

*Solemnity of our
Lord Jesus Christ*

November 26, 2023



Mass Intentions

****SUNDAY, November 26th - 4:30p.m.**

- ~Bonnie & Ditty Lynch by the Lynch Families
- ~Delmar & Mary Arseneau by Pat Brown
- ~Bob Arseneau by Bill & Sharon Kibbons
- ~Leone & Caterina Zando by Angie Clement
- ~Donald Cote & Donald Lafond by Angie Clement

****SUNDAY, December 3rd - 4:30p.m.**

- ~Mary Arseneau by Corky & Paula Miller
- ~Eugene Drummer by the Drummer Family
- ~Bob Arseneau by Dale & Donna Rabideau

****SUNDAY, December 10th - 4:30p.m.**

- ~Leland & Anita Lambert by Paula & Corky Miller
- ~Bob Arseneau by Bob, Mary, & Avery Varboncouer
- ~Jerry LaFond by Marsha Willey
- ~Gary Brammer by Family & Friends

MASS SONGS AND READINGS

- ***Processional**-The King of Glory #368
- ***Readings**-#952 Christ the King~Cycle A
- ***Offertory**-I Will Praise Your Name #200
- ***Communion**-One Love Released #508
- ***Recessional**-To Jesus Christ, Our Sovereign King #360

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,385.00
Offering for November 19th	-\$1,515.00
Surplus for the week:	+\$130.00

Times are tough, see what you can do

Restoration: \$200 Preservation Society
Campaign for Human Development-\$80

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year
July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024 is \$72,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of
November 19th- **\$31,284.34.**

CMAA GOAL-\$7,500 for this year
Actual Amount Pledged-\$4,155

NEXT WEEK'S CO-MINISTERS FOR:
SUNDAY, December 3rd @ 4:30p.m.

READER: Amanda
E.M.: Erin & Angela
Ushers: Tom & Delaney
Servers: Morris Family
Money Counters: Angela & Nancy

Blessed

**We will be selling
poinsettias Dec. 3rd & Dec. 10th
for \$13 in the back of church to
use for Christmas decorations.**

CHRISTMAS MASS
SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24TH AT 7:00P.M.

**We will be looking for help on
December 10th after Mass to
bring down Christmas decorations
and help set up things.**

**Anyone who wants to
start using church
envelopes in 2024
needs to talk to the
church office.**

Please Pray For:

Intentions: Keith Arseneau, Adaline Royster, Cynthia Chadwick, Santiago Bay, Dale Blanchette, Gary Cahoe, Carter Brutlag, Paisley Jackson, Kathy Wagner, Jewel Legan, Cindy Jamnik, Tina Gooding, Rita & Jack Willier, Beverly & Ben Maurer, Shirley Guttman, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Don Martell, Janet Lambert, Sylvia Eddy, Betty Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent, Shirley Arseneau, Shirley Stelmasiak, & Special Intentions

Our Departed:

Our Service Men & Women:

- *PV 2 Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;
- *Maj. Todd Fatka, USAR, son 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.**

*I SAID A
Prayer
FOR YOU
today*



St. Mary's Message

Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

- ~That grace and peace from God our Father and the Lord Jesus Christ may enrich us in every way
- ~That despite our sinfulness, the Lord may rend the heavens and come to us
- ~That the Lord may call more people to his service, and that they may be found awake and at work when he returns
- ~That God may give us the strength and courage to remain steadfast in faith watching for his return in glory
- ~That those who have left the Church of Christ may return with gladness to joyful service
- ~That our parishioners, confident in faith, may bring their concerns to the Lord and receive divine hearing
- ~That those who remained firm in faith in this life may be found irreproachable on the day of our Lord, Jesus Christ

Let Us Pray to the Lord

ST. MARY'S DISCUSSION GROUP will be meeting again on Thursday, November 30th at the rectory from 6:30 p.m. - 8:00. We will be continuing our study of PRAYER. Our topic for the evening will be Petitionary Prayer (Ready-made Prayer). Everyone is encouraged to bring their favorite rote prayer to share with the group. Remember—join us when you can, even if you can't make every gathering, we welcome you when you can.

Upcoming topics include:
Nov. 30 DAILY EXAMEN

If you are interested in joining us, contact Sr. Linda at 815-931-1425 or lhatton@sccm-usa.org.

Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

First Sunday of Advent "B"
Mark 13:33-37
"Be watchful and alert!"

- Am I ready for the return of the Lord?
- What am I called to do during this coming year?
- How can I "watch" for Jesus in my everyday life?

Prayer: Lord Jesus, you have brought me to the start of a new year of Grace. Bless these coming holy seasons and make them a cause of spiritual growth and joy in my life.

Amen!

"The best way to keep CHRIST in Christmas is to keep MASS in Christmas!"

The Year of the Gospel According to Mark
This liturgical year highlights the Gospel according to Mark in our Sunday readings. This Advent offers a timely opportunity to read through this shortest and probably oldest version of the Gospel, the Good News of Jesus.



Upcoming Events

Love Light Tree

On Sunday, December 17th at our 4:30p.m. Mass we will be having our 18th annual Tree Lighting ceremony. Please join us in the parish hall afterwards for a potluck supper. The meat will be provided by the CCW, we ask you to bring a dish to share.

Forms for donating to the Love Light Ornaments are on the back counter. Forms are due back by Dec. 10th.

Please RSVP to Ryan for the dinner so we have a head count.

Donovan's Senior Citizen Dinner

The complimentary dinner will be held on Saturday, December 2nd at noon. All Senior Citizens of our district are invited to attend. It will be held at the Elementary School.

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:

- Personal Hygiene Products-lotion, soap, wipes,
- Kleenex, shampoo, conditioner, combs, brushes
- Cleaning Supplies Laundry Detergent
- Paper Towels Toilet Paper

Advent 1 Day Retreat

The Perfect Gift: What's the Cost?

When: Sunday, December 3rd from 8am-4:30pm

Where: One Heart, One Soul Spirituality Center

Presenters: Sr. Linda Hatton, SSCM & Frank Modica

Cost: \$35

Register: 708-790-8141 Must register by November 27th

Sponsored by Servants of the Holy Heart of Mary

Visit their website at www.sscm-usa.org

If interested, go to their website to sign up.

Stations of the Crib-Evening of Online Reflection

When: Wednesday, December 6th from 6:30-8:30p.m.

Presenter: Sr. Linda Hatton, SSCM

Register online or call the number above