



December 25, 2016 The Nativity of the Lord



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Office Hours

St. Mary - Monday & Wednesday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm St. Theresa - Tuesday & Thursday 9:00 am to 4:30 pm

Bulletin deadline is Wednesday at noon.

Parish Councils

St. Theresa Parish Council

Todd Ray, Chair	270-496-4407
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Reception of Sacraments

(Parish Registration is required for Sacraments of Initiation and Marriage)

Sacraments of Initiation—Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation: Please contact Shannan Millay, D.R.E. at parish office: 270-496-4333, cell: 812-972-3650 or e-mail: shannanmillay@gmail.com

Sacrament of Marriage: (1 Year in Advance) Contact Shannan Millay, D.R.E. at parish office: 270-496-4333, cell: 812-972-3650 or e-mail: shannanmillay@gmail.com

Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick: Contact Fr. George at 270-496-4343 or e-mail: gillikkal@gmail.com

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Before the weekend Masses: Saturday at St. Theresa from 5:15 to 5:45 pm and on Sunday at St. Mary from 7:45 to 8:15 am and at St. Theresa following the 10:30 am Mass, upon request.

Responsorial Psalm: "All the ends of the earth have seen the power of God."

Ministers for January 1 at St. Mary

Lectors

Sun 8:30 am Lorraine Yokie & Margaret McCoy

Eucharistic Ministers

Sun 8:30 am Leon Pike, Patsy Ray,

Tom Benock, Mary Hesler

Altar Servers

Sun 8:30 am Waylon Fackler & volunteer

Gift Bearers

Sun 8:30 am Children's Church

Fatima Statue



December 25 - Crystal Blehar January 1 - Rose Clark

5th Friday Bingo December 30 at 7:00 p.m.

Juanita Hall Workers: There are no Manager: scheduled workers for the 5th Friday Bingo. If you can help, please contact Juanita Hall or the 5th Friday Bingo will be cancelled.

Please Note: Bingo workers are very much needed. Please call the parish office or talk to Juanita Hall if you can help at bingo one Friday evening a month.



Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday, 6:00 pm at St. Theresa (July through December) 6:00 pm at St. Mary (January through June)

Sunday, 8:30 am at St. Mary Sunday, 10:30 am at St. Theresa

Ministers for Dec. 31/Jan. 1 at St. Theresa

Lectors

Sat 6:00 pm Pat Barr

Chris Brown & Shirley Beavin Sun 10:30 am

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat **6:00 pm** Barbara Ballard & volunteer

Sun 10:30 am David & Velana Barr

Homebound Minister

Sun 10:30 am David Barr

Altar Servers

Sat 6:00 pm volunteers

Sun 10:30 am Ethan Ray & Haley Knott

Gift Bearers

Sat 6:00 pm volunteers

Sun 10:30 am Children's Church

Fatima Statue



Dec. 25 - Louis & Joyce Manning Jan 1 - Louis & Joyce Manning

St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi Church Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday 8:30 am Doris Ryan +

Wednesday 8:30 am Verna Mae Clarkson +

Sunday 8:30 am Anthony, Debbie & Matt Pike +

St. Theresa Church Mass Intentions for the Week

8:30 am Jim & Geraldine Barr + Tuesday

Thursday 8:30 am Rav Family +

Saturday 6:00 pm St. Theresa & St. Mary Parishioners

Sunday 10:30 am Bennie Hartley +

Stewardship of Treasure

St. Mary Weekly goal	2,700.00
December 18 collection	2,154.50
OVER/ <u>UNDER</u> minimum weekly goal	545.50
Feast of the Immaculate Conception	10.00
Fund for Retired Religious	10.00
Christmas/Catholic Charities	20.00
Christmas Gifts to Parish	1,510.00
St. Theresa Weekly Goal	2,500.00
December 18 Collection	1,773.00
OVER/ <u>UNDER</u> minimum weekly goal	727.00
Fund for Retired Religious	45.00
Christmas Gifts to Parish	225.00

Thank you for your stewardship sacrifice... it IS appreciated!

What's Happening this Week

Monday, December 26

9am-1pm & 5-9 pm Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary

Friday, December 30 7:00 pm St. Mary Bingo

Saturday, December 31

7:00 am Men's Prayer Group at St. Mary

Please note: The Parish Office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday for the Christmas holiday.

Also note: Kathy will be on vacation this week. Please contact Shannan Millay if you have business with the office.

Catholic Charities Collection



Today's second collection supports the local services of Catholic Charities in the Archdiocese of Louisville. Your generosity helps to fund many FOR vital social ministries, including the Sister Visitor GIVING Center, the mother and infant care program,

family support services, prison ministry, parish social ministry, senior social services, and other programs. Please be generous!

Thank You



A special thanks to all who helped decorate A big Thank You to all of the teachers, the churches so beautifully for Christmas. A volunteers, youth and children that helped with special thanks also to our musicians, cantors, or participated in the St. Mary/St. Theresa servers and anyone else who gave of self to pictures,

the new year.

Note of Thanks



The Chosen Youth Group would like to extend a big Thank You to the parishioners of St. Theresa and St. Mary's for their generous

Very Much! donations. Over the last several months we have been collecting items and money to support several service projects. We are happy to say we have been able to do the following with the support we received:

- *40 Care Packages for our Troops
- *30 Care Packages for abused women through PEACC
- *Adoption of 2 Teenage Angels through Meade Co. **Angel Ministry**
- *Adoption of 1 family for Christmas Dinner through Kroger
- *The gift of a Daily Devotion Book to each of our Homebound parishioners

Thank you to all who have supported our youth and have a Merry Christmas!

Offering Envelopes

The 2017 Offering envelopes are available in the vestibule/ Gathering Space of our churches Please pick up your packet if you have not already done so. If you did not receive a packet of envelopes and would like some, please contact the parish office.

Catholic Services Appeal



Thanks to those who have already responded with a gift to the 2016 Catholic Services Appeal. Both of our Bringing Christ to Others parishes have reached the financial

goal set by the Archdiocese. THANK YOU!! With your help, we would like to meet the participation goal also. There is still plenty of time to respond with a gift. Gifts to the 2016 Catholic Services Appeal can be made through our parish office, or you can make a gift online at www.ArchLou.org/CSA. Make checks payable to the Catholic Services Appeal.

As of December 16, 2016 the Archdiocese has received if you would be interested in presenting our parishes. from our parishes:

St. Mary - \$16,385 of our \$11,300 goal (145%) Participation goal (102%) 51 of 50 families

St. Theresa - \$11,605 of our \$9,100 goal (128%) Participation goal (90%) 36 of 40 families

Religious Ed. Christmas Program



and choir members for sharing your talents Christmas play. We had a bigger crowd this year and things and to the lectors, Eucharistic Ministers, Altar went a bit smoother. Looking forward to next year. If you have please Susan email McCov make the Christmas liturgies so special for all to enjoy. prodigalmccoy@yahoo.com. Some video clips & pictures May God bless you and your families now and throughout taken that night have been posted to our websites if you would like to check them out. Merry Christmas and, again, THANK YOU!!!

Women's Prayer Group

The Women's Prayer Group has decided to take a winter break from the Tuesday evening meetings and will resume the first Tuesday of Lent.

Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will have a Blood Drive on Tuesday, January 3, 2017 from 3:00 to 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Parish Hall. Give the perfect gift. Give blood. One pint of blood can help save up to 3 lives. Please donate!

Helpers of God's Precious Infants Mass

On Saturday, January 14, you are invited to join with Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, celebrant, for the Helpers of God's Precious Infants Mass at the Cathedral of the Assumption, 433 S. 5th Street, Louisville.

- -7:00 a.m. Holy Sacrifice of the Mass
- -8:15 a.m. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament
- -Rosary procession to the local abortion facility
- -9:00 a.m. Return to the Cathedral for Benediction

Pro-Life Memorial Mass

You are invited to the annual Pro-Life Memorial Mass with Archbishop Joseph Kurtz, celebrant, at 3:00 p.m. on Sunday, January 22 at St. Martin of Tours, 639 South Shelby Street, Louisville. More than 150 parishes. schools and organizations come together annually to witness to the sanctity of human life. The Knights of Columbus sponsor this Mass, and is hoping to expand the number of parishes that participate. The Pro-Life Mass is dedicated to the protection of the unborn and to lift our hearts to the Lord to help change the hearts of our country from a culture of death to a culture that celebrates life and defends all lives from conception to natural death. Parishes are encouraged to have a representative that will be given a "Rose for Life" during the liturgy. Please call the parish office at 270-496-4333



Chosen Youth Group News

Kathy Barentine—Dolores Edmondson meadechosenyouthgroup@gmail.com

Youth Meeting: Next Youth Meeting will be Sunday, January 8th, at noon in the Youth Center.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25

Isaiah 52:7-10 Hebrews 1:1-6 John 1:1-18



READINGS FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 1

Numbers 6:22-27 Galatians 4:4-7 Luke 2:16-21

Internet Site for Liturgy Readings:

www.nccbuscc.org/nab



Prayer Intention for the Week

For peace and good will; for reconciliation and forgiveness; and for an end to terrorism

The Nativity of the Lord



of grace, because while the law was given through Moses, grace and truth came through Jesus Christ."

Only through the fullness of Jesus do we receive grace and truth. We are unable to earn such gifts on our own. Do we truly recognize and appreciate the gifts that come only from a loving God, or do we sometimes think we are the source of our own blessings? Good stewards of God's blessings recognize the source and understand those gifts are meant to be shared with others.

A Parish Prayer by Fr. Knott as printed in The Record

Lord, God we ask you to bless our parish. Help us to know you in a deeper way. Help us to sincerely live in imitation of Jesus, your Son, with the power of your Spirit in our hearts.

Bless all the families in our parish, especially families that experience difficulties; bless all the children & young people in our parish; bless the old, the lonely & the sick, at home & in the hospital. Bless those who grieve, those who despair of life & all who suffer pain & hurt.

Bring the grace of healing, peace, and hope to all hearts through the intercession of St. Theresa and St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi, to whom our parishes are dedicated. May your love be upon us as we place all our trust in you.

We ask your blessing on our parish community that we may become a place of hospitality, love, welcome, and support for all. We make this prayer to you in the name of Jesus the Lord.

Amen.

HOSPITAL AND HOMEBOUND MINISTRY PARISH DISPATCHERS

St. Mary: Lois Fackler 270-422-2884

St. Theresa: Brenda Redman 270-496-4329



If you know someone who is ill, been admitted to the hospital, in need of a home visit or food, you are asked to notify our dispatcher. Likewise, volunteers are needed to visit those in the hospital, make home visits, send cards or prepare or deliver food. Please contact the dispatcher listed above or call the parish office, if you would like to help. This ministry is not simply for our parishioners but also for all in our community.



Please remember those in the hospital, the homebound and those in need of our prayers!

Special Prayer Request for.....

Gary Knott, David E. Fackler, JoAnn Webb, Amanda Robinson, Gene Swink, Lamar Padgett, Diane Ramsey, Beverly Cole, Johnny Vessels, Audrey Jamok, Elijah McMahan, Jerry Moore, Joe Redmon, Francis & Martha Mattingly

Note: Prayers cards are available in the back of church with a complete list of the sick and homebound in need of prayers. Please contact Kathy at the parish office to have names put on or taken off of the prayer list.

Kroger Community Rewards

"From his fullness we have all received, grace in place Do you shop at Kroger? St. Mary and St. Theresa are both participating in the Kroger Community Rewards program. It doesn't cost you anything and by simply scanning your REGISTERED Kroger Plus card when you shop, our churches receive quarterly donations based on what you spend. If you have not already done so, please register your Kroger Plus Card online at www.krogercommunityrewards.com and click on sign in/register and then click on SIGN UP TODAY & follow prompts. If you need help in enrolling or re-enrolling or if you would like to enroll in the program but do not use a computer, please call 1-800-576-4377, Option #3, for assistance.

St. Mary Magdalen of Pazzi NPO number is 58216 St. Theresa NPO number is 91536

Thanks to the families that are participating in this program. From your purchases made at Kroger between September 1st through November 30th our churches received the following from the Kroger Community Rewards program:

St. Mary received \$218.81 (15 families participating)

St. Theresa received \$117.85 (15 families participating)

Thanks for your support and participation! Sign up now if you have not already done so!

Wishing you love, peace and happiness this Christmas and in the New Year!

