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
John answered them, “I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie.” - Jn 1:26-27

Third Sunday of Advent  ●  December 17, 2017
Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday, December 18
   NO MASS.

Tuesday, December 19
5:30 p.m.  † In loving memory of Tim Cooney.

Wednesday, December 20
8:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Annie Kramer.

Thursday, December 21  St. Peter Canisius
5:30 p.m.  For the Women of Mary, Queen of Peace
both living & deceased.

Friday, December 22
8:30 a.m.  A special intention for Maeve Siobhan
Gilligan.

Saturday, December 23
5:00 p.m.  † In loving memory of James Fritsch.

Sunday, December 24  Fourth Sunday of Advent &
Christmas Eve
9:00 a.m.  For our Family, Mary, Queen of Peace.
4:00 p.m.  † In loving memory of Carolyn Kashman.
Midnight  For the deceased members of the Deal
and Fritsch families.

Incense Usage at Mass

Incense will be used at the following Masses during the Advent and Christmas Season:

• Christmas Eve Mass 4:00 p.m. and Christmas Day
  Mass 10:30 a.m. used very lightly, Midnight Mass
  regular use,
• Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph, all Masses
  used very lightly.
• The Solemnity of the Epiphany of the Lord Masses
  5:00 p.m. and 8:00 a.m. lightly, 10:30 a.m. regular
  use

Time - Talent - Treasure

Treasure
Collection for December 10, 2017
This Week’s Regular Collection (138 envelopes)  $6,930.00
This Week’s Gold Envelope Collection (17 envelopes)  $500.00
Collection for the Immaculate Conception
(56 envelopes)  $1,100.00
Collection for Religious Retirement (35 envelopes)  $642.00
Collection for Campaign for Human Development
(1 envelope)  $5.00

Budgeted Year-to-Date  $198,576.00
Actually Received  $209,572.75
Variance to Budget  $10,996.75

The parish office will be closed between Christmas and New Year’s Day
(December 25 through December 29).
The staff wishes everyone a
Blessed Christmas.

Welcome

The parishioners of St. Mary,
Queen of Peace extend a warm
welcome to our newest member:
William “Bill” Hetue

For all those living in assisted living and nursing homes, also Pauline Cave, Peggy Cave, Bob Elliott,
Rita Fritsch, Jim Goldman, Bud Harvey, Denny Kashman, Felicia Osmialowski, Goldie Parsons, Katie Reynolds,
David Sheets, and Gene Trapp.  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

St. Malachy
Saturday, 8:45 – 10:00 a.m.
Or anytime by appointment

St. Susanna
Saturday, 4:30 – 5:00 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment

Mary, Queen of Peace
Saturday, 3:30 – 4:30 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment

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

In Memory of Mary Leondis

Liturgy Committee

Thank you,
The

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. Enve-
lopes can be dropped in the collection. Thank you, The
Liturgy Committee
Dear Friends,

It’s hard to believe but this weekend we celebrate Gaudete Sunday, the Third Sunday of Advent. Where does the time go? Coming from the Latin for “rejoice”, today the rose candle of our Advent wreath is lit. The blending of the penitential violet and the white of Christmas gives us cause to rejoice that the glory of Christmas draws near!

Last week the Letter of St. Peter reminded us to conduct ourselves in holiness and devotion as we await the coming of our Lord Jesus. This week the prophet Isaiah tells us what it means to be someone upon whom the Holy Spirit comes to rest.

When each one of us was baptized and later confirmed, the Holy Spirit came upon us, making us sons and daughters of God. As we heard in today’s first reading, let us pray that we will become more and more a people who bring “glad tidings” to others. Let us pray to be a people of Advent hope and joy rather than one from whom others turn away because our demeanor and countenance says anything but joy.

On this Gaudete Sunday, let us pray for one another. In a world torn apart by war, terror, abuse, drugs and all the other evils mankind must somehow survive, let us pray that each of us draws closer to our Eucharistic Christ. It is only through, with and in Jesus in the Holy Eucharist that we will ever know peace, not only for ourselves but for our world as well. Sometimes it’s not always easy to remain hope-filled. Our fears, anxieties and own lack of confidence in Jesus’ Presence can make it almost impossible to remain in Advent hope. That’s where we can help one another. Every day, pray for others. Offer your own doubts and fears that another may know Jesus and His Presence. You may never know who this other person was or is that your prayers have helped. It is enough to know that they have helped!

Please note in bulletin, on church doors and on TV monitor, the schedule of Masses for next weekend, Christmas and the weekend following! It’s a bit confusing with Christmas Eve falling on a Sunday! NOTE: WE WILL HAVE ONLY ONE (1) MASS DECEMBER 24TH IN THE MORNING FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT AT 9:00 a.m.! Saturday night remains the same at 5:00 p.m.

Come, Lord, do not delay! Come to us, abide with us! God bless you all!

![Image](image.png)

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

[Attention: Liturgical Ministers]

If you haven’t seen it already, be sure to look for an email from Mary Kay Hood regarding the upcoming scheduling needs for the Fourth Sunday of Advent, Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

Also, please provide any dates you will not be available for scheduling during the months of January through April 2018. The deadline to do this is Saturday, December 23.

More details can be found in the email.

Religious Education

Have a blessed Christmas! We’ll resume classes on January 7th.

Young adults - are you looking for a group to discuss living your faith which is more your age? Try the young adult group at Saint Susanna - information is on the orange circle on the narthex bulletin board.

Thank you to the (at least) 108 people of the parish who are praying for our young disciples in the Level 2 class. In January, the students will begin preparing to receive the Eucharist for the first time.

Thank you to everyone who has donated to the elementary RE fleece blanket making service project! We are about halfway to our goal thanks to your generosity, God bless you.

Thanks to a generous parishioner we are able to offer “The Weekly Mass Readings Explained” videos again this year. We will include another showing of this study of the lectionary after the 10:30 Mass. Words and phrases can change meaning over time and through translations - hear the meaning of the readings as the original 1st century Jewish audience would have understood them. No kidding, this is really good; if you can afford a half an hour I think you’ll find them very informative and interesting.

2017 Women’s Club Raffle Winners

Framed Gift Cards – Brenda Smith
Meat Bundle – Jim Disney
Cradle with Doll – Stephanie Wigger
Colts Throw – Marianne Novak
Blue Afghan – Colleen Arnold
Handmade Quilt – Mary Lovejoy
Girl’s Bike – Felicia Osmialowski
Boy’s Bike – Helen Corbitt

“Prayer makes your heart bigger, until it is capable of containing the gift of God Himself.”

Mother Teresa

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Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of December 23 & 24

**COORDINATORS**
5:00 p.m.  Phil Schneider
9:00 a.m.  Mary Kay Hood

**MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY**
5:00 p.m.  Kailey Burkett, Dianne Guadaitis
           Michael Guadaitis, Jim Parsey
9:00 a.m.  Ron Beaman, Mary O'Brien
           Not Filled, Not Filled

**READERS**
5:00 p.m.  D.J. DesJarlais, Miriam Orelup
9:00 a.m.  Not Filled, Pat Mooney

**SERVERS**
5:00 p.m.  Nathaniel Origer, Noah Origer
9:00 a.m.  Not Filled, Not Filled

**EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**
5:00 p.m.  George Juza, Betty Kessinger
           Bob Mathis, Judy Schneider
           Not Filled
9:00 a.m.  Dixie Chaille, Mary Kay Hood
           Ann Mooney, Not Filled
           Not Filled, Not Filled
           Not Filled

Liturgy of the Word

**Liturgical Meditations**

Monday, December 18, 2017
Jeremiah 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Matthew 1:18-25

Tuesday, December 19, 2017
Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a/Psalm 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17
[cf. 8]/Luke 1:5-25

Wednesday, December 20, 2017
Isaiah 7:10-14/Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Luke 1:26-38

Thursday, December 21, 2017
Song of Solomon 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a/

Friday, December 22, 2017
1 Samuel 1:24-28/1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd
[cf. 1a]/Luke 1:46-56

Saturday, December 23, 2017
Malachi 3:1-4, 23-24/Psalm 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14

Sunday, December 24, 2017
2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Psalm 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Romans 16:25-27/Luke 1:26-38

**Holiday Mass Schedule**

**Masses for Fourth Sunday of Advent**

Saturday, December 23
5:00 p.m.  Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 24
9:00 a.m.  Mass only

**Masses for Christmas**

Sunday, December 24
4:00 p.m.  Christmas Vigil Mass
Midnight  Christmas Mass

Monday, December 25
10:30 a.m. Christmas Mass

**Masses for Feast of the Holy Family**

Saturday, December 30
5:00 p.m. Mass

Sunday, December 31
8:00 a.m. Mass
10:30 a.m. Mass

(The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year.)

**Family Taco/Bingo Night**

Will be Saturday, January 27, 2018. It will begin after 5:00 Mass. We will have a taco bar and Bingo with prizes! Invite everyone!

**This Week’s Featured Advertiser**

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317-563-3077

($3.00 coupon on the back of the bulletin)