

December 4, 2022 2nd Sunday of Advent



St. Mary

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Farmersville, Illinois
62533
217-227-3349



St. Maurice

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Morrisonville, Illinois
P.O. Box # 45
62546
217-526-3363



St. Raymond

306 S. McElroy Street
Raymond, Illinois
62560
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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

Advent is a time when we are literally bombarded with all kinds of messages, especially from advertising. John invites us to be aware of it and not lose the important message he brings.

John the Baptist is not simply the precursor of the Messiah; he preaches repentance and at the same time, announces that the One he is announcing is mightier than he. Not only he is mightier but also he has power to judge the world and condemn the guilty; the bad will be punished and the good rewarded.

So, John's message in this regard is brief and clear: "Repent" and "Prepare the way of the Lord!" We can even say that repenting is preparing our lives for Christ's coming. And we can become true Advent Christians if we heed his message by converting our way of living and bearing good fruit.

And again, our whole life as Christians is clearly an Advent because all our lives are about repenting and preparing ourselves for the day we'll meet the Lord because, we don't know neither the day nor the hour. And we do this by striving to bear good fruit.

So, John clearly reminds us this Sunday that 'punishment' or 'vindication' is our personal choice, according to the kind of life we live. Therefore we must produce good fruit if we don't want to run the risk to be cut down.

Preparing for Christmas can be a challenging moment. And listening to the call of John the Baptist is a powerful reminder of what Christmas is truly about: Repentance, awareness. We cannot afford to let the busyness of this season close our ears to this crucial message. We cannot afford to risk being chaff rather than wheat.



- Diocesan Year of the Eucharist -

1) **What makes a Catholic church building so special and unique?**

Every Catholic church is God's house, His dwelling place on earth; and God's Son Jesus-Christ lives there in the Blessed Sacrament. That's why the Blessed Sacrament is the center of our lives and the heart of our life in Jesus-Christ. Thus, like a friend, you can go and visit Him at church anytime, reason why our churches stay open. Jesus-Christ really wants to see us and he gladly welcomes us when we come to church.

2) **Do all Catholic churches look the same?**

Different Christian people build Catholic churches in various parts of the world. Thus there are many different styles and types of churches just as there are many different types of people and cultures. Some churches are old, some are new, some are large like basilicas and cathedrals, and some are small like chapels. Even though they look different, most Catholic churches have the same important things within them.

3) **What do all the Catholic churches have?**

All Catholic churches contain the Tabernacle where the Eucharist is kept. They all have an altar and an ambo or lectern and all have a sacred place consecrated to God for the people to worship.



Bible Study
Acts of the Apostles, the Spread of the Kingdom

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

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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The Immaculate Conception
of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Dec. 8th
Holy Day of Obligation

Wednesday, December 7th
St. Mary - 5:30 pm

Thursday, December 8th
St. Raymond - 5:30 pm
St. Maurice - 7:00 pm

Family of Faith

December 14th 2022

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

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

Early Bulletin Deadline Notice

Bulletin Date:

December 18th
December 25th
January 1, 2023

Submissions due by
9:00 am on:

Wednesday Dec. 9th
Wednesday Dec. 14th
Wednesday Dec. 21st

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, Ron Lowe, 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

St. Mary

Liturgical Schedule

Saturday, December 3

5:00 pm Lyle & Marylyn Leonard
(Dave & Bea Leonard)

Tuesday, December 6

8:00 am Dorothy Heaton
(Carolynn Bettis)

Wednesday, December 7 - The Immaculate Conception

5:30 pm Dorothy Heaton
(Dorothy Shepherd)

Saturday, December 10

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

Tuesday, December 13

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

Lector Schedule

Dec 3 - Tony Krager
Dec 10 - Dan Martin
Dec 17 - Kathy Rovey
Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Carol Hupp
Dec 31 - Mary Jane Fuchs

Eucharistic Minister Schedule

Dec 3 - Mary Jane Schmidt
Dec 10 - Bea Leonard
Dec 17 - Glenn Rovey
Dec 24 Christmas Eve - Mary Ann
Rimini
Dec 31 - Patty Clarke

Finance Council

Bob Wagahoff
Patty Clarke
Donna Krager
Bill Brown
Fr. Florent

Marriage and Family

One way to prepare spiritually for Jesus' coming is to try to correct a bad habit. Have you been overly critical of your spouse? Judgmental? Too preoccupied to really listen? Pick one fault and work on it.

| Collection for November 26 | |
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| Envelopes & Loose | \$516 |
| Campaign for Justice and Hope | \$20 |
| Candle Fund | \$3 |
| Christmas Flower Offering | \$20 |
| Maintenance Fund | \$ |
| TOTAL COLLECTIONS | \$559 |

St. Mary's Christmas Choir Practice

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

Please join us for Christmas choir!



St. Maurice

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, December 4

10:00 am Rita Millburg
(Jerry & Judy Fahl)

Thursday, December 8 - The Immaculate Conception

7:00 pm Mrs. Dorothy Marie Turley
(Family)

Friday, December 9

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

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)

Ministry Schedule

December 4

USHER: Mark Langen and
Brian & Suzanne Grundy
LECTOR: Pat Wolf
EUCHARISTIC MINISTER: Charlie Golitko
ALTAR SERVERS: Adelaide and Gentry Dunkirk,
and Macie Ferrill

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

Recent St. Maurice Baptisms

Please pray for and rejoice with the following
children baptized at St. Maurice:

Kamryn Louise Mayer, daughter of
Jason & Deanna (Goebel) Mayer
and

Nora Wren Goebel, daughter of
Mark & Casandra (Osterholt) Goebel

were baptized on November 20th

Finance Council

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

St. Maurice Parish is in need
of an 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.

Collection for November 27

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| Envelopes & Loose Cash | \$4,220 |
| Church Improvement Fund | \$60 |
| Candle Fund | \$ |
| TOTAL COLLECTIONS | \$4,280 |

St. Raymond

Liturgical Schedule

Sunday, December 4

8:00 am Terry Brockmeyer
(Charlie & Doris Morehouse)

Wednesday, December 7

No Mass

Thursday, December 8 - The Immaculate Conception

5:30 pm The Parishioners of
St. Mary, St. Maurice, & St. Raymond
(Fr. Florent)

Sunday, December 11

8:00 am William Tucker
(Barbara Powley)

Wednesday, December 14

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

Thank You

to Jerry and Neil Wagahoff for getting our tattered
flags down and replacing the American flag.
We have a new papal flag ordered and it will be
raised as soon as it comes.

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

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTER John Barto

Christmas Eve and Christmas Day schedules
coming soon

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

Finance Council

Bill Held Marlene Marten
John Barto Allen Poggenpohl
Fr. Florent

Collection for November 27

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| Envelopes and Loose | \$1,525 |
| Candle offering | \$ |
| Bell Tower Repair | \$1,000 |
| Flower Collection | \$55 |
| Retirement Fund for Religious | \$50 |
| Catholic Children's Home | \$20 |
| Campaign for Justice & Hope | \$50 |
| Total Collections: | \$2,700 |