

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 14
 9:00 AM Tim Flaherty +

Tuesday, January 15
 9:00 AM Pat Fierst Pomahac +

Wednesday, January 16
 11:00 AM FUNERAL FOR CECELIA GIESLER

Thursday, January 17
 9:00 AM Dorothy Ryan +

Friday, January 18
 9:00 AM Margo Crawford +
 10:00 AM In Reparation of our Sins - NURSING HOME

Saturday, January 19
 5:00 PM Pat Fierst Pomahac +

Sunday, January 20
 10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's & St. Patrick's

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, January 19
 Lector: Kathie Durand
 E.M.: Eileen Glander, Denise Doyle, Amanda Kvasnicka, Robbie Benedict

Servers: Monica Pavelka, Calah Lewis
 Gift Bearers: Bill & Kathy O'Donnell
 Ushers/Greeters: Joe Schmidt, Paul Schmidt, Gary Schmidt, Steve Schmidt

Sunday, January 20
 Lector: Joe Myer
 E.M.: Judy Burfeind, Missy Kluesner, Dan & Jane Medvec, Mitch Medvec, Becca Weist

Servers: Bradley & Hailey Wimmer
 Gift Bearers: Larry & Linda Harvey
 Ushers: Len & Jen Weber, Ken & Barb Kobs
 Greeters: Bill & Becca Weist Family

GIFT BEARERS' SCHEDULE

January 26 & 27
 5:00 PM Bill & Gina LaBonte
 10:00 AM Paul & Missy Kluesner Family

February 2 & 3
 5:00 PM TBD
 10:00 AM TBD

PASTOR'S VISIT & SICK CALLS:

If you would like a Communion visit from Fr. Wilmot or if you would like to be added to Fr. Wilmot's First Friday Communion List, call the office at 651-345-4134.

HOMEBOUND:

If you would like a Communion Minister to bring Communion to you or a family member at home, assisted living or the Care Center call 651-345-4134.

PARISH SUPPORT JANUARY 6, 2019

ADULT CHURCH SUPPORT \$4,138.00
OFFERTORY 289.76
VIGIL CANDLES 40.50
MASS STIPENDS 10.00
ALL SAINTS DAY 197.00
CHRISTMAS OFFERING 170.00
BULLETIN AD 225.00
JANITORIAL FUND 45.00

DECEMBER DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR CHURCH SUPPORT (41 Families) \$3,764.00
DECEMBER DIRECT DEPOSIT FOR BLDG. FUND (11 Families) \$614.00

IF POSSIBLE REMEMBER ST. MARY'S IN YOUR WILL!

DIRECT DEPOSIT..... Anyone interested in direct deposit can get in contact with Jon Bergin by calling St. Mary's Office @ 651-345-4134.



KC Bingo on Monday, January 21, at the care center, in the activity room at 7 PM. Committee: Jerry Hill, Len Weber, Ron Dahling.



MISSION SEWING.....NEW DATE...
 Ladies, we will meet on Tuesday, January 15, 9:00 AM to set up and tie quilts. Lunch will be served at noon followed by a short meeting.



IRISH DINNER.....
 There will be an Irish Dinner Committee meeting for old and new volunteers on Thursday, January 17, 7:00 PM in St. Mary's Hall.



KITCHEN CLEANING.....
 Ladies of the CCW will be doing their annual kitchen cleaning on Monday, January 14, at 9AM. Please come and help!



THANK YOU.....
 Thank you everyone who donated to my toy drive for the Children's Hospital in Rochester. The kids will enjoy all the new toys.
 Cadie Wolf

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE.....

Bishop John Quinn will be presiding at this prayer service on Sunday, January 27, 2019, 5PM at St. John Vianney, Fairbault, MN. Join in a meal afterwards.

INSTALLATION OF FR. JOHN WILMOT

Next Sunday, Bishop Quinn will be here at St. Mary's for the Installation of our new Pastor, Fr. John Wilmot. Light refreshments will be served after Mass. Please join us!

PASTOR'S CORNER

This will be my first weekend in these parishes and I look forward to celebrating the great feast of the Baptism of the Lord with you. It is quite a change for me and for you also but know that as your Pastor I will do my best to provide the pastoral, sacramental and administrative needs you deserve.

As for this weekend's feast, it can be said that the Public Ministry of Jesus began with His Baptism at the hands of John the Baptist in the River of Jordan. In common with the other Synoptic Gospels St. Luke gives us a very short account of this significant event; but, brief though it is, he includes all the essentials. Why did Jesus need to be baptized at all? Being the Son of God it could not be to repent of sin. I think what is happening here is that Jesus is showing us the way. He wants us to imitate Him by being baptized ourselves. As with everything else in Jesus' life, where He has gone, we too will follow. As His disciples in the world we follow Him in all that He says and does and, ultimately, we follow Him through death to the final glory of the resurrection.

As baptized Christians then we follow Jesus as best we can, helped by the Holy Spirit we receive at baptism and the graces of God flowing from the well spring of Christ's Church. May we always put Christ first and do all we can, using God's gifts, to plead His case to an every darkening world.
 God bless you all. Fr. W.

NEW MINISTRY SCHEDULAR PROGRAM.....

All volunteers should be getting an email this week about the New Scheduling Program. If you don't have an email address, didn't receive an email or have questions, please contact Rachel in the office @ 651-345-4134

ADVENT CONSPIRACY.....

This year members of our parish learned to worship fully, spend less, give more and love all through the Advent Conspiracy. As part of this, we have chosen to donate money to purchasing boots for the homeless of Minneapolis and to World Vision, an international organization that supports the poor with sustainable farming practices and education. If you would like to donate to these causes, please drop off your donation to the office by January 20th. Checks can be made out to St. Mary's, but please put 'Advent Conspiracy' in the memo line. Thank you!

NATIONAL SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE DAY.....

On the third Sunday in January Churches around the United States celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit themselves to protecting human life at every stage.

With over 3,000 abortions in the United States each day, we are fortunate to have a local ministry dedicated to protecting the sanctity of life, right here in our community. Since 2006, First Choice Clinic has been a resource for those facing an unplanned pregnancy. Through the various programs and service they offer at no cost, they are able to empower and encourage people to make life affirming choices. Over the years, First Choice Clinic has helped welcome over 200 babies into the world who might have otherwise been lost to abortion.

STEUBENVILLE NORTH CONFERENCE.....



ATTENTION high school youth! **SAVE THE DATE** - July 12-14, 2019! Join Catholic youth from around the Diocese of Winona-Rochester for the Steubenville North conference to be held in Rochester.

More information <https://www.dowr.org/offices/youth-and-young-adults/steubenville-north.html>.

PROJECT RACHEL, Peace Starts Here.....

A pregnancy and subsequent abortion may be far behind you but the memories can be painful leaving you feeling emotionally and spiritually distressed. Project Rachel can help you to heal. Call the Catholic Charities hotline at 800-222-5859 to get connected to a counselor or visit us at www.ccsomn.org.

FOOD SHELF..... On behalf of the Lake City Food Shelf & more importantly the clients served, we would like to thank you for your generous donation of 402.6 lbs. of food collected in 2018 and another 1,105 lbs. at Halloween with 1st Lutheran & United Methodist youth.



9 DAYS FOR LIFE.....
 Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual pro-life novena, 9 Days for Life, Monday, January 14 - Tuesday, January 22. Pray for the respect of all human life with daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Download a free mobile app, or sign up to receive the novena through daily emails or text messages. Sign-up today at www.9daysforlife.com!



Remember in your prayers Cecelia Giesler. Her funeral will be at 11:00 AM on Wednesday of this coming week. May you see your redeemer face to face, and enjoy the vision of God, forever.

THE READINGS

Reading I - Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11 The prophet Isaiah gives us a timeless vision of God's promised redemption. Jerusalem is comforted, her warfare is ended, and her iniquity is pardoned. The world of nature will be transformed, and the coming One will feed and care for the people like a shepherd. This is the peace and joy that awaits the faithful.

Reading II - Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7 St. Paul the apostle writes to Titus of the ultimate triumph of the saving power that is revealed in Jesus Christ. Christ gave Himself to redeem us and to purify us for His use. In Christ we have been justified by grace and through faith, and have become heirs of eternal life.

Gospel - Luke 3:15-16, 21-22 Great movements tend to begin with some kind of initiation or commissioning. We do not know how much Jesus knew about His mission, but by submitting to baptism He was dedicating himself to fulfill His God-given vocation. He would face a world of darkness and light, persecution and promise, sorrow and joy. But he would triumph in the end.