

**St. Bridget's**

120 Depot Street, Wilson, WI

MASS: Saturday – 4 PM
Thursday – 4 PM

Confession: Saturday, 3:15 – 3:45 PM

**St. Mary's Immaculate Conception**

1265 Ridgeway Street, Hammond, WI

MASS: Saturday – 6 PM & Sunday – 10 AM
Tuesday – 5:30 PM & Friday – 8 AM

Confession: Saturday – 9:00 – 9:30 AM

**St. John the Baptist**757 1st Street, Glenwood City, WI

MASS: Sunday – 8 AM
Wednesday – 8 AM

Confession: Saturday, 10:00 – 10:30 AM

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St. John the Baptist & St. Bridget's: 761 First Street, Glenwood City, WI 54013

PASTOR'S COLUMN – FR. ANIL**Christmas: Heaven Reaches Out to Us**

Christmas is the joyful celebration of Heaven bending low to meet us. Christ chose the poverty of the manger so that we might share the riches of God's life. St. Paul reminds us: *"Though He was rich, for your sake He became poor, so that you through His poverty might become rich."* (2 Cor 8:9)

This is the heart of Christmas—God proving His love for us (Rom 5:8). Jesus, though equal with God, *"emptied Himself... taking the form of a servant."* (Phil 2:6-7) Love led Him to step into our world, not as a king seeking glory, but as a Savior seeking the lost.

Throughout the Gospels, we see how Jesus entered the "mangers" of people's lives:

- He waited for the Samaritan woman at the well (Jn 4). Her heart was weary, wounded, and trapped in sin. Jesus met her gently, awakened hope, and restored her dignity. Suddenly, light broke through her darkness.
- After the Resurrection, Peter felt defeated and ready to return to his old life (Jn 21). Jesus appeared on the shore, calling him out of discouragement into new purpose. With love and patience, the Lord rebuilt Peter's confidence and restored his mission.

Christmas reveals a God who steps into human weakness with compassion, guiding us from despair to life. God still desires to enter the difficult places of our world—our homes, our hurts, our fears—bringing healing and peace.

We live Christmas each time we choose the same path Jesus walked: humility, self-giving, and love that serves. When we put aside pride or hurt and respond with kindness, Heaven touches earth again.

Dear Brothers and Sisters, as your priest, I would like to wish you all a blessed Christmas and a joyful New Year. May God's peace fill your homes, may His love strengthen your families, and may His grace guide your steps in the year ahead.

May God bless you all. Amen.

Fr. Anil

Mass Schedule & Intentions

TUES	DEC 23	(H)	5:30 PM	NO MASS
WED	DEC 24	(W)	4:00 PM	* PEACE, JOY & COMFORT TO ALL
		(H)	5:00 PM	+ JIM & DELORES HAWKINS by Family
		(GC)	5:30 PM	+ ALL DECEASED FAMILY MEMBERS by Rita Palewicz Family
THU	DEC 25	(H)	8:00 AM	+ JOHN HUEG by Mary & Joe Miller
		(GC)	9:00 AM	+ DICK & CHUCK FREY by Frey Family
		(H)	10:00 AM	+ JIM & GLADYS BONTE by Jackie & Bob Aune
FRI	DEC 26	(H)	8:00 AM	* PEOPLE'S MASS
SAT	DEC 27	(W)	4:00 PM	+ ALL DECEASED SOULS OF THE CLUSTER PARISHES
		(H)	6:00 PM	+ WILLIAM & THEODORE CASEY by Casey Family
SUN	DEC 28	(GC)	8:00 AM	* MAUREEN KONDER
		(H)	10:00 AM	+ MARVELL & HARVEY SERIER by Nancy Nichols

H = Hammond

GC = Glenwood City

W = Wilson

NH = Nursing Home/Assisted Living: Week 1 – Hammond; Week 2 – Baldwin; Week 3 – GC; Week 4 - Parkview

+ Rest In Peace * Holy Mass of the Living

Eternal Father, Thank you for the clergy, seminarians, religious women, staff & lay leaders in our Diocese. I lift them all up to you, but especially, _____ today. Sanctify them. Heal and guide them. Continue to mold them into the likeness and holiness of Your Son, Jesus, the Eternal High Priest. May their life be pleasing to You. In Jesus' Name I pray. Amen.

Sun— Rev. Michael L. Crisp; Mon— Rev. Aaron Devett; Tues— Rev. Julian Druffner; Wed— Rev. John Drummy; Thu— Rev. Jerome D'Souza; Fri — Rev. Chandra Dry; Sat — Rev. Kevin Farrell

Readings for the Week of December 21, 2025

Sunday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b)/ Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/ Lk 1:46-56
Tuesday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Wednesday:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Thursday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 (Lk 2:11)/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 (3c)/Heb 1:1-6/ Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Friday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17/Mt 10:17-22
Saturday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/ Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 (see 1)/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23



Jeff Baier	Jim Dierich	Marlys Hawkins	Lucille Obermueller	Yoshiko Shakal
Robert Bengtson	Mary Erickson	Thess Jacobson	Jan O'Connell	Gary Schmidt
Debbie Bennett	Lorry Erickson	Mary Ann Knops	Grayson Packer	Todd Sisson
Jerry Bretl	Wayne Garrett	Rosie Kohler	Dominic Pedrotty	Emmy Slind
Carlene Brown	Michelle (Timm) Givens	Maureen Konder	Judy Pedrotty	Sharon Smith
Lucas Bustos	Diana Grant	Jane Koonce	Leonard Rethman	John Steffen
Margaret Chyba	Janet Gregor	Ruth Linneman	Debby Richard	Kay Suckow
Tammi Clicquennoi	Frank Griffin	Fr. Bill Murphy	Kelsey Rose	Ken Weiss
Nancy Compton	Laurie Gruber	Grace Obermueller	Allison Rowley	Jodi Hurtgen Wagner

Want someone prayed for or listed in the Bulletin Prayer List? Notify our Prayer Chain Contacts:

Hammond: Roxi Wakeen (Call or Text 651-894-3385) **GC & Wilson:** Faye Steffen (Call 715-781-3195)

Your loved one will be prayed for and remains on the list for 3 months unless renewed or requested otherwise.

STEWARDSHIP: ST. MARY'S HAMMOND

For Week Ending: November 30, 2025 (Week 22)

Week 22 Budget: \$ 3,600 YTD Budget: \$112,800

Week 22 Actual: \$ 4,517 YTD Actual: \$ 110,789

2025/26 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) as of: 9/21/2025

Goal: 100% Participation (273 families) \$43,567.00

Participation (% - 52 families)

Total Paid.....\$ 10,050.00

Pledges not yet paid.....\$ 1,150.00

Remaining to raise (if all pledges paid).....\$ 32,367.00

Hammond Ministry Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025—5 PM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Cyndi Rineck, **Volunteer**

Altar Servers.....Lucy Brock, Liam Foley, Noah Foley

Readers 1&2.....(1) Cyndi Rineck (2) **Volunteer**

Greeters.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Ushers.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3, Volunteer 4**

Sacristan.....Martina Halverson

Thursday, December 25, 2025—8 AM

Eucharistic Ministers.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2**

Altar Servers.....Neil Nellas, **Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Readers 1&2.....(1) Christine Stork (2) **Volunteer**

Greeters.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Ushers.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3, Volunteer 4**

Sacristan.....**Volunteer**

Thursday, December 25, 2025—10 AM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Jacki Aune, Robert Aune

Altar Servers.....Antonio DeLeon, **Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Readers 1&2.....(1) **Volunteer** (2) **Volunteer**

Greeters.....Alexis Clark, **Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Ushers.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3, Volunteer 4**

Sacristan.....Robert Aune

Saturday, December 27, 2025—6 PM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Brooke John, Fred Jourdeans

Altar Servers.....Emmy Hines, Landon Shaver, Logan Shaver

Readers 1&2.....(1) Mary Rumpel (2) Sara Miller

Greeters.....Max Kahler, Leo McKenna, Dean Yealey

Ushers.....Christopher John, Terry Korte, Jim Rumpel, Peter Lohmeier

Sacristan.....Abby Shaver

Sunday, December 28, 2025—10 AM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Cyndi Rineck, Michael Weber

Altar Servers.....Asher Bourget, Gabe Kusilek, Wade Ziemba

Readers 1&2.....(1) John Rukavina (2) Ella Bourget

Greeters.....Eric Becker, Kelly Becker, Ava Becker

Ushers.....Scott Amacher, Curtiss Bourget, Jacob Kusilek, Peter Lohmeier

Sacristan.....Pete Nusbaum

STEWARDSHIP: ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST - GC

For Week Ending: December 07, 2025

Adult.....\$2,003.30

Youth.....\$38.00

Loose.....\$37.00

Heat/Fuel.....\$30.00

Building Repairs/Maintenance.....\$1,488.84

Stipend.....\$40.00

Donation for New Fridge in Deacon Wes Hall.....\$200.00

Rental of Parish Facilities.....\$100.00

Feast of the Immaculate Conception.....\$45.00

Christmas Flowers.....\$570.00

Total.....**\$4,552.14**

Amount Needed Per Week\$3,924.04

Fiscal YTD.....**\$4,432.55**

2025/26 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) as of: 12/7/2025

Goal: 100% Participation (127 families) \$19,621.00

Participation (30% - 38 families)

Total Paid.....\$11,615.00

Refund from Prior Year.....\$0.00

Pledges not yet paid.....\$ 290.00

Remaining to raise (if all pledges paid)\$7,716.00

GC Ministry Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025— 5:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Debbie Bennett, Donan Wink, **Volunteer**

Altar Servers.....**Volunteer 1, Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Readers 1&2.....(1) **Volunteer** (2) **Volunteer**

Ushers.....Tim Miller, **Volunteer**

Sacristan.....Debbie Bennett

Thursday, December 25, 2025— 9:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Angela McGee, **Volunteer 2, Volunteer 3**

Altar Servers.....Marshall Burns, Clifford Burns, **Volunteer**

Readers 1&2.....(1) Marge Quale (2) **Volunteer**

Ushers.....Kraig Konder, **Volunteer**

Sacristan.....Debbie Bennett

GC Ministry Schedule

Sunday, December 28, 2025— 8 AM

Eucharistic Ministers.....Tom Mortel, Rita Swanson, Matthew Wink

Altar Servers.....Victor Kohler, Veronica Kohler, Rylee Weeks

Readers 1&2.....(1) Nancy Graese (2) Mark Wink

Ushers.....Frank Kohler, Dave Swanepoel

Sacristan.....Renee Mortel

CCW NEWS

No Meetings in December or January. Have a Safe and Joyful Christmas & New Years.

The Next Meeting is Wednesday, February 11th at 5:30 PM in Classroom # 1

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STEWARDSHIP: ST. BRIDGET - WILSON

For Week ending: December 06, 2025

Adult.....	\$745.00
Loose.....	\$136.00
Christmas Flowers.....	\$100.00
Telephone Credit.....	\$10.55
Total.....	\$991.55
Amount needed per week *	\$597.70
Fiscal YTD.....	\$10,333.45

2025/26 Catholic Services Appeal (CSA) as of: 12/6/2025

Goal: 100% Participation (20 families)	\$ 3,761.00
Participation (55% - 11 families)	
Total Paid.....	\$ 1,800.00
Refund from Prior Year.....	\$0.00
Pledges not yet paid.....	\$ 00.00
Remaining to raise (if all pledges paid).....	\$1,961.00

St. Bridget – Wilson Ministry Schedule

Wednesday, December 24, 2025—4:00PM

Eucharistic Minister.....	Marge Quale, <i>Volunteer, Volunteer</i>
Altar Server.....	<i>Volunteer</i>
Reader.....	Cindy Mahoney
Ushers.....	Kathy Timm, Mike Timm
Sacristan.....	Debbie Mahoney

Saturday, December 27, 2025—4:00PM

Eucharistic Minister.....	Marge Quale, Mark Sobota, <i>Volunteer</i>
Altar Server.....	Debbie Mahoney
Reader.....	Ann Berends
Ushers.....	Sharon Bengston, Tom Mahoney
Sacristan.....	Debbie K. Mahoney

**Fr. Anil and all of the Cluster Staff
wish you a Blessed & Joyful
Christmas and a Happy New Year!**

FAITH FORMATION PROGRAM NEWS

ST. MARY'S IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - HAMMOND

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES ARE ON WEDNESDAY'S DURING THE SCHOOL YEAR:

St. Mary's - Hammond: Pre-school through 6th grade: 5:30 PM - 6:30 PM
7th grade through Confirmation: 7:00 PM – 8:15 PM

For Information about FFP, please contact the church office or Amanda Zurek amandazurek@smicparish.org

No Class for Faith Formation Students on December 24th or 31st. Have an amazing Christmas and a Happy New Year! Classes resume on January 7th

SJB – Glenwood City: Elementary: 3:45 PM - 5 PM High School: 7 – 8 PM

ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST – GLENWOOD CITY FFP

All FFP students are invited to come sing at the Christmas Eve Mass. There will be reserved seats at the front of the Church for kids and parents that want to sing on Christmas Eve at the 5:30 Mass. No Class for Faith Formation Students on December 24th or 31st. Have an amazing Christmas and a Happy New Year! Classes resume on January 7th

CLUSTER COMMUNITY NEWS

Immaculate Conception in Hammond – Men’s Group

Our fall session of *That Man Is You* will be wrapping up, and Advent is off to a wonderful and grace-filled start. Thank you to all the men who joined us for these sessions! Our Schedule for the Holiday Season is:

December 27 & January 3rd – No Men’s Group

Merry Christmas! Enjoy this blessed time with your families. Happy New Year! See you in 2025.

For more information contact Joe Anderson at 715-412-0909 or joeandersoninag@gmail.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS

K of C COUNCIL 4954 MEETING: Thursday | January 8, 2025 | St. John the Baptist – Glenwood City | 7 PM

**K of C COUNCIL 7030 MEETING: Monday | January 10 | 7 PM | *Knights Room*
St. Mary’s Immaculate Conception – Hammond**

The Knights of Columbus would like to extend our heartfelt gratitude to everyone who participated in our **Chili Cookoff** and for the many generous donations made toward the Safe Haven Baby Box Campaign. Your kindness and support were truly inspiring.

We launched this campaign at \$7,500, and thanks to your remarkable generosity, we raised **\$3,467.00** through this event—bringing us one step closer to our **\$40,000 goal**. Every contribution, big or small, reflects the deep compassion and commitment of our parish family. Thank you again to everyone who cooked, tasted, donated, and supported this mission. Your generosity is helping ensure that every child in crisis has a safe and loving start.

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BEGINNING JANUARY 13

THE TEN VIRTUES OF MARY

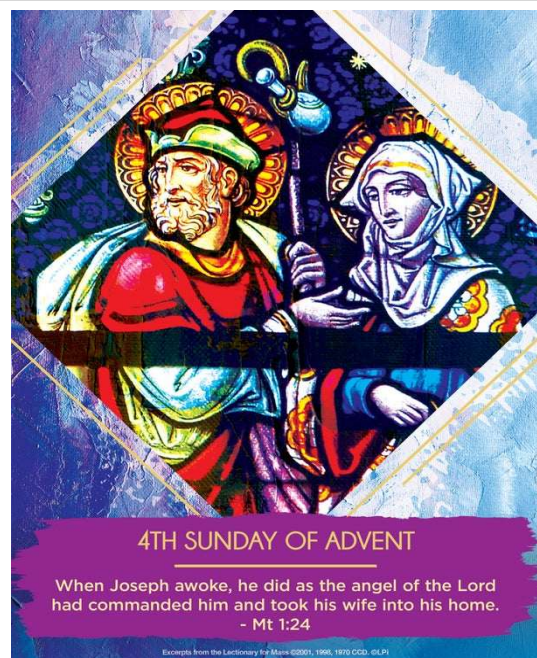
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at St. Mary’s
Hammond, WI*

*She
Shall Be
Called
Woman*

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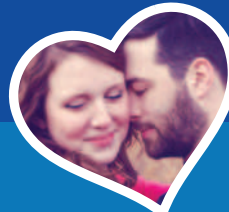
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