

DECEMBER 22, 2024 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

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ST. RAYMOND

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21

5:00 pm St. Mary: The Living & Deceased
Members of the
Linda Carter Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

8:00 am St. Raymond: Roy & Fran Weitekamp
10:00 am St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

CHRISTMAS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24 - CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 pm St. Mary: Karl Jordan
4:00 pm St. Maurice: Linus & Marie Grundy
6:30 pm St. Raymond: Marge Held

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 25 - CHRISTMAS DAY

9:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 27

8:00 am St. Maurice: Nide Grundy

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 28

5:00 pm St. Mary: Margaret "Peggy" Keller

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

8:00 am St. Raymond: The People of Our Parishes
10:00 am St. Maurice: Merle Ree Millburg

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

-HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION-

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 - EVE

4:00 pm St. Mary: Mary Brown
6:00 pm St. Maurice: The People of Our Parishes

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1 - HOLY DAY

9:00 am St. Raymond: Edward Weitekamp

RECONCILIATION

SATURDAYS

3:00-3:30 pm St. Maurice

4:00-4:30 pm St. Mary

SUNDAYS

7:00-7:30 am St. Raymond

ADORATION

ST. RAYMOND

8:30 am Wednesday - 8:00 am Thursday

*There will be no Adoration on December 25 & 26 or
January 1 & 2. Adoration resumes on January 8 & 9, 2025*

*Adoration will be held in the main church while our
chapel is having repair work done*

ST. MAURICE

8:00 am - 9:00 pm Wednesday

*There will be no Adoration on December 25 or January 1.
Adoration will resume on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.*

FATHER'S COLUMN

Mary set out and traveled to the hill country in haste to a town of Judah, where she entered the house of Zechariah and greeted Elizabeth. When Elizabeth heard Mary's greeting, the infant leaped in her womb.

What joy a child displays when receiving the loving attention of an adult! What joy all of us feel whenever we are acknowledged as loved, valued, and good! Yet in our society our tendency is to speak and hear less than positive words about each other.

In our hunger to hear good words, God comes to us speaking the good Word. Gabriel reveals to Mary the good news about Elizabeth's pregnancy. Mary sets out immediately to go to Elizabeth, and what an exchange of good news! To both women, God had come. Both women responded with joyful recognition of God's presence.

Mary "set out in haste" to go to Elizabeth. God also comes to us "in haste." For us impatient humans, however, God's coming might seem immeasurably slow. God simply doesn't always come in ways we expect, and so we often miss divine Presence. Yet God does faithfully come in every moment, every event, every encounter with another.

How do we respond?

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

December 23: St. John of Kanty, Priest

December 24: St. Tarsilla, Virgin

December 25: St. Anastasia, Martyr

December 26: St. Stephen, The 1st Martyr

December 27: St. John, Apostle & Evangelist

December 28: The Holy Innocents, Martyrs

December 29: St. Thomas Becket, Bishop & Martyr

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday, Dec 21:
Mary Jane Schmidt
& Patty Clarke

Christmas Eve
Tuesday, Dec 24:
Emily Martin
& Mary Jane Schmidt

Saturday, Dec 29:
John &
Mary Jo Brown

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Tuesday, Dec 31:
Mary Ann Rimini
& Emily Martin

Saturday, Jan 4:
Patty Clarke
Mary Ann Rimini

LECTORS

Saturday, Dec 21:
Mary Jane Fuchs

Christmas Eve
Tuesday, Dec 24:
Tony Krager

Saturday, Dec 29:
Dan Martin

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Tuesday, Dec 31:
Kathy Rovey

Saturday, Jan 4:
Carol Hupp

ST. RAYMOND

DECEMBER

LECTOR Tricia Pinkston
CANTOR Chris Mizera
HOSPITALITY Mark Meisner
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
..... Carl Marten
..... John Barto

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:
Dec 1 - Hocking/Krager
Dec 8 - Dick Lyons
Dec 15 - Carl Marten
Dec 22 - Noller/Morehouse
Dec 29 - Dick Lyons

SERVERS:
Sun, Dec 1: Avery Pope
Linda Hocking
Sun, Dec 8: Denny Held
Sun, Dec 15: Avery & Luke Pope
Austin Nicol
Sun, Dec 22: Dan Held
Christmas Eve - Tue, Dec 24:
Avery & Luke Pope
Christmas Day - Wed, Dec 25:
Denny Held
Sun, Dec 29: Denny Held

ST. MAURICE

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22

LECTOR Dale Brockamp
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Charlie Golitko
Gerry Goebel
John Bergschneider

USHERS Mark Langen
Brian & Suzanne Grundy

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

CHRISTMAS EVE

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 24

LECTOR Ed Goebel
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
John Bergschneider

USHERS Mark Langen
Brian & Suzanne Grundy

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Macie Ferrill and Gentry Dunkirk
Rian Deardorff

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 29

LECTOR Diane McWard-Sullivan
EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS
Catherine O'Connell
Dale Brockamp
Larry Goebel

USHERS Mark Langen
Brian & Suzanne Grundy

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun
Rian Deardorff

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR DECEMBER 14/15

St. Mary: \$1,353

St. Raymond: \$3,597

St. Maurice: \$1,704

OUR PRAYER LIST

Gail Meisner, Larry Lanter, Trent Boston, Albert Emery, Luanne Stewart, Mary Lou Langen, Kristi Hester, Jim Weitekamp, Donna Boeh, Terry Goby, Janet (Cobb) Myers, Chuck Sale, Brant Weitekamp, Janet Locander, Alan McFarlin, Vickie Norris, Greg Weitekamp, Katrina Cunningham, Glenn Rovey, Enriqueta Hernandez, Martha Beeler, Mike Sheedy

Remember to pray for our Pope, Bishop, priests and seminarians, and for the increase of vocations to priesthood and religious life.

St. Mary Christmas Decorating

We will be decorating our church for Christmas after Mass on December 21. Please bring an ornament for the Family Tree in the lobby.

St. Raymond Christmas Decorating

Everyone is invited to help decorate for Christmas immediately after Mass on Sunday, December 22.

St. Raymond Christmas Choir Last Practice

Monday, December 23 at 6:30 pm at St. Raymond

St. Mary Christmas Choir Practice

Each Wednesday of December leading up to Christmas at 6:30 pm at St. Mary

Teen Bible Study

There will be no session on Wednesday, December 25

Pro-Life Prayer

Friday mornings 9:00 am at St. Raymond

St. Raymond Sunday Social

Join us Sunday, January 5 after Mass for coffee, donuts & more at the KC Hall. Hope to see you there!

Study on The Gospel of Matthew taking Holiday Break

We are taking a break for the holidays so there will be no sessions through December 31. We will resume on Tuesday, January 7, 2025.

Family of Faith

Classes are held on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at the Fuller Street Building in Morrisonville starting at 6:00 pm

QUIZ TIME WITH FATHER

Last Week's Answers :

The Sacrament of Confession

a. almost always must be received before Communion by anyone guilty of a mortal sin since his last confession.

If you have committed a mortal sin, you may not receive Communion until after you have gone to sacramental confession "unless there is a grave reason and no opportunity to confess" Code of Canon Law, 916.

And

c. must be received by all Catholic adults at least once a year. This is one of the six precepts of the Church.

Mortal Sin

c. is the same as serious sin; only the words are different.

For a sin to be mortal, three conditions must be met: "Mortal sin is sin whose object is grave matter and which is also committed with full knowledge and deliberate consent". Catechism of the Catholic Church 1857

This Week's Question :

Which of the following is not a pairing of one of the seven deadly sins verses it's opposite virtue?

- a. gluttony verses temperance
- b. wrath verses kindness
- c. avarice verses charity
- d. sloth verses diligence
- e. none of the above



St. Maurice Parishioners go Caroling

