

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday (November 30)

4:00PM Dale Langel by Gene & Rosemary Mourisse
5:30 PM Antone Colmone by Frank & Barb Colmone **MOLOP**

First Sunday of Advent (December 1)

8:30AM Bob DeSmet by Pat & Annette Martens **MOLOP**

10:00AM Jeanie Gengler

Tuesday (December 3) **MOLOP**

8:00AM Altar & Rosary Society Members Living & Deceased

Wednesday (December 4) **SMG**

9:00AM Special Intention

Thursday (December 5) **MOLOP**

8:00AM Deb Gainey by Keith & Nancy Hamerlinck

Friday (December 6)

9:00AM John & Mary Newton by Keith & Nancy Hamerlinck

Saturday (December 7)

4:00PM (Late) Dennis & Shirley Van Duyne Wedding Anniversary

5:30PM Bob Tholl by Joan Wexell & Beverly Catton **MOLOP**

Second Sunday of Advent (December 8)

8:30AM Tom Schnerre by The Family **MOLOP**

10:00AM Sandy Witzel by Dean & Sandy Martens

Monday (December 9) **MOLOP**

The Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin

8:00AM For Our Parish Families

Reconciliation Saturdays 3-3:30
or by Appointment

Thank You!!

Thank you to everyone for your Birthday wishes, cards, and gifts. God Bless all of you...Fr. Tony



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Monday, December 9th Mass will be at Mary Our Lady of Peace at 8:00 A.M.

Advent Schedule

Penance Service

St. Maria Goretti, Thursday, December 12th 6-7pm
Mary Our Lady of Peace, Monday, December 16th 6-7pm

Advent Communion Service at Mary Our Lady of Peace

Monday, December 2 at 8:00am
Monday December 9th The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mass at 8:00am
Monday, December 16th at 8:00am
Monday, December 23rd at 8:00am



NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

eucharisticrevival.org

Isn't it amazing to think that the Jesus who is in the Tabernacle is the same Jesus who is at the right hand of His Father? Yes, it is amazing and it shows how much Jesus loves us, since He wishes to remain really and physically present among us so that we can visit Him anytime. Yet, we too often forget this marvelous gift and we do not go to visit Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament often. Little Catechism on the Eucharist, Fr. Roberto Coggi.

Come into the presence of Jesus in the tabernacle this Advent. Spend as little or as much time as you need just being with Him. It's up to you how you want to spend this precious time with Him.



Bible Trivia Question

When Jesus asked "whom say ye that I am?" what did Peter reply?

PRAYER REQUESTS



Those in need of healing at St. Maria Goretti...

Sr. JT McNulty, Cheryl Alleruzzo, Marge Behn, Dave & Sandy Bledsoe, Patrick Bredeck, Fred & Lois DeCoster, Gwen Escajeda, Lorraine Gengler, Dave Gorge, Velda Grief, Lee Kimball, Cullen John Jamieson, Gene Mourisse, Kathy Mosley, Rex & Julie Shake, Flip Shemek, Maureen St. Clair, Charles Stone, Marolyn Tope, Dcn. Bob Vogelbaugh, Richard Wilks

Those who are Homebound or in Healthcare Facilities...Jan Seibert

Those in need of healing at Mary Our Lady of Peace... Brian Carlson, Pat Dzekunskas, Jim Hamerlinck, Owen Hink, Alice Isaacson, Janet Jacobson, Debbie Jones, Ryan Jones, Gabe Laleman, Ava Lawson, and Tom Schulenberg

Prayers have also been asked for...

Jason Bauer, John Baumunk III, Kyle, Scott Bowerman, Brie Bredeck, Ken Clubb, Jason Ferguson, Patrick Fons, Kevin Francescon, Carolyn Ghezzi, Lucas, Glenn Meeker, Carol Nichols, Charlie Parks, Vonna Quick, Rob Robison, Megan Severson, Claire Strayer, Matt Wadlow, Bernie Weidner, Jerry Wilcox

Journey to Joy

Come experience a LIVE nativity put on by MOLOP'S Youth Group.

When: December 14 7p.m.-9 p.m.
Cost: Free will donation



LITURGICAL MINISTERS

DECEMBER 2024

LECTOR/READERS

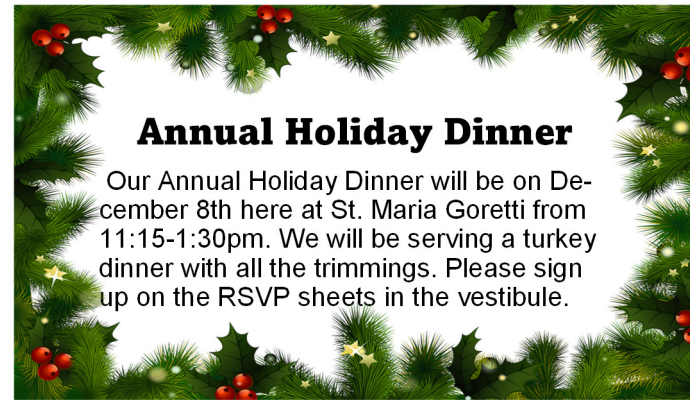
Saturday 4:00o.m. Chris Hicks
Sunday 10:00a.m. Camy Stone

USHER/GREETER

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Crystal Arnold & Marcia Jacobs
Sunday 10:00 a. m. Randy & Christy Jaminet
Donna Davis & Marge Bowerman



NEWS AND EVENTS



Annual Holiday Dinner

Our Annual Holiday Dinner will be on December 8th here at St. Maria Goretti from 11:15-1:30pm. We will be serving a turkey dinner with all the trimmings. Please sign up on the RSVP sheets in the vestibule.



Holiday Hope

Our Angel tree is in the vestibule with gift tags for families we are sponsoring through the Center for Youth and Family Solutions. If you like, take a tag and purchase the gift. The gifts need to be returned no later than December 16th. They need to be in a gift bag with the gift tag attached. Not wrapped. We at SMG have been generous in the past, and it is very appreciated. Any questions, call Ann Fennell at 309-235-4465.

Rejoice Advent Mission



We will explore the Sunday Mass readings through daily reflections and come together as a parish community to share and watch a short video by Fr. Mark Toups and his friends.

Wednesday Mornings after 9:00 a.m. Mass
November 27, Dec. 4, 11, 18
St. Maria Goretti Church Hall
Refreshments will be served

Sign up in vestibule. But if you don't get signed up, come anyway. Bring a friend. If you are unable to join on Wednesday's, the Mission can be done at home. Contact Barb Kratt, 309-236-1385.



Coal Valley Food Pantry Christmas Basket Collection

This year we will again be providing food baskets for the needy families in our community. Below is a list of the food we need for these baskets & as always monetary donations are appreciated.

Canned Yams Canned Corn Canned Beans
Cake Mixes Canned Frosting Jello

We will be collecting food before or after Masses on Saturday, November 23rd, Sunday, November 24th, Saturday, November 30th and Sunday December 1st.

If you have any questions, please contact Jacki Taber at 309-230-6055 or jjt@mchsi.com



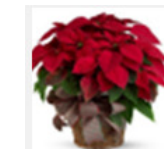
1st Sunday of Advent

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

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those that are closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sun Jer 33:14-16; 1 Thes 3:12—4:2; Lk 21:25-28,24-36
Mon Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11
Tue Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24
Wed Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37
Thurs Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21, 24-27
Fri Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31
Sat Is 30:19-24, 23-26; Mt 9:35—10:1,5a, 6-8



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

If you wish to make a donation in honor of a family member or friend for Christmas, now is the time. Please use an envelope marked "Christmas Flowers" along with the name of the person (s) being honored and your name. Names need to be in by December 18th in order to be on the memorial list in the Christmas bulletin.

Thank-you!

Preparing for Jubilee 2025



The year 2025, the 100th anniversary of the Incarnation of our Lord, has been designated by Pope Francis as Jubilee Year in the Catholic Church. This is a worldwide event in which countless Catholics on all seven continents will celebrate under the theme "Pilgrims of Hope" According to the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, the Jubilee Year will offer the faithful opportunities to participate in various jubilee events at the Vatican and in their own dioceses. **The great tradition of opening the Holy Door** will begin when Pope Francis opens the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica on **December 24, 2024**. Two days after opening the Holy Door of St. Peter's Basilica, Pope Francis will travel to a Rome prison to open a Holy Door as a "tangible sign of the message of hope" for people in prisons around the world, the Vatican announced.

Something to Think About....

"Opportunity is missed by most people because it is dressed in overalls and looks like work."
—Thomas Alva Edison

Bible Trivia Answer: Thou art the Christ, the Son of the Living God (Matt 16:16)