



Saturday, 4:30 PM	December 20, 2008 Robert Krenn by Jean & Jim Lewis
Sunday, 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM 7:00 PM	December 21, 2008 Ma, Dad, Robert Jr. Gondek by family Helen O'Sullivan by Lee Drapeau Special Intention–Mass of Thanksgiving in honor of Irene Kubica by her family Parish Penance Service
Monday, 7:45 AM	December 22, 2008 Fr. James Boyle
Tuesday, 7:45 AM	December 23, 2008 Cecilia Jennings
Wednesday, 7:45 AM 4:00 PM 6:00 PM Midnight	December 24, 2008 St. Mary Parish St. Mary Parish St. Mary Parish St. Mary Parish
Thursday, 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	December 25, 2008 St. Mary Parish St. Mary Parish
Friday, 7:45 AM	December 26, 2008 Timothy Kelly
Saturday, 4:30 PM	December 27, 2008 Gordon Hart
Sunday, 7:30 AM 9:30 AM 11:00 AM	December 28, 2008 Special Intention-Kaitlyn Buckley by the Petersons Rita Wisausky (1 st anniversary) by her family Karen Daigle by the McCluskey family

Readings for the Week of December 21, 2008

Sunday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Rom 16:25-27/ Lk 1:26-38
Monday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/Lk 1:46-56
Tuesday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Lk 1:57-66
Wednesday:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/ Lk 1:67-79
Thursday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/ Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14
Friday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Mt 10:17-22
Saturday:	1 Jn 1:1-4/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/ Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Calendar

12/21	7:00 p.m.	Parish Penance Service
12/22	9:30 a.m.	Legion of Mary – Hart House
	7:30 p.m.	Legion of Mary – Hospitality Room

The sanctuary candle will burn this week in memory of:

Ed Welcome

This is a venerable tradition and we ask you to keep him in your prayers.

From Fr. Golas,

This fourth Sunday of Advent brings us to the threshold of Christmas. Our Advent wreath fully lit provides abundant light reminding us of the true light of the world - Christ. As Christians, may we be light for others by holding fast to the truth of the gospel and living each day so that others recognize Christ's love and light. I hope all will have a blessed and joyous Christmas.

My thanks to all of our parish ministries and committees that go beyond their regular commitment to serve our parish at this time. To our choirs and musicians, our altar servers, Extra Ordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, ushers, lectors, money counters, altar decorators, to those who performed and organized our Christmas pageant, to all who make our celebration of Christmas a joyous event, you have my sincere thanks. I am grateful for the many cards, gifts, and other ways that you express your Christmas sentiments. To all, I express my sincere thanks.

Due to increased attendance, I ask your cooperation in making room in your pew for others. Please follow the usher's instructions when they ask you to move to the center of the pew or allow others to enter the pew by removing yourself for a moment from the end of the pew. I appreciate your cooperation in this matter.

Finally, I received information that Deacon Mike has asked not to continue as the chair of the Faith Formation Committee. My thanks to Deacon Mike for all that he has done to strengthen and enhance the Catholic faith of our parish. He is a strong witness to Christ's love for all of us. He will continue to serve the parish in administering the sacraments. I certainly value his ministry and friendship. I have asked Deacon Tom Sutak to chair the Adult Faith Formation Committee and he has accepted. These changes will occur January 1, 2009.

My Sisters and Brothers,

For about a decade I have been assigned to St. Mary Star of the Sea as Deacon. Health issues and aging limitations make it prudent for me to review my duties here. I have consulted with Fr. Golas and have decided the following:

I will resign from responsibilities with the RCIA program and the Adult Faith Formation Committee. I shall continue to serve at the altar, continue to preach as assigned, preside once a month at solemn baptism, and serve at funeral liturgies. I have also asked to assume a modified sabbatical presence here at St. Mary to write, reflect and prepare for life journey completion.

My presence here has been the happiest and most fulfilling experience of my diaconate and I await with holy hope whatever what remains holds.

Sincerely with thanks and blessing in the service of the Lord,

Deacon Michael



Holiday Schedule

December 21

Parish Penance Service – 7:00 p.m.

December 24 – Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m., 6:00 p.m., Midnight

December 25 – Christmas Day

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

December 31 – New Year's Eve

4:30 p.m.

January 1 – New Year's Day

8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

Carol Sing before Christmas Masses

Our cantors will lead the congregation in the singing of a few select Christmas carols 15 minutes prior to the 4:00 p.m. and 6:00 p.m. Masses on Christmas Eve and the 8:00 a.m. and 10:00 a.m. Masses on Christmas Day. Arrive early and share the musical moment with family and friends!

The Human Needs Committee

will meet on Tuesday, January 6 in the hospitality room.

We thank all who were so generous with their Christmas memorial donation to the flower fund. Our sanctuary is a beautiful tribute to the presence of the risen Christ and those who have shared with the community in worship and prayer.

In memory of:

Thomas C. Austin
 Bagioni/Cugno families
 Mina & Vern Baker, Mary & Leon Osle
 Domenick & Mary Bianchi
 Donna Biller, Gene Pavoni
 The Bonini & Faitella families
 Anna Brouillard
 Edward L. Burke
 Susan Ringrose Carney
 Gerald & Phyllis Condon
 Mary & Henry Courtemanche
 Jimmie & Danny Crowe
 Kevin Crowe
 Josephine R. Crudele
 Penny D'Addaboo, Helen Szewczul
 Kenneth J. Drapeau
 Paul Dublac
 Joseph & Adele Duffy
 Deceased of Dziedzic family
 Bernie Erickson, Sr., Whitman Winot
 Fabian, Kastelic, Simonic families & friends
 Stephen & Eileen Ferraro, Stephen Kuszek, Sr.
 Raymond Fiora
 Helen Garro
 Adela & Teodor Gocłowski, Grace & Jack Murphy
 Mike Griswold

Stanley J. Gubala
 Antonio Guerrera
 The Gworek family
 Gordon Hamel
 Hatfield & Fitzgibbon families
 Mr. & Mrs. C. Heffernan & Mrs. Marie Polo
 Richard Helbig
 Dr. & Mrs. C.C. Hoffman family
 Peter & Clinton Johnson
 Harold, Sr., Harold, Jr. & Gerald Kilduff
 Deceased members of the Killiany and Collins families
 David Kost
 Jacek Kot
 Paul Kramer
 Helmuth W. Krauland
 Edward Kubica
 Landolina & McMahon families
 Keith Edward Legowski
 Robert C. Lester, Jr.
 Stephen Leszuk
 Edmund Maloy
 Deceased members of the Marek family
 Timothy Maynard
 Members of Jeff Mihalek family who have passed away
 James Mitchell
 Mother Litalien
 Walter Myers, Sr. & Jr.
 Neulinger, Embacher & Pahl
 Rita Obernesser & Ann Draper
 Alfredo Peluso
 Charles, Maida Jonathan Searle
 C.C. Sigda
 Christopher Patrick Swain
 Bill Taylor, Helena & Chet Levandoski,
 Mary O'Donnell, Edward Kerr
 William H. Terwilliger
 Jack Turski
 Michael Vacca
 Stella Vamback
 Frances Wildes
 Anna & Edward White
 Stephen, Valeria & Bill Yankovich

More flower donations in memory of your loved ones will appear next weekend.

The rectory office will be closed will be closed Wednesday, December 24 – Friday December 26 and January 1, 2009 in observance of the Christmas and New Year holidays.

