December 11, 2022 3rd Sunday of Advent



St. Mary

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St. Maurice

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St. Raymond

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Please contact Father if a family member is in the hospital or otherwise needs to see a priest. Please let him know of family members that are homebound or in a care facility.

If you have a scheduled medical procedure, let him know or see him after Mass to receive the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick.

BAPTISM: Call Parish Priest at least 6 weeks prior to desired date. (Must Be Registered) WEDDINGS: Call Parish Priest 6 months prior to the desired date (Must be Registered BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon Monday - email Kateri Marten at kmarten@stmrm.org Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation Number—217-321-1155 or www.dio.org



Father's Corner

When we are adolescents, one of the challenges we face is to try to know who we are, to find our true identity. But in reality we spend our whole life discovering and rediscovering who we are. As Christians we know that our true identity is always in relation to Jesus the Messiah. As disciples of Jesus Christ in our era, we are bound to seek and claim our identity each single day of our life.

In the Gospel of this Third Sunday of Advent, the identity of John the Baptist is revealed as a messenger pointing to the Messiah. Jesus's identity is then revealed as "the Christ" who can be known by his works. Thus we are revealed as citizens of the Messiah's kingdom who are greater even than John himself. But how can this be, may we ask.

Living in accord with our identity as those who know Jesus is never a static reality; it's dynamic. Everyday we are called to discover anew who Jesus is, and to make choices that reveal to others the Jesus whom we know. We are invited throughout this third week of Advent to act as Jesus acted, to speak as he spoke, to care as he cared, to love as he loved and to give ourselves in service to others as he did.

"Are you the one who is to come, or should we look for another?"; we are to make known the One who came once and who is to come at the end of the ages through our daily testimony.



- Diocesan Year of the Eucharist -

1) What is the greatest act of the Church?

The greatest <u>act</u> of the Church is the liturgy. The Liturgy is made up of the Mass, the Sacraments, and the Divine Office (Prayer of the Breviary).

The Mass (from *missa*, which means oblation, initiation, assembly, and dismissal) or the Eucharist (which means "*thanksgiving*") is at the heart and center of the liturgy. The Holy Eucharist is the font of life that nourishes us with God's grace which helps us to live, not for ourselves but for God, in a communion of love with God and our neighbor.

2) Who can benefit from attending and participating in the Mass?

Anyone who attends Mass with faith and personal devotion can benefit from the Mass.

Faith is the grace to believe in God and in all that He has revealed. God gives this grace to those who ask Him for it. The Holy Eucharist is a *mystery of faith*. This means that we could not come to know about It in truth except through God's Revelation; and, although with faith we can come to know many truths about the Eucharist, It cannot be fully understood by us.

3) Why are faith, grace, and participation so important in Mass?

The Church calls for the faithful to have "full, conscious, and active participation" in the Mass. Only those who believe with faith the truths of the Mass can benefit most fully from the grace and fruits of the Mass.



Early Bulletin Deadline Notice

Bulletin Date: Submissions due by 9:00 am on:

December 25th Wednesday Dec. 14th
Wadnesday Dec. 21st

January 1, 2023 Wednesday Dec. 21st

Reconciliation Times

Morrisonville: Saturday 3:00 pm –3:30 pm Farmersville: Saturday 4:00 pm—4:30 pm Raymond: Sunday 7:00 am—7:30 am

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Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve - Saturday, December 24th

St. Mary - 4:00 pm St. Maurice - 4:00 pm St. Raymond - 6:00 pm

Christmas Day - Sunday, December 25th St. Raymond - 9:00 am

Family of Faith

This Wednesday, December 14th
K of C Hall in Morrisonville 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

Dates to save: January 18^{th} || February 15^{th} March 15^{th} || April 19^{th} || May 17^{th}

Bible Study

Tuesdays St. Mary at 10:00 am St. Raymond at 6:30 pm

There will be no bible study on December 20th or 27th for the holidays

PRAYER CORNER

Carrie Alkire, Margaret Angle, Wayne Angle, Ralph Bawden, Speed Beaty, Kathy Beckmier, Carrie Beeler, Martha Beeler, Ivan Benning, Kathy Bergschneider, Larry Bergschneider, Amy Bethard, Cooper Bethard, Helen Boehler, Monte Busen, Kathy Caraway, Tammy Carter, Susie Carter, Gaye Catlin, Raymond Coatney, Ruth Coatney, Jean Cole, Ron Cole, Georgetta Dean, Gerald Dean, Aaron Dejaynes, Carl Durbin, Adam Edwards, Jason Fark, Joyce Fesser, Mary Lou Fleigle, Susan Fleigle, Pat Forbes, Briar Gard, Derek Gatton, Joe Grundy, Dale Gudgel, William Gudgel, Bobbie Harker, Elayna Harker, Cameron Harmon, Gail Hartman, Harold Haslett, Richard Haynes, Gary Held, Ben Hobson, Sarah Hopf, Clarrissa Hupp, Angie Janssen, Gary Jones, Lori Johanson, Bob Karasch, Joan Keller, Larry Lanter, Scott Lindquist, Janet Locander, Drake Lucas, Peter Luczak, Brad Lush, Chad Lush, Christine Lush, Valarie Lush, Debbie Marten, Mike Martin, Alan McFarlin, Erma McKinnie, Frances Meyer, Jonathon Millburg, Boggy Miller, Dan Miller, Deanna Miller, Heather Miller, Chris Mizera, Hans Mizera, Missy Mizera, Shirley Mizera, Alta Mundhenke, Marilyn Murphy, Bodhi Niewinski, Rose Ann Olinger, Trevor James Oller, Millie Olsen, Brenda Ouelette, Ron Painter, Randy Patterson, Diane Pitchford, Michael Poleon, Doc Prose, Roy Prose, Gary Ronchetto, Larry Saxe, Mike Sheedy, Rita Sloan, Dan Smith, Lenora Spencer, Tracy Stephens, Greg Stewart, Teresa Todt, Mary Frances "Toots" Walch, Larry Weber, Brant Weitekamp, Bev Weitekamp, Ed Weitekamp, Greg Weitekamp, Jodi Weitekamp, Steve Weitekamp, Pat Whalen, Jenny White, Larry Williams, Sandy Williams, Mary Zueck

To add or remove someone on the prayer list, please email Kateri Marten at: kmarten@stmrm.org

St. Mary

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, December 10

5:00 pm Alvin "Cookie" & Delores Seelbach (Michelle Pinksterhaus)

Tuesday, December 13

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton (Dale & Kendra Brockamp)

Saturday, December 17

5:00 pm The Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond (Fr. Florent)

Tuesday, December 20

No Mass

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Dorothy Heaton (Mary Ann & James Jordan)

Finance Council

Bob Wagahoff Patty Clarke Donna Krager Bill Brown Fr. Florent

Collection for December 3 Envelopes & Loose \$855 Campaign for Justice and Hope \$ Candle Fund \$3 Christmas Flower Offering \$145 Maintenance Fund \$70 TOTAL COLLECTIONS \$1,073

Lector Schedule

Dec 10 - Dan Martin

Dec 17 - Kathy Rovey

Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Carol Hupp

Dec 31 - Mary Jane Fuchs

Jan 7 - Tony Krager

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Dec 10 - Bea Leonard

Dec 17 - Glenn Rovey

Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Mary Ann

Rimini

Dec 31 - Patty Clarke

Jan 7 - Mary Jane Schmidt

St. Mary's Christmas Choir Practice

Wednesday, Dec. 14 7:00 pm Wednesday, Dec. 21

Please join us for Christmas choir!

Marriage and Family

Marriage and family life are about the ultimate goal: heaven. Fix your eyes there.

Winter Weather Mass Schedule Notice

As winter approaches, please note that if school is canceled due to bad weather, weekday mass will also be canceled.



St. Maurice

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, December 11

10:00 am Carl Goebel and Ed & Micki Goebel's 30th Wedding Anniversary (Family)

Friday, December 16

8:00 am The Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond (Fr. Florent)

Sunday, December 18

10:00 am Charles "Chill" & Carmen Davis (Charlie Davis)

Friday, December 23

8:00 am Kenten Deardorff (Dale & Kendra Brockamp)

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

4:00 pm Linus & Marie Grundy (Rose & Bob Gowin)



St. Maurice Adoration Holiday Schedule

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on:

December 21

December 28

Adoration will resume normal schedule on
Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

St. Maurice Parish is in need of organists or pianists.

Are you able to play the organ or piano?

Would you consider playing at least one Sunday Mass a month?

If so, contact Fr. Florent.



Ministry Schedule

December 11

USHER: Mark Langen and

Brian & Suzanne Grundy

LECTOR: Larry Goebel

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Gerry Goebel ALTAR SERVERS: Lucas, Noah, and Emma

Grundy

December 18

USHER: Mark Langen and

Brian & Suzanne Grundy LECTOR: Diane McWard-Sullivan EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Ed Goebel

ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel and Nicholas

DeBrun

December 24 - Christmas Eve

USHER: Mark Langen and

Brian & Suzanne Grundy

LECTOR: Ed Goebel

EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Larry Goebel

ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel & Nicholas DeBrun,

Adelaide & Gentry Dunkirk, and Macie Ferrill

Finance Council

John Fleigle
Deb Forbes
Brenda Deardorff
Charlie Golitko
Dale Brockamp
Fr. Florent

Collection for December 4	
Envelopes & Loose Cash	\$1,790
Church Improvement Fund	\$5,000
Cemetery Dues	\$20
Campaign for Justice and Hope	\$25
Candle Fund	\$
TOTAL COLLECTIONS	\$6,835

St. Raymond

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, December 11

8:00 am William Tucker (Barbara Powley)

Wednesday, December 14

8:00 am Terry Brockmeyer (Juanita Boehler and Family)

Sunday, December 18

8:00 am Daisy Held (Denny & Deb Held)

Wednesday, December 21

8:00 am Orville Tucker (Mary Marten)

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

6:00 pm Shirlen Rosenthal (Bernard & Margaret Jenkins)

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day

9:00 am The Parishioners of St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond (Fr. Florent)

St. Raymond's Christmas Choir Practice

6:30 pm **Monday Dec. 12** Monday Dec. 19

Sopranos needed!!
Please join us for Christmas choir!

Adoration Schedule Changes for the Holiday Season

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on: Dec. 21 & 22

Dec. 28 & 29

Adoration will resume normal schedule on Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

December Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Tricia Pinkston

CANTOR Chris Mizera

HOSPITALITY Carl Walch & Mark Meisner EUCHARISTIC MINISTER John Barto

MINISTER TO THE HOMEBOUND:

December 4 - Mary & Julie Krager

December 11 - Dick Lyons

December 18 - Carl Marten

December 25 - Noller/Morehouse

SERVERS:

December 4 - Morgan Hampton

December 11- Dan Held

December 18 - Avery & Luke Pope

December 24 - Jacob Mizera

Join us for decorating our church for Christmas after mass next Sunday, December 18th

Finance Council

Bill Held Marlene Marten John Barto Allen Poggenpohl Fr. Florent

Collection for December 4	
Envelopes and Loose	\$1,726
Candle offering	\$29
Building Fund	\$50
Retirement Fund for Religious	\$
Catholic Children's Home	\$
Campaign for Justice & Hope	\$20
Total Collections:	\$1,825