



St. Mary 's Immaculate Conception Parish

December 4-5, 2021

7176 Esker Road, Custer, WI 54423

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Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

St. Mary's I.C. is open Wednesday, Friday and Sunday from 9:00am-5:00pm for private prayer.

CLERGY

Pastor -

Fr. Mark A. Miller (715) 592-4221

fr.miller@sacredheartpolonia.com

In case of emergency only, please call
715-248-0397

Senior Priest in Residence

Fr. Roy R. Witucki

PARISH STAFF

Secretary-Donna Wierzba

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Custodian-Jeanne Hintz

Maintenance/Grounds keeping

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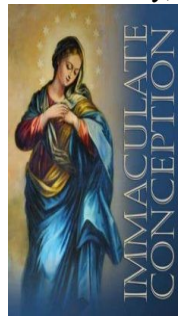
Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 7 **No Morning Mass**

Anticipatory Mass—Immaculate Conception

6:15pm @SH +Jerry & Marcie Rozek

by Roger & Loretta Klesmith



Wednesday, December 8,

Immaculate Conception

8:15 a.m. @SMIC +Felix, Regina, Frances

& Conroy Soik By Myron Soik Family

6:15 p.m. @SH St. Mary's & Sacred

Heart Parish Families

Thursday, December 9 @ SH

7-8 am—Adoration 7:30-8 am-Confessions

8:15 am †Jim Ginther

Friday, December 10

7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Denny Stransky by Joe & Karen Raschka

Saturday, December 11 @ SH

8:15 am +Harriet Wysocki by Lloyd & Ramona Firkus

†Emily Ramczyk by Dave & Mary Maciejewski

Living & deceased families of Andrew & Stacia Kluck
by family

1:45-3:45 pm Confessions

4:00 pm St. Mary's & Sacred Heart Parish Families

Sunday, December 12 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

8:00am @ SH +Jim Ginther

10:00 am @SMIC

+Clarence Pampuch by Gladys & Family

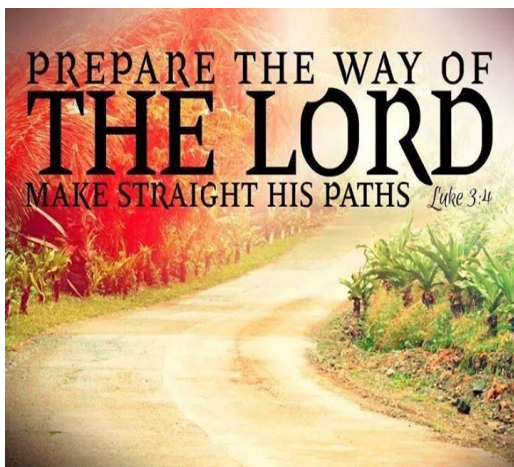
+Tom Tepp by Bernadine & Family +Gladys Lepak

by Family +Lois Koshollek by Bernard

Living & deceased members of Schmutzer, Meyer,

Klesmith & Rozek families by MaryAnn Meyer

11:00 am Confessions



O God, You looked on man when he had fallen down into death, and resolved to redeem him by the advent of Your only begotten Son; grant, we implore You, that they who confess His glorious Incarnation may also be admitted to the fellowship of Him their Redeemer; through the same Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen. (An Advent Prayer by St. Ambrose)



We are now starting week 2 of this holy time. Advent is a time of waiting. We are waiting for Christ's birth (although mystically as it already happened in time), and we are waiting for Christ's return at the Second Coming. Yet, we are waiting. In order for us to wait and prepare, we need to be silent. We have to be willing to be spiritually, and physically silent. Advent is a powerful time, but we need to be quiet. Are we willing to be quiet?



Dec. 8, the *Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception* is a Day of Obligation. Mass will be at 6:15 p on **Dec. 7th at Sacred Heart**, at which time Fr. Shuttleworth will **install Fr. Miller as Pastor.**

Mass on Wednesday, Dec 8, 8:15a at Immaculate Conception and 6:15p at Sacred Heart.

Advent Confessions

St Mary's, confessions following Sunday Mass, until all are heard.

Sacred Heart, Saturday confessions 1:45-3:45pm

Please consider making a good confession in order to prepare for Christ's coming at Christmas.

Area Advent Confessions. *Franciscans Downtown* across from the Public Library Fr. Placid Stroik OFM Monday, Dec. 13th, 2-3pm
St. Bronislava: Saturday, Dec 18th at 9am and Monday, Dec 20th at 6:15pm.
St. Peter Parish on Tuesday, Dec. 21 6-7:30pm.

Please remember in your prayers

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish:
Rich Zblewski, George Betro, Gladys Pampuch, Tom Schmenk, Myron Soik, Mike Mrozek, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Ken Wierzba, Marilyn Sobish, Ray Sommers, Mary Ann Meyer, Brigid & Al Pellatt

Those who are seriously ill or have been sick for a long time should receive the Sacraments. Please call the parish to make arrangements or to schedule a non-emergency visit for those who are sick or homebound.

For prayer support through the unpublished

St. Mary's I.C. Parish Prayer Chain

please call Elsie Mansavage 715-592-4174, or the Parish Office 715-592-4330 or stmary@wi-net.com
FIRST NAMES ONLY will be used; members promise to respect your request in confidence.

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT

11--28-21

<i>Thanksgiving Day</i>	\$ 177.00
<i>Offertory</i>	\$ 82.00
<i>Adult Env & ACH</i>	1974.00
<i>Total</i>	\$2233.00

ACH applications: Please consider signing up for ACH for your regular Weekly/Monthly contribution. Extra forms are in the entrance of Church, or please call the office, 715-592-4330 for more information.

Diocesan Annual Appeal
St. Mary's I. C. Parish
GOAL \$21,005.00



Thank you to those who have contributed.

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS



Envelopes for the Ground Level Hall and Church Renovations can be found in your Parish support envelopes. This project is for current and future generations of St. Mary's parishioners. Please be generous. **THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO OUR BUILDING FUND**



St. Mary's I.C. Religious Education Program Classes 8:30-9:40am

Family Mass Sunday, November 12th, 10 am. ALL STUDENTS and THEIR PARENTS are asked to attend. This is part of our Religious Education Program.

Coordinator of Religious Education Jessica Bielen jwier319@gmail.com or (715)347-3367



DONATIONS FOR CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Envelopes can be found in the entrance of Church. Please include your name and the name of the person you wish to donate in memory of. Thank you for your generosity.



COFFEE & DONUT SOCIAL Sunday, December 12th

in the Parish Hall
after Mass **ALL ARE WELCOME**
Hosted by Groups 2 & 6



YOUR HELP IS NEEDED:

On Sunday, December 19th After Mass, we will be decorating the Church for Christmas. Please stay after Mass and lend a Hand.

2022 CALENDARS.....A gift for St. Mary's I.C. parishioners, please one per household.



A SPECIAL THANKS TO PISARSKI FUNERAL HOMES, 703 Second St, Stevens Point and 2911 Plover Rd, Plover for donating the calendars.

PLEASE pick up your 2022 CHURCH SUPPORT ENVELOPES located on the table in back of church.

If you contribute through Direct Withdrawal, you will still need to pick up your envelopes. Included with the weekly offering envelopes are Building and Holy Day envelopes.

DECEMBER BIRTHDAY'S

Wishing you Birthday Blessings!

5th-Nicole Grawey, 7th Betty Rozek & Bernice Kepler
8th Mary Zurawski, 10th-Sue Stremkowski, 11th Dennis Mocadlo,
16th Bernie Fritschler, 21st Colleen Raschka,
23rd Lisa Piesik, 24th Deb Sniadajewski &
Randy Iwanski, 29th Jim Groshek

St. Mary's I.C. Bulletin Deadline: Noon TUESDAY
in writing or email stmary@wi-net.com



Our Mission is to provide an environment of learning, giving and loving to enhance the fellowship and growth of the women's faith community of St. Mary's

Women on a Mission's latest project is ready for you to enjoy! If you are looking for that perfect last minute gift, these are for you! We have **Soup in a Jar** that the recipient makes at home using the recipe provided and dry ingredients included. We made 2 sizes and 2 varieties of soup - **Friendship Soup** with all sorts of vegetables and rice in Quart size for larger amounts and Pint size with the same, but smaller amounts of ingredients. We also have **Potato Soup**, perfect for cold winter nights. Fast and easy! Quart and pint sizes available. Then there are cookies! **Snickerdoodle** mix in Quart and **White Chocolate Cranberry** in Pint size for when you just want a small batch. Quart items are \$10.00 and Pint items are \$6.00. Thanks to those who provided the jars. Get them quick! Women on a Mission will have available on Sunday after Mass until sold out.



4:00 pm CHRISTMAS EVE Mass will be held at St. Mary's I.C.
Music beginning 3:30 p.m.

Midnight Mass and 9 am Christmas Day Mass will be held at Sacred Heart



HOOKED ON LOVE candy canes are up and ready to be selected. The holiday season is a time of loving and giving. We are asking you to add another one to your giving list. Think of single mothers, especially if they are unemployed, the joy baby supplies will give them. With Hooked on Love we try to make sharing your love easier.

Take a color-coded CANDY CANE from the Christmas Tree in the entrance of Church. The color of the ribbon indicates the cost of the suggested item to give. **RED RIBBONS** (\$5-\$10.), **WHITE RIBBONS** (\$10.), and **GREEN RIBBONS** (\$15.). SCRIP grocery, gas, Target or Wal-Mart certificates can be purchased. We accept any monetary donations, (**Mark envelopes of monetary donations or SCRIP cards as Baby Supplies**) and drop it in the collection. **NO formula or food items**, full listing of needed items on right side entrance table. Need before morning of Dec. 20th. Supplies will be going to First Choice Pregnancy Resource Center. Please put your items in the Play N Pak at the entrance of church.

WANTED NAMES OF PARISHIONERS THAT COULD USE EXTRA Baby Supplies! If you know of **anyone** in the parish or area who could use help contact Marie Helminiak (715-592-4971) as soon as possible, before Dec. 13th. Names will be kept confidential.

Cemetery Rules and Regulations Update Effective immediately the cemetery rules and regulations have been updated. The new rules and regulations are posted in the entrance of the church on the bulletin board for your viewing. If you would like a personal copy please contact the parish office with your request. Any questions contact Dave Glodowski 715-592-4476 **The Cemetery Committee**

Daily Advent Reflections – Bishop Robert Barron – Daily Gospel Reflections. Sign up for free daily reflections by Bishop Barron at dailycatholicgospel.com/sign-up-daily-gospel

Matthew Kelley – Dynamic Catholic with Daily Gospel Reflections. Sign up for free video meditations on the Gospel Reading for each day of Advent. Visit dynamiccatholic.com/advent.html

Praying with Scripture: A beautiful way to prepare for the Birth of our Savior is to take a few minutes each day reflecting on a Scripture passage that describes the events leading up to Christmas. Go to diolc.org/deeper and click “Praying with Scripture” for a Prayer Card with 7 Scriptures or click on “Mysteries of the Rosary” for a Prayer Card with the five Joyful Mysteries

Fundraiser Self-Serve Gift Shop sponsored by **Missionary Sisters of the Divine Image-Polonia** Rosaries, hand-made hats, scarves, mittens. Also statues, religious art & unique gifts. Call 715-592-4213 and Sister will be happy to arrange a visit at your convenience or Wednesday evenings 6:30-8:30 pm at the Convent in Polonia. God Bless You!

Knights Of Columbus Cinnamon Bake Sale on December 12th after Mass. The funds from the sale will support Christmas is for children. Last year we supported 20 children during the event

Liturgical Appointments

SATURDAY, December 4

LECTOR Christine **USHERS** Eddie
SERVERS Vincent, Julia, Elizabeth
MUSICIANS Bob & Sandie

SUNDAY, December 5

LECTOR Nora **USHERS** Randy
SERVERS Caly & Addy
MONEY COUNTERS Dave, Lorraine, Denise
MUSICIANS Jacquie & Carolyn

SUNDAY, December 12

LECTOR Tom **USHERS** Travis
SERVERS Cassie, Madison, Elizabeth
MONEY COUNTERS Tom & Brenda
MUSICIANS Mary & Jim



*As often as you did it for one
of my least brothers, You did
it for me*

St. Mary's I.C.

Salvation Army Servers

We prepare dinner for people in need at the Salvation Army on the **First Monday** of every month. Please consider donating your time for this wonderful cause. **NEED SERVERS**

FOR JANUARY

Information please contact
Gina 920-540-7804

BUY SCRIP December 12th & 19th after Mass

Thank you to everyone who purchases SCRIP. Any questions give Shelly a call (715-592-3775)

For anyone who has never bought Scrip or just not familiar with it Scrip is a gift card you buy and use like pre-paid credit card at local businesses throughout the Stevens Point area. Our parish receives on an average of 4% from these businesses for using their cards.

*November Total Sales = \$10,255.00
Total Profit = \$ 440.63*