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Mass Schedule Saturday

St. Mary – 4:30pm Sunday

St. Mary – 9:00am (Rosary 8:30am) St. Joan of Arc - 5:00pm (Rosary 4:30pm)

Weekdays (at St. Mary only)

Tuesday – 6:00pm Wednesday – Friday – 7:00am 1st Saturday – 9:00am

Tuesday – 5:00pm – Adoration

CCD

St. Mary - Sunday at 10:00am

RCIA

St. Mary – Tuesday at 7:00pm Call 812-512-0997 to register

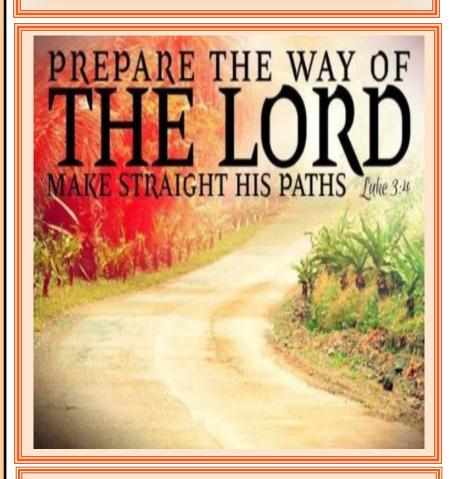
Confessions

Saturday – 4:00pm – St. Mary Sunday – 8:30am – St. Mary Sunday – 4:30pm – St. Joan Tuesday – 5:15pm 1st Saturday – 8:30am Or by appointment St. Joan of Arc
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St. Mary Church 105 E. Jackson Street Sullivan, IN

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2nd Sunday Dec. 05, of Advent 2021



The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy.

Psalm 126

<u>Church Support – November 28</u>

St. Joan of Arc: Regular \$330 / Jasonville Food Pantry \$20

St. Mary: Regular \$1,563 / Bldg Fund \$60 / Haiti \$98

Comm. Kitchen \$20

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK (December 5-12)

Saturday, Dec. 04 – 2nd Sunday of Advent STM – Edward & Verlene Cole Family

Sunday, Dec. 05 – 2nd Sunday of Advent STM – Gerald Stockberger STJ – Ann Stefanski

2nd Week of Advent

Monday, Dec. 06– St. Nicholas NO MASS

Tuesday, Dec. 07 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception Vigil
STM − 6:00pm – Alfred & Eloise Pfister →

Wednesday, Dec. 08 – Feast of the Immaculate Conception

STM − 7:00am − Marty Pierson STJ − 5:30pm − Margie Woods

Thursday, Dec. 09 – St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin STM – Esther Thompson →

Friday, Dec. 10 − Our Lady of Loreto STM − Roy & Samantha Rogge →

Saturday, Dec. 11 – 3rd Sunday of Advent STM – Edward & Verlene Cole Family

Sunday, Dec. 12 – 3rd Sunday of Advent STM – Ron Tepool → STJ – Margaurite Lauder →

PRAYER LIST

St. Joan of Arc: Sue Case, Karen Conley, Liam Fuzesi, Linda Harstine, Joe Hudson, Shannan Hudson, Cindi Johns, Kenny Lee, Abbey Martin, Bob Martindale, Troy Martindale, Brent Sexton, Elizabeth Solomon, Carol Talbott, Barry Trump, Jack Trump

St. Mary: Doug Bates, Brenda Bedwell, William Bouchie, Bob Cooper, Mary Ellison, Beth Fusco, Verne Davis, Payton Main, Dave Meadows, Cathy Nedemeyer, Beth Reed, Janet Somenzi, Christopher Styga, Family of Margaret Stahl (deceased)

Send requests to shudson@evdio.org or call the Parish Office at 812-268-4088.

ITEMS OF NOTE:

- Little Blue Books for Advent reflections are on the entry tables.
- ➤ Dec. 07 & 08 Feast of the Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Tues – Dec. 7 – St. Mary – 6:00pm Wed – Dec. 8 – St. Mary – 7:00am / St. Joan – 5:30pm

- Dec. 12 Retirement Fund for Religious collection – envelopes are in the envelope sets
- Wednesday, Dec. 15 at 6:00pm St. Mary Parish Council and Finance Committee meet. Council/Committee members please let Father John know if you cannot attend. The entire Parish is welcome.

DAILY MASS READINGS

Dec. 07 (Tuesday)

Reading I – Isaiah 40:1-11 Psalm 96:1-2, 3 & 10ac, 11-12, 13 Gospel – Matthew 18:12-14

Dec. 10 (Friday)

Reading I – Isaiah 48:17-19 Psalm 1:1-2, 3, 4 & 6 Gospel – Matthew 11:16-19

Dec. 05 (Sunday)

Reading I – Baruch 5:1-9 Psalm 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 Reading II – Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 Gospel – Luke 3:1-6

Dec. 08 (Wednesday)

Reading I – Genesis 3:9-15, 20 Psalm 98:1, 2-3, 3-4 Reading II – Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 Gospel – Luke 1:26-38

Dec. 11 (Saturday)

Reading I – Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 Psalm 80:2ac & 3b, 15-16, 18-19 Gospel – Matthew 17:9a, 10-13

Dec. 06 (Monday)

Reading I – Isaiah 35:1-10 Psalm 85:9ab & 10, 11-12, 13-14 Gospel – Luke 5:17-26

Dec. 09 (Thursday)

Reading I – Isaiah 41:13-20 Psalm 145:1 & 9, 10-11, 12-13ab Gospel – Matthew 11:11-15

Dec. 12 (Sunday)

Reading I – Zephaniah 3:14-18a Response – Isaiah 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 Reading II – Philippians 4:4-7 Gospel – Luke 3:10-18

A REFLECTION

FROM DEACON ALBERT

The first reading today is from the prophet Baruch. It is a reading that proclaims hope to the people of Israel and complements the Gospel message today. It picks up the themes of Isaiah and is directed at Jews who were living outside their homeland. Luke's Gospel is considered by biblical scholars to have an emphasis on spreading the Gospel outside of the Jewish nations. This reading then, connects very well with that emphasis.

The reading expresses great hope and expectation of a Savior who will come from the east like the dawn. Baruch tells us that when things are bad in our lives, when we feel down because of the economy, because of the political situation, because of the daily grind, we can take off our cloaks of misery and realize that turning to God, turning to the East, will help us rejoice that we are remembered by God, that God will conquer all these things and that in his coming we will see the light of his glory, his mercy and his justice – the same message that John the Baptist was bringing to his followers in our Gospel passage.

Advent is the time to get ready; a time to prepare ourselves for Jesus' coming. Not just his coming in the past that we celebrate on Christmas. Not just his coming in the future at the end of time. But to prepare for his coming to us today, his coming into our lives now.

And how do we get ready? We turn away from our sins, from the distracting things of our material lives, and turn toward God, asking His pardon and forgiveness as we pardon and forgive others in our life. Spend time this Advent preparing for letting go of feelings that we have been wronged by someone, forgive others, and let our grudges and thoughts of revenge go. Find a way to make peace with the things in our life that are holding us back — a relative we haven't spoken to, a neighbor we are angry with, a co-worker that has wronged us or driven us crazy.

Let us turn to God and prepare our hearts to receive him again at Christmas, with peace inside of us, leaving behind the emptiness and sadness in our lives that stops us from really living, from leveling the mountains and valleys of our lives. Then, we will be ready for the coming of the little child who will be born in you again this year.



OTHER ITEMS OF NOTE

- > Christmas Memorials Please submit your Christmas Memorial by Sunday, Dec. 19.
- ➤ Upcoming Religious Ed. Schedule Dec. 5 & Dec. 12 Classes meet; Dec. 19, Dec. 26 & Jan. 2– No classes for Christmas break; Jan. 9 – Classes resume.
- Mass Intentions We are looking for Mass intentions for the new year. If you would like to offer Masses for your loved ones, living or deceased, you can place your request in the weekly collection marked "Mass Intentions." If you have a specific date in mind (such as birthday, date of death, anniversary), list it on the envelope; otherwise it will be posted to the first available date. Mass intentions are offered free of charge, but we do accept free will donations for them.
- > Project Rachel is a healing ministry of the Catholic Church that helps women and men whose lives have been touched by abortion. This pain can often increase during the holidays but you do not have to carry this alone. It is time to heal. The call is Confidential, Phone: 812-483-7812



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