

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 2, 2012

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK



Mon., Dec. 3	6:30am	For Connie & Jerry McCabe TLM (<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>)
	8:00am	For Mary Kruckenberg
Tues., Dec. 4	6:30am	For Connie Koeller TLM (<i>St. Peter Chrysologus</i>)
	8:00am	+Mary Schneider
Wed., Dec. 5	6:30am	For Rose & Bill Baker TLM (<i>Feria</i>)
	8:00am	+Herman & Marion Beyer
Thurs., Dec. 6	6:30am	+Alberta Hanson TLM (<i>St. Nicholas</i>)
	8:00am	For Mary Kruckenberg
	10:30am	Manor Care Nursing Home
Fri., Dec. 7	6:30am	In Reparation & Salvation for Jim Stelpflug TLM (<i>St. Ambrose</i>)
	8:00am	+Fr. Bernard Pickarts
Fri. Dec. 7	7:00pm	+Ruth Hentrich Vigil Mass for Immaculate Conception
Sat., Dec. 8	8:00am	+Henry Reuter Immaculate Conception
WEEKEND LITURGIES		
Sat., Dec. 8	4:00pm	Living & Deceased Members of the Trentz Family
Sun., Dec. 9	9:00am	+Lawrence, Grace & James Davis
	12 noon	Hispanic Mass

Thursdays Eucharistic Adoration

Private Reconciliation every day, one hour before each Mass. And Thursdays, December 6, 13, & 20th from 5pm to 8pm or by an appointment.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

1st Sunday of Advent

Jer 33:14-16—1 Thes 3:12; 4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36.

Monday—Francis Xavier

1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23—Mk 16:15-20.

Tuesday—St. John Damascene

2 Tm 1:13-14; 2:1-3.

Wednesday—Is 25:6-10a—Mt 15:19-37.

Thursday—St. Nicholas

Common of Pastors.

Friday—St. Ambrose

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Saturday—Immaculate Conception

Gn 3:9-15, 20—Eph 1:3-6, 11-12

Lk 1:26-38.

2nd Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9—Phil 1:4-6, 8-11—Lk 3:1-6

Immaculate Conception, Saturday,

December 8, is a holy day of obligation. Even though it falls on a Saturday. It is under this title that the Blessed Virgin Mary is the patron of the United States. Masses celebrated on Saturday evening, December 8, will be for the Second Sunday of Advent. Catholics are obliged to attend Mass for each day—Immaculate Conception and the Advent Sunday. One Mass cannot fulfill two obligations.

St. Augustine's Mass Schedule

Friday at 5:15pm and

Saturday at 12 noon.

REFLECTION—"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (Luke 21:28)

Images of the final judgment can be scary, especially if we have not been faithful to God's commands throughout our lives. However, if we have been good stewards, we have left nothing to chance. We have carefully planned our giving and followed Our Lord's example of service and sacrifice. Thus, no matter the day or the hour we will be ready to stand erect and raise our heads to meet God face to face.

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.

FOOD COLLECTION FOR THE MOBILE FOOD PANTRY

Next weekend will be our first monthly food collection for the pantry. It will take place each second Sunday of the month.

FOOD FOR THE POOR—Please join us next weekend, December 8th. to hear Rev. David L. Delich speak at all the Masses about a ministry providing direct relief to the poor throughout Latin America and the Caribbean.

Father Delich will share what he has witnessed about Food For the Poor's mission to care for the destitute as a means of living out the Gospel mandate to love one another.

Fr. Delich was ordained for the Order of Preachers, the Dominicans in 1963. He has spent many years as a Chaplain in hospitals and prisons, and a physics and computer science teacher. Please welcome Fr. Delich next weekend.

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

November 25, 2012

Weekly Envelopes.....\$2,086.00

Weekly Average Electronic Funds. \$1,000.00

Offertory..... \$ 291.00

Thank you for your generosity!

PRAYER NETWORK

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

Saturday, Dec. 8 4:00pm		Sunday, Dec. 9 9:00am
Max Frommelt	Altar Servers	R.J. Schmitt
Mic Frommelt		Vince Momot Andy Eggers
Lector & Leader of Prayer		
Kent Scheuerell		Terry Woolf
Angie Boldt		Lee Eggers Jessica Clifton
Sacristan		
Connie McCabe		Jeanette Klaas
Music Ministry		
Kim & Open Ensemble		Classic Choir
Greeters		
Tammie VanNatta		Jerry McCabe Dave & Donna Swanson
Rosary Leaders		
Frommelt Family		Angie O'Brien & Angie Drefcinski

SAVE RECEIPTS—Save your receipts from shopping at Piggly Wiggly during the month of December (Dec 1 thru Dec 30). After shopping, get your receipt stamped at the Courtesy Counter at Piggly Wiggly. Bring your receipts and place in the marked gift bags in church or at Parish office. At the end of December Piggly Wiggly will give St. Mary's 1% of the total amount turned in from your receipts.

GIVING TREE—Parish and Child Care Staff have compiled a wish list of items and they adorn the Giving Tree in the north entrance of church. Parishioners are invited to donate items by taking the ornament. You may give a monetary donation toward that item or purchase the item yourself and bring it to the parish office.

ADVENT RETREAT—SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
EXPERIENCE JOY IN THE INCARNATION OF GOD
The Platteville Area Catholic Advent Retreat will be on Saturday, December 8th. It starts with Mass at 8:00am followed by continental breakfast. Retreat 9:30—Noon. Private Confession and prayerful reflection time is part of this retreat too.
Religious Education teachers and parishioners are encouraged to attend. No cost to participate except your time. Any questions contact Linda at 348-9735 or Diane at 348-3937.

THANK YOU—New Cruets and Holy Water Sprinkler
A beautiful new set of Cruets and a Gold Holy Water Sprinkler have been purchased for St. Mary's as a memorial for Barney McDermott. St. Mary's thanks Joyce McDermott and her family for these memorial items. If you would like to give a memorial for a loved one, please contact the parish office at 348-9735.

OUR SISTER PARISH, OUR LADY OF ASSUMPTION, PORUS JAMAICA

On January 2 through 11, I will once again lead a group of missionaries from St. Mary, St. Augustine, St. Rose and St. Patrick, 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 December 16. All of the money collected will be used to buy project building materials when our parishioners are in Jamaica. Each parishioner on the trip pays for their own airfare, food and lodging. Please place your check (addressed to St. Mary or St. Augustine) or cash contribution in an envelope clearly marked "Jamaica Building Material Fund". A heartfelt thank you for your past and present support of the very poor in Jamaica! Christ's Peace Always To You And Your Family, Deacon Bill

LEARN MORE ABOUT THE BIBLE at the Adult Faith program on Wednesday, Dec. 12. We will watch the program from Ascension Press called "A Quick Journey through the Bible." The program begins at 7pm in the St. Mary Church Hall. All parishioners are welcome to join our RE catechists in learning more about the Bible. We will be getting an introduction to the Bible and learn more about the book of Exodus and Judges. It is free and open to all to attend. If you have questions, call Linda at 348-9735 or Diane at 348-3937.

CHRISTMAS DECORATION DONATION

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!

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

Classes Wednesday, December 5th.
Grades 1-6, 3:30pm—Grades 7-10, 7pm.

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S
Tuesday—Mission Sewing, 8:30am.
Wednesday—See Religious Ed announcements below.
Saturday—Advent Retreat.
Sunday—KC Santa Pancake Breakfast.

SCRIP NEWS—Gift cards are a great way to make your Christmas shopping easy. Most major retailers have gift cards which can be ordered along with our normal weekly orders- - at no extra cost to you or to our SCRIP program! Visit www.ShopwithScrip.com for a complete list of what can be ordered. To ensure that you have your cards by Christmas, get your order form and check to the parish office by Thursday, December 6th. Special orders placed by December 6th will be available for pick up on Monday, December 17th. Special orders placed by November 29th will be available for pick-up on Monday, December 10th.

Hark the herald, angels sing! A choir of angel singers are needed for the 9:00 AM Christmas Day Mass. Diane Drefcinski is willing to lead a group in music from the choir loft for the Christmas Day Mass. There will be a practice on Tuesday, December 18 at 6:30 PM in the choir loft. Young and old singers are welcome. Please contact Diane at 348-3937 if you would like to join your voice with the angels.



STUDY AND REFLECTION ON THE SUNDAY READINGS will begin Wednesday December 5th at 2pm in the rectory living room.

CCW CHRISTMAS PARTY—This year's Christmas Party will be Wednesday, December 12th at 6pm featuring a dessert gathering. Ladies are asked to bring their favorite dessert. Snacks, beverages and table service will be provided.
A short meeting and election of officers for 2013 will follow.

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