

January 12, 2025

Baptism of the Lord



St. Mary 's Immaculate Conception Parish

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Please submit bulletin notices to stmary@wi-net.com
by noon on Tuesday.

PARISH CLERGY

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PARISH STAFF

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Parish Mission Statement

St Mary's Parish is a practicing Catholic Community providing spiritual, social and educational opportunities for all God's people that we may deepen our love of God and one another through prayer and deed.

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 14,

8:15 am +Frank Iwanski by Lois Iwanski

Wednesday, January 15,

8:15 am +Bette Maslowski by Pat & Family

Thursday, January 16

7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8 am Confessions

8:15 am +Clarence Ramczyk by Sue Wanta

Friday, January 17

7-8 am Adoration 7:30-8:00 am Confessions

8:15 am: +Dolores Ganski-Wierzba

by Dolores & Peter Wocjza

Saturday, January 18, @ SH

8:15 am +John Maher by Chris Parker

+Clarence Ramczyk by Barb Groholski

+Larry Strong by Chris Kaminski

+Lorraine Wroblewski by Lee & Mary Wiza

+Raymond Gagas by Leroy & Arlene Pukrop

+Mary Ann Shamrowicz by Larry Gagas

+John Maher by Chris Parker

Special Intentions for Joseph Zdroik

by Jean Rosenthal

2:45 pm Confessions @ SH

4:00 pm +Paulette Blaskey

by Greg & Kari Blaskey

Sunday, Jan 19, 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:00 am @SH St. Mary's I.C. & Sacred Heart
Parish Families

10:00 am +Judi Johnson by Elsie Mansavage

HE WILL BAPTIZE
YOU WITH
THE HOLY SPIRIT
AND WITH FIRE.

LUKE 3:16



"Often tell Jesus that you love him very much, and that you wish to die for love of him. Behold our love, Jesus; behold our life, Jesus; behold our all, Jesus. Let us accompany Jesus in all his ways. When we are alone, let it be with in the solitude of Bethlehem; when we are traveling, let us think that we are with Jesus in Palestine or on the way to Calvary; when we are lashed by biting criticisms, behold us scourged with Jesus; when we are fixed to the cross, behold we are crucified with Jesus." - St. Gaspar del Buffalo

WEEKLY FINANCIAL SUPPORT	
January 5	
Offertory	\$ 167.25
Building Fund	25.00
Adult Env & ACH	1387.00
Total	\$ 1574.25

Dear Parishioners:

With the Feast of the Lord's Baptism, the Season of Christmastide comes to an end. I hope these past weeks were a time for all of to rest in the Mystery of the Nativity. Life being as it is, we don't always experience in the "real world" what the Liturgical Seasons convey. That is to be expected. However even though what we experience may not correspond with the spirituality of the particular Liturgical Season, we should try to make a concerted effort to at least interiorly unite ourselves with the "meaning of the season." Take courage!

Cordially,
Fr. Miller

GOAL

PLEGGED AND RECEIVED

OF DONORS

A Minute with Jesus: Jesus' name means "God saves"

The angel told Joseph in a dream that this Child was to be called "Jesus, for He will save His people from their sin" (Matt 1: 21). *Jesus saves us from our sins by dying on the Cross and then giving us His resurrected body in the Eucharist. The holy Eucharist is the Church's most precious treasure. What a gift, that we may have a life-giving encounter with Jesus, truly present in the Eucharist.*

Let's pray this right now and every day this week: *Jesus, thank You for coming into the world to give us the greatest gift - Yourself in the holy Eucharist.*

This week, read the account of the angel appearing to Joseph in Matt 1: 18-25

BUILDING FUND DONATIONS
Envelopes for the Ground Level Hall and Church
Renovations can be found in your Parish support envelopes This project is for current and future generations of St. Mary's parishioners. Please be generous.
THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE DONATED TO OUR BUILDING FUND

Prayers for those in need are so very important; so if you would like someone added to the list please contact the parish office. Always be sure you have permission to add someone's name.

Please remember in your prayers

Please pray for the following and all who are ill in our parish:

Valerie Stanczyk, Henry Gagas, Sharon Zblewski, Denny Elsenrath, Joe Raschka, Jean Miller, Shirley Pliska, Betty Kowalski, Jerry Lepak, Ruthie & Lenny Pliska, Mike Mrozek, Ken Wierzba, Brigid & Al Pellatt

If anyone is in need of spiritual care at your home or the hospital (e.g. Holy Communion, confession, or Anointing of the Sick) please call the parish to make arrangements. Father Miller is here for your spiritual and sacramental needs. Also, be aware that if you are in the hospital for an extended period of time, and would like a visit, please contact the parish. This is important, hospitals do not make us aware of these situations.

For prayer support through the unpublished **St. Mary's I.C. Parish Prayer Chain** please call *Elsie Mansavage 715-592-4174, or the Parish Office 715-592-4330 or stmary@wi-net.com* **FIRST NAMES ONLY** will be used; members promise to respect your request in confidence.



St. Mary's I.C. Faith Formation Program

Coordinator of Religious Education Jessica Bielen
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St. Mary's Immaculate Conception
Faith Formation

Scan this QR code and join!



JANUARY BIRTHDAYS

12th-Elizabeth Yarbrough
14th-Marie Helminiak
17th-Kevin Zurawski
Anthony Kosobucki
28th-Trevor Kluck

THE NEXT FAMILY MASS WILL BE SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 2nd.



BIG THANK YOU to parishioners for your generous gifts, CCD students for making baby blankets, and for being awesome in donating supplies for the **Hooked on Love project**. Young mothers are grateful for your love shown to them with needed baby items and gift cards we delivered to the First Choice Prenatal Care Program. Thank you for the extra effort to give them a joyful Christmas and a good start to the New Year.



ST. MARY'S I.C. FOOD PANTRY

We will continue to collect non perishable items and monetary donations for local families. Please help us help those in need. Drop off items in the cart in the entrance of the Church.

Please check the expiration date on items you are donating.

Mass stipends for the Wisconsin Province will increase to a maximum of \$20 effective July 1, 2024. If you would like to offer a Mass at St. Mary's I.C. Parish, kindly consider an offering between \$10-20 dollars.

DATES AVAILABLE - WE HAVE SOME DAYS OPEN IN FEBRUARY & MARCH. Please contact the office this week to schedule a Mass. Thank you.

BUY SCRIP After Mass JANURAY 26th

If you need scrip before Scrip Sunday, please call Shelly (715-592-3775)

Thank you for supporting our scrip program.

Inclement Weather Policy: Parish Office and Scheduled Activities.

St. Mary's I.C. and Sacred Heart Parishes follows Stevens Point Public Schools for delays, closures, and cancellations. When Stevens Point Public Schools close and/or cancel evening activities, the Parish Office and Sacred Heart School will close and all activities at the parish are cancelled. Cancellations and closures will also be posted on the website.

If Parish office is closed due to inclement weather, Father will still celebrate daily Mass at scheduled time at Sacred Heart. There will be no Confessions and Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. **PLEASE NOTE: When Mass is scheduled at St. Mary's I.C. Father will still celebrate the Mass, but at Sacred Heart. If you are ever unable to drive safely, please do not risk coming to Mass.**

2025 Calendars....Please take one home today!

Please pick up your **2025 Church Support Envelopes** located on the table in back of Church. If you contribute through **DIRECT WITHDRAWAL** you will still need to pick up your envelopes. Included with the weekly offering envelopes are Special Collections, Holy Days, and Building Fund. Thank you for your support.

January Pro-Life Initiatives, Prayers and Intentions: Though the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision declaring a right to abortion was overturned by the U.S. Supreme Court in 2022, many states' laws are hostile to preborn children. And so our pro-life prayers and efforts are just as important as ever. Learn more and find resources from our U.S. Bishops at respectlife.org.

Human Trafficking Prevention Month

January is Human Trafficking Prevention Month. Learn more about the vast, tragic reality of human trafficking, and what you can do to make a difference, by visiting usccb.org/offices/migration-refugee-services/human-trafficking.

Join Fr. Hennes and the Parishes of St. Stephen and St. Joseph on a Jubilee Year Marian Spirituality Pilgrimage to Italy from October 7 to 18. Tour all four major Basilicas, walk through the Holy Doors, pray with Pope Francis at a Papal Mass in St. Peter's Square, and visit Orvieto, Assisi, Florence, Greccio, and more! For more information, call 715-341-1617 ext. 101 or visit www.PointCatholicFaith.org/pilgrimage.

Liturgical Appointments

SUNDAY, JANUARY 12

LECTOR Tom **USHERS** Travis, Randy M
SERVERS Landon & Leo
MONEY COUNTERS Dave, Lorraine, Tom
MUSICIANS Mary & Jim

SUNDAY, JANUARY 19

LECTOR Kirk **USHERS** Randy I, Anthony
SERVERS Samantha, Spencer
MONEY COUNTERS Jeremy, Lisa, Kirk
MUSICIANS Jacquie & Carolyn

Pregnant and in distress? Confidential help is available from First Choice Pregnancy, Stevens Point, 800-712-help or ww.firstchoiceprc.org or diolc.org/pregnancy-resources.



Sacred Heart Church
7375 CHURCH ST. IN POLONIA



PONCZKA & PEANUT SQUARE SALE
January 18th & 19th
Saturday 2:00-6:00pm
Sunday before & after Mass
Prune or Jelly \$13 per dozen
Plain \$12 per dozen
Peanut Squares \$5 per pkg
Sorry No Pre-Orders

St. Adalbert Catholic School
3315 St. Adalbert Rd Rosholt WI 54473

Breakfast Event

JANUARY 26

Serving 8:30am to 11:30am

Adults \$12.00
Children Ages 6-12 \$6.00
Children 5 and Under Free

All you can eat!
Meats: Made From Scratch Potatoes and Regular Pancakes
Served with Bacon, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Meat, Ham Breads, Desserts, Orange Juice, Milk, and Coffee

Plenty of Parking Available
Handicap Accessible
Mass at 10:30am

Cash and Prize Raffle Drawing at 11:30
Need not be present to win

Selling Ponczkas
Sorry, no early sales

All Proceeds Benefit St. Adalbert Catholic School
Additional Questions Please Call 715-374-9216

Knights of Columbus of Polonia
At
Sacred Heart Church – Polonia
7375 Church Street · Custer, Wisconsin

Prime Rib or Gulf Shrimp Dinner

February 1st, 2025 • 5:00 pm
Sacred Heart Church



\$25 per person
Children under 10 eat free
(Hot dogs with french fries)



Tickets available at Sacred Heart Church, Sylvia's in Polonia, Polonia Cafe, and People Meat Market

Only 1,000 Tickets Available

Your choice of Slow Roasted Prime Rib or Jumbo Deep Fried Gulf Shrimp. Plus homemade Chicken Dumpling Soup and a fabulous Salad Bar with Dessert Bar, Milk and Coffee included. Beer, Wine Coolers and Soda will be available for purchase.

THERE WILL BE IN HOUSE RAFFLES ALL NIGHT
Knights of Columbus
Gun Raffle
50/50
Basket Raffle
Plus much more!
Come Join the Fun!!