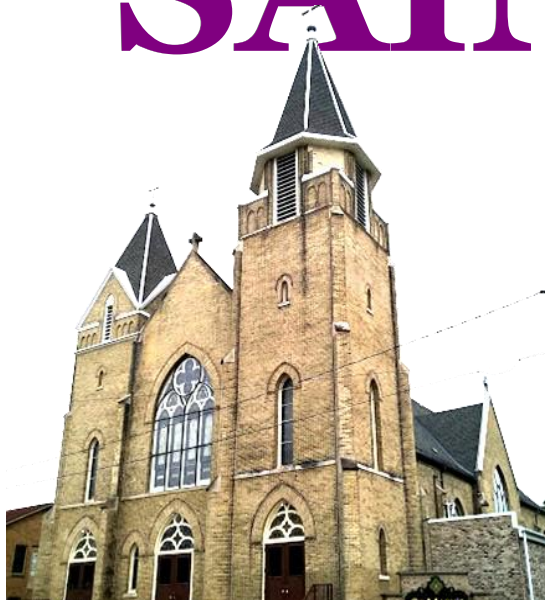


December 11, 2022 - 3rd Sunday of Advent

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The family of St. Mary's of Lyndon Station, Wisconsin is a welcoming community of the Catholic faith united in Catholic tradition and growing in the spirit of Vatican II. We come together at Liturgical and Sacramental celebrations to be nourished so we may respond to the gospel mission of Jesus Christ in our daily lives. We strive as a Christian community and in our personal lives to serve God and all of His people, especially the poor.

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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**

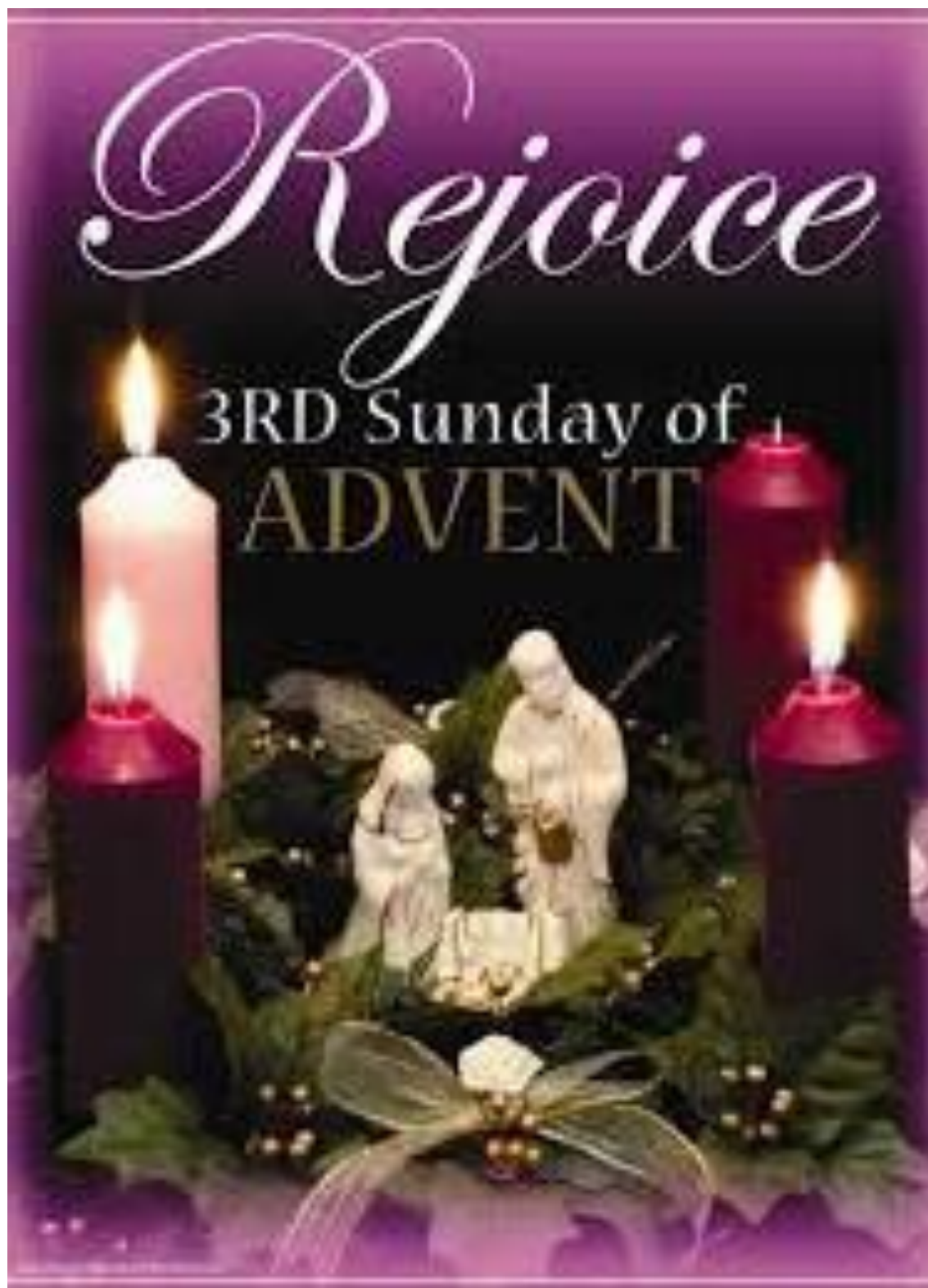
Wed, Thurs, & Fri 8:00 - 8:25 am

#### **Confessions**

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

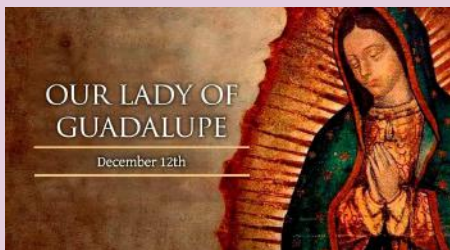
#### **Rosary**

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



## Mass Intentions

<b>Tuesday,</b> 5:30 pm	<b>December 13</b> †Rosemary Lupo By: Doris Nerat
<b>Wednesday,</b> 7:15 pm	†Gene Delmore By: Betty Delmore
<b>Thursday,</b> 8:30 am	†Marjorie Senzig By: Kathy Bermeo
<b>Friday,</b> 8:30 am	†Walter Postava By: Postava Family
<b>Saturday,</b> 7:00 pm	†William Zenk By: Zenk Family
<b>Sunday,</b> 9:00 am	†Jan Pasciak By: Josephine Pasciak
1:00 pm	Parishioner Mass



## Upcoming Events

**Church Decorating**  
December 18th @2pm

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

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

**Decoration Take Down**  
January 8th @2pm

## **Jubilee Preparations**

The Committee for History and Research is asking for your help. If you have any old pictures or articles of St. Mary's that you could share, it would be very helpful in the planning process. All items will be returned to you. Please contact one of the committee members (list found in the church vestibule) or the Parish Office.

A Message from Fr. Cryton

### **Five Tips for Keeping the Season of Advent Holy in Our Domestic Churches (Homes)**

The third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called the "Gaudete Sunday." As Christmas Day gets closer and closer, we are also getting excited and joyful. However, let's reflect Donna-Marie Cooper O'Boyle's five tips to make Advent meaningful.

**1) Create a holy home:** Our homes become more like a little church with using a few simple tangible items (a domestic church!). Boyle suggests using an Advent wreath and light the candles each night at dinner. Say a prayer before Meals. Place sacred and holy images and art around the household. These holy reminders and sacramentals help the family to look to heavenly things rather than the secular world.

**2) Dedicate time for prayer:** It is recommended that we pray first in the morning. No matter how busy you are, make it happen. Later, at night, pray again while around the dinner table. And, of course, all throughout the day you'll be lifting your hearts heavenward. You will be creating an essential prayer habit. Help your family to establish a very good prayer habit.

**3) Choose a Saint:** Get acquainted with a saint and read about their life at the dinner table. Read just a couple of lines or a paragraph to the family at dinner whenever you can. Offer them a question about the saint to ponder. And then, invoke the saint together as a family all throughout Advent. With this simple addition to your Advent tradition, your family will be learning about a saint as well.

**4) Establish a "NO NOISE" time (and/or zone):** Set a timer for ten minutes to be in silence every day or once a week. We all need quiet time to be able to listen to God. How can we possibly hear Him whispering to our hearts and souls when there is too much noise around us and if we are so preoccupied with everything else? Encouraging the family to listen for God will certainly prove to be very beneficial as they grow in holiness and are exposed to all kinds of experiences and distractions from the secular world. Carving out a quiet time is a simple habit to learn which can be carried throughout life.

**5) Strive to live in the present moments of your life:** Surrender your heart to God this Advent season. Accept what God gives you each day. You might try to take some extra time out to pray and suddenly the kids aren't cooperating or the neighbor is ringing the doorbell needing your help, or you're sick, or facing some sort of challenge. God might be asking you to put aside your preconceptions of what your prayer should be at that moment. He might want you to allow Him to show you another way to pray—actively—giving your heart to those He puts in your midst (without complaining). Or, He might be asking you to offer your sickness and sufferings to Him with love, asking that He transform them into graces to help you and your family. Live in the moment this Advent and with God's grace and your faithfulness, your life will become a beautiful prayer to God!

### **A Few Announcements,**

- ✓ Thanks to all who made the arrangements for the Christmas Brunch especially the members of Ladies Sodality. My thanks also to all who participated for the event.
- ✓ Thanks to Helena Eugene Bielski family for providing us with a TV as per our request last Sunday.
- ✓ I will be out for my vacation from January 3rd to February 3rd next year. You will have weekend masses as usual. There won't be daily mass in my absence but Deacon Tom will conduct communion service on Wednesdays and Fridays at 8.30 am. Fr. John Potaczek will help for any emergency, contact the office.
- ✓ Those who have not got your Christmas gift, a book (Holy Moments), Pick your family copy from the vestibule in the church.

### **Summary of Parish Council Meeting**

**November 29, 2022**

**Finance committee:** New Chairperson Sheri Guyse, Mick McCormick new member replacing Kim Walsh-Bethausser. Cory Holig resigned from committee.

**Ladies Sodality:** profit from Fall Festival -\$13,188.44. Kitchen floor project completed. Total cost of floor-\$11,013.75, donation towards floor-\$4,452.52. Total from Sodality checking account-\$6,561.00. Painting of kitchen walls done by volunteers. Christmas Brunch Dec.4th after 9:00 am mass. Shut in bags will be delivered by Father Cryton and Deacon Tom. A huge thank you to all who made our Fall Festival a success.

**Religious Ed:** Confirmation Retreat in Eau Claire Dec. 3rd. Karen Patton oversees the Youth Group, will be doing projects at least every 2-3 months. Next event will be helping to decorate church for Christmas., Dec 18th after 1:00 pm mass.

**Sacred Worship:** Deacon Tom will have word and communion service Wed and Friday while Fr. Cryton is on vacation Jan 3rd -Feb 3rd. Priests from Tomah and LaCrosse will cover masses on weekends, Fr. John will help for any emergency.

**Knights of Columbus:** next meeting Dec. 1st. Looking for more members.

**Buildings and Grounds:** Getting prices on new roof for rental house, doors for church, and remaining windows that need repair. Planning a meeting in February.

**Cemetery:** Trees need to be cut down near Crucifix.

**Jubilee committee/subcommittees** gave updates for each area. Information will be reported during mass and through brochures.

Fr. Cryton wants Mission Statement to be clarified since we have two, one on bulletin (found in the centenary book) and the other in our website.

Planned calendar dates for some upcoming meetings and events.

Office hours changed and noted in bulletin.



## What do the Advent Candles Represent?

Week #1 The Prophecy Candle    Week#2 The Bethlehem Candle

Week #3. “ The third candle is pink and symbolizes rejoicing. During the third week of Advent we are filled with joy for the near arrival of Jesus on Christmas day. This Sunday is often called “Gaudete Sunday” as we reflect on the joy the shepherds felt at the birth of Jesus



## 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.



St. Mary's Annual Christmas Brunch with Santa was a success. We had approximately 70 people attend and plenty of delicious food.



Santa was a big hit!

## Did you know?

### Burning Incense

The most obvious appeal to the nose in Catholic worship involves the burning of incense. Burning incense as a perfume was an accent practice in the Near East where Christianity originated. The use of incense has been part of the church's rituals since the beginning of Christianity, but it has seldom been used privately as a sacramental. Among Christians, it has been used to purify, to bless, and to symbolize the motion of prayer upwards to God. In the description of heaven in Revelation (5:8; 8:3-4), gold vessels of incense symbolize the prayers of God's people

We are most familiar with the use of incense in our Church at funerals and special holy days. At funerals incense is burned at the coffin because the body had been the temple of the Holy Spirit when the soul lived inside, and represents our prayers to heaven for the deceased. At Mass incense is used during the entrance procession, at the offertory, and at the consecration. The Gospel Book is incensed as a symbol of prayer rising to heaven and recognition of the presence of divinity. The Altar along with gifts placed on the Altar, and the cross is incensed to signify the church's offering and prayer. Next the priest, because of his sacred ministry, and the people, by reason of their baptismal dignity are incensed. At Adoration the Blessed Sacrament is incensed as a sign that the people are now in the presence of divinity.

Enjoy our Catholic Customs and Traditions, and invite someone to church! **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, 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

**December 4, 2022**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1792.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$4.00
Offertory.....	\$338.51
Holy Day.....	\$70.00
Flowers.....	\$140.00
Votive Candles.....	\$68.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$2,412.51</b>

(153 registered families)

### Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed                    \$59,324.81

## Inspired by the Spirit Campaign

Goal: \$160,000.00

Total Pledged & Received: \$92,205.00

Percent of Goal Pledged: 57.63%

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 17, 7:00 pm**

**Lector**.....Sheri Guyse  
**Servers**.....Katelyn Browne  
 .....Aron Browne  
**Ushers**.....Jim Arens  
 .....Dan McGowan  
 .....Jim McGowan, Jr.  
**Gift Bearers**....Leo & Jeanette Crowley  
**Musician**.....Tracey Tolzmann

**Sunday, December 18, 9:00 am**

**Lector**.....Mick McCormick  
**Servers**.....Karina Strzemecki  
 .....Amanda Strzemecki  
 .....Brian Fox  
**Ushers**.....Pat Cauley  
 .....Pete Cauley  
 .....Pat Mitchell  
**Gift Bearers**.....Pat & Sue Mitchell  
**Musician**.....Jade Pusel

**Sunday, December 11, 1:00 pm**

**Lector**.....Marcy Krogh  
**Ushers**.....Zach Housworth

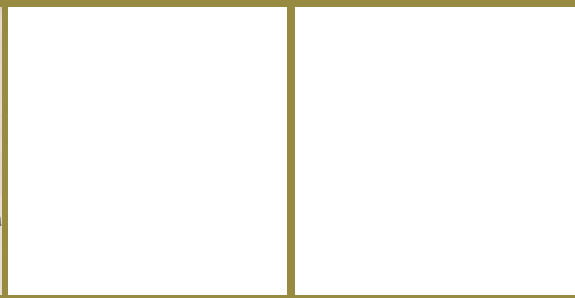


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**My Advent 2022 Calendar**


**3rd Sunday of Advent**

Every good gift and every perfect present comes from heaven; it comes down from God, the Creator of the heavenly lights.  
James 1:17



**Our Lady of Guadalupe**

Today we reflect on Mary's love for her Son Jesus and her heart for the poor and vulnerable.



**St. Lucy's**

day is a feast of light and reminds us that the coming of the Light of the World is very close!



May you always be doing those good, kind things which show you are a child of God.  
Phil 1:11



Make a Christmas card for someone in a retirement community or nursing home.



At bedtime, say a prayer to God for the things you are grateful for.



Help do a chore around the house without being asked.

