

SAINT MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

ROMAN CATHOLIC CHURCH

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SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 10, 2017

Please consider volunteering to serve as Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister for Sunday Mass and/or sharing Holy Communion with the homebound and those in nursing homes.

Boys and Men, we need your help with serving at the Altar during Mass. Father Coleman plans to arrange a training session later this month.

Our Lady of Guadalupe procession begins Monday evening at 9pm from the Mercadito (Mexican grocery store on Main Street) to Saint Mary. Mass in Spanish will follow around 10pm.

FOOD PANTRY NEWS

We are now asking for Masa flour and canola oil. Thank you for your help! The pantry is **now open** after the 7pm Mass and between the Sunday Masses.

SCHEDULES FOR NEXT WEEK

9:00 am	Readers	Caryn Raming
	EMHCs	Debbie Keener, Ellen Miller
	Ushers	Mike Ensley, David Karuru
	Altar Servers	Peter and John Meisenbacher, Nick Norgaard
11:00 am	Readers	Tom Guertin
	EMHCs	Wayne Haire, Belle Harcourt
	Ushers	Kathy McFadden, Robin Starrs
	Altar Servers	Josiah, Malcolm and Alister Newsome

Theotokos Youth Ministry News

Christmas Wreath Sale

This is the last day to order your 22" fraser fir wreaths at **\$21 each**, which will include a red bow. Please sign up and indicate on the sign up sheet located in the hall how many and if you want a bow. **Deadline to order is Sunday, December 10th.** Proceeds will go toward the March for Life Event in January for the youth. .

Movie Night

We are planning a movie night for 7th grade through 12th grade and their parents at the Quinn Theatre for the showing of "Star Wars; The Last Jedi". Please sign up; Adult Tickets: \$7.50; Student Tickets \$6.50.

Fundraiser Breakfast

Our youth will be serving breakfast next Sunday, December 17th following the 11:00 am Mass in the Fellowship Hall. Monetary donations will go toward the March for Life to Washington D.C. in January.

March for Life - 9-12th graders and their families

St. Mary's will have a bus for March for Life Event January 18 and 19th. For youth 9-12th grades and their families interested in attending the pilgrimage to Washington DC for the March for Life event and would like to reserve their seats, by paying a deposit of \$40.00 and signing up on the sheet in the hall. We have limited seating and need to have a solid commitment from those participating in this opportunity. We are trying to keep the cost low and will be staying overnight at Bishop O'Connell High School, Arlington, VA. We are asking individuals to bring sleeping bags or bed rolls as we will be sleeping on the floor. This will be an opportunity to offer up certain comforts and participate in a pilgrimage to respect life at all stages. Join us! For more information please contact Liz Guertin at (828) 369-7052 or the parish office.

PRO-LIFE NEWS

The Divine Child's Birth

Advent leads the Church to the Silent Night when God Himself is revealed as one of us. This season leads us to the joy of His birth. If God has joined His nature to ours, how can we ever allow our nature to be despised? May His birth shed protection on all about to be born, and as we work to end abortion, may we "wait in joyful hope for the coming of Our Savior, Jesus Christ."

CHURCH EVENT SCHEDULE – December 10, 2017

LITURGICAL AID

Proper (Cycle B-II)	Mass Readings	Common	Psalms
Sunday SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT	Isaiah 40:1-5,9-11; 2 Peter 3:8-14; Mark 1:1-8		SUN II
Monday Advent Weekday; Pope St. Damasus I	Isaiah 35:1-10; Luke 5:17-26	Pastor	Mon II
Tuesday OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE (Feast)	Zechariah 2:14-17; Luke 1:26-38	Blessed Virgin Mary	SUN I
Wednesday ST. LUCY	Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30	Virgin, Martyr	Wed II
Thursday ST. JOHN OF THE CROSS	Isaiah 41:13-20; Matthew 11:11-15	Pastor, Doctor	Thu II
Friday Advent Weekday	Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19		Fri II
Saturday Advent Weekday	Sirach 48:1-4,9-11; Matthew 17:9a,10-13		Sat II
Sunday THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT "O Sapientia"	Isaiah 61:1-2a,10-11; 1 Thessalonians 5:16-24; John 1:6-8,19-28		SUN III

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS:

Justin Basenese, Jacki Bautista, Susie Bryson, Sheila Collier, Will Crain, Rory Glover, Monica Glover, Barbara Jakiela, Skip Karby, Rita Lamanna, Paul Lormand, Daniella Machado, Karen Matulis, Christine Murzyn, Georgia Newsom, William Newsom, Jr., William Newsom, Sr., William Owen, Cathleen Pilch, Zig Pilch, Cynthia Pitts, Alicia Ramirez, Stuart and Janet Snyder, Jay Thorne, Allen Thurston, Joshua Turner, Lewis Turner, Pauline Watson, Bonnie Welch, Elaine Willkes; Those in Nursing Homes and the Homebound: Phyllis Brogan, Theresa Campbell, Il Whan and Moon Chung, Alicia Elias, Rosemary Finnegan, John Huffman, Anna Morrill, and Lorraine Sclafani; Family and Friends called to active duty: Christian Houston, Courtney Ortengren. Friends in Religious Life: Sr. Catherine, OCD ; and the intentions for all of the prayers written in the parish book of prayers.

Sunday	8:15 am 9:00 am 10:15 am 11:00 am 4:00 pm	Confessions until 8:45 am SUNDAY MASS: Linda Tiller† Confessions until 10:45 am SUNDAY MASS: Pro Populo SUNDAY MASS at WCU Student Center (last of the season)
Monday	9:00 am 9:30 am 9:00 pm 10:00 pm	WEEKDAY MASS: Georgia Newsom Morning Prayer Our Lady of Guadalupe Procession from the Mercadito MISA EN ESPANOL
Tuesday	9:00 am 9:30 am	WEEKDAY MASS: <i>Candidates for Permanent Diaconate</i> Morning Prayer
Wednesday	4:45 pm 5:30 pm 6:15 pm 7:00 pm	Confessions until 5:20 pm WEEKDAY MASS: <i>Fr. Matt Strickenberger and Sandy Miller</i> Faith Formation Classes (K-12) until 7:30 pm Latino Readers' Practice in the Church
Thursday	9:00 am 9:30 am 6:00 pm 6:00 pm 7:00 pm 7:00 pm	WEEKDAY MASS: Kate Blessing Morning Prayer Catholic Daughters' Meeting in the Fellowship Hall RCIA in the Conference Center Library Latino Choir Practice in the Church Latino <i>Familias Pastoral</i> in the Conference Center
Friday	9:00 am After Mass 9:30 am	WEEKDAY MASS: Lillian Shalvoy† Confessions Adoration and Benediction until 11:30 am (for the candidates for the permanent diaconate)
Saturday	9:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am 5:45 pm 7:00 pm	WEEKDAY MASS: Justin Scheidt Morning Prayer Lay Carmelite Community Meeting in the Conference Ctr Confessions until 6:45 pm MISA EN ESPANOL
Sunday	8:15 am 9:00 am 10:15 am 11:00 am After Mass	Confessions until 8:45 am SUNDAY MASS: The Lamanna Family Confessions until 10:45 am SUNDAY MASS: Pro Populo Fundraiser Breakfast to benefit March for Life in the Hall