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

DECEMBER 26, 2021 THE FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

Merry & Blessed Christmas, 2021

St. Rose & St. Mary's Parish Families Clintonville/Bear Creek

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"Into this world, this demented inn, in which there is absolutely 'no room' for him at all, Christ comes uninvited. But because he cannot be at home in it, because he is out of place in it, and yet he must be in it, his place is with those others for whom there is 'no room'. His place is with those who do not belong, who are rejected by power because they are regarded as weak, those who are discredited, who are denied the status of persons, tortured, exterminated. With those for whom there is no room, Christ is present in this world. He is mysteriously present in those for whom there seems to be nothing but the world at its worst. With these He conceals Himself. In these He hides Himself, for whom the world makes 'no room'."

- Thomas Merton, O.S.C.O

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, December 27 No Daily Mass

Tuesday, December 28 5:30 pm Daily Mass-SM

-Leroy Christensen

Wednesday, December 29 8:15 am Daily Mass -SR

-Art Lorrig

Thursday, December 30

8:15 am Mass-SM

- Raymond and RayLee Peeters

Friday, December 31 No Daily Mass-SR

5:30 PM Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God-SR -The Deceased Members of the Bill and Irene Wanta Family

Saturday, January 1

9:00AM Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God-SM -The O'Connor and Neely Families

No 4:00 PM Mass-SR

Sunday, January 2 8:30 AM Mass-SR

-Frank and Margaret Balke Broadcast on AM 1380, FM 94.9, or FM 96.5

10:30 AM Mass-SM

-Grace Cattanach

Christmas Break Office Hours



The Parish office will be closed December 27th and 28th. It will then 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.

Faith Formation Calendar

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!

All Classes Resume Wednesday, January 12th, 2022

God's Word guides our lives...

...Day by Day.

The Solemnity of the Birth of the Lord Jesus

The 1st Day of Christmas, 2021 **December 25th – Luke 2:1-14.**

"She gave birth to her firstborn son!"

The Feast of the Holy Family

The 2nd Day of Christmas, 2021

St. Stephen – Deacon & Martyr December 26th – Luke 2:41-52.

"Jesus grew in age, wisdom and grace."

The 3rd Day of Christmas

Saint John the Evangelist

December 27th – John 20:1-2.

"John saw, and he believed!"

The 4th Day of Christmas

The Holy Innocents - Martyrs

December 28th – Matthew 2:13-18.

"Their children were no more."

The 5th Day of Christmas

December 29th – Luke 2:22-35.

"Now You let Your servant go in peace."

The 6th Day of Christmas December 30th – Luke 2:36-40.

"The child grew in age, wisdom & grace."

The 7th Day of Christmas

December 31st – John 1:1-18.

Saint Sylvester I - Pope

"The Word became flesh & dwelt among us."

The 8th Day of Christmas

The Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God January 1st – Luke 2:16-21.

"She pondered these things in her heart!"

The 9th Day of Christmas

The Feast of the Epiphany
January 2nd – Matthew 2:1-12.

"Where is the newborn King of the Jews?"

Calendar Winners for the Week of December 19 2021

December 15, 2021					
Dec 19	Dax Stueck	\$50 New London			
Dec 20	Melissa Laack	\$25 Marion			
Dec 21	Joan Huber	\$25 Clintonville			
Dec 22	Jennifer & Kevin Foster	\$25 Clintonville			
Dec 23	Duke Malueg	\$25 Clintonville			
Dec 24	Tiffany Kienert	\$25 Waupaca			
Dec 25	Patricia Schley	\$300 Clintonville			

Year-End Contributions

The Parish Office will be closed 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!

Giving through 12/5/21						
St. Mary's Parish	Week	Year To Date	St. Rose Parish	Week	Year To Date	
Envelopes	\$1,840.00	\$41,135.00	Envelopes	\$3,629.00	\$94,656.00	
Online Giving	\$535.00	\$11,410.78	Online Giving	\$675.00	\$25,830.00	
Loose	\$8.00	\$1,172.20	Loose	\$32.00	\$4,522.00	
Total Giving	\$2,383.00	\$51,717.98	Total Giving	\$4,392.00	\$126,426.00	
Budget	\$2,365.00	\$54,395.00	Budget	\$5,585.00	\$128,455.00	
Variance	\$18.00	(\$677.02)	Variance	(\$1,193.00)	(\$2,029.00)	

+++ at rest in the Lord



+ Stephanie (Rowland) Dunlavy, 77, our sister in Faith at St. Rose, (as well as a member of St. Mary Parish, Buffalo Grove, Illinois) died on December 6th. She was a strong, brave soul & a proud Marine Corps wife. Stephanie was accorded Christian Burial at St. Rose

December 18th.

Her husband of 58 years, Kenneth, Sr., died in April. She is survived by 6 children, including St. Rose parishioner, Ken (Dawn) Dunlavy, Jr; 19 grandchildren, a brother & extended family.



+ <u>Dave Lorge</u>, 73, a 'Son of St. Mary's' & our brother in the parish family at St. Rose, where he & Lily were married 53 years ago, died on December 7th after a short illness. He has been a faithful, prayerful member of our church family.

A Vietnam Veteran, he is survived by his wife, 8 children, 15 grandchildren, 4 great grandchildren, 8 siblings & extended family. He was accorded Christian Burial at St. Mary's December 10th.



+ Ron Schertz, 66, our brother in the parish family at St. Mary's, died on December 9th at home, after struggling with cancer. His wife of 35 years, Tina, a daughter & son-in-law, 4 grandchildren and 3 siblings survive him. He was accorded Christian Burial

at St. Mary's on December 18th.



+ Zita (Young) Williams, 79, our sister in the parish family at St.

Mary's, died after a long struggle with Alzheimer's on December 15th. Her husband, David, a son, Scott (Marie), 2 daughters, Michelle & Carrie & 2 brothers survive. She was accorded Christian Burial at St. Mary's on

December 22nd.

May Stephanie, Dave, Ron & Zita rest forever in Christ's Peace and sing with Christmas Angel Choirs!

Ministry Schedule

Sunday, January 2	8:30 AM-St. Rose	
Lector	Joe Lamia	
Eucharistic Minister	Jeanne Writt	
Accompanist	Joan Kersten	
Cantor	Julia Fenn	
Sunday, January 2	10:30 AM- St. Mary's	
Lector	TBD	
Eucharistic Minister	TBD	
Accompanist	Cheryl Seelig	
Cantor	Ken Baierl	

Did you buy your 2021 Kaffle Calendar yet?

THE 2021 SSRM CALENDAR SALE IS ALMOST OVER!

FIND A SCHOOL FAMILY OR STOP BY THE OFFICE TO GET YOURS BEFORE THEY ARE GONE!

ALL CALENDAR STUBS MUST BE TURNED IN BY NOON ON DECEMBER 30TH!

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 3rd to – Kathy 715-460-3129 or Teri 715-823-6762



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GRADES 6, 7, & 8 DELIVERED THE TOYS COLLECTED BY SSRM STUDENTS TO THE GOODFELLOWS AND HELPED SORT OUT DONATIONS.







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Rose, Mary & Tim: God is with us - Emmanuel!!!



Yuletide Welcome - Merry Christmas, 2021!

The Parish Families of St. Mary's & St. Rose – <u>The One Community of Faith</u> at Clintonville & Bear Creek welcomes you "home", one and all, to the Solemn Feast of Christmas" – the celebration of God's Word, Jesus - in human flesh and blood! Particularly in a year when the world is traumatized, divided, angry, frustrated - how important for us to be together in the Lord, Jesus!

* Whoever you are, from wherever you have come, and especially visitors & guests, whom we take to be Jesus Christ in our midst – Welcome!

- * Whether you were here a few days ago for Sunday Mass, or last Easter, or last Christmas... Welcome!
- * If you come as first-time parents understanding Mary & Joseph in a whole new way this year, of if you come struggling to become parents...or struggling in your role as parents...Welcome!
- * If you're here, as an elder, newly retired or newly registered as a member here, or if you're 'just passing through'...Welcome!
- * If you're home from the military or college, recently graduated or re-located for a new job, single, just engaged or married, widowed or divorced... Welcome!
- * If you're entertaining doubts, confused, wrestling with addiction and recovery (on or off the wagon) or if you feel your life is out of control... Welcome!
 - * If you have a sense of diminished mental health, almost 2-years into this COIVD 'thing'... Welcome!
 - * If you hurt from loss or feel alone or bear heavy grief... Welcome!
- * If you feel life couldn't be better, and enjoy prosperity, health, success and happiness, or if these experiences elude you ... Welcome!
 - * If you'll be here next Sunday or Easter or next Christmas... Welcome!

Thank you for being here! We're so glad that you have come to Mass today! Whoever you are, however God has brought you here to SSRM for Christmas, 2021 – Welcome, one & all as, we remember long ago,

and experience through this Christmas Eucharist, here & now that

God's deep desire is to live here, within us and among us...in Jesus...the Word made flesh...the Church!

The Australian singer, Joan Osborn crooned back in 1998:

"What if God was one of us? Just a 'slob', like one of us? Just a stranger on the bus, trying to make His way home?"

Please, don't report me to the Bishop! I know, it might sound somewhat 'irreverent' at first, but doesn't it also accurately sum up the mystery of *The Incarnation: The Word of God Made Flesh* – that God wanted to take on our human flesh & blood...our human nature...to experience it, wrestle with it, be tempted by it, enjoy it,

laugh & cry with it, and also, to 'redeem' it...by living it in the fullest, most loving, most merciful, most beautiful way possible...so that we could, with the help of His Grace, live this human nature in the best, fullest, most loving, forgiving, compassionate, beautiful way possible...a 'Way' that Death can't kill forever!

Please God! May our time together – at Church, at Home, with Family and Friends...and our time alone in prayerful, deep reflection with You, O Lord, convince us of the beauty of Human Life, the Holiness & Godliness of Human Love and Human Mercy! As Jesus Christ lives more deeply within & among us...

"God bless us... EVERY one!



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