

Love Advent

Saint Mary

MASS TIMES:

SATURDAY - 4:30PM | SUNDAY- 9:00AM

CONFESSIONS: SATURDAY 3:45-4:15PM

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION held on Saturdays 3:45pm to 4:15pm. or any time when requested.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM can be administered during Sunday Mass or at a private ceremony. New parents are required to attend a Baptism instruction. Recommended that this take place during the pregnancy.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY—call the Parish Office to make arrangements at least six months in advance. Marriage instructions are required.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING OF THE SICK administered upon request to those who are sick.

REGISTRATION—Persons moving into our area are asked to notify the Parish Office to be registered. Notify the Parish Office with changes in contact information.

P.S.R. CLASSES (September—April) Grade School - Sundays: 9:00am (Mass) to 11:00am. [Next classes begin in September 2022]

FOR ANY QUESTIONS OR TO SCHEDULE ANY OF THE ABOVE, PLEASE CONTACT THE PARISH OFFICE AS SOON AS POSSIBLE.

PARISH OFFICE HOURS: MON-THURS : 9AM—3 PM

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Mission Statement

We, the members of St. Mary Parish, dedicated to Our Lady of Mount Carmel, are conscious of the struggles of our faith-filled ancestors. We strive to become a holy and vibrant community through personal prayer, meaningful liturgies, and opportunities to develop our faith. As God's people, we recognize the values and importance of each person and desire to reach out to all the people in our area who need God's Word, Love and Care.

The Diocese of Toledo

remains committed to ensuring the protection of children and providing a safe environment for all young people. If you have any knowledge of abuse that has been committed by a cleric or by any personnel of the Catholic Church, you are urged to report the abuse to your local police department, Children Services, and to contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at (419) 214-4880; or to write to: Victim Assistance Coordinator 1933 Spielbusch Avenue Toledo, Ohio 43604.



SAINT MARY CATHOLIC CHURCH



*Lord, look upon me with eyes of mercy. May Your healing hand rest upon me.
May Your life-giving powers flow into every cell of my body and the depths of my soul,
cleansing, purifying, restoring me to wholeness
and strength for service in Your Kingdom.*

Amen.

PRAYER LIST

**Victor Rich, Doug Grahl, Meghan Grahl, Linda Burnett,
Robert & Carolyn Kuhlma, Marcia Glick, Bob Martin, Jean Garvin, Gene Cook,
Linda Hayman, Geraldine Hill, Barb Conley ,**

and everyone affected in any way by COVID-19 or any other illness or injury.

*To recommend an individual to be placed on the St. Mary Prayer List,
please contact the Parish Office.*

*Under HIPAA guidelines, the request must be made by
either the person or the person's representative/caretaker.*

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From the Desk of...

Deacon José Zamora, Pastoral Leader

Where do you house what is most important to you? For the Chosen People, the ark of the covenant was the most important object they had. David concluded that it should be housed in a palace, not a tent. But God's perspective was different. For God, it was the house of David, his family line, that is, which was much more important than an object, no matter how sacred it was. Therefore, God blessed David's lineage, establishing a house, not for the ark, but for David. Perhaps that can be a lesson to us to view the people in our lives as more important than our possessions. Do we take more care of our loved ones than we do our precious belongings?

King David lived in a palace, but when it came for Jesus to be born, it did not take place in anything resembling a palace. Instead of a luxurious palace in the holy city of Jerusalem, our Lord was born in a meager stable in tiny Bethlehem. In fact, he was conceived in the remote village of Nazareth, days away from Judea. Why? The person of Mary was much more important than the City of David. God's priority was not the external environment of the holy city, but the blessed womb in which Jesus developed.

Gabriel's visit is shocking and greatly troubling to this young, lowly, unmarried woman. Everything Gabriel said was as incredible as she could possibly imagine. Yet, she immediately assents to God's will, saying, "*May it be done to me according to your word*". It is Mary's faith and trust in the Lord that makes the incarnation possible. It is our faith and trust in God that continues to make Jesus' incarnation possible in today's world. How do I discern what God's will is? Am I willing to trust in God and follow God's will?



Scripture Readings

For the Week of December 24, 2023

- 25— Mon** The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
Vigil Mass: Is 62:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29;
 Acts 13:16-17, 22-25; Mt 1:1-25 or Mt 1:18-25
Mass During the night: Is 9:1-6; Ps 96:1-2, 2-3,
 11-12, 13; Ti 2:11-14; Lk 2:1-14
Mass during the Day: Is 52:7-10; Ps 98:1, 2-3,
 3-4, 5-6; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
- 26—Tue** Feast of Saint Stephen, First Martyr
 Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 & 8ab,
 16bc & 17; Mt 10:17-22
- 27—Wed** Feast of Saint John, Apostle and Evangelist
 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a & 2-8
- 28—Thu** Feast of Holy Innocents, Martyrs
 1 Jn 1:5-----2:2; Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8;
 Mt 2:13-18
- 29—Fri** Memorial of Saint Thomas Becket, Bishop and Martyr
 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
- 30—Sat** 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
- 31—Sun** Feast of the Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph
 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6, 21:1-3; Ps 128:1-2,
 3, 4-5 or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9; Col 3:12-21 or
 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

Mass Intentions

- 30—Saturday** † Parishioners
4:30 pm † Parishioners
- 31—Sunday** † Parishioners
9:00 am † Parishioners

Liturgical Calendar

December

- 24—Vigil of Christmas (Christmas Eve)
 Simbang Gabi ends
 Las Posadas ends
- 25—Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
 (Holy Day of Obligation)
- 26—Feast of St. Stephen
 Kwanzaa begins
 Las Parrandas ends Boxing Day (Canada)
- 27—Feast of St. John
- 28—Feast of the Holy Innocents
- 29—Fifth Day within the Octave of Christmas
 Optional Memorial of St. Thomas Becket*
- 30—Sixth Day within the Octave of Christmas

What's Goin' On at St. Mary Parish?!

Sacrificial Giving for FY 2024

December 10, 2023

Offertory Collection:	\$4,104
Offertory needed per week:	\$3,600
Over <Under>:	\$504
Over <Under> for Fiscal Year 2024:	<\$213>

St. Mary Bingo

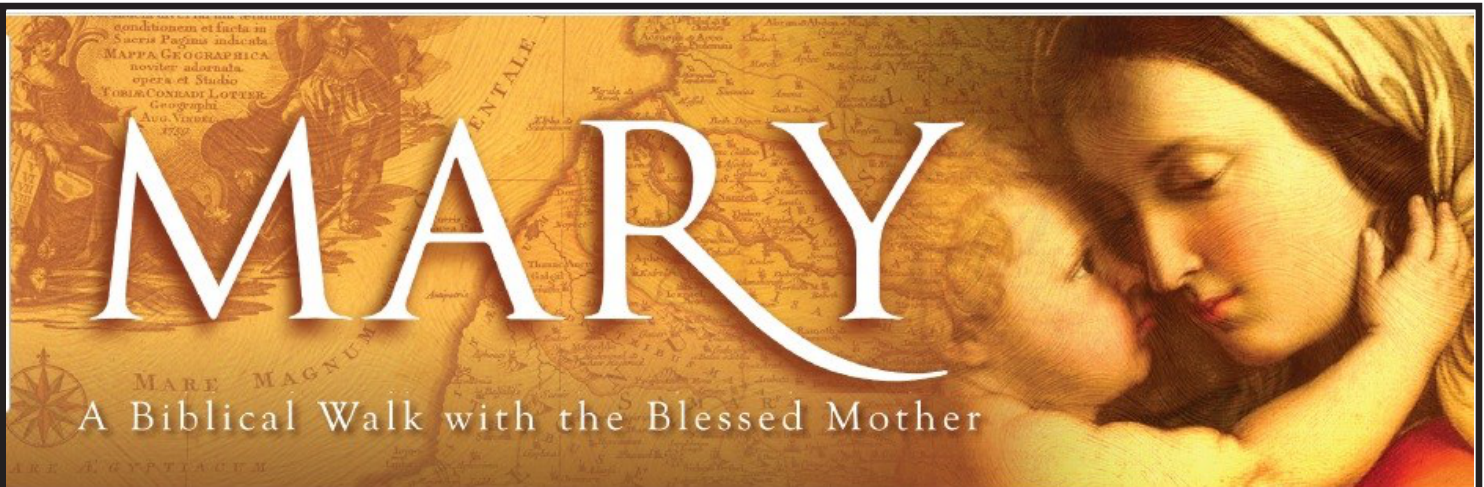
December 5, 2023

# Players:	75
Proceeds:	\$1,510

Parish Week at a Glance:

Week of: December 24, 2023

MON	Mass	9:00 am	Church
TUE			
WED			
THU	Adoration	6:30 pm	Church
FRI			
SAT	Rosary	4:00 pm	Church
	Mass	4:30 pm	Church
SUN	Rosary	8:30 am	Church
	Mass	9:00 am	Church



Women's Bible Study — New Series!

Have you ever wondered why Mary is so important to our faith as Catholics? We turn to her in prayer, in the Mass, in the Rosary, and in Marian devotions. We honor her with special feasts celebrating the significant events in her life. We place images of her in our churches and homes.

Join us for *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother*, an extraordinary study that reveals Mary's unique role in God's Kingdom and in our lives. Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *Mary: A Biblical Walk with the Blessed Mother* will place you in the midst of the powerful drama of her earthly life, taking you through her joys and her sorrows. You will learn how she works in our lives today, drawing us ever closer to her divine Son. Mary will become a part of your daily life and help you to become more like Christ.

We invite you to attend this exciting Women's Bible Study!

Beginning **Tuesday, January 9, 2024**—February 27, 2024—**9:30 am**

Parish Conference Room

A workbook is used during this course—donations will be accepted to offset cost of the workbook.

Ready to register for this series?

Call the Parish Office at (419) 547-9687.

St. Mary Parish Important Information

LITURGICAL ROLES..... DECEMBER 30 / 31

Saturday 4:30 pm	Deborah Kuns	Volunteer
Sunday 9:00 am	Deacon Brown	Trenton Brown

USHERS

Saturday 4:30 pm	Matt Wasserman	Andy Wasserman
Sunday 9:00 am	Paul Kerlin	Paul Swartz

LECTORS

Saturday 4:30pm	Becky Rohrbach
Sunday 9:00am	Kelli Davis

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

Saturday 4:30pm	Jennifer Meyer	Deborah Kuns
Sunday 9:00am	Anna Zamora	Anita Eubanks

MONEY COUNTERS

Week 5	Eileen Hay	Char Gillmor
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SAVE THE DATE:

"LUNCH 'n LISTEN"!

The next "Lunch 'n Listen" is on the books!
Call (419) 547-9687 to sign up for the no-cost
next **LUNCH 'n LISTEN** on

Wednesday, January 17th

Presenter: Dr. Bryan Kuns

Topic: "Jerusalem"

PSR Christmas Vacation!

PSR classes will resume after the Christmas
and New Year holidays on **January 7th**.

NO GREATER LOVE

A BIBLICAL WALK THROUGH
CHRIST'S PASSION



New Bible Study Series!

Filmed on location in the Holy Land, *No Greater Love* is a biblical pilgrimage that reveals Christ's amazing love for us. Best-selling author Edward Sri guides you through the last hours of Christ's life. You will walk step-by-step with Jesus from the garden of Gethsemane to Mount Calvary. Every step of the way, Old Testament prophecies, messianic expectations, biblical symbolism, and historical context shed light on the mystery of Christ's suffering and death.

Experience a deeper understanding and appreciation of God's immeasurable and unconditional love for you—and grow closer to Jesus.

We invite you to attend this new Bible Study!

No Greater Love: A Biblical Walk Through Christ's Passion

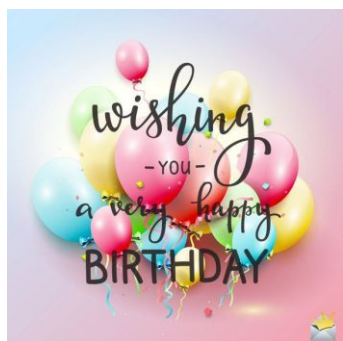
Beginning: **Wednesday, January 10, 2024**—February 7, 2024—**6:30 pm**

Parish Conference Room

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Ready to register for this series?

Call the Parish Office at (419) 547-9687.



If an error or omission occurred, call the parish office for correction.

Birthday Blessings for the period December 25—31, 2023:

- 25—Terry Schreck;
 26—Lori Mange;
 27—Jennifer House, Donna Meese, Melissa Beebe, Ronald Drown,
 Kyle Baker, Dalton Buck;
 28—Victor Rich, Rebecca Garcia, Hector Garza, Andie Dodson;
 29—Katey Brown, Zane Bender;
 30—Kirstyn Elder; 31—Ronald Knowles, LeRoy Wetoskey,
 Jac Dymond, Ruby Dymond, Matthew Piasecki



Merry Christmas and **Happy New Year** from the Staff of St. Mary Parish:

- ~ Deacon Jose ~
 ~ Mary Ivory ~
 ~ Anna Zamora ~
 ~ Bill Steinbauer ~
 ~ Cheri Hemby ~



**December 25, 2023—
January 1, 2024**

Please call (419) 307-8631 for emergency needs. The answering system will be monitored.


The office will reopen on January 2, 2024.



Be vigilant at all times

LUKE 21:36





A SAVIOR
IS BORN!



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