



ST. MARY

CATHOLIC CHURCH

St. Mary Mission Statement:
To be companions with Christ
our Savior

Sunday Masses
Saturday Vigil -5:30pm
Lord's Day -8:30am & 10:30am

Sacrament of Confession
Saturday- 4:30pm
Sunday-8:00-8:25am
Tuesday-5:00pm

December 18, 2022
Fourth Sunday
of Advent

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“She will bear a son and you are to name him Jesus,
because he will save his people from their sins.” - Mt 1:21

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**CONFESSION WITH
ADORATION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER
20th FROM 6-7PM IN
THE CHURCH**

Office Hours:
Monday – Thursday 9am-4:30pm
Office Closed December 23rd
through December 30
WEEKDAY MASS: Tuesday
5:30pm; Wednesday, Thursday &
Friday: 8:00a.m.



Mass Intentions for the Week

Tuesday	Dec. 20
5:30pm	Gianna Barbantin
Wednesday	Dec. 21, St. Peter Canisius
8:00am	✠Brad Turk
Thursday	Dec. 22
8:00am	Russ & Ashley Vanover family
Friday	Dec. 23, St. John of Kanty
8:00am	✠David Winter
Saturday	Dec. 24
4:00pm	✠Jeanette Boston
6:00pm	✠Ken & Brenda McGuire
Midnight	People of the Parish
Sunday	Dec. 25, The Nativity of the Lord
9:30am	Sister Rosemary Sieg

Please Pray For our Sick, Home Bound & Care Home Parishioners: Alma Gordon ♦ Lou Kuestersteffen ♦ Joe LaBelle ♦ Maggie Morgan ♦ Stacy Morris ♦ Parker Patton ♦ Brett Roufs ♦ Kay Schommer ♦ Lois Silvernale ♦ Fern Wilson ♦ Mary Lou Wheeler

ST. MARY SCHOOL NEWS

You are invited! During the last couple of years, we have had to do many things to keep things going. One of those things was to reduce the number of days students went to Mass to accommodate social distancing. SMCS is back to all school Mass every Wednesday, Thursday and Friday that school is in session. Please, come and enjoy daily Mass at your convenience with our St. Mary students, faculty and staff. Typically, Fr. Bergkamp is celebrant on Wednesdays and Fridays, and Fr. Jorge is celebrant on Thursdays. Hope to see you there!

Kindergarten Round Up will be on March 6 and 7 this year. St. Mary Catholic School Pre4 students who will be attending St. Mary Kindergarten in the 23-24 school year will be screened during their preschool sessions on March 6.

If your child is not a preschool student at SMCS, please contact Miss Jackie in the office, 316-282-1974, so she can set up a time for you to bring your child to the school on March 7. Screening will take place from 8am - 3:00pm.

Your brother in Christ,
Joshua Bargdill, Principal

CHURCH DECORATING

Please join us this Sunday after the 10:30 Mass, as we decorate the church for the Christmas Holy Day. Many hands make light work!



POINSETTIA DONATIONS

There is still time to purchase a poinsettia to help decorate the Altar for Christmas. The forms are on the table in the vestibule. Please return by Dec. 23rd.

STEWARDSHIP PACKETS

Are now being kept in the church office. If you didn't pick yours up while they were in the back of church, please stop by the office to get yours for the upcoming year. Fr. Bergkamp would like the forms to be filled out and returned by Dec. 31.

MINISTRY BOOKLETS

The Ministry Booklets are on the table in the back of church. PLEASE pick up your copy & look for you and/or your family's assigned ministries. Especially during this Advent Season, it is imperative that you show up when you are on the schedule. If you cannot make your assigned time, please try and get a substitute for your ministry. If you cannot find a substitute, then call the Ministry Leader and let them know. The Ministry Leaders are listed inside the front cover of the booklet, as well as online, under the Ministry Schedule/Ministry Booklet tab. Thank you for the generous giving of your time and talent to St. Marys!

LECTOR WORKBOOKS

The 2023 Lector Workbooks are in the parish office. Please call 282-0459 if you would like one, and we will make arrangements to get it to you.

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year: July 2022-June 2023

Collections for the Month of November:

****this is a correction from Dec. 4 bulletin**

****Regular Collection** \$ 57,213.54

Other:

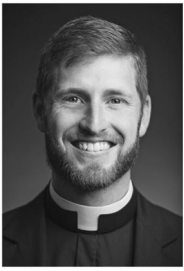
***Building Fund** \$ 2,502.00

Amount needed per month..... \$ 62,209.84

***Includes any online giving & ACH payments**

Regular collections year-to-date compared to budget through the end of November \$ —53,978.60**

****Your contributions are greatly appreciated and very important to the operation of the parish and the school.**
—Father Bergkamp



Dear St. Mary's Parishioners,
Every year the Diocese of Wichita accepts donations for the purpose of covering the costs associated with the education of seminarians and the support for retired priests of our Diocese. The collection of these donations is called, The Christmas Call to Sharing. Since Christmas falls on a Sunday, there will not be a special Mass collection for this. Instead, you will have received in the mail an envelope for the Christmas Call to Sharing. You can place your donation in this envelope and return it on Christmas, placing it in the general collection. These proceeds will then be transferred to the Diocese.

We are blessed with a good number of seminarians, but the cost to educate and form them as future priests is not cheap. Your generosity makes this possible. And because these young men do not have to pay for their own education, they are not deterred from discerning the priesthood. Nor are they burdened with the thought of paying back the Diocese, allowing for an honest discernment on their part. I very much appreciated this freedom when I was in the seminary, and so I want to thank you for your past support. Our Diocese has also been blessed with good and faithful priests throughout the years. When their age and health prevent them from serving in active ministry, they retire and no longer receive financial support from a specific parish. However, they still require the means to support a basic cost of living. The Priest Retirement Fund gives them this ability. God willing it'll be many years before I reach this point, but it'll be reassuring to know that the people of God are willing to support me when the time comes.

In Christ,
Fr. Bergkamp

**CONFESSION OPPORTUNITY
ADVENT CONFESSION WITH ADORATION
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20th FROM
6-7PM**

Parish Information

Communion to the Sick

If you are unable to attend Mass due to age, illness, or are recovering from surgery, call the parish office so that Communion may be brought to you.

Bulletin Deadline

The bulletin deadline is 10am Tuesday. To get something in the bulletin you can call Marcia at 316-282-0459 ext 3, or email her at parish@stmmarynewton.org

Catechism Class (Formerly PSR)

Grades 1st- 8th - 1st & 3rd Sunday at 9:30am in the Parish Center. Mandy Casey (620) 200-7278

Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Wednesday: 7pm; Grades 9-12 Bill & Carrie Weber & Jonathan & Kasey Weber

Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 421 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour, please call coordinator Laurie Kimere at (417) 531-8904.

Rosary Prayer Line

Call the parish office at 316-282-0459 ext. 3, to activate the line. If there is no answer, leave a detailed message and the line will be activated as soon as possible.

Welcome/Registering

Welcome to St. Mary's Catholic Parish. Please register by calling or dropping by the parish office. Please keep us informed of changes of names, addresses, numbers, etc.

Interested in the Catholic Faith

A warm invitation is extended to non-Catholics to attend any of our religious services. They are particularly invited to learn more about the beliefs and practices of the Catholic Church. For more information, call the parish office at 316-282-0459.

Information About Sacraments

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents are required to be registered in the parish. Call the parish office to make arrangements.

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

In an emergency of serious illness, if sick and confined to a home, entering a hospital or local nursing home - please notify the rectory.

Sacrament of Confession

Saturday 4:30 -5:25 p.m. Sunday at 8:00-8:25 a.m. Tuesday 5:00-5:25pm. Any time by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Newly engaged couples are asked to contact Fr. Bergkamp at 316-282-0459, ext. 2 to set up an appointment to schedule their wedding.

Readings for the week of December 18, 2022
 Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
 Monday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
 Tuesday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
 Wednesday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
 Thursday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
 Friday: Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
 Saturday: Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
 Next Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25
 Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14



St. Vincent dePaul Reflection

The mystery of the birth of Jesus is supremely a mystery of love. The purpose of the coming of Christ was to speak to us humans about the love which the great, eternal, and all-powerful God has for us short-lived, weak, fragile and sinful human beings. A newborn infant calls forth from our hearts love. The language of God at Christmas is one of love. Our vocation as Vincentians is to continue learning the language of love, not only at Christmas but throughout our lives. It is the language that we must learn to speak if we wish to draw near to the poor.

Liturgical Role

Altar Servers

Sat. 12/24 4:00pm Lily Hett, Bailey & Evan Steinmetz, A. Weber
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm Ben, Matthew & Luke Hepler *
 Midnight Mass 12am Luke Littlejohn, Ryan & Evan Antle *Anthony
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am Aedan & Emmet O'Halloran, A. Eustace *RR

Cantor/Accompanist

Sat. 12/24 4:00pm A. Leiningner, S. Herdler
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm M. Frazier, S. Koerner
 Midnight Mass 12am L. Littlejohn, L. Curiel
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am V. Smith, E. Stabler

Lector

Sat. 12/24 4:00pm Michael Popelka
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm Karen Ferguson
 Midnight Mass 12am Terri Bockhaus
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am Barbara Bunting

Sacristan

Dec. 20—23—Mary Russell
 Sat. 12/24 4:00pm Mary Russell
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm Mary Ann Bruggeman
 Midnight Mass 12am Kathleen Morris
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am Shari McCall

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Schwalter Villa—
 Sat. 12/24 4:00pm Mike Weber
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm Mary Ann Bruggeman
 Midnight Mass 12am Fred Becker
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am Leona Soyez

Nursing Homes & Shut Ins/EMHC—

Dec. 3— Shari McCall

Hospital EMHC:

Dec. 25—

Ushers/Greeters

Sat. 12/24 4:00pm Mike Weber & Rik Ozbun
 Justin Patterson & Jonathan Weber
 Sat. 12/24 6:00pm Ron Ferguson & Greg Scott
 Trent Shepherd & Robert TenEyck
 Midnight Mass 12am Warren Wiens & Phil Blann
 Erick & Koelton Erwin
 Sun. 12/25 9:30am Joe & Eli Gerber
 James Jerde & James Tltah

Church Cleaners—Dec. 23 —

Baier family, Steve Mead, Kevin & Jeni Ensminger

Wash Server Albs —December 5

Greg Scott

Totus Tuus

St. Mary's is looking for a parish leader/representative to lead Totus Tuus here at St. Marys. The plan/hope is to offer it in June of 2023. Please call the parish office, or talk to Fr. Bergkamp if you have any interest in helping out this summer! Thank you!

New to the Parish?

Welcome to St. Mary's Parish, we are pleased to have you join us in worship. If you would like to join the parish please complete the information below and return it to us in the collection basket, or by mail. We will send you registration information or you may come by the parish office and register.

Name _____

Address _____

Zip _____ Phone _____

E-mail Address _____