

January 9, 2022—The Baptism of our Lord  
 January 16, 2022 —The 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

## St. Mary's Immaculate Conception

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Office Hours: T & TH 11:30 AM - 4:00 PM

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 7:00 PM Sunday: 8:00 AM

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Weekend Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 PM. Sunday: 9:30 AM & 11:00 AM

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### **From the Pastor . . .**

This church bulletin covers the weeks of January 9, the Baptism of the Lord, and January 16, is the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time.

The Baptism of the Lord is not like our baptism that cleanse us of original sin. Jesus never sinned. His baptism was one of commitment to begin and complete his mission—to preach the good news.

On the Second Sunday in Ordinary Time and the gospel is the Wedding at Cana. After college, University of Michigan quarterback and Heisman Trophy Tom Harmon became a pilot. One day his plane crashed deep in a South American jungle. Miraculously, he survived. Describing his experience, he wrote, “I said at least a million ‘Hail Mary’s’ during my trek out. In fact, as I walked through the jungle, trying to find my way out, I used to yell ‘Hail Mary’s at the top of my voice, hoping that someone would hear me and at the same time I would be praying.” How important a role does Mary, Jesus’ mother, play in my spiritual life? God could not be everywhere, so he made mothers. JEWISH PROVERB ACTION 2000, Mark Link, S.J.

### **Death of Fr. Rich Rhinehart’s Father**

Fr. Rich notified us that his father, Robert, died on December 27, 2021. He requests prayers for his dad, his mother and himself. May his father rest in peace. AMEN!

Fr. Rich Rhinehart’s Address:

PO Box 8

Three Lakes, WI 54562

### **Fr. Harris away...**

I will be away from January 6 and returning the evening of January 11. Getting a little rest and relaxation in. —Fr. Harris

### **Personal THANK YOU!**

Please accept my public THANK YOU for all that you shared with me this Christmas season. Your well wishes, cards, food, and personal greetings given to me are deeply appreciated. I am blessed beyond measure.

God bless you. Fr. Jerry Harris

### **A Christmas Thank You**

To the Everyone who remembered me this Christmas season, thank you. You have helped make this Christmas special. Your generosity overwhelms me as it is much appreciated. May God continue to pour out his grace upon you throughout the New Year. Merry Christmas and Happy New year, Fr. Joe Stefancin

### **Why is abortion unacceptable at any phase in the development of an embryo?**

God-given human life is God’s own property; it is sacred from the first moment of its existence and not under the control of any human being. “Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you. (Jeremiah 1:5) God alone is Lord over life and death. Not even “my” life belongs to me. (YOUCAT)

The issues of pro-life call on all of us to be compassionate. “Compassion holds both beauty and challenge. It is based on the belief that we are united with all beings. Their joy and sorrow is our joy and sorrow because of this deep and intimate connection. To be truly compassionate means to approach another with the nonjudgement and the unconditional love that Jesus had when he met those who were suffering.”

As we continue to address the issues of pro-life as a church and nation may we always be mindful of all children throughout the world who are hurting or in danger.

“Dear God, I pray for the children of my world today and I pray for each man and woman of this world, including myself, that we will do our part to create better living conditions for these children. Show us the way and prod us into action, God of justice and compassion.” Amen. (Excerpts taken from, “Out of the Ordinary,” Joyce Rupp)

### **Hope After Abortion**

There is hope after abortion with groups like Project Rachel. You can search on the internet at this link <http://hopeafterabortion.com/>. Their focus is healing. Please check them out. “Do Not Let Your Hearts Be Troubled.” John 14:1; When she was 17, her mother told her the abortion would only hurt for a little while. But 40 years, 2 sons, and 3 grandkids later, it still hurts. If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child or children to abortion, come and experience the compassionate mercy of Jesus Christ on our weekend retreat. Rachel’s Vineyard Twin Cities’ retreats are open to anyone impacted by abortion - women, men, grandparents, siblings, and health care professionals. For more information contact Nancy at [rachels@rvinyardmn.org](mailto:rachels@rvinyardmn.org), call 763-250-9313 or see [www.rvinyardmn.org](http://www.rvinyardmn.org).



**KC Corner**

**IMPORTANT NOTICE:** Council 7030 Meeting Day and Time is changed to the first Thursday of the month at 7:30 P.M.

**Next Regular Meeting:**

February 3, 2022 at 7:30 P.M. The video series "Into the Breach" Episode 2 "Brotherhood" will be presented.

**Family of the Month—January 2022**

Chris and Michelle Stark Family —Congratulations!!

**Family of the Year - 2021**

Nominations for "Family of the Year" are now open. Please contact Don Klein, 612-418-1345 if you would like to nominate a family. Deadline for submission is February 15th.

**2022 Dues Assessment/Faith in Action Survey**

The 2022 Membership dues collection process was mailed out Dec 30th. Included with the dues assessment is a survey asking you to commit to at least one activity in the next year. Watch for it, prayerfully consider your response, and return promptly. Thank you.

**Wisconsin State Council**

**KC Charity Raffle**

Included with your dues statement are 2 Raffle Tickets. You are asked to sell these or possibly buy them yourself. If you need or want more tickets to sell, call or text Don Klein at 612-418-1345.

**PRAYER LIST**

**PASTORAL MINISTRY**

If someone you know becomes hospitalized and would like a visit, please call the church office. Want someone prayed for or listed in the bulletin prayer list? Please notify our prayer chain contact, Roxi Wakeen by calling or texting 651-894-3385. The name of your loved one will be prayed for two months or unless you request it otherwise. You can resubmit your loved ones names at anytime.

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| <b>Donald Anibas</b>    | <b>John Will</b>           | <b>Kay Suckow</b>       |
| <b>Ken Weiss</b>        | <b>Lorraine Miller</b>     | <b>Dominic Pedrotty</b> |
| <b>Patricia Severin</b> | <b>Jodi Hurtgen Wagner</b> | <b>Heather Jaszczak</b> |
| <b>Janet Gregor</b>     | <b>Emma Becker</b>         | <b>Harriet Meath</b>    |
| <b>Maureen Konder</b>   | <b>Jane Koonce</b>         | <b>Carlene Brown</b>    |
| <b>Margaret Chyba</b>   | <b>Kathy Weninger</b>      | <b>Jodi Trunkel</b>     |
| <b>Kelly Kopacz</b>     | <b>Mary Erickson</b>       | <b>Rosie Kohler</b>     |
| <b>Jan O'Connell</b>    | <b>Marlys Hawkins</b>      | <b>Linda Jourdeans</b>  |
| <b>Fr. Bill Murphy</b>  | <b>Brian Smith</b>         |                         |

**New Prayer Intention Book for St. Mary's**

A Prayer Intention Book is being purchased for St. Mary's Church. It will be located on the podium in the back of church. Anyone will be able to write down your intention(s) and all will be able to look at them and pray for them.

**Year End Church Contributions**

As we near the end of 2021, this is a great time to remind all parishioners of ways they can save on taxes and help St. Mary's Church. If you own stocks or bonds that have appreciated, consider donating them to St. Mary's Church. The IRS allows you to deduct the investment value when the donation is made regardless of what you paid for it. This is a great way to make a financial impact on your parish and save on your taxes at the same time. Check with your financial advisor for details before making the transfer.

**Parish Council Candidates Needed**

We have three (3) parish council members terms are expiring this spring. They are Kevin Branstad, Cyndi Rineck, and Rhonda Malecek. God bless you for your serving the parish this way. Ideally, we need 2 candidates for each open position. If you are interested or know of someone who would be interested in serving, please contact Todd Edelman, parish business administrator, Fr. Joe or me. To serve on the Parish Council, you must be a member of the parish and active in the Catholic faith. The Parish Council meets once a month, eight times a year virtually. It is a great opportunity for bringing new ideas built on our faith tradition.

The parish council is studying "Start With Jesus" by Julianne Stanz. Fr. Harris

**Rest in Peace**, Herman Ralph Heinbuch, the father of Steven (Renee) Heinbuch

## Adult Faith Formation

### Life in the Spirit Seminar:

Saturday January 29, 8:00 a.m. - 4:45 p.m.

Brochures are at the back of church. Cost is \$8. If you have never attended before come to the overview of what Life in the Spirit is about meeting on Sunday January 9 from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. at St. Bridget Church.

### Men's Retreat at St. Bridget

March 5, 2022, 9:00 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

The Parishes in our cluster are sponsoring a "Men's Retreat" for all adult men. The speaker/facilitator is Pat Millea (pat.millea.com). He is a husband and father who truly enjoys sharing his love for God and the Catholic Church with people of all ages. The cost is free. This will be a great opportunity to gather as men of faith.

## Scripture Readings

www.usccb.org/bible/readings

Monday, 1/10	1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20	116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19
Tuesday, 1/11	1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28	1 Samuel 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd
Wednesday, 1/12	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39	40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10
Thursday, 1/13	1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45	44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25
Friday, 1/14	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2:1-12	89:16-17, 18-19
Saturday, 1/15	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Mk 2:13-17	21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7
Sunday, 1/16	Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11	Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10
Monday, 1/17	1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22	50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23
Tuesday, 1/18	1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28	89:20, 21-22, 27-28
Wednesday, 1/19	1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Mk 3:1-6	144:1b, 2, 9-10
Thursday, 1/20	1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12	56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13
Friday, 1/21	1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19	57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11
Saturday, 1/22	2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Mk 3:20-21	80:2-3, 5-7
Sunday, 1/23	Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30	Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15

PRAY TO PROTECT HUMAN LIFE!

**9 DAYS FOR LIFE**

JANUARY 19 - 27, 2022

9DAYSFORLIFE.COM

### Read the Bible in a Year

Check out Bible in a Year Podcast by Father Mike Schmitz. This podcast will lead you through the Bible in 365 days. You can follow along using your own Bible, as Father Mike, with Jeff Cavins, reads aloud the selected passages of the day and then ends with a short reflection. Each episode lasts about 20 minutes. This podcast can be found on Amazon music or

<https://media.ascensionpress.com/podcast/all-bible-in-a-year-episodes/>.

<b>Mass Schedule - Immaculate Conception</b>				
<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>In Honor Of</u>	<u>Given By:</u>
<b>THURS</b>	<b>1/06</b>	Assisted Living Facilities	People's Mass	
<b>FRI</b>	<b>1/07</b>	8:00 AM	People's Mass	
<b>SAT</b>	<b>1/08</b>	7:00 PM	Tim Scott	Clarisse & Joe Paron
<b>SUN</b>	<b>1/09</b>	8:00 AM	Charlene Bretl	Jerry Bretl family
<b>TUES</b>	<b>1/11</b>	8:00 AM	People's Mass	
<b>THURS</b>	<b>1/13</b>	Assisted Living Facilities	Jack Trunkel	Jeff & Kay Suckow
<b>FRI</b>	<b>1/14</b>	8:00 AM	People's Mass	
<b>SAT</b>	<b>1/15</b>	7:00 PM	Rodney & Marlys DeSmith	Wally & Deb Graf & Family
<b>SUN</b>	<b>1/16</b>	8:00 AM	* Bolivar Duque	Mariana Johnson
<b>TUES</b>	<b>1/18</b>	8:00 AM	People's Mass	

\*= Mass of the Living

<b>Ministry Schedule for the weekends through January 30</b>					
	<b>Mass Server</b>	<b>Reader</b>	<b>Greeter</b>	<b>Usher</b>	<b>Sacristan</b>
<b>Saturday, January 8 7:00 PM</b>	Elliot Fritz Hudson Jaszczak	Randy Phillipps	Toby Hable Traci Hable	Toby Hable Mark Mikla John Northup (sub requested) Scott Teigen	Martina Halverson
<b>Sunday, January 9 8:00 AM</b>	Olivia Valiant Jasper Wiebold	Paula Soderberg	Don Klein Pat Klein	Robert Aune Curtiss Bourget Terry Korte Peter Lohmeier	Julie Myer
<b>Saturday, January 15 7:00 PM</b>	Hudson Jaszczak Addisyn Wichelman	Mary Rumpel	Matt Schommer Richard Young	Maverick Kostrzak Todd Kostrzak Allie Rumpel Jim Rumpel	Chris Stark
<b>Sunday, January 16 8:00 AM</b>	Hayden Buckel Abigail Rumpel	Jonalee Buckel	Jeff Jacobson Thess Jacobson	Curtiss Bourget Jacob Kusilek Mark Mikla Pete Nusbaum	Dan Kohler
<b>Saturday, January 22 7:00 PM</b>	Hudson Jaszczak Rhyan Nichols	Deb Phillipps	Austin Nichols Kelsey Nichols	Scott Amacher Christopher John Austin Nichols Carol Teigen	Carol Holldorf
<b>Sunday, January 23 8:00 AM</b>	Chase Lee Volunteer Needed	Pat Klein	Juanita Ferg Cathie Simmons	Curtiss Bourget Terry Korte Pete Nusbaum Volunteer Needed	Pete Nusbaum
<b>Saturday, January 29 7:00 PM</b>	Logan Moredock Abigail Rumpel	Cyndi Rineck	Dennis Malecek Rhonda Malecek	Dennis Malecek Rhonda Malecek Mark Mikla Jim Rumpel	Nancy Nichols
<b>Sunday, January 30 8:00 AM</b>	Hailey Bauer Isaac Bauer	Carissa Kusilek	Eric Becker Kelly Becker	Howie Evans Thess Jacobson Peter Lohmeier Austin Nichols	Virginia Anderson

**Chancery Bulletin** - You can view the Chancery bulletin here: <http://www.catholicdos.org/chancery-bulletin>

**Ride to Worship** - If you are unable to get to mass on Saturday or Sunday, please contact our church office and one of Welcoming Committee members will assist. We will try our best to get you there! Church office - Phone: (715) 796-2244; Email - [admin@stmaryshammond.org](mailto:admin@stmaryshammond.org); Office Hours: T & TH 11:30a.m. - 4:00p.m.

**Please call the parish office for all scheduling.**

**Holy Communion for the Homebound** - Call and leave your name and telephone number, and we will arrange a visit at your home by a Minister of Holy Communion.

**Anointing of the Sick** - First Mass of the quarter (Jan., April, July, & Oct.) at each nursing home and by appointment. Please call the cluster office for a priest to visit your home or hospital room - 715-796-2244.

**Sacrament of Reconciliation** - Weekly on Sunday from 7:15 AM to 7:30 AM, or anytime by appointment.

**Baptisms** - A Baptism preparation is to be completed by parents prior to the Baptism of their first child.

**Weddings** - Weddings are to be scheduled six months prior to the wedding to allow for Marriage Preparation.

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