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 at 8:30 am
Mass Intentions
for the Week

Monday, December 17
No Mass.

Tuesday, December 18
5:30 p.m.  † For all Souls.

Wednesday, December 19
8:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Tim Cooney.

Thursday, December 20
5:30 p.m.  Missa Pro Populo.

Friday, December 21  St. John of the Cross
8:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Quentin Engelken.

Saturday, December 22
5:00 p.m.  † A special intention for Maeve Siobahn Gilligan.

Sunday, December 23  Fourth Sunday of Advent
8:00 a.m.  † In loving memory of Dora Vogel.
10:30 a.m.  † In loving memory of Edward Duffey.

At-A-Glance Parish Schedule

Sunday, December 16
9:00 a.m.  Religious Education Classes
9:00 a.m.  Confirmation Class

Monday, December 17

Tuesday, December 18
7:00 p.m.  RCIA - Rite of Christian Initiation

Wednesday, December 19
7:00 p.m.  Choir Practice

Thursday, December 20

Friday, December 21

Saturday, December 22

For all those living in assisted living and nursing homes, also Peggy Cave, Rita Fritsch, Jim Goldman, Dick Griffith, Bud Harvey, Tom Konechnik, Kelsie Kushner, Debbie Little, Anthony Martinez, Felicia Osmialowski, Goldie Parsons, Rex Parsons, Katie Reynolds, David Roche, David & Dee Sheets, Mary Schmitt, Helen Schweizer, Debbie Such, Gene Trapp, Harold Walliser, and Mary Williams. 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.

Bulletin Deadline
Please submit bulletin announcements by 10:00 pm on Sunday's to away@mqpdanville.org, also a copy to patsmooney@indy.rr.com and tjmobrien@sbcglobal.net

Time - Talent - Treasure

Treasure
Collection for December 9, 2018
This Week’s Regular Collection (136 envelopes) $7,497.35
This Week’s Gold Envelope Collection (13 envelopes) $660.00
The Immaculate Conception Holyday Collection (43 envelopes) $876.05
Retirement Fund for Religious Collection (24 envelopes) $512.00
Budgeted Year-to-Date $198,792.00
Actually Received $206,139.77
Online Giving Received (November) $1,934.00
Total Received $208,073.77
Variance to Budget +$9,281.77

EXTENSION OF DATES FOR PHOTOS
Lifetouch Community Connect Directory
Putting Names with Faces!

We have more openings after Christmas...
Schedule your appointment online with this link:
https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/yj2r9zzv/
Call the office for assistance.
317-745-4284.
We will be glad to help.

Our directory will not be complete without you.
Sign up today!

Extended dates are December 28th and 29th.
(For those who couldn’t make it earlier.)

Thanks to a Great Group of Women
On Friday, December 7, the following seven women made a big difference in the lives of families who shopped at The Archdiocesan Christmas Store. Kudos and thank you’s go out to Barbara Taylor, Jean Watson, Candace Monzingo, Pam Richardt, Carol Forbes, Kathy Reedy, and Marianne Novak. What a team!

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, 3:45 – 4:30 p.m.
Or anytime by appointment
“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,

“The Lord, your God, is in your midst.” We hear those words on this Third Sunday of Advent; words that remind us to continue our joyful vigilance. This Third Sunday is called **Gaudete Sunday**. Its name comes from the Latin for “rejoice.” The rose vestments are worn, the rose candle of the Advent wreath is lit, all as reminders that the joy and miracle of the Incarnation of Christ at Christmas is near. Truly, as the Scriptures tell us this weekend, “Rejoice in the Lord always!”

These holy days leading up to Christmas are a time of preparation, of reflection and, as St. John the Baptist reminds us today, ones of sharing. They are days in which to give thanks and also to share with those less fortunate than ourselves. This is one way in which we make present the Lord in our midst. Whether or not it consists in taking a name from the giving tree, contributing to St. Vincent de Paul or some other random act of kindness and charity, sharing and giving to another makes our Lord ever more in our midst.

Our second reading today from St. Paul has been one of my favorites for many years. Quite honestly, while a favorite, it is also one of the most difficult to live. I can usually handle the “rejoice in the Lord” part; it is the “have no anxiety at all” part that I find difficult! I realize that almost everyone else finds this admonition to be very challenging as well. While we profess faith; while we do indeed have faith, still it is not always easy to “let go” and not fret about things, is it? I don’t believe I’ve ever read any writer put this forth but perhaps St. Paul wrote these words of encouragement because he himself knew what it was to live with anxiety. And, perhaps we live with this because of our fallen human nature. Until the fall of man, humanity knew no anxiety or fear. So, ever since that choice away from God, we live the struggle to believe without fear; with no reservations. I know that each of us has probably known people who live this way and we all admire them, don’t we? Their example can give us courage and strength too. What a perfect Advent prayer for us to offer!

I’ll be a tad early but I want to put this in **bold, dark** type so none of us forgets: **Masses for Christ-**

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**Elementary RE:**

This is the last Sunday for religious education classes prior to the Christmas break. We will resume classes on Sunday, January 6.

**Level 2 parents:** If you could not attend the Parish Penance Service last week you may schedule an individual sacramental celebration with Father Fritsch on a Saturday from 3:30 to 4:30 p.m. Please inform Matthew Fallon of your plans for the celebration as well.

Have you tried the “What’s your Catholic IQ quiz? Find one on the church stairwell and religious education building bulletin boards. They can inspire you to think about or research more on aspects of our faith as well as confirm what you already understand!

**Adult RE:**

The Acts of the Apostles provides us with more than a history of the first Christians; it is the story of the early Church with the Holy Spirit as the protagonist. Christ did not leave his Apostles alone. He sent them the Holy Spirit to guide, instruct, and equip them. Enrich and deepen your faith as you learn how the Apostles continued Christ’s mission on earth through the power of the Holy Spirit.

The study **Acts: The Spread of the Kingdom** will begin on January 6. We will be able to offer sections on Sunday morning and Monday evening. There will be a Wednesday morning session, if we get at least 4 people to commit.

Our RE students will take the standardized religious knowledge and practices test in January to gauge our instruction. There is also an adult version of the test which you may take to gauge your own awareness of faith teachings and practices. If you are interested in trying this inquiry, give Matthew a call by the end of this month so he may order enough supplies!

**Bereavement Ministry**

If you have lost a loved one recently or know of a parishioner who has, please contact Helen Disney so that we can include the family in our ministry. 317-745-4867 or jimandhelendisney@gmail.com

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**Religious Education**

**Masses are:** Monday, December 24th at 4:00 p.m. and Tuesday, December 25th at Midnight and 10:30 a.m. Please pass along these Mass times to someone who may not be aware of the special holiday schedule!!

Better go for now. May the good God help us as we continue our Advent journey to Christmas! God bless you all!

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*Father Michael Fritsch*
Liturgical Ministers Schedule

Weekend of December 22 & 23

**MASS COORDINATORS**
5:00 p.m. Kathy Stamper
8:00 a.m. Jeannie Thurnall
10:30 a.m. Mary O’Brien

**MINISTERS OF HOSPITALITY**
5:00 p.m. Alex Earl, Tonya Earl
           Joe Osburn, Tom Swords
8:00 a.m. Debbie Green, Dick Harvey
           Ethan Morris, Jacob Yamell
10:30 a.m. Austin Brown, Eli Brown
           Isaac Brown, Joan Kimbley

**READERS**
5:00 p.m. Helen Disney, Jim Disney
8:00 a.m. Greg Purvis, Brandi Morris
10:30 a.m. Peg Glover, Pat Mooney

**SERVERS**
5:00 p.m. Andrew Earl, Sebastian Whetstone
8:00 a.m. Braeden Morris, Theo Pritchett
10:30 a.m. Thaddeus Brown, Daniel Hazelton

**EXTRA-ORDINARY MINISTERS OF COMMUNION**
5:00 p.m. George Juza, Betty Kessinger
           Bob Mathis, Judy Schneider
           Margie Williams
8:00 a.m. Bill Bliss, Margie Cope
           Charlotte Pell, Peggy Purvis
           Jeannie Thurnall
10:30 a.m. Pat Baldwin, Carrie Brown
           Dixie Chaille, Beth Dieckmann
           Kim Lovejoy, Mary Lovejoy
           Ann Mooney

Liturgical Meditations

**Monday, December 17, 2018**
Genesis 49:2, 8-10/Psalm 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Matthew 1:1-17

**Tuesday, December 18, 2018**

**Wednesday, December 19, 2018**
Judges 13:2-7, 24-25a/Psalm 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Luke 1:5-25

**Thursday, December 20, 2018**
Isaiah 7:10-14/Psalm 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Luke 1:26-38

**Friday, December 21, 2018**
Song of Solomon 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18a/

**Saturday, December 22, 2018**
1 Samuel 1:24-28/1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Luke 1:46-56

**Sunday, December 23, 2018**

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**Holiday Mass Schedule**

**Masses for Fourth Sunday of Advent**
Saturday, December 22
5:00 p.m. Vigil Mass

Sunday, December 23
8:00 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. Mass

**Masses for Christmas**
Monday, December 24
4:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass

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

**Masses for Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God**
Monday, December 31
5:00 p.m. Mass

Tuesday, January 1st
10:30 a.m. Mass

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