I learned it from Joan Bleser when she was Director of Religious Education at St. Agnes Parish, Green Bay:

***"I love the 'Jesus' I see in you"!***

If Christmas 'works'; if we 'do it right', then that's true for us and for those who 'deliver Jesus' to us. Same for the Church – **our 1 Community of Faith/2 Parish Families here at SSRM!**

***Do we love the Jesus we see in each other? Do they love the Jesus they see in us?***

***Please! Let's work hard to make that happen!***

This being the longest possible Advent, we have a full 4<sup>th</sup> Week! Of course, focused on the remembering of Jesus' Birth long ago at Bethlehem, there's a zillion things to do in the home-stretch. Cards, cookies, parties, shopping, decorating, wrapping. But the additional time can also provide a little quiet –

*\* to sit in the light of the Christmas Tree...*

*\* to write a note, or a long letter to someone who needs to hear from us...*

*\* to remember those who are no longer here with us on Earth this Christmas...*

*\* to shed a tear – happy, sad, or a little of both...*

*\* to listen to Christmas songs... or sing them together at home...*

*\* to hug tightly...*

*\* to look out at the stars in the dark night sky...*

*\* to hoist a drink and make a toast...to...*

*\* to make a snow angel...or catch snowflakes on your tongue...*

*\* to truly let go of a hurt, a wound, a grudge, a bitterness or resentment...for good...*

*\* to give deep, deep thanks for your life, your story, your family, friends, Faith...and your good self...*

*\* to cherish anew your Faith – as if you're a shepherd at the stable, powerfully drawn to Jesus...*

*\* to make a wish, and figure out the follow-through; to make a resolution that you won't break...*

*\* to be at peace...not because you're perfect, or it's easy, or nothing's wrong or no one's missing...*

*\* to just be at peace and be grateful...*

At Christmas of our senior year at Appleton West, my high school classmate, **Betty Green**, a wise, young Jewish woman wrote for *The Talisman*, our school paper, 50 years ago this week:

***"Birth is never a humble thing.***

***But always a glorious announcement that God made us;***

***and we are – each of us – a miracle!"***

So use the 4<sup>th</sup> Advent Week wisely. Call me if there's something that I can help you with. Remember the church is open at St. Rose every day all day, until 9:30pm (so come and have the place to yourself with the Lord).

And in Christmas, 2021 - however it will come to us...

***"God bless us...EVERY one!"***

*with love + daily prayers - Father Tim*



**High School Faith Formation service project, wrapping gifts and tying a prayer blanket, for Adopt A Family Program**



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