DECEMBER 29, 2024 | FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY



THE PARISHES OF

ST. MARY

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St. Raymond

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

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

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3

8:00 am St. Maurice: Lou Norris

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4

5:00 pm St. Mary: The People of Our Parishes

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

8:00 am St. Raymond: Sheila Masten

10:00 am St. Maurice: Richard & Lou Norris

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 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 January 1. Adoration will resume on Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

FATHER'S COLUMN

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers.

Nowadays, internet searches have made finding information and products so easy. However, there is no "heavenly Internet" that makes finding Jesus and what he asks of us easy. It takes a lot of work to look fruitfully for Jesus. And even more work to know what he wants of us. Yet it is this pattern of searching and discerning that helps us to encounter Jesus, to be obedient to what he wants of us, and to grow in wisdom.

Mary and Joseph searched diligently for Jesus: first, for a whole day among their caravan, then anxiously retracing their steps back to Jerusalem looking for him. When they eventually found him, Jesus challenged their understanding of who he is and what he is to be about. Like Mary and Joseph, we search for Jesus. When we find him, we come to new understanding of who he is and who we are to be in relation to him.

We have no "heavenly Internet" to help us with our search, but we do have even more sure help. For example, when we have an important decision to make, we find Jesus and come to new understanding by going to other people who have made similar decisions and share their wisdom with us. We also can find Jesus through prayer and through reflection and meditation on our own past experiences of the events and complexities of life. Searching for Jesus in these and other ways, we grow in wisdom and come to fuller life.

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

December 30: St. Felix I, Pope

December 31: St. Sylvester I, Pope

January 1: Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary,

Mother of God

January 2: Sts. Basil the Great and

Gregory Nazianzus,

Bishops & Doctors of the Church

January 3: St. Anterus, Pope

January 4: St. Angela of Foligno, Franciscan

January 5: St. Edward, King of England

MINISTRY SCHEDULES

ST. MARY

St. Raymond

ST. MAURICE

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

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

Saturday, Jan 11:

Mary Jane Schmidt & Patty Clarke

Saturday, Jan 18:

Emily Martin

& Mary Jane Schmidt

LECTORS

Saturday, Dec 29: Dan Martin

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

Tuesday, Dec 31: Kathy Rovey

Saturday, Jan 4:

Carol Hupp

Saturday, Jan 11:

Mary Jane Fuchs

Saturday, Jan 18: Tony Krager

DECEMBER

LECTOR Tricia Pinkston
CANTOR Chris Mizera
HOSPITALITY Mark Meisner

EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Carl Marten John Barto

HOMEBOUND MINISTER: Dec 29 - Dick Lyons

SERVERS:

Sun, Dec 29: Denny Held

JANUARY

LECTOR Verne Pinkston
CANTOR Deb Held
HOSPITALITY Phil Borgic

EXTRAORDINARY MINSTERS

Tricia Pinkston Neil Wagahoff

HOMEBOUND MINISTER:

Jan 5: Hocking/Krager Jan 12: Dick Lyons Jan 19: Carl Marten

Jan 26: Noller/Morehouse

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

SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31

Volunteers needed

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5

LECTOR Catherine O'Connell

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Gerry Goebel John Bergschneider Marietta Dunkirk

USHERS Mark Langen
Richard Grundy

Larry & Karen Goebel

SERVERS Nathaniel DeBrun Rian Deardorff

COLLECTION TOTALS FOR DECEMBER 21/22 + 24/25

St. Mary: \$859 + \$3,729 St. Raymond: \$1,711 + \$2,815 St. Maurice: \$11,831

OUR PRAYER LIST

Gail Meisner, Larry Lanter, Trent Boston, Albert Emery, 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, 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.

PARISH & COMMUNITY NEWS & EVENTS

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!

St. Raymond Food Pantry Service Project

Totes will be available next Sunday, January 5 to take home and fill with food for our local food pantry. Please bring your filled totes back to the church the following Sunday, January 12.

Raymond KC Drive-Thru Chicken Dinner

Sunday January 12, 10:30 to 12:30 Drive-Thru Only

\$15 meal includes half chicken, mashed potatoes & white gravy, corn, dinner roll, and choice of cake

Farmersville KC Monthly Sunday Breakfast

January 19, 7:30 to 11:00 am at the KC Hall

Teen Bible Study

There will be no session on Wednesday, January 1

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 Answer:

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

b. wrath verses kindness

This Week's Questions:

Holy Communion may be received by.....

- a. anyone at all, so long as his conscience tells him it is the right thing to do.
- b. any Christian who wishes to manifest the unity that Christ willed for his Church.
- c. Catholics in the state of grace, but not by most Protestants, even if they are in the state of grace.
- d. Catholics who have committed mortal sins and are sorry for them, even if they have not confessed them yet in confession.
- e. none of the above.

Hosts used for Communion......

- a. can be made of any kind of bread.
- b. have to be shaped as small disks.
- c. must be embossed with the letters IHS, which stand for "In His Service".
- d. may be made with additives such as sugar, salt, baking soda, or honey.
- e. none of the above

St. Raymond Celebrates Newly Weds

Ryan Bruntjen and Sarah Frey were joined in holy matrimony at our parish on December 14, 2024. Congratulations Mr. & Mrs. Bruntjen!

Thank You from St. Mary

Thank you to everyone who helped decorate our church in preparation for the celebration of the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ.