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2nd Sunday OF ADVENT



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 5:00 pm

Sunday: 9:00 am and 11:00 am

Weekdays: Tuesday 8:00 am
Wednesday 8:00 am
Thursday 8:00 am
Friday 8:00 am

Holy Days of Obligation:
varies

Sacrament of Penance:

Saturday 3:30-4:30 pm or by request

Marriages:

At least six months notice, call 276-4042

Baptisms:

By appointment only, call 276-4042

Online giving available

Find it on the website at
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Deadline for bulletin

Monday by noon. E-mail to
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December 6, 2020 · *Second Sunday of Advent*

Thought for the Week
**Whatever doesn't kill you, really
does make you stronger.**

**Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary**

*Masses for the holy day will be held in the church
Tuesday, December 8 at 8:00am and 6:00pm.*

Sacrament of Penance

Fr. John will be offering extra opportunities during
Advent to have your confession heard. They will
be held in the church from **6-7pm**. The dates are:

Mon, Dec. 7 Tues, Dec. 15 Tues, Dec. 22

Father will also continue to hear confessions on
Saturdays from 3:30-4:30pm or by appointment.

Christmas Masses

In this time when we have capacity limits due to
COVID-19, please help us accommodate all who wish
to attend Christmas Masses by letting us know what
time you plan to attend. For each Mass, seats will be
available in the Church and the Parish Hall and will
be filled according to when parishioners arrive for
the Mass. Our desire is to let all who want to worship
at St. Mary's have the best experience possible.

To accomplish this, we have created a
SignUpGenius for you to make your reservation.

[https://www.signupgenius.com/
go/10c0a44adaf2aa3fa7-christmas3](https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10c0a44adaf2aa3fa7-christmas3)

**DO NOT SIGN UP FOR PARISH HALL OVERFLOW
SEATING UNLESS ALL CHURCH SLOTS HAVE BEEN
FILLED!!** If you don't have access to a computer,
please call the office to reserve a spot.

When you arrive at church, ushers will guide you to
your seat. Once the church has reached capacity,
guests will be directed to overflow seating in the
parish hall where Mass will be livestreamed. If you
want to make sure you get a seat in the church, plan
on arriving early. In the event that the church and
hall reach capacity, late arrivals will be asked to
attend one of the other Mass times. You will not be
able to "save seats" for family members. (Reminder-
Bishop Joensen has dispensed everyone from the
Christmas obligation). Please contact the parish
office with questions or concerns!

Sincerely, Father John

Earlier Bulletin Deadlines due to Holidays

- Dec. 13 bulletin...deadline has passed
- Dec. 20 bulletin...noon deadline on Dec. 10
- Dec. 27 bulletin...noon deadline on Dec. 16
- Jan. 3 bulletin...noon deadline on Dec. 22



Happy second week of Advent! Our Faith Formation
Advent Book Drive is still happening! We are asking all
teens to think back to what their favorite book was in
preschool and then bring a new/gently used copy of
that book to donate to Woodlawn Early Education
Center! Book donations are accepted 'til Dec. 15th.
Youth Group will be wrapping the books on Dec. 16th
at 7pm in the parish hall. All teens welcome!

Please continue to check our social media for the
most up-to-date information about Youth Ministry
gatherings/happenings.

Instagram: @stmary_ym

Twitter: @stmarydsm_ym

Facebook: @stmarydsmym

Memorial Flowers

If you would like to donate flowers in
memory of a loved one, please use one of
the envelopes found in the church. Fill out
the information and drop it in the collection
bins. Your donation will be used to help
purchase flowers to decorate the church for
Christmas and be a reminder of your loved ones.



THANK YOU

The Habitat for Humanity team at St. Mary's would like
to extend a heartwarming thank you to all those who
contributed to the house build for this year. Even though
it was a challenge for fundraising this year due to the
pandemic, our parishioners once again demonstrated
their generous support. As a result, we are pleased to
announce that we were able to raise over \$2,600
to contribute towards the house build!

Thanks again for your support, and we look forward
to an even bigger year next year.

REMINDERS

This is the last week to donate winter weather wear for
all ages. The final day to drop off is Friday, December 11.

All items will be distributed the following day. The
collection box can be found in the gathering area of
the church. Thank you for your generosity so far!

Hy-Vee, Fareway, and Price Chopper grocery cards
are available in the office during business hours.
These cards make your holiday shopping so easy, and
they are great as stocking stuffers. You receive the full
amount on the card plus St. Mary's receives 3% of each
card. The Men's Club uses this to help support the
youth group and several other church projects.

Suggestions for the Advent Season

Do you want to get more out of the Advent Season?
Then consider these 7 Habits of Faith:

1. Ask for God's blessing each morning.
2. Call upon the saints.
3. Reach out to help a neighbor in need.
4. Receive the Eucharist for strength.
5. Offer a prayer at mealtime.
6. Savor a few minutes of silence.
7. Give thanks to God each night.

Use any or all these habits to help you grow in your faith this Advent Season.



*Congratulations to Logan Christine Whitlow,
daughter of Olivia, who was recently baptized.*

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monday, December 7

Confessions 6-7pm

Wednesday, December 9

Women's Bible Study 9:30am—virtual
 Music practice 5:30pm
 Youth Group 7:00pm

Thursday, December 10

Pastoral Council 7:00pm—virtual

NEW TO THE PARISH?

Welcome!! Please fill out a registration form found in the white baskets as you enter the church or by downloading the form from our website. Once you have completed the form, return by mail or drop in the collection basket.

PASTORAL CARE

If you or a family member is in a care facility, homebound, or hospitalized and wish a visit or are in need of a meal, please contact Fr. John at 515-276-4599 or Deacon Tom at 515-491-7789.

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS

Steve Plew, Sid Carroll, Danny Roberts, Craig Nelson,
 Shad Dooly, Kevin Smith, Dick Heger, Kathryn Schuster,
 Viola Dubay, Al Kolis, David Bahr, Yvonne Schuh,
 Larry Fettig, Cathy Palmer, Jack & Rosemary Marshall,
 Deb Tranel, Sheila McMichael, and Catherine Roth



MASS SCHEDULE AND

INTENTIONS

Sunday, December 6

9:00am For the Parish
 11:00am John Britt

Tuesday, December 8 - Holy Day

8:00am Job Kemp 6:00pm For the Parish

Wednesday, December 9

8:00am Jim Lawler

Thursday, December 10

8:00am Elizabeth Blakely

Friday, December 11

8:00am No Mass

Saturday, December 12

5:00pm Allyn Salz

Sunday, December 13

9:00am For the Parish
 11:00am Vernon Kahler

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