Saint Mary of the Immaculate Conception & St. Joseph Catholic Church

Fourth Sunday of Advent
December 19, 2021

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Masses This Week

Sat. Dec. 18	4:00 p.m.	(St. Mary) *Barb Urban*
	5:45 p.m.	(St. Joseph) *Dick Saunders*
Sun. Dec. 19	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) *Frank Hines*
	10:30 a.m.	(St. Joseph) *St. Joseph & St. Mary Parishioners*
Mon. Dec. 20		*No Mass*
Tues. Dec. 21	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) *Barbara Lervik, Pat Johnson*
Wed. Dec. 22	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) *Nelson & Pakes Family*
Thurs. Dec. 23	8:00 a.m.	(St. Joseph) *Doug Hansen*
Fri. Dec. 24		***CHRISTMAS EVE:***
	4:00 p.m.	(St. Mary) *St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishioners*
	4:00 p.m.	(St. Joseph) *Poettgen & Kronau Families*
	6:30 p.m.	(St. Mary) *St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishioners*
Sat. Dec. 25		***CHRISTMAS DAY:***
	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) *St. Mary & St. Joseph Parishioners*
	10:30 a.m.	(St. Joseph) *Living and Deceased Members of the Vogl and Winiecki Families*
Sun. Dec. 26	8:30 a.m.	(St. Mary) *Fred & Rose Berger*
	10:30 a.m.	(St. Joseph) *Linn Furlano*

PLEASE NOTE:

Weekend Masses are in-person.

Live-streaming available:

- St. Mary on Saturday at 4:00 p.m. and Sunday at 8:30 a.m.
- St. Joseph on Saturday at 5:45 p.m. (Until January 15)

Daily Masses at both parishes are in-person and live-streamed

Join us on Facebook to view Mass streaming live (access available from each parish website):

- St. Mary: www.saintmarymilton.org
- St. Joseph: www.stjoeedgerton.org

Pray for the Sick

Please keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers:

Rich Addie
Delores Alm
Dorothy & Ken Bomkamp
William Burdick
William Butzke
Frank Daniels
Joyce DeMott
Bart DiMattina
Aaron Ellis
Carole Evans
Barb Finnegan
Pat Finucan
Esther Folk
Elizabeth Frye
Anna Furlano
Helen Goerke
MJ Haney
Jared Hanson
Bud Hoff
Bill Hupp
Don Hying
Trish Jarzynski
Marion Kaiser
Barb Keefe
Matt Keller
Kathleen Knight
Jeff Kraus
Loren Krueger
Mary Ann Langer
Fr. Jim McEnery
Lillian Moreno
Bob Murphy
Scot Nelson
Jeffrey Pipitone
Bill Rice
Diana Riesterer
Phil Riesterer
Rob Rosa
Mike Ryder
Rosemary Schafer
Kathy Trimberger
Bob Urban
Ron Yoss

Stewardship: A Way of Life

4th Sunday of Advent

"For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy."

Luke 1:44

When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Or, do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

WORD OF LIFE: "Perhaps one of your friends has become pregnant unexpectedly. As someone who has been there, I encourage you to support your friend in your new journey of being a mother." Learn ten tips at respectlife.org/support-her

USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities

St. Joseph Parish

This Week at St. Joseph

Sun. Dec. 19:
- RE 4K/5K class

Wed. Dec. 22:
- NO RE Grades 1-5

Sun. Dec. 26:
- NO RE 4K/5K class

Sanctuary Candle

is burning this week
in Memory of
Dick Saunders

In Sympathy

Heartfelt sympathy to the family and friends of Kathleen Wellnitz**,** whose father, **Ramon Scheifelbein**, recently died.

Financial Stewardship

Collection from December 12, 2021	
Envelopes	3,645.50
Offertory	161.00
On-Line Giving	1,889.00
Total	5,695.50
Weekly Income Needs	5,150.00

Thank you for your continued financial support of our parish! If you would like to contribute electronically, please sign up at https://giving.parishsoft.com/app/giving/stjoeedgerton

Baptism: Scheduled after weekend Masses. Baptismal Preparation Class is required. They are offered the first Sunday of March, July, and November after 10:30 a.m. Mass
Marriage: Please contact the priest at least 6 months prior to the wedding date.

Please keep these parishioners and family members in your prayers.

Gracie
Theresa Amundson
Fran Barrett
Lois Bongle
Larry Burns
Joan Chesmore
Pat Chiumenti
Dana Christianson
Millie Churchill
Jean Counter
Donna Dahl
Sue Dahms
Jeanette Essie
Bud Farrington
Grace Farrington
Judy Fugate
Joey Hamann
Julie Hanewall
Mya Harwood
Rosie Hatlen
Linda Hatton
George Hatzinger
Brenda Helwig
Julie Hoff
Marge Hollenberger
Mark & Marian Jacob
Christian Kelsey
Robert Koch
Maria Kuenster
Werner Last
Annette Nagle
Jeanne N.
Marilyn Nielsen
Mary Olsen
Wendy Oren
Maureen Plautz
John & Mary Pratt
Elliot Rademacher
Sue Sanger
Donna Splitter
Jacinta Tinoco Serrano
S. Severson
Pat Spray
Cecilia Williams

St. Mary Parish

Financially Speaking

Collection From Last Week (December 12, 2021)

Weekly Income Needs *based on income from budget*	7,788.00
Envelopes	7,546.00
Offertory	79.00
ACH & On-Line Giving	610.00

Fiscal Year-To-Date Contributions

YTD Envelopes & ACH	177,966.84
YTD Offertory	4,207.71

Collection from last year (December 13, 2020)

Envelopes	5,996.00
Offertory	122.00
ACH & Online Giving	490.00

THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTINUED SUPPORT OF OUR PARISH!

This Week at St. Mary Parish

Sun. Dec. 19:
- 8:30 a.m. Seeds

Tues. Dec. 21:
- NO K-6 class
- 5:00 p.m. Confessions

Wed. Dec. 22:
- NO K-6 Class

Thurs. Dec. 23:
- 11:00 a.m. Senior Stockbox distribution

In Sympathy:

Heartfelt sympathy to Karen Schauf whose mother died this past week.

Welcome New Parishioners

- *Bob & Margaret Klann*

ROSARY AT ST. MARY ON MONDAY MORNINGS: Our rosary group is still going strong. The rosary will be said outside by Our Lady (corner of Parkview and St. Mary St.) at 11:00 a.m., weather permitting. Time commitment is only 15 minutes. Please bring your own chair. If raining or other bad weather, we will meet inside church.

Special THANK YOU to parishioners Gail & John Nordlof for the donation of altar wine at St. Mary Parish.

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Christmas Masses

	St. Mary, Milton	St. Joseph Edgerton
Friday, December 24 *Christmas Eve Mass*	4:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	(No morning daily Mass) 4:00 p.m.
Saturday December 25 *Christmas Day Mass*	8:30 a.m. (No evening Mass)	10:30 a.m. (No evening Mass)
Sunday December 26	8:30 a.m.	10:30 a.m.

HELP WANTED IN FOOTVILLE: St Augustine Parish, Footville is looking for an administrative assistant. This role will primarily involve working closely with the pastor and other parish staff in the collection, and submission of pertinent information about parish operations in a timely manner for processing, recording, filing, and distribution as well as other general administrative tasks. This will be a paid part-time position. Interested persons should send a curriculum vitae (CV) to Fr. Lawrence Oparaji, via email: pastor@rockcountycatholic.org.

THEOLOGY ON TAP A speaker series for adults in their 20s & 30s on Thursday, January 20 at 7:00 p.m. Riley's Sports Bar and Grill, Janesville,.

- Speaker: Fr. Tim Mergen
- Topic: Naked Without Shame

Theology on Tap is a Catholic speaker series designed for single and married adults in their 20s and 30s. It provides an opportunity for young adults to gather for food, drinks, fellowship, and discussion on topics related to faith and life—all in a relaxed, casual environment. Bring a friend. Grab a drink. Join the conversation. And have a great time exploring the faith and meeting others with similar interests and values. Hosted by the Janesville Catholic Churches. For more information visit facebook.com/CatholicsOnTheRock or contact Kris at kkranenburg@sjv.org

"We are more fulfilled when we are involved in something bigger than ourselves."

John Glenn

Astronaut and Senator (1921-2016)

SMALL GROUP DISCUSSION AT ST. MARY—LAST SESSION: On Sunday, December 19 join Donna Curley in the parish center at St. Mary after 8:30 a.m. Mass for an hour of Christmas reflection and discussion using The Little Blue Book as our guide. Any questions call Donna at 608-295-8442 or email curleydonna5@gmail.com.

THE CHOSEN—Small Group Discussion at St. Joseph: We are hosting an eight week Scripture-based program featuring season one of the highly acclaimed THE CHOSEN series. The program will be offered in the church hall at St. Joseph on Mondays at 10:00 a.m. and again at 6:30 p.m., beginning on January 10th. Each week we will watch an episode of The Chosen and discuss some of the scriptures the episode is based on. This program is open to **everyone**. For more information, contact Roland Breunig at REBreunig@yahoo.com or 608-247-8979 Or you can sign up by clicking this link: The Chosen Sign Up or scanning the QR code.

EUCHRE TOURNAMENT

Hosted by Knights of Columbus

December 18

St. William Parish Hall

1822 Ravine

Janesville, WI

Entry Fee: $10
Registration: 5:30 p.m.
Cards: 6:00 p.m.
Door Prizes and 50/50 Raffle

Beverages and sandwiches available for purchase.

All are welcome, singles or couples

All net proceeds will go toward council for local charities

For more information contact
Tim Walleser ✱ 608-728-2419
OR
Jim Mueller ✱ 608-346-8997

Lights for Loved Ones

Jesus Christ is the light of the world, a light which no darkness can quench. We remember before God, those who have died, and light these Christmas lights to symbolize the light of Christ, which eternally shines upon those we love and miss this Christmas season.

We remember:

Joseph Allen
Jonathan Allen
Glenn (Bill) Anderson
Tom Arnold
Father John Auby
Betty Baughman
Burton Baughman
Tom & Mary (Beggs) Kennedy
Rosalina Bertuefo
Judy Blair
JoAnn Bower
Taylor Brandt
Richard O. Brewer
Mike Brooks
Herman Burki
Mary Ann Burki
Larry Cain
Cris Cañete & family
Mercedes Cañete Arcilla
Primo Cañete & family
Leon Churchill
Frank Cobetto
John Cobetto
Laura Cobetto
Virgil Cowan
Glenn Cunningham
Bruce & Gene Curler
Bob Dibble
Ben Dickinson
James A. Drew
Margaret A. Drew
Verona & Bob Dugenske
Emily Jadin Eckert
The Eiteuner Family
Catherine Ann Elliott
Doris & Duane Eshleman
Louie & Agnes (Fanning) Hanauska
Henry Joseph Fitzpatrick
Bob Folk
Ralph & Kathryn Folk
Henry Gabica
Mike Gabica
Morris P. Gallagher
Sarah Gallagher
Grandma & Grandpa Gotto
Jim & Josie Grabowski
Hank & Flo Grandys
Marguerite & Forrest Gray
Jim Grimm
Joanne Habersetzer
Nicholas Habersetzer Jr.
Elwin Hageman
Ina Hageman
Doug Hansen
Ariel Heistad
Gabriel Heistad
John Heistad
Ray Heisz
Gerald Hensgen
Robert Hoganson
Russ Hosler
Kris Houge
Chell Howe
Patrick Howe
Members of the Huber Family
Norbert & Caroline Jarzynski
Susan Judd
David Kerchoff
Kenneth Kerchoff
John Knight
Mary Elaine Koopman
Ralph Koopman
Rita Koopman
Rita Koopman
Edgar & Delores Koster
Kristy Koster
George & Lora Kruger
Colleen Kunkel
Louis & Mildred Lee Family
Bob Levknezht
Lyle Levknezht
The Lieder Family
Alex Loper
The Marsoun Family
Richard Martin
Loren Mayfield
Fr. Jim McEnery

Lights for Loved Ones

Tom McNally
Renzo & Marcela Mendoza
Bill Miller
Janet & Gary Morehart and Family
Clarence Morrissey
Kathryn Morrissey
Andy Mullen
Jack Mullen
Elsie V. Murphy
Thomas E. Murphy
Gwen Nelson
Roland Nelson
The Nett Family
Esther Noss
Esther Noss
Donald Nowacki
Eleanor O'Connell
Jimmy O'Connell
R.J. O'Connell
Tommy O'Connell
Kathryn O'Donnell
Ellen O'Malley-Herbner
The Ostrowski Family
Bob Pakes
The Palzkill Family
Jim Pins
Jim Pins
Marion & Fred Platts
Casey & Lou Ploszaj
Ray Ploszaj
Shirley Ricker
Leonard Riesterer
Philip Riesterer Sr.
Kathy Roberts
Antonio Rodriguez
Zenaida Ruiz Froilan
Alfred Russell
Betty Saunders
Eleanor Scheel
Tom & Dorothy Scullion family
Dennis Sitter
Peter Korell
Nils Slepekis
Bill Slowey
Marlene Slowey
Irvin Snow
Mom & Dad Sponem
Buddy & Sharon Stabler
Ed & Mary Stabler
Jim Starr
Benjamin F. Steely
William P. Stemper
Francis & Perky Stensas
The Stockhausen Family
George & Shirley Suchanek family
Tom Suchanek
Agnes Sullivan
Francis Sullivan
Jared Swenson
Andrew Thallemer
Margaret Thallemer
Michael Thallemer
Jim Tieglman
John Tira
Lucille Tira
Pat & Ann Tragesser
Dennis Tudtud & family
Theodora Tudtud Pontanar
Barbara Urban
Bill & Sandy Urban
Brett Urban
The Vogel Family
Jim & Lucille Wagner
Marlene Wagner
Terri Wagner
Cecelia Wallenhorst
Dan Wendler
Kathy Wendler
Monte Williams
The Witek Family
Jason Zinzow
Michael John Zizzi
Deceased members of the Clarence Witek family

End of Year Tax Contributions

The Parish financial books will close on Friday, December 31, 2021. Anyone wishing to make contributions for the **YEAR 2021** must do so **ON OR BEFORE FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021.** All checks received at the parish after December 31, 2021, will be recorded as contributions for the year 2022.

An excellent way to lower your tax payment is by making an additional contribution to a charity. Contributions to your parish qualify!

ROCK HAVEN CHRISTMAS PRESENTS: A very special thank you to parishioners at St. Mary who donated money to purchase gifts for the residents of Rock Haven. A total of $2,550 was collected. We purchased gift items for 100 residents who will greatly enjoy a very Merry Christmas thanks to you!

JANUARY 1ST – SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD: This year, January 1st is not a Holy Day of Obligation as it falls on a Saturday. Mass will be at the usual time:

- St. Mary at 4:00 p.m.
- St. Joseph at 5:45 p.m.

ST. MARY CEMETERY NEWS: A big thank you to all of those who donated time and/or materials for the maintenance of the St. Mary Cemetery this past year. All of the day-to-day maintenance tasks were done by volunteers. Those tasks included, but are not limited to: mowing, trimming, weeding, seeding, watering, leaf pick-up and tending to the flower beds. A special thank you goes to the Knights of Columbus who were always there to step in on short notice when needed. God Bless!

THANK YOU FROM ST. MARY CCW: A big thank you to St. Mary volunteers who worked at the Cookie Walk last weekend and those who donated goodies. We raised $1,527 for scholarships for our high school seniors. Anyone wishing to donate additional funds can send checks payable to CCW and drop off at St. Mary parish office. Thank you for all you do!

DONUT SUNDAY IS BACK AT ST. JOSEPH! This welcoming gathering with fellowship and donuts will happen once a month on the very first Sunday. Please join us for our first one, January 2, hosted by the Doug and Katie Kotecki family. If you are interested in hosting a Donut Sunday, contact Laura in the office, 608-884-3038.

EDGERTON OUTREACH COLLECTION AT ST. JOSEPH: Thank you to all who contributed to the second collection last weekend. Through your generosity we raised $761 to help provide a Christmas Dinner to those in need. May you have a Merry Christmas!

LIVESTREAM MASS AT ST. JOSEPH: We will discontinue live streaming the weekday and Saturday Masses after the weekend of January 15/16. We are grateful to be able to have provided this service, but the number of live views has declined to 2 or 3. We understand the comfort and connection of watching Mass with Fr. David for those who watched the live stream. But the good news is that St. Mary, Milton will continue to live stream weekday and weekend Masses. Also, you can view the Mass on WISC-TV / Channel3000 Sundays at 6:00 a.m. or on EWTN Live Weekdays at 7:00 a.m.

CURRENT & FORMER ST. MARY PASTORS MEET: On December 6, the Belles of St. Mary held their Christmas Party in the parish center at St. Mary. Attendees included five pastors, four of which were St. Mary former pastors. It was exciting to have them all "back home".

l to r:

- *Fr. David Wanish (2019 to present)*
- *Fr. Dave Timmerman (2013 to 2019)*
- *Fr. Jim Uppena (1999 to 2013)*
- *Fr. Jim McEnery (1968 to 1999)*
- *Fr. Bill Nolan (back row)*

St. Mary Faith Formation

Edgerton Community Blood Drive

St. Joseph Catholic Church

In the Parish Hall

Tuesday, January 4, 2022
9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

For an appointment call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit Redcrossblood.org and enter Sponsor Code: Edgerton

BULLETINS MAILED HOME: Would you or someone you know benefit from having our weekly bulletin mailed to your home? If so, please contact:

- **St. Mary**: Vicki at 608-449-6530 or email victoria.kersten1@gmail.com
- **St. Joseph**: Laura at 608-884-3038 or email admin@stjoeedgerton.org

Church News

Seeking Full-time Evangelization Coordinator at St. Joseph in Edgerton and St. Mary in Milton. Form a community of trained missionary disciples by leading group and individual discussions. Secondarily, lead RCIA, marriage preparation, and adult education. Evening and weekend work will be necessary. Applicants should be Confirmed and practicing Catholics, have post-secondary education, love for scripture, personal prayer, and evangelization, excellent organizational, communication, and computer skills. Please send a resume to Fr. David Wanish before December 27 or contact him with inquiry (608-868-3338). St. Mary Parish, 837 Parkview Drive, Milton, WI 53563

Week 4: Purple Advent Candle, *PEACE*

On the fourth and final Sunday of Advent, the last candle is lit, which is purple. This candle represents peace and reminds us of the importance of Peace as the true savior of the world is coming.

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A Note from Our Pastor ...

- I hope you have enjoyed my talks on the four parts of the Gospel during the Sundays of Advent, with the conclusion today. Belief in the Gospel is what makes us Christian. May each part be food for reflection, and may each part stir your spirit. For another angle on the topic, watch the superb video series "The Search" on formed.org. 1) the Goodness of Creation; 2) the Tragedy of Sin; 3) The Plan of Restoration; 4) the Response of Faith.
- The last livestreamed Mass at St. Joseph will be Saturday, January 15. I give many thanks to Laura Kisting who has faithfully arranged the transmission of every Mass, weekday and weekend, since March 19, 2020. It seems that the number of viewers has been decreasing, and there is significant work involved in the process. Thanks also to those of you who have watched the Masses and supported the process. Please see the links to all 37 parishes in the Madison Diocese with livestreamed Masses at madisondiocese.org/massesonline.
- I attended the funeral of Fr. Steve Umhoefer last week at Nativity of Mary in Janesville. Fr. Steve was a bright light to me at St. Paul's in Madison when I was a student. I could hardly believe it when I was able to be in his priest support group years later when I was ordained. May he be welcomed into God's eternal presence.
- May God bless all the people affected by the tornadoes in Kentucky and vicinity last week. I invite those who would like to contribute to recovery efforts to participate in our parish-wide collections at St. Joseph and St. Mary. You can make checks to the parish, with "tornado" in memo line. The proceeds will go to Catholic Charities USA.
- I wish all of you a Blessed Christmas, filled with God's peace and love!

Fr. David

Readings for Week of December 20-26

Monday, December 20
Isaiah 7:10-14
Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6
Luke 1:26-38

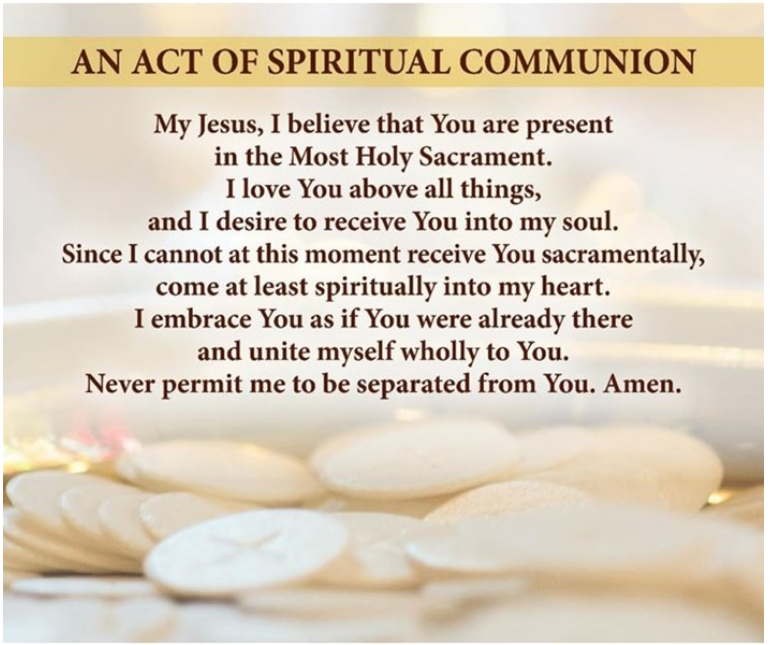
Tuesday, December 21
Song of Songs 2:8-14
Psalm 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21
Luke 1:39-45

Wednesday, December 22
1 Samuel 1:24-28
Psalm: 1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd
Luke 1:46-56

Thursday, December 23
Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24
Psalm 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10, 14
Luke 1:57-66

Friday, December 24—Christmas Eve
Isaiah 62:1-5
Psalm 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25
Matthew 1:1-15

Sunday, December 26
Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
Psalm 128:1-2, 3, 4-5
Colossians 3:12-21
Luke 2:41-52



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