



ST. MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH

Forming Saints for Christ and the Church

DEC 17, 2023
THIRD
SUNDAY OF
ADVENT

512 North Perkins Street ✕ Rushville ✕ Indiana ✕ 46173
Parish: 765-932-2588 ✕ School: 765-932-3639 ✕ www.stmaryrush.org

Christmas Eve is on a Sunday?!?

This year, the 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas Day fall consecutively on a Sunday and Monday. PLEASE NOTE: Christmas Eve Mass **DOES NOT** fulfill your obligation to attend Sunday Mass. It is important that Catholics fulfill their obligation for both occasions separately. To help, we are altering the Mass schedule for the 4th Sunday of Advent and making attempts to keep the Sunday Masses as short as possible. Fr. Dustin and Fr. Matthew promise to have abbreviated homilies and we will not have any music at the Sunday Masses - which will not only shorten the Mass but give a beautiful contrast to the glorious celebrations of Christmas! Everyone should go to one Mass for the 4th Sunday of Advent and one Mass for Christmas. Simply going to one Mass between Saturday evening and Monday morning of that week will not fulfill one's obligation.

Don't start the Christmas Season in Mortal Sin! Go to both!

CHOOSE ONE MASS FOR THE "4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT" AND CHOOSE ONE "CHRISTMAS MASS"

4th Sunday of Advent & Christmas Masses

Pick 1 - for Advent

Saturday Evening - December 23

- ♦ 4:00 PM - at St. Bridget
- ♦ 4:00 PM - at St. Mary
- ♦ 5:30 PM - at St. Mary
- ♦ 6:00 PM - at St. Gabriel

Sunday Morning - December 24

- ♦ 8:00 AM - at St. Gabriel
- ♦ 8:00 AM - at St. Mary

Unless you are sick, it is a grave sin to miss Mass on Sundays and Holy Days of Obligation. Please welcome the Nativity of our Lord and the Christmas season by being in a state of Grace. Make the effort to get to Mass. This is one of the most important ways you will keep Christ at the center of your Christmas preparations and celebrations.

Pick 1 - for Christmas

Christmas Eve - December 24

- ♦ 4:00 PM - at St. Mary
- ♦ 4:30 PM - at St. Gabriel
- ♦ 6:30 PM - at St. Mary
- ♦ 8:30 PM - at St. Bridget

Christmas - December 25

- ♦ 12:00 AM MIDNIGHT - at St. Gabriel (begins with Lessons & Carols at 11:30pm)
- ♦ 12:00 AM MIDNIGHT - at St. Mary
- ♦ 9:00 AM - at St. Gabriel
- ♦ 10:00 AM - at St. Mary

HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS

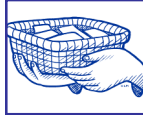
In honor and celebration of our Lord's Nativity, our offices will be closed from December 25th, 2023 through January 1st, 2024. The Parishes' Offices will reopen on January 2nd, 2024.



Monetary Donations are being accepted for Christmas flowers. Fill out an envelope found at all church entrances and drop into the regular Sunday collection or mail to the parish office. Thank you!



Sunday Offerings December 3, 2023



Envelopes/Loose/Youth	\$	5,683.00
Online Giving	\$	3,706.00
Total 12/3/23	\$	9,389.00
Weekly Budget (2023-2024)	\$	-9,400.00
		-11.00
Sunday 12/3/23	\$	9,389.00
Regular Maintenance & Utilities	\$	345.00
Food Pantry	\$	570.00
Cemetery	\$	160.00
Missions	\$	5.00
Candles	\$	24.00
Flowers	\$	25.00
Hymnals	\$	1,700.00
POH2	\$	1,450.00
TOTAL 12/3/23	\$	13,668.00

Thank you for the use of St. Mary Church for our Christmas Concert! *Rush County Chorale*

Thank you to everyone who took an angel from the giving tree. Your generosity is appreciated.



Thank you to all of those who generously donated to the purchase of the new Gather Hymnals. To-date: \$9,698.00 has been donated. Donations are still being accepted.



Please remember these St. Mary nursing home residents and home-bound with prayers, a card or a visit this holiday season.

Private Homes:

Harry Delbecq, Jeannie Hedrick, Bill Means, Dave Roberts, Sue Servies, Judy Smith, Nelda Wheeldon

The Waters: Mary Barr, Jenny Brown, Helen Busald, Roman Hood, Tim Meer, Dee Salzmman, Doris Thoman.

GRIEF SUPPORT - St. Gabriel - Connersville
1:00-2:00p.m.; Parish Meeting Room; Second Wednesday of Each Month; Everyone is welcome.

December Food Pantry Items:

Hot chocolate, marshmallows, ramen noodles. The pantry does not accept expired items.

Annette Niehoff and Kevin Banks.



Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA):

Interested in learning more about our Catholic faith? Thinking about becoming Catholic? Then please consider journeying through RCIA at St. Mary's. Sessions are held on Sundays after the 7:30a.m. Mass. Please contact Fr. Matthew at the parish office.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAYS:

December 20 - Loren Richards



SCRIP: St. Mary Catholic School is dissolving the SCRIP gift card program. There are still several cards in the inventory for sale including: Amazon, CVS, Pizza King, Walmart, Cracker Barrel, Dairy Queen and Home Depot. New cards will not be ordered. Please contact the school office. Think about SCRIP gift cards as Christmas gifts.

Fr. John Hall will be hearing confessions, during Advent. Sunday, December 17, 11a.m. to Noon at St. Anne in New Castle.

Year End Giving: If you plan to give a year end gift to St. Mary Catholic Church, your contribution must be dated no later than December 31, 2023, in order to receive credit for 2023. Thank you!



Please Join the St. Mary Core Team to learn how TMIY has made a difference for men in our Parish

When: Tuesday January 16 @ 7 PM

How: <https://meet.google.com/bnq-qtyg-wof>

Servers - December 23 & 24 (4th Sun. Advent)

Sat. 4:00p.m. Needed
 5:30p.m. Needed
 Sun. 8:00a.m. Needed

Lectors - December 23 & 24

Sat. 4:00p.m. Sofia Kemple
 Sun. 5:30p.m. Marty Connerly
 8:00a.m. Mary Catherine Kinnevy

Extra-Ordinary Ministers-December 23 & 24

Sat. 4:00p.m. Amaranta Kemple, Cecilia Orr,
 Needed
 Sun. 5:30p.m. Denise Small, 2 Needed
 8:00a.m. Jane Ariens, Barbara Harcourt,
 Needed

Sacristans for December 23 & 24

Sat. 4:00p.m. Jeanie Leising
 Sun. 5:30p.m. Mary Beth Burklow
 8:00a.m. Jane Ariens

Ushers - December 23 & 24 Volunteers

Servers - December 24 & 25 (Christmas)

Sat. 4:00p.m. Cooper Robbins,
 Hudson & Micah Harpring
 6:30p.m. Needed
 Sun. 12:00a.m. Vada Frazier & Kaylee Berkemeier
 10:00a.m. Needed

Lectors - December 24 & 25 (Christmas)

Sat. 4:00p.m. Regenia Ripberger
 6:30p.m. Ruth Koelmel
 Sun. 12:00a.m. Susan Delay
 10:00a.m. Mary Katherine Kinnevy

Extra-Ordinary Ministers-December 24 & 25

Sat. 4:00p.m. Maranta Kemple, Kim Yager,
 Cecilia Orr
 6:30p.m. Denise Small, Jane Ariens,
 Needed
 Sun. 12:00a.m. Betsy Nigh, 2 Needed
 10:00a.m. Betsy Nigh & Barbara Harcourt

Sacristans for December 24 & 25 (Christmas)

Sat. 4:00p.m. Kim Yager
 Sun. 6:30p.m. Jane Ariens
 12:00a.m. Needed
 10:00a.m. Needed

Ushers - December 24 & 25 Volunteers

Ushers for December 2023

Sat. 5:30p.m. Steve & Curtis Schwering
 Sun. 7:30a.m. John & Austin Niehoff
 10:00a.m. Kevin Mahan & Eric Wagoner

Mass Schedule: Dec. 18 – Dec. 25

Monday No Mass
Tuesday 6:00p.m. +Wayman & Marge Mahan
Wednesday 8:30a.m. +Bernard & Frances Joyce
10:00a.m. Adoration
Thursday 8:30a.m. +Joe Harcourt
Friday 8:30a.m. +Steve Richards

Adoration on Wednesday, December 20 begins at 10:00a.m.

(4th Sunday Advent)

Saturday/Dec. 23 4:00p.m. +St. Mary Church
 5:30p.m. +Jonna McIntire Johnson
Sunday/Dec. 24 8:00a.m. +Kevin Neuman

(Christmas)

Sunday/Dec. 24 4:00p.m. +Bob & Betty Eder
 6:30p.m. +Virgil, Luzia, Marvin Herbert
Monday/Dec. 25 12:00a.m. (Midnight)
 Blankman & McKay Families
 10:00a.m. St. Mary Church

Money Counters:

Dec. 18 Rose Hoeing, Linda Shanahan, Margie Liggett, Jane Niccum
 Dec. 26 Nancy Newbold, Lucille Hinton, Diana Leising, Jeanie Spaeth

Food Pantry:

Dec. 18 (Restock) Steve Pavey & Annette Niehoff
 Dec. 20 Angela Ruf & Kim Shanahan
 Dec. 27 No Pantry

Ministers-to-the-Sick

Dec. 18 Lou Starkey Dec. 25 Monica Neuman

Welcome! Kynlee Marie Rose Glover, daughter of Lee and Sara Glover III, will receive the Sacrament of Baptism on December 20, 2023.

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Parish Office Hours

Monday-Thursday.....8:30a.m.- 4:30p.m.

Friday.....8:30a.m. - Noon

Our St. Mary Prayer Line

Regenia Ripberger 765-561-1179

Lisa Wagoner 812-593-0790 - 765-663-2444

Parish Council - Chair: Eric Harpring

Finance Council - Chair: Shawn Adkins

School Commission - Chair: Sam Gettinger

Calvary Cemetery - Chair: David Hoeing

Baptism - Call the parish office for scheduling.

Reconciliation/Confession

Saturday...4:30p.m.- 5:15p.m.

Tuesday.....5:20p.m.5:50p.m.

Marriage

Engaged couples must meet with the Pastor to complete initial marriage paperwork at least 9 months before the anticipated wedding date *and prior to making any other arrangements concerning the wedding.*

Abortion Alternatives

Birthline Mon.-Fri. 317-635-4808

Option Helpline 24/7 1-800-712-HELP

National Suicide Prevention Lifeline

800-273-TALK (8255)

National Domestic Violence Hotline

1-800-799-7233

Please pray for: Wanda Adkins, Patricia (Saxon) Banta, Jonah, Quin, Beckett Swenson, Charlene Benson, Mabel Berkemeier, John Blankman, Sister Eileen Rose Bonner, Sister Bridget Bonner, Keaton Bower, Charles Bright, Patricia (Thorpe) Bright, Julie Brown, Steve Bruns, Larry Burch, Steve Burch, Mary Lou Carey, Benjamin Castro, Anida & Dave Concannon, Colette Concannon, Katy Curtis, Joe Downs, Mike Dugan, Julie (Joyce) Ellis, Brad Ervine, Jane Fry, Maggie Fudge, Bud Garland, Gavin, Sam Gettinger, Jacob Goble, Granddaughter, Karen Land Graves, Faith Sadler Hankins, Greg Harcourt, Todd Harding, Norb & Bernie Harpring, Ashley Heller, Terry Honaker, Larry Johnson, Tom Jones, Timothy Joyce, Kim, Martha Knecht, Catherine Knueven, Alex Kolb and family, Linda Lair, Marvin Leising, Steve Link, Ted & Toni Locke, Marti Lukin, Kyle Lux, Logan Marlatt, Paul Marshall, Donny Martin, Steve Mazelin, Dave Meyer, Gary Miller, Monna Miller, Janet Mitchell, Brenda Munchel, Kelly Jarman Munchel, Greg Musgrave, Mike Neeb, Mark Neuman, Penny Owens, Philip Parish, Cinda Pavey, Barbara Proctor, Donnie Query, Kimmy Raisor, Richard Ralston, Peggy Rich, Anna Jo Richards, Gary Riggs, Thelma Robbins, Deb Rosfeld, Roger Rosfeld, Debra Sater, Meghan Schultz, Barbara Sembach, Cindy Sever, Jim Scott, Michael Shoemaker, Karen Spaeth, Margaret Ann (Roberts) Speranza, Ken & Jean Stanley, Jane Swenson, Sue Taylor, Joe Thorpe, Gracie Tillison, Tim Tyler, Diana Pavey Voiles, Blaine Weber, Donna Williams.

For those proudly serving our country: Matthew Conner, Travis Pecar, Kody Griffin.

Homebound: Harry Delbecq, Jeannie Hedrick, Bill Means, Dave Roberts, Sue Servies, Judy Smith

Residents at The Waters: Mary Barr, Jenny Brown, Helen Busald, Roman Hood, Tim Meer, Dee Salzmann, Doris Thoman.

UNITED CATHOLIC APPEAL: Pledge Goal:\$42,768; Amount pledged: \$27,300; Percentage to goal: 64%; Number of Donors:122; Archdiocese: \$2.9 million



New Parishioners

Welcome to St. Mary Parish! You are invited to call the parish office and register to become a part of our parish family.