

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2012

LITURGIES FOR THE WEEK



Mon., Dec. 10	6:30am Joe Pennekamp TLM (<i>Feria</i>)
	8:00am +Wilfred Hartung
Tues., Dec. 11	6:30am +Kimmy McGowan TLM (<i>St. Damasus</i>)
	8:00am +Jane Marie Budden
Wed., Dec. 12	6:30am For Claudia & Will Mejia TLM (<i>Feria</i>)
	8:00am +Nellie Hartung (
Thurs., Dec. 13	6:30am +Harold Stelpflug TLM (<i>St. Lucy</i>)
	8:00am +Clarence Dieter (Anniv)
	10:30am Manor Care Nursing Home
Fri., Dec. 14	6:30am For Carolina Checchio TLM (<i>Feria</i>)
	8:00am +Craig Abing
Sat., Dec. 15	8:00am +Kimmy McGowan TLM (BVM)
WEEKEND LITURGIES	
Sat., Dec. 15	4:00pm +David J. Klaas
Sun., Dec. 16	9:00am +Clarence Dieter
	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

2nd Sunday of Advent
Bar 5:1-9—Phil 1:4-6, 8-11—Lk 3:1-6.
Monday—Weekday
Gn 49:2, 8-10—Mt 1:1-17.
Tuesday—St. Damasus 1, Pope
Jer 23:5-8—Mt 1:18-25.
Wednesday—Our Lady of Guadalupe
Zec 2:14-17 or Rev 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab—Lk 1:26—38 or Lk 1:39-47.
Thursday—St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr
Is 41:13-20—Mt 11:11-15.
Friday—St. John of the Cross, Priest & Doctor
Saturday—Sir 48:1-4, 9-11—Mt 17, 19a, 10-13.
3rd Sunday of Advent
Zep 3:14-18a—Phil 4:4-7—Lk 3:10-18.

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.

With Sympathy

We extend our sympathy to the family of Mary Rupp whose husband, Dale Rupp, died Friday, November 30th.
Eternal rest grant on to him Oh, Lord and let perpetual light shine upon him.
May he rest in peace.

This weekend we welcome Rev. David L. Delich with Food For the Poor

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.

REFLECTION—“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value...” (Philippians 1:9-10)
Glittery holiday ads can blind us to our stewardship values and distort our needs and wants. It is important that during this season of endless buying we remember that each of us also has the need to give back to God.

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!

The Madison Diocesan Choir will present its popular Festival of Lessons and Carols on Sunday, December 16 at 3:30pm. at the Bishop O'Connor Catholic Pastoral Center in Madison. All are invited and admission is free. Please bring a non-perishable food item to share with those in need. For more information, go to www.diocesanchoir.org.

Bless Our Priests Collection for Diocesan Retired Priests—“Make sure to remember the retired priests of our diocese by making a gift to the Bless Our Priests Retirement collection. This collection is used to directly support all retired priests welfare including the rising cost of healthcare, long-term care and medical costs. Please return your gift in the envelopes available at all Masses this weekend. Your generosity supports retired priests from all 11 counties of our Diocese!

ST. MARY PARISH GIVING

December 2, 2012

Weekly Envelopes.....	\$4,556.00
Weekly Average Electronic Funds.	\$1,000.00
Offertory.....	\$ 338.00

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. 15 4:00pm		Sunday, Dec. 16 9:00am
David Drefcinski	Altar Servers	R.J. Schmitt
John Drefcinski		Noah Tashner Gabe Tashner
Lector & Leader of Prayer		
John Pluemer		Diane Eherenman
Nekole Frommelt		Mark Ihm Jeanette Klaas
Sacristan		
Connie Koeller		Linda Hess
Music Ministry		
Kim & Open Ensemble		Classic Choir
Greeters		
Rosie Hying		Rita Eversoll Jan Siegert Dee & Terry Woolf
Rosary Leaders		
Rose Kuhn		Drefcinski Family

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.

Our next cinnamon rolls sale will be Sunday, December 16. We will be making 3 batches so there will be plenty of rolls to buy. If anyone would like to donate ingredients or help with the rolls, please contact Diane Drefcinski at 348-3937. Just to give you an idea of the ingredients needed for 3 batches, we will use 9 - 5 lb bags of flour, 3 - 2 lb bags of brown sugar, 7 - 2 lb bags of powdered sugar, 6 lbs of butter, and 4 1/2 doz. eggs. There is also corn syrup, salt, yeast, sugar, peanuts, and dry milk used to make the rolls.

Single men of all ages are invited to the Quo Vadis Discernment evening on Friday, December 14th from 6:30 to 9:pm at the Holy Redeemer Rectory-House of the Cathedral Parish, 120 W. Johnson St., in downtown Madison. Join us for free pizza, prayer, social, and Fr. Paul Ugo Arinze, Director of Vocations, Diocese of Madison will be giving his vocation story. We'll conclude with a brief Eucharistic Adoration. For more information, contact Rev. Paul Ugo Arinze at 608-821-3095 or Paul.Arinze@straphael.org

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

THIS WEEK AT ST. MARY'S

Sunday—KC Santa Pancake Breakfast.

Tuesday—Mission Sewing, 8:30am.

Wednesday—Cemetery Mtg., 10am.

See Religious Ed announcements below.

CCW Christmas Party and meeting, 6pm.

Adult Faith—Journey Through the Bible, 7pm.

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. 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.

CHILDREN—a reminder to make your ornament and plan on processing up with your ornament to decorate the tree at the 5pm Christmas Vigil Mass

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.



Alone for Christmas? - Free Christmas Dinner - Will you or your family be alone for Christmas? Several Platteville churches have joined together to serve a free turkey with all the trimmings at 12 noon on Christmas Day at the Lutheran Church of Peace, 1345 N. Water St., Platteville.

Crafts and activities will be available for children while adults socialize after dinner. Music and caroling will make the Christmas spirit come alive. In town transportation available for those in need. Please call the parish office (348-9508) to make reservations or transportation arrangements. Walk-ins welcome!

CASH DONATIONS: Make checks payable to "Alone for Christmas" and send to: Lutheran Church of Peace, 1345 N. Water St., Platteville, WI 53818. **BRING:** Pies, salads & cookies to the kitchen of Lutheran Church of Peace on December 24th or after 9:00 am. on Christmas Day.

A sign up sheet is on table in back of church, if you can help in any way please sign up.

Contact Joan Riedle to arrange for both rides and carryouts. rijriedle@gmail.com or 608-778-5461.



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