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DECEMBER 27TH: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH



Dear Friends,

Merry Christmas! I hope that you and yours have been able to celebrate the birth of our savior in a way that truly lifted spirits and souls. I am very grateful for all that our volunteers and staff did to make our parish celebrations joyful. Please check the bulletin for Mass times over the next few weeks.

May this Christmas Season be full of peace for you and yours.

In the Lord

Fr. Trevor Chicoine

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LITURGY AND SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation 3:30 PM Saturday, 4:30 PM Tuesday (SSPP) 7:45 AM Sunday (St. Mary's)
Adoration Tuesday 4:15 PM -5:15 PM, First Friday 7:30 AM-8:30 AM (SSPP)
Weekend Masses 4:30 PM Saturday (SSPP) 8:30 AM Sunday (St. Mary's) 10:30 AM Sunday (SSPP)
Weekday Masses 5:15 PM Tuesday 8:00 AM Wednesday 7:00 AM Friday (SSPP)
9:00 AM Thursday (St. Mary's)

10:30 AM Sunday Mass has LIVE stream available at www.sspeterpaulandmary.org

WEEKLY READINGS

DECEMBER 27TH: THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Col 3:12-21/Lk 2:22-40

Monday, December 28th The Holy Innocents, Martyrs Feast 1 Jn 1:5–2:2/Mt 2:13-18

Tuesday, December 29th
Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
1 Jn 2:3-11/Lk 2:22-35

Wednesday, December 30th 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

Thursday, December 31st 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Friday, January 1st Holy Day of Obligation SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Saturday, January 2nd
Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen,
Bishops and Doctors of the Church Memorial
1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

JANUARY 3RD: THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

OFFICE CLOSED

The Parish Office will be closed all of this week and will reopen Monday, January 4th at 8:00 AM.

Emergency needs please call the rectory phone 712-243-7708

Have a Happy New Year!!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 26th 4:30 PM (SSPP)
People of the Parish

Sunday, December 27th 8:30 AM (SM) + Joan Poeppe Schulte

Sunday, December 27th 10:30 AM (SSPP & Livestream) + Eva and Lou Eisterhold

Tuesday, December 29th 5:15 PM (SSPP)
Adoration 4:15 PM—5:15 PM (SSPP)
+ Sam Possumato

Wednesday, December 30th 8:00 AM (SSPP)
+ Virginia Wernimont

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God
Thursday, December 31st
4:00 PM (SM) + Cathy Jones & John Paul Jones
6:00 PM (SSPP) + JoAnn Barbero

Friday, January 1st 9:00 AM (SSPP)
No First Friday
+ Pete Hanson

First Saturday, January 2nd 9:00 AM (SSPP) + John Weresh

Saturday, January 2nd 4:30 PM (SSPP) + Mary Angell

Sunday, January 3rd 8:30 AM (SM) + Joan Poeppe Schulte

Sunday, January 3rd 10:30 AM (SSPP & Livestream)
People of the Parish

The Office will be accepting *Christmas Flower Memorials* through January 3rd The Epiphany of the Lord.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Thursday, Dec. 31st New Year's Eve Mass

4:00 PM SM, 6:00 PM SSPP

Friday, January 1st New Year's Day Mass

9:00 AM SSPP

Saturday, January 2nd Reconciliation at SSPP

Epiphany of the Lord 3:30 PM-4:00 PM

4:30 PM Mass

Usher Matt & Dawn Freund

Lector Taylor Schroeder

Sunday, January 3rd Reconciliation at St. Mary's

Epiphany of the Lord 7:45 AM–8:15 AM

8:30 AM Mass

10:30 AM Mass SSPP

Usher/Pat McCurdy Gary Richter, Janet Hascall

Lector Phil Hascall

Livestream Pat & Kate Hoffmann Family

Saturday, January 9th Reconciliation at SSPP

3:30 PM-4:00 PM

4:30 PM Mass

Usher Joyce Wieser, Ted Robinson

Lector LaNette Freund

Sunday, January 10th Reconciliation at St. Mary's

7:45 AM-8:15 AM

8:30 AM Mass

10:30 AM Mass SSPP

Usher/Pat McCurdy Clint Freund, Shelia Svoboda

Lector Deb Murphy

Livestream Josh & Melanie Rasmussen

Help celebrate *Marilyn Stein's 85th birthday* on December 30th! PO Box 149 Lewis, IA 51544

SPIRITUAL COMMUNION

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen

CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS GIVEN

With the incredible donations of over \$1,200 our parishes were able to touch the lives of 18 parish families, letting them know we are stronger together.

Christmas Blessings is not about helping with financial hardships; it's about lifting up our fellow parishioner, honoring the various challenging moments this year has brought.



We are God's holy people, uniting together by sharing our strength of Grace and our tender care.

PERFECT SEASONAL FUNDRAISER

"Love and Courage" is now available.

This book features long time St. Mary parish priest, Father Joseph Devlin, and his missionary work in the Philippines following World War II.

"Love and Courage" is available at both parishes for \$15. Make checks payable to *St. Mary's Catholic Church.*

Please use the labeled envelopes provided and return using the customary tithing baskets.



ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

Christmas Eve Mass celebration was beautiful truly reflecting the joy of the birth of our Lord!

A big thank you to all who were able to give their time to decorate and to those who contributed to the Christmas Flower Memorials.

PRAY FOR PARISHIONERS IN CARE FACILITIES:

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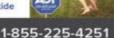
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