

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, January 7
9:00 AM COMMUNION SERVICE

Tuesday, January 8
9:00 AM John Funk +

Wednesday, January 9
9:00 AM Pat Fierst Pomahac +

Thursday, January 10
9:00 AM Duane Kolb +

Friday, January 11 NURSING HOME
10:00 AM Margaret Kronebush +

Saturday, January 12
5:00 PM Luis Delgado & Irene Delgado +

Sunday, January 13
10:00 AM Parishioners of St. Mary's & St. Patrick's

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, January 12
Lector: Ann Schreck

E.M.: Lavern Szyszka, Anne Beckman, Jerry Dunbar, Shawn Sweeney

Servers: Corbin & Jada Wagner

Gift Bearers: Lynn & Valerie Cunningham

Ushers/Greeters: Joe Schmidt, Paul Schmidt, Gary Schmidt, Steve Schmidt

Sunday, January 13
Lector: 3rd Grade Students

E.M.: Linda Harvey, Mike Harvey, Bob Wenger, Linda Marx, Jim Fitzpatrick, Paul Kluesner, Steve Stolz

Servers: Jamie Richter, Maddie Medvec

Gift Bearers: 3rd Grade

Ushers/Greeters: 3rd Grade, Len & Jen Weber

GIFT BEARERS' SCHEDULE

January 19 & 20
5:00 PM Bill & Kathy O'Donnell
10:00 AM Larry & Linda Harvey

January 26 & 27
5:00 PM Bill & Gina LaBonte
10:00 AM 1st Grade

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



SUNDAY MASS TAPINGS

You can now view Mass on cable TV and HBC, channel 18. Times of Mass are Mondays, 12 noon, Tuesdays 7:00 PM, Thursdays 10AM & Wednesdays at midnight.

PARISH SUPPORT DECEMBER 30, 2018

ADULT CHURCH SUPPORT	\$3,522.00
OFFERTORY	273.00
VIGIL CANDLES	47.00
RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT	50.00
CHRISTMAS OFFERING	565.00
ADVENT CONSPIRACY	55.00

BUILDING FUND	\$2,300.00
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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 Meeting on Tuesday, January 8, starting with the Rosary at 6:20 PM. Supper and a meeting will follow in St. Mary's Hall. Committee: Jeremy Wolf, Steve Sitta.

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



We found a camera in church on Christmas Eve. It's in a dark brown camera bag. We have it in the church office. Call 651-345-4134.



MISSION SEWING.....

Ladies, we will meet on Tuesday, January 8, 9:00 AM to set up and tie quilts. Lunch will be served at noon followed by a short meeting. All are welcome! Come for the day, an hour or two or whatever your schedule allows. Lots of beautiful quilts have been made by this group and most of them are given away to places in need.



DISTRICT 30 COUNCILS....

District 30 Councils of the Knights of Columbus donated \$25,500 to First Choice Clinic of Red Wing. The donations, presented by Francis Kelly and Gene Leifeld, was mad toward the purchase of a new ultrasound machine for their facility. First Choice Clinic, which has served Red Wing and surrounding communities since 2006, has a mission of educating and empowering the community to make healthy, life-affirming choices. They achieve their mission through the various programs and services they offer at no cost to those in need, which include medical advancements and improved technology in the area of sonography. This new machine will allow them to provide clients with more enhanced images of their unborn babies. After fundraisers held by Knights of Columbus councils in Pine Island/Zumbrota, Lake City, Bellechester, and Red Wind, the Supreme Office of the Knights of Columbus matched the district's fundraising.

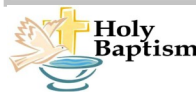
THE FEAST OF THE EPIPHANY

Their mission was clear, their obedience and trust undeniable. We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage (Mt 2:2). They followed his star, brilliant and unmistakable, still and silent, revealed in the night sky. They followed his star and paid homage to the king of kings. I soak in the essence of what the Magi's mission offers and remind myself - clarity comes in retrospect. I know where the star will lead and who they will encounter, and yet in that day and on their quest, they go to a place they do not know and encounter a king they could not have possibly imagined. They followed a star to arrive at the most unexpected of palaces, and still they lay prostrate and offer gifts to the gentle Mother and swaddled Babe settled amidst the animals.

I know my heavenly Father will guide me to places I cannot even begin to imagine, and yet still there are moments I plead he reveal a glimpse of what is to come. At times I beg for an epiphany, thinking the divine is revealed when I have confidence that I am walking in his way. As it was with the Magi, my epiphany is not in the knowing or the assurance' it is in the encounter. As with the Magi, I am called to watch expectantly and act obediently. For it is in this seeking and acting that I am brought to the most unexpected of beautiful places and stirred to pay homage to the real and living Jesus whom I encounter. For the reality is, the way is lit and my Savior awaits my arrival.

Jennifer Hubbard resides in Newtown, Conn. The younger of her two children, Catherine Violet, was a victim of the Sandy Hook Elementary School shooting in 2012.

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Holy Baptism

We welcome Brayden Knox Lange into our faith family, he is the son of Brandan & Samantha who was baptized last Sunday. May Jesus, who loves all children, bless your precious little one with His love and grace on this special day and always.

UNITE MASS, JANUARY 12 ...5PM at St. Charles Borromeo, St. Charles, MN. The Rochester area youth groups come together for their monthly Mass at St. Charles. Eric Klein will speak about Truth, followed by Adoration, music, and FREE food. Call St. Mary's Parish Office to register (651-345-4134). Car pooling can be arranged.

STEBENVILLE 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>.

CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL 2019Are you tired of divisive politics? As a Minnesota Catholic you can begin to transform politics in our state. Join thousands of Catholics from across the state for a day of prayers and advocacy in St. Paul that will inspire you and teach you how to put your faith into action! On Tuesday, February 19, 2019 we're coming together for life and dignity. Visit www.CatholicAtTheCapitol.org for details and to register! Space is limited so don't delay! Transportation options are available.



FAITH FORMATION.....

The third grade students will participate in the Mass on Sunday, January 13th and the 1st Grade Class will be on January 27th.

Our next Confirmation Class will be on Sunday, January 13, 11:15 AM.



Our sympathy to the family of Frances Walker. Her funeral was on Friday at St. Mary's.

Also, sympathy to the family of Jean Tighe. Her funeral is on Tuesday @ Schleicher funeral home.

Our sympathy to the family of Martin Peterson. His funeral is on Saturday, January 12, 11:00 AM.

MAY THEY SEE THEIR REDEEMER FACE TO FACE, AND ENJOY THE VISION OF GOD, FOREVER.

PRAYERS.....

Your prayers are requested for the US Bishops who are on retreat at Mundelein Seminary in Chicago from January 2 - 8, 2019. As stated by Card. DiNardo: "I am grateful to the Holy Father for calling the bishops and me to step back and enter into this focused time of listening to God as we respond to the intense matters before us in the weeks and months ahead. I also humbly ask the laity, our priests and religious for your prayers for my brother bishops and me as we join in solidarity to seek wisdom and guidance from the Holy Spirit. Pray also for the survivors of sexual abuse that their suffering may serve to strengthen us all for the hard task of rooting out a terrible evil from our Church and our society so that such suffering is never multiplied." <http://www.usccb.org/news/2018/18-203.cfm>

A TRIP TO FRANCE.....

Travel with Fr. Joseph Pete on a trip to France.
Where: Paris, Versailles, Chartres, Caen, Normandy, Mont Saint-Michel, Rouen, Lisieux, Taize, Ars-sur-Formans, Avignon, Toulouse.
Trip Dates: October 20 - November 1, 2019
Cost: \$4,600.00 Airfare and ALL- Included.
To register, please contact (855) 842-8001 or (508) 340-9370. There is more information plus you can also register online at www.proximotravel.com.

THE READINGS

Reading I - Isaiah 60:1-6 Isaiah compared the coming of the Messiah to the rising of the sun. The Messiah's great light will make all heaven and earth into one dazzling universe. All people will be bound together by the radiance of Christ the Lord.

Reading II - Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6 The high calling of the Apostle Paul was to spread the good news that has remained a secret until Christ's coming. God is not the exclusive property of a particular race, people or religion. God will be the Shepherd of all who seek God and of all who serve God.

Reading III - Matthew 2:1-12 From the beginning, the Christian faith has been a world religion. Foreigners from a different land and religion paid homage to the new-born child who was destined to become the King of Kings and Lord of Lords. The same foreigners who were welcome at His manger are welcome in His kingdom.