

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH

200 Front Street, Pierce City, MO 65723
December 10, 2023 Second Sunday of Advent

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES FOR DECEMBER 9- DECEMBER 17

ST. MARY'S

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Larry & Patty Parrigon
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Francis & Virginia Jasumback
Monday	8:15 a.m.	Rosary & Communion Service
Wednesday	8:15 a.m.	+Charles & Anna Velten
Friday	8:15 a.m.	+John Gripka
Saturday	4:00 p.m.	+Terry Campbell
Sunday	8:30 a.m.	+Dwight & Laura Rose Severs

ST. AGNES

Tues.	8:30 a.m.
Thurs.	8:30 a.m.
Sun.	10:30 a.m.

EVENTS OF THE WEEK:

Sunday, December 10

Second Collection: Christmas Collection to sponsor Pierce City Families with kids to help buy Christmas gifts. These gifts stay within the Pierce City community, so if you are able to donate please do. Also it is tax deductible. Put your donation in an envelope with your name on it.

Help with putting up Christmas Trees after Mass

Breakfast with Santa: Knights of Columbus and Home & School will host Breakfast with Santa following the All School Mass. Please join us for breakfast, crafts, and photos with Santa.

Advent Penance Service in Pierce City at 4:00 p.m.

Community Christmas Service at 1:00 p.m. at the Congregational Church

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

St. Mary's School is in session

PSR CLASSES from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. All children Kindergarten to 12th grade.

Jesus and the Eucharist Adult Faith Formation Study from 6:15 p.m. to 7:15 p.m. in the cafeteria. Everyone is welcome to attend.

Advent Penance Service in Verona at 6:00 p.m.

Advent Penance Service in Sarcoxie at 6:00 p.m.

Advent Penance Service in Cassville at 6:30 p.m.

Fr. Matt's Birthday Celebration: Please join us in a Pot-luck dinner celebrating Father Matt's birthday on Saturday, December 16, 2023 following 4:00 Mass. It will be held in the cafeteria. Drinks and paper products will be provided. If your last name begins with A-F, please bring a dessert, G-L please bring a salad, M-R please bring a vegetable, and S-Z bring a bread. Every family will provide a meat dish. We hope to see you there.

Help with decorating the Church for Christmas after Mass

Advent Penance Service in Billings at 4:00 p.m.

Monday, December 11

Wednesday, December 13

Thursday, December 14

Friday, December 15

Saturday, December 16

Sunday, December 17

UPCOMING EVENTS:

Monday, December 18

Tuesday, December 19

Wednesday, December 20

Friday, December 22

Sunday, December 24

Monday, December 25

8:15 a.m. Rosary & Communion Service

St. Mary's School will be in session

St. Mary's School Christmas Program at 6:00 p.m.

Advent Penance Service in Monett at 6:00 p.m.

8:15 a.m. Mass

Advent Penance Service in Mt. Vernon at 5:00 p.m.

8:15 a.m. Mass

Christmas Eve Mass at 6:00 p.m.

Christmas Day Mass at 12:00 Midnight St. Agnes 10:30 a.m.

OUR GIFT TO GOD LAST WEEK: Collection Counters in December:

Our weekly budget is \$7,800.00

Last Week's Collection: \$ 9935.80

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

PLEASE KEEP IN YOUR PRAYERS: Fr. Peter Morciniec, Pat Kaiser, Judy Litril, Margie Jensen, Erin (Gasser) Carnes, Mary Catherine Miller, Joan (Whitman) Johnson, Brenda (Wroblewski) Buchanan, Guessie Pierce, Melissa Cahalan, Andrea Kristek, and all the sick and shut-ins of our parish.

CHOIRS MEMBERS NEEDED TO CELEBRATE THE BIRTH OF JESUS. We would like to invite any PSR, ST. MARY'S children or ADULTS attending Christmas mass to sing in the choir. Practice for Midnight Mass will be after mass on Sunday mornings. Choir practice for the 6:00 pm mass will be Wednesday, December 13th at 7:00 pm. "Music expresses that which cannot be put into words."

THE PCCW LADIES The PCCW ladies are selling pecans during November and December. They are \$12 a bag. We will sell after both weekend Masses. You may also contact one of the officers if you wish : Cathy Brown, Beverly Miller, Patty Osterloh, or Bonnie Parrigon. We appreciate your support. Thank you.

NOTES FROM THE PRINCIPAL'S DESK:

St. Mary's School along with Shirley Doss would like to say thank you to the volunteers who have helped in the cafeteria. These gracious volunteers have come in each morning to help with final food preparations, serve the lunches, help with the dishes, and help with clean up. This has saved a tremendous amount of time and money for the school and the school cafeteria program this year. There has been a number of women from the Parish in to help. We have also had a few men and some non-parishioners come in to help. The goal has always been to not put too much of a burden on any one person's time. There was a calendar made so that each volunteer came in about once a month.

Thank you to everyone who pitched in! Tena Abramovitz, Frances Boman, Veronica Carder, Cindy Witt, Patty Osterloh, Mary Lou Lombard, Bernice Cochran, Mike & Shirley O'Hara, Mary Jo Washam, Barbara Glouse, Tootie Knott, Rhoda Elbert, Cheryl (Mrs. Ray) Elbert, Joe & Deanna O'Hara, Marjorie Layton, Mary Abramovitz, Jerri Jasumback

I am sure there are many others who came in and helped with things that we left off. Thank you, again!

If you would feel inclined to join in and help in the kitchen please reach out to get on the calendar for the Spring.
Cafeteria phone 417-476-2180
Shirley 417-669-5286

DURING THIS CHRISTMAS SEASOND, the PCCW will be sending cards to those are in nursing homes, those who are shut-ins, and those who are ill. We invite you to join us in remembering these parishioners. These members include the following:

David Baker, 4 Lawrence 2220, Wentworth, MO 64873
Carolyn Boman, 101 N. Gibbs, Pierce City, MO 65723
Brenda Buchanan, 2605 Liberty Landing Road, Liberty, MO 64608
Erin Carnes, 203 East Newman Avenue, Pierce City, MO 65723
Pat and Judy Chapman, 10744 Barry Road, Pierce City, MO 65723
Joyce DeCamp, 510 Dairy, Apt. 4, Monett, MO 65708
Leonard Fenske, 22539 Lawrence 1040, Pierce City, MO 65723
Wilma Fenske, Lacoba Nursing Home, 850 US Highway 60, Monett, MO 65708
Loretta and Robert Grasskamper, 27115 Highway J, Pierce City, MO 65723
Joan Whitman Johnson, 32025 South 616 Road, Grove, OK 74344
Pat Kaiser, 19773 Highway 97, Pierce City, MO 65723
Don Kutz, 918 Highway 97, Pierce City, MO 65723
Imogene Kutz, Saint Luke's Nursing Center, 1220 E. Fairview Ave., Carthage, MO 64836
Lillian Kristek, Lacoba Villa, Apt. 2, P.O. Box 885, Monett MO 65708
Judy Littrell, 1943 West Meadowlark Lane, Aurora, MO 65605
Helen Marie Mettlach, Lacoba Nursing Home, 850 US Highway 60, Monett, MO 65708
Mary Catherine Miller, Saint Luke's Nursing Center, 1220 E. Fairview Ave., Carthage, MO 64836
Father Peter Morciniec, , Lacoba Nursing Home, 850 US Highway 60, Monett, MO 65708
Krishna Paul, 408 Walnut, Wentworth, MO 64873
Mary (Guessie) Pierce, 8453 Walleye Road, Pierce City, MO 65723
John and Janice Stricklin, 203 N. Elm St., Pierce City, MO
Florene Towers, Lacoba Nursing Home, 850 US Highway 60, Monett, MO 65708
Josephine Witt, Lacoba Nursing Home, 850 US Highway 60, Monett, MO 65708

APPOINTMENTS

If you are unable to make your appointment, please find a replacement

Saturday, December 16 4:00 p.m. Mass

Readers: Beverly Miller, Madeline Ceselski

Servers: Blythe Garner, William Garner

E.M.: John Witt, Cindy Witt, Jennifer Garner

Ushers: Bryan Stellwagen, Michael Abramovitz, Leonard Fenske, Larry Gasser

Sunday, December 17 8:30 a.m. Mass

Readers: Mary Abramovitz, Linda Fenske

Servers: Ben Brown, Jay Brown

E.M.: Mary Abramovitz, Ralph Abramovitz, Dale Jasumback, Jerri Jasumback (Choir)

Ushers: Ralph Abramovitz, Jim Barchak, Jared Barchak, Darren Brown