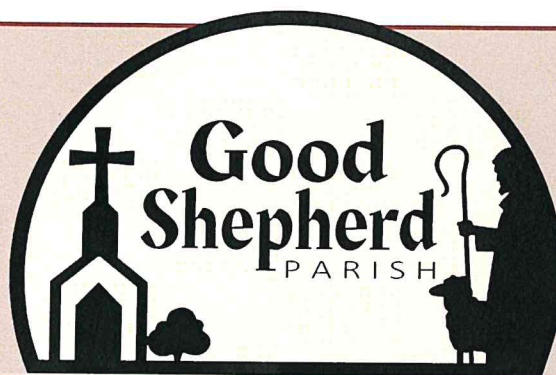


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MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY (1st & 3rd of the month)

3:30 p.m. Meadow Lane, Bad Axe

WEDNESDAY

11:30 a.m. Parish Center Chapel

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m. St. Columbkille

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m. St. John
Adoration following Mass

SATURDAY

4:00 p.m. St. John

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m. St. Joseph
10:30 a.m. St. Columbkille

RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY

11:00 a.m. – 11:20 a.m. Father's Office

THURSDAY

After 7:00 p.m. Mass St. Columbkille

FRIDAY

After 9:00 a.m. Mass St. John

SATURDAY

3:30 p.m. (Ask Fr. at door) St. John

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who have recourse to you"*



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December 24 and 25, 2023

Fourth Sunday of Advent Nativity of the Lord



**All Daily Masses cancelled 12/26/23-
1/3/24**

Christmas Eve Masses

Sunday, December 24th 4pm St John
Sunday, December 24th 6pm St Columbkille
Sunday, December 24th 8pm St Joseph

Christmas Day Mass

Monday, December 25th 9:30am St Ignatius

Mass Readings for the Week

Dec 25 Mon: THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD S. Holy Day of Obligation.

Vigil: Is 62: 1-5/ Ps 89: 4-5. 16-17. 27. 29 (2a)/ Acts 13: 16-17. 22-25/ Mt 1: 1-25. During the Night: Is 9: 1-6/ Ps 96: 1-2. 2-3. 11-12. 13/ Ti 2: 11-14/ Lk 2: 1-14. Dawn: Is 62: 11-12/ Ps 97: 1. 6. 11-12/ Ti 3: 4-7/ Lk 2: 15-20. Day: Is 52: 7-10/ Ps 98: 1. 2-3. 3-4. 5-6 (3c)/ Heb 1: 1-6/ Jn 1: 1-18

Dec 26 Tue: Stephen, protomartyr F

Acts 6: 8-10; 7: 54-59/ Ps 31: 3cd-4. 6 and 8ab. 16bc and 17/ Mt 10: 17-22

Dec 27 Wed: John, ap, ev F

1 Jn 1: 1-4/ Ps 97: 1-2. 5-6. 11-12/ Jn 20: 1a and 2-8

Dec 28 Thu: Holy Innocents, mts F

1 Jn 1: 5 -- 2: 2/ Ps 124: 2-3. 4-5. 7b-8/ Mt 2: 13-18

Dec 29 Fri: Christmas Weekday/ Thomas Becket, bp, mt

1 Jn 2: 3-11/ Ps 96: 1-2a. 2b-3. 5b-6/ Lk 2: 22-35

Dec 30 Sat: Christmas Weekday

1 Jn 2: 12-17/ Ps 96: 7-8a. 8b-9. 10/ Lk 2: 36-40

Dec 31 SUN: HOLY FAMILY F

Gn 15: 1-6; 21: 1-3 or Sir 3: 2-6. 12-14/ Ps 105: 1-2. 3-4. 5-6. 8-9 (7a. 8a)/ Heb 11: 8. 11-12. 17-19 or Col 3: 12-21/ Lk 2: 22-40

In This Sunday's Readings

"Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you!"

Luke 1:28

Mary's life is the ultimate in hearing God's call and living it out – relying on God to provide for her needs. Certainly, living God's will for her was not always easy or carefree for Mary. She accepted the obstacles and uncertainties of her life and was obedient to her role in God's plan.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Let Us Give Thanks!

Total Weekend Sacrificial Giving –\$5684.00

Includes Loose of \$387.00

650 Parish Families – Envelopes Used 120

Mass Intentions for December 23 & 24, 2023

Saturday, St. John: +Marshall Briolat Sr.

Sunday, St. Columbkille: +Neil and Florence Sweeney and deceased members of their family

Mass Intentions for Christmas Eve and Christmas Day

Christmas Eve, St. John: +Collette Grekowicz

Christmas Eve, St. Joseph: +Shirley Kroetsch

Christmas Eve, St. Columbkille: +Kathy Cregeur

Christmas Day, St. Ignatius: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Mass Intentions for December 30 & 31, 2023

Saturday, St. John: +Theresa Glaza

Sunday, St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners

Sunday, St. Columbkille: Priestly and Religious Vocations

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Counters of Sacrificial Offerings:

December 27: Carol Beaudin, Ann Ypma, Barb Roggenbuck

January 2: Carol Beaudin, Charlotte Baker, Kathy Beaver

January 8: Diana Briolat, Luci Kubacki, Rose Maikrzek

Christmas Eve Masses

4:00pm Sunday, December 24th - St John

Lector: Jeanne Gusa

EMHC: Cathy Stacer

Altar Server: Utah Gusa

Sacristan: Dave Eilers

Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Bob Brahmer, John Guigar

6:00pm Sunday, December 24th - St Columbkille

Lector: Katie Sweeney

EMHC: Dawn Stewart, Jerry Sweeney, Kevin Romzek, Jacie Tyrrell, Michelle Banky

Altar Server: Luke Roth, Brynneleigh Bambach

Greeters: Bambach Family

Gift Bearers: Klee Family

Ushers: Dan Cregeur, Myah Peruski, Camden Peruski

8:00pm Sunday, December 24th - St Joesph

Lector: Lori Uhl

EMHC: Denise Kubacki

Altar Server: Shirley Catalano

Greeter: Joann Izydorek

Sacristan: Denise Kubacki

Ushers: Bruce Uhl, Kerry Grifka

Christmas Day Mass

9:30 am Sunday, December 24th - St Ignatius

Lector: Justin Faber
EMHC: Rick Vogel
Altar Server: Volunteer
Greeter: Rod Walsh
Sacristan: Rod and Marilyn Walsh
Ushers: Volunteers

4:00pm Saturday, December 30th - St John

Lector: Marlene Bukoski
EMHC: Ann Ypma
Altar Server: Paloma Fabian
Sacristan: Luci Kubacki
Ushers: Charlie Briolat, Bob Brahmer, John Guigar

8:30am Sunday, December 31st - St Joseph

Lector: Lynn Talaski
EMHC: Lori Uhl
Altar Server: Paul Guza
Greeter: Bruce Uhl
Sacristan: Bruce and Lori Uhl
Ushers: Bruce Uhl and Kevin Hessling

10:30am Sunday, December 31st - St Columbkille

Lector: Amy Sweeney
EMHC: Jerry and Valerie Fischer, Dana Irion, Kevin Romzek, Jerry Sweeney
Altar Servers: Trent Sweeney, Luke Roth
Greeters: Clare and Maria Roth
Gift Bearers: Keara and AJ Langley
Ushers: Nathan Peruski, Myah Peruski, Camden Peruski

First Friday Adoration

Friday Jan. 5: There will be all day Adoration after the 9am Mass until 4pm. Welcome spend an hour or all day with the Lord in the Blessed Sacrament.

Faith Formation for All Ages

The Faith Formation program of Good Shepherd Parish:
St. John Ubly: Wednesdays 3:15-5pm
St. Columbkille: Wednesdays 6-7:30pm
Youth Group Sundays 5-8pm at the Parish Center

NO CLASSES for Faith Formation and Youth Group until January.

Family Nights: January 3rd dinner at 5:30pm. Program begins at 6.

Next Youth Mass: January 28, 2024- St. Columbkille- 10:30am

Adult Bible Study- contact Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM THE OFFICE TEAM !



Please note that the office will be closed on December 26th.

Christ's Mission Appeal Update

We would like to thank everyone that has already made their pledge to CMA. As of December 21, we have received pledges/donations in the amount of

\$33,803.07.

Thank you for your generosity and thoughtfulness to the CMA.

We are \$26,368.38 away from our goal. Please prayerfully consider giving to this appeal if you have not done so.

Huron County Right to Life

The Huron County Right to Life is sponsoring a pro-life t-shirt design contest for teens. The winning designer will receive \$200 cash. The winning entry will be given out to all attendees of the 2024 Pro-life Teen Rally in March. Entry deadline is January 5, 2024. Please submit your pro-life t-shirt design with slogan to HURONRTL@gmail.com.

Knights of Columbus

Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

All meetings are at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on the Second Wednesday of the month. We are always looking for New Members – call Jeff Maurer @989-553-4224. Our **food pantry** is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is confidential and anonymous – Call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer - Grand Knight - Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850



Disciples wrapping Christmas gifts for the parish, a new book for Eucharistic Revival! Work of Mercy: "To instruct the ignorant"; Youth Group making 120 cards for the homebound and Courtney Manor! Work of Mercy: "I was sick and you visited me" (Mt. 25); Deckerville Area Community Choir Christmas Concert at St. John! Work of Mercy: "To Console the Afflicted"

Dear Saint-in-the-Making, Blessed Advent and MERRY CHRISTMAS!

(This update for both 4th Sunday of Advent and Christmas)

We are so grateful for all the disciples in these photos and for their witness of Christ's ongoing rescue mission through "works of mercy" as Christ's hands, feet... and singing voice! The Deckerville Area Community Choir Concert, "The First Noel", was beautiful. The Lord spoke to us

and touched our hearts through the beautiful music and lyrics. One line that struck me was, "How much greater will we sing, when returns the King to reign!" My great grandfather, E.Y. Harburg, lyricist for the Wizard of Oz, has a saying, "Words make you think a thought. Music makes you feel a feeling. A song makes you feel a thought." We felt the thoughts of God, His thoughts from the Gospel, His love for us, in these songs.

May the Lord continue to use this choir, and director Anthony Morey, powerfully to further His Kingdom. May the Lord reward choir member and parishioner Kevin Kubacki for set up, parishioner Dawn Stewart for set up and clean up of refreshments, all who baked cookies, and everyone involved!

Have you been away from our parish community? We warmly invite you back in 2024!

Christmas poem by Yours Truly:

"The Breakability of God"

Could God be Almighty- yet tiny and poor?
 Creator of planets- forgotten, ignored?
 Invincible Lord- but so impotent, frail?
 The words of the Bible these myst'ries unveil

The tininess of God displayed
 In Bethlehem's babe
 Cute and small (Lk. 2)

The poverty of God portrayed
 In Galilee's tramp
 Shunned by all (Mt. 8:20; Mk. 14:71)

Our God's "dismissability"
 In Nazareth's son
 "without honor" (Mk. 6:4)

The Lord's preferred fragility
 In Calvary's Lamb
 Led to slaughter (Is. 53:7)

God's weakness, smallness, helplessness; His begging vulner'bility

Are seen in ev'ry person full-endowed with all His features (Gen. 1)

What's more: in ev'ry Eucharistic Host: His breakability

Empow'ring us to heal Him hid in all His broken creatures (Mt. 25)

*"To Jesus through Mary",
 Love, Fr. Nate*

Teaching Mass 12/17/23

In stadiums, there are *special sights, sounds, smells*; this is also true in churches

- *Special Smells*: Incense: The Gospel says Mary anointed Jesus to honor him, “and the house was filled with fragrance”
 - When Judas complained saying the oil could've been sold and money given to the poor, Jesus said, let her do this!
 - At special Masses we use incense, burned to honor Jesus
 - In the book of Revelation, it says in heaven, the saints are burning incense before God’s throne, and it says they are the prayers of the holy ones on earth. When we see smoke rising: our prayers rising up to God!
- *Special Colors*: Green, Violet, White or Gold, Red, Rose, and Black
 - Liturgical colors¹ and seasons: Our families celebrate birthdays, anniversaries, and other important dates (Edward Sri)
 - Our Church Family celebrates these also in the Liturgical Year, birthdays and anniversaries of our family in heaven
 - Green: Ordinary Time which includes the season after Epiphany and the season after Pentecost
 - Focus of Ordinary Time: the public ministry of Jesus (Edward Sri)
 - Violet: Lent & Advent
 - Focus of Lent & Advent: penance and repentance
 - White or Gold: Christmas; Easter; Feasts of the Lord other than Feasts of His passion; Feasts of Mary, the angels, and saints who were not martyrs; All Saints Day; Wedding Masses; Masses for the dead
 - Red: Feasts of the Lord's passion, of His Body and Blood, and of His Cross; Feasts of Apostles and of martyrs; Palm Sunday; Pentecost
 - Rose (optional): Gaudete Sunday (Third Sunday of Advent) and Laetare Sunday (Fourth Sunday of Lent)
 - Black: optional for funerals and memorial Masses
- *Roles*: sports have many roles: coaches, refs, players, etc.
 - Roles at Mass: Priest, Deacon, Server, Cross bearer, Lector, Organist, Cantor, AND the worshiper in the pew is a very important role
 - In sports, you’re called a “spectator”, at Mass, you’re NOT a spectator, but a “player”, cooperating with Jesus in saving the world. How?
 - By singing, even if we can’t sing, or at least by being an example to the young people by holding our hymnal and reading along
 - By praying the prayers along with the priest by listening
 - By offering our personal Mass Intention during the Prayer of the Faithful, and during Communion

¹ <http://www.catholic.org/clife/lcolors.php>



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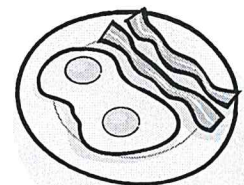
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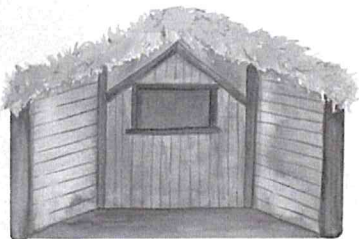


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