

#### **SATURDAY DECEMBER 14**

Third Sunday Advent

SM 4:30 PM +Mary Baultus SJ 6:00 PM Special Intentions

#### **SUNDAY DECEMBER 15**

**Third Sunday of Advent** 

SA 8:00 AM Pro Populo

SM 9:30 AM +J.M. McCain

\*MONDAY DECEMBER 16

No Mass

**TUESDAY DECEMBER 17** 

**Advent Weekday** 

SM 8:30 AM +Alberta Biehle

**WEDNESDAY DECEMBER 18** 

**Advent Weekday** 

SJ 6:00 PM Members Wm & Rose

**Hunt Family** 

**THURSDAY DECEMBER 19** 

**Advent Weekday** 

SM 8:30 AM Priestly Vocations

\*FRIDAY DECEMBER 20

Advent Weekday

NO MASS +Charlie Heilers

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 21** 

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

SM 4:30PM Pro Populo

SJ 6:00 PM Matt & Jennifer Diekhoff

**SUNDAY DECEMBER 22** 

# Fourth Sunday of Advent

SA 8:00 AM+Rick Kiszka

SM9:30 AM Souls in Purgatory

\*Indicates a change in schedule

# **Confession Schedule**

Tuesdays: SM after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Wednesdays: SJ 5:30 p.m.

Thursdays: SM after 8:30 a.m. Mass

Fridays: SA 5:30 p.m.

Saturdays: SM 4:00 p.m. & SJ after 6 p.m.

Mass.

Sunday: SA 7:30 a.m.



# CHRISTMAS MASSES

Christmas Eve | Tuesday December 24 4 p.m. St. Mary 4 p.m. St. Joseph 9 p.m. St. Ann Midnight St. Mary



Christmas Day| Wednesday December 25 8 a.m. St. Joseph 9:30 a.m. TLM at Our Lady of Providence, Brownstown

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# **Rejoice in the Lord Always!**

The Third Sunday of Advent is traditionally called *Gaudete* Sunday, based on the Introit for the day: *Gaudete in Domino semper, iterum dico, Gaudete,* from Philippians 4:4 ("Rejoice in the Lord always; again I say, 'Rejoice'").

# MONTH OF THE DIVINE INFANCY

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O DIVINE CHILD JESUS, I LOVE YOU!

# PARISH CONTACTS

#### PARISH STAFF

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#### ST. MARY'S SCHOOL

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#### ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Emergency - Contact Fr. Jerry Byrd at (513) 403-1547. Call Fr. Jerry for the sacrament of anointing at other times. Contact Deacon Larry French (812) 525-6568 for communion to the sick or hospitalized.

> ST. VINCENT DE PAUL (812) 346-2576

JACOB'S PRAYER LINE

(812) 346-6360 or (812) 592-1102

# PARISH FINANCIAL INFORMATION

# **WEEKEND OFFERINGS** DECEMBER 2024

What I spent is gone, what I kept I lost, but what I gave will be mine forever.

ST. ANN'S-

YTD Budget: \$66,114.72 YTD Actual: \$59,169.00

#### ST. MARY'S-

YTD Budget: \$375,000.03 YTD Actual: \$355,731.98 YTD Variance as of March 2024:

(\$19,268.05)

**Weekly Automatic Giving:** 

\$2,240

YTD Variance as of March 2024: Monthly Automatic Giving:

# NEW NUMBERS NOT AVAILABLE AT PRESS TIME DUE TO EARLY **HOLIDAY DEADLINES**

**Monthly Automatic Giving:** \$465/Weekly:\$130 November 16: \$910

St. Mary: 197 @4:30 p.m. & 181 @ 9:30 a.m.

"LET US GO TO THE HOUSE OF THE LORD." PSALM 122

# PLEASE KEEP IN PRAYER

#### PLEASE PRAY FOR:

David Kreutzjans, Jackie Webster, Sandy Graham, Roland Roy, Scott McKeand, Beth Ann Shultz, Cody Lacey, Delores Hibbard, Connor Ramey, Jay L. McDonald, Floyd Smith, David Herr, Doug Reitman, Tracy Thompson, Jacob Frey, Wendy Reitman, Melissa Helm Taylor, Sarah Loudermelk, John Doran, Andrew Lee, Makayla Reitman, Ruby Gatewood, Penny Sullivan, Kaye Sullivan, Roger Bowen, Justin Brinker, Brittany Preusz, Jeff Kreutzjans, Sharleen Warren, Stacy Borgeman, Ian Hoff, Mike Irwin, Helen Hoff, Susie Sanert, Reda Wickens, Abby Johnson.

If you would like to add someone to the prayer list please call the Parish Office: 812-346-3604. Names will appear for two weekends.

#### CHAPEL OF THE GOOD SHEPHERD

OPEN 24 HOURS. CALL (812) 346-4919 FOR CHAPEL CLOSING **INFORMATION** 

#### **OPEN HOURS THAT NEED TO BE FILLED**

FRIDAY 1 AM TO 2 AM SATURDAY 11 PM TO MIDNIGHT

If you would like to commit or help sub an hour please call the Parish Office at (812) 346-3604.

Chapel Openings and closings will be flock noted. If you do not receive flock note please contact the Parish Office.

"Oh come, let us worship and bow down; let us kneel before the LORD, our Maker. For He is our God, and we are the people of His pasture, and the sheep of His hand." (Psalm 95:6-7)

# ADVENT ADVICE FROM A POPULAR SAINT

"Are we ready to receive Him? Before the birth of Jesus, His parents asked for a simple dwelling place, but there was none. If Mary and Joseph were looking for a home for Jesus, would they choose your heart, and all it holds? Let us pray that we shall be able to welcome Jesus at Christmas. "

St. Mother Teresa

# **OUR BLESSED MOTHER**

Praying the rosary honors our Blessed Mother for the protection She gives us and Her powerful intercession to the prayers of the faithful. Please join us at the following:

St. Ann: Prior to the 8:00 AM Sunday Mass

St. Mary: Prior to the 4:30 PM Saturday Mass and the 9:30 AM Sunday Mass.

St. Joseph: Prior to the 6 PM Saturday evening Mass at 5:40 PM.

# **PARISH NEWS**





# CELEBRATING 100 YEARS! THE ST. JOSEPH ROSARY SOCIETY

We are the St. Joseph Rosary Society. Our purpose is to support spiritual and social activities of St. Joseph Catholic Church in Jennings County. Our group of women come together to help our brothers and sisters in their time of need by hosting craft fairs, bazaars, and many other activities across our community. These efforts help us to raise funds for various endeavors.

Some of the many different areas we donate to are: Memorial Scholarships for Jennings County High School Seniors, monetary donations to local charities, disaster relief, monetary support for our seminarians, Masses said for members of our parish past and present, giving to Cub Scouts, Jennings County 4-H, humanitarian donations, Good Samaritan Food Pantry, Saint Vincent DePaul, J.C. Coordinating Council, and sacristy needs of the Church.

All ladies of the parish are automatic members of the Rosary Society and are welcome to participate in all of our activities. We meet every other month on the second Tuesday of the month at 6:00 pm in the hall. Please consider becoming an active member of the Rosary Society.

For More Information Contact:
Terri French - President - 812-525-9556
Liz Ebbing - Secretary - 812-216-8033
Sherri Maschino - Treasurer - 812-592-7905

# **MARRIAGE BANNS**

LUKE ERTEL AND ABBY VOGEL are to be married on December 28, 2024 at St. Mary Catholic Church. If

any of you know just cause or impediment why these persons should not be joined together in the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony, you are to declare it. –Fr. Jerry Byrd.

#### **CHRISTMAS CLOSINGS**

The Adoration Chapel will close Dec. 24 at 8 a.m. and reopen on Dec. 26 at 8 a.m.

The Parish Office will be closed

December 23, 24, 25, 26, and 27. We will also be closed Jan. 1, 2025.

# ST. MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

The school will place gift card orders on Dec. 16. Please contact the school office if you wish to order cards for your holiday shopping, dining, and/or gift giving. Christmas Break is Dec. 21 to Jan. 5.

Thank you to everyone who has supported St. Mary's Catholic School throughout this year. We are forever grateful to all those who help provide a Catholic education for our children. We wish you all a Merry Christmas & Happy New Year.

#### **ADVENT SOLEMN VESPERS**

SUNDAY DEC. 15 & 22 AT ST. JOSEPH Adoration 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Confession 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Solemn Vespers 4 p.m.

#### **THANK YOU!**

I would like to thank the St. Joe's Knights of Columbus for their generous donation of Christmas wreaths. The wreaths were placed on 37 veterans graves in St. Joe's Cemetery. I would also like to thank the volunteers who donated additional funds and helped place the wreaths on the veterans and family members graves. The total number of wreaths purchased was 87. Thank you, Deacon Larry French.

YOUNG ADULT CHRISTMAS PARTY IS Dec. 29 at 1 p.m. at St. Ann Catholic Church.

#### SNOW REMOVAL ST. JOSEPH

**December:** Larry Maschino, Andy Maschino, and Tom Maschino **January 2025:** Andy Elsner, David Vogel, Chris Bailey.

K of C BINGO MARATHON: Jan. 1 noon to 5 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Hall

SVDP REPORT: Monies of \$10,987.97 were provided to 219 people representing 74 households in November. Thank you to all who support this ministry.

# UPCOMING BULLETIN DEAD-LINES

Dec. 22 bulletin items must be submitted by Dec. 9 Dec. 29 bulletin items must be submitted by Dec. 12 January 5 bulletin items must be submitted by Dec. 13. All by 5 p.m. on those days. No exceptions.