

Merry Christmas





Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 21
No Mass.

Tuesday, December 22

5:10 p.m. Rosary.
5:30 p.m. In honor of Maeve Siobahn Gilligan.

Wednesday, December 23

8:30 a.m. In celebration of Elvin & Kathy Cassity's
50th Wedding Anniversary.
Rosary in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

Thursday, December 24 CHRISTMAS EVE

4:00 p.m. In loving memory of William & Elinor
Bevan.

Midnight † For all those deceased of the Deal &
Fritsch families.

Friday, December 25 CHRISTMAS

10:30 a.m. † In loving memory of Norma McNally.

Saturday, December 26

5:00 p.m. † In loving memory of Steven Desmond
Swords.

Sunday, December 27 THE HOLY FAMILY

8:00 a.m. For our family, Mary, Queen of Peace.
10:30 a.m. † In loving memory of Justin Ray.



Time ~ Talent ~ Treasure

Treasure

Collection for December 13, 2015

This Week's Regular Collection (147 envelopes)	\$8,755.36
This Week's Gold Envelope Collection (19 envelopes)	\$735.00
Immaculate Conception (48 envelopes)	\$1,087.00
Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious (60 envelopes)	\$1,504.00
Christmas Memorial Flowers (7 envelopes)	\$74.00
Collection for the Seminarians	\$336.47

Budgeted Year-to-Date	\$181,968.00
Actually Received	\$181,198.32
Variance to Budget	\$ - 769.68

United Catholic Appeal Update

- ◆ We have met our goal!
- ◆ The total collected so far is: \$33,215.00.
- ◆ Thank you for your support of the parish and the Archdiocese of Indianapolis with your gifts of time, talent and treasure.

Holiday Parish Office Closing

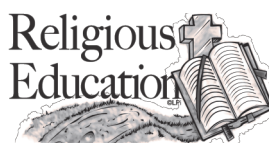
The parish office will be closed from
Thursday, December 24, through Friday, January 1.

The office will reopen on Monday, January 4.

*The staff would like to wish
our parish family
a Holy and Blessed Christmas!*

Mary Queen of Peace Jackets

Dennis Graves again will be taking orders for MQP jackets on Sunday, December 20. Hopefully, they will be here for Christmas. They will be \$40. Sizes range from small to 6xl. They are available in fleece (long-sleeve & vest) and wind breaker. The colors are blue for men and blue or pink for women.



Religious education classes will resume on January 3.

We are getting into the season for winter weather. If winter snow causes classes to be cancelled the primary communication will be **by email**.



In Honor of our Blessed Mother Mary, Queen of Peace

For the Leondis Family

If you would like to make a donation for fresh flowers to be placed before Mary's statue in the church, please use the envelopes that are located in the vestibule. Donations will be accepted in honor of our Blessed Mother, Mary, Queen of Peace and given in the name of whomever you choose. Envelopes can be dropped in the collection.

Thank you, *The Liturgy Committee*



For all those living in assisted living and nursing homes, also Bob Elliott, Ken Warner, Betty Schmutte, Rita Fritsch, David Sheets, Bob Sturm, Pauline Cave, Casey Juza, Eva Tax,

Mary O'Brien and Meeda Lentz.

We ask that the Lord heal them and restore them to good health.

Prayer Line

If you know of someone who needs the special healing power of prayer, or to become a part of this ministry, call Fran Strauss at 317-745-5640.



*"God has found me worthy to be a minister of His Gospel,
and so when I speak, I strive to please God and not men."*

1 Thessalonians 2:4

+ Dear Friends,

Advent is a time to live in joyful expectation at the coming of the Lord Jesus. We hear in today's Mass that it is to the smallest and humblest that the Lord comes. Consider Mary, a simple Jewish girl living a seemingly insignificant life. It is in her womb that the very Son of God dwells.

Today we consider ourselves as well. Perhaps at times we consider ourselves too small or insignificant to count for much in God's eyes. When we gather to celebrate Mass we are given the opportunity to become the very dwelling place of Jesus by listening to God's Living Word and receiving the Body and Blood of Jesus in Holy Communion! In the womb of the Blessed Mother grew the One Who would save the world from sin and death. And within each one of us lies the potential to bring peace and good will to all we meet. Too insignificant? I don't think so!

While we gather this weekend to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, this bulletin is also the final one before the glorious **Solemnity of Christmas**. Therefore....

**A VERY BLESSED AND MERRY CHRISTMAS
TO ONE AND ALL!!**

May the celebration of Christ's humble birth once again fill your hearts and lives with a spirit of simplicity and hope! I truly desire that everyone finds these days to be ones of peace!

When we assemble for Mass in the Season of Christmas, we are a Church haunted by a Child with many faces. Each of us brings to Mass the image of the Holy Child within. We proclaim the Child in Whom meet the ironies of life: divinity and humanity, birth and death, innocence and suffering.

God calls us at the time of Christmas, "My delight." We are called to take these words to heart. We see, through the Gift of Jesus Christ, that even though we may feel desolate or abandoned at times, we can be assured that we ARE His delight! Our world waits for a day of lasting peace, freedom, protection and justice. All these were made visible in the form of a tiny Child born in a manger. His birth was the beginning of the promise. As a

people who have been called to make a home for Christ within our hearts, we are called also to share that promise with our waiting world!

As the shepherds, may we be inspired to share the truth of Jesus with our families, friends, co-workers and with all who long for the life that only Jesus can give! In our own small ways, let us allow the light of Christ to shine in our hearts. Pray that we can show those who dwell in darkness (and that includes all of us at times) that there IS hope!

Please note the schedule of Masses during the Holyday Season! Again, know of my every good wish for you and all the families of our parish as we celebrate Christ's birth! "God Bless Us, Everyone!"



Keep that ball in the middle of the lane! On Tuesday, December 22, middle school youth programs from around the West Deanery will be getting together to knock over the pins at Brownsburg Bowl. We'll gather to talk, bowl, get to know each other a little, and have fun. \$10 gets your bowl on from 2:00-4:00 p.m. Get yourself a permission form from the bulletin boards, if you didn't get one in class.

High school students: Do you need some extra/different exercise to burn some calories between Christmas and New Year? Concerned you will be too idle during Christmas break? Learn to ski, or show off your expertise at the West Deanery ski trip to Perfect North in Lawrenceburg, IN. A bus will take us from St. Susanna in Plainfield there and back. Transport and lift ticket for this all-day event will be the low price of \$65! Permission forms are definitely necessary. Get one from the narthex/youth room bulletin boards. The deadline to reserve your spot is December 23rd. Pray for snow, or at least snow-making weather!

Our next scheduled youth group meeting is on January 10th, 6:30-8:30 p.m.

We are looking for one more high school person (entering or graduating) to commit to our Mission Trip to Appalachia next July 10-16. More are certainly welcome; we need one to meet the minimum for the group. Contact Matthew for more details, or explore at: catholicmissiontrips.net

**A Prelude to Midnight Mass:
Thursday, December 24th,
at 11:30 p.m.**



Join your Mary, Queen of Peace Choir for a Christmas carol sing-along and program of musical reflections on "The Reason for the Season." Plan on arriving at Mass early that night so you can enjoy a concert and get a good seat.

Photographers needed for Christmas programs, etc.

If interested call Mary O'Brien at 317-627-0752 or tjmobrien@sbcglobal.net.



Holy Day Mass Schedule

Masses for Christmas

Thursday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

Friday, December 25

Midnight Christmas Mass

10:30 a.m. Christmas Mass

Masses for New Year's

Thursday, December 31

5:30 p.m. Mary, Mother of God Vigil Mass

Friday, January 1

10:30 a.m. Mary Mother of God Solemnity Mass



Liturgical Meditations

Monday, December 21, 2015

Song of Solomon 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a/
Psalms 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Luke 1:39-45

Tuesday, December 22, 2015

1 Samuel 1:24-28/1 Samuel 2:1, 4-8/Luke 1:46-56

Wednesday, December 23, 2015

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24/Psalms 25:4-5, 8-10, 14/
Luke 1:57-66

Thursday, December 24, 2015

Isaiah 62:1-5/Psalms 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Matthew 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Friday, December 25, 2015

Isaiah 62:1-5/Psalms 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29/
Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Matthew 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Saturday, December 26, 2015

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Psalms 31:3-4, 6, 8, 16-17/
Matthew 10:17-22

Sunday, December 27, 2015

1 Samuel 1:20-22, 24-28 or Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14/
Psalms 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10/1 John 3:1-2, 21-24 or
Colossians 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Luke 2:41-52

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of December 26 & 27

COORDINATORS

5:00 p.m. Phil Schneider
8:00 a.m. Charlotte Pell
10:30 a.m. Tom O'Brien

MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY

5:00 p.m. Bart Hensley, Noah Schneider
Jack Williams, Not Filled
8:00 a.m. Dave Adams, Austin Arnold
Megan Arnold, Timothy Arnold
10:30 a.m. Nick Beaman, Ron Beaman
Jackson Franchville, Justin Snider

READERS

5:00 p.m. Stephanie Hensley, Damon Carl
8:00 a.m. Beth Arnold, Michelle Pritchett
10:30 a.m. Anna Marie Fallon, Carra Origer

SERVERS

5:00 p.m. Korey Berg, Alyssa Scales
8:00 a.m. Leslie Pell, Olivia Pell
10:30 a.m. Greta Fallon, Nina Fallon

EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION

5:00 p.m. Ciborium: JoAnn Morton
8:00 a.m. Ciborium: Jeannie Thurnall
10:30 a.m. Ciborium: Pat Baldwin
Marcia Castagno, Vince Castagno

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