



# St. Mary Catholic Church

(A Member of the St. John Neumann Deanery)

**December 12 & 13, 2020**

**Third Sunday of Advent**

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### Parish Staff

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Sue Kershaw 440-839-2023

**Saturday, Dec. 12 – 4:00 pm**

*Members of St. Mary Parish*

**Sunday, Dec. 13 – 11:00 am**

*Carol Klear / John & Cheryl Nolan*

**Thursday, Dec. 17 - 9:00 am**

*Members of St. Mary Parish*

**Friday, Dec. 18 - 9:00 am**

*Members of St. Mary Parish*

**Saturday, Dec. 19 – 4:00 pm**

*Members of St. Mary Parish*

**Sacristan:** Carolyn Tite

**Lector:** Mike Karney

**Ushers:** Penny & John McClafin

**Euch. Min.:** Fr. Ron

**Sunday, Dec. 20 – 11:00 am**

*Carol Klear / John & Cheryl Nolan*

**Sacristan:** Cheryl Nolan

**Lector:** Katie Woodruff

**Ushers:** Pam & Gust Ristas

**Euch. Min.:** Fr. Ron

**Money Counters for Dec. 20:**

Val Sabo & Nora Bartlett

**Saturday, Dec. 12**

8 am Prayer for Men— Hall

3:30 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, Dec. 13**

NO PSR

9:30 Sun. Morning Discussion—  
Hall

11:00 am Mass

**Monday, Dec. 14**

**Tuesday, Dec. 15**

**Food Distribution**

**Wednesday, Dec. 16**

7 pm Advent Evening Prayer

**Thursday, Dec. 17**

9:00 am Mass

Day of Grace — see times inside  
bulletin

**Friday, Dec. 18**

9:00 am Mass

**Saturday, Dec. 19**

8 am Prayer for Men

3:30 pm Confessions

4:00 pm Mass

**Sunday, Dec. 20**

9:30-10:45 PSR

11:00 am Mass

### This Week's Scriptures

12/14 Monday Nm. 24:2-7, 15-17a; Mt. 21:23-27

12/15 Tuesday Zep. 3:1-2, 9-13; Mt. 21:28-32

12/16 Wednesday Is. 45: 6b-8, 18, 21c-25;  
Lk. 7:18b-23

12/17 Thursday Gn. 49:2, 8-10; Mt. 1:1-17

12/18 Friday Jer. 23:5-8; Mt. 1:18-25

12/19 Saturday Jgs. 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk. 1:5-25

12/20 Sunday 4th Sunday of Advent  
2 Sm. 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16; Rm. 16:25-27;  
Lk. 1:26-38

### Our Parish Mission Statement:

Gathered as a family of faith in Christ Jesus, strengthened by His Word and Sacraments, we will set a living example of our faith by:

- ◆ Seeking Christ in all we meet
- ◆ Giving of our time, talent and treasure
- ◆ Supporting and strengthening our community and Sharing our Faith

**Bulletin Deadline:** Please have any announcements for the parish bulletin to Sr. Joyce by **Tuesday noon.**

## THE THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT

In this third week of Advent we reflect on the **JOY** that God brings— therefore the rose colored candle. Some people wonder why not have all the candles the same uniform color, purple — why this odd rose one? The Latin term for this feast is Guadate, meaning “rejoice for the Lord is near.” We are now more than half way through the Church season of Advent — Christmas is almost here!

REJOICE is the key word for this weekend’s Liturgy. Looking at the Scripture readings and antiphons, I count the word “rejoice” or “joy” being used ten times. This is one of my favorite feasts because when I became a Sister, I was able to keep my baptismal name of Joyce. My postulant director suggested I take Mary as my patron saint and that I celebrate my nameday on Guadate Sunday because of my name being Joyce —

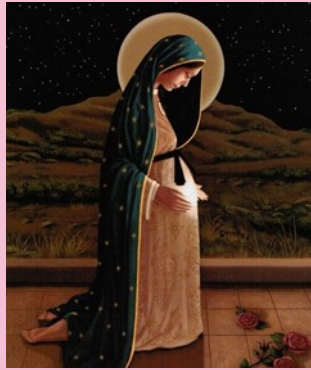
“re-Joyce.” So over the years I’ve challenged myself to try to bring Christ’s joy to others. I’ve also reflected on Mary’s role of bringing the “Joy of all joys”—our Savior, to us, as the Mother of Jesus. I like to picture her traveling through the countryside of Judea, returning from her time with her cousin Elizabeth. As she traveled she carried the “Joy of all joys” within her, bringing this Light of the World to all those she met on her way. Isn’t that what we as Christians are invited to do?

Especially this year, during the long darkness of the pandemic, we can bring the Joy and hope of Christ to those we meet on our “masked” meetings with others. We can reach out to the lonely via a Christmas card or a skype-visit to bring the Joy of Jesus to others.

I invite you to reflect on how you can do this over the next few weeks and month.

*Rejoice the Lord is near !*

Sr. Joyce



Dec. 6, 2020

	<u>Budget</u>	<u>Actual</u>
Last week	\$2,011.00	\$2,525.00
Electronic		\$ 700.00
MTD Dec.	\$2,011.00	\$3,225.00
<b>FYTD</b>	<b>\$46,253.00</b>	<b>\$45,111.26</b>



this week to:

**Richard Andolsek, Joe Kovach, Raquel Huerta, Christine Wood, Derrick Andolsek, Tara Clemons, Michael Hanko, Lester Tucker, & Rheanna Wiggins**

### DAY OF GRACE 2020

Thursday, Dec. 17th

Confessions: 9:30 am—10:30 am

12 noon—2:00 pm

5:30 pm—7:30 pm



You are in my thoughts  
and prayers.



Please pray for the SICK of our parish and for those who mourn the loss of a love one.

To place a person on our parish **Prayer-Line**, please call or email Sandie Pecora at: 440-839-2623 or [sandiep5@frontier.com](mailto:sandiep5@frontier.com)

## CHRISTMAS CARDS

*For the residents of the Carriage House & Memorial Home*

*We would like to send cards — envelopes please leave blank. Later names will be added. Please write a supportive note and sign your name. Just leave the card in the back of church in the basket marked “for cards”. They will be delivered.*

*What a great outreach to give to our seniors who are more than likely living without seeing family and loved ones.*

*We also have many of our church family who are not in Church with us. They do love to hear from us and what is happening at Church.*

## Sunday Morning Discussions

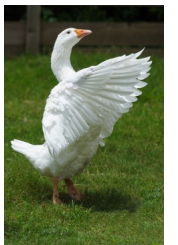
9:30-10:45 am

“The Wild Goose” from FORMED. Feel free to join the group at any time.

**Dec. 13 The Spirit and Eucharist**

**Dec. 20 Spirit’s Freedom**

In Meeting Room—south corner



## MEN OF ST. MARY PARISH

The men of St. Mary Parish are invited to Gather for prayer and fellowship, along with coffee and donuts.

Join us **Saturday - December 19 8:00am**  
Parish Hall

## RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS

**Please give to those who have given a lifetime of service to others.**

**Envelopes are in your church envelope box or forms are in the back of church**

*Advent*  
*Hope · Love · Joy · Peace*

