



November 26-27, 2011 - First Sunday of Advent

Saturday, November 26th

4pm Confessions 4:30pm Rosary
5:00 pm Mass (Intention: †Chrissy Strautman)

Sunday, November 27th

8:30 am Mass (Intention: For Our Parish)
10:40 Rosary
11:00 Mass (Intention: †Viola & Christopher Powers)

Monday, November 28th

8:30 am Mass (Intention: †Mary Neff)

Tuesday, November 29th

5:15 pm Mass (Intention: †Richard White)
7:00 Guitar/Contemporary Music Practice

Wednesday, November 30th, St. Andrew, apostle

8:30 am Mass (Intention: The Townsend Family)
6:30 pm Choir Practice 7:30 pm Handbell Practice

Thursday, December 1st

5:15 pm Mass (Intention: James Day Family)

Friday, December 2nd

8:30 am Mass (Intention: †Hubert Neff)

Saturday, December 3rd Vigil: 2nd Sunday of Advent

4:00 pm Confessions 4:30pm Rosary
5:00 pm Mass (Intention: †Danny Lancaster)

Sunday, December 4th, Second Sunday of Advent

8:30 am Mass (Intention: Wismann Family)
9:30 Bible Study – Parish Office 10:40 Rosary
11:00 Mass (Intention: For Our Parish)



Please Pray for:

*Dena McCarter; *Patti Grow; *Diana Moore; *Nanciann Whisman;
*Joyce Manford; *Jim Day; *Carolyn Manford; *Elverna Bradford;
*Debbie Grubb; *Kim Jackson; *Gary Wise; *Joe & Connie Webb;*
*Linda Wittforn; Mike Nocheck; Family of Sonny Ryle; Bill Timmerman;
Mary Lou Kuhn; Dave Gecks; Mary Guss; Anne Vogelspohl; Jim's
Uncle Bill; Helen; Suzie Neary Milz

Support Our Troops: Please pray for our troops and their families: Benjamin C. Nickell, USMC; Derek C. Meyer, USN (grandson of Tom & Carol Schweitzer); Cpl. Derek M. Nixon (USMC in Afghanistan), Nephew of Pamela Eng; Tyler Mayborg. Please call the parish office to add a name to our prayer chain or list of military at 926-0060 or email: Kelly.rose@mystmarys.com or jmarting@seidata.com.

Parish Budget Information - Wk. 20 11/20/ 2011

Weekly Parish Collection:	\$ 8,083.00	Budget: \$ 9,241.28
St. Vincent de Paul:	\$ 64.00	Variance: - 1,158.38
School Support	\$ 130.00	# of Envelopes: 148
Mass Attendance	464	

HELP NEEDED: WE need more counters on Monday mornings to sort and count collection. If you are able to help, contact Jemma Glenn or Kelly Rose at the parish office. Thank you.

STEWARDSHIP IN ACTION –SHARING YOUR TIME AND TALENT!

Ministry Schedule Team 1- Dec. 3-4, 2011

5:00pm	8:30am	11:00am Mass
USHER – GREETERS		
G. & B. Meyer	M. Gutman & K. Fryman	B. & M. Beinkemper
N. Eaglin & D.d Manford	T. & D. Fedroff	J. Teaney & L. Schuler

EXTRAORDINARY COMMUNION MINISTERS

J. Bills	M.L. Minning	R. Schuler
B. Chrisman	C. Gutman	T. Simms
M. Yoe	S. Armbruster	B. Ullrich

LECTORS (1 or 2)

M. Waldon	C. Schweitzer	F. Schmits
	T. Schweitzer	

ALTAR SERVERS

Lizzie Kelnhofer	Emily Gutman	Nick Beinkemper
Sydney Yoe	Sarah Gutman	Noah Stegemiller

Coffee & Donuts 12/04/11 - 8:30 Beckman 11:00 Simon
12/11/11 - 8:30 Grove 11:00 Cigolotti

Counters: Nov.28 Team 5 - M. & B. Kaiser, M. Arthur, J. Glenn, J. Armbruster
Dec. 05 Team 6 - D. Manford, B. Tyler, P & M.L. Minning



First Sunday of Advent

The seasons of Advent is upon us, and in today's Gospel Jesus delivers a simple message through the pen of Saint Mark: "Be watchful! Be alert!" Christian stewards understand what Jesus meant when he said, "It's like a man going away: He leaves his house and puts his servants in charge, each with his assigned task." Good stewards realize that to each one a task is assigned by god. They have been set in a particular place and station in life, and have been gifted with unique relationships.



How do we respond to the tasks or honor our relationships in a way that keep us alert for the return of Christ?

22nd Annual National Night of Prayer for Life – December 8/9

9 pm Thursday to 1a.m. Friday
National Hour of Unity is 12 -1 am

As soon as the Holy Spirit overshadowed the womb of the virgin Mother, God immediately became one of the human family. In like manner when a child is conceived in his mother's womb, he becomes one of us. This human being now dwells among us.

Come Pray With Us!

Join us in Unity of Prayer across the country in our cathedrals, churches, and chapels highlighting Eucharistic and the Rosary.



Respect Life News

Every child conceived by in vitro fertilization is truly deserving of respect and love: Each is a human person, regardless of the manner of conception. The problem is that the way they are brought into the world does not live up to their dignity.

-*"Life Matters: Reproductive Technologies," Respect Life program 2011-2012*



Thursday December 8th – 6:15 pm.

Please join us in the LIVING ROSARY as we celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, our Parish/School Patron Saint on the 8th of December at 6:15 P.M., in our church before the 7:00 P.M. mass. We strongly encourage our students, teachers, parents, and the whole St. Mary's community to participate in this very significant event. Let this be an opportunity for all of us to unite in prayers as One Body, One Spirit, and One Church in Christ as we meditate on the central mysteries of the Rosary. **Please sign up your whole family and start a new tradition for the season of advent.** Sign up sheet is at the back of the church. Thank you very much.

Aurora Christmas Parade



Sunday, November 27th at 6pm.

All are invited to walk with St. Mary's in the "Aurora Miracle on Main" Christmas Parade

We ask that anyone interested to look for our group in the parking lot behind the Lions building around 5:30 - 5:45 pm.



Join Oldenburg Academy for Friday Frolic in Historic Harrison on Friday, December 2 from 6 to 10 pm. OA music students will stroll the streets and participating shops will donate 10% of all sales to Oldenburg Academy's Reverse Raffle fundraiser. See the attached invitation for more information. Hope to see you there!



St. Meinrad Retreats
Dec. 16-18

"Reflections on the Infancy Narrative of St. Matthew's Gospel. (Fee. \$225 single, \$375 double). Presented by: Fr. Eugne Hensell, OSB

Sunday, Dec. 4th - St. Mary of the Rock Church Annual Whole Hog Sausage & Pancake Breakfast. Sausage, pancakes, biscuits & gravy, eggs, fried apples, homemade coffee cakes and rolls. 7am – noon. Freewill Donation. Christmas Corner with crafts and goodies! Batesville, IN.



Sat. Dec. 10th - St. Lawrence Church 9th Annual Cookie Walk. Fr. Hartzer Hall in St. Lawrence School from 9-1:00. Choose from lots of delicious goodies, homemade by St. Lawrence elves!

Village Organists Concert

The annual Village Organists concert will be hosted at St. Mary's on Sunday, December 4 at 2:00 P.M.

A reception hosted by the parish choir will follow in the cafeteria. Freewill offerings to support St. Vincent de Paul will be accepted, but the concert is free.

Everyone is welcome!

OLDENBURG FRANCISCAN CENTER

For more information on Oldenburg Franciscan Center Events, contact (812) 933-6437 or e-mail: center@oldenburgosf.com

► Sat. December 10 – Advent Retreat: Finding the Light and Word Within. With Mary we will enter into the mystery of the Incarnation. We will meditate on sacred time, holiness, and choosing life! 9:30 – 2:30 pm. Presenter: Sr. Olga Wittekind, OSF. \$45.00 includes lunch.

► Sun. December 11 – "Coffee Talk" – After 9:30 Liturgy. Advent: A Walk with Mary and Joseph. Presented by: Sr. Patty Campbell. 10:45 – noon. Freewill offering – includes coffee & pastry.

Lifetouch Photography & St. Mary Parish Directory 2012

Pictures will be taken:

- Wednesday, January 18 through Saturday, January 21st
- Thursday, January 26 through Saturday, January 28th.
- Weekday times are 2:30 – 9:00 pm. & Saturday 10:00 – 4:30 pm.

APPOINTMENTS ARE REQUIRED!

Appointments can be made by:

- Appointment sign-up after Masses on 11/26-27
- Appointments made be made
- Appointments may be made on line at:

www.securedata-trans14.com/ap/stmaryscatholicchurch/index.php?page=10

Sign up for appointments begins November 27th



The Giving Tree

The Giving Tree will be up from Saturday, Nov. 26th through Sunday, December 18th. Please choose a tag from the tree and buy a Christmas gift for a needy child. Toys should be brought in UNWRAPPED by December 18th. All toys will be taken to the Coalition for children's Christmas Toys where they will be added to gifts from other area collections and then distributed to needy families. Anyone interested in helping deliver the toys to the drop off location should stay after the 11:00 Mass on December 18th. Trucks and vans are very helpful for this purpose.