

Liturgical Roles

Mon. December 25	SP	9:30 am	Mass
Servers: Taylor Ott, Leah Brackman			
Lector: Dave Steinke			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Christine Knatz, Luanna Scott, Judy Steinke, Dustin Knatz			
Ushers: Nick Brackman, Kathy Kentner, Tom Naseman			
Sacristan: Diane Wright			
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Mon. December 25	HR	11:00 am	Mass
Servers: Bryce Wilker, Nate Wilker, Brayden Hoehn, Ryan Ruvoldt			
Lectors: Esther Carpenter, Steve Dues			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Volunteers			
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Tues. December 26	HR	8:15 am	Mass
Servers: Adult Server			
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Wed. December 27	HR	12:05 pm	Mass
Servers: Adult Server			
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Thurs. December 28	SP	8:00 am	Mass
Servers: Adult Server			
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Fri. December 29	HR	8:00 am	Communion Service
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Sat. December 30	HR	4:30 pm	Mass
Servers: Brent Miller, Gavin Linger, Scott Walden			
Lectors: Barb Hamberg, Morgan Henschen			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Peg Larkin, Dianne Engel, Connie Rempfer, Emily Klosterman, Deb Wilker, Ron Wilker, Adele Walls, Carrie Widman,			
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Sun. December 31	HR	8:00 am	Mass
Servers: Ellen Schloemer, Liz Schloemer, Will Glass			
Lectors: Todd Spieles, Lori Martensen			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Joe Kuebler, Darren Homan, Don Fortman			
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Sun. December 31	SP	9:30 am	Mass
Servers: Gavin Schwartz, Griffin Schwartz			
Lector: Ann Leinweber			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Dan Heitkamp, Rita Heitkamp, Irene Heilers, Jim Heilers			
Ushers: Virgil Brown, David Oen, Mark Ruppert			
Sacristan: Kaden Brackman			
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Sun. December 31	HR	11:00 am	Mass
Servers: Brandon Miller, Keira Steinger, Kyle Steinger			
Lectors: Steve Frankenberg, Jill Schmitmeyer			
Extraordinary Ministers of Communion: Sue Luthman, Ron Luthman, Joanna Frankenberg, Olivia Spieles, Karen Newlove, Janice Yahl, Matt Axe, Teresa Bertke			

Calendar of Events

Sunday	December 24
8:00 am	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary
9:30 am	Mass & Choir at St. Patrick Fr. Ed Oen
11:00 am	Mass at Holy Rosary
4:30 pm	Mass at St. Patrick Fr. Vince Hoying
4:30 pm	Mass at Holy Rosary
10:00 pm	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary
Monday	December 25
9:30 am	Mass at St. Patrick
11:00 am	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary
Tuesday	December 26
8:15 am	Mass at Holy Rosary
Wednesday	December 27
11:30 am	Confessions at Holy Rosary
12:05 pm	Mass at Holy Rosary
Thursday	December 28
8:00 am	Mass at St. Patrick
Friday	December 29
8:00 am	Communion Service at Holy Rosary
Saturday	December 30
4:30 pm	Mass at Holy Rosary
Sunday	December 31 Helping Hands Collection
8:00 am	Mass at Holy Rosary
9:30 am	Mass at St. Patrick
11:00 am	Mass & Choir at Holy Rosary
11:00 pm	Holy Hour at Holy Rosary

New Year's Day Mass

What a great way to start your New Year by joining us for Mass on Monday, January 1, 2018, celebrating Mary, the Mother of God. Mass will be at 10:00am at Holy Rosary Church.

Donations Received

The Holy Rosary Building Fund received a \$500 donation in loving memory of Phil, Louis and Rose Pfeffenberger, and Simon Knous.

The Holy Rosary Altar Society gave a donation of \$80 to the Holy Rosary Building Fund.

Holy Rosary Church received a \$100 donation in remembrance of the Pfeffenberger/Axe Families

Holy Rosary Church received \$567 and Holy School received \$25 in loving memory of Ruth Wale.

Thank you for your generosity.



Steve Schmitmeyer, Western Southern Life

Prayer Hotline	Weekend Mass Attendance	Grief Support
Holy Rosary: Julie 305-7937	4:30 pm 375	Steve and Kathy Frankenberg 419-753-2056
St. Patrick:	8:00 am 200	
Mary 657-2346	9:30 am 233	
	11:00 am 409	
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FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Mass Intentions

Mon. 12/25	The Nativity of the Lord <i>Is 52:7-10; Heb 1:1-6; Jn 1:1-18</i>
9:30 am	SP Mary Montague
11:00 am	HR Mike Bernard
Tues. 12/26	St. Stephen <i>Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59; Mt 10:17-22</i>
8:15 am	HR Nan Bowling
Wed. 12/27	St. John <i>1 Jn 1:1-4; Jn 20: 1a, 2-8</i>
12:05 pm	HR Judy Palmer
Thurs. 12/28	The Holy Innocents <i>1 Jn 1:5—2:2; Mt 2:13-18</i>
8:00 am	SP Christine Storer
Fri. 12/29	St. Thomas Becket <i>1 Jn 2:3-11; Lk 2:22-35</i>
8:00 am	HR Neil Rohrbach
Sat. 12/30	6th Day within the Octave Nativity of the Lord <i>1 Jn 2:12-17; Lk 2:36-40</i>
4:30 pm	HR Jack & Mary Danaher
Sun. 12/31	The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph <i>Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3; Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19; Lk 2:22, 39-20</i>
8:00 am	HR Marvin Beuhler
9:30 am	SP Diane Craft
11:00 am	HR Craig Willoughby
10:00 am	HR Holy Hour

Message from the Pastor

Merry Christmas! We say it a lot these day of December and it always gives a nice warm feeling inside when you say it, doesn't it? And we should be merry at Christmas – joyful, happy, at peace. And we should wish this to everyone we see – that they have a truly merry Christmas.

But I know we aren't always merry during the Christmas season. People get down during Christmas. It seems no amount of partying or family can change that awful feeling of loneliness you can feel at Christmas; or that sighing lament of not being completely satisfied, even if you were showered with gifts. Christmas for many can be hard. We put a lot of effort into the trappings of the holiday – decorations, baking, gift wrapping, preparing dinners and parties. But when it's all over, we think, "I don't really feel the Christmas spirit" or "I am not totally fulfilled".

This is the sad story of many of us. I remember more than a few Christmases with eyes filled with tears and a deep hole in my heart, as the 25th slipped away. For some reason, whether it be the early dark nights, the chilling wind blowing, or the disappointment we feel when this Christmas 'thing' falls short of our expectations, we get sad or depressed at Christmas.

That's why it is so important to return to the basics of our Catholic Faith. Jesus Christ our Savior was born for us. This is what we are celebrating on the Christmas holiday. I should say "holy day", because it's not just a commercial and marketing opportunity, which is what we would think after watching TV in December. Christmas marks the date when God came into this world to save it from destruction due to sin; to rescue you and me from eternal death. This is what you should be thinking about during these special days; not how many presents you're going to get or how much you're going to consume or drink at your Christmas dinner.

There's no depression or sadness if we focus on what Christmas is really all about. True joy comes to us from our Loving Father in Heaven, because He came to us through His Son, that Little Child in the manger. And He continues to come to us today through the power of the Holy Spirit and the Sacraments of the Church, especially the Eucharist.

So, if you really want to merry this Christmas, and want to wish that same Merry Christmas to all you meet, then ignite your faith once again and thank God for the great gift of His Son, born for our salvation in the little town of Bethlehem.

MERRY CHRISTMAS AND THANK YOU TO ALL THE PARISHIONERS OF SAINT PATRICK AND HOLY ROSARY!

Fr. Barry

December 17, 2017

Joyfully and Responsibly I Give

Holy Rosary Collection

Adult Envelopes Issued:	540
Adult Envelopes used:	214
Parish Pay (Direct Deposit)	111
Adult Offering:	\$ 8,631.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 888.25
Total Collection:	\$ 9,519.25
Week Budgeted:	\$ 9,335.00
Weekly Collection & Direct Deposit:	\$ 9,519.25
Over/Short to date:	184.25
YTD Total weekly budgeted:	\$ 234,375.00
YTD Total weekly collection:	\$ 225,653.62
Over/Short to date:	\$ (8,721.38)

St. Patrick Collection

Adult Envelopes Issued:	55
Adult Envelopes Used:	41
Adult Offering:	\$ 1,417.00
Loose Offering:	\$ 275.50
Total Collection:	\$ 1,692.50



*Be like a manger...
Be empty...
Be sturdy...
Be soft inside...
Be still...
Be ready...*