

# December 25, 2022

## The Nativity Of The Lord



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Bulletin Deadline: Noon Monday

### **BAPTISMS**

Contact Father at least 6 weeks prior to desired date.

### **WEDDINGS**

Contact Father 6 months prior to the desired date

### **ANNOINTING OF THE SICK**

Contact Father

### **HOMEBOUND / HOSPITAL VISITS**

Contact Father

Diocesan Child Abuse Reporting and Investigation - (217) 321-1155

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## Father's Corner

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This is the Day. Emmanuel is among us; God-Is-With-Us. The Nativity story is filled with gifts, and with gift-giving:

- \* Joseph gives his heart to Mary with the help of the angel even though she is pregnant not by him;
- \* Mary gives her body to the Holy Spirit;
- \* The owner of the inn gives Joseph and Mary the stable to use;
- \* The angels give God the Glory due him;
- \* The shepherds give the infant adoration;
- \* The magi give the infant gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

In our families, our relatives and our friends give gifts to each other and to the less fortunate. All this gift-giving season is a reflection of the great gift-giver, the divine gift-giver; God! On this blessed and glorious day, God has given us the greatest gift, his Divine Son to dwell among us.

The most amazing gift given to us at that first Christmas two thousand years ago, came wrapped in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. This Gift is more than a new baby, more even than a new human life. This special Gift is Life itself. This Gift, taking on human flesh, raise us up to share in the Gift of divine Life. Angels appear to the poor shepherds in the fields, and immediately they drop everything to go and see the Christ Child, because God comes to change our lives for the better. Mary and Joseph experience the most sacred night of their lives inside this poor and messy stable meant for animals. God comes to meet sinners in their messy lives; the Good Shepherd comes to live in the midst of his flock.

The Gift we all receive this Christmas, and of course every day, is the Mystery of God's dwelling in our midst. Let us rejoice and be glad.



### A Christmas Greeting from Fr. John Burnette

Greeting in our Newborn King!

This note comes to you with great gratitude for all the goodness you have brought into my life!

As we celebrate once more the Gift of the Word made Flesh, I treasure many things about being with you at St. Mary's, St. Maurice, and St. Raymond Parishes. Perhaps most of all, the many celebrations of Mass together. For in the Mass the Word is again made Flesh, becoming our Bread for the journey. Now, in "retirement," many of my Masses are private with my own intentions, most of which are offered for those with whom I have journeyed through the years, each of you!.

As you read this my plans are to be in Belize City, Belize to preach a Christmas Novena and celebrate Masses in English over Christmas and into the new year. My prayers are with you and your families for a Blessed Christmas, that you may know more fully the Presence of Christ in your lives and his love for you. Please pray for me.

God bless you, Fr. John C. Burnette

## Family of Faith

Dates to save:  
January 18<sup>th</sup> || February 15<sup>th</sup>  
March 15<sup>th</sup> || April 19<sup>th</sup> || May 17<sup>th</sup>

K of C Hall in Morrisonville 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm

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### 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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### Bible Study

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

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### 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.

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**Join us in praying for life**  
Every Friday morning at 9:00 am  
in St. Raymond's main church

### 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@stmr.org](mailto:kmarten@stmr.org)



# St. Mary

## Liturgical Schedule

### Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

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

### Tuesday, December 27

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton  
(David & Maria McFeggan)

### Saturday, December 31

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

### Tuesday, January 3

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton  
(Dorothy Shepherd)

## Lector Schedule

Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Carol Hupp  
Dec 31 - Mary Jane Fuchs  
Jan 7 - Tony Krager  
Jan 14 - Dan Martin  
Jan 21 - Kathy Rovey

## Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Mary Ann  
Rimini  
Dec 31 - Patty Clarke  
Jan 7 - Mary Jane Schmidt  
Jan 14 - Bea Leonard  
Jan 21 - Glenn Rovey

## Finance Council

Bob Wagahoff  
Patty Clarke  
Donna Krager  
Bill Brown  
Fr. Florent

## Marriage and Family

Jesus is the King of the universe and  
the light of the world. No matter how dark things may  
seem in the world, there is always hope.  
Let your family be a witness to the hope and joy we  
celebrate in the coming of the Christ child.

No collection information for December 17th due to  
early bulletin deadline.



# St. Maurice

## Liturgical Schedule

### Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

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

### Sunday, December 25

**No Mass**

### Friday, December 30

8:00 am Marge Held  
(Dave & Gloria Mahan)

### Sunday, January 1

10:00 am Merle Ree Millburg  
(Joyce White)

### Friday, January 6

8:00 am Kenneth Rosenthal  
(Bill & Cathy O'Connell)

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### Finance Council

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

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No collection information for December 18th due to early bulletin deadline.

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## Ministry Schedule

### December 24 - Christmas Eve

USHER: Mark Langen and  
Brian & Suzanne Grundy  
LECTOR: Ed Goebel  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Larry Goebel  
ALTAR SERVERS: Nathaniel & Nicholas DeBrun,  
Adelaide & Gentry Dunkirk, and Macie Ferrill

### January 1

USHER: Mark Langen and  
Larry & Karen Goebel  
LECTOR: Rita Sloan  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Catherine O'Connell  
ALTAR SERVERS: Lucas, Noah, and Emma  
Grundy

### January 8

USHER: Mark Langen and  
Brian & Suzanne Grundy  
LECTOR: Catherine O'Connell  
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER: Dale Brockamp  
ALTAR SERVERS: Adelaide & Gentry Dunkirk,  
and Macie Ferrill

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## St. Maurice Adoration Holiday Schedule

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on  
December 28  
Adoration will resume normal schedule on  
Wednesday, January 4, 2023.

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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.

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# St. Raymond

## Liturgical Schedule

### 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)

### Wednesday, December 28

8:00 am Wanda Miller

### Sunday, January 1

8:00 am Maria A Suque  
(Greg & Raquel Weitekamp)

### Wednesday, January 4

8:00 am Terry Brockmeyer  
(Marjorie Millburg)

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### **Thank you, Thank you**

to everyone that contributed to the Thanksgiving  
Bakeless Bake Sale. A total of \$1,650 was graciously  
given to the Panhandle Food Pantry. Thank you all so  
much for your kind generosity. Blessings to all!

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### **Adoration Schedule Changes for the Holiday Season**

There will be no Eucharistic Adoration on  
Dec. 28 & 29

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

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## Christmas Eve Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Tricia Pinkston

CANTOR Chris Mizera

HOSPITALITY Greg Beck & Joe Pope

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER John Barto

## Christmas Day Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Cheryl Gonet

CANTOR Deb Held

HOSPITALITY Carl Walch & Mark Meisner

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER Carl Marten

## January Ministry Schedule

LECTOR Cheryl Gonet

CANTOR Deb Held

HOSPITALITY Paul Folkerts

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER Donna Wagahoff

MINISTER TO THE HOMEBOUND:

January 1 - Mary & Julie Krager

January 8 - Dick Lyons

January 15 - Carl Marten

January 22 - Noller/Morehouse

January 29 - Dick Lyons

SERVERS:

January 1 - Denny Held

January 8 - Avery & Luke Pope

January 15 - Morgan Hampton

January 22 - Dan Held

January 29 - Jacob Mizera

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## Finance Council

Bill Held

Marlene Marten

John Barto

Allen Poggenpohl

Fr. Florent

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