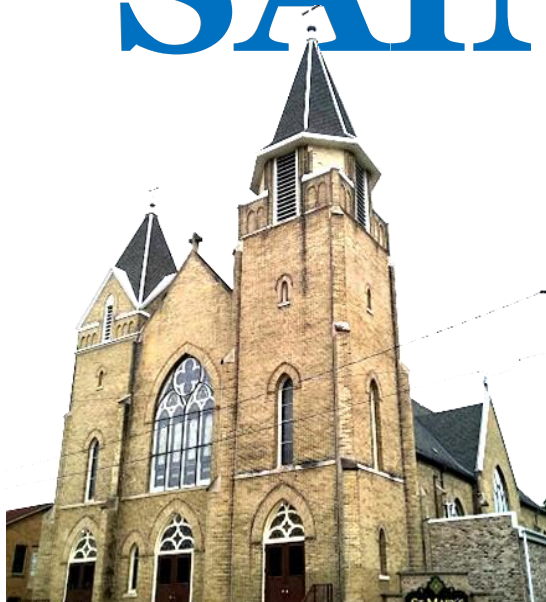


December 25, 2022 - The Nativity of Christmas

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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

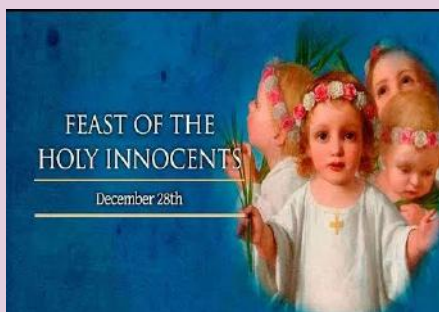
Rosary

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



Mass Intentions

- Tuesday, December 27**
5:30 pm †Walter Postava
By: Postava Family
- Wednesday, December 28**
8:30 am †Elizabeth Hall
By: Jim & Judy Hall
- Thursday, December 29**
8:30 am †Lucille Ryczek
By: Mary Ryczek
- Friday, December 30**
8:30 am † Anna McGowan
By: Karl & Sharon
Bauknecht
- Saturday, December 31**
7:00 pm Msgr John Hebl
By: Terri Donnelly
- Sunday, January 1**
9:00 am † Joseph Szwab
By: Stella Szwab
- 1:00 pm Parishioner Mass



Upcoming Events

New Year's Masses

December 31st @ 7pm
January 1st @ 9am & 1pm

Decoration Take Down

January 8th @2pm

Ladies Sodality Meeting

January 12th @2pm

Prayer Shawl Ministry

January 14th @ 10am

Finance Council Meeting

January 24th @6:30pm



A Message from Fr. Cryton

Ten Commandments for Christmas

Let me first wish you all a Merry Christmas. There is always a tendency to celebrate Christmas leaving behind the spirituality hidden in the celebration. An unknown author has written something about the Christmas Ten Commandments. This contains some good advice that will help us to spend this season more meaningful way.

1. You shall not leave "Christ" out of Christmas, making it "Xmas." To some, "X" is unknown.
2. You shall prepare your soul for Christmas. Spend not so much on gifts that your soul is forgotten.
3. You shall not let Santa Claus replace Christ, thus robbing the day of its spiritual reality.
4. You shall not burden the shop girl, the mailman and the merchant with complaints and demands.
5. You shall give yourself with your gift. This will increase its value a hundred-fold and he who receives it shall treasure it forever.
6. You shall not value gifts received by their cost. Even the least expensive may signify love and that is more priceless than silver and gold.
7. You shall not neglect the needy. Share your blessings with many who will go hungry and cold unless you are generous.
8. You shall not neglect thy church. Its services highlight the true meaning of the season.
9. You shall be as a little child. Not until you have become in spirit as a little one you are ready to enter into the kingdom of Heaven.
10. You shall give your heart to Christ. Let Him be at the top of your Christmas list.

The birth of Jesus is also a reminder for us that he comes to the world as 'Prince of Peace'. We too become collaborators with Jesus in creating peace within and around ourselves. Fr. Jerry Orbos gives Four Hs as the keys to achieve Peace.

H – Honesty. Honesty is still the best policy. An honest person is a person at peace. A person who pretends, Lives an unpeaceful life.

H – Humility. A person finds peace and contentment when he has no air about him, when he knows and accepts himself and does not pretend to be something or someone else.

H – Hard work. There is no substitute for hard work. You know how empty it feels to be all from and no substance. Are you hard working or hardly working?

H – Holiness. Follow God's ways and you will have peace. Turn away from God and you will never find peace.

A few Announcements,

✓ If someone in your family couldn't make it for Christmas Mass due to sickness or any other reason, still wishes to receive communion or Blessing. Let me know. I will be visiting the sick and home bound coming Thursday December 29th .

✓ The Calendars for the year 2023 are available in the church. You may collect your copy. Thanks for Conway-Picha Funeral Home for their sponsorship.

✓ Please check the mass arrangements during my absence in the month of January 2023.

✓ Thanks to all who did the Christmas arrangements and decorations in the church.



Christmas Blessings

I want to wish all our parishioners and visitors a most Blessed Christmas Season.

May God grant you His peace and much joy as we gather to celebrate with family and friends.

Fr Cryton

Liturgical Ministers

The January schedule is available at the back of church, or contact the parish office and a copy can be emailed or mailed to you.



Attention ! All Knitters & Crocheters

We would like to start a Prayer Shawl Ministry here at St. Mary's. It's a ministry that one can do from your home. Come to a **Meet and Greet** on the 2nd Saturday in January (January 14th) at 10am in the church basement.

Members from the Praying Hands Prayer Shawl Ministry at Sacred Heart will be here to exchange ideas about the ministry. Would you like to learn how to crochet or knit? Come to the meeting. Please contact Deacon Tom for more information or questions.



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Financial Stewardship

December 18, 2022

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1716.00
Student Envelopes.....	\$5.00
Offertory.....	\$222.00
Holy Day.....	\$70.00
Flowers.....	\$333.00
Christmas.....	125.00
<u>Votive Candles.....</u>	<u>\$49.50</u>
Total	\$2520.00

(153 registered families)

Fiscal year-to-date

Contributed	\$65,433.31
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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 31, 7:00 pm

Lector.....Paul Zajackowski
Servers.....Katelyn Browne
Aron Browne
Ushers.....Gary Fuller
Jim Arens
Dan McGowan
Gift Bearers.....McGowan Family
Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, January 1, 9:00 am

Lector.....Christine Kobylski
Servers.....Karina Strzemecki
Amanda Strzemecki
Brian Fox
Ushers.....Tom Guyse
Jim Cauley
Connie Walsh
Gift Bearers.....Pat & Sue Mitchell
Musician.....Jade Pusel

Sunday, December 25, 1:00 pm

Lector.....Needed
Ushers.....Zach Housworth

Did you know?

Use of Candles during Mass

Did you ever wonder how we came to use candles during Mass? Christians carried candles in funeral processions from the 3rd century. During the 4th century they burned them before relics and images of the Saints. Only from the 7th century is there evidence of their symbolic use at Mass. By then they were carried in the opening procession and gospel procession and placed around the altar. In the 11th century they were placed on the altar for the first time. The use and number of candles at Mass were determined by church law only from the 17th century.

The symbolic use of candles at Mass was probably influenced by civil practices. High-ranking officials had the privilege of being accompanied in public by a light bearer. It was only natural that lights or candles eventually honor the presence of the most important person present, Christ himself, symbolized by the altar. The candle that is kept burning before the presence of Christ in the reserved Eucharist, popularly called the tabernacle light, or sanctuary light, reflects this meaning. This tradition began in England in the 13th century and was made obligatory everywhere in the 17th century.

Keep enjoying 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 Elmhurst, 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...

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