

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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Office Hours: Monday-Thursday 9:00am-3:00pm | Friday Office Closed

600 N Liberty Street | Independence, MO 64050

Mass Times

Monday: 12 noon (OF)

Tuesday: 12 noon (OF)

Wednesday: 12 noon (EF)

Thursday: 6:00 pm (EF)

Friday: 12 noon (EF)

Saturday: 5:00 pm (OF)

Sunday:

8:00 am (OF)

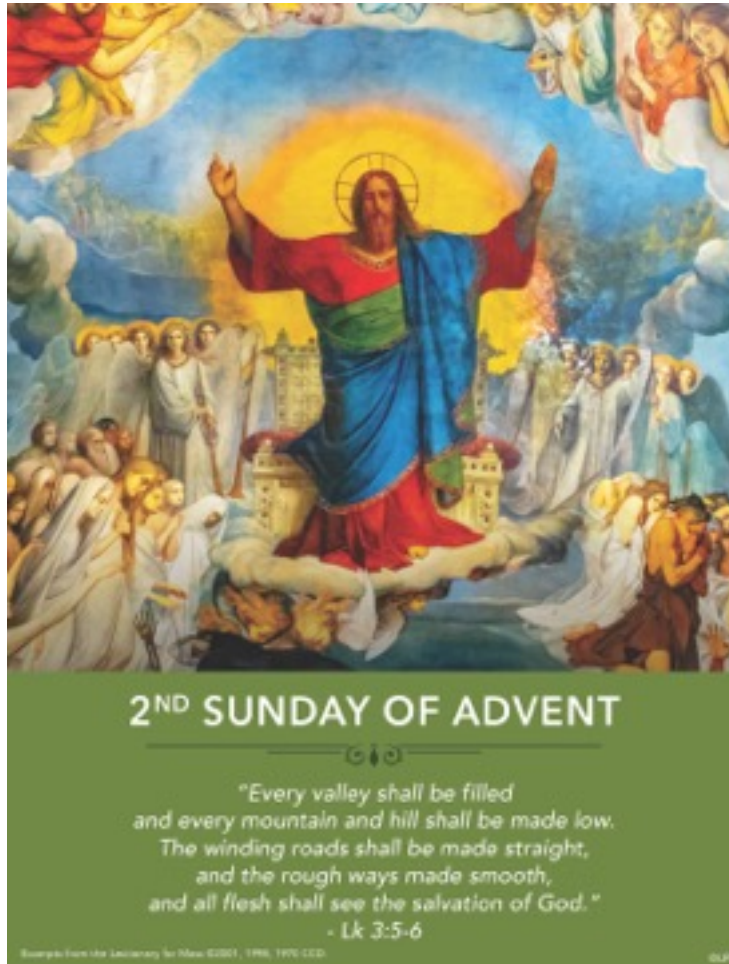
11:00 am (OF)

5:00 pm (EF)

OF - Ordinary Form

EF - Extraordinary Form

Confessions are 30 minutes
before every Mass



Outreach Agency

Food and Prescription
Medication Assistance

HOURS:

Wednesday &
Thursday 9:00am -
3:00pm

(816) 252-8649
(By appointment
only)

*Donations of food
may be brought to the
Ministry Center
Monday - Thursday
by 12:00 noon

December 5, 2021: 2nd Sunday of Advent
2nd Sunday of Advent (Traditional)

Advent II

Readings, text of the antiphons, and responsorial psalm: pg 17-19

Mass setting: Mass XVII (Kyrie B)

Entrance Hymn: Thou Long Expected Jesus #2

Entrance Antiphon: People of Sion...

Offertory Hymn: On Jordan's Bank #7

Communion Antiphon: Jerusalem arise...

Communion Hymn: Jesus My Lord My God My All #130

Marian Antiphon: Alma redemptoris mater #5

Recessional Hymn: Wake Awake For Night Is Flying #11

PARISH CALENDAR

Saturday December 4

First Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2,
3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—

10:1, 5a, 6-8

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Hannah
O'Donnell+)

Sunday December 5

Second Sunday of Advent

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6
[3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

7:30am - Confessions

8:00am - Mass - (Don Williams+)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Joyce
Klenklen)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Parishioners)

Monday December 6

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10,
11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk

5:17-26

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Msgr. William
Blacet+)

Tuesday December 7

St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church

Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac,
11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/Mt

18:12-14

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (Holy Souls in
Purgatory)

Wednesday December 8

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary - Holy Day of Obligation

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab,
3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk

1:26-38

11:30am - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (OF) - (Steven
Swarm)

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) -
(Parishioners)

Thursday December 9

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9,
10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15

5:30pm - Confessions

6:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Fr.
Bartulica & Priests of Diocese)

Friday December 10

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6
[cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19

11:30pm - Confessions

12:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Living &
Deceased Relatives, Friends, &
Benefactors of Sr. Teresita)

Saturday December 11

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b,
15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (Joseph
Magalski+)

Next Sunday December 12

Third Sunday of Advent

Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/
Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

7:30am - Confessions

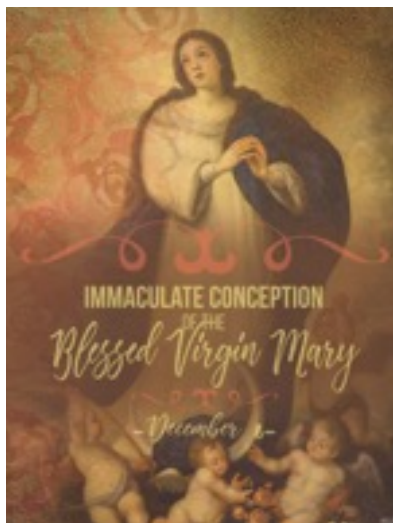
8:00am - Mass - (Poor Souls in
Purgatory)

10:30am - Confessions

11:00am - Mass - (Parishioners)

4:30pm - Confessions

5:00pm - Mass - (EF) - (Joyce
Klenklen)



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The Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph is committed to combatting sexual abuse in the Church. If you are a victim of sexual abuse, or if you *observe or suspect* sexual abuse:

1. Call the Missouri Child Abuse Hotline at 1.800.392.3738 (if the victim is currently under the age of 18), and
2. Contact your local law enforcement agency or call 911, and
3. After reporting to these civil and law enforcement authorities, report suspected *sexual abuse of a minor or vulnerable adult* to the Diocesan Ombudsman, Joe Crayon, 816.812.2500, or crayon@ombudsmankcsj.org if the abuse involves a priest, deacon, employee or volunteer of the Diocese of Kansas City-St. Joseph. The Diocese has a sincere commitment to providing care and healing resources to victims of sexual abuse and their families. Please contact Whitney True-Francis, Victim Assistance Coordinator, at 816.392.0011 or true.francis@diocesekcsj.org for more information

PLEASE REMEMBER THESE PARISHIONERS and FRIENDS IN YOUR PRAYERS:

David Barrett, Jeffrey Derk, Mike Higbee, Joan Ishmael, Bill Janner, Teresa Janacaro, Frances Janacaro, Donald Kemps, Jeffrey Klenklen, Joyce Klenklen, Sharel Mawby, Harold Mitchell, Annie Moran, Ke Hun Ngo, Eric Palmer, Eric Parvin, Michelle Rohaus, Lucas Uresti, Frank Velasquez, Peggy Vincent

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY MEN & WOMEN:

RCT. Victor Rangel - (Son of Phil & Julie Rangel)
SFC. Christopher Kinnaman - Wainwright, Fairbanks AL. (Grandson of Betty Kinnaman)
Fr. CPT. Brian Klingele - Kreech AFB & Nellis AFB, Nevada, (Nephew of Ken & Karen Klingele)
ICSN Josiah Smith - (Grandson of Mary Smith) & *IC3 Christina Smith* - Virginia (wife of Josiah)
Airman Tommy Romano - Ariano, Italy (Nephew of Sr. Teresita)

FEATURED CD OF THE MONTH

Waiting for the Lord-Patience and Penance in Advent: Advent is a time for patience and awaiting the coming of the Lord. While waiting may be difficult to do, Dr. Prothro explains that it is the best way to prepare and what God truly wants from us during this time. Patience is the penance that we need in order to fully prepare for God and this holy season. This exciting new talk explores different ways that we can prepare our hearts for the coming of the Lord this Advent season.

Please visit our CD kiosk at the front of the church. We have many great topics on CD about the Catholic faith. We ask for a nominal donation of \$3 for each CD.

Next PSR dates for the month are December 5 and December 19 from 9-10:30 in the ministry center!

"WONDER" ALBUM RELEASE CONCERT

All are welcome to an evening of Advent and Christmas music as Angelina and Eric celebrate the release of their first album, "Wonder."

The concert will be *Sunday, December 5th* at 7:00 p.m. at Trinity Presbyterian Church (1400 W Sheley Rd., Independence).

The album will be performed in its entirety along with other selections and songs for congregational singing.

A very limited number of physical albums will be available for purchase. The digital version of the album (.MP3 Files) is also available for any donation amount.

A free-will collection will be taken up to offset concert costs.

Please invite your friends and family!

St. Mary's Gift Shop

NEW FOR ADVENT

Let us help you make this Advent special. We have numerous small books with daily prayers, inspirational thoughts, wisdom from saints, etc., to start each day of Advent.

To help the children get in the right spirit for the season. We also have –

Advent and Christmas activity books

Coloring books

Christmas story books

New selection of saint's books

CHRISTMAS GIFTS

We have added 4 new religious theme "1000 Piece Designer Jigsaw Puzzles, (27"x39"). For Christmas and many winter days after –

The Last Supper

Adoration of the Magi

Wedding Feast at Cana

Miraculous Draught of Fishes

St Mary's souvenir Coffee Mugs are back in stock.



Gospel Reflection by Dr. Scott Hahn

Today's Psalm paints a dreamlike scene—a road filled with liberated captives heading home to Zion (Jerusalem), mouths filled with laughter, tongues rejoicing.

It's a glorious picture from Israel's past, a "new exodus," the deliverance from exile in Babylon. It's being recalled in a moment of obvious uncertainty and anxiety. But the psalmist isn't waxing nostalgic.

Remembering "the Lord has done great things" in the past, he is making an act of faith and hope—that God will come to Israel in its present need, that He'll do even greater things in the future.

This is what the Advent readings are all about: We recall God's saving deeds—in the history of Israel and in the coming of Jesus. Our remembrance is meant to stir our faith, to fill us with confidence that, as today's Epistle puts it, "the one who began a good work in [us] will continue to complete it" until He comes again in glory.

Each of us, the Liturgy teaches, is like Israel in her exile—led into captivity by our sinfulness, in need of restoration and conversion by the Word of the Holy One (see [Baruch 5:5](#)). The lessons of salvation history should teach us that, as God again and again delivered Israel, in His mercy He will free us from our attachments to sin if we turn to Him in repentance.

That's the message of John, introduced in today's Gospel as the last of the great prophets (compare [Jeremiah 1:1–4, 11](#)). But John is greater than the prophets (see [Luke 7:27](#)). He's preparing the way not only for a new redemption of Israel but for the salvation of "all flesh" (see also [Acts 28:28](#)). John quotes Isaiah (40:3) to tell us he's come to build a road home for us, a way out of the wilderness of sin and alienation from God. It's a road we'll follow Jesus down, a journey we'll make, as today's First Reading puts it, "rejoicing that [we're] remembered by God."



Weekly Contribution Income <i>November 21 & 28</i>	Annual Contribution Income
Envelopes: \$ 4908.00	November Actual: \$ 25,895.70
Plate: \$ 1099.00	November Budget: \$ 22,596.15
Online: \$ 2320.00	
Total Contributions: \$ 8327.00	Year-to-Date Actual: \$ 106,478.45
	Year-to-Date Budget: \$ 99,423.06

(Fiscal Year is July 1 through June 30)

Please note: There will be a second collection the weekend of December 12 for the Retirement Fund for Religious



St. Mary's Outreach Center Mercy Tree Project

Don't forget to check the gift envelopes for gifts for our adopted families available in baskets at the "Mercy Tree" in the Adoration Chapel.

Please purchase the items, wrap them, place the gift envelope designating the item enclosed on the outside of the package and include any gift receipts. Please use plenty of tape securing the gift envelope to the outside of the package.

The gift(s) you purchase should be brought to one of the weekend Masses and placed under the "Mercy Tree" located in the Adoration Chapel. They may also be returned to the Outreach in the Ministry Center Wednesdays or Thursdays between the hours of 9:00am to 3:00pm. Gifts should be returned no later than **Sunday, December 12, 2021**. Please be sure to hang the ornament included in the gift envelope on the tree.

Thanks for your support.

Don't carry cash or checks? Contact Father to set up tithing through automatic direct deposit, or sign up for one-time or recurring donations on our website at the [Online Giving](#) tab at the top of the page.



Altar & Rosary

All ladies of the parish are invited to a Christmas brunch on **Saturday, December 11th**, 10:30am-12:00pm, in Fitzgerald Hall. Please join us for food, fun and fellowship! In the event of inclement weather, this event may be cancelled. Questions.....contact Cathy Anderson @ 816-718-6547.

Nut Sale

Nuts will be for sale after all masses **Saturday, December 11th and Sunday, December 12th**. Payable by cash/check. Stock up for your holiday baking needs!

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

Holy Day of Obligation

**MASS WILL BE CELEBRATED ON
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 8, AT
12NOON (OF) AND 6PM (EF)**

A Gift to St. Mary's Church for Christmas
Please consider a gift to the parish for Christmas this year. Use the purple envelopes in the baskets for your monetary gift and place them in the collection baskets at Mass. Your generosity to your parish is appreciated and keeps on giving to the whole community. If you have any questions, call the Ministry Center at 252-0121