

St. Mary of the Assumption

December 7, 2025

Second Sunday of Advent



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Sacramental Preparation

Sacrament of Baptism: infants and children under the age of 7, third Sunday of each month (except during Lent)

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday 3:00-3:45 pm

Sacrament of Matrimony: Contact Mary Rushkoski

OCIA- Order of Christian Initiation for Adults:
Contact Mrs. Hamilton, Director of Faith Formation

Sacrament of the Sick: Contact the parish office to arrange for a visit for a sick family member. If leaving a message, please leave a call back number.

Mass Schedule

Saturday at 4:00 p.m.

Sunday at 8:00 a.m. & 10:00 am

Weekdays: Tues. & Thurs. 8:30 a.m.

First Friday: 11:00 a.m. w/ St. Mary's School

Open for private prayer from 7 am -11 am (M-F)

Rosary is prayed daily Mon.-Fri. @ 7:30 a.m. & after weekend liturgies

Livestream Mass: 8:00 a.m. Sunday.

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Mass Intentions

for the week of **December 7, 2025**
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Mon. Dec. 8 Immaculate Conception

11 AM Anna Marie Kaiser Donna, Darlene & Diane

Tues. Dec. 9 8:30 AM

Deceased Members of the Arthur & Julia Serth Family John & Mary Lou Serth

Thurs. Dec. 11 8:30 AM

Deceased members of the James & Mary Collins family John & Mary Lou Serth

Sat. Dec. 13 4:00 PM

Lynn Robbins Michael Robbins & John Murphy
 Fr. James O'Neil John & Phyllis Murphy

Sun. Dec. 14

8 AM
 Sylvie LaPlante (2nd Ann.) Cousin, Mary Anne Primeau
 Rollande Bourgeois Linda & Family
 Delores Cady John Neilson
 Stanislaw Surowiec Grace & Chris Weiss
 Chris G. Marchand Roma Daigle

10 AM Priest's Intentions

St. Anne Society would like to thank everyone who participated in the Bare Roots turkey raffle and those that gave monetary donations. \$990.00 was raised and donated to the school. The winner of the raffle was Allison Sherwood. Thank you again for your support to St. Mary's Catholic School.

Gifts Received for the St. Mary's Restoration Fund

December Bread

In Loving Memory of Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A.
 By the Merola Family



December Wine

In Loving Memory of Eugene A. Kromrey
 By Wife and Children

December Sanctuary Candles

In Loving Memory of Jack O'Brien
 By Family



In Loving Memory of Harry & Lucille Senecal
 By Family

December Mother of Good Counsel Candle

In Loving Memory of Fr. David J. Kelley, O.S.A.
 By Staff



Calendar of Events

- 12/7 **2nd Sunday of Advent**
St. Vincent de Paul collection-back of church
- 12/8 **Feast of the Immaculate Conception**
Holy day of obligation ~ 11 am mass
- 12/14 **3rd Sunday of Advent**
- 12/17 Penance Service- 6:30 p.m.
- 12/19 St. Mary's School Mass @ 11:00 am ~
Christmas break begins
- 12/21 Second collection-FUEL envelope
- 12/24 Christmas Eve: Masses at 4 pm & 8 pm
- 12/25 **The Nativity of the Lord** 10:00 am mass



The Sacrament of Reconciliation is the sacrament of mercy and love, in which Christ extends to us the loving embrace of forgiveness. A penance service will be held here on Wednesday, December 17th at 6:30 p.m. There will be two priests available at the service. We hope you will consider receiving this sacrament this Advent season.

Sacrificial Offerings for Nov. 16, 2025

Regular Weekly Offertory

In Church:	3,794.00
e-Giving:	950.00 (through 11/14)
Mail In:	538.00
Total:	5,282.00

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

In Church:	1,058.00
Mail In:	21.00
Total:	1,079.00



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Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Question:

I've heard people call Jesus' conception by the Holy Spirit being "immaculately conceived." Is that what the Immaculate Conception is?

Answer:

While these two events are often confused, they are not the same thing. We celebrated the conception of Jesus on March 25th, the feast of the Annunciation. While that was surely miraculous, it isn't what we refer to as the "immaculate conception." The Immaculate Conception is Mary's conception, and we typically celebrate it on December 8th.

It is a holy day of obligation. Why does the Church consider it so important to celebrate?

Mary's conception is immaculate because she was conceived without original sin.



The angel Gabriel acknowledges this when he hails Mary as "full of grace" (Luke 1:28). Scripture scholars identify several theological ideas that confirm this. In the Old Testament, the sacred, pristine Ark of the Covenant held the presence of God. The presence of God is now held within a new "arc" — the womb of Mary. Genesis 3 also prophesies of a woman who would oppose the devil and whose child would crush the devil's head. Christ is the "New Adam." This passage sets up Mary, then, as the "New Eve." Jesus and Mary are the beginnings of a new creation, one we all can participate in through the grace of our baptism. After all, God's love is more "original" than our sin!

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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, Judith M Hervieux, Andrew Melville, Christopher Goyette, Brady Sullivan, Michael Clune, Ginny Grigoliet, Randy Morley, Nicholas Muscatiello, Cindy Vandiver, Loretta Fredricks, Sr. Maura Rhode, C.S.J., Michelle Weitz, Carla Salmon, Joann Guertin, Bill Dame, Bernard & Françoise Ouimet, John Neilson, Kathleen Walsh, Mary Ann Daly, Betty and Jim Ziegler, Sandy Skiba, Anne Fay, and R. J. Scarchilli

If you requested a loved one be added to the this prayer list, please contact the office (518.237.3131) and let us know if prayers are still needed.

In Altar Society News

As St. Mary's Altar Society celebrates 90 years of service to our church, we want to recognize Gloria Catallo. She has been a member for over 60 years. Gloria joined our organization in 1965. Always a kind and welcoming member, Gloria took charge of the sewing committee - sewing and mending many altar linens among various other duties. We thank her for being a treasured member of the Altar Society. We ask God's blessings on her as we appreciate all she has done for our church and group.

All the angels on the giving have been taken. If you took an angel remember to wrap the gift/gifts and securely attach the angel to the package. Enclose a gift receipt in the package if possible in case size exchanges are needed. Place a check mark next to the number of your angel in the binder when the gift has been returned. Gifts must be returned by SUNDAY DEC. 14. Thank you.



The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary


Mass will be celebrated at St. Mary's on Monday, Dec. 8, 2025 at 11:00 am in celebration of The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. All are welcome to join the faculty, staff and students of St. Mary's School at this liturgy.

Winter Weather & Mass Cancellations

The 8:30 A.M. weekday mass at St. Mary's will be cancelled **if our school is closed or delayed. School closing information can be found on each of the major television stations: Channel 6 (WRGB), 10 (WTEN) and 13 (WNYT).**

In the event of a cancellation, mass intentions can be rescheduled by calling or visiting the parish office. We thank you for your understanding.





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