

This Week at Our ParishesSunday, January 1: Mary, the Holy Mother of God

We seek God's blessings as did Mary. Because of her Son, we can confidently call God, "Abba"!

- Readings: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a);  
Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Angelus
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace
- 10:00 a.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary
- 12:00 p.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary (Spanish)
- 12:30 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary
- 4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
- 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary

Monday, January 2: St. Basil the Great and St. Gregory

Basil was a hermit who became bishop of Caesarea in Cappadocia. He is noted for his learning, and for being a foe of Arianism. He wrote a rule on monasticism and is the source of Eucharistic Prayer IV. Along with St. Gregory Nazianzen, Athanasius and John Chrysostom, he is considered one of the four great doctors of the Eastern Church. He died January 1, 379.

Gregory Nazianzen was Patriarch of Constantinople and was noted for his knowledge of sacred Scripture. He was called *theologus* for his outstanding teaching abilities and eloquence. He died January 25, 389 or 390.

- Readings: 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
- Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Angelus
- 11:40 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
- 12:10 p.m. Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace for  
† Vicky Jo Barton by Monica Stevens
- 6:00 p.m. Rosary at Our Lady of Grace (Spanish)
- 8:00 p.m. A.A. at St. Mary

Tuesday, January 3: The Most Holy Name of Jesus

Through the particular efforts of St. Bernardine of Siena, devotion to the Holy Name of Jesus ("Yahweh is salvation") was promoted through the inscription of the monogram of the Holy Name, IHS (an abbreviation of the Greek name for Jesus, Ἰησοῦς) and the addition of the name Jesus to the Hail Mary.

- Readings: 1 Jn 2:29 - 3:6; Ps 98: 1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
- Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Angelus
- 8:00 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
- 8:30 a.m. Holy Mass at OLG

Wednesday, January 4: St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

Elizabeth Ann Bayley Seton was raised Episcopalian. She was a wife and mother of five children. In 1812, she founded the first congregation for women religious in the U.S.A. The Sisters of Charity were devoted primarily to the education of the poor and to teaching in parochial schools. She is the first native-born citizen canonized (1975). She died in 1821.

- Readings: 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
- Prayers: Glorious mysteries, Angelus
- 6:15 p.m. Religious Education classes at OLG

Parish Office Hours

The parish office will resume normal business hours tomorrow, Monday, January 2.

Monday - Thursday: 9am - 12 Noon; 1pm - 5pm

This Week at Our ParishesThursday, January 5: St. John Neumann

John Neumann was a missionary from Bohemia and bishop of Philadelphia. He is known for his holiness and learning. Promoter of parochial schools, he authored two German catechisms. He is the first American bishop canonized (1977). He died in 1860.

- Readings: 1 Jn 3:11-21; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5; Jn 1:43-51
- Prayers: Luminous mysteries, Angelus
- 11:40 a.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
- 12:10 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary for the † Buckley and Byrnes families by Bernard Buckley
- 5:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
- 6:00 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary (Spanish)

Friday, January 6: St. André Bessette

Frère André was orphaned at the age of 12. He spent four years in the U.S. as a mill worker. He was known as a healer and the "Miracle Man of Montreal" where he founded the Oratory of St. Joseph, to whom he was dedicated and fostered devotions. He died in 1937 at the age of 91. Over one million people paid their respects at his death.

- Readings: 1 Jn 5:5-13; Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20;  
Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38
- Prayers: Sorrowful mysteries, Angelus
- 11:00 a.m. First Friday devotion at St. Mary:  
Adoration, Benediction, Rosary and  
Sacrament of Reconciliation
- 12:10 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary

Saturday, January 7: St. Raymond of Peñafort

Raymond of Peñafort was in the Order of Preachers and the second master general after St. Dominic. He was a collator of canon law and is noted for his work on penance. He died in 1275 at the age of 99. He is the patron of canonists and lawyers.

- Readings: 1 Jn 5:14-21; Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b;  
Jn 2:1-11
- Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Angelus
- 10:00 a.m. First Saturday devotion at St. Mary: Rosary
- 10:30 a.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary for the conversion of sinners and to make reparation for the sins committed against the Immaculate Heart of Mary
- 3:00 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at OLG
- 4:00 p.m. Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace

Sunday, January 8: The Epiphany of the Lord

- Readings: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13;  
Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12
- Prayers: Joyful mysteries, Angelus
- 8:30 a.m. Rosary prayed at Our Lady of Grace
- 9:00 a.m. Holy Mass at Our Lady of Grace
- 10:00 a.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary
- 10:30 a.m. Baptism and Holy Mass at St. Mary for  
† Donna Mondragon by Dave and Jane Tomczak
- 12:00 p.m. Rosary prayed at St. Mary (Spanish)
- 12:30 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary
- 4:15 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation at St. Mary
- 5:00 p.m. Holy Mass at St. Mary

**Women's Guild Meeting**

Sunday, January 8, 2017  
10:00a.m.  
Our Lady of Grace

**Mass Attendance: December 18**

OLG 4:00pm: 195      OLG 9:00am: 128

SM 10:30am: 171      SM 12:30pm: 152      SM 5:00pm 160

**CONGRATULATIONS****Education Endowment Raffle Winners!**

December 18, 2016

50/50: \$17.00 Patrick Muenstermann

1st Prize: \$100.00 Elizabeth Cioe

Join us for coffee, donuts & the next drawing following the 10:30 a.m. Mass on **January 29<sup>th</sup>** in Lourdes Hall.

Please contact the parish office to purchase tickets for the \$100.00 drawing.

**† Prayer and Sympathy †**

Please keep the family of Ellen Gill in your prayers as they mourn the passing of their loved one.

*Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and let your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul, through the mercy of God, rest in peace.*

**Welcome New Parishioner!**

St. Mary's  
•Rita Sarade

**Evangelization Clip**

by Deacon Jim Schiltz  
January 1, 2017

Today's gospel is about the shepherds coming to see the baby Jesus in the manger and about Mary reflecting on the incredible events surrounding the coming of Jesus into her life and into the world. Luke tells us, the *shepherds "made known the message (of the angels)"* and that *Mary was "reflecting (on that message) in her heart."* These are two good lessons for parents and grandparents. Like Mary, we *need to reflect* on the Good News of Jesus in our lives. Like the shepherds, we need to pass that message on to our family members. How? Just talk and be guided by the Spirit.

**Sacrificial Offerings & Other Contributions**

December 18, 2016

**Our Lady of Grace**

Budgeted Weekly Amount:	\$	5096.15	
General Fund:	\$	6220.19	+1124.04
On-line Giving	\$	unk	
Retirement for Religious	\$	350.00	
Flower Memorials	\$	50.00	

**St. Mary's Church**

Budgeted Weekly Amount:	\$	6538.46	
General Fund:	\$	4340.21	-2218.25
On-line Giving	\$	unk	
Retirement for Religious	\$	415.00	
Christmas	\$	1000.00	

Contribution Counters: Week of January 1  
OLG Team 4 - St. Mary Team 1

**Prayer Line**

St. Mary's: Benita Mikesell, 231-803-4425 or  
Jean Gawel, 231-798-8493

Our Lady of Grace: Anna Mogdics, 231- 670-5073

**Prayer Requests**

**Please keep these individuals in your prayers**

Billie Leonard, Helen Walters, Mary Beth Schulist, Gloria Cline, Pat & Bob Hogan, Jeff Kenny, Carolene McIntosh, Shirley Green, Christine and Dennis Siedlecki, Tom Carlson, Ron Faino, Jose Alcahuter, Rosemary Kellogg, Ralph Alvesteffer, Marty Neff, Bill Forton, Julia Gonzales, William & Benita Mikesell

**Please pray for our homebound parishioners**

Jim Dalum, Fran Wright, Rose Ann Bird, Bernice Brown, Rosemary Keefe, Vivian Smith, Betty Reilly & Johanna Ripka

**Please pray for our parishioners who are in care**

Jackie Blake, Arlene Lebeau, Ruth Stevens, Shirley Sterritt, Marie Peterson, Ruth Ruby, Rosemary Sleak, Gene Gianetti Jr., Leone Misze, Rosalie Venne, Alyce Donalson, Alice Greivous, Josephine Hiersman, Lucille Radke, Kathy Hale & Tillie Standage

**Please pray for our parishioners in the military**

Seaman Recruit Ryan McIntire, US Coast Guard;  
Erin McDermott, currently in US Army Boot Camp;  
Nic Frank, Air Force; SSG. Richarda (Rikki) Amaya;  
Elias Vihtelic, US Navy; 1<sup>st</sup> Lt. Timothy Merkle;  
Staff Sgt. Casey Sowa; Master Sgt. April Sowa;  
IS3 Cody Hacker; Private Jakob Bergquist; Major Adam Shaw;  
PFC Abraham Angel Luis Aguilar;  
Spec. Alex Block; Andrew Shadowski, U. S. Army;  
& Noah Sweet, U. S. Army

## Plenary Indulgences for December 31 and January 1

The *Enchiridion Indulgentiarum* indicates that we can gain plenary indulgences on December 31 and January 1.

§ 1. A plenary indulgence is granted to the Christian faithful who, in a church or in an oratory, take part in a recitation or solemn chant of:

1. the hymn *Veni Creator*, on the first day of the year, imploring divine assistance for the whole of the coming year.
2. the hymn *Te Deum*, on the last day of the year, in thanksgiving to God for the favors received in the course of the entire year.

### ***Veni, Creator Spiritus* (January 1)**

Come, Holy Spirit, Creator come from thy bright heavenly throne!  
Come, take possession of our souls, and make them all thine own!

Thou who art called the Paraclete, best gift of God above,  
The living spring, the living fire, sweet unction, and true love!

Thou who art sevenfold in thy grace, finger of God's right hand,  
His promise, teaching little ones to speak and understand!

O guide our minds with thy blest light, with love our hearts inflame,  
And with thy strength which ne'er decays confirm our mortal frame.

Far from us drive our hellish foe, true peace unto us bring,  
And through all perils guide us safe beneath thy sacred wing.

Through thee may we the Father know, through thee, the eternal Son,  
And thee, the Spirit of them both, thrice-blessed Three in one.

All glory to the Father be, and to the risen Son;  
The same to thee, O Paraclete, while endless ages run. Amen.

V. Send forth thy spirit, and they shall be created.

R. And thou shalt renew the face of the earth.


Let us pray.

O God, who hast taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant that by the gift of the same Spirit we may be always truly wise and ever rejoice in his consolation. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.



Pray  
for  
Vocations



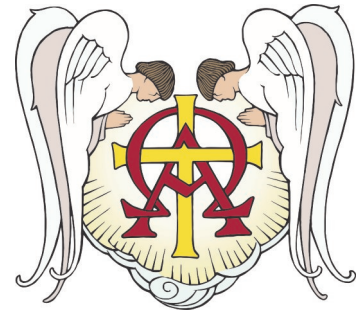
Faithful God, help us to live out our mission in the Church. Help your people know their vocation in life and prepare for it. Give those whom you call to be priests and religious the grace to respond generously and to persevere faithfully.  
We ask this in Jesus' name. Amen.

### Happy New Year!

The beginning of a new calendar year brings us a special joy and hope. It is a reminder that time is a gift of God, given to us from His eternity, for us to use to prepare for eternity. The passing of each year and each day is meant to be an exchange with God: He gives us time, and we give our days and years back to Him in service and love, bringing as much good as possible into the world and into the lives of others. The New Year is an opportunity to resolve, above all, to serve God faithfully: to believe more firmly, to hope more ardently, to love more generously. That is what makes a new year "happy," and that is what leads us to the happiness that never ends.

## *Te Deum* (December 31)

We praise you, O God, \* we acknowledge you to be the Lord.  
 You, the Father everlasting, \* all the earth does worship.  
 To you all the angels, \* to you the heavens, and all the powers,  
 To you the cherubim and seraphim \* cry out without ceasing;  
 Holy, holy, holy, \* Lord God of hosts.  
 Full are the heavens \* and the earth of the majesty of your glory.  
 You, the glorious \* choir of the apostles,  
 You, the admirable \* company of the prophets,  
 You, the whiterobed army \* of martyrs do praise.  
 You, the holy Church \* throughout the world confess:  
 The Father \* of incomprehensible majesty;  
 Your adorable, true, \* and only Son,  
 And the Holy Spirit \* the Paraclete.  
 You, O Christ, \* are the King of glory.  
 You are the everlasting \* Son of the Father.  
 Having taken upon yourself to deliver man, \* you did not disdain the Virgin's womb.  
 Having overcome the sting of death, \* you have opened to believers the kingdom of heaven.  
 You sit at the right hand of God, \* in the glory of the Father.  
 You, we believe, \* are the Judge to come.  
 We beseech you, therefore, to help your servants \* whom you have redeemed with your precious blood.  
 Make them to be numbered with your saints \* in glory everlasting.  
 O Lord, save your people, \* and bless your inheritance.  
 And govern them, \* and exalt them for ever.  
 Day by day \* we bless you.  
 And we praise your name for ever; \* yes, for ever and ever.  
 Vouchsafe, O Lord this day \* to keep us without sin.  
 Have mercy on us, O Lord; \* have mercy on us.  
 Let your mercy, O Lord, be upon us; \* as we have trusted in you.  
 In you, O Lord, have I trusted; \* let me not be confounded for ever.



- V. Blessed are you, O Lord, the God of our fathers.  
 R. And worthy of praise, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.  
 V. Let us bless the Father, and the Son, with the Holy Spirit.  
 R. Let us praise and exalt him for ever.  
 V. Blessed are you, O Lord, in the firmament of heaven.  
 R. And worthy of praise, and glorious, and exalted above all for ever.  
 V. Bless the Lord, O my soul  
 R. And forget not all his benefits.  
 V. O Lord, hear my prayer.  
 R. And let my cry come to you.  
 V. The Lord be with you.  
 R. And with your spirit.

Let us pray.

O God, of your mercies there is no number, and of your goodness the treasure is infinite; we render thanks to your most gracious majesty for the gifts you have bestowed upon us, evermore imploring your clemency that as you grant the petitions of them that ask you, you may never forsake them, but may prepare them for the rewards to come.

O God, who have taught the hearts of the faithful by the light of the Holy Spirit, grant us, by the same Spirit, to relish what is right, and evermore to rejoice in his consolation.

O God, who suffer none that hope in you to be afflicted overmuch, but listens graciously to their prayers, we render you thanks, because you have received our supplications and vows; and we most humbly beseech you that we may evermore be protected from all adversities. Through Christ our Lord.

R. Amen.