

PARISH MASS TIMES
ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS
1050 MAIN STREET, GRESHAM

Sunday | 8:30am
Wednesday & Friday | 8:30am

ST. MARY
W11842 THIRD STREET LEOPOLIS
Sunday | 10:00am
Thursday | 8:30am

RECONCILIATION

St. Francis: Sunday | 8:00-8:15am
St. Mary: 2nd Saturday | 9:00am

HOLY HOUR

St. Francis: 1st Tuesday | 6:30pm

PERSONAL ADORATION

St. Francis: Tuesday | 6:30pm

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

Pastoral Council Chair:
Colleen Smith

Finance Council Chair:
Esther Schutt

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Dan Huntington

Secretary Trustee:
Sandy Gawryleski

St. Francis Solanus CCW:
1st Thursday | 7pm

All women of the parish are
welcome as members.

Religious Education

Grades 1-12 Wednesdays
5:45pm-6:45pm at St. Mary

ST. MARY

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Darold Paisar

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St. Mary CCW:

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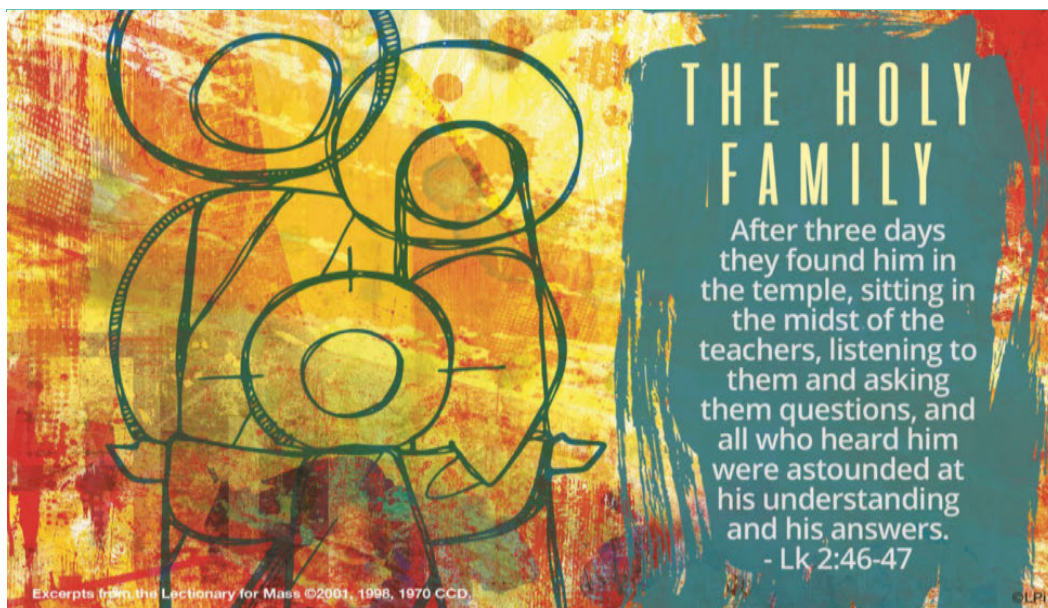
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5:45pm-6:45pm

THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH
DECEMBER 26, 2021



MISSION STATEMENT

The mission of our parish communities are to nurture a loving relationship with the Trinity through a faith filled liturgy that empowers our parishioners to reach out to all those who are in need of the love & mercy that God offered to the world through His Son's life, death, & resurrection.



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SACRAMENTS

Anointing of the Sick: Arrangements can be made through Fr. Nonito or Fr. Hanz

Baptism: Preparation 2nd Saturday of month 9-11 am St. Michael Keshena.

Pre-register with parish office.

Marriage: Call the parish office 6 months in advance to register.

Confirmation: January 5, 2022 at 7:00pm Sacred Heart, Shawano

First Communion: TBD

Religious Education: Bethany Grunewald
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PARISH OFFICE HOURS— MONDAY, TUESDAY, FRIDAY 9AM-12PM

PRIEST WILL BE AVAILABLE IN OFFICE BY APPOINTMENT

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PRAYER & WORSHIP

A NOTE FROM FATHER HANZ

Saint Luke the evangelist tells us that on the first Christmas, the night when Jesus was born, the angels were one in their joy and there was peace. To this day Christmas brings joy and peace to people's hearts.

The joy of Christmas is generated by hope, the lowly, the marginalized, and the outcast know that there is someone on their side now. Not only will Jesus stand by them, he will save them.

This joy arises from a heart cleansed of sin. Jesus comes to liberate us from our sins and from the oppressive social structures. He will redeem us and reinstate us to our former dignity and rightful status as children of God.

This joy is equated with reconciliation. Jesus comes to mend the relationship between God and humankind.

This joy is brought by redemption. Jesus will free us from the bondage of our fallen nature and lead us back to God. Jesus comes to reconcile us with God. The Father's ONLY BEGOTTEN SON, he was sent to take us back to our true home with God.

Our Christmas joy does not consist in receiving fat bonuses, beautiful clothes, new gadgets, expensive shoes, and countless gifts. Neither should it be equated with a vacation in a popular resort. It does not come from shopping at the malls or from attending parties. Rather it springs from our willingness to reach out and to share; to suffer and to save someone.

The joy of Christmas is attained when one converts a sinner, helps someone find one's way back to God, alleviates the suffering of a victim of injustice. Is this the joy that will be yours this Christmas? Is this the joy that you will share with others?

The peace of Christmas, on the other hand, comes from breaking down the social barriers separating God's people from one another. It consists in the willingness to live and to exist in harmony with others.

The animals in the stable were the first to see the infant Jesus. The shepherds in the fields were the first to hear the good news of his birth. As Jesus accepted them all and granted them the privilege to be his first visitors, so does he welcome everyone regardless of social status or educational attainment. To enjoy peace is to act with love and compassion. To aspire to be an instrument of peace is to follow the example of our Lord Jesus.

MASS INTENTIONS

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS

12/26 Jim Redmond
01/02 Rose Paiser
01/07 Russell Stoehr
01/09 Milton & Edmire Herzfeld
01/16 James Redmond,
Gervase & Bonita Ebert

ST. MARY

12/26 Ray, Laura, Ray Jr.,
Jack, Jeannie Schmidt &
Mary & Swamp Steinke
01/02 Jeanne Asenbrenner
01/09 Don Brunner
01/16 Jeanne Asenbrenner



CONFIRMATION



Biography of Confirmation candidate, Julia Hahn. My confirmation sponsor is JoAnn Lane. My confirmation sponsor was confirmed at St. Mary, Leopolis. The confirmation Saint Name I am requesting is St. Kateri Tekakwitha. My parents are Kari and William Hahn. I am in my junior year at Bowler High School. I am involved in my parish family by going to church and will continue to go once I am confirmed. After high school, I want to go to a four year College and study something related to the Arts. My long range goals are to get married, have a successful career and have a family and pets.

Liturgical Minsters

St. Francis Solanus

12/26
Lector: Fran
Minister: Mary
Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman,
Jason L, Jeff S.

01/02
Lector: Sandy
Minister: Theresa
Ushers: Mike K., B. Hoffman,
Jason L, Jeff S.

St. Mary

12/26
Lector: Sue L.
Server: Claire B., Zoey G.
Ushers: Tim M., John R.

01/02
Lector: Sandra C.
Server: Carroll Family
Ushers: Earl H., Bob S.

Readings for the week of December 26, 2021

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Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

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

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

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

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

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

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 2:1-1

MASS FOR THE HOMEBOUND

**MASS SERVICES FOR THE HOMEBOUND ARE OFFERED BY THE FOLLOWING TV STATIONS:
WBAY-TV- CHANNEL 2 AT 5:30 AM ON SUNDAYS. CHANNEL 5 WFRV BISHOP RICKEN'S
MASS AT 7:30AM. MASS OFFERED ONLINE AT WWW.HEARTOFTHENATION.ORG.**

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at the lord's table**

NEWS & HAPPENINGS AT THE PARISHES



WELCOME!

The Lord has called all of us to a new way of living under His wonderful grace as our Savior. May joy and peace be yours as we praise our Lord and grow close to God and one another. It is a pleasure to have you worshipping with us. If you are considering joining our parish, please talk with Father Nonito or call the Parish Office at 715-787-3250. Anyone who has not officially signed up and would like to be a registered member, please stop in the office.

FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

ST FRANCIS SOLANUS
12/12/2021

Support \$1,054.00
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ST. MARY FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

12/12/2021

Support \$5,005.00
B & G \$80.00

UPCOMING EVENTS

ST. FRANCIS SOLANUS
12/28

6:30PM PERSONAL
ADORATION

12/29 8:30AM

NO MASS

12/31 4:00PM MASS

ST. MARY

12/29 5:45 PM NO RE

12/30 8:30 AM NO

MASS

01/01 4:00PM MASS

****PARISH OFFICE**

WILL BE CLOSED

DECEMBER 24

THROUGH JAN 3RD **



CONFIRMATION

Biography of Confirmation candidate, Sarah Carroll. My confirmation sponsor is Ben Carroll. My confirmation sponsor was confirmed at St. Mary, Leopolis. The confirmation Saint Name I am requesting is Saint Gemma Galgani. My parents are David and Sandra Carroll. I am in my junior year at Shawano High School. I currently am an Altar Server at church on Sundays and I will continue to attend and help at church as needed. After high school I plan to attend college and become an Athletic Trainer.

Prayer Ministry @ St. Francis

A prayer ministry has started at St. Francis Solanus after the 8:30 AM Mass on Sunday. Deacon Mark and others will be available to pray with and for anyone who would like prayers. If you would like prayers of healing or for other intentions, please feel free to stick around after Mass. **Prayer Ministry on Sunday December 26th.**

We are pleased to announce the newest members of the Pastoral Council at Saint Francis Solanus Catholic Church. **Welcome Colleen Smith as our Pastoral Council Chair!**

What is Pastoral Council?

The Pastoral Council is a consultative body that assists the pastor in planning for the needs of our faith community. Its purpose is to form community as a sign and witness of unity for the larger Parish community.

Four Parishes New Years' Schedule

12/31 4:00pm Mass at St. Francis Solanus
12/31 5:00pm Mass at St. Michael
01/01 8:30am Mass at St. Mary
01/01 10:30am Mass at St. Anthony

The St. Francis Solanus CCW would like to THANK everyone who supported the Christmas Bazaar and made it a success. Our profit was \$2,872.75. THANK YOU!! Prize winners are posted on the bulletin board coming into church.

The Octave Day of Christmas Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

Read We close out the Christmas octave—the eight days following the birth of Christ—with a day honoring Mary as the Mother of God. Take time to read about the Mother of God today.

Reflect "With his Mother's flesh God clothed himself, / Since from Virginity he was made man." — Prudentius, *Hymn of the Divinity of Christ*, 435-436

Pray January 1 is also the World Day of Peace. There are a number of prayers for peace to choose from—pray one today.

Act Visit the US Catholic bishops' Action Center today to find out ways you can advocate for peace around the world.

Margie Reedy, Brad Hess, Barb Carroll, Margaret Hoffman, Roni Schultz, Mark Dillenburg, Debbie Brady, Mary Zahringer, David Carroll, Jim Knoke, Shelly Gudis, Kim Lamberies, Robert Lohrentz, Todd Lohrentz, Rod Lohrentz, Dana Walton, Vincent Carroll, Albert Schroeder, Ataloe Wadzinski, Steve Brockman, Kathy Zogelman-Felkner, Ed Wedde, Jenny & Makenna Wiitanen, Katelyn Fehrman, Robert Knowles, Pat Paisier



REMEMBER
in your prayers

Prayer List: If you would like to add yourself or someone else to our parish prayer list please contact the parish office. When the specific need for prayer is over, please let the parish office now so that the name can be removed.

Bulletin News/Announcements: Deadline for new information is 9:00 am Mondays. Submit to parish office by email.

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