

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2010

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Dec. 6	6:30am	+Cecelia Pennekamp	Latin Mass
	8:15am	+Honorable Judge John Moore	
Tuesday, Dec. 7	6:30am	For Sister Clarissa Wand	Latin Mass
	8:15am	+Charles Banwarth	
Immaculate Conception	8:15am	+Rosella Hesseling	(School Mass)
Wednesday, Dec. 8	12:10pm	+Rocky Kluth	
	5:30pm	+Alice Wand	Latin Mass
	7:00pm	The Trentz Family	
Thursday, Dec. 9	6:30am	+Father Kunz	Latin Mass
	8:15am	+Lorraine Osterhaus	
	10:30am	Manor Care Nursing Home	
Friday, Dec. 10	6:30am	+Sister Mary Anthony Grawe SSND	Latin Mass
	8:15am	+Craig Abing	
Saturday, Dec. 11	6:30am	For Michael Morel	Latin Mass
	8:00am	+Margaret M. Conrad	



WEEKEND LITURGIES

Saturday, Dec. 11	4:00pm	+Lawrence & Grace Davis	
Sunday, Dec. 12	9:00am	+Dale O. & Patricia J. Kettler	
	11:00am	Living & Deceased of the Bernard J. Soley Sr. and John Soley Families	Latin Mass
	12:30pm	Hispanic Mass	

REFLECTION—"Therefore, every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." Matthew 3:10
Do you bear good fruit for Christ? Or do you spend your time, talent and treasure constantly acquiring more toys, clutter and junk. As we are immersed in the Holiday shopping season now might be a good time to evaluate what gifts do we give to God?

Cemetery meeting Wednesday, December 8th at 10am in the rectory meeting room.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION DONATIONS

Envelopes are on the table near the center entrance of church for donations for Christmas flowers, wreaths, etc. for our church. You may donate for the cost of a specific item or any amount. The donation may also be given as a memorial to a deceased loved one. Be sure to indicate the name if it is a memorial. Thank you for your great response every year!

Jamaica Building Material Collection

In January of 2011 parishioners from both St. Mary's and St. Augustine's will again go to Jamaica to build and repair the homes of the very poor in the Diocese of Mandeville. A special collection will be conducted the weekend of Dec. 11. All of the money collected will be used to buy building materials when our parishioners are in Jamaica. Please place your check (addressed to St. Mary's or St. Augustine's) or cash contribution in an envelope clearly marked "Jamaica Building Material Fund". Thank you in advance for your generosity in supporting the very poor of Jamaica! Christ's peace to you always, Deacon Bill

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

2nd Sunday of Advent: Is 11:1-10/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12.
Monday: Is 35:1-10/Lk 5:17-26.
Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14.
Wednesday: The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38.
Thursday: Is 41:13-20/Mt 11:11-15.
Friday: Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19.
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13.
3rd Sunday of Advent: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11.

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING 2010

Needed to operate each week \$11,500.00
November 28

Weekly Envelopes	\$5,107.00
Weekly Average Electronic Funds	\$1,300.00
Offertory	\$ 451.00
School operating Fund (past week)	\$3,450 .00
Total contributed since account opened	\$19,000.00

Thank you for your generosity!

BAPTISM—Congratulations to Donald and Betty Morshead, whose son, Payton Henry Morshead was baptized last weekend. May he always find joy in being part of God's family!

The 5:30pm Latin Mass Dec. 8th, will be a High Mass. The Gregorian Chant Choir will sing the Mass.

With Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the families of: Bishop George Wirz who died Tuesday, Nov. 23rd; and to Clarence Berning, whose mother, Emma J. Berning died Nov. 29th. Eternal rest grant unto them Oh, Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace.

Saturday, Dec. 11 - 4:00pm	Sunday, Dec. 12 - 9:00am
Altar Servers	
Matthew Busch	Nicholas Kunz Christopher Kunz Vince Momot
Lectors & Leader of Prayer	
Kent Scheuerell Fay Stone	Sue Momot Dee Woolf Terry Woolf
Sacristan	
Fay Stone	Dona Lofy
Music Ministry	
	Deb & Choir
Greeters	
Barney McDermott	Connie Powers Cynthia Powers Kim Schmelz Jan Siegert
SCRIP	
Linda Murphy	Julie Tashner

St. Mary's CCW needs officers, president, vice-president, treasurer and secretary are open. These are one year terms. The Council of Catholic Women will hold the officer election at their Dec. 15, potluck at 6pm in the parish hall. The group has meetings bimonthly throughout the year and supports the altar needs of the church as well as other parish programs. Please contact Dee Woolf 348-7403 for more information.

Next Weekend! Bless Our Priests Collection for Diocesan Retired Priests

Please take advantage of this opportunity to offer support to the retired priests of our diocese by helping provide for their healthcare needs. Your donation will help serve those who have faithfully served us! Thank you.

This Week at St. Mary's

Tuesday: Mission Sewing, 8:30am.

RCIA, 6:45pm.

Rel. Ed. Committee mtg, at St. A., 7pm.

Wednesday: Cemetery mtg, 10am.

Religious Ed (see below).

Thursday: School Christmas Program in church, 7pm.

Friday: Scripture Sharing, 9am

Sunday: KC Breakfast with Santa, 8am—noon.

Chili & Caroling has been cancelled this year

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HELP SAVE OUR SCHOOL FUNDRAISER

Sunday, Dec. 12 (8am—noon) The K of C will be serving breakfast from 8-noon on December 12. There will be games, a video game challenge, face painting and visits with Santa Claus. Also the CCW will be pitching in with a bake sale, craft sale, wreaths, poinsettias, and there will be a silent auction.

All proceeds go to the school!

THEME BASKETS NEEDED—Theme baskets are needed for the Dec 12 Santa Breakfast. If you can help please call Fr. John at the rectory or email him at john.delpriore@straphael.org.

Congratulations to our students who were winners in the Patriot Pen Contest: seventh grader Maddie Carroll, who will also go on to State finals, and sixth graders Kleine Leonard and Rachel Schaefer. Congratulations also go to Margaret Drefcinski for her winning essay, *What Liberty Means to Me*, in a contest sponsored by Park Place Assisted Living.

Our congratulations and best wishes to St. Mary Catholic School Alumni who participated in the Platteville High School production of FAME this past weekend: Amy Karsten, Krissy Klar, Ally Klein, Sara Meyers, Stephanie Momot, Alyssa Iverson, Abby Klar, John Lambert, Katie Melssen and Julia Streich.

St. Mary School is in need of a part-time custodian, minimum 20 hours per week, starting immediately. Position includes cleaning duties within the school, snow shoveling and some light maintenance. Interested persons should contact Principal Joseph Hood at 348-5806 as soon as possible.

CHRISTMAS EVE 5PM MASS

Once again, the children will be invited to process in, and decorate the tree. If your child will be in attendance, please have them make an ornament, and plan to participate. As in the past, I will need to depend on a few parents to ensure this goes as planned. If you can be of assistance, please call Deb at 778-7237.

Prelude Music will begin at 4:30 PM.

I hope many of you will be with us to celebrate Christmas Eve, the blessings of the season, and enjoy the music we have prepared.

Tatiana Concert: Sunday Dec. 12th at 2pm at Sinsinawa Mounds. Concert is free with no required ticket reservation. A free will offering can be made at the conclusion of the concert. This is Tacji's Christmas concert, which is an excellent way to celebrate the true meaning of Christmas.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Confirmation meeting: Sun. Dec. 5 & 19

Grades 1-6: next class Wed., Dec. 15, 3:30-4:45pm.

Grades 7-10: next class Wed., Dec. 15, 7-8:45pm.

Anyone requesting prayer may call 348-6041. If no answer call 778-5949. Please call in the morning between 8am & 9am.

Alone for Christmas Dinner this year will be held at St. Augustine. Anyone who is alone at Christmas is welcome to attend.

Please check the sign up sheet on the table in back of church and see where you can help out.

CCW Christmas bazaar: A special thanks go out to all the people who contributed so much of their time and talents, food items and crafts to make our annual Christmas bazaar such a success. And thank you to all who came and participated. We could not have done it without your help.

KC MEETING MONDAY DECEMBER 6

Officers meeting 7pm, Council meeting 7:30pm

CHRISTMAS FOOD BASKETS

We will be asking for donations for the Christmas Food Baskets soon. Those who signed up to donate will be receiving a call. If you would like to donate and are not on the list you can call Pat Cullen at 348-8928 to find out what is needed. Please bring your donated items to the kitchen by Dec. 12. Baskets will be packed on the 13th. Monetary donations are also appreciated. Thanks for your help and generosity with this project. Linda

Do you have an interest in learning Latin? Fr. Lope is willing to teach an introductory course on the language to interested high school and college students or adults. Knowing Latin is beneficial in taking the ACT/SAT, singing Latin hymns, or reading church documents.

The class will begin in January but no specific day of the week or time has been chosen. Call the parish office 348-9735 if interested in class.

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