



*St. Mary's Catholic Church  
Windthorst, TX*

**St. Mary's / St.  
Boniface  
Vision Statement**

To serve Christ and  
promote  
His teachings  
through Worship,  
Education,  
Training, Service,  
and  
Community  
Involvement



*St. Boniface Catholic Church  
Scotland, TX*

**Father Michael Moloney, O. F. S., Parochial Administrator, and  
Donald Brown, Deacon**

**Mailing Address for Both Churches**

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Office Hours: Monday-Friday 9 am-5 pm  
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**General Information**

**BAPTISMAL PREPARATION**

on the **3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday** of the month at 8:45 A.M.  
contact the office for dates and to register for classes

**Marriage Preparation**

contact the office at least **six to nine months prior** to  
wedding date

**RCIA**

contact Florence Anderle @ 423-6310 or 423-6271

**Funerals**

in the case of a death in the family, please contact the  
office as soon as possible.

**Ministry to the Sick**

contact the office immediately if you know of anyone  
who is sick, hospitalized or home-bound

**Confession**

St. Mary's every Saturday 4:00 – 4:40 pm and  
every Wednesday after evening Mass.  
(or by appointment at the office.)  
St. Boniface – First Saturday from 3:15 – 3:45 p.m.

**Hispanic Ministry**

Tuesday & Thursday in Convent  
Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

**Mass Schedule for the Week**

<b>Monday</b> <b><u>7:25 am</u></b>	†	<b>December 5 – St. Mary's</b> Carol Hudak by Margie Frazier
<b>Wednesday</b> <b><u>7:00 pm</u></b>	†	<b><u>Vigil of Immaculate Conception</u></b> <b>December 7 – St. Mary's</b> Bill Hoffman by Family
<b>Thursday</b> <b><u>7:30 am</u></b>	†	<b><u>Immaculate Conception</u></b> <b>December 8 – St. Boniface</b> Pete & Pauline Block by Bill Hemmis
<b>Thursday</b> <b><u>6:00 pm</u></b>	†	<b>December 8 – St. Mary's</b> Timothy Berend by Geraldine Lindemann
<b>Friday</b> <b><u>7:25 am</u></b>	†	<b>December 9 – St. Mary's</b> Recovery of Gail McCall by Hobie Meeklins
<b>Saturday</b> <b><u>5:00 pm</u></b> <b><u>7:00 pm</u></b>	†	<b>December 10 – St. Mary's</b> Bertha Wolf by John Wolfs Parishioners (Spanish Mass)
<b>Sunday</b> <b><u>8:00 am</u></b>	†	<b>December 11 - St. Boniface</b> Pauline Schreiber by Alfred Berends
<b>Sunday</b> <b><u>10:00 am</u></b>	†	<b>December 11 - St. Mary's</b> Frances Veitenheimer by John Veitenheimers
<b>Sunday</b> <b><u>4:40 pm</u></b>	†	<b><u>Our Lady of Guadalupe</u></b> <b>December 11 – St. Mary's</b> Deacon Andres Luna by Barron Family

## ST. MARY'S MINISTERS

Monday Dec. 5, 2016 – Sunday Dec. 11, 2016

### HOSPITALITY

Sat. 5:00 pm Greg & P.A. Vieth  
Sun. 10:00 am Donald & Laurie Veitenheimer

### LECTORS

Mon. 7:25 am Gloria Schroeder  
Wed. 7:00 pm Hilary Wolf, Jerry Anderle  
Thur. 6:00 pm Jean Berend, Krista Vieth  
Fri. 7:25 am Florence Anderle  
Sat. 5:00 pm Deana Vieth, Chad Steinberger  
Sun. 10:00 am Dorothy Johnson, Donald Veitenheimer

### SERVERS

Wed. 7:00 pm MacKenzie & Colby Wolf, Keaira Fillingim  
Thur. 6:00 pm Sadie & Brenna Anderle, Clay Hoff  
Fri. 7:25 am Conner Schroeder, Tanner Doyal  
Sat. 5:00 pm Brooke Schreiber, Cade & Levi Hoffman  
Sun. 10:00 am Matthew Veitenheimer, Koda & Koen Sternadel

### MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Sat. 5:00 pm Beth Geis/Hosts, Deb Schreiber/Hosts, Mitzi Veitenheimer, Gail Schroeder, Ricky Schreiber, Whitney Schreiber, Brett Hoff/Hosts Choir, Richard Schreiber/Choir  
Sun. 10:00 am Joyce Wolf/Hosts, Alex Veitenheimer/Hosts, Brian Anderle, Hannah Anderle, Craig Anderle, Melinda Schneider, Mike Schreiber/Hosts Choir, Ted Neeb/Choir

### USHERS

Sat. 5:00 pm M. J. Geis, Roy Koetter, Mason Vieth, Owen Veitenheimer  
Sun. 10:00 am Terry Schroeder, David McCann, Joey Veitenheimer, Dalton Anderle

### GIFT BEARERS

Sat. 5:00 pm Doug & Betty Wolf  
Sun. 10:00 am David Veitenheimer Family

### COMMUNION MINISTERS TO THE SICK

Sun. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Ann Hertel & Tracy Schreiber  
Sun. Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> Jerry Anderle & Diane Schroeder

### CHILDREN'S LITURGY LEADERS

Sun. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Whitney Schreiber & Hannah Anderle  
Sun. Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> Joann Wolf & Diane Hubbard

### MONEY COUNTERS

Mon. Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> Arthur Litteken, Darla Schroeder, Bill Veith  
SUPPORT-Sunday Envelopes \$4350.50, Loose \$388.25, Children \$1.50, Building Fund \$50.00, Thanksgiving \$659.00, Human Development \$661.00.

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Monday Dec. 5, 2016 - Sunday Dec. 11, 2016

### HOSPITALITY

Sun. 8:00 am Austin Berend

### LECTOR

Thur. 7:30 am Keith Teichman  
Sun. 8:00 am Pat Hemmi

### SERVERS

Sun. 8:00 am Cassidy & Jenna Veitenheimer

### MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

Thur. 7:30 am Pat Hemmi, Grady & Rhoda Schenk, Terry Berend

Sun. 8:00 am Priscilla Stallcup, Patsy Stallcup, Cole & Elizabeth Hemmi

### USHERS

Thur. 7:30 am Bernard Hilbers, Robert Krah

Sun. 8:00 am Mark Luig, Dennis Hilbers

### GIFT BEARERS

Thur. 7:30 am Ushers

Sun. 8:00 am Keith Teichman Family

### MONEY COUNTERS

Sun. Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> Pat Hemmi, Grady Schenk Jr., Debbie Krah

SUPPORT – Sunday Envelopes \$1405.00, Loose \$98.00, Children \$6.00, Thanksgiving \$188.00, Human Development \$135.00.

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## ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

PLEASE NOTE THAT MASS AT ST. MARY'S ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8<sup>TH</sup> HAS BEEN CHANGED TO 6:00 P.M.

SANCTUARY LIGHT will burn this week in memory of my granddaughter, Kristy, on her birthday as requested by Frances Hoffman.

CHALICE FOR VOCATIONS: Arthur & Shirley Litteken will receive the Chalice on **December 10<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00 p.m. Mass.** They, as well as all of us, are asked to pray for vocations.

12-18 Mary Ann Schroeder 10:00 a.m. Mass

12-24 Butch & Pat Humpert 4:00 p.m. Mass

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> – Advent Penance Service 7:00 p.m. St. Mary's

Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> – Adoration, Benediction, Devotion 6:00 p.m.

Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass 7:00 p.m.

Wednesday evening Adoration Intentions: Respect for Human Life.

Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> - Immaculate Conception Mass 7:30 a.m. at St. Boniface, 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's

### WEEKLY WEDNESDAY ADORATION INTENTIONS:

First Week for Respect for Human Life.

Second Week for Unity in the Church.

Third Week for Vocations.

Fourth Week for World Peace.

Fifth Week for the Intentions of the Holy Father.

**ENVELOPES** – The stewardship envelopes for 2017 are ready for you to pick up in the back of Church. In anyone has been overlooked please notify the office at 423-6687.

**WINDTHORST KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1824 ANNUAL SAUSAGE MEAL** will be Sunday, Dec. 4<sup>th</sup> from 11:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. at the Parish Hall. Prices are \$12.00 for adults and \$6.00 for children 12 and under. Raw sausage available for \$5.00 per pound. Come and enjoy the food and fellowship.

**C.D.A. AND J.C.D.A REMINDER:** Bake sale fund raiser during sausage meal on Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>. Don't forget to bake! Proceeds will help with expenses for Court's 100<sup>th</sup> Anniversary celebration.

**ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE: All services at 7:00 pm**

December 5 - St. Mary's Windthorst  
December 12 - St. Jude Burkburnett  
December 14 - Our Lady of Guadalupe  
December 16 - Our Lady Queen of Peace  
December 22 - Sacred Heart Wichita Falls.

**THE ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE** for St. Mary's and St. Boniface will be at St. Mary's 7:00 p.m. Monday, December 5<sup>th</sup>.

**WINDTHORST SENIOR CITIZENS** meet Tuesday, Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> in the K. C. Hall at 11:30 for lunch and games.

**CHURCH NURSERY-** The church nursery is open for ages 1 – 3 years of age. Drop off time starts at 9:30 a.m. for Sunday 10:00 a. m. Mass ONLY.

**ST. MARY'S CHRISTIAN MOTHERS SOCIETY** will hold their monthly meeting after Mass on **Wednesday, December 7**, in the parish Hall meeting room. All members are encouraged to attend.

**SECOND COLLECTION ON DECEMBER 10/11** will be for the Retired Religious. Your gift provides vital support for senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your help is appreciated.

**ST. MARY'S 125<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY CELEBRATION WILL BE JUNE 9, 10, 11, 2017. MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**

**125<sup>TH</sup> BIRTHDAY POSTCARDS** in back of Church. Take as many as you want. Send and give to friends and family. Invite, Invite, Invite! The More the Merrier.

**CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED ON TUESDAYS!**

**LECTORS –** The workbooks for the new church year have arrived. Please pick up your copy from the Sacristy in your respective Church. Thank you.

**ST. MARY'S IMPROVEMENT FUND** – Thanks to the following for their donations to St. Mary's Improvement Fund: In Memory of Bill Hoffman from Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer, Leon & Melinda Schneider, Mildred Lindemann, George & Ida Hoff, Margaret Beaman, Charles & Glenda Schroeder, Charles & Dianne Zott, John & Maxine Veitenheimer, Frank & Joyce Wolf, Randy & Gina Wolf & Bernard & Pat Scheffe. In Memory of Margie Reeves from Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer, George & Ida Hoff, Margaret Beaman, Charles & Glenda Schroeder. In Memory of Anton Wolf from Margaret Beaman, George & Ida Hoff, Charles & Glenda Schroeder, John & Maxine Veitenheimer, Frank & Joyce Wolf & Randy & Gina Wolf. In Memory of Buddy Berend & Timothy Berend from Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer. All of the donations are very much appreciated. Thanks for your kindness.

**PRAYER PARTNERS NEEDED!** The Confirmation Class are needing many prayers as they prepare to receive this sacrament. If you are interested in being a prayer partner for one of these candidates, please call Mary Wolf at 423-6728.

**ANGEL TREE FOR RESIDENTS OF UNIVERSITY PARK MANOR IN WICHITA FALLS:** St. Mary's will once again sponsor an angel giving tree for 75 of the residents that reside in University Park Manor. The angels show a generalized list, you do not have to get everything that is listed. Please purchase item or items and return the gift bag by the Christmas Tree. Please attach the angel on the outside of the gift bag. It would be most helpful to return gifts as soon as you can. The gifts need to be delivered no later than December 18, 2016. We need time to have the gifts delivered so the staff has the chance to label or mark all items with the resident's name. Please no aerosol cans, only the pump kind for any of body sprays, hair sprays etc. All deodorants should be the roll on or stick kind. Not all of these residents have families that can provide some of the basic items or extra special treats that we take for granted. We are truly blessed to live in our community where we are looked after by family and friends. Your generosity to these residents is most appreciated. Each person would love to receive a Christmas card mailed to them in care of University Park Manor, 4511 Coronada Ave., Wichita Falls, Texas 76310. If you have any questions contact Joyce Vieth at 940-423-6404 or Darla Schroeder at 940-423-6363.

**ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS FLOWERS –** It is time to once again think about decorating our church for the Christmas season. Donation to remember or honor a loved one this year is \$9.00 per poinsettia. Please send in as soon as possible. The last day to place your order is noon on Friday, December 16. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

**PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS!** January 1, 2017 is the opening day of a yearlong celebration of the 125<sup>th</sup> birthday of St. Mary's Catholic Church. On Sunday, January 1, 2017, a mass will be celebrated at 11:00 a.m. by Bishop Michael Olsen at St. Mary's followed by a meal in the Parish Hall. The meal will be free of charge to those who would like to attend.

There will be historical displays set up by St. Mary's and present day parish affiliated organizations, i.e., Knights of Columbus, Catholic Daughters of America, and Christian Mothers Society. Also, we have gathered items from organizations that are no longer active such as the St. Joseph's Society, the Catholic Youth Organization (CYO) and the Sodality.

Please help us in our effort to have our displays as complete as possible. If you have in your possession or know of someone who may have any old record books, financial records, recorded meeting minutes, scrapbooks, pictures or any other type of memorabilia of the aforementioned inactive organizations, please contact us. We have CYO minutes and members roll beginning in 1957 through March 20, 1970. We are not sure the last year the organization met as the CYO but, if anyone has this information, please contact Vicki Neeb at 423-6626 or Ann Hertel at 423-6542.

**FOUND –** A black men's jacket left in parish hall after the Hoffman bereavement meal. Call Stella at 423-6395.

**BAPTISMS:** Baptisms are held once a month on a rotating basis. Alternating months the baptisms will be done during the Sunday Mass and the next month the baptisms will be on a Sunday after the Mass. Baptisms will be held on the following dates:

Jan. 8, 2017      Inside Sunday Mass

Feb. 12, 2017      Outside Mass

No Baptisms during Advent or Lent unless an emergency.

**THE ST. MARY'S FINANCE COUNCIL** recently decided to demolish the old Ag Building. The demolition will begin soon. Thanks to Chuck Veitenheimer for volunteering to head the demolition of the old Ag Building. *If anyone would like to help Chuck with this project, please call Chuck at 733-4359.* If there is something inside the Ag Building that you want...lumber, tin, metal, etc., call Mark Veitenheimer or Cliff Humpert.

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**SANCTUARY LIGHT**—will burn this week in memory of Dennis Smith as requested by Mom.

**ST. BONIFACE 7-DAY LIGHTS:** Welfare of Danielle Mueller Fontenot, My Family by Bertha Mae Schenk; Special Intention by Donor; For Special Intention by Donor; For Peace, Our Members by St. Boniface Christian Mothers' Society; Living & Deceased Members & Relatives of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #36.

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**SCOTLAND SENIOR CITIZENS** — will meet on **Sunday, December 4<sup>th</sup>** at noon in the K. of C. Hall. Fellowship, a meal and dominoes will be offered. All seniors are invited. Please note that this is the first Sunday of the month. See you there.

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**ST. BONIFACE SCHOLARSHIP FUND** — Many thanks to Randy & Gina Wolf for their donation to the Scholarship Fund in memory of Pauline Schreiber. Thanks for your kindness.

### ANGEL TREE FOR THE NURSING CENTER IN ARCHER CITY:

The Angel Tree for the Nursing Center is now up for you to select your angel. Please have your gift in a bag with your angel's name attached to it and put back in church no later than **Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup>**. The gifts will be taken to Archer City right after Mass for the party which will be held on Monday, December 12<sup>th</sup> at 10:00 A.M. Everyone is invited to come to the Activity Room at the Archer Nursing Center for the celebration. Residents of the Center do appreciate your thoughtfulness during this holiday season. The residents love receiving mail, so please mail your angel a Christmas care to Archer Nursing Center, P.O. Box 786, Archer City, Texas 76351. Thanks to each of you. Frances.

### THE ST. BONIFACE ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY AND DECEMBER MEETING

will be held **Sunday, December 18<sup>th</sup>** at 2:00 o'clock PM at the home of Margaret and Jerry Smith. All members and spouses, or anyone interested in joining or helping the Altar Society, please come and enjoy the fun and fellowship. Bring a covered dish or snack for all to share, and a \$15 gift if you wish to participate in the fun and spirited gift exchange game. Hope to see you there for this fun time.

### ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES

#### CONFESSIONS: Confessions on First Saturday afternoon at St. Boniface.

— Father Michael will have Confessions every Saturday afternoon from 4:00 – 4:40 at St. Mary's, and on Wednesdays after evening Mass at St. Mary's. Confessions at St. Boniface will be on the first Saturday of the month from 3:15 to 3:45 pm. If you are unable to make those times, please call the office at 423-6687 or e-mail Father Michael at [mmoloney@comcell.net](mailto:mmoloney@comcell.net) for a time convenient for both you and Fr. Michael.

**APPOINTMENTS WITH FATHER MICHAEL** — If you have a concern and wish to visit with Fr. Michael, please call the office for an appointment. Or you may e-mail Father at [mmoloney@comcell.net](mailto:mmoloney@comcell.net).

**THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE** - will be in the home of **Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer** the week of **December 11<sup>th</sup>**. They are asked to pray for world peace, military, and vocations.

12-18 Bernard & Pat Scheffe

12-25 Lester & Florence Anderle

**NOTE:** Those people going for elective surgeries in the coming weeks are encouraged to consider coming to **Confession** on Saturday afternoon (4:00 – 4:40) and return for an **Anointing** of the sick following Mass.

#### THE C.C.D. CHRISTMAS PROGRAM WILL BE Sunday, December 4, 2016, in St. Mary's Church.

All children Kindergarten through 5<sup>th</sup> grade are invited to participate in this program. This is an annual tradition enacting the birth of Jesus and everyone is invited to come. Mark your calendar and come and see the 'Reason for the Season'.

Cast for the CCD Christmas Program: KN, 1, & 2 grades – Sheep and Shepherds, 3 & 4 grades Animals, Angels and Kings, 5<sup>th</sup> grade Choirs & Bells, Mrs. Allen & W.I.S.D. Band – Music, Special Guests: The Holy Family and St. Nicholas. We hope that you will enjoy our enactment of all that led up to Jesus' birth. All are Welcome.

**C.C.D. CLASSES FOR 6<sup>TH</sup> THROUGH 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE** are on Wednesday evenings starting at 5:45 p.m.

**JOSH WILSON JESUS IS ALIVE CONCERT** will be **December 8<sup>th</sup> at 7:15 (following 6 pm Mass)**. Tickets \$15 prior to and \$20 day of the concert. This is a wonderful Spirit filled concert. Portion of proceeds will go to Conner Berardi's family to help with medical expenses. Purchase tickets at iTickets.com or call 423-6100.

**OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE** – On Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> there will be a Spanish Mass at St. Mary's at 4:30 p.m. in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe. Following the Mass there will be Mexican Dinner available to everyone in the Parish Hall. **The meal will be FREE.** Everyone is encouraged to come and celebrate the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe.

A donation box will be available at the Hall at Our Lady of Guadalupe Celebration to help with the health care costs for Jose Montoya, son of Jose & Benita Montoya.

#### **THE 7 P'S OF PRAYER**

##### **THE 7 P'S OF THE LORD'S PRAYER**

##### **THE 7 P'S OF THE OUR FATHER**

**1 Presence**

**2 Praise**

**3 Purpose**

**4 Petition**

**5 Pardon**

**6 Protection**

**7 Perseverance/Persistence**

**THANK YOU NOTE:** "Our Thanks and appreciation to all who have been so kind and helpful during this sad time. To Father Michael and Deacon Don our special thanks. And thanks for the visits, cards, Masses, memorials, flowers, food at home and the funeral meal. We are very thankful. God Bless You All. The Bill Hoffman Family."

**UPCOMING MEN'S AND WOMEN'S ACTS RETREATS** – St. Mary's will be having ACTS Retreats for the men and women of our parishes. The men's retreat will be February 16-19, at the Bridgeport Camp and Conference Center. The Women's retreat will be March 16-19 also in Bridgeport. Each retreat begins at St. Mary's Parish Hall on Thursday evening at 5:00 pm and ends with the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday. The purpose of the ACTS Retreat is to provide an opportunity to bring parishioners closer to each other and to Christ through **Adoration, Community, Theology, and Service**. Sign-up for the retreats by contacting the Retreat Directors, Chad Steinberger at 733-0430 or Sis Green at 237-6330. (Women's signup will begin December 17<sup>th</sup>.) You will also find Registration forms at the back of Church that may be turned in to any ACTS steam member. Please prayerfully consider whether you are being called to attend an ACTS Retreat. God is good!

**SAFE ENVIRONMENT** – Safe and Sacred is the new safe environment program for the Diocese of Fort Worth (Former program Keeping Children and Vulnerable Adults Safe). You may enroll/renew online. Please send an e-mail to [windscot@comcell.net](mailto:windscot@comcell.net) and ask for instructions or if you are up for renewal. Thank you.

#### **REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!**

Caroline Anderle, Zack Andrus, Conner Berardi, Andy Berend, Don Billbrey, Patience Blake, J.C. Birkenfield, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Daphne Borgman, Diane Borgman, Deacon Don Brown, David Carcaño, Maria Carcaño, Henry Chafin, Jesús Colchado, Sue Conrady, Freida Day, Leanne Dennis, Brad Dennis, Karen Edge, **Danielle Mueller Fontenot**, Royce Gilmore, Marlene Ermis Marshall, Jeanne Fischer, Father Nicholas Fuhrmann, Kimberly Fulford, Sister Marie Green, Jerry Gibson, Artie Hallenbeck, Floyd Hilbers, Mildred Hilbers, Margie Himmels, Billie Hoff, Cathy Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frosty Hoff, Marvin Hoff Sr., Wilfred A. Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Chris Hogue, Libby Ingram, Casey Jeter, Judy Koetter, Jim Lowe, Brian Lucore, Kyler Marlar, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, Loretta Meurer, Frank Moer, Kathleen Moer, Anna Moloney, Clyde Morbitzer, Mary Morbitzer, Skylar Mueller, Steve Munchrath, Kim Nelson, Travis Nelson, Lena Ostermann, Raymond Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Henry Pennartz, Troy Pennartz, Gina Phillips, Michelle Hubbard Riddles, John Rife, Terry Shefflett, Cassey Schenk, Paul Schenk, Roch Schenk, Rosalie Schenk, Gerald Schreiber, Mike Schreiber Jr., Nelda Schreiber, Conner Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Richard Schroeder, Weldon Snyder, Caroline Stallcup, Kate Talley, Marie Teichman, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Anna Mae Veitenheimer, Margie Vieth, Charles Winkles, Sarah Witten, Dorothy V. Wolf, Kellar Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Larry Wolf, **Lillie Wolf**, Lorine Wolf, Martha Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Ronnie Wolf, Alphonse Zotz Jr., Chuck Zotz. If you wish your name removed or there are any changes, please call the office. **Prayer of the Faithful:** Lord Jesus, we lift those on our weekly list to you; You are the healer of the sick and we keep praying and hoping for those who are ill. May we continue to pray for all who are sick and hurting and may your peace come to each and every one of us. Amen.

**MILITARY PRAYER LIST** – Taylor Anderson (Air Force), Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Sgt. Damian Hoffman, Ethan Hoffman (Air Force), Sgt. Whitney Jeter (Marine), Sgt. Nicholas Klein (Army), Jess Martinez (Army), Blake Newby (Army), Kenneth (K.J.) Nichols (Army), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Hank Schenk (Air National Guard), 1<sup>st</sup> Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), Staff Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Sgt. Ann Schreiber Turner (Air Force), Sgt. Matt Turner (Air Force), Ben Veitenheimer (Navy), Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army). (If there are any changes or additions please call the office.) Dear Heavenly Father, please protect our troops as they protect us. Bless them and their families for all that they are doing for us in our time of need. We ask this in the name of Jesus. Amen.



**ST. MARY'S 7-DAY LIGHTS:** Marlene & Donnie by her parents; In thanksgiving by Floyd & Mildred; Linda y her parents; Special Intention by Donor (Okla.); For Special Help and My Intentions by a Donor; Tom Hoff, Mike Hoff, Mark Hoff by Mom; My Family, Marlene Marshall, Annette Meurer, Frank Moer, My Special Intention, Thanks for all my favors, Thanks to all for your prayers by Jo Ann Hoff; Leonard & Vera Ann, Margie Reeves, Mildred Lindemann, Frances Hoffman, Frank Moer, Our Family, The parishioners of St. Mary's and St. Boniface, Father Michael, Deacon Don and Helen Brown by Stella and Ronnie; Our Children, Our Grandsons, Tony & Gladys Wolf Family, Bill & Stella Hoffman Family, Paul & Rosalie Schenk, Mrs. Alvin Wolf, Lillie Wolf, Jolene & Ernie Prescher, Annette Meurer, Jess Meurer, For all the Sick & Hurting, For World Peace, For Good Health by John & Maxine Veitenheimer; Tom & Leann Hoff, Joe & Stacy Wolf, Lillie & John Wolf, Stella & Ron Hoffman, Mildred Lindemann by Alfred & Cordella; Paul & Rosalie Schenk, Judy Koetter, Annette Meurer, Aunt Frances Hoffman, Pam Wolf, Fr. Michael Moloney, Deacon Don & Helen Brown, Margaret Beaman, Glenda Schroeder, Our Special Intention, Tony & Gladys Wolf Family by Ernie & Jolene; Lorine Wolf, "Happy Birthday" Mother, Full Recovery for Tom Hoff, Aunt Margie, All the sick of St. Mary's & St. Boniface Parishes by Frank & Joyce; A Happy Birthday and Healthy Year for Mom V., A full & speedy recovery for Lillie Wolf, For all the sick of the Parish and Community, For those families experiencing the loss of loved ones, Special Intentions by Scott & Jean; Happy Birthday Pauline Cassidy, Helen Berend in Heaven, Happy Birthday Annette Fleitman, Rosalie Schenk my classmate, Connie Steinberger Happy Birthday, Safety for Ben Wolf and Chip Daigle, My Children & Grandchildren, Good health for Margie & Jolene Prescher, Annette Meurer by Ann Veitenheimer; Healing for Judy, Annette, Jess, Tom & Leann Hoff, Our Family by Charles & Glenda; Our Family, Mom & Dad Hoff, Mom & Dad Wolf, Father Michael, Deacon Don & Helen, Anna Moloney, Uncle Jr. & Aunt Rosalie, Tanya & Mike, Tom & Leann, Frank & Kathleen Moer, Joe, Stacy & Michael & Stacy's Mom, For the continued good health of Annette, Judy & Gail, Pam, Tony Wolf Family, Bill Hoffman Family, Aunt JoAnn & Bill, Our Brothers, Sisters and Families, Willie, Darren, Hessey & Family by Randy & Gina Wolf; **YEARLY LIGHTS:** The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For World Peace and the safety of all our military, especially for Staff Sgt. Damian Hoffman (Army), Ethan Hoffman (Air Force) and Maj. David Ogura (Army) by Grandmommy; Our Family by Alfred & Cordella; For our Military Personnel by V. F. W. Auxiliary Post #267; For Students of W. I. S. D. & C. D. A. #296 Members by C. D. A. #296; Ben's Safety by Mom & Dad; For our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse and Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Arnold

& Lillian Lindeman by the Family; Thomas & Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; In loving memory of Rusty & Shannon and all dear departed of Lindemann & Green Families, For my Children & Grandchildren to always stay faithful to the Church and its teachings, don't fall away and to keep God in their lives, For peace, our beloved country, and all the brave military, For the sick & elderly of our parishes and for all my dear friends who are so kind and helpful to me, For all the faithful Priests and Religious and for more vocations by Geraldine Lindemann; For the Living & Deceased Members of the Charles & Mary Lindeman Family, Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran & Brett Hoff by Benny Lindeman; My Family by Ann Veitenheimer; For my Family and for Bruce by Anna Mae Veitenheimer; For my Family by Lena Ostermann; For my Family by Margaret Beaman; For my Family by Elmer Schroeder; For our Family by Henry & Mildred Pennartz; For the safety and welfare of Blake Newby (Army) by Grandma Dorothy V. Wolf; Joe Schreiber & Joseph Schreiber, Jr. by Agnes Schreiber; Mom by Johnnie & Alice; Janice, Ed & Catherine and Lois Luig and Geraldine's health by Eddie Luig; For our Family by Marvin & Elsie Hoff; Floyd Humpert by Betty; Sick and hurting of St. Mary's Christian Mothers Society by St. Mary's Christian Mothers; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30.

**YEARLY LIGHTS WILL BE DUE AT THE END OF THE YEAR.** Please let the office know if you wish to renew any lights from 2016.

**WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER –** "May the God of endurance and encouragement grant you to think in harmony with one another." As we await the coming of the Lord, let us live in our marriages with endurance and encouragement. Explore how by attending a WorldWide Marriage Encounter weekend on January 20-22, 2017. Dates fill fast. To apply, visit our website at <http://www.dfwme.org/apply>. For more information e-mail [apply@dfwme.org](mailto:apply@dfwme.org) or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a [emmdfw@gmail.com](mailto:emmdfw@gmail.com) o visite <http://wwwemmseccion21.org/>

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**PLENARY INDULGENCE:** The remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sin whose guilt has already been forgiven. A properly disposed member of the Christian faithful can obtain an indulgence under prescribed conditions through the help of the Church which, as the minister of redemption, dispenses and applies with authority the treasury of the satisfactions of Christ and the saints. An indulgence is partial if it removes part of the temporal punishment due to sin, or plenary if it removes all punishment.

**THE HOLY FATHER'S INTENTIONS FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER ARE:**

**Universal:** That the countries which take in a great number of displaced persons and refugees may find support for their efforts which show solidarity.

**Evangelization:** That within parishes, priests and lay people may collaborate in service to the community without giving in to the temptation of discouragement..

**The four conditions to receive a Plenary Indulgence** after going through the Door of Mercy in a designated Church are: Praying the Apostles Creed, Praying for the Intentions of the Holy Father, Going to Confession within a couple of weeks, and receiving Holy Communion weekly.

**PRAYER BEFORE MASS**

Almighty and ever-living God, I approach the sacrament of Your only-begotten Son Our Lord Jesus Christ, I come sick to the doctor of life, unclean to the fountain of mercy, blind to the radiance of eternal light, and poor and needy to the lord of heaven and earth.

Lord, in your great generosity, heal my sickness, wash away my defilement, enlighten my blindness, enrich my poverty, and clothe my nakedness. May I receive the bread of angels, the King of kings and Lord of lords, with humble reverence, with the purity and faith, the repentance and love, and the determined purpose that will help to bring me to salvation. May I receive the sacrament of the lord's Body and Blood, and its reality and power.

Kind God, may I receive the Body of Your only-begotten Son, our Lord Jesus Christ, born from the womb of the Virgin Mary, and so be received into His mystical body and numbered among His members.

Loving Father, as on my earthly pilgrimage I now receive Your beloved Son under the veil of a sacrament, may I one day see him face to face in glory, who lives and reigns with You forever. Amen.

Saint Thomas Aquinas.

**THE SEVEN SPIRITUAL WORKS OF MERCY:**

- 1 **Counsel the doubtful.**
- 2 **Instruct the ignorant.**
- 3 **Admonish sinners.**
- 4 **Comfort the afflicted**
- 5 **Forgive offenses.**
- 6 **Bear wrongs patiently.**
- 7 **Pray for the living and the dead.**

**THANKSGIVING AFTER MASS**

Lord, Father all-powerful and ever-living God, I thank You, for even though I am a sinner, your unprofitable servant, not because of my worth but in the kindness of your mercy, You have fed me with the Precious Body & Blood of Your Son, our Lord Jesus Christ.

I pray that this Holy Communion may not bring me condemnation and punishment but forgiveness and salvation. May it be a helmet of faith and a shield of good will. May it purify me from evil ways and put an end to my evil passions. May it bring me charity and patience, humility and obedience, and growth in the power to do good. May it be my strong defense against all my enemies, visible and invisible, and the perfect calming of all my evil impulses, bodily and spiritual. May it unite me more closely to you, the One true God, and lead me safely through death to everlasting happiness with You. And I pray that You will lead me, a sinner, to the banquet where you with Your Son and holy Spirit, are true and perfect light, total fulfillment, everlasting joy, gladness without end, and perfect happiness to your saints. Grant this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Saint Thomas Aquinas.

**PLANNED PARENTHOOD:** A common term for the practice of contraception or, when this fails, of abortion. Also the organized policy of governments and international cartels to coerce people by means of economic or other sanctions to practice contraception or abortion, or submit to sterilization.

**THE SEVEN CORPORAL WORKS OF MERCY:**

- 1 **Give drink to the thirsty.**
- 2 **Clothe the naked.**
- 3 **Shelter the homeless.**
- 4 **Visit the sick.**
- 5 **Visit the imprisoned.**
- 6 **Bury the dead.**
- 7 **Give alms to the poor.**

**PRAYER FOR LIFE**

Lord Jesus, come to our aid and bring an end to the horror of abortion and all the evils that flow from it. May every human being love and honor all human life, from the moment of conception to the moment of natural death; May we, Your disciples always choose the Gospel of Life. Through the Eucharist, the great sacrament of life, let us be Your instruments in bringing an end to the culture of death. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS TO CONSECRATED LIFE**

O God, throughout the ages you have called women and men to pursue lives of perfect charity through the evangelical counsels of poverty, chastity, and obedience. We give you thanks for these courageous witnesses of Faith and models of Inspiration. Their pursuit of holy lives teaches us to make a more perfect offering of ourselves to you. Continue to enrich your Church by calling forth sons and daughters who, having found the pearl of great price, treasure the Kingdom of Heaven above all things. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, One God forever and ever Amen.

DECEMBER 4, 2016 – DECEMBER 31, 2016

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<b>4</b> <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b> Confirmation Commitment Sunday K.C. Sausage Meal & C.D.A. J.C.D.A. Bake Sale Scotland St., Citizens C.C.D. Christmas Program Kn – 5 <sup>th</sup> in Church. 6:30pm	<b>5</b> Mass at St. Mary's 7:25am <b>Advent Penance Service</b> 7:00 pm St. Mary's	<b>6</b> St. Mary's Prayer Group 7am <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>7</b> Vigil Mass for Immaculate Conception at St. Mary's 7pm Christian Mothers meet after Mass St. Boniface Christian Mothers 7pm C.C.D. 6-12 classes	<b>8</b> Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass St. Boniface 7:30 am Mass St. Mary's 6:00 pm Josh Wilson Concert 7:15pm	<b>9</b> Mass at St. Mary's 7:25 am	<b>10</b> Confessions St. Mary's 4:00 – 4:40 <b>MASS 5:00 P.M.</b> <b>SPANISH MASS 7:00 P.M</b> Second Collection for Retired religious
<b>11</b> <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b> Second Collection for Retired Religious Youth Christmas Caroling 6pm Angel Tree Gifts for St. Boniface due today	<b>12</b> <b>Our Lady of Guadalupe</b> English Mass at St. Mary's 6:30 pm V.F.W. & V.F.W. Auxiliary 7 pm St. Mary's Finance Council meet after Mass	<b>13</b> St. Mary's Prayer Group 7am <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>14</b> <b>Adoration, Benediction &amp; Devotion 6 pm, Mass 7pm</b> Confessions after Mass. <b>Adoration Intentions:</b> <b>Unity in the Church</b> C.C.D. 6-12 classes St. Mary's 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree K.C. meet after Mass St. Boniface 3 <sup>rd</sup> Degree K.C. meet 7 pm	<b>15</b> Divine Mercy Chaplet 7:25 am St. Mary's <b>Mass St. Boniface 8:15 am</b>	<b>16</b> Mass at St. Mary's 7:25 am Christmas flower intentions due for St. Boniface & St. Mary's by noon.	<b>17</b> Confessions St. Mary's 4:00 – 4:40 <b>MASS 5:00 P.M.</b> <b>SPANISH MASS 7:00 P.M</b>
<b>18</b> <b>Fourth Sunday of Advent</b> Angel Tree Gifts for St. Mary's due today. St. Boniface Altar Society Christmas Party & meeting 2:00 pm	<b>19</b> Mass at St. Mary's 6:30 pm	<b>20</b> St. Mary's Prayer Group 7am <u>Church Office Closed</u>	<b>21</b> <b>Adoration, Benediction &amp; Devotion 6 pm, Mass 7pm</b> Confessions after Mass. <b>Adoration Intentions:</b> <b>Vocations.</b> C.D.A. meet after Mass.	<b>22</b> Mass St. Boniface 8:15 am	<b>23</b> Mass at St. Mary's 7:25 am	<b>24</b> Christmas Eve Mass times: St. Mary's 4:00 pm St. Boniface 4:00 pm Spanish Mass 8:00 pm
<b>25</b> <b>The Nativity of the Lord Christmas Day</b> Mass at St. Mary's 9:00 am	<b>26</b> Mass at St. Mary's 6:30 pm Care Givers Meet 6:30pm Church Office closed	<b>27</b> St. Mary's Prayer Group 7am <u>Church Office Closed</u> C.D.A. Nursing Home Party	<b>28</b> <b>Adoration, Benediction &amp; Devotion 6 pm, Mass 7pm</b> Confessions after Mass. <b>Adoration Intentions:</b> <b>World Peace</b>	<b>29</b> Mass at St. Boniface 8:15 am	<b>30</b> Mass at St. Mary's 7:25 am	<b>31</b> Confessions St. Mary's 4:00 – 4:40 <b>MASS 5:00 P.M.</b> <b>SPANISH MASS 7:00 P.M</b>



## ST. MARY'S ST. BONIFACE YOUTH NEWS

We will be Christmas Caroling with 4-H on Sunday December 11th. Meet at the parish hall at 6:00 pm. Come out and help us give back to our community. This is always a good time. Cocoa and cookies in parish hall after caroling. Bring your flashlight.

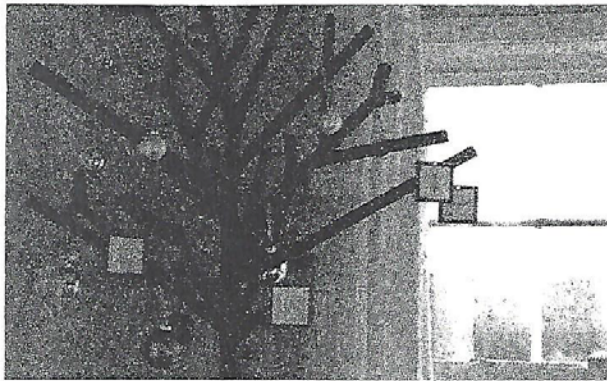


### *2017 Upcoming Dates:*

Confirmation Retreat January 14-15  
Second Sunday January 8  
Youth Subiaco Trip June 23-25

Second Sunday February 12  
Confirmation May 31

St. Mary's/St. Boniface Youth Ministry Is for all youth age 6<sup>th</sup> grade thru 12<sup>th</sup> grade. For more information regarding our youth ministry program contact Shelley Schlumpf at 940-423-6676.



## SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2016 SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT What's in your spiritual DNA?

Genealogy is popular these days. Perhaps you've traced your family lineage and learned where your ancestors came from and what their names were. It's meaningful to learn your family history and heritage because it's a part of your identity. From the Bible, we know the genealogy of Jesus, and at Christmastime we hear about Jesus' ancestor, Jesse, a good man from Bethlehem who fathered King David. Teach the children in your life about their faith inheritance as Christians by making a Jesse Tree with them as a crafts project—and reflect on what you've inherited from Jesse, too.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 11:1-10; Romans 15:4-9; Matthew 3:1-12 (4)*. "A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom."

## MONDAY, DECEMBER 5 ADVENT WEEKDAY Civil rights are sacred

On this day in 1955, the day of Rosa Parks' trial, the historic bus boycott began in Montgomery, Alabama in protest of her arrest. That day, some 40,000 African-American commuters chose to walk to work, no matter the distance. Despite many efforts (some violent) to put an end to the boycott, it lasted for a year. In June 1956, a district court declared that racial segregation laws were unconstitutional and in November of that year the Supreme Court upheld that ruling. We often forget that our notion of civil rights comes from our Christian heritage. Let's pray for rights for all, especially those who are most marginalized by our society.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26 (181)*. "Everyone was amazed and gave praise to God."

## TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6 MEMORIAL OF NICHOLAS, BISHOP Generous thoughts

Nicholas was a beloved fourth-century bishop who has been appropriated as a patron saint of sailors, fishermen, merchants, broadcasters, the falsely accused, repentant thieves, brewers, pharmacists, archers, pawnbrokers, and students! But for most of us, he is associated by legend with Christmas and immortalized in Clement Moore's poem, "A Visit from Saint Nicholas." His feast is like a little Christmas, a reminder that the feast you are about to celebrate in 18 days has little to do with material gift-giving and everything to do with generous love-giving. Stories about Nicholas involve anonymous generosity to someone in need. Be generous today in honor of old Saint Nick!

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14 (182)*. "Here is your God! Here comes with power the Lord God."



Invest just five minutes a day, and your faith will deepen and grow—a day at a time.

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## WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

### MEMORIAL OF AMBROSE, BISHOP, DOCTOR OF THE CHURCH Be a spirited voice for unity

We live in polarized times. How can we find our way past our divisions? Perhaps Ambrose, a holy man from the fourth century, can suggest a way forward. Back in the day, arguments over the divinity of Christ spilled into disputes over church leadership. Ambrose, who at the time wasn't even a baptized Christian, appealed to all factions and was spontaneously called forth as bishop by popular acclaim. The Spirit moves in surprising ways. Be a force for unity wherever you find division: in your church, your community, your family.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30 (183)*. "Take my yoke upon you and learn from me, for I am meek and humble of heart."

## THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY; PATRONAL FEAST DAY OF THE UNITED STATES Mary, mother of America

It's been one month since Election Day in the United States. Whether your candidate won or lost, today is an opportunity to pray for our nation. In tumultuous times, it's comforting to know that we have an advocate in the Blessed Mother, patroness of the United States. Mary watches over each one of us and in a special way our country. As we celebrate her Immaculate Conception, let us ask her intercession on behalf of our nation—that we might have the courage and perseverance to follow her example of fidelity to grace and obedience to God's will.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12; Luke 1:26-38 (689)*. "Do not be afraid, Mary, for you have found favor with God."

## FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9 MEMORIAL OF JUAN DIEGO CUAUHTLATZIN Happy Juan Diego day

Some Europeans in the newly conquered Americas considered natives to be less than fully human. But God chose Juan Diego, a poor, humble native man, to be his messenger by sending Our Lady of Guadalupe to him. This meant that all indigenous people were important. In 2002 Pope John Paul II canonized him as the first indigenous saint of the American continent, saying, "Happy Juan Diego, true and faithful man! Look with favor upon the pain of those who are suffering in body or in spirit, on those afflicted by poverty, loneliness, marginalization, or ignorance. May all people, civic leaders and ordinary citizens alike, always act in accordance with the demands of justice and with respect for the dignity of each person, so that in this way peace may be reinforced."

TODAY'S READINGS: *Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19 (185)*. "Wisdom is proved right by her deeds."

## SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10 ADVENT WEEKDAY What are we waiting for?

An empty chair at the Passover table waits for Elijah. He's the mysterious prophet in 2 Kings who flew to heaven on a fiery chariot. Elijah's return is anticipated as the hour of restored justice. Jesus tells us not to wait on Elijah: The time for justice is already here. Since 1948 on this day, the United Nations has promoted International Human Rights Day. It's a time to declare that equality, freedom, peace, hope, dignity, rule of law, prosperity, and justice belong to all, not just to the lucky ones. Stand up for global human rights.

TODAY'S READINGS: *Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13 (186)*. "Elijah will indeed come and restore all things; but I tell you that Elijah has already come."