



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

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| <b>SATURDAY, December 8</b>    |  |
| 9:00 a.m.                      | Celebrant Intention                            |
| 4:00 p.m.                      | For the People                                 |
| <b>SUNDAY, December 9</b>      |  |
| 9:00 a.m.                      | Diane Craft †                                  |
| 11:30 a.m.                     | Bernard Billet †                               |
| <b>MONDAY, December 10</b>     |  |
| No Mass                        |  |
| <b>TUESDAY, December 11</b>    |  |
| 8:30 a.m.                      | For the Poor Souls in Purgatory † - Latin Mass |
| 5:30 p.m.                      | Celebrant Intention                            |
| <b>WEDNESDAY, December 12</b>  |  |
| Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe |  |
| 5:30 p.m.                      | Lucina Miller † - Latin Mass                   |
| <b>THURSDAY, December 13</b>   |  |
| Saint Lucy                     |  |
| 5:30 p.m.                      | Gail Hirn †                                    |
| <b>FRIDAY, December 14</b>     |  |
| Saint John of the Cross        |  |
| 8:30 a.m.                      | Marilyn Geraty †                               |
| <b>SATURDAY, December 15</b>   |  |
| 4:00 p.m.                      | David Urbanek †                                |
| <b>SUNDAY, December 16</b>     |  |
| 9:00 a.m.                      | Cierra Colston †                               |
| 11:30 a.m.                     | For the People                                 |

Note: Confession is heard 1/2 hour prior to each weekend Mass. Coffee and doughnuts are served following the Sunday 9:00 a.m. Mass

WEEKLY MEETINGS:

Knights of Columbus: Monday at 6:30 p.m. – 2nd floor Burkley  
 Adoration: Tuesday at 9:00 a.m. – 8:00 p.m. Chapel  
 RCIA: Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. Specht Center

BAPTISMS IN DECEMBER

December 2: Jones family, son, Merritt  
 December 16: Noll family, daughter, Rayna  
 December 23: Hinkley family, son, Stewart

SERMON ON THE AMOUNT – December 1-2, 2018

Envelopes: \$5082.50  
 Non-envelope donation: \$2370.00  
 ECO donations: \$2107.00 (weekly, bi-weekly, 1st)  
 Total offering: \$9559.50

Refresh them Lord, with your healing grace.  
 Please remember in your prayers:

Hospital, Nursing/Assisted Living facility:

Toni Neal, John Fetherolf, Maryann Hoblit-Prager,

At home: Sharon Kirby, Mary Sailor, Carla Palkuti, Patricia Sauer, Dan Hogan, Karen Schueb, Foday Kenneh, Albert Petrikas, Joel Rivera, Denise Gammell, Robert Ressa, Tammy Littler, Brett Anderson, Shirley Thibaut, Dan Fandrey, Danny Campbell, Yvonne Brennan, Mike Wilson, Ed Quickert

If you are admitted to a hospital St. Mary may not be notified. Please ask a family member to call the parish office.

SSCM PANTRY-ITEM FOR DECEMBER... The items needed for the month of December are toiletries (toothpaste, deodorant, soap, etc.). Please drop your donation off throughout the month. We will have a basket marked "food pantry" in the gymnasium for your donations. If you are interested in helping with this ministry... please contact Mary Kelly Minner at [mkelly294@yahoo.com](mailto:mkelly294@yahoo.com) or cell: 614.404.0817.

ADORATION: HIS HOUR, YOUR HOUR

There is no doubt that a flood of graces will descend upon your family and the world if more souls would become docile pupils of Adoration. (Blessed Pope John Paul XXIII)  
 "Can you not stay on hour with me?"

ADOPT-A-FAMILY

We only have about 10 days left to wrap up our Adopt a Family program. Please leave your unwrapped gifts under the tree or drop them off at the office no later than December 14th so we can distribute to families the week of Dec. 17th. Again thank you so much for your generosity. Special thanks to Mrs. Daugherty's kindergarten class for adopting an entire family.

CHRISTMAS TREE SALE: Last weekend we sold out of Christmas trees. A shipment is tentatively expected by Friday, Dec. 7th. If delivery is on schedule we will resume selling until trees are gone. Volunteers are needed: weekdays from 4:00-8:00 p.m. and weekends from 10:00 a.m.-10:00 p.m. Please contact the school office at 614.444.8944.

SPECIAL COLLECTION: this weekend has been designated as a special collection weekend for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Please use your pre-printed envelopes or mark you gift accordingly

JUBILEE MUSEUM CHRISTMAS DISPLAY

Visit the Jubilee Museum throughout the Advent/Christmas season up through Jan. 6th for the annual Christmas display. 440+ Nativity scenes, Dickens Village, model train displays, lights, trees and so much more. Christmas hours: Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.; Sun 1:00-4:00 p.m.

LITURGICAL/VOLUNTEER SCHEDULES for DECEMBER 15-16, 2018 (3rd Sunday of the Month)

Extraordinary Ministers are reminded to cleanse the vessels after each Mass

| TIME       | ALTAR SERVER  | LECTOR        | EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER          | SACRISTAN     |
|------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 4:00 P.M.  | open          | John LaMotte  | Carol Rees                      |               |
|            | open          | John Rees     | Chris Hilles                    | Barbara Myers |
| 9:00 A.M.  | Andrew Grosko | Rick Driscoll | Sheila Naegele, Carolyn Redwood |               |
|            | open          | Chip Hirn     | Trevor Richards, Mary Wickham   | Mark Grosko   |
| 11:30 A.M. | Anna Lynch    | Chris Bartony | Ann Anderson                    |               |
|            | open          | Jim Wiley     | open                            | open          |

Prayers after Mass: following each Mass please kneel and prayer the following prayers: The Our Father, The Hail Mary, The Glory Be and the Prayer to St. Michael the Archangel (see the back of your Missal for a copy of this prayer)

COFFEE & DOUGHNUTS: December 16 – Knights of Columbus

Pray for our men and women in uniform

Collection counters for the 3rd Sunday of the month: Frances Melton and Lin Duren

**Notes from the Pastor**

In your charity, please pray for the souls of Stella Gomez, grandmother of Mike Wilson, Richard "Dick" Keffer from St. Leo Church, a Korean War veteran and recipient of the purple heart (twice). Please also remember Judge John Connor, a well-known lawyer in Columbus. May they rest in peace.

The Second Sunday of Advent is upon us. Time seems to be in free-fall. The days blur together. Small sacrifices and small prayers lead to growth in holiness.

The Village Lights Evening was wonderful! All parishioners, donors and the general public visitors were in awe of the beautiful and historic look that St. Mary's has taken on. People constantly praised all the work done so far. Much progress has been made since then; more church wall borders are up and the outside gardens have been removed. (The plants are dormant and they are on the front lawn of the rectory. Take anything that has already been dug up.) The choir loft floor is being laid and the pipe organ has been tested and sounds great. Still needs a cleaning and touch up tuning, but, all in all, it weathered the dust storm in the church over the last two years. The chandeliers are due back and should be hung up around the 14th of this month.

Dr. Steve Ondrey was instituted as a Lector on Wednesday by the Bishop of Albany who visited his seminary. If you wish to send him a Christmas card, here's the info: Stephen Ondrey, Saint John XXIII Seminary, 558 South Avenue, Weston, MA 02493

Nativities at the Jubilee Museum, 57 South Grubb Street, Mon-Sat 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. Sunday 1:00-4:00 p.m. It's a great way to keep the focus of Christmas on Christ. There is also a special display of the art of Dr. Chris Ryckman of Lancaster.

The Lord be with you!

Fr. Kevin Lutz

**News Worthy Notes**

**CHRISTMAS COAT DRIVE**

**MONDAY, NOVEMBER 26TH - MONDAY, DECEMBER 17TH**

Our students wanted to find a way that they could lead the entire school in a Christmas service project. After submitting proposals, having in depth conversations, and voting on what would be most beneficial, they have decided we should have a coat drive. We are asking families to send in new or \*gently used\* coats. Families could also send in money in an envelope labeled "*Coat Drive Contribution*". We will be working with a shelter to find out what size coats they are in most need of and we will go purchase coats in those sizes with any funds collected. We will have a bin inside the front of the main school building where you can drop off coats. If you're sending in a donation for us to purchase the coats, you can give the envelope to the office or your child's teacher and Mrs. Barber or myself will make sure to collect it. *\*\*If you are sending in a gently used coat, please make sure it is in good condition. We want to make sure anyone receiving these coats is getting a warm coat that looks and feels new.\*\**

*We are constantly surrounded by advertising in a growing variety of forms. Ads creep into nearly everything we do. And this ramps up even more during the weeks leading up to Christmas. Advent invites us to take a break from the deluge of ads and seek something deeper and more lasting than the latest electronics or the best deal on that kitchen appliance that everyone needs this year. Advent invites us to seek a sense of peace and wholeness in our hearts and in our daily lives. If we do that even in small ways this year, we will have an immeasurable gift to share with our loved ones and possibly even with our world.*

*—from the book [Simple Gifts: Daily Reflections for Advent](#)*

**NOMINATIONS NOW OPEN FOR THE 2019 CATHOLIC**

**MAN OF THE YEAR:** The Catholic Men's Luncheon Club is accepting nominations for the Diocese of Columbus 2019 Catholic Man of the Year. This annual award – to be presented on Friday, February 1, 2019 at the Men's Luncheon - recognizes one lay man who, through his daily actions, words, and prayers, exemplifies the "good and faithful servant". The recipient will have the opportunity to share his personal testimony during the ceremony. Nominations will be accepted through Friday, December 28, 2018. For details, nomination instructions and the required nomination form, go to <https://www.catholicmensministry.com/cmoy>. Email the completed nomination form and up to five supporting testimonials to [catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com](mailto:catholicmanoftheyear@gmail.com). Submit a nomination and let us know why your husband, father, son, uncle, brother or friend is the Catholic Man of the Year!

**THE ROSARY...AND SAINT JOSEPH, THE HUMBLE MAN...**

When you look at the manger, what do you see? Almost always, your eyes focus on the Baby Jesus and more often than not, your loving gaze turns to Mary. Joseph just seems to be there, holding his staff and looking down at Jesus. We look on him as the humble husband of the Blessed Virgin Mary...he is referred to as a "just man." The reality is that Joseph faced unimaginable problems. He had to leave home and go to Bethlehem with his very pregnant wife because of the king's census...travel was slow, treacherous and difficult to be sure. Can you imagine the absolute frustration and agony that he felt when they arrived in Bethlehem and he couldn't find a decent place for Mary to give birth. He stayed focused and solved the problem the best way he could...be it ever so humble. Then he had to whisk Mary and the newborn baby Jesus off to Egypt to escape the threat on the baby's life. Everything was scary...nothing was easy. He did what he had to do in spite of the heart-breaking problems and gut-wrenching pain that he must have felt. Joseph is definitely a significant part of the manger scene.

**CAPITAL CAMPAIGN GOAL:** We are nearly to our goal of 7.5M -- once we can collect all the matching funds! So, we are still hoping, praying and asking for additional gifts. For every dollar given, we can also receive another half dollar, so a gift of \$5,000 puts \$7,500 into the campaign. We are on schedule to open the church during Lent, perhaps even by the first Sunday of Lent! Additional funds are needed, over and above the \$7.5M for work that was not anticipated at that point. For example, the church front steps are in much worse shape than was thought, and desperately needed new sidewalks were not in the \$7.5M goal. We are well on our way to restoring and beautifying our church, Specht Center, and grounds! What a blessing for our parish and for the whole Catholic community, for German Village, and for the entire central city of Columbus. THANK YOU to all parishioners who are part of this historic achievement!

*"Grand Old Saint Mary's" - Hall of Fame – Tony Schumick*

Tony Schumick was for a long time the rock on which St. Mary's was built. For decades, Tony was one of the men who was the driving force behind every activity supporting St. Mary's, and always with a smile on his face. However, in this vignette we see a darker side, one involving meat cleavers and innocent children. Tony owned *Schumick's Market* locate on the present site of *Hausfrau Haven*. Tony was a butcher by trade and was usually found behind the meat counter in a bloody apron. At this time in history, (1960s) there was a group of neighborhood urchins led by a scruffy rascal (Larry Wolfe). This rascal and his mischievous friends would open the front door of the market yelling, "Tony Baloney" and run past the meat counter and out the side door to Columbus Street. Tony in his bloodstained apron would grab a meat cleaver and give chase. According to the gang leader, (Larry Wolfe), "And when he caught us, it was straight back to the meat counter for a fresh piece of liver held within an inch of our noses until we promised to never do it again. Of course, we promised and of course, we did it again and again. It was our way of saying, "We love you Tony." I hear there was also candy involved in the reconciliation. Mother most admirable, pray for us. Pray for vocations.

**Side note: welcome back to our resident historian who has been sidelined the past few weeks.**