

BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 10TH, 2016

Liturgies for the Week of January 10th

***Sunday, January 10th – 4:30p.m.**

~Deceased Members of the Savoie Family

by Don & Phyllis Savoie

~Theresa Demers by Stella VaillanCourt

***Tuesday, January 12th – 8:00a.m.**

~Communion Service

***Thursday, January 14th – 8:00a.m.**

~Virginia Lafond by Wayne & Joanne Lareau

***Sunday, January 17th – 4:30p.m.**

~Teresa Regnier by Patrick Finegan

~Virginia Lafond by Betty Lambert

***Tuesday, January 19th – 8:00a.m.**

~Communion Service

***Thursday, January 20th – 8:00a.m.**

~Virginia Lafond by Leone & Margarete Lambert

PASTORAL CARE

Please Pray For:

Our Service Members: Nick Meyr son of Larry & Julie Meyr who is joining the Marines

Intentions: Savannah Stucki, Barb Arseneau, Megan Seggebruch, Debra Silcox, Laretta & Roland Lafond, Ruth Lesch, & Mike Caise.

Our Departed:

*Please notify the Parish Office at 815-435-2432 if a loved one is admitted to the hospital, rehab center, nursing home, or is homebound. The hospitals do not always let us know if you or a loved one is admitted. If you need someone to bring you communion at home, please let us know so we can arrange this.

***We need help today after Mass taking down Christmas decorations. If you are able to stay, it would be greatly appreciated. We have many heavy items to haul upstairs.

*We are looking for volunteers for snow removal around the church this winter. If you are able to help, please contact Ryan Loy(486-7144) or Tom Frye(486-7240) .

CO-MINISTERS FOR THE WEEK

January 17th~ 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time 4:30p.m.

READER: Jennifer Dixon

SERVERS: Aidan, Elle

E.M.: L) Judy Laurent,

Chris Bossong, Angela Jones

USHERS: Tom, Pat, Delaney

****We are in need of Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Servers!! If you are willing, please talk to Ryan Loy.**

PARISH FINANCIAL REPORT

Weekly Parish Need for Operation: \$ 900.00

Offering for Sunday, January 3rd - **\$1,184.00**

Surplus for the Week: +\$(284.00)

43 Envelopes in Offering

***Restoration-**\$

~Sunday Offertory Budget Amount for Fiscal Year July 1, 2015-June 30, 2016 is \$46,000.

~Sunday Offertory Actual Money Donated as of January 3rd is **\$30,591.75.**

PARISH ACTIVITIES....

Upcoming St. Mary's Events...

- **Sunday, Jan. 10th-Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Jan. 24th-Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Feb. 7th-Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Tuesday, Feb. 9th-Ash Services at 7p.m.—Soup & Sandwich Supper in Hall afterwards**
- **Saturday, February 13th-Texas Night Dinner in the Hall**
- **Sunday, Feb. 21st-Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Feb. 28th-Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Mar. 13th- Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Mar. 20th- Religious Education 3p.m.-4:15p.m.**
- **Sunday, Mar. 20th-Palm Sunday Mass-Kid's Egg Hunt & BBQ supper after church**
- **Wednesday, Mar. 23rd-Holy Week Service @ 7p.m.**
- **Friday, Mar. 25th-Good Friday Service @ 4:30p.m.**
- **Sunday, Mar. 27th-Easter Sunday Mass @ 8:30a.m.**

****We will have a 2nd collection next Sunday for the Church in Latin America. Envelopes are in your envelope boxes.**

St. Mary's Year of Mercy Events

TEXAS NIGHT

Save the date...On Saturday, February 13th the CCW will be putting on a Texas Night dinner. They will be serving chicken, ribs, & more. More information will be coming soon. Come out for a night of fun!!

TREASURES OF ITALY PILGRIMAGE

JUNE 14 – 24, 2016

hosted by Rev. Dan Belanger, C.S.V.

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AROUND THE DIOCESE...

2015/16 CATHOLIC EVENTS IN AREA

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| January 23 | Bishop Mac Trivia Night |
| January 30 | Kankakee K of C Cash Bash |
| February 6 | St. George Winter Dance |
| February 13 | St. Mary's- Texas Night in hall |
| March 5 | St. Joseph School Las Vegas night |
| April 30 | St. Martin "Turkey" Cash Bash |
| March 12 | ACA 5K Run |
| May 13 | Bishop Mac Auction |
| June 5 | St. George Golf Outing |
| June 24 | Kankakee K of C Golf Outing |

PILGRIMAGE WITH BISHOP CONLON

During this Jubilee Year of Mercy, Pope Francis calls on Catholics to rediscover the merciful love of the Father. In a special way, the opportunity for pilgrimage offers Catholics a chance to experience God's grace.

From April 2-7, 2016, including Divine Mercy Sunday, Bishop R. Daniel Conlon will be the spiritual director for a pilgrimage journeying to some of the shrines of Mexico, including Our Lady of Guadalupe. The cost of the six-day pilgrimage (including air, fees, accommodations and most meals) will be \$1,328 (double-occupancy). For more information, please visit the bishops' website at <http://www.dioceseofjoliet.org/bishop> or contact Alex Rechenmacher at arechenmacher@dioceseofjoliet.org or (815) 221-6180.

Pray the Rosary to Defeat ISIS

How do you defeat a global terrorist organization like ISIS, whose members are largely hidden throughout the world, and are willing to die in suicide bombings for their diabolical goals of worldwide mass murder and destruction?

The ultimate answer is through prayer. The battle against ISIS is, at its roots, a spiritual battle against the Devil and the forces of darkness.

We believe Mary, the Mother of Jesus and the Spiritual Mother of all peoples, has been given the power by God to crush the head of Satan (cf. Gen 3:15) and to successfully lead the spiritual battle against the great Dragon (cf. Rev. 12). Historically, Our Lady has repeatedly interceded for victories against foreign invasion seeking to destroy Christianity and Judeo-Christian civilization (e.g., Lepanto, 1571; Vienna, 1683).

Join the spiritual battle to stop ISIS. Please pray the Rosary every day, and include in your Rosary the intention "for the defeat of ISIS and for the conversion of its members."

Go to www.1millionrosaries.com to make your commitment to pray the rosary daily.

THE 2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL IS UNDERWAY

"Chosen by God's Grace"

The 2016 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal begins with a mailing that many of our parishioners have received or will soon receive. This is a mailing from Bishop Conlon asking for a pledge to the 2016 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal.

The Appeal not only funds many of the operations of the diocese, it also gives back to the parishes who exceed their amount.

This year, the theme of the Appeal is "*Chosen by God's Grace*." What a wonderful thought! The Almighty God of the Universe has chosen you, His precious child. Can you imagine anything more unbelievable than being "*Chosen by God's Grace*?" God has a destiny for you. His plan for you is as individual as you are. You have been uniquely created for a purpose and God wants to see you passionately live His plan out.

How do we acknowledge God's Grace and show Him our gratitude? One way that we can show our gratitude is by giving back to God the gifts He shared with us. We can support our parish, our diocese and the Church throughout the world with gifts of time, talent and treasure. The gifts we give enable ministries, education, and services that touch thousands of lives.

Our parish goal is \$4,271. With your financial support, we can exceed this goal. When we exceed our goal in paid pledges, we will receive 65% of the amount over goal for use in our parish.

Please answer Bishop Conlon's request and make a generous pledge. All pledges can be paid in ten (10) installments. Thank you in advance for your support.