

# The Holy Family







# Christmas Flower Memorials

St. Mary Parish

2024

A special collection for Christmas Flower Memorials was had recently. Those who submitted memorials are listed here in no particular order. Thank you to all who contributed to the Flower Memorial Fund.

Name of Contributor	Memorial(s) to:
Donald Knowles	Roy & Anna Rose Knowles; Aunts & Uncles
Jim & Bev Schrickel	Mr. & Mrs. William Dirlam; Mr. & Mrs. Edwin Schrickel; Sharon Meyer; Ralph Dirlam; Joel Meyer; Denise & Joy Gillmor
Rick Salazar	Ramon & Francisca Salazar; Lupe & Robert Salazar; Rick Salazar & Family
Bob Martin	Bob & Peg Martin
Anonymous	Bob & Rita Steinbauer; Terry Steinbauer
Beverly Frate	The Frate Family
Mr. & Mrs. James Rohrbach	Margaret Selvey; Helen Coffman; James Rohrbach; Peggy Sue Deel
Mr. & Mrs. Paul Oakleaf	Our Parents
Ms. Holly Hofelich	
Mr. & Mrs. Donald Ball	Ball Family & Steinberger Family
Mrs. Mary Alice Nieset	Tim Keegan; Gerald Nieset; Jerry Keegan
Melinda Kromer	Albert & Carol Kromer & Family
Mrs. Patrick Baker	Patrick Baker; Pauline & Harold Baker; Florence & William Wagner, Sr.; Tom & Linda Dickman
Mr. & Mrs. Richard Ulman	Richard F. Ulman; Frank & Magdelan Fultz; Harold & Ruthann Ulman; Carole Fultz
Mr. & Mrs. Michael Beier	Don & Marian Beier
Mr. & Mrs. Matthew Hofelich	Jack & Shirley Hofelich; Patrick Hofelich; Fred & Carmen Brown; Martha Jennings



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## Memorial(s) to:

Mr. & Mrs. John S. Hemby

Robin Leigh; Jack Hainline; Shirley Gerstenberger; Cy & Stella House; Lavell & Bertha Hemby

Emily & Kim Smathers

Walter C. Smathers; Deceased Members of Emerson/Smathers Families

Mr. & Mrs. James Edwards

Pat & Evelyn Dalton; Jack & Beverly Dalton; Mary Dalton

Mr. & Mrs. Keith Michaels

Family

Miss Jovita Rodriguez

Enrique & Martina Rodriguez; Joe & Israel Rodriguez; Larry Cunningham; Grandparents

Mr. & Mrs. John Nobles

Doyle Wise, Sr.; Doyle Wise, Jr.; Ruth Nobles; Walt Nobles

Mrs. Mary Jo Vincent

Albert & Elaine Vincent; Lynn & John Vincent; Margaret Pestner; Sharon Meyer

Mr. & Mrs. Allen Kauble

Anna & Paul Thome; Richard & Carolyn Kauble; Tayler Level; Gary Tuckerman

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph Eubanks

Mrs. Barbara Ritchey

Marion & Betty Roth; Lewis & Anna Ritchie; Aaron Prosser; Honor of My Family

Richard Eshleman

Wayne & Delores Eshleman; Betty Eshleman; Jim & Ginny Burkin; Bill Durst

Mr. Ron House

Jeannine House

Mr. & Mrs. Donald Kerlin

Mr. & Mrs. Ted Garvin; Mr. & Mrs. Willard Kerlin; Dustin Kerlin

Mr. & Mrs. Tom Hasselbach

Mr. & Mrs. Victor Rich

Mom & Dad Rich; Mom & Dad Winnes

Mr. & Mrs. Lee Dymond

Jerry & Kitty Nieset; Lee & Ellen Dymond

Mr. & Mrs. Steve Gabel

Mr. & Mrs. Kenneth Gabel; Marlene Gabel; George Hauck; Mr. & Mrs. Jesus Mendez; Sylvia Mendez



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Name of Contributor	Memorial(s) to:
Mr. & Mrs. Ken Hoffman	Joe Hoffman; Herb & Rita Hoffman Family; Charles & Susie Riehl Family
Mrs. Richard Kuns	Richard Kuns; Kuns Family; Snyder Family
Mr. & Mrs. John Wise	Family
Mr. & Mrs. Daniel McBroom	Hollis McBroom; Janet Birkholz; Marty Birkholz; Tom Amanat
Mr. Paul Kerlin	Inez Kerlin; Willard Kerlin
Mr. & Mrs. Larry Meyer	Joel Meyer; Martha Meyer; Leo & Kate Meyer
Deacon & Mrs. Jose Zamora	Cosme & Candelaria Zamora; Jerry & Susie Zamora; Rudy & Jeff Samora; Deacon Jack Pendergast
Mr. & Mrs. William Nieset	Jerry & Kitty Nieset; Lou & Ruth Rosenberger; Barb Nieset; Jacob Andrews
Mrs. Judith Rowe	Ronald Rowe
The Golembiowski Family	Vince, Bob, Tammy
Ruthann Thomson	Jim Thomson; Greg Thomson; Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence Thomson
Larry & Eileen Hay	For Deceased Members of Our Family
Matt & Jenny Flewelling	Dale & Rita Flewelling; Robert & Margaret Tyler
Betty Shaw	Deceased Family Member
Gary A. Smith	Bernita K. Smith; Larry O. Smith
Knehr Family	In Memory of Lawrence Knehr
Mrs. Betty Rath	In Memory of Deceased Nieset & Rath Families
Mr. & Mrs. Jerry Snyder	Family



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Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Drown

Donald Fox; Faye Walters; Theresa Keegan; Dale & Donna Drown; Charles & Viola Wuertz

Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Dirlam

Mr. & Mrs. Douglas Grahl

Joseph A. Mogus, Sr.; Jerry Miller; Charles McDonald; Jean & Irvin Grahl

Mr. & Mrs. Ronald Rogish

Mrs. Ann Leiter

Mary Lou; Margaret Humburg

Terry & Joan Beebe

Ed & Marian Schrickel

## Scripture Readings

<b>30—Monday</b>	1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10; Lk 2:36-40
<b>31—Tuesday</b>	1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13; Jn 1:1-18
<b>1—Wednesday</b>	Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary, the Mother of God Num 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5,6,8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
<b>2—Thursday</b>	Memorial of Saints Basil the Great and Gregory Nazianzen, Bishops and Doctors of the Church 1 Jn 2:22-28; Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4; Jn 1:19-28
<b>3—Friday</b>	1 Jn 2:29-3:6; Ps 98:1, 3cd-4, 5-6; Jn 1:29-34
<b>4—Saturday</b>	Memorial of Saint Elizabeth Ann Seton, Religious 1 Jn 3:7-10; Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9; Jn 1:35-42
<b>5—Sunday</b>	The Epiphany of the Lord Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12

## Mass Intentions

<b>4—Saturday</b>	† Parishioners
<b>4:30 pm</b>	† Parishioners
<b>5—Sunday</b>	† Parishioners
<b>9:00 am</b>	† Parishioners

**\*\* Late Submission for December 29<sup>th</sup> Mass**

† **Lawrence Knehr**

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**JANUARY 4 / JANUARY 5**

### ALTAR SERVERS

<i>Saturday</i>	4:30 pm	<b>Deborah Kuns</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>
<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 am	<b>Cole Dymond</b>	<b>Ace Dymond</b>

### USHERS

<i>Saturday</i>	4:30 pm	<b>Lori Mange</b>	<b>Mike Mange</b>
<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 am	<b>Paul Kerlin</b>	<b>Volunteer</b>

### LECTORS

<i>Saturday</i>	4:30 pm	<b>Gene Cook</b>
<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 am	<b>Joni Wasserman</b>

### EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS

<i>Saturday</i>	4:30 pm	<b>Rita Hoffman</b>	<b>Lori Mange</b>
<i>Sunday</i>	9:00 am	<b>Mary Kay Oakleaf</b>	<b>Anita Eubanks</b>

### MONEY COUNTERS

<b>Week 1</b>	<b>RaeAnn Nobles</b>	<b>Mindy Stokes</b>
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## Parish Week at a Glance:

**Week of: December 29, 2024**

<b>30</b>	<b>MON</b>			
<b>31</b>	<b>TUE</b>	<b>NO Bingo</b>		
<b>1</b>	<b>WED</b>	<b>MASS</b>	9:00 am	Church
<b>2</b>	<b>THU</b>	<b>Adoration</b>	<b>6:30 pm</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>3</b>	<b>FRI</b>	Rosary	4:00 pm	Church
<b>4</b>	<b>SAT</b>	Confessions	3:45 pm	Church
		Rosary	4:00 pm	Church
		Mass	4:30 pm	Church
<b>5</b>	<b>SUN</b>	Rosary	8:30 am	Church
		Mass	9:00 am	Church
		PSR	9:45 am	Parish Hall
		OCIA	12:45 pm	Various

## Sacrificial Giving for FY 24-25

**12/15/24**

Offertory Collection:	\$3,104
Offertory needed/week:	\$3,600
Over <Under>:	<\$496>
Over <Under> FY 24-25:	\$5,808.67

## St. Mary Bingo

**12/10/24**

<b># Players:</b>	78
<b>Proceeds</b>	\$1,648

Dear St. Mary Parishioners:

During the Christmas Season each year, Anna and I are reminded how blessed we are to work with and for this outstanding Parish here at St. Mary Church. Bill, Cheri, and Mary are dedicated, hardworking, caring and committed to serving you the parishioners of St. Mary. I would like to extend my sincere thanks to all who have made my job easier and joyful.

As we celebrate Christmas, we are obviously celebrating our Lord Jesus Christ birth. Among the many blessings Jesus gave us are Joy, Hope, Peace, and Love. Ask yourself what brings you Peace? Not just the transient type of peace found, like a quiet beautiful sunset, but rather a deep abiding sense of Peace which undergirds your life experience. For me, that deep abiding Peace is real and can be known and this year I have found it more than ever, I Hope. It is my heart felt desires that everyone come to know and experience it. So, I have decided to jot down a few verses which have helped me and I pray you, that has led me and Hoping to continue to experience that awesome Peace in my own life.

John 14:27 Jesus says: "Peace, I leave you, My Peace I give to you. Not as the world gives do I give it to you Do not let your hearts be troubled or afraid.

Isaiah 26:3 With firm purpose you maintain peace; in peace, because of our trust.

Isaiah 41:10 Do not fear; I am with you; do not be anxious, I am your God. I will strengthen you. I will help you. I will uphold you with my victorious right hand.

Philippians 4:6-7 "Do not be anxious about anything, but in everything by prayer and pleading with thanksgiving let your requests be made known to God. And the peace of God, which surpasses all comprehension, will guard your hearts and your minds in Christ Jesus."

Anna and I sincerely pray that you and your family will have an amazing Peaceful Christmas Season that will follow you into 2025 Jubilee year — the Jubilee of Hope.

**Merry Christmas**

Deacon José

*"For God so loved the world, that He gave His only Son, so that everyone who believes in Him might not perish but have eternal life."* (John 3:16)

Bingo Kitchen Schedule			
Bingo Kitchen: <b>Week 1—January 7<sup>th</sup></b>			
Bingo Kitchen Workers		Bingo Bakers	
Karen McBroom	Marianne Stallard	Martha Darr	Jenny Flewelling
Laura Smathers	Ron Rogish	Karen McBroom	Jenny Meyer
<b>VACANCY</b>		Carole Wise	

Bingo Floor Schedule	
Bingo Kitchen: <b>Week 1—January 7<sup>th</sup></b>	
Bingo Floor Workers	
Erin Miller	Gail Payne
Deborah Kuns	<b>VACANCY</b>

# St. Mary Catholic Parish News

## SAVE THE DATE:

### "LUNCH 'n LISTEN"

The next "Lunch 'n Listen" is on the books! Call (419)

547-9687 to sign up for the **FREE**

**LUNCH 'n LISTEN** on

**Thursday, January 16<sup>th</sup>**

**at 12:00 pm**

**Speaker: Shannon Stull**

## BINGO KITCHEN HELP WANTED!!

The Bingo Kitchen is still in need of a few volunteers to help with weekly Bingo. Volunteers are scheduled once a month - weeks 1, 3 and 4 each have a slot open in the kitchen; bakers are needed for weeks 1 and 2. If interested in helping out, please contact the Parish Office at **(419) 547-9687** or speak to **Laura Smathers**. Kitchen work is generally about 2 hours; bakers can bring in a baked good on Mondays or Tuesdays during normal working hours (9-3). Can you spare a little time to help out?

## Liturgical Calendar

23—Optional Memorial of St. John of Kanty\*

24—Vigil of Christmas (Christmas Eve)

Jubilee Year begins: Pilgrims of Hope

Simbang Gabi ends

Las Posadas ends

25—Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)  
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Hanukkah begins (at sundown)

26—Feast of St. Stephen

Kwanzaa begins

Las Parrandas ends

Boxing Day (Canada)

27—Feast of St. John

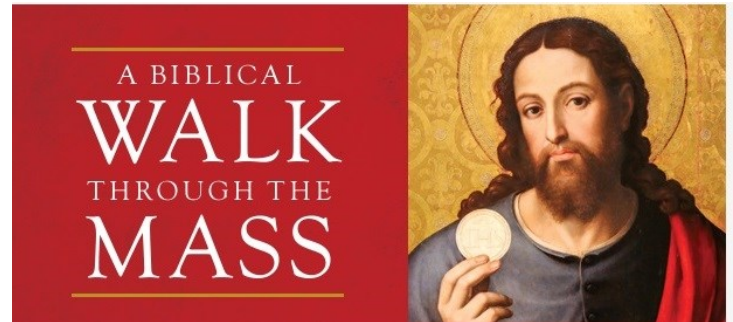
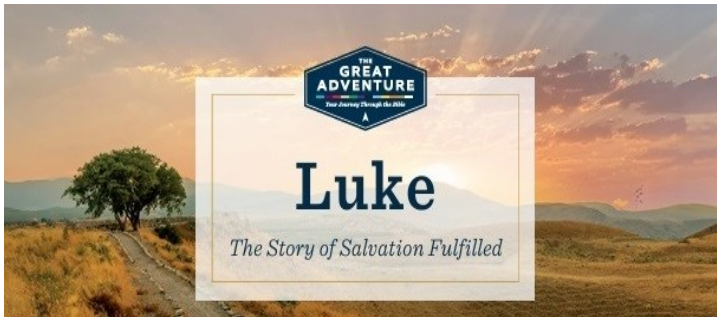
28—Feast of the Holy Innocents

## THANK YOUs IN ABUNDANCE!

The staff of St. Mary Parish extend many thanks to the members of the Parish for their kindness not only during the Holiday Season, but every day! Thanks also goes to the Knights of Columbus for their assistance with several events—the last one being the Breakfast with St. Nicholas. They donated \$10 gift cards to every student of PSR that was handed out in gift bags (along with other goodies). Speaking of the Breakfast with St. Nicholas, thanks also goes to the ladies of the Altar Rosary Society—they purchased and donated books for each student in PSR. Additionally, thanks go out to Toft's Dairy in Sandusky for their donation of milk cartons for the breakfast—they've been doing this for several years! In closing, the staff: Deacon Jose, Anna, Mary, Cheri, and Bill extend thanks to each and every one of the members of St. Mary Parish. We all do our best to provide the best service we can! Merry, Merry Christmas and have a Blessed and Peaceful New Year! We'll be back in the office on Monday, January 6<sup>th</sup>, eager and ready to serve!



## This Winter's Bible Study Series:



The Gospel of Luke takes you on a journey that begins with the foretelling of John the Baptist's birth and culminates in the Ascension of Jesus. Along the way, you will witness key moments in salvation history, including the Annunciation; the Nativity; Jesus' baptism; his public ministry; the Last Supper; and Jesus' suffering, death, and glorious Resurrection. The Gospel's powerful prose and beautiful details will deepen your desire to draw closer to Jesus and be transformed by his teachings.

The Gospel of Luke continually reveals how Jesus is the fulfillment of Old Testament prophecies. With *Luke: The Story of Salvation Fulfilled*, you will experience a new joy as you see how God has been faithful throughout the ages and how God's promise can guide you in your everyday lives.

### Discover the Beauty, the Riches, and the Profound Meaning of the Mass

Everything we say and do in the Liturgy is steeped in biblical language. *A Biblical Walk Through the Mass* explores the extraordinary biblical roots of the Liturgy and reveals what it all means and why it all matters.

This fascinating tour of the Mass will renew your faith and deepen your love for and devotion to the Holy Eucharist.



"We need to recommit ourselves to the central act of our faith with passion and joy. This marvelously written aid will help us join ourselves to the Lord as he offers himself to the Father in the Sacrifice of the Mass."

—Most Reverend Charles J. Chaput, OFM Cap.,  
Archbishop Emeritus of Philadelphia

Please complete & return the following to sign up for either/or both of the Bible Studies!

☐ Luke **Wednesdays at 6:30 pm begins 1/15/25**    ☐ The Mass **Tuesdays at 9:00 am begins 1/21/25**

**CORRECTED DATES & TIMES!**

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

eMail: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Please call Anna at (419) 547-9687