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Mass Schedule

Sunday Mass

8:30 AM 10:00 AM 12:00 Noon 2:00 PM (Spanish) 5:00 PM 9:00 PM

Daily Mass

Mon-Thurs5:10 PMTueRosary after MassWedAdoration 6-10 PMFri12:10 PM

Office Hours

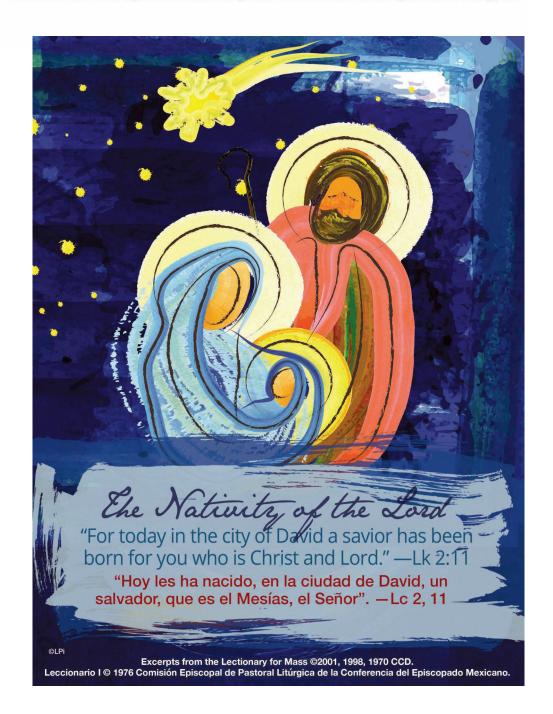
Sun	8:00 AM-9:00 PM
Mon	9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Tue	9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Wed	9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Thurs	9:00 AM-9:00 PM
Fri	9:00 AM-5:00 PM
Sat	12:00 PM-3:00 PM

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Wednesday after the 5:10 PM Mass Sunday at 7:30 PM or by appointment

St. Mary Student Parish

Catholic Campus Ministry at the University of Michigan





The Season of Hope

by Brittany Tobias, Stewardship & Communications Director

Advent is the season of hope. We are hopeful to find the perfect gifts for family and friends, hopeful the children's Christmas pageant will have enough parts, and hopeful our semester grades will meet our lofty expectations.

But Advent hope is different. It looks beyond the present to what is possible in our days ahead. And as Fr. Michael reminded us during his homily last Sunday, "there is nothing more hopeful than the expectant birth of a child."

I've spent the better part of this week reflecting on this quote. But if I'm truly honest with myself, I've been thinking about it for much longer than that. An aunt (really an aunt-in-law as she's related to my husband) told me a few weeks ago that she had already purchased a gift for our baby-to-be. She saw it at a Christmas fair and just had to get it for us. It was truly a kind and generous gesture... if we were expecting a baby.

What can I tell her besides thank you, we're hopeful it will happen for us soon? How can I tell her we've been trying for months and we've already lost one? Does she know it's not as easy as saying "Yes Lord, we're ready?"

But ready or not, a child is coming this Christmas. Emmanuel – God with us.

In a total act of love and mercy, Mary said yes. The Word is made flesh and dwells among us. God the Son is revealed so that He may ransom His people held captive by sin and darkness. The Light of the World has come. The hope of salvation is born. What a thing to rejoice!

The birth of Jesus reminds us that our plan isn't necessarily God's plan. Mary discerned her situation and asked a practical question, "How can this be?" It was her trust in God's goodness and love that enabled her to risk her future even though she did not know what her yes would mean. But she was absolutely sure of one thing: that God loved her and would stand by her no matter what the consequences of her yes might be.

So it is with us. It takes prayer, faith, and trust to answer God's call.

Like Mary, it is our ongoing love-relationship with God that sustains us and supports us in our attempts to answer his daily call. We need to discover God's will in the context of prayer and in the other circumstances of our lives. Our trust in and assurance of God's faithfulness gives us the courage we need to carry out his will for us each day.

During this season of Advent, let us pray to God to deepen our faith and help us bring hope to an often-hopeless world. When we live hope-filled lives, we proclaim that hope with our words and our actions. And we may find that one of the ways God brings hope to the world is through us.

St. Mary Welcomes Richard D'Souza, S.J.



You have likely seen a new face presiding at mass this fall. Fr. Richard D'Souza, S.J. joins us from the staff of the Vatican Observatory for a two-year assignment as a postdoctoral researcher in the University of Michigan department of Astronomy. During his time at the University, he will preside as needed at St. Mary and is living in community at the Jesuit residence.

Fr. D'Souza was born in 1978 in Pune, India.

His initial school years were spent in Kuwait. From 1990, he moved back to his home state of Goa, India and joined a Jesuit school. After completing his schooling, he entered the Society of Jesus in 1996, and finished his two years noviciate in Belgaum, India. This was followed by a year of study of the humanities (Junior ate) in Pune. In 2002, he completed his graduation in Physics at St.Xaviers' college in Mumbai and proceeded for his Masters in Physics to the University of Heidelberg, where he worked at the Max Planck Institute for Astronomy for his thesis work. He returned to Pune in 2005 to complete a Bachelor's degree in Philosophy. In 2007, he founded and ran the St. Paul's Community College in Belgaum to help school dropouts find gainful employment. After finishing his Bachelors in Theology in 2011 in Pune, he returned to Goa and ran a popular theology program for the laity called "Deepen Your Faith". In 2012, he started his doctoral studies in Astronomy at the Max Planck Institute for Astrophysics, in Garching, Munich, graduating in 2016 and joining the staff of the Vatican Observatory.

Please join us in welcoming Fr. D'Souza to Ann Arbor and St. Mary!



Christmas Eve Mass 12/24

3:00 PM Children's Pageant & Mass 5:30 PM Mass 5:30 PM Spanish Mass in Donnelly Hall 7:00 PM Mass 11:30 PM Lessons and Carols 12:00 PM Midnight Mass

Christmas Day Mass 12/25

10:00 AM Mass 12:00 PM Mass 2:00 PM Spanish Mass

Christmas Flowers



We wish to thank those donors who have honored the true spirit of Christmas by remembering or memorializing loved ones with an offering for Christmas flowers. Your gift, made in the spirit of love and

generosity, serves a dual purpose. It helps to defray the cost of decorating the church and of honoring those you love in your heart.

Please see the list below of those loved ones and remember them in your Christmas prayers:

Dr & Mrs Frank Marsik – In memory of Frank M. Marsik

Dr & Mrs George Sugiyama - In memory of Andrew and Orra Papa

Mr & Mrs Lener Pacania - In memory of Lydia Ricketts

Mr. Deveaux Gauger & Ms Cheryl Kessler – In memory of Fred Kessler, Mary Ann Kessler, Budd Gauger, Pearl Kessler, Lucille Thelen, Doug Esler

Mr & Mrs Erik Sheagren – In memory of Ann & Richard Kennedy

Ms Leslie Lysaght - In memory of Jack & Helen Lysaght

Mr & Mrs Michael Schork – In memory of Joan Louwers, and in honor of Hely Merle

Mr John McCauley & Ms Virginia Weingate – In memory of Gene Mauseth, Alice Karczewski, Blanche Weingate, Chuck Weingate, and in honor of Jan Buhler

Mr & Mrs Edward & Joan Driscoll – In memory of Fred & Gert Krease, Jack Knoblock, Bob & Mary Knoblock, C.J. & Marie Romes

Mr & Mrs Timothy Carroll – In memory of Jason Kaminski

Mrs Virginia O'Vass - In memory of Amy & Ed O'Connor

Mr & Mrs David C Wooten - In memory of Mrs Stella Spas

Mr William Weitzel – In memory of Eric Weitzel, Edward Muzyl, and Mary Lynn Muzyl

Mr & Mrs Thomas C O'Brien – In memory of Francis & Irene O'Brien

Mr & Mrs James Hume - In memory of Christine McGurrin

Mr & Mrs Dominic Kline Jr – In memory of Dominic Kline Sr, Rosemary Kline, Casimir Kaczmarczyk, Regina Kaczmarczyk

Mrs Anna Marie Schaefer - In memory of Donald Schaefer

Ms Mary A Norat – In memory of Robert V & Alice Brown, Sr. Anita Brown, Bernard Brown, Vincent Brown, Patricia & Aussie Brown

Ms Ann Marie Mann – In memory of Claude & Dolly Mann, Thomas Mann, Francis Douglas, Edward & Virginia Blaty

Mr & Mrs Richard Lovernick – In memory of John H. Frisinger Family

Dr & Dr David & Rita Kieras – In memory of Kathy C., John W.

Mr and Mrs John Posch – In honor of Isabel Rose Posch

Mr Robert Strauss – In memory of Betty Strauss

Mr & Mrs Anthony Push - In memory of Donald Parish

UNDERGRADS



Spend this weekend on retreat with other men and rediscover who God has created you to be and how God desires you to live in this world and society. Retreat starts at 5pm on Friday January 13th and runs until noon on Sunday January 15th.The retreat will take place at Columbiere Retreat Center in Clarkston, MI (about an hour away from Ann Arbor) - meals will be provided by the center and snacks will be provided by those coming on retreat! Sheets, towels, pillows, etc., are provided.

sign up online today! goo.gl/V87nN5

Looking for a place to study for finals? We've got you covered! Student Study Days

Sunday-Thursday, 9 am-Midnight

We will be open late for students to study for finals in the Loyola Room, Newman Lounge and Rectory Lounge.

Snacks and beverages will be provided, as well as a quiet place to pray in the church during study breaks.





Coffee & Donuts Sunday, Dec. 18

Please join us in Newman Hall after the 10:00 am Mass for hot coffee, a delicious donut, and time spent with friends and family.

All are welcome!



Centering Prayer is a silent practice of prayer that rests on the faith that Christ is present within by his Holy Spirit. It is an excellent preparation for contemplative prayer, which is a grace or gift bestowed by God. Centering Prayer is an intentional openness to, or practice of "waiting" on God, encouraging the building of a more intimate relationship with Jesus and the movement of the Holy Spirit. It is rooted in centuries-old monastic prayer. The book, *Open Mind, Open Heart* by Father Thomas Keating, OCSO, is a good introduction. The first Monday of each month we listen to an introduction to centering prayer and then pray for 20 minutes. Otherwise, we typically sit and pray for two 20-minute sessions with a short meditative walk in between. All are welcome.

Sunday Meal at Mercy House

Sunday, Dec. 18 @ 5:00PM

St Mary's Social Justice Ministry is seeking volunteers to help feed the homeless in Ann Arbor. We are committed to providing a Sunday meal quarterly for the former Camp Take Notice (CTN) residents that meet weekly at Mercy House for dinner. Meal format is set and signup is done electronically.

How to Volunteer:

- 1. Provide a specific food donation such as an entree or dessert
- 2. Provide staple donations such as napkins, water bottles, etc.
- 3. Provide Monetary support for the purchase of needed items
- 4. Provide transportation and/or serve food on the given day
- 5. Provide help in coordination of the donations

One can drop off items directly at Mercy House located at 3501 Stone School Road between 5:00-5:45pm on 12/18/16. Dinner is served at 6:00pm. Another option is to drop items off at an earlier time or date by contacting Erin Telemaco at 734-368-5826 text/call or email <u>Stelemaco@comcast.net</u>.

To view your sign up page, go to: www.SignUpGenius.com/go/60B0A4CA8AE2E5-mercy5

Please contact Erin at <a>5Telemaco@comcast.net

Lost & Found

If you have misplaced items while at church, we may have them waiting for you in the parish office! Please stop by the office to check the Lost and Found box. All items not claimed by the last Sunday of every month will be donated. Thank you.

Christmas Stocking Stuffers!

We have SMSP items available in the parish office for purchase.



Contact Serena serena68@comcast.net

Called and Gifted Workshop

God is calling you to a unique purpose in life, a work of love that only you can do. The **Called and Gifted Workshop** will teach participants about the charisms given to you by the Holy Spirit at Baptism and start you on a process of lifelong discernment.

The 10 hour workshop is offered on Friday evening (7:00 pm - 9:30 pm) and Saturday (8:00 am - 4:00 pm) at the following locations:

January 13-14 – Most Holy Trinity, Fowler

January 20-21 - St John the Evangelist, Fenton

January 27-28 – Immaculate Heart of Mary, Lansing

February 3-4 - St John the Evangelist, Jackson

February 10-11 - St Thomas the Apostle, Ann Arbor

See <u>http://www.dioceseoflansing.org/evangelization-lay-formation</u> for specific details and for more information.

Wedding Banns

Paul Schwartz & Emily Fennell January 7, 2017

Eric Zhao & Christine Gallagher February 4, 2017

Catholic Thinkers Book Club

December 20 from 7-8:30 PM



All members of the parish are invited to meet from 7-8:30pm in the Rectory Lounge to read and discuss the book:

The Life You Save May be Your

Own (second half) by Paul Elie

Next Semester's Reading List:

- 1. JANUARY 24, Quarantine by Jim Crace
- 2. FEBRUARY 21, *The Lost Apostle: Search for the Truth About Junia* by Rena Pederson
- 3. MARCH 28, No Man is an Island by Thomas Merton
- 4. APRIL 25, Walk in a Relaxed Manner: Life Lessons from the Camino by Joyce Rupp

For more information, please contact Andy Hoffman at ajhoff@umich.edu or 734.763.9455

Area Daytime Warming Center Information

MONDAY-FRIDAY: at the various locations below

- December 1-16—Journey of Faith Church, 1900 Manchester Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 (Stadium and Washtenaw) M-F 8am-4:30pm
- ₱<u>December 19-30</u>—Trinity Lutheran Church, 1400 W Stadium Blvd, Ann Arbor, MI 48103 M-F 8am-5pm

⊕January 2-31—St. Mary Student Parish, 331 Thompson St, Ann Arbor, MI 48104 M-F 8am-4pm

✤February 1-28 (note different locations depending on day)

- First Baptist: Tuesday and Thursday
 517 E Washington St, Ann Arbor, MI 48104
- First Congregational: Monday, Wednesday, Friday
 608 E William St, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

✤March 1-31—Lord of Light Lutheran 801 S Forest Ave, Ann Arbor, MI 48104

SATURDAY & SUNDAY: 8AM-7PM (LUNCH AT 3PM) at the Robert J. Delonis Center: 312 W Huron St, Ann Arbor 48103



MONDAY-FRIDAY 8AM-4PM JANUARY 2-31

During the month of January in Newman Hall, our parish community provides a welcoming, safe, and warm environment where people experiencing homelessness can find companionship, compassion, kindness, and respect. It creates the culture of encounter and inclusion that we need.

We provide food, coffee, a warm place of rest, the opportunity for conversation, and the building of relationships. Solidarity and mutual giving are the values that guide this ministry.

Volunteers Needed...Link to sign-up: <u>http://</u> www.signupgenius.com/go/20f0449a5a728a7f49-january1

Questions, please contact Bill Alt at walt@smspnewman.org



The Advent Wreath

An explanation of the wreath created by Fr. John Ferone, S.J.

WEEK ONE: THE TOP QUADRANT: PURPLE

The week of the covenant, of promise and blessing.

The week of Abraham, our father, who began the journey, the pilgrimage of faith, He awaits the fulfillment of the promises, that all nations will find blessing in him, that all nations shall stream toward the mountain of God.

Symbolic plant: the wandering Jew

WEEK TWO: THE RIGHT QUADRANT: PURPLE

The week of the desert.

The week of John the Baptist, who proclaims that the Good News begins in the desert, the place of solitude, of silence. It is in the desert where one grows in longing and thirsting for the streams of living water.

It is in the desert where one waits and prepares a place for the Word of God who himself longs and thirsts to become flesh and dwell in us, who longs and thirsts to baptize us in the Holy Spirit setting our hearts on fire.

Symbolic plants: cacti, healing eucalyptus

WEEK THREE: THE BOTTOM QUADRANT: ROSE

The week of the desert that blooms with new life.

The week of Isaiah, the prophet of comfort and consolation, the quadrant of joy where the glory and splendor of God breaks forth in new creation.

It is the quadrant of hope where we are called to be patient and to place our trust in God who clothes the flowers with such splendor.

Symbolic plants: flowers of rose in bloom

WEEK FOUR: THE LEFT QUADRANT: PURPLE

The week of fulfillment, of visitation, of promises fulfilled.

The week of the Virgin who brings forth Emmanuel: God with us.

The quadrant of sign, of sacrament, of incarnation, of where God takes a human face in Jesus, in the humanity, the body of Christ.

Symbolic plants: Lilies- the Virgin Mary, the pomegranate- symbol of the fruitful Church coming into being, eucalyptus-the healing of the nations, the olive branch- the Prince of Peace.



Parish Bible Study CANCELLED until Jan 9

Mondays at 7:00 pm

Our Catholic faith teaches that God is alive in the Scriptures. Come discover the Word with us. We practice scripture-based faith sharing in a small discussion group. Discussions are guided by church-approved commentaries, question guides, and the Catechism of the Catholic Church. We meet Mondays at 7 pm.

Contact Kathy Ann Moilanen 734.668.7437

Baptism Class

12/19, 1/30, 2/20 at 7:00 PM YOU NEED ONLY TO ATTEND ONE CLASS

We offer an infant baptism class in both English and Spanish once a month on a Monday night from 7-8 PM. Information packets are available in the Parish Office and should be picked up at least a week prior to the class date.

Contact Carol for more information at ckonczal@umich.edu

Delonis Center Community Meal

Each 1st and 5th Friday of the month, St. Mary Student Parish provides volunteers for the Community Kitchen at the Delonis Center (312 W. Huron St. in downtown Ann Arbor).

Shifts are: 3-5pm cook/setup and 5-7:15pm serve/cleanup

Please plan to arrive a few minutes early so that you can start working at the designated shift time. Volunteers ages 12 and up can serve with an adult.

SIGN UP ONLINE

http://www.signupgenius.com/ go/20f0449a5a728a7f49-stmary1

Contact Bill at walt@smspnewman.org



THANK YOU!!!

- DSA Goal (set by the diocese for our parish): \$73,468
- DSA Contributions to date: \$84,700
- ✤ Contributions over our goal: \$11,232

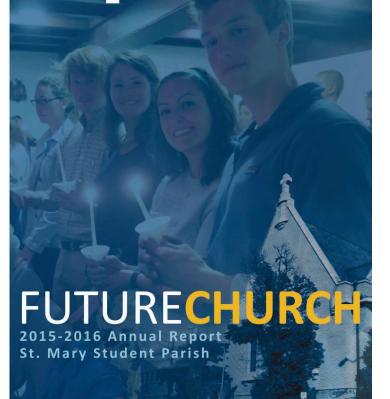
Thank you to all of you who have contributed so generously to the annual Diocesan Services Appeal. These contributions support over 100 ministries of the diocese to the poor.

The diocese will return half of the amount over our goal to the parish for our ongoing work.



saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. - Mt 2:10-11





St. Mary Student Parish

If you would like to read more on the spiritual transformations of our young people and our financials, we recently released the 2015-2016 annual report. Aptly named Future Church, you can find a copy of the annual report in the parish office or on our website:

http://www.stmarystudentparish.org/about/

financial-reporting/

Weekly Offering Report as of December 11, 2016

Weekly Budget Goal

Sunday 12/11/2016 (Week 24) Above (Below) Weekly Goal Special and Holy Day Collections: Immaculate Conception

\$19,400.00

\$14,659.11 **(\$4,740.89)**

\$1,264.30

Annual Budget Goal Fiscal Year-to-Date Goal Amount Collected YTD Above (Below) YTD Goal

\$1,000,000.00 \$451,000.00 \$430,604.23 (\$20,395.77)

MASS INTENTIONS: DECEMBER 18—JANUARY 8, 2017

SUNDAY, DECE	MBER 18 – Four	rth Sunday of Advent	SUNDAY, DECEN	/IBER 25 – The	Nativity of the Lord (Christmas)
8:30 AM	Mass for	+ Sandra Eiler and	10:00 AM	Mass for	+ James Wollert
		+ Louise Dubritsky	12:00 PM	Mass for	+ Mary Ann Keller
10:00 AM	Mass for	+ Becky Hilger	2:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish
12:00 PM	Mass for	Romulo & Necitas Aquinos			
2:00 PM	Mass for	+Jonathan Silvera Batista	CLOSED AND NO	O MASS DECEM	IBER 26-31
5:00 PM	Mass for	+ Leo LeBlanc	SUNDAY, JANUARY 1 – Solemnity of Mary the Holy Mother		ity of Mary the Holy Mother of God
9:00 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish	8:30 AM	Mass for	People of the Parish
			10:00 AM	Mass for	
MONDAY, DEC			12:00 PM	Mass for	+ Jessica Hatten-Mexico
5:10 PM	Mass for	+Loa Aitchison	2:00 PM	Mass for	
TUESDAY, DECE	MBER 20				
5:10 PM	Mass for		CLOSED AND NO	J WASS JANUA	RY 2 & 3
			WEDNESDAY, JA	NUARY 4	
WEDNESDAY, D	DECEMBER 21		5:10 PM	Mass for	
5:10 PM	Mass for	+ Yvette Gayeff			
			THURSDAY, JAN	UARY 5	
THURSDAY, DE	CEMBER 22		5:10 PM	Mass for	
5:10 PM	Mass for	+ Burdette Banks			
			FRIDAY, JANUAI		
FRIDAY, DECEN			12:10 PM	Mass for	+Kitty and John Henn
12:10 PM	Mass for		SUNDAY, JANUA	ARY 8– The Epip	phany of the Lord
SATURDAY, DEG	CEMBER 24		8:30 AM	Mass for	People of the Parish
3:00 PM	Mass for	+Louisa Irvin	10:00 AM	Mass for	+Elizabeth Hock
5:30 PM	Mass for	People of the Parish	12:00 PM	Mass for	+Manuelo Go and +Belen Tiu
7:00 PM	Mass for	+ Sally Groulx	2:00 PM	Mass for	
Midnight	Mass for	Zenaida Fulgencio	5:00 PM	Mass for	
			9:00 PM	Mass for	

our mission

To encounter **Jesus Christ** and to help others to do so by

sharing our stories

participating in the sacraments

serving those outside our parish, especially those in need

becoming intentional disciples

Together we can move increasingly into fuller and more abundant life and

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MEETINGS & EVENTS: DECEMBER 18-JANUARY 8

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25- Christmas

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18- Fourth Sunday in Advent

Southar, December 10 Tourin	Sunday In Ac	avent.	Sondar, December 25 Children	inus	
Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge+	Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Hall & Room
Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Hall & Room			Richard Room
		Richard Room	Spanish Choir Practice	1:00 PM	Music Room
Coffee & Donuts	11:15 AM	Newman Hall	Hispanic Children's Liturgy	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
ESL	12:45 PM	Newman Hall			
Spanish Choir Practice	1:00 PM	Music Room	CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAF	C DECEMBER 2	26-31
Hispanic Children's Liturgy	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall			
St. Mary Discussion Group	2:45 PM	Donnelly Hall	SUNDAY, JANUARY 1—New Yea	ar's Day	
Know Your Rights	3:15 PM	Newman Hall	Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Hall & Room
Ig.nite Lead Team	6:00 PM	Rectory Lounge			Richard Room
Reconciliation	7:30 PM	Church	Spanish Choir Practice	1:00 PM	Music Room
MONDAY, DECEMBER 19			Hispanic Children's Liturgy	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge+			
Centering Prayer	6:30 PM	Richard Room	CLOSED FOR CHRISTMAS BREAK	(JANUARY 2 8	& 3
Born for Joy	7:00 PM	Monteith Room			
Student Study Break Movie	7:00 PM	Loyola Room	WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 4		
Baptism Class	7:00 PM	Newman Room and Hall	Eucharistic Adoration	6:00 PM	Church
Bible Study—Cancelled			RCIA	7:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
Born for Joy	7:00 PM	Monteith Room			
TUESDAY, DECEMBER 20			THURSDAY, JANUARY 5		
Student Study Days	9:00 AM	Newman Lounge+	lg.nite	5:10 PM	Church & Newman Hall
SCC– RCIA	4:30 PM	Rectory Lounge	SCC- Restore	7:30 PM	Rectory Lounge
Pray the Rosary	5:45 PM	Church			
Catholic Thinker's Book Club	7:00 PM	Rectory Lounge	SUNDAY, JANUARY 8		
Advent Penance Service	7:00 PM	Church	Family Faith Formation	8:00 AM	All Rooms
Student Study Break Movie	7:00 PM	Loyola Room	Children's Liturgy	10:15 AM	Newman Hall & Room
LGBT Outreach Ministry	7:00 PM	Newman Room			Richard Room
SCC-RESTORE	8:30 PM	Rectory Lounge	ESL	12:45 PM	Newman Hall
WEDNEEDAY DECEMBED 31			Spanish Choir Practice	1:00 PM	Music Room
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21		Chungh	Hispanic Children's Liturgy	2:00 PM	Donnelly Hall
Confessions	5:45 PM	Church	Youth Group	3:15 PM	Loyola Room
SATURDAY, DECEMBER 24- Chris	stmas Eve		Hispanic 1st Reconciliation		
Children's Christmas Play	3:00 PM	Church	Practice	3:15 PM	Church
& Mass			Confirmation Class		3:15 PM
Mass	5:30 PM	Church	Donnelly Hall		
Spanish Mass	5:30 PM	Donnelly Hall	Ig.nite Lead Team	6:00 PM	Loyola Room
Lessons & Carols	11:30 PM	Church	Student Leadership Night	6:30 PM	Donnelly Hall
Mass	Midnight	Church	Reconciliation	7:30 PM	Church
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OUTREACH

1st & 3rd Tuesday of the Month from 7-8:30 LGBT Outreach Ministry is a group sponsored by St. Mary Student Parish and meets monthly on the first and third Tuesday of the month. Meetings are private and confidential. As a diverse community of believers, we respect each person as a unique reflection of God's presence in our midst. We commit ourselves to being a community of care, support, formation, reconciliation, and witness to justice with and among gay and lesbian persons, their parents, family members, and friends.

We teach that all love comes from God and focus on helping people reconcile their faith with their orientation. We provide a safe space for discussion, healing, and prayer. Together we reflect on Scripture and listen to the lived experience of lesbian and gay persons and their allies. For more information, contact Mark at <u>markthies@yahoo.com</u>.

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DECEMBER 18 FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Reading I	Isaiah	7:10-14
Psalm	Psalms	24:1-6
Reading II	Romans	1:1-7
Gospel	Matthew	1:18-24

Jesus is Emmanuel, "God with us," risen from the dead. He is the king of glory.

DECEMBER 25 THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS)

Reading I	Isaiah	52:7-10
Psalm	Psalms	98:1-6
Reading II	Hebrews	1:1-6
Gospel	John	1:1-18

God has spoken to us through his Son, the World made flesh. Thus has salvation been revealed to all nations.

JANUARY 1 SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER

Reading I	Numbers	6:22-27
Psalm	Psalms	67:2-3,5-6,8
Reading II	Galatians	4:4-7
Gospel	Luke	2:16-21

We seek God's blessings as did Mary. Because of her Son, we can confidently call God.

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