

Liturgical Ministries Schedule

	Saturday, 5:00 PM December 29, 2018	Sunday, 9:30 AM December 30, 2018
Extra-Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Mary Brevik Patty Delaney Barb Elser Vince Elser Gayle Eral Annette Kalkhoff Cyndy Powers Susan Sundlin	Mary Brandt Peggy Folan Brian Koppen Michella Koppen Mary Lou Korwes Jim Leinbaugh Susan Lynn Sharon Schrunk Cathy Thee
Lectors	Ty Adams	Sylvia Jennings
Altar Servers	Ben Fisher Zac Fisher	Catherine Gulick Sarah Gulick Kiana Leistikow Tyson Robinson
Hospitality Ministers	Jim Carney Dan Lempiainen Marv Spieker Dale Vortherms	Bob Huls Kim Kirschbaum Duane Kolar Mike Schrunk
Music Ministers	Charlene Hamann	Allison Oyler Gaylene Rolling
Gift Bearers	The Endres Family	The Miller Family

Liturgies and Events This Week

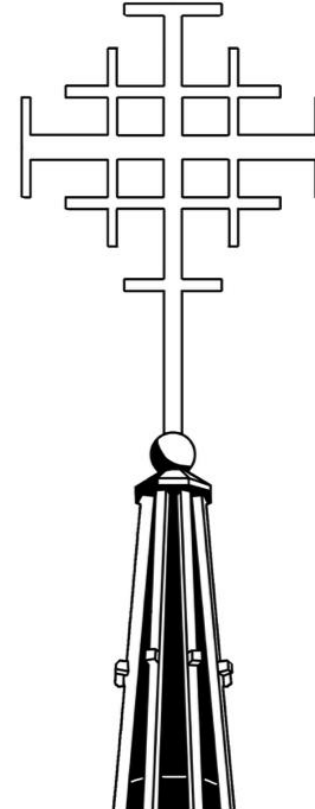
<u>Monday, Dec. 24</u>	<u>Wednesday, Dec. 26</u>	<u>Thursday, Dec. 27</u>	<u>Saturday, Dec. 29</u>
4:30PM Mass +John Steinkamp 7:00PM Mass +L. & D Members	NO Mass NO Adoration	7:30AM Mass +Merle & Ruth Packebush	5:00PM Mass + Dora Rooney
<u>Tuesday, Dec. 25</u>		<u>Friday, Dec. 28</u>	<u>Sunday, Dec. 30</u>
8:30AM Mass +Marge Husen		12:00Noon +Randy Ricklefs	9:30AM Mass +Living & Deceased Members of St. Mary's

Stewardship for December 15, 2018

Adults: \$4,203.00
Loose: \$1,472.25
Dollar: \$
Guatemala: \$453.00
Special: \$ 411.17 - Pancakes

Uncle Albert didn't have a will. It took three years to settle his estate. Your will can help your family, your Church/School, and save unnecessary expenses at death.

St. Mary's Parish



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Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 23, 2018

Parish Staff

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Baptism – Contact the office to inquire about pre-baptismal class.

Marriage – Contact the office at least six months before date of wedding.

Confessions – Wednesday 3:30PM, Saturday 4:00PM, Sunday 9:00AM.

Eucharistic Adoration – Wednesday 12:30PM – 4:00PM.

Christmas Mass Times

Monday, December 24th Mass will be at 4:30PM with the Adult Choir singing, and at the 7:00PM Mass the contemporary ensemble will provide music. Mass on Christmas Day will be at 8:30AM.

Christmas Blessing to All

Christmas Blessings to all the parishioners of St. Mary's! On behalf of Fr. Kelly and the entire St. Mary's staff, we pray that the blessings of Christmas be with you and your families. Merry Christmas!

St. Mary's Gift to You

As a gift to each family this Christmas, St. Mary's is giving the book, *The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity*, by Matthew Kelly and published by Dynamic Catholic. We all want to be happy, but there is a single lie that is preventing billions of people from experiencing lasting happiness and many don't even realize it. This special gift from our parish will empower you to overcome the lie so that you can experience more happiness than you ever thought possible. The books will be distributed after all Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. May God bless your families abundantly this Christmas and throughout the New Year.

Parish Office

The parish office will be closed on Monday, December 24th, at noon until Wednesday, December 26th. All of us here would like to wish you and your families a very Merry and Blessed Christmas. Enjoy time with your family

New Year's Mass Schedule

January 1st is the Holy Day of the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God. Mass times will be at 5:30PM on Monday, December 31st and Tuesday, January 1st.

Year-end Contributions – Important Details

The end of 2018 is rapidly approaching and if you would like to make a contribution, please have it to the office by December 26th, 2018 to receive credit for 2018. We would like to thank all of you for your generous support.

All Hands On Deck

Any liturgical ministers available and willing to serve for our Christmas Masses, please sign up on the table in the Narthex. With extra Masses and extra guests, we will need all hands on deck!

Religious Education Information

There is NO class Wednesday, December 26th or January 2nd. However, on January 2nd everyone is invited to bake cookies in the church kitchen in preparation for Fr. Kelly's Open House the weekend of January 5th and 6th. Please bring a single batch of cookie dough from home per family and meet at 6PM for baking. Everyone is welcome to attend. Please refrain from bringing items made with nuts or peanut butter due to food allergies. Call Mary if you have any questions.

Open House

Fr. Kelly will have an Open House of the rectory so that people can see the re-modeled kitchen. It will be following both weekend Masses of January 5th & 6th.

Please Keep in Your Prayers

All Confidential Prayer Chain requests may be directed to Jean Mohr, our Prayer Chain Coordinator at 712-336-2559 or 712-320-5433. Prayer intentions may be entered in the Prayer Request book in the Narthex.

Baptism Classes

If you are new parents, or you are expecting a child, you will need to attend the St. Mary's baptismal class before your child can receive the sacrament of baptism. If you need this class, please contact the parish office to register. The next class will take place in late December or early January.

Meal Sponsors Needed

It's hard to believe, but our first semester of Religious Education is rapidly coming to a close. We are in the process of securing sponsorship for several meals next semester. Individuals and businesses alike are welcome to sponsor a meal. The total cost is \$250. Whole or partial sponsorship is available. Please contact Jamin Trautman at 330-4901, or Mary Brandt at 336-1742. Thank you in advance for your generous support of this parish mission!

