



St. Mary's Immaculate Conception Parish

NOVEMBER 17, 2019

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

CLERGY

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Mass Intentions

SUNDAY, November 17,
10:00 a.m. St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart's
Parish Family

@ SMIC 6:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration
& Evening Prayer

Tuesday, November 19, @ SH
8:15 am +Bill Dombrowski by Family

Wednesday, November 20, @ SMIC
8:15 am +Regina, Felix, Frances & Conroy Soik
by Myron Soik Family

Thursday, November 21, @ SH
7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions
8:15 am +Barbara Kalkofen
by SH Home & School

Friday, November 22, @ SMIC
7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions
8:15 am +Harlan Glodowski
by Brenda, Gene & Family

Saturday, November 23, @ SH
8:15 am +Lucy Dulek & Ann Dulak by Debbie Rae
3:15 pm Confession
4:00 p.m. +Deceased members of the
Wanserski/Wierzba families
by Tom & Julie Wanserski

SUNDAY, November 24,
Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe
8:00 a.m. @ SH +Irene Gagas by Don
10:00 a.m. +Felix Zwicky by Larry & Eunice Zwicky



Today Sunday,
November 17th
COFFEE &
DONUT SOCIAL
following Mass in the
Parish Hall

ALL ARE WELCOME!
Hosted by Groups 3 & 5

Dear Friends in Christ,

Praised be Jesus Christ! As I have mentioned before, during this month of November we remember in a special way all those who have died and gone before us. I found a prayer written by Father Bede Jarrett, OP (1881–1934) that is particularly appropriate for the month of November. Father Bede Jarrett was a Dominican priest and a noted historian. In 1904 he became the first Dominican friar since the Reformation to study at the University of Oxford and later in 1921 founded Blackfriars Priory at the same University of Oxford, formally reinstating the Dominican Order at that university for the first time since the Dissolution of the Monasteries under King Henry VIII. His 1924 *Life of St. Dominic* is one of my favorites. Here is his prayer. I hope it speaks to you as much as it speaks to me:

We seem to give them back to Thee, O God; who gavest them to us. Yet, as Thou didst not lose them in giving, so do we not lose them by their return. Not as the world giveth givest Thou, O Lover of Souls. What Thou givest, Thou takest not away, for what is Thine is ours also if we are Thine. And life is eternal and love is immortal, and death is only an horizon, and an horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight. Lift us up, strong Son of God, that we may see further; cleanse our eyes that we may see more clearly; draw us closer to Thyself that we may know ourselves to be nearer to our loved ones who are with Thee. And while Thou dost prepare a place for us, prepare us also for that happy place where Thou art we may be also for evermore. Amen.

In Christ,

Father Guanella

Please remember in your prayers:

Mike Mrozek, Eileen Bronk, Bev Krusick, Tom Schmenk, Bette Maslowski, Myron Soik, Nora Miller, Jeff Pliska, Ken Wierzba, Flonnie Pliska, Gladys Lepak, Clarence & Gladys Pampuch, Brigid & Al Pellatt, Julia Chodzinski

ALTAR SOCIETY SOCIAL Saturday, Nov. 23rd 11:30 am
with saying of the rosary followed with a lunch prepared by Rose 1, then a meeting including the signing of Christmas cards for seniors of the parish. Followed with a good time for all.
Bring a friend, all women of the parish are welcome.



St. Mary's I. C. Parish

2019-20 DIOCESAN ANNUAL APPEAL

Our "THANKS" to those who have contributed.

If you haven't made a pledge to our Annual Appeal, please bring your pledge card to Mass next Sunday.

Payment is not necessary at this time—only your pledge card. **Extra cards in the entrance of Church.**

Weekly Financial Support
November 10, 2019

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| Total: | \$ 1285.00 |
| Envelopes | \$ 1075.00 |
| Offertory | \$ 115.00 |
| Building Fund | \$ 95.00 |

***ENVELOPES FOR MONTHLY
BUILDING FUND DONATIONS***



Envelopes for the Ground Level Hall and Church Renovations can be found in your Parish Support envelopes. This project is for current and future generations of St. Mary's I.C. parishioners. Please be generous.

During the month of November, we will be lighting a candle in memory of our deceased parish family members that passed away this year.....

Conroy Soik

Hubert Mocadlo

Regina Lemke

Ruth Werachowski

Sam Molski

Denny Stransky

*Eternal rest grant unto them,
O Lord, and let perpetual
light shine upon them. May
they rest in peace. Amen*

PARISH GOAL: \$ 18,785.00
PLEDGES RECEIVED:

\$ 14,280.00
Under Goal: \$ 4,505.00



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASS

Meet on Sundays, 8:30-10 a.m.

Coordinator of Religious Education

Jessica Bielen jwier319@gmail.com

FAMILY MASS: TODAY SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 17th, ALL Parents are asked attend this Mass with their children.



HOOKED ON LOVE Candy canes are up and ready to be selected. The holiday season is a time of loving and giving. We are asking you to add another one to your giving list. Yes, most of us have decided to limit our spending this year. We are asking you to

take a moment to think about the struggling families with small babies in Portage County. Think of the joy baby supplies will give them. You would like to give but have no idea how to do it. With Hooked on Love we try to make sharing your love easier.

At the entrances of the church are Christmas tree displays with color-coded candy canes on them. The color of the ribbon indicates the cost of the suggested item to give. **RED RIBBONS** (\$1-\$3 suggestions), **WHITE RIBBONS** (\$5.00 suggestions), and **GREEN RIBBONS** (\$10 or more suggestions). SCRIP grocery, gas or Target gifts certificates can be purchased. We accept any monetary donations, (**Mark it as Baby Supplies**) and drop it in the church collection. **NO formula or food items**, full listing of needed items on table in entrance. Needed before Dec. 15th.

Baby and mother items will be donated to the Portage County Prenatal Care Coordination Program and First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center. **Please put your items in the pack n play at the entrance of church or box in the addition.**

WANTED NAMES OF PARISHIONERS THAT COULD USE EXTRA Baby Supplies! If you know of **anyone** in the parish or area who could use a help with baby supplies contact Marie Helminiak (715-592-4971) and leave a message on the recorder as soon as possible, before Dec. 15th Names will be kept confidential



As often as you did it for one of my least brothers, You did it for me.

"St. Mary's I.C.

Salvation Army Servers"

We will prepare and server dinner for people in need at The Salvation Army on the **First Monday** of every month.

We need groups of 3-4 people to volunteer. Please consider donating your time for this wonderful cause.

NEED SERVERS FOR JANUARY

Information please contact
Gina Kempf at 920-540-7804



**SATURDAY
DECEMBER
7th**

4:00 pm MASS

at St. Mary's I.C. Parish
followed by Pot Luck
Dinner hosted by The
Family Life Committee.



We **WELCOME**
our youngest
member to
St. Mary's I.C.
Parish Family,

William Robert Demski,
son of Michael & Asha. He was
baptized into God's family on
Sunday, October 27th, God Bless
William and his family.

MEMORY BRICKS: Once again St. Mary's Cemetery Committee will have memory bricks available for purchase. The memory bricks will be placed within a walkway from the reflection area to the new cross. Each brick can be individualized with three lines with a total of 14 letters and spaces per line and will be available for \$50.00 per brick. Visit our reflection area to view memory bricks memorialized by our Parishioners. There's a sample brick in the back of Church, the bricks will be installed in the spring. Please contact, Diane: 715-592-5013

NOVEMBER BIRTHDAY'S *Wishing you Birthday Blessings!*

18th-Shelly Stremkowski 20th-Lori Stoltz & Jim Sniadajewski 21st-Jeanne Dodge
22nd Aaron O'Keefe & Kathy Rucinski 23rd-Bonnie Kosobucki 27th-Marlene Schulist & Phyllis Klesmith

BUY SCRIP November 17th after Mass

For anyone who has never bought Scrip or just not familiar with it. Scrip is a gift card you buy and use like a pre-paid credit card at local businesses throughout the Stevens Point area. Our parish receives on an average of 3.9% from these businesses for using their cards.

The Holidays are just around the corner. Looking



for that perfect gift? BUY SCRIP!!!
We have gift cards for area stores
and restaurants!

Scrip is sold on the first full and third weekend of each month after Mass. Scrip is always available just a phone call away, Shelly 715-592-3775.

Thank you to everyone who purchases SCRIP

Women On A Mission

Our Mission is to provide an environment of learning, giving and loving to enhance the fellowship and growth of the women's faith community of St. Mary's

Anyone that has quart jars that are gathering dust, (these can be mayo jars etc--they don't need to be canning jars) please bring to church and put under the table in the entrance of church. Women on a Mission will be making soup in a jar on December 2. If you need a pick up, please call Bernie at 715-592-4654.



Women on a Mission met on November 11 to assemble the **Caring Bags**. Your generous donations enabled us to fill **53 bags** to be given to those in need. Many recipients have nothing of their own, so these items can mean everything to them. We were also able to include items for the shelves at the facilities for still others to receive. Thank you so much for your generous hearts.
For if you did so to the least of them...you did it unto Him.



Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, November 17

LECTOR Kirk GREETERS Warner family
USHERS Carson, Kaden, Randy
SERVERS Lindsay, Raean, Cassie, Madison
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS Brenda, Deb, Jim
MONEY COUNTERS David, Rosemarie, LeRoy
MUSICIANS Mary & Cheryl

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 24

LECTOR Deb GREETERS O'Keefe family
USHERS Sabrina, Lonna, Ron
SERVERS Lenny, Roman, Nick, Braelyn
EUCARISTIC MINISTERS Randy, Carolyn, Kate
MONEY COUNTERS LeRoy, Pat, Tom
MUSICIANS Jacquie & Carolyn

Hunter's Chili Feed Saturday, November 23 at St. Adalbert Parish. Serving 4-8 pm menu includes a variety of chili, grilled cheese, dessert, coffee, milk, & water. Cost \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6-12, free ages 5 and under. Show us a picture of your buck and receive a 'buck off' your meal! Mass at 8 p.m. All are welcome!

St. Ladislaus Parish Bevent. Saturday, November 23rd, 2-7:30pm and Sunday, November 24th before and after 10:10am Mass Sponsored by St. Ladislaus Rosary Society. Homemade Noodles & Fresh Bakery—Pies, Breads, Cookies, etc., and Rada Knives

Knights of Columbus - Breakfast Sunday Nov 24th, featuring all your favorites, sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, home-fried red potatoes, juice, coffee and all-you-can-eat-pancakes. Serving 8:15-11 a.m, cost \$6.50 adults, kids \$4.00 Don't miss our craft and bake sale - raises funds for our food basket project and other charitable projects. Knights of Columbus Clubhouse, 401 W Clark St, Stevens Point - Breakfast open to the public

Annual Christmas Dinner—Knights of Columbus Clubhouse Saturday Dec 7th: Featuring your choice of : 14-16 oz Premium hand cut Rib Eye Steak, a full rack of Baby Back BBQ Ribs, a full rack of dry rubbed smoked baby back ribs, Chicken Cordon Bleu w/special gravy or Italian Lasagna – includes Salad Bar, Baked Potato, Vegetable, Roll, beverage, dessert . Serving 5-7 p.m. and everyone gets a Christmas Gift. 401 W Clark St, Stevens Point just across the Clark St Bridger . Open to the public

"Ye Olde Madrigal Feast" Featuring the Midwest's Merry Carolers Madrigal Troupe Sunday, December 15th at St. James Church Amherst. Cocktail hour begins 5pm w/dinner and show beginning at 6pm. This is a great way to gather with friends and family, partake in a delicious meal and experience uplifting entertainment during the holiday season. Tickets \$40 (age 12 and under is \$25). Only 160 tickets will be sold so don't wait! Purchase yours by calling 715-572-3406.

Congratulations to our new Knights of Columbus members who received honors: First Degree Reverend Thomas Nirappel, and Darren Groshek. The Fourth Degree Honors, Sir Knight Mateusz Skibba, and Sir Knight Joseph Pryne. May the Lord bless each of you with His guidance from this day forward, and may the Holy Spirit be with you in your commitment to follow Christ.

Send your prayer intentions to Bishop Callahan this Advent. Bishop Callahan will be collecting your prayer intentions throughout this Advent season. You can either call 608-352-9565 or go to diolc.org/pray to submit your request. All intentions received will be presented and prayed for at his Christmas Masses.