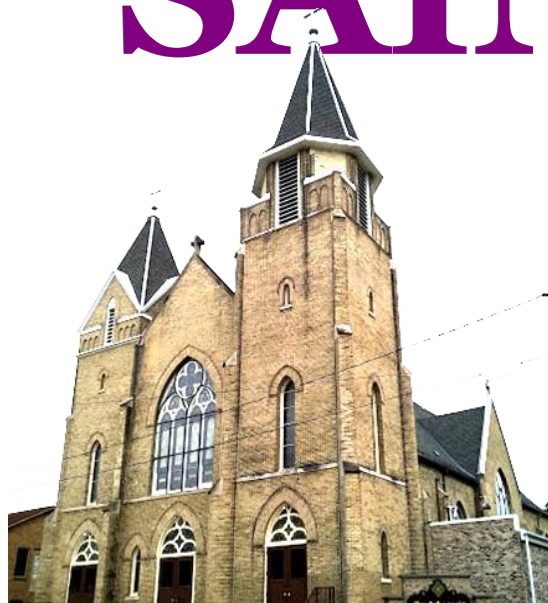


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MASS SCHEDULE

Weekdays

Tue, 5:30 pm
Wed, Thurs, & Fri, 8:30 am

Weekends

Saturday 7:00 pm
Sunday 9:00 am & 1:00 pm

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament

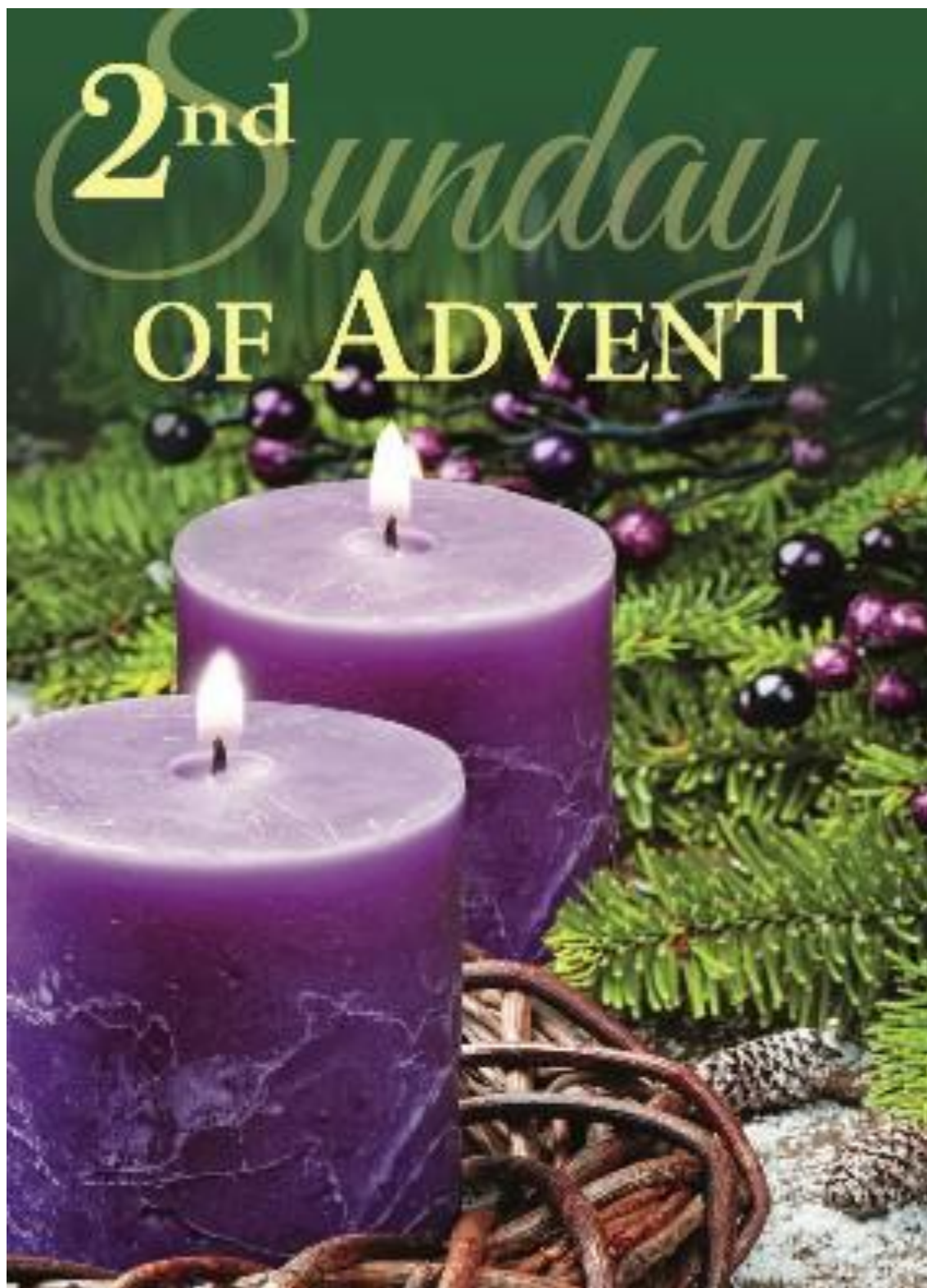
Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:25 am

Confessions

Tues 5:00 pm & Saturday 6:00 pm
Also by appointment

Rosary

Saturday 6:35 pm
Sunday 8:35 am & 12:35 pm



Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 6
5:30 pm †Joseph & Germeine Landuyt
By: Lizzie Mitchell

Wednesday, December 7
8:30 am †Michael Gruszka
By: Darlene Gruszka

Thursday, December 8
7:00 pm †John Hall
By: Hall Family

Friday, December 9
8:30 am †John W. Hale
By: Deacon Tom & Sandy Hale

Saturday, December 10
7:00 pm †Anna McGowan
By: Ken & Mary Jo Engevold

Sunday, December 11
9:00 am Parishioner Mass
1:00 pm †Fr. Eugene Trainer
By: Trainer Family



Upcoming Events

CCD Reconciliation
December 7th @ 7:15pm

Mass & Reconciliation
December 8th
Eucharistic Adoration,
Benediction & Confessions
6-6:45pm
Mass @ 7pm

Church Decorating
December 18th @ 2pm

Christ Masses
December 24th @ 7pm
December 25th @ 9am & 1pm

New Year's Masses
December 31st @ 7pm
January 1st @ 9am & 1pm



A message from Fr. Cryton,

Advent – A Season for Conversion of Heart

The second week of Advent is an invitation for repentance or conversion of heart. The Greek word metanoia means change of heart. Metanoia is a biblical term for repentance or complete change of heart which turns one away from sin to serve the living God. In the Old Testament, the prophets called for a conversion that would turn people away from idolatry and from a merely superficial practice of religion to live in fidelity to God's law

and their social responsibilities. In the New Testament, John the Baptist and then later, Jesus preached a radical change of heart as demanded by the coming of God's Kingdom.

As per Most Rev. Pedro D. Arigo, true repentance involves many **R's**.

The first R is Regret: This also means, we are sorry and for the right reason. This means that we honestly accept the wrongs we have done. There is no other reason why we regret but love. We regret to have done something against God, who is good and all loving.

The second R is Repair or Restore: This means we are willing and able to make up for the damages or harm we have caused for our sins. We accept it without rationalization, justification or projection of the sins we have committed and blamed others for doing it. In case of injustice, we have done against our neighbor, we have to make our restitution or pay for the damages.

The third R is Reconciliation: This means that strange or broken relationships are mended or made whole again. We have come back to God as our Father and to each other as brothers and sisters. Reconciliation is changing also for a better relationship between two or more persons. Theologically it refers to the change of relationship between God and man. For St. Paul, because of the death of Jesus, we are reconciled to God and relationship with God is changed for the better.

The fourth and last R is Renewal: This means there is a change within us that is of course, reflected in change of behavior. In other words, this is conversion which literally means, change of direction or a turning away from sin and turning towards God happens. This is an ongoing never-ending process.

After going through with these four R's, we are renewed and become agents of renewals of others. It is because real repentance leads to true conversion and in turn true conversion produces good fruits.

John W. Gardiner writes: "To look is one thing. To see what you look at is another. To understand what you see is a third. To learn from what you understand is still something else. But to act on what you learn is all that matters." **The Season of Advent challenges to do the four: look – see - understand and act.**

A few Announcements,

- ✓ Thanks to all who took part for the Christmas Brunch. A special thanks to all who made the arrangements for the beautiful family Christmas event.
- ✓ There will be confession for CCD students on Wednesday, December 7th at 7pm.
- ✓ Thursday, December 8th is the Solemnity of Immaculate Conception, a Holy Day and Day of Obligation. There will be no morning mass. The mass will be at 7pm. There will be a Eucharistic adoration, Benediction and confession from 6.00 – 6.45pm (before mass).
- ✓ We are looking for a Smart TV (32" approx) to fix in the vestibule of our church for the display of announcements and other communications. Those who wish to donate (used or new), Please contact the office.
- ✓ There will be a second collection next weekend for the retirement fund. The envelopes are attached with the Bulletin. You may bring them next weekend.
- ✓ The new sound system is set at the church basement. Thanks to Brian Fox for helping to fix the system and John Noga for his technical support and Jim Cauley for providing us with codes. And also a special thanks to a generous donor.

The Four Advent Candles

Last week you read a little background on the Advent Candles. We started with Week #1, the "Prophecy Candles". Now we introduce

Week #2. "The Bethlehem Candle". This too is a purple candle and represent Peace and Preparation. During the second week of Advent we reflect on our lives and work on becoming better versions of ourselves in preparation for Jesus' coming. We remember the journey Joseph and Mary took from Nazareth to Bethlehem.

Christmas Preparations

During these weeks of Advent, we ask that you consider sharing your time and talents with St. Mary's. We are in need of the following help

- * **Advent Wreath Lighters**
Saturday @7 Sunday @9am
- * **Liturgical Ministers for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day**
- * **Volunteers to decorate the church.**
December 18th after the 1pm Mass

St Mary's collected \$257.00 last weekend for the Mauston Food Pantry. Thanks to everyone who contributed!

Videos Now Available

The Diocese has released two Reflective Advent Videos. These are another way to prepare your heart for the coming of Jesus. Each video is under an hour and can be found at diolc.org/catechesis.



Christmas Poinsettias

As in the past, if you would like to donate to the flower fund in honor or memory of a loved one, please do this by using a separate envelope and indicate the person or persons name. We intend to publish these donations in the Christmas Bulletin. The deadline for being included in the bulletin is December 18th.

Next Weekend There will be a second collection to support our retired priests and religious. Envelopes may also be found in the vestibule of the church. Please be as generous as you can.

Did you know?

Votive and Vigil Lights

Two kinds of burning lights, which are so evident in most Catholic churches and shrines are Votive lights and Vigil lights. They are symbolic of two purposes of prayer. Votive (Latin *votum*, "vow") is associated with seeking some favor from the Lord, Mary, or a Saint in return, usually, for some promise or vow. The candle is burned as were sacrifices in ancient times. Vigil lights (Latin *vigilia*, "waiting," or "watching"). Vigil as its name "vigil" indicates, accompanies prayer of attention or waiting.

Enjoy our Catholic customs and traditions and invite someone to Church!

Happy Advent, Deacon Tom

St. Mary's Prayer List

Vinnie Bellock, Braun Family, Joan Burch, Rick Bornemeier, Mary Jean Cauley, Karen & Chris DeLange, Fr. Clayton Elmhorst, Mikey, Lori, Morgan & Alan Gruszka, Jim & Adela Hagen, Chuck Huber, Roseanne Kenneth, Gloria Kramer, Helena Kwit & Family, Noah, Mary Claire Marshall, Bud Miller, Lizzie Mitchell, Tony Oldigs, Karen Patton, Charlotte Rybicki, Francis Senzig, Preston Shields, Jeri Smith, Jane Torgerson, Bob Walsh, Marion Walsh, those who are sick, unemployed, in need, & all families who are suffering in any way; from illness, cancer, uncertainty, & anxieties; Families & Friends please...

PRAY THE ROSARY!!!

Financial Stewardship

November 27, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1281.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$5.00
Offertory.....	\$386.00
Votive Candles.....	\$41.00
Total	\$1,713.00

(153 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed \$56,912.30

Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$92,185.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 57.62%

Number of Donors: 33



There are envelopes in the back of church if you would like to contribute to the campaign.

Every pledge makes a difference and is truly appreciated!

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, December 10, 7:00 pm

Lector	Joyce Fuller
Servers	Katelyn Browne
.....	Aron Browne
Ushers	Gary Fuller
.....	Dennis Franek
.....	Matt McGowan
Gift Bearers	McGowan Family
Musician	Tracey Tolzmann

Sunday, December 11, 9:00 am

Lector	Christine Kobylski
Servers	Stella Finucan
.....	Anton Erickson
.....	Mick McCormick
Ushers	Tom Guyse
.....	Jim Cauley
.....	Connie Walsh
Gift Bearers	Erickson Family
Musician	Jade Pusel

Sunday, December 11, 1:00 pm

Lector	Terri Donnelly
Ushers	Rodney Senzig

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My Advent 2022 Calendar



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"See you in Church"

2nd Sunday of Advent

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life.
John 3:16

4

5

Don't forget to feed the winter birds!

Yet not one of them is forgotten in God's sight.
Luke 12:6

6

St. Nicholas was generous in helping the poor and reaching out to those in need, as Jesus did.

Share a treat with someone.

7

Help put lights on the Christmas tree and remember that Jesus is the light of the world.

8

Immaculate Conception

Today we remember Mary, the holy Mother of Jesus.

On this special day, take time to say the Hail Mary prayer before meals and at bedtime.

9

Collect a toy that you no longer play with and give it to a charity.

10

Is there a neighbor that could use some help with shoveling snow or carrying in the groceries?



