



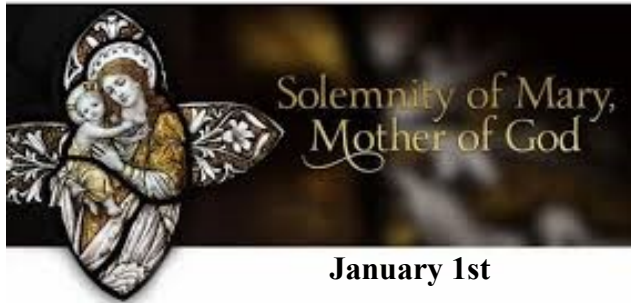
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The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

December 29, 2019



January 1st

The feast is a celebration of Mary's motherhood of Jesus. We celebrate her as the Mother of God, because, in bearing Christ, she bore the fullness of the Godhead within her.

As we begin another year, we draw inspiration from the selfless love of the Theotokos, who never hesitated to do the will of God. On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation.

Through the Holy Spirit, God the Father prepared Mary to be the dwelling place where His Son and His Spirit could dwell among men.

Christ's birth was made possible by Mary's fiat, or sanctioning of God's plan with her words, "Be it done to me according to thy word". Calling Mary "Mother of

God" is the highest honor we can give to her. Just as Christmas honors Jesus as the "Prince of Peace", the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God honors Mary as the "Queen of Peace". New Year's Day is also designated as the "World Day of Peace", further acknowledging the role of Mary in our hearts and in our world.

In fact, the Church regards the Solemnity of Mary, the Mother of God, as so important that it is a [Holy Day of Obligation](#). On this day, we are reminded of the role that the Blessed Virgin played in the plan of our salvation. Christ's Birth was made possible by Mary's fiat: "Be it done unto me according to Thy word."

And we trust in her prayers to God for us, that we might, as the years pass, become more like her.

O Mary, Mother of God, pray for us!

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Holy Family Church



PARISH NEWS

Holy Day of Obligation

The Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God is January 1st and is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are as follows:

December 31st

5:30pm at Marysville

January 1st

12:00pm at Marysville

6:00pm at Beattie

Thank You

I would like to say a big Thank You to everyone who showered me with cards and gifts this Christmas season. I feel very loved, appreciated and am very thankful for the kindness of our parishioners. ~Father Nathan

Church Directory Pictures

Schedule your pictures today! Church directory pictures will be taken on Jan. 14th-18th and 21st-25th. We have 3 ways available for you to schedule your picture session.

1. Visit our Parish website at stgregorychurch.org and click on the Lifetouch link.
2. Sign-up after Mass in the gathering space.
3. Call the Parish Office at 562-3302.

Check your calendars and schedule your session as soon as possible to get your desired date and time.

If you schedule your session any other way than in person, please stop by the Parish Office or the table after Mass to pick up a picture packet. There are coupons, special offers, pricing guide and helpful information included in the packet.

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS**Tuesday, Dec. 31**

5:30pm

+Dale Foley

Wednesday, Jan. 1

12:00pm

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God

6:00pm

+Charles Ring

*Mass at Beattie***Thursday, Jan. 2**

12:05pm

+Pia Staab

Friday, Jan. 3

8:15am

+Jim Schramm

+Jim and Irene Joyce

Saturday, Jan. 4

5:30pm

+Carol Slupianek

+Juanita Hogan

Sunday, Jan. 5

7:00am

+Buena Ellenbecker

+Duff Libby

10:30am

+St. Gregory and St. Malachy

Parishioners

CALENDAR OF EVENTS**Sunday, Dec. 29***No Bible Study*

7:00am

Knights of Columbus Corporate
Communion Breakfast, Parish Hall**Wednesday, Jan. 1***Parish Office Closed**No Bible Study**No CCD — No RCIA***Thursday, Jan. 2**

7:00pm

Knights of Columbus Meeting

Friday, Jan. 3*No Adoration***Saturday, Jan. 4**

4:30-5:15pm

Confessions

Sunday, Jan. 5

8:30am

Bible Study, Parish Hall

WEEKLY OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Envelope & Plate for December 22nd \$10,735.71

ACH for December 26th \$ 2,890.00

(\$11,254 Expected average collection needed each week)

—Please remember the church in your will or trust—

BUILDING PROJECT UPDATE*(Due to the holiday, numbers will be updated next week.)*

Loan Balance (as of 12/05/19).....\$819,534.81

Estimated Outstanding Expenses.....\$278,408.05

Total Parish Liability.....\$1,097,942.86

Total Contributions to Date\$7,354,771.82

*Donations (since 12/12/19)\$40,280.00**(\$9,100 needed each month for loan payment)***BAPTISMAL CELEBRATION**

Welcome

Brett Wade Sandstrom,son of Scott and Justine Sandstrom,
who was baptized Friday, Dec. 27th
at St. Gregory's by Bishop Tim Olmsted.~~~~~
Welcome**Tycen Francis Wright,**son of Landon and Erin Wright,
who was baptized Saturday, Dec. 28th
at St. Gregory's.**FREE THROW CONTEST**

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Contest

January 12, 2020**1:00 pm**

St. Gregory's School Gym

Open to all boys and girls ages 9-14 years old.

Entry forms can be picked up in the school office.

ARCHDIOCESE NEWS

Behold, I make all things new! The start of a new year brings with it the opportunity to begin anew in all aspects of our lives, including our relationships with God, our family and our friends. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** is the perfect way to renew your love and commitment to each other. Grounded in the love of Jesus Christ, the weekend will provide you the tools and time necessary to grow deeper love so that you can live more intimately and responsibly as a couple of God. The next weekend in the Kansas City area will be February 28-March 1, 2020. For more information, or to apply for a weekend, visit www.wwme4youandme.org or call/email Tony and Barb Zimmerman at 816-741-4066, tonybarbz@prodigy.net

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ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL

We are very blessed at St. Gregory Catholic School! Everything we do is only possible because of the generous giving of so many. We are so very thankful for ALL who support our school. As 2019 comes to a close, we are conducting a year-end giving campaign. St. Gregory students handed out donation envelopes at the end of each Mass. We ask that you please prayerfully consider a year-end donation to the school and place your donation in this envelope. If you did not receive an envelope, they can be picked up in the back of church. Envelopes can be dropped off at the School/Parish office at your convenience. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gregory Catholic School!!

May God Bless!

Karen Farrell, Principal

CELEBRATE

BIRTHDAYS

- Dec. 30** Jack Whitesell, Kevin Miller, Max Kramer, Ryan Smith, Sandi Wilson, Raymond Marquardt
- Dec. 31** Zach Haeefe
- Jan. 2** Brycen Detimore, Mick Keating, Kenny Lee, Jordan Sedlacek
- Jan. 4** Wyatt Horn, Jennifer Fisher
- Jan. 5** Heather Knabe, Sharon Glore, Tanner Gustin, Pam McCormack

ANNIVERSARIES

- Jan. 2** Francis and Linda Schmitz
Lawrence and Margaret Stoehr

NEW YEAR PRAYER

Bless this year with love and light, Bless this year with faith and sight. Bless this year with grace and ease, Bless this year with joy and peace. Amen

CHARITABLE GIVING

The IRA Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allows you to give to a qualified charity and you may take a tax exemption on your taxes for that amount. You need to be the age of 70½ or older to be eligible to do this. The deadline for the QCD gift is December 31st. Contact your financial advisor to complete the donation.

SOUL

We are in the early stages of planning for the 2nd Annual **Supporting Our Legacy: Dinner and Auction** set for February 22, 2020. As the committee prepares for this event, we would like to invite our school and parish community to think about ways that you can use your time, talent, and treasure to create and/or donate items for the auction portion of the evening. All donations are welcome and can be dropped off at the school at any time. There is no gift too big or too small. Please e-mail the SOUL committee at soul@stgregorychurch.org or call 562-2831 to share your ideas, ask questions, and/or to make a donation. Thank you!

KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS



Please pray for Linda Mitchell, Rick Ham, Mallory LeSage, Lori Stohs, Liz Arth, Evelyn Anderson, Mike Watters, Doug Ryan, Betty Melcher, Steven Appel, Tony Evans, Karen Palazzola, Shane Molton, Teresa Reiling, Bruce Leonard, Doug Wende, Breckyn File, Melody Germann, Brittany Pappada, Mary Landoll, Scotty Hudson, Fr. Jim Shaughnessy, Dolores Wassenberg, Jim Nordhus, Don Cudney, Tori Dettke, Margaret Schotte, Kristi Meyer, Scott Throm, Joel Rivera, Janet Holle, Bill Mullins, Parker Price, Jolene Fisher, Jessie Sawin, Christen Hatzenbuehler, Janet Kirkland, Torey Butler, Mary Feldhausen, Boston Bieler, Hubert Faulkner, Hudson Gartner, Rosie Brinker, Raymond Throm, Debra Nietfeld Lambert, Mary Ann Lehman, Keith & Teresa Peeks, James & Jessa Sublette, Annette Pacha Smith, Bill Brinker, Joan Wacek, Rick Weigel, Barry Baber, Jordan Mackey, Wayne Price, Angie Miller, Bill Schwindamann, Scott Frerking, Wayne Kruse, Dorothy Peschel, Andy Kwapnioski, Larry Wissmann, Jane Frangel Williamson, Grace Koelzer, Libby Muchow, Jennifer McKeen, Leah Wassenberg, Walt & Charlotte Zimmerling, Tom Nolte, Margaret Stoehr, Francis Kloecker, Sandy Schmitz, Martha Meier, Marty Clark, Emily Larson, Debbie Jueneman, Jim Davis and Bernard Bussmann.

To make changes to the prayer chain, call Margaret Huffman at 785-713-9653 or the Parish Office.

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Baptisms: See website for information
Weddings: Contact Father Nathan

If someone is in need of the Eucharist taken to them, please call the Parish Office.



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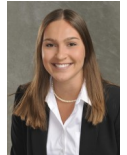
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