

Mary, Queen of Peace



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Mission Statement

We, the people of Mary, Queen of Peace, are called to be a Catholic faith community centered around prayer and worship and embodying Gospel values. We are a family of Christians committed to growth in faith and holiness as signs of God's presence in the world. We act in imitation of Christ, by reaching beyond ourselves in service to others.

Mass Schedule

Saturday Anticipation 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 am and 10:30 am
Weekday Tuesday and Thursday at 5:30 pm
Wednesday and Friday: 8:30 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday; 3:30-4:30 pm, before any Mass, or anytime by appointment.

Sacrament of Baptism

Baptisms are celebrated on the second and fourth Sundays of the month, after the 10:30 Mass. Parents who have not yet received pre-baptismal instruction are required to attend a Baptismal Preparation Session. For more information please call the Parish Office.

Sacrament of Marriage

Barbara Taylor—Wedding Coordinator—941.961.2487
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Contact the parish office at least 6 months in advance.

Sacrament of Anointing

In an emergency, call the Parish Office at anytime. If you or a loved one are hospitalized, confined to home, or residing at a health care facility, contact the Parish Office to receive the Eucharist and/or Anointing.

Interested in Becoming Catholic?

Inquiry classes begin in September as part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA). Contact Jeff Earl 317.626.0811 or rcia@mqpdanville.org.

Bulletin Deadline

Please submit bulletin announcements by 10:00 pm on Sunday's to amw1005@iquest.net, also a copy to patsmooney@indy.rr.com and tjmobrien@sbcglobal.net Thank you.

Fourth Sunday of Advent ● December 18, 2016



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 19

No Mass.

Tuesday, December 20

5:30 p.m. † In loving memory of Mabel Gibbs.

Wednesday, December 21

8:30 a.m. † In loving memory of Bobby Hennessy.

Thursday, December 22

5:30 p.m. A special intention for Maeve Siobahn Gilligan.

Friday, December 23

8:30 a.m. † In loving memory of Dennis Graves. Rosary.

Saturday, December 24 Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m. For our Family, Mary, Queen of Peace.

Midnight † For the deceased members of the Fritsch and Deal families.

Sunday, December 25 Christmas Day

10:30 a.m. In loving memory of Charles H. Lewis.



Time ~ Talent ~ Treasure

Treasure

Collection for December 11, 2016

This Week's Regular Collection (138 envelopes)	\$7,922.74
This Week's Gold Envelope Collection (13 envelopes)	\$455.00
Immaculate Conception Collection (55 envelopes)	\$1,336.29
Religious Retirement Collection (51 envelopes)	\$1,098.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date	\$189,960.00
Actually Received	\$187,092.83
Variance to Budget	\$ -2,867.17

Bulletin Deadlines

Due to the Christmas/New Year holiday season, the bulletin publisher has early deadlines. Therefore, any articles/notices for the Sunday, January 1, bulletin are due by **Tuesday, December 20** Thank you.

Shared Blessings

Donations Needed

Shared Blessings Food Bank provides food and encouragement to families who struggle to make ends meet. The pantry currently serves 50-60 families per week! They are always in need of non-perishable items. Their current needs are: soup, spaghetti, ravioli, peanut butter and jelly. Please place all items in the basket at the entrance of the church. Proverbs 11:25: "The soul who blesses will prosper, whoever satisfies others will also be satisfied."



FEED THE HUNGRY

Test Your Knowledge of the Catholic Faith

Ever hear of the show "Are You Smarter Than a Fifth-Grader?" Now you can find out if you know more about the Catholic faith than our parish religious education students! We test the Level 5 and Level 8 classes every year to gauge our class effectiveness. Any parishioner is invited to try the high-school-junior-level class to see the type of information with which the archdiocese wants our students to be familiar. Our testing is scheduled for January 15th at 9:15 a.m. in the lower level of the church. Please contact Matthew in the office by Christmas to reserve a test. Sorry, we can't offer any monetary prizes. Results will not be made public!



*In Honor of our Blessed Mother
Mary, Queen of Peace,
The Sacred Heart of Jesus,
or St. Joseph*

*Charles Andrew Murphy
&
Joseph Spugnardi*

If you would like to make a donation for fresh flowers to be placed before one of the statues 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, The Sacred Heart of Jesus, or St. Joseph 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 Ken Warner, Rita Fritsch, Pauline Cave, Meeda Lentz, Don Fritsch, Peggy Cave, Marie

Wimsett, Paul Leondis, Velma Spears, and Tom Strauss. **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.

Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedule



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

**St. Susanna
Tuesday, December 20th
at 7:00 p.m.**



"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,

As we gather to celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent, we do so just days away from Christmas Eve and the glorious celebration of Christmas! The fourth week of Advent is always sort of "lost" in the final preparations which need to take place. As you can see, the church is already taking on the look of the Christmas Season. That's okay; the stable was there waiting for the Holy Family wasn't it? That's how the liturgical year falls at times.

As our Advent Season winds down and the upcoming glory that is Christmas soon begins, the readings this weekend pose an interesting question: Have I ever asked God for a "sign?" Most would say "yes, I have." Today we hear God Himself inviting King Ahaz to "ask for a sign from the Lord," revealing that the sign will be Mary, a Virgin, expectant with the Holy Child, Jesus, Emmanuel.

Likewise, in the Gospel today, when St. Joseph is shocked to find that his wife is with child, he receives a sign from an angel telling him not to be afraid to have Mary as his wife. The Lord has a good sign waiting for each of us also, *if* we ask for it. It may not come today or tomorrow, but it will come.

Do not expect to find your sign in superstitions, horoscopes or the like. Expect your sign from Jesus, as He reveals Himself in prayer, the holy Sacraments and most especially in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass, when He becomes miraculously present in the Holy Eucharist!

Jesus Christ is Emmanuel, "God with us." So go ahead and ask for a sign, expect it to be given and follow it like St. Joseph, with confidence, joy and hope!

Please note the schedule of Holy Day Masses in today's bulletin as well as those posted on the bulletin boards and doors of the church!

On a side note, the parish offices will be closed for a few days in observance of the wonderful Christmas Season!

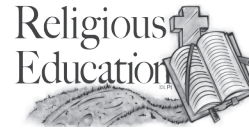
As we prepare to celebrate the glorious season of Christmas, I wish you all the peace and spirit of hope the Christ Child offers us!

Father Mike

The Parish Office will be closed the week between Christmas and New Year's Day.

Closed December 26-30.

Reopening on Monday, January 2.



Today is the last Religious Education class before Christmas. Classes will resume on Sunday, January 8.

The **Level 3** religious education class is presenting its Christmas Nativity play **THIS SUNDAY** the 18th at 9:15 a.m. in the church. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

Reminder to parents: In case of foul weather or catechist absence, information about class cancellations will be sent by email, not announced on television stations.

Congratulations to our **Level 2** students who participated in the sacrament of penance and reconciliation for the first time, at the parish penance service last Wednesday. We hope you will continue to receive God's love and forgiveness regularly!

Teen parents: We would like to begin offering an updated version of Theology of the Body (titled "YOU. Life, Love, and the Theology of the Body") this spring or summer. If you are interested in this teaching of Pope Saint John Paul II on human sexuality, please contact Matthew Fallon before Christmas.

Adult Religious Education

Mary, A Biblical Walk



Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of Mary's earthly life, taking you through her joys and sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us closer to her divine Son. Seeing Mary in this way may change you. She will become part of your daily life and help you become more like Christ. Join us for *Mary, A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother*, Sunday mornings at 9:00 a.m., January 15 through Sunday, March 5. Evening class sessions will be held Wednesday, January 18, and then Thursdays through March 9, at 7:30 p.m. The cost is \$30.00 per person. Registration forms are available on the [bulletin board at the top of the stairs](#). This is the **final week-end to register** for the class so that we may order the class books in time for the first class.





Our event for December will be on this Sunday the 18th from 6-8 p.m. in the youth room. It is for both Middle School and High School children. We are doing a service project and having a small Christmas party.

If you would like to bring cookies for Sunday night for the youth Christmas party, please feel free to do so.

If you would like to help donate for the service project, you may donate items such as over-the-counter medicine, baby and child needs (diapers, clothes, stuffed animals, clothes), adult garments (men and women sizes), toiletries (men and women deodorant, lotion, soap, feminine hygiene products), blankets and towels, and plastic bags. You can put them right by the youth room downstairs.

All donations are needed by the time of the event at 6:00 p.m.



Holy Day Mass Schedule

Masses for Christmas

Saturday, December 24

4:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 25

Midnight Christmas Mass
10:30 a.m. Christmas Mass

Masses for New Year's

Saturday, December 31

5:00 p.m. Mary, Mother of God
Vigil Mass

Sunday, January 1

8:00 Mary, Mother of God
Solemnity Mass
10:30 a.m. Mary, Mother of God



Liturgical Meditations

Monday, December 19, 2016

Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a/Psalms 71/Luke 1:5-25

Tuesday, December 20 2016

Isaiah 7:10-14/Psalms 24/Luke 1:26-38

Wednesday, December 21, 2016

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

Thursday, December 22, 2016

1 Samuel 1:24-28/1 Samuel 2/Luke 1:46-56

Friday, December 23, 2016

Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24/Psalms 25/Luke 1:57-66

Saturday, December 24, 2016

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

Sunday, December 25, 2016

Midnight: Isaiah 9:1-6/Psalms 96/Titus 2:11-14/
Luke 2:1-14

Dawn: Isaiah 62:11-12/Psalms 97/Ti 3:4-7/
Luke 2:15-20

Day: Isaiah 52:7-10/Psalms 98/Hebrews 1:1-6/
John 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

At A Glance Parish Calendar

Sunday, December 18

9:00 a.m. Religious Education Classes

9:00 a.m. Confirmation Class: "How does God help me when it hurts?"

9:15 a.m. Nativity Play

11:30 a.m. Choir Practice

6:00 p.m. Youth Event

Monday, December 19

7:00 p.m. Mom's Group

Tuesday, December 20

Wednesday, December 21

7:00 p.m. Choir Practice

Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of December 24 & 25

Please sign up to serve as a liturgical minister for our Christmas celebration on the list found in the vesting sacristy.

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