

St. Mary Roman Catholic Church

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Very Rev. Shawn Therrien, V.G.
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Deacon James Wilton
Mary K. Keating
Joe Labrecque
Kevin Krawiec

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM / 10:30 AM
Monday / Tuesday	12:10 PM
Wednesday	7:30 AM
No Mass on Thursday or Friday	

MASSES AT OLD ST. MARY CHURCH

Saturday Morning Mass at 8:00 AM every week
(June to October) at Old St. Mary Church

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturday	3:00 - 3:45 PM
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VOCATIONS HOLY HOUR

Thursday	6:00 - 7:00 PM
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ST. MARY CEMETERY

Old Church Road
Please call the Parish Office for inquiries or other
information regarding the parish cemetery.

ADORATION CHAPEL

Closed until further notice!

Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
Thursday ONLY 6:00 AM - 6:00 PM

Chapel Hours

Monday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Tuesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Wednesday	8:00 AM - 5:00 PM
Thursday	6:00 AM - 6:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 4:00 PM
Saturday	9:00 AM - 12 Noon
Sunday	1:00 PM - 2:00 PM

PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday - Thursday	8:00 AM - 2:00 PM
Friday	8:00 AM - 12:00 PM

December 19, 2021
Fourth Sunday of Advent

Holiday Mass Schedule

St. Mary Church

CHRISTMAS

Friday, December 24th	5:30 PM
Saturday, December 25th	12:00 AM (Midnight Mass)
Saturday, December 25th	10:30 AM

NEW YEAR'S *

Saturday, January 1st 9:00 AM



St. Joseph Church

CHRISTMAS

Friday, December 24th	7:00 PM
Saturday, December 25th	9:00 AM

NEW YEAR'S *

Saturday, January 1st 8:30 AM

*The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is not a holy day of obligation for 2022.



The Parish Office will be closed Friday, December 24th, for the Christmas holiday.

December 18, 2021—December 26, 2021

Sat. Dec 18 4:00 PM	Vigil of Fourth Sunday of Advent The United States of America
Sun. Dec 19 8:00 AM	Fourth Sunday of Advent For the People
10:30 AM	Paul Duval (†) By His Wife
Mon. Dec 20 12:10 PM	Late Advent Weekday Gerald Gingras (†) By Family
Tue. Dec 21 12:10 PM	Late Advent Weekday Rayhan Atta (†) By His Grandmother Judy Borgstrom
Wed. Dec 22 7:30 AM	Late Advent Weekday Joanne Lemieux (†) By Hibbard & Claire Doe
Thur. Dec 23	Advent Weekday No Mass
Fri. Dec 24 5:30 PM	Late Advent Weekday (Christmas Eve) Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
Sat. Dec 25 12:00 AM	The Nativity of the Lord Paul and Rolande St. Pierre By Family
10:30 AM	For the People
Sun. Dec 26 * 8:00 AM	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Emig and Mathauser Families By Frank Emig
10:30 AM	For the People

The Masses will not be livestreamed this weekend.

** Please note there is no 4:00 PM Vigil Mass on December 25th.*

St. Mary Church is open 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM Monday—Friday.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK. . .

Mon. Dec 20	Is 7:10-14/Lk 1:26-38
Tues. Dec 21	Sg 2:8-14/Lk 1:39-45
Wed. Dec 22	1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Thurs. Dec 23	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Fri. Dec 24	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16/Lk 1:67-79
Sat. Dec 25	Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18
Sun. Dec 26	1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

WEEKLY OFFERING . . . Stewardship
Giving of Time, Talent and Treasure in gratitude
for all of God's gifts.

Thank you for your generosity!

Thank you also for those who make up envelopes!

December 12, 2021

Immaculate Conception	\$ 494.50
Offertory	\$3,268.00
Religious Retirement	\$1,291.00

Upcoming Second Collections

Buck-A-Month	Dec 18/19
Catholic Outreach	Dec 26

PLEASE NOTE ... Offertory checks made payable to: St. Mary Parish.
You are welcome to indicate a diocesan 2nd collection in the memo section of your check. Donations to Catholic Outreach should be made payable to "**Catholic Outreach—St. Mary Parish.**"

PRAYER LIST

Call the parish office to add/continue a person on the prayer list

Bill Beattie	Jake Grey	Mary Ouellette
Gloria Beattie	Deborah Hemingway	Melvin Parker
William Beattie	Renee Honeman	Deborah Phaup
Deb Bedard	Timothy Houle	Mary Raymond
Carol Braga	David Immic	Brian Rivet
Pauline Buckner	Elaine Keating	Sharon Rivet
Stephen Burlew	Richard LaCasce	Andrew St. Pierre
Douglas Craig	Pearl Landry	Elaine St. Pierre
Rebecca DeVoyd	Claire Lessard	Marcy St. Pierre
Susan Doody	Matthew Limoges	Mary Sullivan
Thomas Eagen	Roy Lucier	Peter Sullivan
Charles Eastman	Jon Manning	Linda Supernois
Joan Flaherty	Terry McGuire	Todd Supernois
Charles Fletcher	Shirley McNutt	Christine Snyder
Dennis Fontaine	Sylvia Michaud	Chee Chee Tyrrell
David Grey	David Montano	Louise Unger

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY LOVED ONES

Zachary Long... US Army

Raymond F. Parizo, Jr....US Navy

Call the parish office to add your loved ones in the service.

Pope's Monthly Prayer Intentions—December 2021

Intention for Evangelization—Catechists

Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of Holy Spirit.

REMEMBERING DURING THE YEAR

"Memorial Candle Fund"

Candle burning in the Church for the souls in purgatory.



Welcome New Parishioners....Just moved to this area? We welcome you to St. Mary Parish. Please stop by the parish office or call (603) 542-9518 for "new parishioner" information!

HYMNS—Fourth Sunday of Advent

Entrance Antiphon: Page 62

Offertory Hymn: #255—The Advent of Our King

Communion Antiphon: Page 63

Communion Hymn: #114—Come, Thou Long-Expected Jesus

Recessional Hymn: #237—Savior of the Nations, Come

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Please consider online contributions to St. Mary Parish. Visit our website and click on the “Give Online” button.

Baby Bottle Benefit Coin Collection

The Catholic Daughters of the Americas Court Virgil Barber #892 has resumed its support for the Pregnancy Center of the Upper Valley by providing baby bottles to collect loose change donations. The Pregnancy Center continues to provide a wonderful program to pregnant women in need! They offer many resources which include counseling, ultrasounds, options for adoption, maternity/family training, baby items which include clothing and much more! They are able to help women with their pregnancy and also allow pregnant women another option in our community than going to Planned Parenthood. They are entirely privately funded. Please help by donating to the baby bottle benefit. Baby bottles are located in the main entrance of the church. Any donation given to this cause is greatly appreciated and helps the Pregnancy Center continue on their mission! These can be left at the back table of the Church or at the parish office.

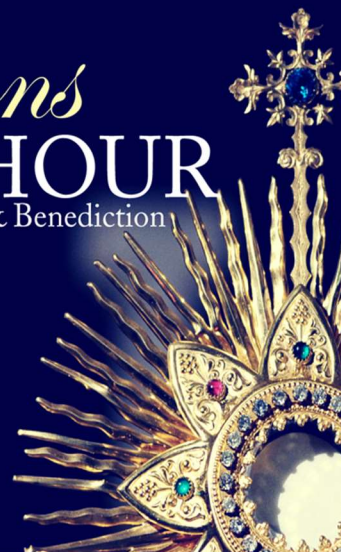
Advent Prayer Event: On Sunday December 19th from 2:00 to 3:00 PM, there will be Eucharistic Adoration in St. Joseph Church. Fr. Arockia will give a reflection on the Sacrament of Reconciliation and will hear confessions during the hour.

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration on the evening of Thursday, December 23rd.

Vocations HOLY HOUR

Eucharistic Adoration & Benediction

Every
Thursday
Evening
6:00–7:00 PM



The Knights of Columbus will not be collecting aluminum cans this month due to Christmas. They will resume the monthly collection the weekend of January 22-23, 2022.

The St. Mary Church calendars for 2022 were ordered as usual and were due to arrive in November as usual. Like many product orders lately, there have been factory shipment delays and we are now told they may be shipped next week. They will be available in the church once they arrive.

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PICK OF THE WEEK

December 19, 2021

WATCH

CHRISTMAS IN ROME: A CELEBRATION OF THE NATIVITY
Nowhere celebrates the birth of the Savior like Rome. This Christmas, marvel at the Holy City's festive celebration of the coming of the child Jesus in Bethlehem.



THE STORY OF THE NATIVITY: THE TRUTH OF CHRISTMAS
Christmas is so much more than a humdrum story we've heard since childhood. Join top scholars, speakers, and authors as they explain the gravity of Christ's miraculous birth.

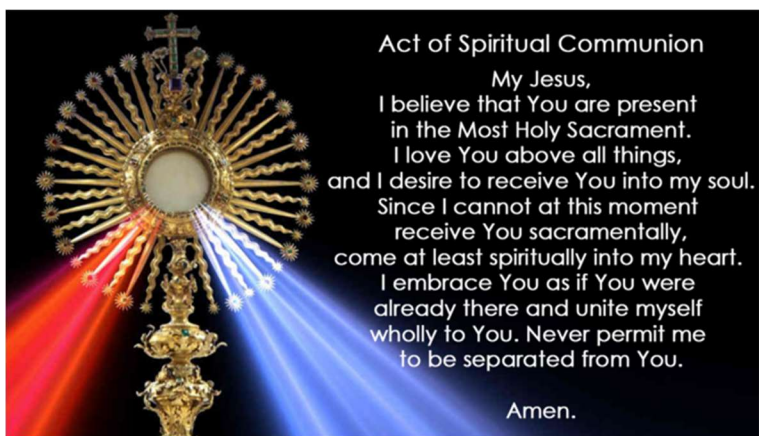
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LISTEN

THE TRUE MEANING OF CHRISTMAS BY FULTON SHEEN
This presentation combines recordings of Fulton Sheen's timeless reflections on the meaning of Christmas, mixed with Gregorian chant and seasonal music. It is sure to become a family favorite!



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Act of Spiritual Communion
My Jesus,
I believe that You are present
in the Most Holy Sacrament.
I love You above all things,
and I desire to receive You into my soul.
Since I cannot at this moment
receive You sacramentally,
come at least spiritually into my heart.
I embrace You as if You were
already there and unite myself
wholly to You. Never permit me
to be separated from You.

Amen.