



*St. Mary Catholic Church
Windthorst, TX*

St. Mary / 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., PASTOR

"There's no such thing as a bad priest, just priests whose people don't pray enough for them." St. John Vianney

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BAPTISMAL PREPARATION

On the 3rd Sunday of the month at 6:00 pm.
Call the Church Office or Deb Schreiber (940-704-6537) or
Karley Buerger (940-631-3439) to register for classes.

Marriage Preparation

contact the office at least nine to 12 months prior
to wedding date

RCIA/OCIA

contact Fr. Michael at 782-3200/ mmoloney@comcell.net
Brooke McLemore: bamclemore@yahoo.com
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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

Every Saturday 3:15 – 4:15 pm, Wednesdays 6:00-6:30 pm
& Anytime, Any Day by Appointment

St. Boniface Every Last Thursday of the month @ 5:30 pm

Hispanic Ministry

Call Oscar or Alma Contreras at 423-6918 or 940-224-8183

Safe Environment Program

Call Suzette Schreiber @ (940) 631-6301

Mass Schedule for the Week

All Sunday Masses will be live-streamed

Sunday
4:00 PM

December 24 – St. Mary's Christmas Eve
Intentions of Parishioners

Monday
8:00 AM

December 25 – St. Boniface Christmas
†Kathie Hilbers by Albert & Family

Monday
10:00 AM

December 25 – St. Mary's Christmas
Intentions of Parishioners

Tuesday

December 26 – St. Mary's

9:00 A.M. Intention of Father Michael

Wednesday December 27 – St. Mary's

9:00 A.M. Mary Lou Veitenheimer

by Jill & David Bowyer

6:00 P.M. Novena

Thursday
6:00 PM

December 28 – Boniface

†James Vieth Sr.
by Albert Hilbers

Friday
3:00 PM

December 29 – St. Mary's

†Ernie Prescher
by Margaret Beaman

Saturday
8:00 AM

December 30 – St. Mary's

†Helen Pennartz O'Neal
by Father Michael

5:00 PM

Parishioners

Sunday
8:00 AM

December 31 – St. Boniface

†Dwain Moer
by Joyce, Grant, Jessica & Families

Sunday
10:30 AM

December 31 – St. Mary's

†Rita Luig
by JoAnn Hoff

ST. MARY'S MINISTERS**Sunday December 24th - Sunday December 31st****SUNDAY DECEMBER 24th 4:00 PM****Servers** – Nolan Schreiber, Ella Berend, Leah Anderle,
Graham Berend, Kastin Wolf**Reader** – Gina Wolf**Eucharistic Ministers:** Ricky Schreiber, Diane Schroeder
Whitney Schreiber (choir)**Ushers** – Roy Koetter, Robert Baumer,
Doug Berend, David Green**MONDAY DECEMBER 25TH 10:00 AM****Servers** – Jaxon West, Kendall Gregory, Luke Gregory, Kyson
Gregory, Jake Schroeder**Reader** – Ted Neeb**Eucharistic Ministers:** Mike Yandell, Craig Anderle,
Kim Yandell (choir)**Ushers** – Donnie Fleitman, Terry Schroeder, David McCann**TUESDAY DECEMBER 26TH 9:00 AM****Reader** - Volunteer**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 27TH 9:00 AM****Reader** – Volunteer**FRIDAY DECEMBER 29th 3:00 PM****Reader** - Volunteer**SATURDAY DECEMBER 30th 8:00 AM****Reader** - Volunteer**SATURDAY DECEMBER 30th 5:00 PM****Servers** – Nolan Schreiber, Ella Berend, Lucas Petro,
Sophia Petro, Kastin Wolf**Reader** – Suzette Schreiber**Eucharistic Ministers:** Michael Schroeder, Beth Geis,
June Schroeder (choir)**Ushers** – Doug Wolf, M.J. Geis, Leo Hoff Jr., Mike Rueschenberg**SUNDAY DECEMBER 31st 10:30 AM****Servers** – Brady Frazier, Brady Wolf, Braiden Messineo,
Leah Anderle, Jake Schroeder**Reader** – Kim Yandell**Eucharistic Ministers:** Brooke McLemore, Dawn Vieth
Matt McLemore (choir)**Ushers** – Donnie Fleitman, David McCann, Terry Schroeder**CHILDREN'S LITURGY** – None**Eucharistic Minister to Homebound: December 24th**
Joyce Wolf**December 31st** Elizabeth & Bert Hoff**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$4538.00 Loose \$273.00**Bldg. Fund** \$125.00 **Retired Religious** \$60.00**COUNTERS MONDAY DECEMBER 27th 9:15 AM**

Roy Koetter, Darla Schroeder, Debbie Schroeder

ST. BONIFACE MINISTERS**Monday December 25th - Sunday December 31st****THURSDAY DECEMBER 28th 6:00 PM****SUNDAY DECEMBER 31ST 8:00 AM****Servers** – Maddie Idell, Natalie Anderle, Matthew Anderle**Reader** – Keith Teichman**Eucharistic Ministers of Holy Communion-**

Cassidy Koetter, Patsy Stallcup

Ushers – Kenneth Veitenheimer, Logan Veitenheimer**SUPPORT** – Envelopes \$1240.00 Loose \$92.00**ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS****SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** for all
parishioners to have a very blessed and safe Christmas.**THANK YOU:** St. Mary's wishes to thank Jerry & Margaret
Smith for their generous donation to St. Mary's Cemetery Fund
in memory of Ernie Prescher & Jim Poirot**THANK YOU:** St. Mary's would like to thank St. Mary's Christian
Mothers' Society for their generous donation to St. Mary's/St.
Boniface Youth group.**ST. MARY'S CHRISTIAN MOTHERS' SOCIETY** will hold the
January meeting on January 22, 2024 after the 6:00 pm Mass
and Novena. Hope to see you there. Note: No CMS meeting on
Jan. 3rd.**WINDTHORST SR. CITIZENS** meet every Tuesday at 1 pm
at the Berend Family Center for bingo & games. All are welcome.**ST. MARY'S CHRISTIAN MOTHERS' SOCIETY** will be
sponsoring their annual Pilgrimage this next year. The date is
February 17, 2024. More information will be coming soon about
the Blessed Stanley Rother Shrine in Oklahoma City.**ST. BONIFACE ANNOUNCEMENTS****SANCTUARY LIGHT WILL BURN THIS WEEK** In
Thanksgiving to our Lord for all the blessings bestowed on us
by Jerry & Margaret Smith & Pedro & Jessica Cruz**7 DAY LIGHTS:** For Our Parents, All those serving in the
military especially Josh Teel, All those suffering or in pain,
Welfare of Royal Hoffman by Kenneth, Laurie, & Jenna
Veitenheimer; Merry Christmas in Heaven, we can only Imagine.
In memory of Our Parents & All Our Loved Ones by Joe & Shirley
Hoff; Prayers for the sick & hurting. Especially Billy Burks &
Jarrod Canada by Joe Hoff; Special Prayers for Billy Burks &
Jarrod, Blessings for all the sick & hurting, Especially Colleen
Schreiber for complete healing. Merry Christmas to all by Joyce
Moer;**ST. BONIFACE STAINED-GLASS WINDOWS:** The St.
Boniface beautiful stained-glass windows need a little TLC. A
glass expert has looked at the windows and has proposed:
removing and cleaning the protective plexiglass, cleaning the 16
stained-glass windows, caulking the windows as needed, and
paint the wooden window frames. The cost of the project is
\$25,500. If you would like to donate to this St. Boniface project,
a separate account has been set up at the Church office. Please
note stained-glass windows in the memo area of your check.
Thank you!**ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR BOTH PARISHES****BULLETIN NOTICES ARE DUE BY 12 NOON ON
WEDNESDAYS. THE BULLETIN IS PRINTED ON
THURSDAYS.****THE PILGRIM VIRGIN STATUE:** will be in the home of John
& Lillie Wolf Family the week of December 31st. They, as well
as all of us are asked to pray for world peace, military, and
vocations.

January 7 Bernard & Pat Scheffe

January 14 Lester & Florence Anderle

**MASS TIMES: PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN FOR ANY
MASS TIME CHANGES THROUGHOUT THE WEEK:** Please
see attached calendar for Mass times.**DUE TO A SHORT BULLETIN THIS WEEK, PLEASE SEE
THE ATTACHED CALENDAR FOR ANY CANCELLATIONS
OR CHANGES TO EVENTS. THANK YOU.**

CONFESSIONS: Wednesdays 6:00 pm at St. Mary's; Saturdays 3:15 to 4:15 pm at St. Mary's & 1st Saturdays at 7:00 am at St. Mary's. Confessions at St. Boniface, last Thursday of the month at 5:30.

WINDTHORST KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #1824 NYE

DINNER/DANC/DRWDOWN RAFFLE: Sunday, December 31, 2023 6:00 PM – Midnight Berend Family Center Catered by Zeke's BBQ Entertainment by 380 West Band Tickets \$75.00 (includes 2 dinners & 1 raffle chance) /\$25.00 raffle chance Grand Prize: Choice of 4 Vacation Packages, additional prizes throughout the night. TICKETS WILL BE AVAILABLE AT THE SAUSAGE MEAL OR FROM ANY K OF C MEMBER.

ATTENTION 2024 SENIORS: If you are a member of the JCDA or a son/daughter, grandson/granddaughter, or nephew/niece of a CDA member, you are eligible for the Texas CDA State Memorial Scholarship. The postmark deadline for the scholarship is January 31, 2024. For more details or an application, please contact Whitney Schreiber at 940-631-8328 or Darla Tackett at WISD 940-423-6608.

MONTHLY ROSARY FOR PEACE & REPARATION: In May of 1917 Our Blessed Lady appeared to the 3 children of Fatima for the first time with a message from Heaven and hope for humanity. She promised God would grant peace to the entire world if Her requests for, *Prayer, especially the Rosary, *Penance & Reparation, *the First Saturday Devotion & *Consecration to the Immaculate Heart of Mary were observed. Our Lady's message is more timely now than ever in light of the many sins of men and the turning away from God and living Faith. As a means to help promote Fatima and the remedy given to us by Our Lady. The Knights of Columbus will be sponsoring the next monthly Rosary for Peace. This Rosary will be **Sunday, January 14, after 10:30 am Mass. PLEASE** make this a priority and **JOINING US!**

LITURGICAL WORKSHOPS JAN. 4,11,18,25 & FEB. 1, 2021 7:00-9:30pm SACRED HEART – WICHITA FALLS, TX:

Last year Fr. Thu held general liturgical workshops in 6 locations throughout the diocese for all liturgical coordinators and those who were interested in liturgy. Over 300 attended these great sessions, appreciating and understanding the mystery in liturgy. Several priests & deacons also found it is resourceful. This year, the Liturgy & Worship Office is offering workshop in 9 locations with presentations in English, Spanish & Vietnamese being presented. If you are a liturgical coordinator in in any of the various parish liturgical ministries, especially those assisting at the Eucharist, you are encouraged to attend. Priests, deacons, Liturgy coordinators, Altar Server trainers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion Coordinators, & Worship Coordinators are encouraged to take part in this training. Please use the link below to register. Once there, click on the link for the workshop for Sacred Heart in Wichita Falls. Link for workshop: <https://form.jotform.com/DioceseFW/liturgical-workshop>

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER: "I am the voice of one crying out in the desert, 'make straight the way of the Lord.'" Whose voice are you listening to, the world or God? Invite God into your marriage by participating in the next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experience. The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend is Feb. 2-4, 2024. To apply go to www.wwme.org. Questions – email applications@dfwme.org or call 469-444-0904. Para mas informacion de Encuentro Matrimonial en Espanol, escriba a mdgallegos06@gmail.com 214-497-0188.

REMEMBER THE FOLLOWING IN YOUR PRAYERS!

Caroline Anderle, Debbie King Appeal, Jim Baumhardt, Margaret Beaman, Angie Berend, Bernadine Berend, Carol Berend, Chuck Berend, Gerald Berend, Jean Berend, Teresa Lindeman Birkenfield, Patience Blake, Toni Blaze, Starlet Borgman, Mabel Bowlden, Karen Brewer, Lonnie Buerger, Billie Burks, David Carcaño, Bill Cardin, Janette Carrera, Jesús Colchado, Sharlotta Connally, Jerry Cooper, John Deeson, Marion D'entremont, Ryan Essler, Jeanne Fischer, Annette Fleitman, Danielle Mueller Fontenot, Emily Foster, Art Frerich, Cindy Frerich, Kimberly Fulford, Tyler Ferguson, Savannah Syrus Garcia, Tootsie Gardner, Carolyn Gibbs, Jim Green, Sister Marie Green, Tammie Gutierrez, Theresa Grewing, Stan Hammack, Chris Hemmi, Helen Ann Hemmi, Betty Hilbers, Billie Hoff, Elsie Hoff, Ernie Hoff, Frances Hoffman, Ida Hoff, Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff, Myra Hoffman, Ray Hoffman Jr., Terry Hoffman, Melissa Hogan, Monica Green Hughes, Pat Humpert, Libby Ingram, Donnie Johnson, Gary Julian, JoAnn (Schenk) Klein, Julie Koetter, Robert W. Krah, Phyllis Lawrence, Shirley Litteken, Jennifer Lindemann, Mildred Lindemann, Misty Lindley, Gerry Meurer, Jessa Loraus, Brian Lucore, Kyler Marlar, Agnes McDonald, Lexsey McLemore, Jess Meurer, Sonia Meurer, Hans Meyer, Skylar Mueller, Tonya Mooney, Debbie Moer, Clarence Ostermann, Patty Ostermann, Rita Pearson, Colby Peterson, Gina Phillips, Phillip Rafferty, Paige Rameriz, Vickie Rinebold, Bradley Rodgers, Marilene Renee Rodriguez, Mary Jo Russe, Carol Sales, Bertha Mae Schenk, Cassey Schenk, Frank Schenk, Roch Schenk, Bobby Scheffe, Madi Scogin, David "Aggie" Schreiber, Gerald Schreiber, Nancy Schreiber, Nelda Schreiber, Roxanne Schreiber, Vicki Schreiber, Alex Schroeder, Lauren Schroeder, Linda Schroeder, Johnny Schroeder, Margaret Schroeder, Mary Lou Schroeder, Rosalee Schroeder, Ryan Schroeder, Helen Seigler, Geneva Schroeder Simpson, Jim Simpson, David Smith, Jolynn Smith, Lisa Smith, Weldon Snyder, Danielle Mueller Sontenot, Harold Stallcup, Sue Steinberger, Koen Sternadel Kate Talley, Margaret Green Tift, Trent Tipton, Randy Townsend, Ann Veitenheimer, John Veitenheimer, Maxine Veitenheimer, Ralph Veitenheimer, Tim Vieth, Paul Wachsmann, David Williams, Shirley Williams, Charles Winkles, Jim Wolf, Kenny Wolf, Pauline Wolf, Alphonse Zotz Jr., Bruce Zotz, Chuck Zotz, Harola Zotz.

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

ST. MARY'S 7 DAY LIGHT: Gerald, Charles & Glenda, +Bill & +Dorothy, Our Family, Father Michael, Carol & Terry, Denise & Cooper, Margaret Beaman, Debbie & Eddie Moer, Lexsey McLemore, Matt, Brooke & Family, Don & Benita Essler, Nelda Schreiber, Jolene Prescher & Family, Justin Coleman Family, All Our Wonderful Friends, Our Community, World Peace by Gerald & Deb Schreiber; Merry Christmas & a Happy New Year to: Father Michael, Margaret Beaman, Jeanne & Bobby Fischer, Ray & Myra Hoffman, Chuck & Diane Zotz, Terry & Kathy Hoffman, My sister, Ida, My Sisters-In-Law, My Grandchildren, My Great Grandchildren, My Great, Great Grandchildren, All Friends, All Relatives, Gary & Jennifer Julian, Charles & Connie Winkles by France Hoffman; Father Michael, Margaret Beaman, Benita Essler, Lexsey McLemore, David Smith, Lisa Smith, Gerald Schreiber, Gary Hoff, Debbie Moer, All those struggling this Christmas Season, Our Family by James Vieth Jr. Family; Successful Treatment for Debbie Moer by Eddie Moer; Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer, Gerald & Sherry Berend, All the Ladies of Tuesday morning Bible Study & Their Families, Frances Hoffman & Family, Jim Morath Family, Shirley Williams, Margaret Beaman, Mitzie Veitenheimer & Gina Wolf, CCD Teachers & Helpers, Lexsey McLemore & Family, John & Maxine Veitenheimer, Our Family, Bill Boykin & Family, All the Sick & Hurting of St. Mary's & St. Boniface Parishes, For a Bountiful Rain by Denise & Jerry Cooper; Special Intention by Bill Hoffman Jr., Ryan Essler by Don & Benita Essler; My Family, My Special Intentions by JoAnn Hoff; Pauline Hoff, Willie L. Hoff by Dean & Wina Church; +Ed & +Alvina Veitenheimer, +Jake & +Louise Horn by Jerry & Virgie Horn; Lexsey McLemore & Family, Gerald & Deb Schreiber, by Suzette & Richard Schreiber; Our Family by Marilyn & Richard Wachsman; Carol Sales by Ray Berend Family; Our Sick Members, For an increase in Priestly & Consecrated Life Vocations by CDA #296.

YEARLY LIGHTS: Henry Pennartz Family & their intentions by Roy Pennartz; Terry & Carol Sales by Ray & Dorothy Berend; +Leroy Anderle & +Jerry Anderle by Caroline & Family; Our Family by Gerald & Sherry Berend; In memory of +Janice, +Ed & +Catherine, +Lois Luig, +Nancy Luig Carr & +Geraldine Lindemann by Eddie Luig Family; For World Peace & for my family, Jeanne & Family, Ray & Myra & Family, Chuck & Diane Zotz & Family, Terry & Kathy & Family, Dolores Sumner & Family by Frances Hoffman; Living & Deceased Members of Catholic Life Insurance Branch #30; Our Family & For The Safety of Our Military by Ralph & Clara; For +Joe Schreiber & +Joseph Schreiber by Agnes Schreiber; For Mom by Johnnie & Alice; For Students of W.I.S.D. & C.D.A. #296 Members by C.D.A. #296; The Holy Spirit's Daily Guidance in Endeavors for each member of my family by Donor; For +Lawrence & +Helen Berend Family by Terry & Carol Sales; For Special Intentions by Neil & Barbara Hoff; For Our Family by Joe & Lugenia Zotz; +Arnold & +Lillian Lindeman by the Family; +Thomas & +Leona Schlumpf by Danny Schlumpf Family; For our

Family by Frank & Joyce Wolf; For all our Family by Don & Benita Essler; For the Welfare of Our Family 2023 by Bernard & Pat Scheffe; Intentions of the Members of St. Mary's Christian Mothers' Society by the Christian Mothers' Society; +Martha & +Larry by Kenny Wolf

Safety of Volunteer Firemen & Safety of Ben Wolf, Gina Loran, Brett Hoff, Corey George, Greg Schlumpf, Holly Johnston, Sabrina Johnston, Living and Deceased Members of Charles & Mary Lindemann family by Benny Lindeman; "Thanksgiving prayer for all blessings received for my family, community and our country" by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff; For the Safety of Parker & Garrett Amy on their Military Journey by Richard & Marilyn Wachsman; Living & Deceased Members of Alphonse & Caroline Zotz by the Family; For our Family by George & Juanita Martin; My Family by Margaret Beaman; Living & Deceased members of Himmels Family, For my family & +Al Veitenheimer by Ann Veitenheimer; Dad & Mom by Nubbin & Angela; +Floyd & Betty Humpert by the Family; For My Family & In Memory of +Alfred Berend by Cordella; In memory of Duane & for Our Family by Pat & James Zotz; For those battling cancer & heart disease by Joyce & Charlie Vieth; Pauline Hoff & Willie L. Hoff by Wina & Dean Church; Guidance & Protection for our Military Service Men & Women by V.F.W.; +Willie Hoff, Pauline Hoff & Willie L. Hoff by Dean & Wina Church

MILITARY PRAYER LIST – Taylor D. Anderson (Army), Charles Berend, Jr. (Navy), Fermin Estrada Jr., (Army), Sgt. Bill Foster, Capt. Sean Fuhrmann (Marines), Specialist Benny Garcia, Lt. Colonel Tony Garcia (Navy), Luke Grotelueschen (Army), Captain Brian Hoff (Marine), Tracey Hoff (Navy), Damian Hoffman (Army), Sgt. Major Nicholas Klein (Army), Stephen Koetter (Army), Adam Lambert (Army), James Devon Lindeman (Army), PVT Miguel Luna Jr., Jess Martinez (Army), Private Thomas McCann (Army), Joshua Millican (Navy), Major David Ogura (Army), Kyle Page (Marine), Frank Prokop, (Colorado Air National Guard), Sgt. Robert Rhinehart, Private Trey Schenk (Marine), Tracy Hoff Schmitt (Army), 1st Class Craig Slaten (Air Force), Staff Sgt. Ricky Smith (Air Force), Judy Solorio (Navy), 1st Lt. Josh Teel (Army National Guard), Master Sgt. Matthew Tubbs, Josh Winter (Army), Major Audrey Wolf (Army), Zachary Zotz (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.

Fourth Sunday of Advent

"Hail, full of grace, the Lord is with you!" Luke 1:28

After Jesus, we look to Mary as an ideal steward. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's call. Mary teaches us to live with joy for all we have been given. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we are called to reflect Christ's light to the world through our gratitude and generosity.



ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

In memory of Lawrence & Rose Mary Schroeder, In memory of Mina Anderle, In memory of Jim Lowe,
In memory of Jack Gosler, In memory of George & Lucy Humpert, In memory of Frank & Margaret Schroeder
by Donnie & Cindy Frerich

In memory of Bill Hoffman Sr., In memory of Alfred & Pauline Berend, In memory of Frank & Elizabeth Hoffman
by Stella & Ron Hoffman

In memory of Our Parents, In honor of Our family, In honor of Father Michael & Our Parish Family
by Ralph & Clara Veitenheimer

In memory of Mr. & Mrs. Frank Wachsman, In memory of Mr. & Mrs. L.A. & Helen Berend,
In memory of Rusty & Geraldine Lindemann, In memory of Carol Hudak, In memory of Margie Himmels,
In memory of Ray Edward Berend, In memory of Griffin Berend, In honor of Terry & Carol Sales,
In honor of Ann Veitenheimer, In honor of Mabel Bowlden, In honor of Annette Fleitman
by Richard & Marilyn Wachsman

In honor of Jim & Lois Wolf, In honor of Marie Veitenheimer, In memory of Lois Luig & Adolph Veitenheimer,
In memory of George & Anna Mae Veitenheimer, In memory of Bill & Dorothy Schreiber by Doug & Betty Wolf

In memory of Our Dads –Bill Berend & Al Veitenheimer, In honor of Our Moms – Angie Berend & Ann Veitenheimer
by Jean & Scott Berend

In loving memory of Robert & Lorine Wolf, In memory of Al Veitenheimer & In honor of Ann Veitenheimer,
In memory of Aunt Margie Himmels by Frank & Joyce Wolf

In memory of Martha Wolf by Darin & Julie Wolf

In memory of Capt. Manuel & Alice Martins, Heroshi & Henri Seto, Raymond & Janette Carrier, Patrick Lawrence &
Frank & Julia Luciano, In honor of Martin Rice Family, James Rice & Family, Teresa & Mike Reynolds & Family, &
Christopher Rice & Family by Vivian Rice

In memory of Brad Wolf, In memory of Alvin Wolf, In memory of Gladys Wolf, In memory of Richard Deason,
For God's healing hand upon Dena & Riley, For the health & well being of Our Family by Pete & Wendy Wolf

In memory of Andy & Dolores Roewe, In memory of Urban J. & Frances Veitenheimer by John & Maxine Veitenheimer

In memory of Mom & Dad Koetter, In memory of Mom & Dad Meurer, In memory of Our Grandparents,
In honor of Father Michael, In honor of Aunt Shirley, In honor of Caregivers by Roy & Julie Koetter

In honor of Trivia Schlumpf, In memory of Elizabeth Schlumpf & Lenoa Schlumpf by Tommy Schlumpf II

In honor of Ann Veitenheimer, In honor of Lester & Florence Anderle, In honor of Josh, Wendy & Georgia Ruth Miller,
In honor of Margaret Beaman, In honor of Father Michael by Mike & Kim Yandell

In loving memory of August & Veronica Vieth by Charles & Joyce Vieth

In memory of George & Anna Mae Veitenheimer, In memory of Joe & Lucille Schroeder by Joey & Gai & Bruce

In honor of the Eucharistic Ministers to the Homebound, Thank you, Love, Pauline Hoff

In honor of Mom-Rosalee Schroeder & In loving memory of Dad – Richard Schroeder, In honor of Margaret Beaman by Denise & Cooper

In loving memory of Our Family Members, Emery, Magdalene, Leo, Paul & Kerri Berend, & Mike Day by Wayne & Laverne Lindemann

In memory of Gus & Nellie Berend & James & Nell Vieth by James Vieth Jr. Family

In honor of Our Family, In memory of Our Parents by Jim & Lois Wolf

IN memory of Louis & Roberta Schroeder, In memory of Alvin & Gladys Wolf by Danny & Debbie Schroeder

In memory of Debbie Hoff, In memory of Frosty Hoff, In memory of Bill Wolf, In memory of Frank & Kathleen Moer, In memory of Ed & Alvina Veitenheimer, In memory of Clarence & Dorothy Wolf, In memory of Marvin Hoff Sr. by Sean & Sarah Hoff

In memory of Tony & Ida Mae Hoff, In memory of Adolfo & Josefa Maglalang, Thanksgiving prayers for all blessings received for my family, our community & our country by Bert & Elizabeth Hoff

In memory of Janice Luig, In memory of Ed & Catherine Luig, In memory of Nancy Luig Carr, In memory of Rita Luig, In memory of Lois Luig, In memory of C.J. & Edna Green, In memory of Rusty & Geraldine Lindemann

In memory of Alvin & Gladys Wolf, In honor of Ernie & Billie Hoff by Neil & Barbara Hoff

In memory of Ernest & Apolina Schreiber, In memory of Melvin Hoagland & in honor of Wilma Hoagland by Mike & Nancy Schreiber



ST. BONIFACE CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

- In memory of Herman & Eleanor Frerich, In memory of Charlie Phillips, In memory of August & Ida Baumhardt,
In memory of J.B. & Lottie Frerich, In memory of S.A. & Elizabeth Frerich by Donnie & Cindy Frerich
- In loving memory of Pop by Frances
- In loving memory of Jason P. Schenk, In loving memory of Dillard C. Schenk,
In appreciation of All Our Volunteers of St. Boniface Parish by Bertha Mae Schenk
- In memory of Hugo Teichman, In memory of Marie Teichman, In memory of George Hoff, In Honor of Ida Hoff,
In memory of Griffin Berend, In memory of Ernie Prescher, In memory of Kaybree Coleman
by James & Gwen Teichman
- In memory of Oliver & Mildred Koetter, In memory of Hugo & Marie Teichman by Kenneth & Wanda Teichman
- In memory of Toddy & Cathy Hoff, Ira & Matilda Hulett, Dale, Becky & Dwain by Joe & Shirley Hoff & Family
- In memory of Dwain, Rita Luig, Frosty & Debbie Hoff, Al & Cathy & Frank & Kathleen &
All Our Other Dear Ones We've Lost by Joyce Moer
- In memory of Oscar & Seraphia Stallcup, In memory of Herman & Eleanor Frerich, In memory of Doug Stallcup,
In honor of Ida Mae Schroeder, In honor of Cindy Frerich by Harold & Patsy Stallcup
- In loving memory of Dad & Mom, Ed & Catherine Luig by Charles & Joyce Vieth
- In memory of Eleanor Frerich, In memory of Ed Schroeder,
In memory of all Deceased Members of August Baumhardt Family by Ida Mae Schroeder
- In loving memory of Lewis & Evelyn Lindemann, In loving memory of Our Dear Friend & Classmate, Rita Luig
by Wayne & Laverne Lindemann
- In memory of Kathie Hilbers & for All My Family by Albert
- In loving memory of Kathie Hilbers. I love you, In honor of Albert Hilbers. I love you by Debbie
- In memory of Jack & Margie Smith, In memory of Frank & Pauline Vieth, In memory of Our Grandparents,
In memory of John & Jo Cox, In memory of Margaret & Bill Peysen, In memory of Raymond & Ricky Vieth,
In memory of Jake Schenk, Steve Tisdale & Tony Wolf, In memory of Billy Bookout, In memory of Our Godparents,
In memory of Mary Beck & Doreen Hayes by Jerry & Margaret Smith
- In honor of Our Mother Sis Smith by Her Children – Dan, Dave, Debbie, Lisa & Dale
- In memory of my Loving Wife Yvette Smith by Dan Smith

Sunday, Dec 24, 2023

An embarrassment of riches

Every so many years, we experience this happy collision of observances: the last Sunday of Advent blossoms into Christmas Eve in a single day. Which means next week, the Feast of the Holy Family will roll into the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God by nightfall. It's a mad scramble for presiders, preachers, choirs, and liturgists to keep up with the whole, holy mess of these occasions. Parishioners too will be obliged to untangle the remarkable Mass schedule this landslide of liturgies creates. Consider it a cheerful reminder that liturgy gathers us into mysteries that are not finite but everlasting.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

TODAY'S READINGS: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Romans 16:25-27; Luke 1:26-38 (11). *"Therefore the child to be born will be called holy, the Son of God."*

Monday, Dec 25, 2023

The wonder of it all

In the early church, Christmas was actually not a major feast, but over the centuries it grew in importance, and Saint Francis of Assisi catapulted its popularity in 1223 by creating the first nativity scene in a cave with live animals. Christmas Midnight Mass was celebrated there and it was a huge hit with the whole town. The tradition of the Christmas crèche was born. Francis loved Christmas, considering it the "Feast of Feasts," because God chose to take the humble form of a poor baby. Let the wonder of the Incarnation imbue your day.

SOLEMNITY OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

TODAY'S READINGS: Vigil: Isaiah 62:1-5; Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Matthew 1:1-25 (13); Night: Isaiah 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14; Luke 2:1-14 (14); Dawn: Isaiah 62:11-12; Titus 3:4-7; Luke 2:15-20 (15); Day: Isaiah 52:7-10; Hebrews 1:1-6; John 1:1-18 (16). *"For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is Christ and Lord."*

Tuesday, Dec 26, 2023

For the love of Saint Stephen

On this second day of Christmas, consider words about true love—and Saint Stephen—from Saint Fulgentius, a North African bishop of the sixth century: "Love was Stephen's weapon by which he gained every battle, and so won the crown signified by his name. His love of God kept him from yielding to the ferocious mob; his love for his neighbor made him pray for those who were stoning him." Celebrate the Christmas octave with the same steadfast love the first Christian martyr showed his persecutors.

FEAST OF STEPHEN, FIRST MARTYR

TODAY'S READINGS: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Matthew 10:17-22 (696). *"They could not withstand the wisdom and the spirit with which he spoke."*

Wednesday, Dec 27, 2023

Through thick and thin

Beloved! That's what we know about today's saint—John the apostle is the "disciple whom Jesus loved." John was the last apostle to leave Jesus at the cross and one of the first to discover his Resurrection on Easter Sunday. He earned the title of evangelist by writing the fourth gospel (likely with help from his

followers). His account of Jesus' life has a more spiritual and mysterious air than those of Matthew, Mark, and Luke. But that doesn't mean he's otherworldly—after all, John is the patron saint of loyalty and friendships. Honor him today by visiting with a friend.

FEAST OF JOHN, APOSTLE, EVANGELIST

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 1:1-4; John 20:1a, 2-8 (697). *"What we have seen and heard we proclaim now to you, so that you too may have fellowship with us."*

Thursday, Dec 28, 2023

Mortal consequences

Amid the Christmas festivities, today the church has a somber reminder of the infants in the vicinity of Bethlehem who were slaughtered by King Herod in his fruitless effort to destroy Jesus. They were "collateral damage" that paved the way for Christianity, a faith that confesses to protecting the most vulnerable. In honor of the Holy Innocents, we might consider the many innocents who die prematurely because of lack of healthcare, pollution that results in disease, and isolation that leads to early death. Strive to be a force for life.

FEAST OF THE HOLY INNOCENTS, MARTYRS

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 1:5—2:2; Matthew 2:13-18 (698). *"God is light, and in him there is no darkness at all."*

Friday, Dec 29, 2023

The Catholic bucket list

Gift-giving at Christmastime is a common custom. Whether it's at home under a lit tree or at the secret Santa party at work, it's fun to give and receive. "Experience" gifts are becoming more a part of this custom: tickets to see a ballgame, an art class, a hiking trip. Experience gifts can be given any time, and we can even treat ourselves. Since it's the season of Christmas, let's think of Catholic experiences that we'd enjoy and create a kind of "Catholic bucket list." See the pope? Run a food pantry? Visit Assisi? Take a scripture class? Spend the rest of the Christmas season creating your own list.

FIFTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:3-11; Luke 2:22-35 (202). *"It had been revealed to [Simeon] by the Holy Spirit that he should not see death before he had seen the Christ of the Lord."*

Saturday, Dec 30, 2023

What is the purpose of life?

This age-old question has as many answers as there are questioners. For Catholics though, there is one simple answer: love. But when is love ever simple? Deep love can be complicated and even gut-wrenchingly hard. It can bring pain, longing, disquiet, questioning, loneliness, and sacrifice. Yet, "The pain that comes from deep love makes your love ever more fruitful," writes Henri Nouwen. Love is our purpose, and we join with those celebrating Kwanzaa who are reflecting this day on the principle of Nia, that is, purpose.

SIXTH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD

TODAY'S READINGS: 1 John 2:12-17; Luke 2:36-40 (203). *"Whoever does the will of God remains forever."*

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



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December 23— January 19, 2023

SATURDAY	SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY
<u>SATURDAY DEC. 23</u> St. Mary's 8:00am Mass St. Mary's Confessions 3:15-4:15pm St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card	<u>SUNDAY DEC. 24 4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT</u> <u>CHRISTMAS EVE</u> St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30AM Both Masses will be live-streamed St. Mary's Christmas Eve Mass 4:00pm Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card	<u>MON DEC. 25</u> <u>CHRISTMAS DAY</u> NO SCHOOL St. Boniface Mass 8:00 am St. Mary's Mass 10:00am <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u> <u>CHRISTMAS BLESSINGS</u>	<u>TUES DEC. 26</u> St. Mary's Mass 9:00am NO SCHOOL <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>WED DEC. 27</u> St. Mary's Mass 9:00am Novena 6:00pm NO SCHOOL <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>THURS DEC. 28</u> St. Boniface Confessions 5:30pm St. Boniface Mass 6:00pm NO SCHOOL <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>FRI DEC. 29</u> Men's Bible Study 6am St. Mary's Mass 3:00pm NO SCHOOL <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>
<u>SATURDAY DEC. 30</u> St. Mary's 8:00am Mass Baptism 11:00am St. Mary's Confessions 3:15-4:15pm St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card	<u>SUNDAY DEC. 31</u> St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM St. Mary's Mass 10:30AM Both Masses will be live-streamed Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card RCIA/OCIA after Mass	<u>MON JAN. 1</u> NO SCHOOL St. Mary's Mass 9:00AM <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>TUES JAN. 2</u> NO SCHOOL Sr. Citizens 1 PM <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>WED JAN. 3</u> NO SCHOOL Family Life & Mission Outreach 5pm (classroom) St. Mary's Adoration 6pm Confessions 6:00pm Benediction 6:45pm Mass 7:00pm 3 rd Degree K of C meeting #1745 7pm	<u>THURS. JAN. 4</u> NO SCHOOL Food Distribution (Parish Hall) 9am – 11am St. Boniface Mary 6:00 PM	<u>FRI JAN. 5 1ST FRIDAY</u> NO SCHOOL Men's Bible Study 6am St. Mary's Mass 3:00pm <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>
<u>SATURDAY JAN. 6 1ST SATURDAY</u> St. Mary's 7:00am Confessions 7:30am Rosary St. Mary's 8:00am Mass 8:30am Rosary Meditation (15 min) St. Mary's Confessions 3:15-4:15pm St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Annual Diocesan Appeal	<u>SUNDAY JAN. 7</u> <u>THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD</u> St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM Family Faith Formation 9:30 am St. Mary's Mass 10:30AM Both Masses will be live-streamed Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card RCIA/OCIA after Mass in Convent	<u>MON JAN. 8</u> NO SCHOOL St. Mary's NO Mass VFW/VFW Aux. 6pm Berend Family Center Father Michael on Retreat	<u>TUES JAN. 9</u> Women's Bible Study 6am CCD K-5 7:25am Sr. Citizens 1 PM <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u> Gone on Retreat	<u>WED JAN. 10</u> CCD K-5 7:25am CCD 6 th – 12 th 5:30pm Novena 6:00 pm 3 rd K of C #1824 meeting after Novena Gone on Retreat	<u>THURS JAN. 11</u> CCD K-5 7:25am St. Boniface NO Mass Gone on Retreat	<u>FRI JAN. 12</u> Men's Bible Study 6am Word Service 7:25 am St. Mary's Mass 3:00pm
<u>SATURDAY JAN. 13</u> St. Mary's 8:00am Mass St. Boniface Fatima Prayer Hour 10:00am St. Mary's Confessions 3:15-4:15pm St. Mary's Mass 5:00PM Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card	<u>SUNDAY JAN. 14</u> <u>2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</u> St. Boniface Mass 8:00AM Family Faith Formation 9:30 am St. Mary's Mass 10:30AM Both Masses will be live-streamed Annual Diocesan Appeal Please send in commitment card RCIA/OCIA after Mass in Convent	<u>MON JAN. 15</u> CCD K-5 7:25am St. Mary's Mass 12:00 noon	<u>TUES JAN. 16</u> Women's Bible Study 6am CCD K-5 7:25am Sr. Citizens 1 PM <u>CHURCH OFFICE CLOSED</u>	<u>WED JAN. 17</u> CCD 6 th – 12 th 5:30pm St. Mary's Adoration 6pm Confessions 6:00pm Benediction 6:45pm Mass 7:00pm CDA #296 meeting after Mass	<u>THURS JAN. 18</u> CCD K-5 7:25am St. Boniface Mass 6:00 pm Gone on Retreat	<u>FRI JAN. 19</u> Men's Bible Study 6am Word Service 7:25 am St. Mary's Mass 3:00pm