

MASS INTENTIONS/LITURGIES

DECEMBER 9-17, 2023

Saturday, December 9 | 4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Bernadette & Charles Poling by Baker Family

6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

Joanne Maag by Dan & Jean Schroeder

Sunday, December 10 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Bernadette & Linus Schulze by Roger & Treva Schulze

10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners

Tuesday, December 12 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Diane Price by Judy & Jeff Lamb

Wednesday, December 13 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Mitchell Hoying by Scott & Marge Hoying

Thursday, December 14 | 6:15 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

6:45 p.m. Penance Service

Jo & Jack Hare by Joan Hinterschied

Friday, December 15 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

8:45 a.m. Confession

Joanne Maag by Elton Schroeder

Saturday, December 16 | 3:00 p.m. Confession (ST. PAT)

4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Elizabeth & Heath Dyer Anniversary by Baker Family

6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

Joanne Maag by Dennis & Cindy Maag

Sunday, December 17 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)

Paul Richard by Don Richard

10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners

LITURGICAL MINISTERS DECEMBER 16/17, 2023

ST. MARY OF THE WOODS

6:00 P.M. SATURDAY

SERVERS: Heath Wilson, Vincent Wilson,
Corbin Wilson, Ash Wilson

READER: Benjamin Packer

USHERS: Jeff True, Willie Dearwester,
Scott Staley, Ken Meier

CANTORS: Winners

SACRISTAN: Suzi Corwin

8:00 A.M. SUNDAY

SERVERS: Caleb Altstaetter, Isaac Dillon,
Henry Dillon

READER: Brandi Altstaetter

EEM: Benjamin Packer

USHERS: Phil Altstaetter, Jeff Codora, Ed Fisher,
Robert Stroebel

CANTORS: Deb Ulrey, Donna True

SACRISTAN: Laurie Stroebel

ST. PATRICK

4:00 P.M. SATURDAY

SERVERS: Rowen Daring, Lexi McKirahan,
McKenzie Vaido

READERS: Theresa Dunn, Brant Dunn

EEM: Wendy Miller

10:00 A.M. SUNDAY

SERVERS: Brenden Eckstein, Connor Eckstein,
Ruth Eckstein

READERS: Keith LeVan, Mary Giannola

EEM: Catherine Oder



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES

December 14th
after 6:15 p.m. Mass (SMOW)

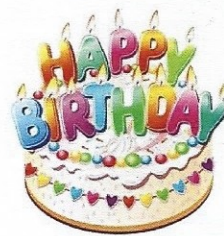
Four priests available

December 21st
after 6:15 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)

Three priests available

YOUR TITHE TO GOD

WEEK OF DECEMBER 2/3	ST. MARY	ST. PATRICK
MASS COUNT:	233	385
SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$ 2,439.50	\$ 6,220.00
ONLINE COLLECTION:	\$ 3,290.00	\$ 1,979.14
OTHER COLLECTIONS		
BUILDING IMPROVEMENT:	\$ 220.00	\$ 270.00
ARCHDIOCESE ASSESSMENT:		\$ 41.00
ADVENT:		\$ 1,487.00
SVDP:	\$ 225.00	
OTHER:	\$ 1,113.00	\$ 535.00
TOTAL TITHING:	\$ 6,837.50	\$ 10,532.14



SPECIAL BIRTHDAY WISHES!!!!

Agatha Sherwood, a homebound parishioner of St. Patrick, will be turning 98 on December 17th!!!

Let's make Agatha feel extra special by sending her a birthday card to:

Ms. Agatha Sherwood
1208 Reservoir Road
Bellefontaine, Ohio 43311

Welcome

Whether you recently moved here or are just visiting, we are happy that you are here with us!

If you would like to join one of our parishes, please contact the Parish Office for a registration form.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

BEGINNING DECEMBER 10, 2023



- Sunday** Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11
Psalms 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
Second Peter 3:8-14
Mark 1:1-8
- Monday** Isaiah 35:1-10
Psalms 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14
Luke 5:17-26
- Tuesday** Zechariah 2:14-17 or
Revelation 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab
Judith 13:18bcde, 19
Luke 1:26-38 or Luke 1:39-47
- Wednesday** Isaiah 40:25-31
Psalms 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10
Matthew 11:28-30
- Thursday** Isaiah 41:13-20
Psalms 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab
Matthew 11:11-15
- Friday** Isaiah 48:17-19
Psalms 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
Matthew 11:16-19
- Saturday** Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11
Psalms 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19
Matthew 17:9a, 10-13
- Sunday** Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11
Luke 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54
First Thessalonians 5:16-24
John 1:6-8, 19-28

Logan County Parish Pastoral Council Summary:

Parish Council met Tuesday November 21st at 7:00pm in Makley Hall at St. Patrick's with 11 of the 12 members present. Fr. Shawn led us in opening prayer and there were no parishioners present to address the council.

Six members of Council attended a Beacon's of Light Parish Vitality meeting at Sacred Heart of Jesus Catholic Church in McCartyville on October 17th. The focus of this meeting was centered on The Family Pastoral Council and its role within each family of parishes. Much of our meeting was spent sharing our thoughts and feedback from the Vitality Meeting with the other council members and Fr. Shawn.

Fr. Shawn shared his expectations for the Logan County Combined Parish Pastoral Council. Namely, that we need to function as one council, working together with a high level of mutual trust, and that we are all working towards the greater good. The ensuing discussion was centered around where we will be in the next few years. Knowing where we want or need to be will create transparency and mutual trust. Fr. Shawn asked PPC members to submit their questions and we will have further discussions at the next meeting.

Father gave us his blessing and the meeting concluded at 8:40pm.

The next meeting will be January 9th, 2024, in the St. Joseph Room at SMOW. The meeting starts at 7:00pm.

PARISH VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Parishioners, you are invited to help St. Vincent de Paul members pack the Christmas boxes for **PROJECT MERRY CHRISTMAS**. This is your opportunity to see our special ministry in action and get involved! We will be meeting on Wednesday, December 13th, from 6:30-7:30 p.m. at the former Lutheran Community Services building, located just behind the First Lutheran Church and across the street from the Bellefontaine Fire Department. The Church's address is 208 W. Sandusky Avenue.

Volunteers are also needed for **DISTRIBUTION DAY**, Wednesday, December 20th, from 8:30-11:30 a.m., at the former Lutheran Community Services building. Please either email Mike Dinovo at mcdinovo@yahoo.com or call Cathy Dinovo at 937-935-2557 for further details or to sign up to work. Thank you for sharing your time with this valuable program. Merry Christmas!



SACK LUNCH MINISTRY FOR WOMEN

All women are invited to attend the Mary, Queen of Angels Women's Sack Lunch Ministry at St. Patrick Church, in Makley Hall on Saturday, December 16, 2023, from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



PROJECT MERRY CHRISTMAS

The St. Vincent de Paul Society of St. Patrick Church invites you to join us in helping to brighten Christmas for families in need in our community. Stars and Trees are now available in the church! STARS are for personal and home items to be included in each of the 81 Christmas boxes we will distribute in December just prior to Christmas. The TREES list gift suggestions for the families with children ages birth to age 18. You may purchase some or all of the suggested items listed on the children's individual trees. All STAR and TREE items are to be returned to St. Patrick Church by Sunday, December 10, 2023. Gifts are to be returned UNWRAPPED in a gift bag with the gift tag (TREE) securely attached to the gift. To help assist you, SVDP members will be collecting all items before Mass Saturday, December 9th and Sunday, December 10th. Thank you for helping us make the holidays brighter for families in need. May God bless you for spreading the true spirit of the Christmas Season.

St. Mary Church Advent Bazaar!

Saturday, December 16

Bazaar: 12:00 p.m. — 4:40 p.m.

- Basket Raffle!
- Craft Sales!

Sunday, December 17

Brunch: 9:45 a.m.

Lunch: 12:00 p.m.

Dinner: 5:00 p.m. *Spiral ham dinner with sides and includes a slice of pie donated by Mindy's Airport Café.*

Raffle Drawing at 6:00 p.m.!!

St. Mary Church Undercroft

Vespers: 7:00 p.m.

DONATIONS NEEDED - Crafts, baskets to raffle, and baked goods.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED to help gather fit cards, work at the Bazaar, set up, clean up, serve food.

Contact Jenny Korte with questions or to volunteer. 937-508-6369 or jkorte8@yahoo.com



RORATÉ CAELI MASS

December 16, 2023

Rosary - 6:00 a.m. ; Mass - 6:30 a.m.

St. Patrick Church

Carry-in breakfast in Makley Hall following this Mass.

Rorate Caeli is Latin for "Drop down, ye heavens" and are the opening words of the Introit (which is an opening Psalm or antiphon), coming from Isaiah 45:8. "*Rorate, caeli, desuper, et nubes pluant justum, aperiatur terra, et germinet Salvatorem.*"

"Drop down dew, ye heavens, from above, and let the clouds rain the just: let the earth be opened and bud forth a Savior." - Isaiah 45:8

A *Rorate Caeli* Mass is traditionally celebrated just before dawn in Advent as a devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary. The Mass is only lit by candles, representing Mary's role in bringing the Light of the World into the darkness of the world.

ST. PATRICK 2023 POINTSETTIA DONATION



Let's make St. Patrick come alive with color this Christmas Season by filling the church with beautiful poinsettias. Suggested donation is

\$30.00. Donations can be placed in the offertory basket or brought to the Parish Office through **Wednesday, December 20, 2023**. If you wish to purchase a poinsettia in memory or honor of a loved one, please complete this form and include with your payment.

YOUR NAME: _____

LOVED ONE'S NAME: _____

champaigncatholics.org
saintmaryofthewoods.com
catholicbellefontaine.org



ATTENTION:

We have secured a 55-passenger bus for transport to Ashley Robert’s Consecration Mass at 11:00 a.m. at the Cathedral Basilica of St. Peter in Chains in Cincinnati on January 13th, dependent on the weather. The cost for the bus is \$40.00/person which includes a meal. This will be first-come, first-served. If you are interested, please call Jenny Korte at 937-508-6369 by 12:00 noon on Friday, December 29th. Jenny has additional information.

ALL ARE WARMLY INVITED AS

Ashley Fitzgerald Roberts

IS

*Consecrated to a Life of
Virginity Lived in the World*

AT THE HANDS OF THE
MOST REVEREND DENNIS M. SCHNURR

SATURDAY | JANUARY 13TH | 11:00 AM

CATHEDRAL BASILICA OF SAINT
PETER IN CHAINS

*In lieu of gifts, please consider making a
donation to St. Vincent de Paul.*



2024 CALENDAR

Don’t forget to pick up your 2024 Calendar from the table in the cry room of St. Patrick. Please take only one per family.

HELP WANTED!

St. Patrick is in need of a part-time employee to clean the church and offices. It will require 10-12 hours per week. Please contact the parish office if you or someone you know is interested.

*We look forward to welcoming
you and your family this
Christmas!*

**ATTEND ONE (1)
FROM EACH COLUMN**

Catholics are obliged to attend Holy Mass on Christmas and, when Christmas falls on a day other than Sunday, attend a separate Mass to fulfill their ordinary Sunday obligation. The table below provides the specifics of how this will work this year.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT	NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)
Obligation may be fulfilled at any Mass after 3:00 p.m. on Saturday, Dec. 23 through Sunday, Dec. 24 at 3:00 p.m.	Obligation may be fulfilled at any Mass after 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, Dec. 24 and throughout Monday, Dec. 25
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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Vigil (Saturday evening) Mass • Any Mass of the Fourth Sunday of Advent before 3:00 p.m. 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A Vigil Mass for Christmas on Sunday, Dec. 24 • Any Mass on Monday, Dec. 25