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## Parish Office



**St. Mary's**  
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## Sacrament of Reconciliation

**St. Mary's:** Saturdays 3pm—3:30pm  
Tuesdays 5:45pm—6:30pm

**St. Joseph's:** Saturdays 4pm—4:20 pm

**Sacred Heart:** Sundays following Mass

## Sister Parishes



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## Parish Staff & Members

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**Jerry & Lyla Pieper:** St. Joseph's Cemetery Committee- 218-783-6411

**Knights of Columbus Council 10235**  
Meetings held 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday of the month at 7:00pm  
St Augustine's Room  
Website: <https://kc10235.mnknights.org>

## St. Mary's Week Ahead

### St. Mary's Masses & intentions

Saturday, Dec. 10th, Mass @ 6 pm: Ron Bishop

Commentator: Deb Culleton

Reader: Louise Dignan

2nd collection for Retired Religious

Sunday, Dec. 11th, Mass @ 8:30am: Jayme Spent

Commentator: Harold Thiessen

Reader: Tom Goldsmith

KC Breakfast Following Mass

2nd collection for Retired Religious

Tuesday, Dec 13th, Mass @ 5:15pm: Dale Telle

Wednesday, Dec 14th, 10:30am: Rosary Group

Advent Penance Service @ 6:30pm for all parishioners

\*Rel. Ed. K-6th gr. —4pm-5:30pm

Family Meal —5:30pm—6:15pm

7th -12th gr. —6:30pm—8pm

Thursday, Dec. 15th, Mass @ WSLC @ 10:30am:

Eucharistic Adoration 7pm

Friday, Dec. 16th, Mass @ 9am: Ginger Kimble

Saturday, Dec. 17th, Mass @ 6 pm: Dan McKinnon

Commentator: Bob Wennerstrand

Reader: Darlene Smith

Sunday, Dec. 18th, Mass @ 8:30am: Lorette Semande

Commentator: Denise St. Germain

Reader: Harold Thiessen

**Christmas Tree set up following Mass,  
Donuts provided**



**The Knights Of Columbus** invite you to stay for Breakfast following Sunday Morning Mass at St. Mary's. Enjoy a warm meal and visit with other fellow parishioners.

### Happy Birthday!

(Dec. 11th– Dec. 17th) Birthday wishes go out to: Lea Willems, Richard Rantanen, Lily Lund, Brian Erickson, Mark Chamernick, Olga Osse, Jeanie Huerd, Edward Samson, Samantha Dignan, Zach Rose, Ayden Hess, Theresa Thunder, Dale Demmerly, & Callen Marvin



## Sacred Heart's & St. Joseph's Week Ahead

### Sacred Heart Masses & intentions:

Sunday, Dec. 11th, Mass @10:30am: For the Parishes

2nd collection for Retired Religious

Wednesday, Dec 14th, Mass @ 8:30am

Wednesday, Dec 14th, Mass (Lakewood)@ 9:30am

**Thursday, Dec. 15th, Confessions from 5-7pm**

Sunday, Dec. 18th, Mass @10:30am: Don McKay

### St. Joseph's Masses & intentions:

Saturday, Dec. 10th, Mass @ 4:30pm: For Peace on Earth

### Weekend Offerings for SH & St. Joseph's

December 4	Sacred Heart	St. Joseph
Envelopes	\$1845	131
Plate	<u>241</u>	<u>342</u>
Total	\$2086	\$473

### Advent Penance Service at St. Mary's Church

There will be Advent Penance Service on Wednesday this week at 6:30 pm. Fr. George Noel of Blessed Sacrament Church, Greenbush, and Fr. John Kleinwachter of Sacred Heart Church, Roseau will join Fr. Andrew Obel to administer the sacrament. Please come and benefit from the grace of the sacrament of confession.

Please Hold in Prayer



Theresa Thunder, Ray West, Helic Berg, Buzz Marvin, Ron Wesolowski, Joleen Hartman, Curtis Anderson, Louise Menk, Leila & Nelson Armagon, Theodora Adikini, Mike Hovde, Hilde & Larry Barbot, Lillian Fortier, & Tom Gerszewski.



### Contributions to St. Mary's

Dec. 4th, 2022  
Envelopes: \$1526  
Online: \$1600

### 3rd Sunday of Advent

“You too must be patient. Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.” JAMES 5:8  
Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule; we like things to be convenient. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer God reveals to us what He wants us to do with the gifts He has given us. We are able to better align ourselves with God’s will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

## All three Parishes

### Education Corner

#### Christmas Flower Memorials

**Honor a loved one and help decorate the Church at the same time.**

Clearly label an envelope, “*Christmas Flower donation*” place your donation and the names (clearly printed) of whom you wish to be honored or remembered then submit to Parish Office.

Names will be printed in Bulletin for Christmas Mass.



#### Christmas Mass Schedule for St. Mary’s

Christmas Eve Mass, (Youth Mass) - 4:30 pm  
Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25th — 8:30 am  
New Years Eve Mass, Dec. 31st — 6 pm  
New Years Day Mass, Jan. 1st — 8:30 am

#### **A call to action**

The message of the Gospel is always backed by action. Mark tells us that Jesus “went into their synagogues preaching the good news and expelling demons throughout the whole of Galilee” (Mk 1:39.). When He sent the disciples out He gave them instructions to share the Good News, and He gave them the authority needed to cure people and cast out demons. We too are called and sent by virtue of our baptism and through the power of the Holy Spirit. By living lives that demonstrate the power and the fruits of the Spirit, which are: “love, joy, peace, forbearance, kindness, goodness, faithfulness, gentleness and self-control” (Gal 5:22-23), we demonstrate to others what Truth is. That’s not insignificant. Actions do speak louder than words. If you were accused of being a Christian, would there be enough evidence to convict you? Will anyone be attracted to faith in God after getting to know you?

#### Christmas Mass Schedule for Sacred Heart

Christmas Day Mass, Dec. 25th - 10:30 am  
New Years Day Mass, Jan. 1st — 10:30 am

#### Christmas Mass Schedule for St. Joseph’s

Christmas Eve, Dec. 24th— 7pm  
New Years Eve Mass, Dec. 31st— 4:30 pm

## More of St. Mary’s News & Updates

#### Christmas Giving Tree

St. Mary’s is doing a Christmas Giving Tree project again this year. The recipients will be the children who are involved in the Backpack Program at Warroad Elementary School. If you would like to donate, please take a gift tag ornament, with the child’s grade and gender listed off the tree in the gathering space, purchase a gift, wrap it, and secure the tag on the gift with the grade and gender visible. Please have your gift to St. Mary’s by Sunday December 19th, so we are able to distribute them to the school children before Christmas break. Thank you for your generosity.

#### Parish Christmas

##### Tree Decorating

Sunday Dec. 18 after 8:30 a.m. mass. All parish members are invited to help decorate our parish Christmas tree in the gathering space and other decorating. Donuts & coffee & juice will be served. All help is appreciated.



If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

## Here is Your God: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Third Sunday of Advent

Readings:

[Isaiah 35:1–6, 10](#)

[Psalm 146:6–10](#)

[James 5:7–10](#)

[Matthew 11:2–11](#)

John questions Jesus from prison in today's Gospel—for his disciples' sake and for ours.

He knows that Jesus is doing “the works of the Messiah,” foretold in today's First Reading and Psalm. But John wants his disciples—and us—to know that the Judge is at the gate, that in Jesus our God has come to save us.

The Liturgy of Advent takes us out into the desert to see and hear the marvelous works and words of God—the lame leaping like a stag, the dead raised, the good news preached to the poor (see [Isaiah 29:18–20](#); [61:1–2](#)).

The Liturgy does this to give us courage, to strengthen our feeble hands and make firm our weak knees. Our hearts can easily become frightened and weighed down by the hardships we face. We can lose patience in our sufferings as we await the coming of the Lord.

As James advises in today's Epistle, we should take as our example the prophets who spoke in the name of the Lord.

Jesus also points us to a prophet—holding up John as a model. John knew that life was more than food, the body more than clothing. He sought the kingdom of God first, confident that God would provide (see [Matthew 6:25–34](#)). John did not complain. He did not lose faith. Even in chains in his prison cell, he was still sending his disciples—and us—to our Savior.

We come to Him again now in the Eucharist. Already He has caused the desert to bloom, the burning sands to become springs of living water. He has opened our ears to hear the words of the sacred book, freed our tongue to fill the air with songs of thanksgiving (see [Isaiah 30:18](#)).

Once bowed down, captives to sin and death, we have been ransomed and returned to His Kingdom, crowned with everlasting joy. Raised up, we now stand before His altar to meet the One who is to come: “Here is your God.”

### Readings for the week of Dec. 11th

**11 December 2022 – Sunday-** THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT- First Reading: Isaiah 35: 1-6a, 10, Responsorial Psalm:

Psalms 146: 6-7, 8-9a, 9bc-10, Second Reading: James 5: 7-10, Alleluia: Isaiah 61: 1, Gospel: Matthew 11: 2-11

**12 December 2022 – Monday-** Our Lady of Guadalupe Feast- First Reading: Zechariah 2: 14-17 or Revelation 11: 19a;

12: 1-6a, 10ab, Responsorial Psalm: Judith 13: 18bcde, 19, Gospel: Luke 1: 26-38 or Luke 1: 39-47

**13 December 2022 – Tuesday-** Lucy, Virgin, Martyr Obligatory Memorial- First Reading: Zephaniah 3: 1-2, 9-13,

Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 34: 2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23, Gospel: Matthew 21: 28-32

**14 December 2022 – Wednesday-** John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor Obligatory Memorial- First Reading: Isaiah 45: 6c

-8, 18, 21c-25, Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 85: 9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14, Alleluia: Isaiah 40: 9-10, Gospel: Luke 7: 18b-23

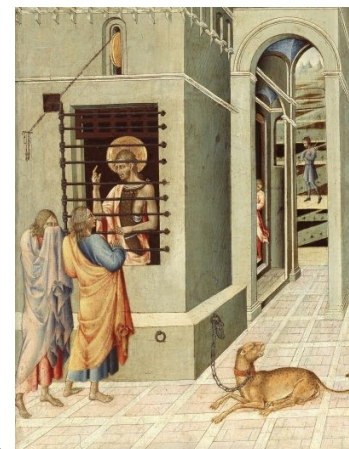
**15 December 2022 – Thursday-** Advent Weekday- First Reading: Isaiah 54: 1-10, Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 30: 2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b, Alleluia: Luke 3: 4, 6, Gospel: Luke 7: 24-30

**16 December 2022 – Friday-** Advent Weekday- First Reading: Isaiah 56: 1-3a, 6-8, Responsorial Psalm: Psalms 67: 2-3,

5, 7-8, Gospel: John 5: 33-36

**17 December 2022 – Saturday-** Advent Weekday (O Sapientia)- First Reading: Genesis 49: 2, 8-10, Responsorial

Psalm: Psalms 72: 1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17, Gospel: Matthew 1: 1-17



# St. Mary's Religious Education

Wed. Dec. 14th

\*Rel. Ed. K-6th gr. —4pm-5:30pm

Family Meal —5:30pm—6:15pm

7th –12th gr. —6:30pm—8pm

**Please mark your calendar for important RE Meetings:**

December 14th, & 21st: RE Classes as usual

December 13th @ 9am: Religious Education Committee Meeting

December 28th: NO RE Classes – Merry Christmas!

January 4th: Classes Resume as usual



## Teaching Help Needed

We are looking for an additional volunteer to co-teach 7<sup>th</sup> & 8<sup>th</sup> grade Religious Education in the New Year. If you wouldn't mind offering about 2 hours a week for this rewarding opportunity, please contact Tammi. You will need to take the Safe Environment training online.

**Thank you for considering.**

## Do you have a winning chili recipe?

Do you like competitions? Then we need you for our Chili Cook-Off on Wednesday, Dec 21<sup>st</sup> during our 5:30-6:15 Religious Education Meal Period. We will buy the hamburger; we just need you to add the spice (and maybe some other fun ingredients). Students and families will vote, and the winner will get bragging rights.

We usually feed approximately 110 kids/parents. We will also have cinnamon rolls and veggies.



We are preparing for the Youth Christmas Eve Mass scheduled for December 24<sup>th</sup>, at 4:30pm. All students are invited to sing in the youth choir which practices on Wednesday during RE at 5:10-5:30. We hope families can attend this Mass celebration.



**Children's Sunday Liturgy** will be offered most Sundays unless there is a Youth Mass or school is on break. PreK through 7 years old are invited to join Solveig Harren during the Liturgy of the Word.