

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2020

MASS TIMES & INTENTIONS

<i>Solemnity/Feast/Memorial</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Mass offered for</i>	<i>Mass offered by</i>
Monday, Dec. 7 <i>Vigil Mass</i> →	7:00 p.m.	Grafton	Frances Fessler	Jack & Tracy Galusha
Tuesday, Dec. 8 <i>Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</i>	7:00 a.m.	Sutton	Children with Special Needs	
	7:00 p.m.	Sutton	Thanksgiving for Blessings Received (Cal, Mary & Family)	C. & M. Stuhmer
Wednesday, Dec. 9 <i>St. Juan Diego Cuauhtlatoatzin</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	†Lynn Leininger	Heartland Bank
Thursday, Dec. 10	7:15 a.m.	Grafton	†Willis Jakub	Gary & Marilyn Kudlacek
Friday, Dec. 11 <i>St. Damasus I, Pope</i>	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Betty Mertens	Floyd Speigelmyer
Saturday, Dec. 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	No Morning Mass			
	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Max Leininger	Timothy, Rieley & Caeleb Leininger
Sunday, Dec. 13 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sutton	†Cheryl Dedrickson	Bob & Doris Fisher
	11:00 a.m.	Grafton	The People of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	

MINISTRIES

	<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Servers</i>
Dec. 7 at 7 p.m. (Grafton)	---	John Lowe	---
Dec. 8 at 7 a.m. (Sutton)	Cal Stuhmer	Shawn Sheridan	Joe & Jake Hinrichs
Dec. 8 at 7 p.m. (Sutton)	Jim Jones	Cheryl Simonsen	Aidan & Kade Jones
Dec. 12 at 5:30 p.m.	Nao Trejo	Gabe Skalka	John Sheridan & Ty Skalka
Dec. 13 at 9:00 a.m.	Neal Schlautman	John Haag	Tyson & Landon Scheidemann
Dec. 13 at 11:00 a.m.	---	Richard Hoarty	---

PRAYER CHAIN

<i>For the sick, especially:</i>	<i>For the faithful departed:</i>	<i>For our seminarians:</i>
Rod Kudlacek	†Johnny Griess	†Alfred Novacek
Duane Rasby	†Leann Finnigan	†Lavonne Bullinger
Maverick Smith	†Milt Huber	†Jim Rose
Walt Becker	†Betty Farmer	†Robert DeVore
Gabe Skalka	†Betty Smith	†Ginger Nichole Johnson
	†Greg Rehm	†Richard Leininger
All residents at Sutton Community Home	†Max Leininger	†Dan Swett
	†John Weston	†Ruth Maul
	†Cheryl Dedrickson	†Betty Mertens
All healthcare workers and first responders	†Sister Maronita Gergen	†Jack Blanke
	†Patricia Bourke	†Olive Leininger
	†Bernie Nittler	†Frances Ambrose
	†Shirley Wach	†Roger Nittler
	†Jeremy Blomstedt	†Poor Souls in Purgatory

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday Dec. 6	Monday Dec. 7	Tuesday Dec. 8	Wednesday Dec. 9	Thursday Dec. 10	Friday Dec. 11	Saturday Dec. 12
<i>Feast Day of St. Nicholas</i>	7 pm Vigil Mass (Grafton)	<i>Immaculate Conception</i>	7:15 am Mass	7:15 am Mass (Grafton)	5:30 pm Mass	10 am St. Mary's General Cleaning
9 am Mass		7 am Mass 7 pm Mass (Both Sutton)	6:15-7:30 pm CCD			
11 am Mass (Grafton)		8 pm – Midnight Adoration	7-8 pm Night Fever Adoration / CYO			5:30 pm Mass

SPECIAL THANKS

The Max Leininger Family thanks each and every one of you who made the funeral so special. He would have been so honored, as we were, with the love and compassion that has been shown during his death. We are so blessed to be a part of St. Mary's. God bless you all.

PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Reminder: parishioners can make a written bid for a pie on the sign in the west entry of St. Mary's until the evening of Wednesday, Dec. 9th. The pie auction will then go online on Facebook Thursday, Dec. 10th and will end at Noon on Saturday, Dec. 12th. Thanks to everyone for their bids already.

December 8th is National Night of Prayer for Life. Please sign up at either entrance of St. Mary's from 8 p.m. – Midnight for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, the Holy Rosary, Prayer to St. Michael, silent prayer and hymns. We ask our Blessed Mother to protect life and the family and to renew the church and establish Peace. Please consider spending time this holiday season to pray for life!!!

St. Mary's will once again participate in an Advent Baby Shower for Jesus. Please bring infant items and place in bassinet or take up to Fr. Zimmer at Offertory time. We are asking for 0-6 month items, i.e. blankets, clothes or infant toys. Last year, more than 13 babies in our community received a care package from St. Mary's in support of life. Thank you in advance for your generosity!!!

Night Fever, which will be held Wednesday, Dec. 9 from 7-8 p.m. at St. Mary's, is a special night of adoration for our CCD and CYO Programs. The altar is decorated beautifully for our Lord and the children light candles, sending their prayers up to Jesus. Music also accompanies our worship. Parishioners are welcome to attend. Night Fever will also be livestreamed for anyone who wishes to participate from home. Fr. Zimmer will offer confessions for the 6th, 7th and 8th graders, and then it will be open to anyone.

St. Mary's Parish Council decided to schedule a General Cleaning for the church and hall on Saturday, Dec. 12th at 10 a.m. Anyone willing and able to help is greatly appreciated!

A Penance Service will be offered at St. Mary's on Sunday, Dec. 20th from 2-3 p.m.

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Fr. Zimmer, with the approval of St. Mary's Parish Council, will offer a 4 p.m. Mass on Christmas Eve at St. Mary's to accommodate those who may wish to attend Mass earlier. All other Christmas Masses will be offered at the usual time: 9 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass in Grafton, Midnight Mass in Sutton, and 9 a.m. Christmas Day Mass in Sutton. Between these four Masses, the council hopes that families will be able to reasonably social distance and feel comfortable attending Christmas Mass. Ushers will be available at the Midnight Mass to assist parishioners in finding a place to sit. If needed, the hall will be used for overflow.

- We will now need volunteers for the 4 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass, including a reader and servers. The acolyte is covered. Please contact Tracy if you are interested.

- Note: St. Mary's Parish Hall has been reserved for Christmas Eve as well as Christmas Day for family gatherings.

Thank you to all who donated to St. Helena's for the November Food Drive. A total of 155 lbs. of food was collected and delivered to Blue Valley in Geneva. For December, St. Helena's will collect baby items. Please leave the price tag on the items. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

We need at least two CCD teachers for next semester. Please prayerfully consider volunteering your time to help the youth of our parish grow in their faith. Fr. Zimmer has made it easier than ever for teachers this year. Please contact Tracy Galusha 402-366-4879 if you are interested.