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Parish Office Hours

Monday - Thursday • 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.
Closed Friday

Mass Schedule

Saturday Vigil Mass 4:00 p.m.

Sunday Mass 8:00 a.m. & 10:30 a.m.

Holy Days of Obligation TBD

Weekday Mass

Monday at St. Augustine's ~ 8:30 am

Tuesday at St. Mary's ~ 7:45 am

Wednesday & Friday at St. Augustine's ~ 8:30 am

Thursday at St. Augustine's ~ 12:00 pm

First Saturday of each month at St. Mary's ~7:45 am

**St. Mary's open for Private Prayer
from 7 -11 am (M-F)**

**St. Mary's Livestreams 4:00 p.m. Saturday. To view,
visit stmaryswaterford.org and click on the link
"Watch St. Mary's Online"**

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

THE LORD, YOUR GOD, IS IN YOUR MIDST,
A MIGHTY SAVIOR;
HE WILL REJOICE OVER YOU WITH GLADNESS,
AND RENEW YOU IN HIS LOVE.

—ZEPHANIAH 3:17

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Sacrament of the Sick

**In case of emergency, at any time. Whenever someone
is seriously ill, in the hospital or homebound, please
notify the parish office.**

Sacrament of Matrimony

**Bride and groom must meet with the pastor at least
one year before date, be registered
parishioners and must present a
recent baptismal certificate.**

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:00-3:30 p.m.

Sacrament of Baptism

**Third Sunday of each month at 1:00 p.m.
and after preparation with Mrs. Webster.
Contact Mrs. Webster at 518-237-3131 ext. 23**

*"One in Mind and Heart, Intent
Upon God" ~ St. Augustine*



MASS INTENTIONS

December 17, 2023 ~ 3rd Sunday of Advent

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19

7:45 am

Claire Neilson

Marlene Oliver

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 20

7:45 am Communion Service

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 23

Michael T. Wharton

Family

Richard Halliday Sr. (22nd Anniv)

Wife, Claire

Marie, Leo & Bryan Farabegoli Gloria Catallo & Family

Joan Kimble (1st Anniv)

Lorraine & Ray Z.

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 24

8:00 am

Rosemary & William Varcasio

Mary Ellen & Jim

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Claire Neilson

Gerry Carlo




Living & Deceased of our Parish

CHRISTMAS EVE, DECEMBER 24

4:00 PM Christmas Memorials

8:00 PM Christmas Memorials

When you are considering remembering someone, celebrating an occasion, or offering thanks, please consider a Bread or Wine memorial, a Sanctuary candle, or a contribution to our Restoration Fund. Stop by the parish office or call us!

<p>DECEMBER BREAD</p> <p><i>In Memory of ANTHONY & HELEN MEROLA</i></p> <p><i>Given by FAMILY</i></p> <p>WINE</p> <p><i>In Memory of ANTHONY & HELEN MEROLA</i></p> <p><i>Given by FAMILY</i></p> 	<p>DECEMBER SANCTUARY CANDLE</p> <p><i>In Memory of JACK O'BRIEN</i></p> <p><i>Given by FAMILY</i></p> <p><i>In Memory of PAUL & ANNA LANDOR</i></p> <p><i>Given by DAUGHTER, MARY</i></p> 	<p>DECEMBER MOTHER OF GOOD COUNSEL</p> <p><i>In Memory of IZZO & LOFRAMENTO FAMILIES</i></p> <p><i>Given by NANCY</i></p> 
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Calendar of Events

12/17 **3rd Sunday of Advent**

Christmas Gathering –Faith Formation
program 9 am @Parish Hall

12/24 **4th Sunday of Advent** 8:00 am Mass only

Christmas Eve 4 pm & 8 pm Masses

12/25 **Christmas Day**

The Nativity of the Lord 10:00 am Mass



Thank You



The Altar Society would like to thank all who came out during this busy Advent season to help make our beautiful Church sparkle!

Sacrificial Giving

November 5, 2023 \$5710

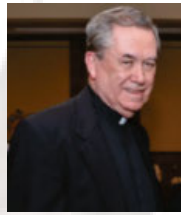
Thank You

FOR
GIVING
GENEROUSLY

Thank you for your continued generous offerings.

We are grateful to all members of our parish, those who attend and contribute in person as well as those who continue to support by mail.

Join us as we celebrate
Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A.
50 Years of Ordination
on Saturday, December 30th



All are welcome to join him at Mass at
St. Mary of the Assumption at 1:00 pm

Followed by a reception in
St. Mary's Parish hall 2-4 p.m.
(hot & cold hors d'oeuvres/drinks will be served)

If you plan to attend the reception, please email Mary
Rushkoski at smwaterford@gmail.com
or drop a note in the collection basket in church to
RSVP.

**PLEASE BE MINDFUL THAT FR. HAS A
COMPROMISED IMMUNE SYSTEM.
IF YOU ARE NOT FEELING WELL OR HAVE HAD
CONTACT WITH OTHERS WHO ARE SICK,
PLEASE CHOOSE NOT TO ATTEND.**

Thank you for your consideration with this.

Third Sunday of Advent

The third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday, the day we light the rose candle on the Advent wreath. You may see rose colored vestments and other items, which emphasize our joy that Christmas is near.



Gaudete means "rejoice". In the midst of Advent fasting and devotions, we rejoice because the time we have been preparing for is almost at hand. A day like this is always good to remind us not to take ourselves too seriously. The life of a Christian is not always easy, but it is one of joy.

May the joy of the Lord be yours on this Gaudete Sunday!



NEWS

Grades 1 - 8 will celebrate with a Christmas family gathering in the Parish Hall at 9:00AM on Dec. 17th. Our event will include Advent wreath presentation, Nativity Presentation done by the students, focusing on our First Communicants, with music and refreshments. The Confirmation Program with gather in prayer and in celebration in the evening. We wish all of God's Blessings to everyone this Christmas and always.

Confirmation Program News:

We are asking that all of the catholic high school students, who wish to make their Confirmation in May, contact Mrs. Webster at (518)944-0806 or (518) 237-3131 ext. 23. Classes begin January 7th and registering ahead of time is important.



CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S MASSES

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| Sun. 12/24 | Christmas Eve
4:00 pm Christmas Memorials
8:00 pm Christmas Memorials |
| Mon. 12/25 | The Nativity of the Lord
10:00 am Christmas Memorials |
| Sun. 12/31 | 8:00 & 10:30am~Holy Family
7:00 pm Vigil of the Solemnity at St. Augustine's |
| Mon. 01/01 | 10:00 am Solemnity of Mary |

Please pray for all the sick and suffering and for anyone close to death; for those troubled in body, mind, or heart, and for their care givers in a special way: Carol Travis, Alexa Papperman, Marcia Trombly, Patricia Komoroski, Jack Neumann, Mary Beth Woodard, Irene & Frank Marra, Robert R. White, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Nicholas Muscatiello, Joe Cotrofeld, Cindy Vandiver, Loretta Fredricks, Sr. Maura Rhode, C.S.J., Michelle Weitz, Mary Beth Rockwell, Carla Salmon, Betty Rourke, Joann Guertin, Phyllis Pfitz, Bill Dame, James Flynn, Bernard & Frances Ouimet, Marion Nielsen, John Neilson, Kimberly Berthiaume, Kathleen Walsh and Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A. **Please help us keep our list up to date, and call the office (518.237.3131) with any changes.**





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