



# St. Isidore the farmer

## FAMILY OF PARISHES

DECEMBER 31, 2023 | THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY & JOSEPH



### THE HOLY FAMILY



The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom;  
and the favor of God was upon him. - Lk 2:40

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HOLY ROSARY



IMMACULATE  
CONCEPTION



ST. PATRICK



OUR LADY OF  
GUADALUPE



ST. TERESA

# The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

## ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER

### MASS & RECONCILIATION TIMES

#### Saturday Masses

Holy Rosary (HR)	4:30pm
Immaculate Conception (IC)	5:00pm
Our Lady of Guadalupe (OLG)	7:00pm

#### Sunday Masses

Holy Rosary	8:00am & 11:00am
Immaculate Conception	8:00am & 11:00am
Our Lady of Guadalupe	9:00am
St. Patrick (SP)	9:30am
St. Teresa (ST)	10:00am

#### Weekday Masses

Monday	IC	8:00am
Tuesday	IC	8:00am
	HR	School Mass 8:15am
Wednesday	HR	12:05pm
	OLG	7:00pm
	ST	7:00pm
Thursday	IC	8:00am
	SP	8:00am
Friday	HR	8:00am
	OLG	8:00am
	IC	School Mass 9:00am
Saturday	HR	8:00am

### RECONCILIATION

#### Holy Rosary

Wednesday	11:30 - 11:50am
Saturday	3:30 - 4:15pm

#### Immaculate Conception

Saturday	4:00 - 4:30pm
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#### Our Lady of Guadalupe

Wednesday before 1st Friday	6:30 - 6:45pm
Saturday	6:15 - 6:45pm

#### St. Teresa

Wednesday	6:30 - 6:45pm
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Anytime by calling the parish offices for an appointment.

### BAPTISMS

Presenting a child for Baptism is a serious obligation and requires a faith commitment on the part of the parents and godparents. This commitment is exemplified by being a practicing, active Catholic. Parents are obligated to attend a preparation session before a child's baptism if they have not attended one in the last five years. Please call your parish office to register.

### WEDDINGS

Contact your parish office to set-up an appointment with a priest, in order to begin the sacramental preparation. Only after this initial meeting and assessment can a date be set for the wedding. The process requires at least 6 months.

## ST. ISIDORE THE FARMER

### PARISHES

#### Holy Rosary Church

511 E. Spring St.  
St. Marys OH  
(419) 394-5050

Office Hours: 7:30am - 2:30pm

#### Immaculate Conception Church

229 S. Anthony St.  
Celina OH  
(419) 586-6648

Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8am - 6:30pm, Fri. 8am - 4:30pm

#### Our Lady of Guadalupe Church

6701 St. Rt. 219  
Celina, OH  
(419) 268-2312

Office Hours: Friday 8:00am - 12:00pm

#### St. Patrick Church

6959 Glynnwood Rd.  
St. Marys, OH  
(419) 394-5050

Office Hours: 7:30am - 2:30pm (Holy Rosary Office)

#### St. Teresa Church

4227 OH 707  
Rockford, OH  
(419) 363-2633

Office Hours: Mon. & Wed 9am - 4pm, Fri. 9am - 1pm

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## MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

	MASS INTENTION	CELEBRANT
<b>Monday, January 1</b>		
8:00am	IC	Parishioners of St. Isidore Fam. Fr. Rob
9:00am	OLG	Parishioners of St. Isidore Fam. Fr. John
10:00am	HR	Parishioners of St. Isidore Fam. Fr. Prashanth
<b>Tuesday, January 2</b>		
8:00am	IC	Rosie Amato Fr. Prashanth
8:15am	HR	Jerome & Imelda Wilker Fr. Rob
<b>Wednesday, January 3</b>		
11:30-11:50am	HR	<i>Reconciliation</i>
12:05pm	HR	Roman & Mary Ann Severt Fr. Prashanth
6:30pm	ST	<i>Reconciliation</i>
6:30pm	OLG	<i>Reconciliation</i>
7:00pm	OLG	Jean Marshal Fr. John
7:00pm	ST	Matt Goodwin Fr. Rob
<b>Thursday, January 4</b>		
8:00am	IC	John Reeder Fr. John
8:00am	SP	Parishioners of SP L/D Fr. Prashanth
<b>Friday, January 5</b>		
8:00am	HR	Parishioners of HR L/D Fr. Rob
8:00am	OLG	Ed & Les Kemper Fr. Prashanth
9:00am	IC	Janice Hess Fr. John
<b>Saturday, January 6</b>		
8:00am	HR	Vocations Fr. Rob
3:30-4:15pm	HR	<i>Reconciliation</i>
4:00-4:50pm	IC	<i>Reconciliation</i>
4:30pm	HR	Mary Tebbe Fr. Rob
5:00pm	IC	Froning Family L/D Fr. Prashanth
6:15 - 6:50pm	OLG	<i>Reconciliation</i>
7:00pm	OLG	Art Hermiller Fr. John
<b>Sunday, January 7</b>		
8:00am	HR	Tom Lynch Fr. Rob
8:00am	IC	Special Intention Fr. Prashanth
9:00am	OLG	Post & Niekamp Family Fr. John
9:30am	SP	St. Isidore Parish Fam. L/D Fr. Rob
10:00am	ST	John Bihn Fr. Prashanth
11:00am	HR	Steve Weigel Fr. Rob
11:00am	IC	Robert Schott, Sr. Fr. John

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

### SUNDAY READINGS

#### First Reading

“Your own shall be your heir.” The Lord took Abram outside and said “Look up at the sky and count the stars, if you can. Just so,” he added, “shall your descendants be.” (Gn 3:4-5)

#### Psalm

The Lord remembers his covenant forever. (Ps. 105)

#### Second Reading

By faith he received power to generate, even though he was past the normal age— and Sarah herself was sterile. (Heb 11-11)

#### Gospel

The child grew and became strong, filled with wisdom; and the favor of God was upon him. (Lk 2:40)

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 24

### Sunday, The Holy Family

Sir 3:2-6, 12-14; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22-40

### Monday, The Holy Mother of God

Nm 6:22-27; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21

### Tuesday, St. Basil & St. Gregory Nazianzen

1 Jn 2:22-28; Jn 1:19-28

### Wednesday, The Most Holy Name of Jesus

1 Jn 2:29—3:6; Jn 1:29-34

### Thursday, St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

1 Jn 3:7-10; Jn 1:35-42

### Friday, St. John Neumann

1 Jn 3:11-21; Jn 1:43-51

### Saturday, St. Andre Bessette

1 Jn 5:5-13; Mk 1:7-11 or Lk 3:23-38

### Sunday, The Epiphany of the Lord

Is 60:1-6; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt. 2:1-12

Thank you for the many cards, gifts, baked goods, and dinner invitations that we received during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Your generous spirit and warm affection bring us much joy in the St. Isidore the Farmer, Family of Parishes. May God continue to bless us all as we share in divine Life and transform the world according to God's wondrous design!

Fr. John

Fr. Rob

Fr. Prashanth

Dcn. Marty

Dcn. Charlie

## Pastoral Council

Craig Bruns	Melissa Knapke	Ron Schulze
Robbie Burke	Terry Mathewson	Karen Smith
Adam Cron	Dan Moeller	Deb Tangeman
Dave Dwenger	Doug Moran	Linda Tebbe
Mary Eichler	Kevin Ott	Gerald Vian

## THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISHES

### Tuesday, January 2

RCIA 6:30 - 8:00pm HR - UR

### Wednesday, January 3

Reconciliation 11:30 - 11:50am HR  
Reconciliation 6:30 - 6:45pm ST

### Thursday, January 4

HR Youth Choir Practice 2:15 - 3:15pm HR Church  
Boys' Club 6:30 - 8:00pm HR School

### Friday, January 5

7 Sensational Dates 6:00 - 9:00pm K of C, SM

### Saturday, January 6

Reconciliation 3:30 - 3:50pm HR  
Reconciliation 4:00 - 5:50pm IC  
HR Adult Choir 4:30pm Mass HR  
Reconciliation 6:15 - 6:50pm OLG

### Sunday, January 7

HR Adult Choir 8:00am Mass HR  
Children's Liturgy of the Word 9:00am OLG  
IC Confirmation Class 9:15 - 10:15am IC  
HR Sunday School 11:00am HR  
HR Youth Choir 11:00am Mass HR  
IC Sunday School 11:00am Mass IC  
IC Youth Ministry 2:00 - 4:00pm IC  
Dragon Slayer Retreat 1:00 - 4:00pm Montezuma  
HR 2nd Grade & Parents Spiritual Center

## Save the Dates - Updated

January 7	ST Christmas/New Year Dinner
January 7	OLG First Communion Retreat
January 14	OLG Parish Christmas Party
January 20	HR German Dinners at K of C Hall, St. Marys
January 28	IC School Open House
February 10	HR Dueling Pianos at Union Hall, St. Marys
February 21-23	IC School Musical
March 2	ST Family Fun Night at Rockford Com. Bldg.
March 17	IC / ST Confirmation Mass
March 19	IC School Kindergarten Screening 2023-24
April 5	HR Spa for the Soul at Union Hall, St. Marys
April 7	OLG First Communion
April 14	HR First Communion
April 21	ST First Communion
April 24	OLG May Crowning
April 24	SP May Crowning
May 1	HR May Crowning

## CCD New Year's Break

CCD classes for all five parishes will resume on Wednesday, January 7th.

## ST CCD CHRISTMAS PROGRAM - UPDATE

### January 7

Following the 10:00am Mass

All are invited!

*This is a date change!*

## All Holy Rosary 2nd Graders & Parents

Are invited to attend

Dragon Slayers Retreat

Sunday, January 7

1:00 - 4:00pm

Spiritual Center at Montezuma

6731 St Rt. 219 - Montezuma

This is the perfect way to spend a Sunday afternoon with your child, preparing for the Sacraments of Reconciliation and Holy Communion. Please call Nan Mielke at 419-300-1045 with questions.

## Kindergarten Classes ~ OLG

Classes will resume on

**February 18, 2024**

9:00am

## AFTERNOON FUN AT ST. PATRICK

Let's start 2024 with some fun! Starting January 15th, St. Patrick's will be hosting an afternoon of games, cards and conversation from 1:00 - 4:00pm in the rectory. This event will continue on the 1st and 3rd Mondays of the month. No reservations are needed. For more information, contact Mary Cogan or Judy Steinke.

## FAMILY FUN NIGHT!

**March, 2, 2024**

The St. Teresa Family Fun Night 2024 will be held on Saturday, March 2, at the Rockford Community Building. Please email Janel Hamrick [janel\\_evers07@hotmail.com](mailto:janel_evers07@hotmail.com) before January if you are able to help sell tickets or collect donations so your name can be added to google docs. Ticket sales and the collection of donations will begin the first week of January. Last date for ticket sales and donations will be February 18. Please watch the bulletin for more information.

## Women of St. Teresa

The women of St. Teresa are asked to contact Marge at 419-363-3396 to make your dinner reservations for the Women of St. Teresa's Christmas/New Year Dinners that is scheduled for Sunday, January 7th, at 4:00pm at the home of Terry & Sandy Mathewson.

### “Make a Date”

#### Seven Sensational Dates for Married Couples

**January 5, 12, 19, 26 & February 2, 9, 16**

**6:00 - 9:00pm at St. Marys K of C Hall**

Each night includes a catered dinner at a private candlelit table for two.

Cost ~ \$120 (approximately \$17 per night)

Couples watch a DVD and discuss important issues often ignored in the rush of daily life.

There is no group discussion or group sharing.

Call the parish office at 419-394-5050 to RSVP.  
Seating is limited - Call Today!

## Christmas Nativities at Maria Stein Shrine

Now through January 10th, the Shrine will once again be hosting a Nativity Exhibit. More than 60 nativity sets will be showcased and you can see how the simple scene of Christ in the manger with Mary and Joseph has been interpreted in many cultures over the years.

Bring the whole family for this wonderful reminder of the reason for the season with this free exhibit. It is open to the public during the normal Shrine hours: Monday through Thursday 9:30am—6:00pm, Friday and Saturday 9:30am - 4:00pm and noon to 4:00pm on Sundays. They will be closed December 24, 25, 31 and January 1.

## Evening Adoration at the Maria Stein Shrine

The Maria Stein Shrine will be offering evening Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on the first Thursday of each month. Adoration begins at 1:00pm and will conclude with Benediction starting at 7:30pm, ending at 8:00pm. This is a great opportunity for those who work during the day to spend time with our Lord in the evening!

If you are interested in signing up to be an adorer, please contact Matt Hess at [m.hess@mariasteinshrine.org](mailto:m.hess@mariasteinshrine.org) or call 419-925-4532.

## CHRISTMAS TREES AVAILABLE - OLG

We have purchased new Christmas Trees for the Church. If anyone needs a gently used tree, please contact Pat Dwenger, Janet Niekamp or the parish office (419-268-2312).

## Immaculate Conception PTO

### Spartan Saving Cards

These \$10 cards feature many local businesses and may be purchased in the school office, the rectory or from any IC student.

### K of C German Dinners Advance Ticket Available

January 20 @ K of C Hall, St. Marys  
4:30pm

Carry Out Meal- \$20

Dine In Meal - \$25

The annual Knights of Columbus German Dinner will be held on January 20 at the St. Marys K of C Hall, 427 E. Spring Street, starting at 4:30pm.

The meal features a menu of cabbage rolls, bratwurst, roasted pork loin in sauerbraten gravy, sauerkraut, candied red cabbage, mashed potatoes and caramel apple bread pudding.

Drawings and door prizes will take place throughout the evening. Proceeds benefit the St. Marys Memorial girls' softball facilities. Tickets can be purchased from members of the softball team, at HR parish office or after weekend Masses at Holy Rosary.

## Holy Rosary School's

### Dueling Pianos



Saturday, February 10



@ Union Hall

Dinner - Drinks - Raffle - Silent/Live Auction

Reserved Tables - 8 Seats for \$450

Individual Tickets ~ \$60 per ticket

Doors Open - 5:30pm Dinner - 6:00pm

Dueling Pianos - 7:00pm

### GRIEF SHARE

January 2 - March 26

Precious Blood Rectory Youth Room  
35 S. Maple St., Chickasaw

This program consists of 13 weekly DVD sessions for people grieving the loss of someone close. It's a place where you can be around people who understand how you are feeling and are able to offer you encouragement. The DVD seminars are combined with support group discussions of material presented during the DVD. All materials are donated by Hogenkamp Funeral Home.

Please feel free to contact Herb Wilker at 419-953-5398 or email [hiwilker@mercy.com](mailto:hiwilker@mercy.com) if you have any questions or would more information about these sessions.

# Liturgical Roles

## Holy Rosary

### **Saturday, January 6 ~ 4:30pm**

Lectors: Randy Wilker, Caroline Bills  
Servers: CJ Bills, Calvin Brown, Quintin Brown  
Eucharistic Ministers: Chris Borger-H1, Matt Brown-H2,  
Dianne Engel-H4, Peg Larkin-PB1, Cathy Buck -PB2

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 8:00am**

Lectors: Pam Vossler, Andy Rammel  
Servers: Maddie Brown, Christopher Brown, Will Craft  
Eucharistic Ministers: Stephanie Brown-H1, Ben Brown-H2,  
Dave Coleman-H4, Stacy Glass-PB1, Lil Heitkamp-PB2

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 11:00am**

Lectors: Emily Klosterman, Keagan Klosterman  
Servers: Finn Axe, Nickolas Dietz, Koal Dietz  
Eucharistic Ministers: Greg Eaglowski-H1, Deacon Marty-H2,  
Chrissy Hensley-H4, Howard Homan-PB1, Phil Kill-PB2

## Immaculate Conception

### **Saturday, January 6 ~ 5:00pm**

Lectors: Allison Bruns, Carol Wenning  
Sacristan: Joe & Deb Hoying  
Servers: Preston Posada, Cole Bruns  
Eucharistic Ministers: 2-Craig Bruns, 3-Kylie Johnson,  
4-Joe Hoying, C-Richard Carlin, D-Donna Hartke  
Gift Bearer: Rusty Vorhees  
Ushers: Group F

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 8:00am**

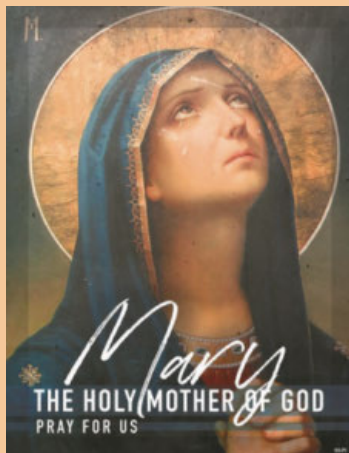
Lectors: Trish Baucher, Dale Sommer  
Sacristan: Mike Braun  
Servers: Grant Heckler, Cruz Loera  
Eucharistic Ministers: 2-Diane Hunt, 3-Paulette Sommer,  
4-Larry Braun, C-Mike Braun, D-Joan Wurster  
Gift Bearer: Nancy Krugh  
Ushers: Group G

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 11:00am**

Lectors: Jan Yackey, Tom Rable  
Sacristan: Janet Smith  
Servers: Hudson Grieshop, Hugh Grieshop  
Eucharistic Ministers: 2-Janet Smith, 3-Kelli Grieshop,  
4-Tom Drexler, C-Eric Clausen, D-Kelli Clausen  
Gift Bearer: Mike Binkley  
Ushers: Group H

## IC - Vocation Cross

Dec. 31 - Jan. 6 Craig & Lindsey Lunz  
Jan. 7 - Jan. 13 Dennis & Elaine Marbaugh



## Our Lady of Guadalupe

### **Wednesday, January 3 ~ 7:00pm**

Lectors: 1-Avery Niekamp, 2-Caitlyn Nuding  
Servers: Brogan Langenkamp, Landon Moeller,  
Christian Kremer  
Eucharistic Ministers: Cierra Homan, David Kremer

### **Friday, January 5 ~ 8:00am**

Servers: Gary Schwieterman, Cathy Schmitmeyer  
Eucharistic Ministers: Kim Sutter

### **Saturday, January 6 ~ 7:00pm**

Lectors: 1-Betty Ranly, 2-Beth Weber  
Servers: Benjamin Russell, Hope Russell  
Eucharistic Ministers: Richard Weber, Linda Wynk,  
David Kremer-C, Lynn Klosterman-W, Cindy Koester-W  
Ushers: Richard Hess, Brian Klosterman, Tim Schoen,  
Ben Wynk  
Gift Bearers: Dave Schwieterman Family

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 9:00am**

Lectors: 1-Daniel Klosterman, 2-Donna Siefring  
Servers: Ciera Homan, Brenna Stachler, Brooke Stachler  
Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Dwenger, Ronald Schulze, Marilyn  
Schweitzer -C, Shelby Dorsten-W, Joe Schwieterman-W  
Gift Bearers: Tom & Carol Buscher  
Ushers: Doug Everman, John Klosterman, Alex Schiavone,  
Scott Tangeman  
Vocation Cross: Terence Klosterman Family

## St. Patrick

### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 9:30am**

Lectors: 1-David Oen, 2-Mackezie Ott  
Sacristan: Diane Wright  
Eucharistic Ministers: Dustin Knapke, Mike Ott, Kent Schlegel  
Servers: Reese Rable, Ashlyn Chalk  
Ushers: Andy Brackman, Nick Brackman, Tom Naseman

## St. Teresa

### **Wednesday, January 3 ~ 7:00pm**

Servers: Gary Fullenkamp, Kara Fullenkamp  
Sacristan: Diane Fullenkamp

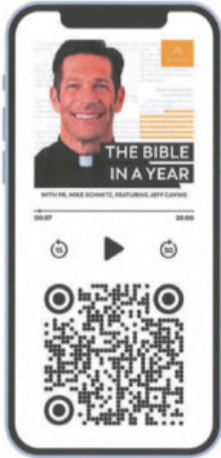
### **Sunday, January 7 ~ 10:00am**

Lectors: 1-Cheryl Nichols, 2-Laura Roth  
Sacristan: Melissa Fent  
Eucharistic Ministers: Jessica England, Melissa Fent -C,  
Diane Fullenkamp -C  
Servers: Audrey Nichols, Lindsey Nichols  
Usher & Honor Family: Doug Hughes, Grant Minnich  
Vocation Cross: Terry Mathewson Family  
Church Cleaning: Anita Dicke Family

## OLG Ministry Schedule

The OLG Ministry schedule is available online and can be picked up in the library.

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## CONGRATULATIONS

To Those Recently Baptized  
Within Our Family of Parishes

### Our Lady of Guadalupe:

Brody Leonard Hess, son of Nathan & Krista Hess

Ira Schwieterman, daughter of Chad & Allison Schwieterman

### St. Teresa

Stetson Alan Klinger, son of Kegan & Nina Klinger

Jamison Thomas Ford, son of Josh & Allison Ford

Please Keep in your prayers  
the Families of Those Who Have  
Recently Passed Away

Mary Fisher

Rod Luecke

Thomas Lynch

Bernard Reier

## Scholarship Donation Credit

Individual taxpayers and pass-through entities can claim a credit for monetary donations made to an eligible scholarship granting organization (SGO). The credit equals the lesser of \$750 or the total amount donated to SGO's during the tax year. If you are filing a joint return and both you and your spouse make eligible donations, each of you can claim this credit (up to \$1500 total). Beginning in tax year 2023, the credit may also be claimed donations made on or before the un-extended return due date, but the same contribution cannot be used to claim the credit in two tax years.

### Holy Rosary Adopt-a-Student

Weekly Collection	\$ 964.00
Total Donations Received	\$ 47,868.50

The monthly Adopt-A-Student collection is to help  
the school with operating expenses.

## St. Isidore the Farmer Family Bulletin

Welcome to the new St. Isidore the Farmer Family Bulletin. The Family Bulletin will now be ONE bulletin to replace the 5 separate bulletins. As of now, any events/announcements/articles should be sent to [hrsecretary@bright.net](mailto:hrsecretary@bright.net) at least 2 weeks prior to publishing. Notices for the January 14th bulletin items by Wednesday, by January 3. Keep watching the bulletin for further updates.

# Impact

January 2024

Bring faith to life. Find life in faith.



2024

## JANUARY IS A TIME FOR NEW BEGINNINGS

January is a time to begin anew. It is a time for reprioritizing and trying again. It is a time for surrender.

**Wait, what???** You read correctly, it is a time for surrender.

**God is constantly calling us back.** God wants to be with us. He desires us, our whole selves. The question we must ask is: are we comfortable surrendering to God's desire to draw close? Surrender is a word that for many of us brings up images of depleted resources and white flags. Surrender is a bad thing that only happens to those who lose an effort. It is something that is forced by a conquering body or a circumstance. It is certainly not something that any sane person would choose to do.

**Or is it? Let's back up for a moment.** At Christmas, we celebrate just how much God loves us and wants to be with us.



Truly human and divine, Jesus came to share in all of our joys, trials, temptations and successes. This is one of the great mysteries of our faith, and something that makes all the difference if we really take it to heart. If God loves us so much that He sends us His son

to be with us and guide us in this human life, why wouldn't we want to surrender to that kind of perfect love? It is hard for us to understand perfect love because human love is imperfect.

**God is perfect.** God is not a conqueror. Yet God *does* invite us to surrender.

**Unlike the world's definition of surrender, surrendering to God's will frees us!** Just like God asked our Blessed Mother Mary (whose feast we celebrate on New Year's Day!), God invites us to offer Him our whole "yes" — a white flag of sorts — a pure statement of our trust in God's presence and providence. Sometimes our yes is not as complete as it could be, but we have a lifetime of opportunities to continue trying to give God our full yes.



**If we say yes and surrender our whole selves to God's will, we must then be prepared to act on it.** We must be willing to surrender our fear, our anxiety, our schedules and our loved ones to God's perfect plan. We must resolve to live lives of prayer, service and generosity. In this way, our lives can become a witness to God's perfect plan and provision so that others can see and be inspired to surrender to God's love and sustenance in their lives.

**Resolutions can be daunting, but surrender is freeing.**

Surrendering our will to God is not easy, but neither is sticking to resolutions. There are many ways we see, hear, and know God's will. Perhaps the best resolution we can make this year is to surrender to God's loving will for us and for the world. God will show you. Let 2024 be the year we grow in trust of God and surrender. — Amberly Boerschinger



# Impact



January 2024

**Bring faith to life. Find life in faith.**

## LOOK. LISTEN. RESPOND.

"We have seen his star at its rising and have come to do him homage." (MT 2:2)

**The magi were looking.** It was not an accident that they journeyed to Bethlehem, having seen the star at its rising. They were attentive, searching, and ready to go when the time was right.

**Others saw too.** The shepherds were on the night watch. They were on the lookout for predators and thieves. They were stunned to see instead the glory of the Lord around them. At the angels' announcement, they also journeyed to Bethlehem, eager to see for themselves the miracle of the newborn in the most unexpected of places, the manger.

**Have you seen his star?** Not a physical star, but the light of God's love. Light pierces darkness, illumines shadows, and diminishes the fear of night. Do you see the glory of the Lord around you? If there is one thing that we should carry with us through the Christmas season and beyond, it is this: God is with us in all of our searching, hoping, and longing. God is here, in the midst of our everyday lives. The light of God's love shines brightly, through all of the darkness, fear, frustration, and anxiety we may experience in life. God wants to break through and to bring us peace.

**This month, we hear the stories of ones who heard, listened, and responded to God's love.** Samuel heard the voice of God before he was fully prepared to understand. Once aware that God was speaking to him, he earnestly responded, "Speak, for your servant is listening." (1 Sam 3:10) The first disciples heard the voice of the Lord and they immediately followed him.

**Do we see, listen, and respond to God's love?** Notice that once the magi and shepherds saw the light of God's love, once Samuel and the disciples heard the Lord's voice, they were open and ready to respond. They brought their gifts, their very selves, to the Lord, allowed the light of God's love to change them, and became vessels of that love for others.

**In this new year, be like the magi and the shepherds,** ready to see the Lord in your midst, in the eyes of a loved one, the presence of Christ at Mass, an unexpected moment of tenderness. When you see God's love, be ready to offer him homage, and grow in love and grace.

**Be like Samuel, Simon, Andrew, James, and John.** Hear the voice of the Lord and respond. Bring your gifts, your very selves, to the Lord, saying, "Here I am, send me."

## Impact this year

Use these ideas to bring faith to your daily life and find life in faith in the coming year.

**Pray every day.** Tell God what is in your heart and on your mind, and allow God's love to touch you.

**Truly participate in the Mass, and in the Sacrament of Reconciliation.** Open your heart and mind to the Lord.

**Read the Bible.** Find words of encouragement, consolation, and challenge in Sacred Scripture.

**Talk with others about faith.** You are likely to be inspired by their sharing, and they from yours.

**Learn more about our Catholic faith** through study, small faith sharing, and adult faith formation.

**Read the lives of the saints.** They show us that God speaks to each of us as ordinary people with the ups and downs of daily life.

**Pay attention to those who are poor, lonely, ill, or in prison.** Not only do they need our care, they also witness to God's compassion for the weak and broken.

**Serve with a glad and generous heart.** You will see God's love in action.

# Stewardship Offerings December 16 & 17

## Holy Rosary

Weekly Collection	\$ 5,220.75
Online Giving	\$ 999.11
Mailed in Donations	<u>\$ 500.00</u>
Total Collections	\$ 6,719.86

## Immaculate Conception

Sunday Loose	\$ 2965.00
Sunday Envelopes (225)	<u>\$ 16,363.33</u>
Total Collections	\$ 19,328.33
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 16,500.00
Over/Short	(\$ 1,366.00)

YTD Offering	\$ 376,982.11
YTD Budgeted	\$ 412,500.00
YTD Over/Short	(\$ 35,517.49)

## Our Lady of Guadalupe

Adult Envelopes	\$ 2,436.00
Monthly Online	0.00
Children's Envelopes	\$ 12.70
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 2,132.00</u>
Weekly Collection	\$ 4,581.70
Weekly Budgeted	<u>\$ 4,150.00</u>
Over/Short	\$ 431.70

YTD Offering	\$ 103,464.69
YTD Budgeted	<u>\$ 103,750.00</u>
YTD Over/Short	(\$ 285.31)

## St. Patrick

Weekly Collection	\$ 1,162.00
Online Giving	<u>\$ 1,800.00</u>
Total Collections	\$ 2,962.00

## St. Teresa

Envelopes & Online Giving	\$ 635.00
Loose Collection	<u>\$ 440.00</u>
Total Collection	\$ 1,075.00
Weekly Budgeted	\$ 1,400.00
Over/Short Budgeted Amount	(\$ 325.00)

YTD Total	\$ 29,954.76
YTD Budget	<u>\$ 51,800.00</u>
YTD Over/Short	(\$ 21,845.24)

## FRIENDS OF HOLY ROSARY

The Friends of Holy Rosary have received the following donations; \$75.00 in memory of Paul Axe, \$50.00 in memory of Betty Harner, \$300.00 in memory of Kay and Ray Dingledine and a general donation of \$3,405.00. These donations bring the trust fund balance to \$328,950.32. To be a member of the Friends of Holy Rosary, dues are \$5 per individual. Simply drop your dues in an envelope marked "Friends of Holy Rosary" into the weekly collection or drop off at the parish office. The pink envelopes may also be used. Everyone is encouraged to be a member of the Friends of Holy Rosary. We thank all those donating to this trust benefiting our school.

## St. Teresa's Monthly Money Madness

Congratulations to the December Winners

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## SCRIP CARDS @ IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

We will be back selling cards after Mass this weekend of December 30<sup>th</sup> and 31<sup>st</sup> for those of you planning a New Year's dinner out. And for your information, the rectory will be closed Jan. 1 and Jan. 2.

\*Don't forget, we now carry **Casey's** cards for \$25 and \$50, and can order \$100 ones!

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