

December 25, 2016

The Nativity of the Lord

MASSES FOR THE WEEK	
Tuesday 27th	NO MASS
Wednesday 28th	
9am – Annie Gladu – David & Terril Strain	
Thursday 29th at Rainycrest	
10am – Claude DeBenedet & Dino Morelli – 4 th Degree K of C	
Friday 30th	
9am- Madeline Tucker – Vince & Barb Godbout	
<u>Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God</u>	
Saturday 31st -	
5pm- Darlene Fejos – Marg & family	
Sunday 1st - (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)	
9am- Intentions of all Parishioners	
11am- Jenny Wonfor – the Family	

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1st reading: (Isaiah 52.7-10)

2nd reading: (Hebrews 1.1-6)

Gospel: (John 1.1-18)



In your prayers, please remember those who are sick

Eva Mattson, Arlene Steinke, Ewan Mackintosh, Willie Kempf, Rosalie Cousineau, Shirley Fraser, Nick Mutz, Kari Urquart, Ernie McColeman, Queenie Leschinski, Maurice DeGagne, Sr. Francis, Nicole LePine, Bob Hebert, Larry Mattson, Diane Pattison, Everett Freeman

Offertory Collection for St. Mary's
Weekend Of _____ 2016

Counting Team

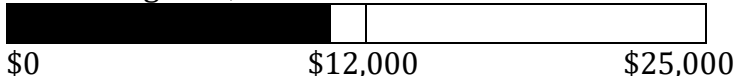
Dec 27 – Linda Fleming

**Bishop's Diocesan Campaign
"Sharing the Challenges"**

Parish Goal: \$25,000

Donations received: \$10,860.00

Remaining: \$14,140.00



Please help us reach our goal. The deadline is Dec. 31, 2016

What's going on?!

Dec 23 & 26 – Office closed for Christmas

Dec 27 & 28- Office open

Dec 30 – Office closed for New Year's

Jan 25 – "Raise the Roof" fundraiser Wine & Cheese

January 1, 2017

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

MASSES FOR THE WEEK	
Tuesday 3rd	
6pm–Charles Lambert–Theresa & Wes Dirk & family	
Wednesday 4th	
9am – Karen Poitras –the Armstrong family	
Thursday 5th at Rainycrest	
10am–Intentions of Elizabeth–Willie & Bernice Kempf	
Friday 6th	
9am- Lyle Hudson – the Pedneault's	
For the intentions of the St. Mary's C.W.L.	
<u>The Epiphany of the Lord</u>	
Saturday 7th -	
5pm- Mario Venerus- Janice & Teresa	
Sunday 8th - (9am at Our Lady of Lourdes)	
9am- Special intentions of the Schaum Family	
11am- Intentions of all Parishioners	

January 1, 2017

Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God

1st reading: (Numbers 6.22-27)

2nd reading: (Galatians 4.4-7)

Gospel: (Luke 2.16-21)

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31

5pm Mass @ St. Mary's

Sunday, January 1, 2017

9am Mass @ Our Lady of Lourdes

11am Mass @ St. Mary's

The office will be closed for Christmas on December 23 and re-opened on December 27th and closed for New Year's on December 30th.

~MERRY CHRISTMAS~

OUR LADY OF LOURDES

PARISH NEWS



In your prayers, please remember those who are sick:

Buddy Loyie, Gladys McPherson, Jan Adams, Grant Perreault, Marcella Mainville, Roy & Linda Anderson, Greg Perreault, Doug Cross, George Supinski, Dorothy Cargill, Lori Woodgate, Peyton Calder, Rosie Bird, Curtis Jourdain, Florence Lampi

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EDGE : Youth groups for grades 6-9

We hope everyone has a wonderful Christmas and New Year! We will see you on our next EDGE night on January 12th!



LIFE TEEN
Leading Teens Closer to Christ

LIFE TEEN Youth groups for grades 9-12

Next Lifenight will be Sat. Jan. 14th. Watch for details and mark your calendars. Christ is coming. Prepare the way by coming to Mass, going to confession and remembering that Jesus is the reason for the season. Focus on family, friends and people and not the presents. Give love and service as well as gifts. Have a blessed Christmas and may the peace of the Christ Child be with you in 2017.

BIBLE STUDY: The Bible study group will take a recess over the Christmas season. First Bible study in the New Year will be Jan. 11th after 9:00 a.m. Mass on Wednesdays. Everyone is welcome. We are studying the Gospel of Matthew. It is very interesting. The lesson can be picked up at the office, if you wish to prepare. We watch a video and discuss what we learned. It doesn't matter if you missed the first lessons. Each lesson is a separate theme and we can always learn and study at any point in the bible. Please come and join us.

Lifeteen Lunches: Last lunch is Monday, Dec. 12th. First lunch in the New Year will be Jan. 23rd. Lunches are held at the home of Deacon Bob & Betty Grynol, 651 Keating Ave. on Mondays from 11:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.



A SMILE ON YOUR JOURNEY

A religious education class was almost finish making their models of the nativity scene and one little boy had done a lovely job. Some animals, Mary, Joseph, three wise men, shepherds were all there. However the teacher noticed a extra, rather overweight man in the scene as well.

"Who is that person?" she asked.

"Oh, that's Round John Virgin."



FOOD FOR THE JOURNEY

For centuries, the Russians told a legend about a young prince called Alexis. He lived in a gigantic ornate palace, while all around him lived hundreds of poor peasants in filthy hovels. The prince was mover to better their lot. So he began to visit them. But he could not make any real contact with them. They always treated him with high respect, and felt ill-at-ease with him. Then he though things over and one day came out to the people dressed as a rough and ready young doctor who wanted to devote his life to the poor. He strated by renting a rat-ridden shack on a back street. He wore old torn clothes, just like the people. He lived on the plainest food. Often he did not know where hes next meal would come from. He made no money because he treated everyone free and gave away his medicines. Before long, he won the love and respect of all the people. As Prince Alexis, he had never succeeded in doing that. Little by little, he transformed the whole spirit of the place: settling quarrels, reconciling enemies, helping people to live decent lives. No one guessed that this young doctor was in fact the Prince himself, who had abandoned his palace and gone down among his people to become one of them. That is a parallel to the story of Christ and Christmas Day.

John Williams

~ The Next 500 Stories by Frank Mihalic, SVD



*May Jesus bless you and your
Family at Christmas*

And throughout the Year

From St Mary's Staff

Fr Alan Albano,

Deacon Bob & Betty Grynol

Gerald Cousineau, Monica McCrory

Lectors who have not received their wookbook, please pick one up at the parish office. Thank you

A blessed Merry Christmas and a very big "THANK YOU" to all the ladies who volunteer so willingly to provide their help for our funeral luncheons. You are so appreciated!

~Chris and Annie~