

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 16/17, 2021

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St. Patrick, St. Flannen, & St. Mary

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MASS SCHEDULE

AMBOY

† Saturday 4:00 p.m.
† Sunday 7:30 a.m.
† Sunday 10:30 a.m.
† Tuesday 8:00 a.m.
† Wednesday 8:00 a.m.
† Thursday 8:00 a.m.
† Friday 8:00 a.m.

WALTON

† Saturday 5:30 p.m.

HARMON

† Sunday 9:00 a.m.

† Communion Service on Monday led by Deacon Prunty at St. Patrick, Amboy is cancelled until further notice.

AMBOY RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 3:00 p.m. - 3:45 p.m.

Tuesday 5:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.

HARMON & WALTON RECONCILIATION

UPON REQUEST

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

JANUARY 23/24, 2021

First Reading: Jonah 3: 1-5, 10

Response: Psalm 25

Second Reading: 1 Corinthians 7: 29-31

Gospel: Mark 1: 14-20

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: Meet 1st and 3rd Tuesday of the month at 6:30 p.m. in the school.

FOOD PANTRY: Open the 3rd Wednesday every month at 9:00 a.m. in the basement of St. Patrick Church.

BAPTISM: Please contact the Parish Office to fill out a baptismal registration form and to schedule with Fr. Gow or Deacon Prunty a date for your child's baptism. Note: If this is your first child being baptized, a baptismal preparation class must also be scheduled and taken with Fr. Gow or Deacon Prunty prior to the baptism.

MARRIAGE: Arrangements are to be made by contacting the Parish Office at least six months in advance of the proposed date. Couples must meet in person with Fr. Gow to set their date and are required to participate in a marriage preparation program prior to the wedding.

ANointing OF THE SICK: If you or a fellow parishioner's health is in danger due to sickness or old age, please contact the Parish Office to be anointed by Fr. Gow.

SICK VISITATION: If you are going to be hospitalized or are confined to your home and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the Parish Office to make arrangements.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS: Meet 2nd and 4th Wednesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. in the parish hall.



MASS INTENTIONS

8:00 a.m., Amboy

Tuesday, January 19th
MATHEW ROOD †

8:00 a.m., Amboy

Wednesday, January 20th
CINDY MCCOY †

8:00 a.m., Amboy

Thursday, January 21st
GEORGE & ROSIE HAWKS †

8:00 a.m., Amboy

Friday, January 22nd
BILL APPLE †

4:00 p.m., Amboy

Saturday, January 23rd
PARISHIONERS OF ST. MARY,
ST. FLANNEN & ST. PATRICK PARISHES

5:30 p.m., Walton

SUE HENKEL †

7:30 a.m., Amboy

Sunday, January 24th
DONNA LINDER †

9:00 a.m., Harmon

KEN WOLFE JR. †

10:30 a.m., Amboy

PAT MCCAFFREY †

Word of Life

"There is such a wide spectrum of issues involving the protection of human life and the promotion of human dignity. Good people frequently disagree on which problems to address, which policies to adopt and how best to apply them. But for citizens and elected officials alike, the basic principle is simple: *We must begin with a commitment never to intentionally kill, or collude in the killing, of any innocent human life, no matter how broken, unformed, disabled or desperate that life may seem.* In other words, the choice of certain ways of acting is *always and radically incompatible* with the love of God and the dignity of the human person created in His image."

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ADORATION WILL BEGIN AGAIN IN LENT!

We will begin Adoration on Fridays beginning February 19th. It will take place after Mass at 8:30 am until Noon. We would appreciate your signing up for a time slot on the sheet in the back of the church before we start again. We would appreciate at least two people in each time slot, but there is no limit on adorers. We will assume you are keeping that time slot through Lent. Come Worship The Lord!



LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

JANUARY 16/17, 2021

Saturday, 4:00 pm

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Pam Payne
Sanitizers:
Jim Murphy
Brian Murphy
Greeter:
Carol Prunty
Usher:
Frank Lachat Sr.

Sunday, 7:30 am

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Sheila Garcia
Sanitizers:
Terry Halsey
Beverly Halsey
Greeter:
Beverly Halsey
Usher:
Jerry Corcoran

Sunday, 10:30 am

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Eileen Piper
Sanitizers:
Tim O'Laughlin
Lynn O'Laughlin
Greeter:
Mary Kathryn
Usher:
Brandon Klein

LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULE

JANUARY 23/24

Saturday, 4:00 pm

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Peg Duffy
Sanitizers:
Sue Duffy
Peg Duffy
Greeter:
Kathy Ketchum
Usher:
Frank Lachat Sr.

Sunday, 7:30 am

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Susan McCoy
Sanitizers:
Hugh McCoy
Susan McCoy
Greeter:
Susan McCoy
Usher:
Larry Durso

Sunday, 10:30 am

Priest:
Fr. Gow
Lector:
Bonita Willis
Sanitizers:
Terry Halsey
Bev Halsey
Greeter:
Nancy Neal
Usher:
Mike McCracken

Bishop David Malloy to Celebrate Mass for Life January 22nd. at 6:30pm at St. Mary's, Huntley, IL.

Traditionally at this time of year, the diocese along with a variety of schools and parishes would be preparing for a pilgrimage to the annual March for Life in Washington, Jan. 27-29.

But like most other large gatherings, the annual March is being overshadowed by the coronavirus and concerns for health and safety of those who would participate. Even though the March will still take place, most events are being held virtually. Most dioceses are not sponsoring group travel including the Rockford Diocese. But with the coordination of the Life and Family Evangelization Office and Father Christopher DiTomo, along with his parish team at St. Mary Huntley, a Mass for Life will be celebrated in person by Bishop Malloy and streamed to the public from the parish. The Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary Parish, Huntley on January 22nd at 6:30pm. Under diocesan protocols during the current pandemic, the parish can accommodate a maximum of 300 persons. Those wishing to participate in the Mass in person should go to <https://www.stmaryhuntley.org/january> for more information. Masks and social distance required.

Lent and Holy Week schedules will be prepared this week and publicized in the next bulletin.

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

In December, Pope Francis declared The Year of St. Joseph. As with the other years, like the Year of Mercy, or the Year of St. Paul in the past, there are opportunities to obtain plenary indulgences. A definition from Catholic Culture about plenary indulgences reads, "An indulgence that can remove all the temporal punishment due to forgiven sin. No one but God knows for certain when a plenary indulgence is actually gained, because only he knows whether a person's dispositions are adequate."

Below I have included bits of the text from the Apostolic Penitentiary, the ones responsible for communicating the requirements for this year.

The plenary indulgence is granted under the usual conditions (sacramental confession, Eucharistic communion and prayer according to the intentions of the Holy Father) to the faithful who, with a spirit detached from any sin, participate in the Year of Saint Joseph on the occasions and in the manner indicated by this Apostolic Penitentiary.

a. The plenary Indulgence is granted to those who meditate for at least 30 minutes on the Lord's Prayer, or who participate in a spiritual retreat of at least one day that includes a meditation on Saint Joseph;

b. Those who, following the example of Saint Joseph, perform a corporal or spiritual work of mercy, will also be able to obtain the gift of plenary Indulgence;

c. So that all Christian families are encouraged to recreate the same atmosphere of intimate communion, love and prayer that was lived in the Holy Family, the Plenary Indulgence is granted for the recitation of the Holy Rosary in families and between the bride and groom.

d. All those who entrust their work daily to the protection of Saint Joseph and all believers who invoke with their prayers the intercession of the worker of Nazareth, so that they may obtain plenary indulgence. who are looking for work find it and everyone's work is more dignified.

e. The flight of the Holy Family to Egypt "shows us God is where man is in danger, where man suffers, where he flees, where he experiences rejection and abandonment". Plenary indulgence is granted to the faithful who pray the litany of Saint Joseph (for the Latin tradition), or some other prayer to Saint Joseph, typical of the other liturgical traditions, in favor of the Church persecuted ad intra and ad extra and for the relief of all Christians who suffer all forms of persecution.

I will offer more resources in future bulletins but I hope that this explains what needs to be done to obtain indulgences throughout the year.

In Christ,

Fr. Gow

We have many books titled "I Heard God Laugh" left from the Women's Organization give away at Christmas. If you would like one for a family member or friend, call the parish office 815-857-2315 and we will be happy to give you what you want.

-STEWARDSHIP OF GOD'S BLESSINGS-
SUNDAY COLLECTION AS OF 1/11/2021

ST. PATRICK

Weekly Budget Need	\$3,388.00
Sunday Collection	\$3,347.00
Income Required to date	\$98,252.00
Sunday Collection to date	\$80,246.60

ST. FLANNEN

Weekly Budget Need	\$909.00
Sunday Collection	\$415.00
Income Required to date	\$26,361.00
Sunday Collection to date	\$25,744.00

ST. MARY

Weekly Budget Need	\$632.00
Sunday Collection	\$944.11
Income Required to date	\$18,328.00
Sunday Collection to date	\$17,682.19



Every two seconds someone in the United States needs blood. The need is critical! Please consider helping those in desperate need through our A.C.O. and

Amboy High School sponsored Red Cross Blood drive being held on Tuesday January 26, 2021 from noon to 6:00 P.M. at the Amboy Community Building. Please make your appointment on line www.redcrossblood.org or call Judy Brinkmeier 815-238-8927 for an appointment. Won't you take a few minutes from your day to give the Gift of Life?



Many thanks to Connie & Bill Bontz, Dan & Shauna Dinges, Andy & Ethan Pratt, Nick & Stacey Dinges, Willie & Betsy Jones, Tim O'Laughlin, Gary Wilhelm, Brian Dallam, Cindy Shaw, Mason Ely and all who helped make our Altars

beautiful for Christmas this year!

January 16/17, 2021 - National Appeal Weekend!

Please consider giving a gift to the National Appeal for the programs of the Universal Catholic Church that operate within the borders of the United States. **If you forgot your Appeal Envelope you can bring it to Mass next weekend or pick one up in the back of Church!**



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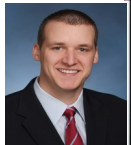
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