

**Masses, Confessions and Devotions**

(Saint of the day in parenthesis is for the Extraordinary Form)

**Saturday, December 24th—Advent Weekday (Vigil of the Nativity of Our Lord)**

8:15 am Mass—**Int. In Thanksgiving for the Prayers of Family, Friends and Holy Rosary Parishioners by Christina Lukas**  
 3:00 pm Confession; 3:15 Kolende  
 4:00 pm (OF) Vigil for the Nativity of Our Lord—**Int. Francis Forton Dezelski by Al & Karen Laskey**

**Sunday, December 25th—THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD**

11:30 pm Carols  
 12:00 am Midnight Mass—**Int. For Brad Nursey**  
 8:00 am (OF) Mass—**Int. For All Parishioners**  
 11:00 am (OF) Mass (with Latin parts)—**Int. Virginia Commins by Al & Marie Zywicki**

**Monday, December 26th—ST. STEPHEN (both)**

\*Parish Office is Closed\*  
 7:00 am Mass—**Int. Isaiah Belanger by Chris & Becky Belanger**

**Tuesday, December 27th—ST. JOHN THE APOSTLE (both)**

8:15 am (OF) Mass—**Int. The Holy Souls in Purgatory by Brad Nursey**  
 12:00 pm Exposition & Adoration for Vocations

**Wednesday, December 28th—THE HOLY INNOCENTS (both)**

8:15 am (OF) Mass—**Int. Selma Schettek Family Living & Deceased by Susan Sotak**

**Thursday, December 29th—The 5th Day in the Octave of The Nativity of Our Lord (both)**

\*At St. Rita\*  
 8:15 am (OF) Mass—**Int. Gianna Belanger by the Clint Couturier Family**

**Friday, December 30th—THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH (The 6th Day in the Octave of Christmas)**

6:35 am Exposition, 7:35 am Rosary; 7:55—8:10 Confession  
 8:15 am (OF) Mass—**Int. Richard (Dick) Courtade by Carol Jones and the Rosary Prayer Group**  
 9:00—3:00 pm Exposition/Adoration  
 3:00 pm Benediction; 3:15 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy

**Saturday, December 31st—THE 7TH DAY WITHIN THE OCTAVE OF THE NATIVITY OF OUR LORD (both)**

6:35 am Exposition; 7:35 am Rosary; 7:55—8:10 am Confession  
 8:15 am Mass—**Int. St. Monica Sodality**  
 3:00 pm Confession; 3:30 pm Rosary  
 4:00 pm (OF) Vigil Mass of the Feast of Mary, Mother of God—**Int. Edward Garvin by Thomas and Carlene Jeroma**

**Sunday, January 1st—FEAST OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD (Octave Day of Christmas)**

6:15 am Exposition; 7:40 am Rosary; 7:35—7:45 Confession  
 8:00 am (OF) Mass—**Int. Cecelia Smith by Janet Blake**  
 11:30 am Mass—**Int. For All Parishioners**

**For The Coming Week:**

**4:00 pm Saturday, December 31st  
 Vigil of the Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

Cantors: Peter Freundl, Caleb Hughes  
 Lector: Patti Keim  
 Servers: Alex Eckler, Leif Mohrman, Curtis Bunek, David Witkowski  
 Ushers: Kent Zimmerman, Ron April, Felix Rice, Bryan Brzezinski  
 Extraordinary Ministers: Mike & Deb Bunek, Jim & Cindy Cessario

**8:00 am Sunday, January 1st  
 The Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

Cantor: Mary Becker  
 Lector: Carol Jones  
 Servers: Austin, Tristan & Cameron Tarsa, Xavier McKillip, Gabe Maday, Victor Kranz  
 Ushers: Jason Maday, Fred Peplinski, Frank Brzezinski, Steve Peplinski

**11:30 am Sunday, January 1st  
 The Feast of Mary, Mother of God**

Servers: Isaiah, Joshua, Levi & Elijah Belanger, Anthony Evich, Danny & John Freundl, Jacob, Sam & Isaiah Grant  
 Ushers: Jeremy Steck, Ed Worthington

**Rosary Society Leads the First Sunday Holy Rosary January 1st:** Mary, Mother of God; the month of the Holy Name. "Far be it that anyone should try to defraud Mary of her privileges of divine grace and of her special glory. For by a certain singular favor of our Lord and God, and of her Son, she must be confessed to be the most true and most blessed Mother of God." — St. Vincent of Lerins. January's First Sunday Rosary will be the Sorrowful Mysteries led by Band Leader Kathryn Mousseau and Band Members Cory Schaub, Teresa Altman and Elisha Robinson.

**Holy Rosary Books & Gifts**

Beautiful 2012 Calendars with both the EF and OF mass feast days are now available! Hours are this Saturday from 9-12pm; we will not be open after the weekend's masses due to Christmas. God bless, and thank you for your support.

**Classes**—No classes will be held the weekends of December 25th or January 1st at Holy Rosary. **The Parish Office will also be closed** on Monday, December 26th.

**Rosary Society Social**

The Rosary Society warmly welcomes all Band Leaders, Band Members, and all the women of the Parish who are contemplating membership, to our annual gathering. We will be meeting on Tuesday, January 10th at 6:00 pm for hors d'oeuvres, coffee, punch, and a social hour. This is time set aside for the entire Society to come together to share experiences with each other, to welcome the newly elected Officers, and to offer a warm thank you to the Officers leaving their positions. If you are thinking of joining, please come and meet our members and learn more about the Society.

**Looking Ahead...**

**Monday, January 2-6:** Parish Retreat—details in bulletin insert  
**Monday, January 9:** Michigan Blood Cedar Hilltoppers 3-7 pm  
**Tuesday, January 10:** Rosary Society at 6:00 pm

**Capital Campaign Update**

Merry Christmas Holy Rosary! By the Grace of God, we are pleased to announce that \$323,000 of \$458,000 has been pledged to the Capital Campaign to fund the Building Restoration Project. **We have \$135,000 more to raise.** If you haven't made a pledge, please do today, and remember, donations are collected over a three-year period. For more information, check our website at [hoyrosarycedar.org/shiningforth](http://hoyrosarycedar.org/shiningforth) or call the office at 231-228-5429.



**Your Delicious Recipes Are Needed!**

Recipes for everything from Paczki to Fried Chicken are needed, especially any traditional recipes from our Polish heritage, and any gluten-free recipes that you have tucked away for when Father stops by! The bulletin insert this week has a recipe form you can fill out and drop in the basket in the Guadalupe Room; please remember the deadline is January 31st. This is our chance to **shine forth** in our cooking talents to the community! To have your questions answered, please call Joan Garvin at 228-6557 or Caroline Bardenhagen at 271-3369.

**Christmas Trees and Flowers**

Just a reminder **not to water the Christmas Trees or flowers** without first checking with Dosie Kermode or the Parish Office.

**Epiphany Water Blessing**

January 6th after the morning Mass at 9:00 am. Please have water ready; large necked bottles work best to put in the salt. Chalk may be brought for blessing, too. Please bring into the back of the church.

**Celebration of Vocations at the Diocese**

Join us as we celebrate Vocations in the Diocese of Gaylord on Saturday, January 7 at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord. Coinciding with the Feast of Epiphany, this year's event will begin with Mass celebrated at 5:00 by Bishop Hebda and followed by a "12<sup>th</sup> Night"-themed buffet dinner. Fr. Francis Partridge will be the keynote speaker. Another highlight of the evening will be the presentation of the Vocations Recognition Awards. Special entertainment and time to meet and greet our seminarians is also being planned. Everyone is invited. There is no cost to attend, but a freewill offering to offset the cost of the meal will be accepted. Space is limited so advance reservations are required. Leave a message for Susan Roundy at the Diocese at 989.732.5147 or send your reservation via e-mail to [sroundy@dioceseofgaylord.org](mailto:sroundy@dioceseofgaylord.org) no later than January 4

**Potluck-Liturgy-Documents of Vatican II**

Second & Fourth Sundays of the Month: Potluck 12:45 pm, Documents on the Liturgy at 1:00 pm, Adult Catechism at 2:15 pm, all concluding at 3:15 pm. **The next Class is Sunday, January 8, 2012**

**December 10th & 11th**

Envelopes...(86).....	\$4758.00
Loose .....	\$384.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$5142.00</b>
Tridentine...(21).....	\$675.00
Loose.....	\$126.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$801.00</b>

**December 17th & 18th**

Envelopes...(97).....	\$4155.00
Loose .....	\$295.92
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$4450.92</b>
Tridentine...(18).....	\$550.00
Loose.....	\$356.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b>\$906.00</b>

**Please note: PLEASE USE YOUR ENVELOPES WITH THE CURRENT YEAR, AND FOR ALL GIVING TO ENSURE PROPER CREDIT.**

If you forget your envelope, please be sure to write your envelope number on the visitor envelope or on your check to receive proper credit.

**MERRY CHRISTMAS!**

THE GREAT MASS OF CHRIST'S BIRTH IS HERE! The New Ark of the Covenant, Mary, has arrived in the City of David. And the first thing we do to celebrate His birth is offer Him back to the Father in the great celebration of the Holy Sacrifice. The mysteries start to unfold-The Feast of St Stephen is the 26<sup>th</sup>-first martyr, that of John the Evangelist is the 27<sup>th</sup>, that of the Holy Innocents murdered by King Herod the 28<sup>th</sup>. The Mother of God in all her splendor the next Sunday, January 1<sup>st</sup>-Perpetual Virgin and yet Mother. The Manifestations of Messiah role forth as well-to the Shepherds on Christmas morning the Wise Men at Epiphany, then Christ's Baptism, and finally on February 2<sup>nd</sup>, His mission of bringing light to the Whole World at Candlemas. Make sure to enter into these mysteries through coming to our **parish retreat January 2<sup>nd</sup> to the 6<sup>th</sup>** (see bulletin insert) with talks each day during the week, including some for the youth, as well as a **retreat for girls** (contact JoAnne Freundl 946 3863) that week. With 2 priests, a postulant and a sister, it will be a great week.

**Christmas is just beginning. Keep your tree up till the 9<sup>th</sup> of January and celebrate the season in full.** Many thanks to all who helped so much with everything throughout Advent, and to all those that have supported us financially so far with the pledges in the capital campaign-may God Reward You.

Blessings throughout and beyond the 12 days to come...

Fr. Libby

**Parish Secretary Opening**

St. Mary Parish - Lake Leelanau is accepting applications for the position of parish secretary. This is a full time year round position. Applicant must be a practicing Catholic and possess excellent verbal & written communication skills. Must be computer literate, proficient with Microsoft Office and familiar with database management programs. Please send letter of interest and resume by December 22, 2011 to Fr. Michael Janowski, St. Mary Parish, PO Box 340, Lake Leelanau, MI 49653 or to [lschaub@stmarysll.org](mailto:lschaub@stmarysll.org).



**"I bring you Good News of Great Joy -  
Christmas, the Angels and Our Mission"**

**Monday:**

6:00pm Talk for the youth "My Life is in God's Hands" Fr. Ludwig (Church Basement)  
6:00pm Adoration/Confessions Fr. Matthew (Main Church)  
6:40pm Benediction  
7:00pm Mass (Ordinary form)  
7:45pm Talk for everyone "Mary the Mother of the Word" Fr. Matthew (Main Church)

**Tuesday:**

Mass at 8:15am  
9:00 am Talk for youth Fr. Ludwig "God's Call Meditations from Holy Scripture" (Main Church)  
6:00pm Adoration/Confession  
6:40pm Benediction  
7:00pm Mass (Ordinary Form)  
7:45pm Talk for everyone "Forgiveness" Fr. Ludwig (Main Church)

**Wednesday:**

8:15am Mass  
6:00pm Adoration  
6:40pm Benediction  
7:00pm Mass (Ordinary Form)  
7:45pm Talk for everyone "Angel Communication" Fr. Matthew (Main Church)

**Thursday:**

7:00pm Mass Ordinary form (at Holy Rosary this week)  
7:45pm Talk for everyone "The Holy Cross and Our Life" Fr. Ludwig (Main Church)  
8:45pm (After talk) Adoration /Confession

**Friday:**

8:15am Mass Ordinary Form  
9:00am Three King's Epiphany Holy Water Blessing  
9:15am Talk for youth (title TBA) Fr. Ludwig (Main Church)

"Free will donations appreciated"