



*Holy Family*  
*December 28,*  
*2025*

## MASS SONGS AND READINGS

- \*Processional-God Rest Ye Merry, Gentlemen #243
- \*Readings #799 Holy Family Cycle A
- \*Offertory-O Little Town of Bethlehem #244
- \*Communion-Infant Holy, Infant Lowly #251
- \*Recessional-Angels, From the Realms of Glory #253

## MASS Intentions

### **\*\*SUNDAY, December 28<sup>th</sup> -- 4:30p.m.**

~Paul Houmes by Angela Jones  
~Melvin Marcotte by Marion Sanders  
~Betty Lambert by Nancy Tiarks

### **\*\*WEDNESDAY, December 31<sup>st</sup> -- 4p.m.**

~For our Parishioners

### **\*\*SUNDAY, January 4<sup>th</sup> -- 4:30p.m.**

~Evelyn Weber by Larry & Denise Burton

### **\*\*SUNDAY, January 11<sup>th</sup> -- 4:30p.m.**

~Paul Jones by Angela Jones  
~Melvin Marcotte by Raymond & LaRae

## PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation:	\$1,443.00
Sunday Offering for December 21st:	-\$3,710.00
Online Giving:	-\$250.00
Surplus for the week:	+(\$2,517.00)

**Restoration:** \$20 collection, \$1,275 Preservation Donations  
**CHRISTMAS**—will be reported in the January 4th bulletin

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year  
July 1, 2025-June 30, 2026 is \$75,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of  
December 21st- **\$38,223.79**.

**Annual Appeal—Goal is \$8,300 and we currently have \$4,006 pledged.**

### **CO-MINISTERS FOR:** **Sunday, Jan. 4th @ 4:30p.m.**

**READER:** Cheryle  
**E.M.:** Chris & Duane  
**Ushers:** Delaney & Joe  
**Servers:** Gwaltney's  
**Money Counters:** Nancy & Diane

### **2026 Envelope Boxes**

Please pick up your 2026 box in the back of church. If you don't have one and would like one, please see Ryan Loy.

\*Do Not use these until January 1st as numbers change each year.

### **NEW YEAR'S EVE MASS** **WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 31ST** **AT 4:00P.M.**

### **Please Pray For:**

**Intentions:** Melissa Houmes, Crystal Rabe, Stan Molter, Wade Miller, Special Intentions, Gloria Grant, Al Hubert, Jan McVey, Jewel Legan, Willy VanWassenhove, Beverly Maurer, Shirley Guttman, John Bumbul, Angie Clement, Nicholas, Sharon Hess, Kathy Wagner, Cindy Jamnik, Jerry Shortsleeve, Ray Arseneau, Janet Lambert, Elaine Arseneau, Judy Laurent

### **Our Departed:**

### **Our Service Men & Women:**

\*Staff SGT Colby Arseneau, Army Reserves, Grandson of Jerry & Joyce Arseneau;  
\*Lance Corporal Joshua Herb, U.S. Marine Corps, Step-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.**



# St. Mary's News

## Preparing for Next Sunday's Gospel

The Solemnity of the Epiphany

Matthew 2:1-12

"Where is the newborn king?"

What stars do I follow in my life?

What am I searching for and how far am I willing to go to find it?

What gifts can I offer Jesus this coming year?

Prayer: O Star of wonder, star of night, star with royal beauty bright, westward leading, still proceeding, guide me to thy perfect light! Amen!

### Preparing for Next Sunday's Petitions

~That, like the star of Bethlehem, the Church may continue to draw in wonder and awe, all peoples to Christ  
~That Christ, the King of the ages, honored with gold, may bring this world to justice, righteousness, and peace

~That Christ, true God from true God, honored with frankincense, may be universally acclaimed as the Divine One among us

~That Christ who died so that we may have life, honored with myrrh, may be the solace of all who mourn

~That members of our parish, who like the Magi, come to Christ in prayer, may find him with Mary his mother  
~That the dead may see Jesus in his full glory

Let Us Pray to the Lord

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

We will be meeting on Thursday, January 8th. Hope to see you there for our discussion group! If you have questions, contact Sister Linda at 815-931-1425 or [lhatton@sscm-usa.org](mailto:lhatton@sscm-usa.org).

### SUPPER CLUB!!

The Supper Club will be taking a break until after the holidays, and then the weather will be a factor.

Please let Angela, Ann, or Cheryle know of any restaurants you'd like us to add to the list.



## AREA EVENTS

### 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

Flavored Rice  
Paper Towels  
Scalloped Potatoes