

ST. MARY

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

CATHOLIC

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

Sacrament of Forgiveness
(Confession)
Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment
Sun. 8:00-8:25 am

December 4, 2016
2nd Sunday of Advent

106 E. 8th St. • Newton KS 67114
www.stmarynewton.org

Parish Office Hours: 9am-4:30pm
Monday - Friday

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Pastoral Council Moderator
Amy Antle— (316) 283-5083

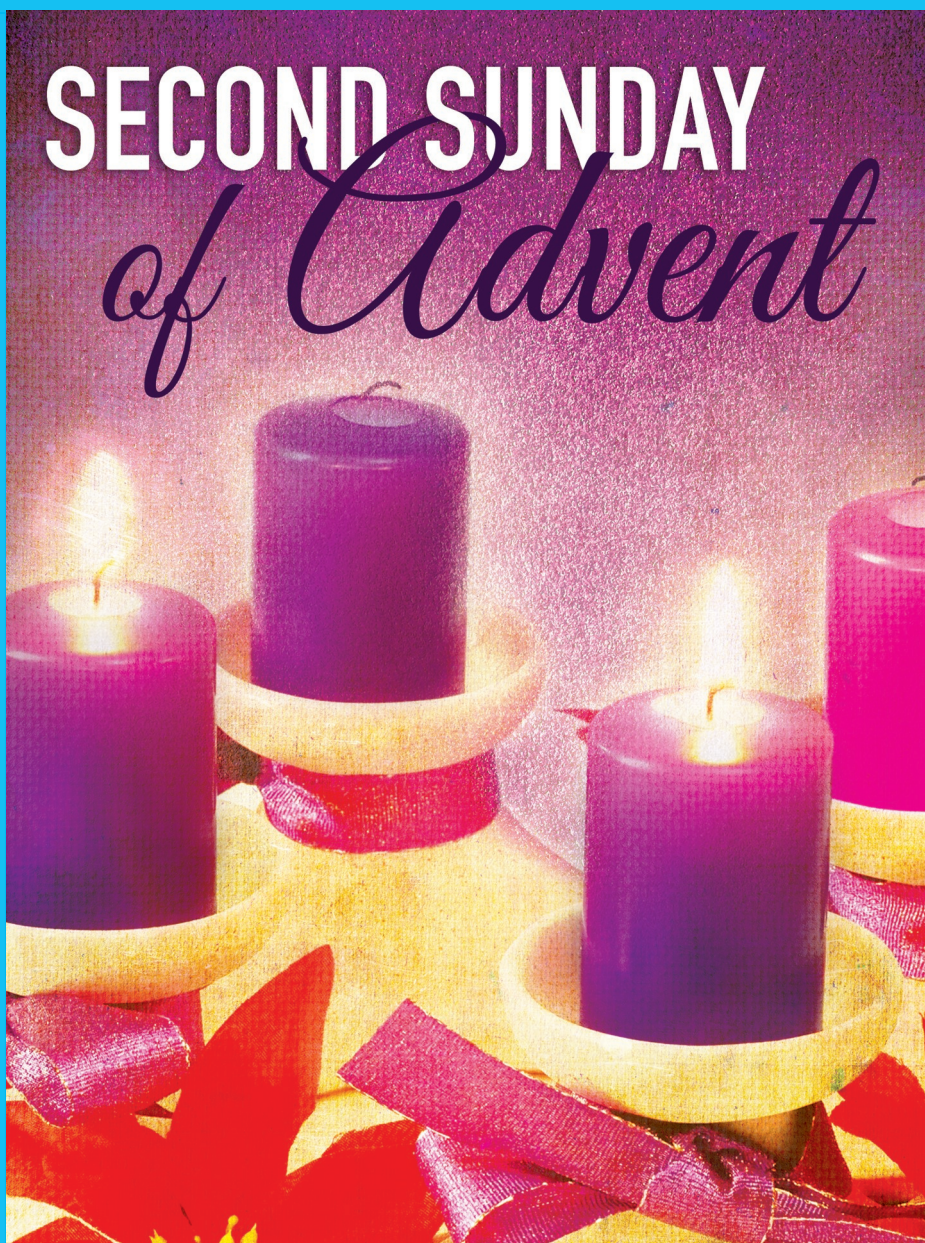
RCIA
Gary Chaffee - 316-283-8073

Altar Society
Kathy Chouinard 316-283-5762

CYM (Catholic Youth Ministry)
Bill & Carrie Weber - 316-212-0137

Legion of Mary
Linda Bennett— 316-587-5337

Knights of Columbus
Mike Ruggiero- 316-804-4289



OPEN ADORATION HOURS:
1:00AM—Thursday
5:00AM—Friday

Parish Events

Scheduled This Week

Mass: Tue. 5:30pm, Wed. 8am & 5:30pm, Thurs. 8am & 7:30pm—Fri. 8:00am

Monday: St. Vincent de Paul 7pm OLG

Tuesday: Gospel According to St. Matthew 7:30pm-PC

Wednesday: Vigil Mass: 5:30pm; Legion of Mary-6:30pm Sacristy; RCIA-7pm; PSR-6:30pm

Thursday: Immaculate Conception-Office Closed, Mass at 8am & 7:30pm

Harvest House Thursday, 10am

Lord's Pantry Next Sunday: G-L

ST MARY SCHOOL HAPPENINGS SMCS BOOK FAIR DEC. 9-DEC. 16

Mark your calendars for the upcoming SMCS Book Fair! Books make wonderful Christmas gifts and proceeds from the fair benefit the school through the purchase of books for classrooms and the library. The book fair will be open the following dates and times.

Hours—3:30-4:45pm

Dates—Dec. 9th & Dec. 12-16

Location—St. Mary Catholic School Lunchroom

We hope you will plan on stopping by. If you have any questions, please call: (316) 706-7841

St. Mary's boys 7th & 8th grade basketball teams have their only home game of the season, Tuesday, Dec. 6th. 8th grade plays at 5:30 followed by 7th grade at 6:30pm. Come support the Eagles!

HARVEY COUNTY HOMELESS SHELTER

The St. Mary's, Our Lady of Guadalupe and Sacred Heart joint team for the Harvey County Homeless Shelter is scheduled to volunteer for the week of December 14, 2016 to December 21, 2016. Consider volunteering for this week. If you are interested, contact Harold Schorn, at 316-283-4055 or harold@schorn-law.com

Stewardship Message—

Dec. 4, 2016

The Second Sunday of Advent

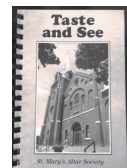
“Stewarding our Gifts: Go in peace, glorifying the Lord by your life.”

In the Church the season of Advent prepares us to celebrate Christmas, the birth of Jesus, the Messiah. We listen as Isaiah describes a world of peace and justice. St. Paul encourages us to follow his example and live in harmony with Christ's teachings. John the Baptist warns that for those who do not acknowledge their sins and repent, judgment will be harsh. When we turn toward God and accept the love he freely offers, we open ourselves to the truth and can share it with our brothers and sisters. May we seek forgiveness for our sins and accept God's abundant mercy and likewise extend mercy to our neighbors.

ALTAR SOCIETY

Altar Society Cookbooks for Sale! \$10 each Great Sticking Stuffers. Priced right for Family, Friend, Neighbor or Work gift exchange and Teacher Gifts. Perfect for either beginning or experienced cooks.

Available at the Church Office 316-282-0459 or Contact Diane Schultz 620-327-2486.



KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus along with the Boys Scouts will serve an All-You-Can-Eat breakfast, Sunday, December 11th, from 8-11am at St. Mary's in the gym. The proceeds to benefit the Boy Scout Troop. The menu: biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, hash brown potatoes, coffee-milk-or juice. Cost-\$6.00 all you can eat. Dine in or carry out. The Knights of Columbus Annual Family Corporate membership to the Newton Wellness Center renewal date will be December 15th. A family membership cost last year was \$160.00 for the year (a regular family membership would have been \$440.00 for the year). The family membership permits both parents and all children (12 and above) use of the facilities. The cost to families will be determined by the number participating under the Knights of Columbus corporate membership. (50 or more families will keep the rate at \$160.00 for next year). Contact Tracy Strain (283-7330), Wellness Center Director to renew or to join. (You may also visit www.newtonrec.org).

CYM

Saturday, December 10th: CYM Christmas party!
We will be taking the bus to Wichita to Ice Skate!

We would like to say a very heartfelt thank you to those who helped us get through our incident at the Nov. 27th 8:30am Mass.

—Charles & Pauline Casey

Our Gifts to God & Parish

Fiscal Year July 2016 - June 2017

Collections for Nov. 27, 2016

Envelopes & Loose Cash.....	\$ 9,330.26
Children's collection.....	\$ 32.13
Total	\$ 9,362.39

Extra: SVdP	\$ 330.00
Building Fund	\$ 250.00

Budget per week is..... \$16,103.81

Collections year to date compared to budget
Through Nov. 27, 2016 (\$43,806.58)

****If you are behind, please make every effort to catch up and do your part. Thank You! — Father Voelker**

ST. MARY CEMETERY NOTE

St. Mary and Our Lady of Guadalupe has a stewardship opportunity for someone who wants to truly make a difference. We need an individual to keep cemetery records on the computer, meet with families, sell burial sites, work with our local mortuaries, and Greenwood Cemetery employees. There is another opportunity for someone who enjoys working outdoors during the summer months. We have a need for a grounds person to coordinate volunteers who mow sections of the cemetery, occasionally meet with Greenwood Cemetery employees, locate grave sites, work with the record keeper, and other miscellaneous activities. Please contact Fr. Voelker, Fr. Juan or Carrol Langenhorst for more information. These stewardship activities would be excellent for a retired couple to work together serving the Church and their fellow church members.

CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING

We can't fully practice our Catholic faith without the life and ministry of priests. You will soon receive an invitation to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing—a gift of gratitude to support retired priests and the education of seminarians. God has blessed us this year with 53 men in the seminary and continues to bless us with so many retired priests who serve the Church in many ways. I would ask that you be as generous as you possibly can be at this most holy time of year.

COME SING WITH THE CHOIR FOR MIDNIGHT MASS!

The Adult Choir will carry on the tradition of singing for Midnight Christmas Eve Mass and we hope some more of our great St. Mary voices can join us! To prepare for this special evening we will have 3 extra Sunday practices in addition to our regular Thursday night practices at 7pm. The practices will be Dec. 4, 11 & 18 from 2-3:30pm in the choir loft. Even if you can only make a couple practices, we would love to have you! Any questions, call music director Rob Tierney at 620-960-5602

Readings for the Week of December 4, 2016

Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

Monday: Is 35:1-10/Ps 85/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday: Is 40:1-11/Ps 96/Mt 18:12-14

Wednesday: Is 40:25-31/Ps 103/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Friday: Is 48:17-19/Ps 1/Mt 11:16-19

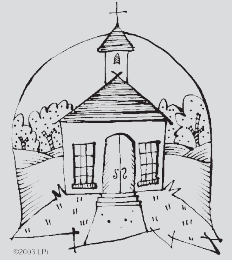
Saturday: Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Next Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

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

Must be submitted in writing no later than noon on Tue.

Religious Education Class Times (PSR)

Grades Kdgn thru 8 - Wednesday 6:30 - 7:45pm

Catholic Youth Ministry (CYM)

Grades 9-12

Perpetual Adoration of Blessed Sacrament

Chapel is located at Our Lady of Guadalupe Church, 415 S. Ash. If interested in a permanent hour call one of the coordinators, Lettie Kruse 283-0026, Terry Schmitz 283-5428 or Kathy Pitts 680-9386.

Rosary Prayer Line

To activate, call Elesa Garcia 283-5658 or if she is not available call both Barbara Fayette 283-6467 & Lou Kuestersteffen 283-6414 to activate both prayer lines.

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, phone 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. Call the parish office for more information.

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 Forgiveness (Confession)

Sat. 4:00 -5:00 p.m. Tuesday 5:00-5:20 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00-8:25 a.m. Any time by appointment.

Sacrament of Matrimony

Couples intending to enter into Christian Marriage are asked to call the parish office for an appointment. The first appointment must be scheduled at least nine months prior to the proposed date of marriage.

Mass Intentions

Tue. 12/06 5:30pm †Rita Klug
Wed. 12/07 8:00am †Don Schommer
Wed. 12/07 5:30pm People of the Parish
Thur. 12/08 8:00am Daughters of Isabella-St. Rose of Lima
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm †Richard Prouty
Fri. 12/09 8:00am Phyllis Prouty
Sat. 12/10 8:00am Frances Aumiller
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm †Garry Boston
Sun. 12/11 8:30am People of the Parish
Sun. 12/11 10:30am †Duane Haxton

Compassionate friends support group is for parents or grandparents who have suffered the loss of a child or grandchild. Call Stacy Arellano at 316-842-3799

Our advertiser of the week is
Welcome to
C J's Pancake House
1525 East 1st
Please check their ad on
the back of the bulletin.



ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL JUNIORS AND SENIORS

Sick and tired of playing Pokemon on Wednesday nights? Want to hang out with other Catholic youth? Come to the Parish Center at 7:30pm (Fr. Kapaun library) on Wednesday, December 14th. We will have a short informational meeting about a Wednesday night program and fellowship for high school juniors and seniors. Spread the word to your friends and other juniors and seniors in our parish! Contact Justin & Becky Patterson cowboyinprayer@gmail.com or 316-833-6411

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.

Welcome and God Bless!

Name _____

Address _____

Zip _____ Home Phone _____

Work Phone _____

E-mail Address _____

Liturgical Role

Altar Servers

Wed. 12/07 8:00am A. Littlejohn, F. Meza, J. McKinney
Wed. 12/07 5:30pm G. Mathews, S. Stutey, O. Mick
Thur. 12/08 8:00am S. & B. Steinmetz, Ryan Ruggiero
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm David, Patrick & Grace Graham
Fri. 12/09 8:00am Jade Ruiz, S. Musser, A. Hernandez
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm Sam & Eli Blaufuss, Ryan Ruggiero
Sun. 12/11 8:30am Keegan, Spencer & Bailey Steinmetz
Sun. 12/11 10:30am Michael Kelso, Jacob Antle,
Nora Rusche & Sarah Musser

Greeters & Gift Bearers

Wed 12/07 5:30pm Pat Altenhofen
Thur. 12/08 8:00am Barb Haxton
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm Gary & Claudia Chaffee
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm Bret & Karen McNulty
Sun. 12/11 8:30am Mike & Diane Bonczyk
Sun. 12/11 10:30am Carl & Amy Antle family

Cantor/Accompanist

Wed. 12/07 5:30pm M. Frazier, L. Curiel
Thur. 12/08 8:00am M. Eustace, R. Littlejohn
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm P. McNeill, S. Koerner
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm J. Schultz, S. Herdler
Sun. 12/11 8:30am T. Walker, S. Koerner
Sun. 12/11 10:30am A. Torres, R. Littlejohn

Lectors

Wed. 12/07 5:30pm Rodger Graham, Karen Ferguson
Thur. 12/08 8:00am Vickie Smith, Leigh Ann O'Halloran
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm Signe Rogers, Carolyn Woerner
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm Barbara Bunting, Ellen Herdler
Sun. 12/11 8:30am Betty Lanzrath, Claire Blann
Sun. 12/11 10:30am Terri Bockhaus, Sharon Erwin

Sacristans

Dec. 6-10 Kathleen Morris (Train Kari)
Wed. 12/07 5:30pm Charlotte Gehr
Thur. 12/08 8:00am Paula Blann
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm Janet Daily
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm Gary Chaffee
Sun. 12/11 8:30am Teresa & Rodney Snyder
Sun. 12/11 10:30am Tami Carlgren

Extraordinary Ministers of the Eucharist

Daily Masses—Dec. 7 & 9 Marcia Oden
Wed. 12/07 5:30pm Philip & Sharon Stutey, Barb Bunting
Thur. 12/08 8:00am S. Schmidt, M. O'Halloran, K. Morris
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm Fred Becker, Steve Holub, Carl Antle
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm Mike & Linda Smith, Marcia Oden
Sun. 12/11 8:00am *Marv Kratky, R. Graham, Kathy Wiens
Sun. 12/11 10:30am Don & Shelly Hageman, Tami Carlgren

Hospital Extraordinary Minister Schedule

Month of December covered by OLG

Ushers

Wed. 12/07 5:30pm M. Weber, S. & N. Claassen, W. Eye
Thur. 12/08 8:00am B. & S. McCall, T. Muth, R. Peters
Thur. 12/08 7:30pm S. & T. Bockhaus, R. & T. Carlgren
Sat. 12/10 5:30pm R. Hushka, K. & L. Kientz, D. Lambert
Sun. 12/11 8:30am A. Pitts, R. Schmitt, J. Sommers, P. Blann
Sun. 12/11 10:30am James & Amber Cox, J. & J. Daily

Church Cleaners

Dec. 9—Sharon McCall, Doris Regier, Sharon Erwin

Wash Server Albs—Dec. 5 & 19—Claire Hanna, Pam Sims