1st Sunday of Advent

November 29, 2026



MASS SONGS AND READINGS

***Processional**-Let All Mortal Flesh Keep Silence #**730**
***Readings**-#784 1st Sunday of Advent Cycle B
***Offertory**-Beyond the Moon & Stars **#214**
***Communion**-Ready the Way **#230**
***Recessional**-Waiting in Silence **#222**
***Mass Parts**: #52, 54, 56, 57



Sunday, November 29th – 4:30p.m.
~Catherine Houmes by Angela Jones
~Diane Houmes by Angela Jones
~Herbert & Joan Tiarks by Nancy Tiarks
~Victor Tiarks by Nancy Tiarks
~Anita & Leland Lambert by Londa Carder

Sunday, December 6th – 4:30p.m.
~Kim Ripple by Pat Brown
~Hazen Arseneau by Melvin Arseneau
~Dr. Idelio & Carol Saldana by Angie Clement
~Betty Lambert by Victor & Stacy Plastiak

Sunday, December 13th – 4:30p.m.
~Paul Houmes by Angela Jones
~Kim Ripple by Corky & Paula Miller
~Anita & Leland Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller
~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	$1,443.00
Sunday Offering for November 22nd:	-$1,354.00
Online Giving:	-$240.00
Surplus for the week:	+($151.00)

Restoration: $

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2026-June 30, 2027 is $75,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of November 22nd- **$27,949.00.**

CMAA GOAL-$8,200 for this year
Actual Amount Pledged-$6,150

CO-MINISTERS FOR:

SUNDAY, December 6 @ 4:30p.m.

READER: Renee
E.M.: Beth & Tracy
Ushers: Jeff & Drew
Servers: Colbi
Counters: Rick & Beth

Pray the Rosary

St. Mary's SSCM Affiliates will be leading the Rosary before Mass on each first Sunday of the month beginning at 3:45p.m.

Please Pray For:

***Intentions**: Loretta Burling, Bob Seggebruch, Kent Seggebruch, Kathy Nourie Adams, Emily Howe Shold, Gene Brenner, Nick Newman, Zachary Johnson-Martin, Mike Ingram, Greg Newman, Stephanie Beck, Kathy Wagner, Margarete Lambert, Eileen Ratliff, Tom Davis, Lorenzo Martinez, Jerry Shortsleeve, Julie Shortsleeve, Mark Hustedt, Crystal Rabe, Stan Molter, Waide Miller, Special Intentions, Beverly Maurer, Shirley Guttman, John Bumbul, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Cindy Jamnik, Ray Arseneau, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent*

***Our Departed**:*

***Our Service Men & Women**:*
**Corporal Joshua Herb, U.S. Marine Corps, Step Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;*
**Pvt CJ Murray, Grandson of Angela Jones*

***Please notify the Office at 815-644-6664 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital or would like to be on the prayer list or to have someone taken off the list if they are well.**

WE NEED YOUR HELP…. The church will be cleaned on Saturday, December 5th at 9am. Please come and help out!! Let's make our church nice and clean for Christmas!!

Love Light Tree Ceremony

Forms are in the back of church for our Love Light Tree Memorials. Please have them filled out & returned by Dec. 6th. Our ceremony is Dec. 13th with a potluck after. Please RSVP for the dinner.

Poinsettias for Sale

We are selling poinsettias on Dec. 6th and 13th for $10 each in the back of church for Christmas decorations at church.

WE NEED YOUR HELP….
We need your help to bring down Christmas decorations on Sunday, December 6th after Mass.

St. Mary's News

Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

~That hills and deserts and all rough roads, anything that hinders the Lord's coming, may be eliminated
~That Pope Francis and all who lead in the Church may nourish the flock of the Lord and gather them together in unity
~That we may be strengthened to wait readily and patiently for the Day of the Lord
~That, by the prompting of John the Baptist, we may come to repentance of sin and new life in baptism
~That God may send more workers to prepare the way of the Lord
~That all the prayers in the hearts of our parishioners may win a hearing before God
~That when heaven and earth pass away, all the dead may be found without fault or blemish before the throne of God

Let Us Pray to the Lord

Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

Second Sunday of Advent "B"
Mark 1:1-8
"Prepare the way of the Lord!"

How was the way of the Lord to me prepared, and by whom?
How can I prepare the Lord's way to others?
How well am I preparing for a holy Christmas?

Prayer: O Thou Rod of Jesse's Stem
From every foe deliver them
That trust thy mighty power to save
And give them victory over the grave!
O Come, Thou Key of David, come
And open wide our heavenly home.
Make straight the way that leads to thee
And close the path to misery!
Rejoice, rejoice O Israel
To thee shall come Emmanuel

SUPPER CLUB!! ALL are Welcome!!

We will be going out after Mass on Sunday, November 29th to La Potosina in Watseka. Please let one of us know if you are planning to go. Angela(815-471-6787), Cheryle(815-867-0518), or Ann(815-471-7886).

LET'S GET TOGETHER for Sr. Linda's Study Group..

St. Mary's Discussion Group
We will be meeting on the following Thursdays at 6:30 in the Rectory:

December 10

Come and join us. All are welcome. For more info call Sr. Linda at 815-931-1425 or email lhatton@sscm-usa.org

AREA EVENTS

Donovan CUSD #3 Senior Citizen's Dinner

The dinner has been cancelled.
The elementary is under a boil order and has decided it was best to cancel.

YOGA UPDATE

Thank you to all yoga participants for coming to class and for communicating properly. I will only teach yoga in my home studio for the next few months, **not at the Parish Hall**. To participate call/text Pam at 815 848 6284. I will only hold your place in class if you text me.

Programs Offered by the SSCM

*Evening of Recollection-Walking with Mary in Hope When: Dec. 7th from 6:30-8pm on Zoom with Sr. Linda Hatton
*Advent Gospel Film Series on Zoom starting on Nov. 29 & 3 following Sundays from 3-6pm with Sr. Myra Lambert
*1 Day Advent Retreat-Welcoming Hope on Dec. 12 from 8:30am-4pm at One Heart One Soul
*Busy Person's Retreat scheduled individually with the Spiritual Director of your choice
Sign up for any of these online www.sscm-usa.org/Workshops-Retreats.html

Martinton Community Food Pantry

The food pantry serves all of Iroquois County. They are in need of our help. **Please continue to bring in food donations.** They are also looking for monetary donations, volunteers to help unload the trucks, and working on distribution days. If you are able to help, please call Connie Stirling at 815-867-6480.

New Hours: Tuesday 9-11a.m., No PM hours

Items Needed at the Pantry:

Canned Fruit
Pasta
Pasta Sauce
Stuffing Mix
Flavored Rice
Toilet Paper
Scalloped Potatoes