

Sunday, December 2, 2018**First Sunday of Advent****Mass Times & Intentions**

<i>Date / Feast</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Mass offered for:</i>	<i>Mass offered by:</i>
Mon., Dec. 3 <i>St. Francis Xavier</i>	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Marilyn Laffitte	Jim Van Kirk Family
Tues., Dec. 4 <i>St. John Damascene</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	†Nick Hansen	Monte & Kimberly Lemkau
Wed., Dec. 5 <i>Mass for the Dead</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	All Faithful Departed Souls of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	
Thurs., Dec. 6 <i>St. Nicholas</i>	8:00 a.m.	Grafton	†Deceased Relatives of Jack & Tracy Galusha	Galusha Family
Fri., Dec. 7 <i>St. Ambrose</i> <i>First Friday</i> <i>Vigil of Immaculate Conception</i> →	7:00 p.m.	Grafton	†Ray & Margaret Karnatz	Neal & Nancy Schlautman
Sat., Dec. 8 <i>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sutton	For the Poor Souls in Purgatory	
	1:00 p.m. <i>(Spanish)</i>	Sutton	The People of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	
	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Gordon Dedrickson	Cheryl Dedrickson
Sun., Dec. 9 <i>Second Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sutton	†Gerald Kohmetscher	Marty & Cathy Ostrander
	11:00 a.m.	Grafton	The People of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	

Confession

St. Mary's (Sutton)	Saturday 5:00-5:20 p.m. and Sunday 8:20-8:50 a.m.
St. Helena's (Grafton)	Sunday 10:45-10:55 a.m.

The Holy Rosary

15 minutes before Mass at St. Mary's (Sutton)

First Friday Mass & Adoration

On the First Friday of each month, Mass is offered at 7:15 a.m. at St. Mary's in Sutton. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available until 1:00 p.m., closing with Benediction.

Spanish Mass

Beginning in January 2019, a Spanish Mass will be offered at 7 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month.

Prayer Chain

<i>For the Sick:</i>		<i>For the Faithful Departed:</i>	
Carol Fessler	Rhonda Cloet	†Sterling Schelkopf	†Leo Overturf
Kathy Sneed	Scott Schmer	†Vic Kathol	†Gerald Kohmetscher
Jade Schoneberg	John, Josh & Jed Sharky	†Vicki Dirks	†Eleanor Pepler
Vina Mody	Denise Griess	†Richard Pariset	†All Pour Souls in Purgatory
Leota Griess	Juan Castanada	†Nick Hansen	Mass for the Dead
Liz George	Rolly Kastens	†Imelda McCoy	Once a month, Mass will
Megan Hinrichs	April Lemkau	†Marilyn Laffitte	be offered for all the
Scott Borders	Danielle Fry	†Don Hohman	faithful departed of our
Thayer Overturf	Dick & Dorothy Yaeger	†Randy Veik	parishes.
Maria Miranda		†Lucille Kester	

Announcements

- Coffee and rolls will follow the 9 a.m. Mass on Sunday, Dec. 2. This will be the only one in December!
- Attention St. Mary's Altar Society Members—at the back of church, please notice a list and a box to vote for a vice president for 2019. The person elected will move up to president in 2020. The second item will be the list of houses and a sign-up sheet for the traveling Christmas Party on Sunday, December 16th.
- Knights will meet Sunday, Dec. 2nd in Harvard. Rosary at 5:30 p.m. with the meeting to follow.
- If interested in donating money towards a poinsettia for the altar in memory of a loved one, please contact Cecilia Van Kirk.
- St. Mary's will have an Advent Baby Shower for Jesus every weekend during Advent. Please bring unwrapped baby items and place in bassinet or give to Father at offertory time. We're asking for all infant items this year: newborn to 6 months clothes, blankets and diapers to be distributed to local babies.
- St. Helena's will collect baby items during December. Donations can be placed at the church entrance.
- The Immaculate Conception IS a holy day of obligation (even though it falls on Saturday this year). The faithful must attend Mass for the Immaculate Conception as well as fulfill the Sunday obligation. Attending one Mass will not count for both (i.e. the Saturday night Mass at 5:30 p.m. on Dec. 8th will count for your Sunday obligation ONLY IF you already attended Mass for the Immaculate Conception at a previous time. If you choose to attend the 5:30 p.m. Mass on Saturday for the Immaculate Conception, you must attend one of the Masses offered on Dec. 9th to fulfill your Sunday obligation.) As a reminder, the faithful CAN receive the Eucharist twice in a 24-hour period. Please call the secretary if you have questions.

To fulfill the Immaculate Conception obligation, you must attend one of the following Masses:

- Friday, Dec. 7th at 7 p.m. in Grafton
- Saturday, Dec. 8th at 9 a.m. in Sutton
- Saturday, Dec. 8th at 1 p.m. in Sutton (Spanish Mass)
- Saturday, Dec. 8th at 5:30 p.m. in Sutton

To fulfill the Sunday obligation, you must attend one of the following Masses:

- Saturday, Dec. 8th at 5:30 p.m. in Sutton
- Sunday, Dec. 9th at 9 a.m. in Sutton
- Sunday, Dec. 9th at 11 a.m. in Grafton

- In connection with the Feast of the Immaculate Conception—as well as honoring the name of our parish church, the Immaculate Conception / St. Mary's—we will have a reception in the church hall after Saturday night Mass on December 8th. Please come and enjoy this special occasion. If you are able, please bring an appetizer to share with everyone.
- Sign up at either entrance of St. Mary's for National Prayer for Life on December 8th (Adoration after the 5:30 p.m. Mass until Midnight). Come and pray for the unborn whether it be 15 minutes or an hour. Show your support for the innocent!

Announcements continued...

- Corrections / updates to the December calendar:
 - Daily Mass on December 3, 10 & 17 will be at 5:30 p.m. in Sutton.
 - The Penance Service on Sunday, Dec. 23 will be from 2-3 p.m. in Sutton.
 - St. Mary's Hall has been reserved all day on December 24th.

- The Children's Advent Program is set for Sunday, Dec. 9 at 4 p.m. at St. Mary's. Those who attend are encouraged to bring an item for the food pantry in Sutton. The greatest need is for cereal, canned meat (chicken, tuna, stew, etc.), toilet paper, paper towels and fruit. A reception with soup and cookies will follow the program, and word has it that St. Nicholas may make an appearance!
 - Preschool-aged children (4 years and older) are welcome to attend the Advent Program Practice on Sunday, Dec. 9 from 10-11:30 a.m. at St. Mary's if they wish to take part in the Advent Program.
 - The program this year is a 50's theme. If anyone has any items that we could use as props or costumes we would be very grateful if we could borrow and use them. Contact Michelle Schmer.

Ministry Schedule

<i>Mass Times</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Servers</i>	<i>Gift Bearers / Greeters</i>
Daily Mass Dec. 3-7	---	---	David Fonseca & Cale Nuss	---
Dec. 7 at 7:00 p.m.	---	Jack Galusha	Shane Fessler	---
Dec. 8 at 9:00 a.m.	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed	Volunteers needed
Dec. 8 at 5:30 p.m.	Bryan Roemmich	Jason Hajny	Clay Claus & Anthony Flores	Mike & Lorraine McLaughlin
Dec. 9 at 9:00 a.m.	Cal Stuhmer	Jess Hinrichs	Connor Rose & Ethan Drudik	Jesse & Shelli Mohnike
Dec. 9 at 11:00 a.m.	---	Richard Hoarty	Shane Fessler	---

Collection	<i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>St. Helena's</i>	<i>Upcoming Collections</i>
<i>Weekly Envelopes</i>	1641.00	155.00	
<i>Loose Plate</i>	173.00	172.00	
<i>Christmas Flowers</i>	40.00		
<i>Total Collected Nov. 24 & 25</i>	1854.00	327.00	

A Look at This Week

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
2	3	4	5	6	7	8
9 a.m. Mass (Coffee & rolls)	5:30 p.m. Mass	7:15 a.m. Mass	7:15 a.m. Mass for the Dead	Feast of St. Nicholas	First Friday	Immaculate Conception
10-11:30 a.m. Advent program practice	6:30 p.m. Parade of Lights		4-6:30 p.m. Advent program practice	8 a.m. Mass	7:15 a.m. Mass w/ Adoration until 1 p.m.	9 a.m. Mass
11 a.m. Mass			6:30 p.m. CCD (Night Fever)		3:45-5:30 p.m. Advent program practice	1 p.m. Spanish Mass (reception)
					7 p.m. Mass (Grafton)	5:30 p.m. Mass (reception) Adoration until midnight