



Second Sunday Of Advent -Year C

Diocesan Theme: **Christ is Everything for Us!** "Let us work for the good of all, and especially for the family of the faith" (Galatians 6.10b).

Parish Mission Statement: **Love God, Love Others, Make Disciples!** Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal parish through the liturgy, faith formation and sacramental life, provides opportunities for members to develop their faith and service to others.



A Brief Examination of Conscience Based on the Ten Commandments

I am the Lord your God: you shall not have strange Gods before me. Have I treated people, events, or things more important than God?

You shall not take the name of the Lord your God in vain. Have my words, actively or passively, put down God, the Church, or people?

Remember to keep holy the Lord's Day. Do I go to Mass every Sunday (or Saturday Vigil) and on Holy Days of Obligation (Jan. 1; the Ascension; Aug. 15; Nov. 1; Dec. 8; Dec. 25)? Do I avoid, when possible, work that impedes worship to God, joy for the Lord's Day, and proper relaxation of mind and body? Do I look for ways to spend time with family or in service on Sunday?

Honor your father and your mother. Do I show my parents due respect? Do I seek to maintain good communication with my parents where possible? Do I criticize them for lacking skills I think they should have?

You shall not kill. Have I harmed another through physical, verbal, or emotional means, including gossip or manipulation of any kind?

You shall not commit adultery. Have I respected the physical and sexual dignity of others and of myself?

You shall not steal. Have I taken or wasted time or resources that belonged to another?

You shall not bear false witness against your neighbor. Have I gossiped, told lies, or embellished stories at the expense of another?

You shall not covet your neighbor's spouse. Have I honored my spouse with my full affection and exclusive love?

You shall not covet your neighbor's goods. Am I content with my own means and needs, or do I compare myself to others unnecessarily?

Christ's Two Commandments

How well do we love God and others? Do we love as Christ calls us to? In the Gospel of Matthew, Christ gives us two Commandments: He said to him, "You shall love the Lord, your God, with all your heart, with all your soul, and with all your mind. This is the greatest and the first commandment. The second is like it: You shall love your neighbor as yourself." The whole law and the prophets depend on these two commandments.

Blessings!
Have a great week

Saturday, Dec. 8-The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

4:30 pm- For the repose of the souls of Harriette Nahri and Elias Saba by the Nahri family

Sunday, Dec. 9- Second Sunday of Advent

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul of Bruce Helliker by the CWL members

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

Tuesday, Dec. 11

7:00 pm- For the repose of the soul of John Hudder by the Marsolais family

Wednesday, Dec. 12-Our Lady of Guadalupe

8:30 am-STA

9:30 am-OLMM-For the intentions of Cathy Gambell

Thursday, Dec. 13-St. Lucy

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul of Debra Murray McFadden by the staff and students of STA

Friday, Dec. 14-St. John of the Cross

9:00 am- For the repose of the soul of Jared Oldford by the Cogan family

Saturday, Dec. 15

4:30 pm- For the repose of the soul of Jack Tyo by Pauline and family

Sunday, Dec. 16-Third Sunday of Advent

9:00 am- For the birthday intentions of Brianna Hamilton by her family

10:45 am- For the intentions of the Parishioners by the Pastor

~IN OUR PRAYERS~

For the sick among our families and friends especially:
Pam Latour, Genny Detillieux, Alice Lavigne,
Melanie Joannette, & Marie Kirkham

YOUR OFFERINGS FOR:

December 2nd, 2018-\$3,118.75

Thank you for your generosity and support

INTENTIONS OF THE HOLY FATHER FOR DECEMBER:

Evangelization – In the Service of the Transmission of Faith
That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

DECEMBER 9, 2018

Are you new to Our Lady of the Miraculous Medal Parish?
WELCOME! If you have not yet registered, please complete a registration
form found in the foyer or in the office.
You may bring the completed form to the office

What's Happening This Week

- Mon.-Dec. 10 -Bible Study-7:00pm-hall
- Tues.-Dec. 11- CGS-Level three-4:30-6:30pm-hall
- Tues. -Dec. 11-Adult choir-7:30-church

CHURCH DECORATIONS & FLOWERS: Parishioners can help beautify the church for Christmas by making a donation for church flowers and decorations in the name of a departed loved one. The names of the donors and the names of their departed loved ones will be published in the church bulletin at Christmas. If you have a loved one you would like to honor in this way, please fill out the envelope found in the pews including your donation. Deadline for envelopes to be in is December 16. Thank you! On Sunday December 30th at the 9:00 am mass we will offer the intentions for all the departed loved ones.

Children's Christmas Pageant: Please join us Sunday December 9th at 2:00 pm as the children of OLMM present to you The Christmas Tree. The children have worked really hard and your support would be appreciated. Hot chocolate, coffee, juice and of course Christmas goodies will be served after.

Advent scripture, reflection and song

Please join the CWL as we lead the parish in scripture, reflection and song on Gaudete Sunday the afternoon of December 16th at 2pm followed by hot drinks and Christmas baking. All parishioners are welcome.

Advent Penance Service

Advent is a time to "make straight the way of the Lord." The best way of preparing the way of the Lord, therefore, is to rid our hearts, through the sacrament of reconciliation, of those clutters that may impede Christ from coming into our hearts, so as to make room for Him. So please join us on Thursday, December 20th, at 7 pm for our Parish Advent Penance Service. Visiting priests will be available.

The 2019 envelopes are now available for pick up in the foyer.

Parish Advent Activities

The CHRISTmas Tree
(children's Christmas Pageant)
Sunday Dec. 9th at 2:00 pm
Advent Scripture, Reflection and song
Sunday, Dec. 16th at 2:00pm
MARK YOUR CALENDARS

WAUPOOS FAMILY FARM

CHRISTMAS HAMPER CONTRIBUTIONS

For the past 5 years, our parish has generously provided Christmas Hampers for families in need through Waupoos Family Farm (<http://waupoos.com/>). If you would like to buy gifts or gift cards to help these families enjoy a special Christmas, please use the sign up sheet to indicate which items you wish to contribute. Please bring your unwrapped donation to the church on or before December 14th. We hope to include the following items and other creative ideas in hampers for 2 families. Gift cards for groceries, Walmart, Winners etc., Ladies' hats, gloves, scarves, socks Children's mittens, hats, neck warmers/scarves, socks Men's hats, gloves, scarves, socks, Tea towels, oven mitts Kitchen gadgets, Bath towels and washcloths Craft supplies, Drawing paper, Colouring books - adults and children, Pencil crayons, markers, Note paper, pens, pencils, Flashlights, Candles, Christmas movies, books, family game, Gingerbread house kit, Cozy fleece blanket, Magazines for ladies, men kids, teens, Decorations, Tree ornaments, "Christmas party crackers" for the table, Wrapping paper, tape, Bows/ribbon, gift tags Festive napkins, Hot chocolate, Coffee, Tea, Fancy crackers, cookies, Boxed/bagged chocolates Small gifts or any other creative ideas you may have Thank you for your generosity in considering this cause! Have a Blessed Advent. Carolyn Cogan - 613-608-9502 Karen Urlocker - 613-445-2962

Thank you to the CWL and it's members Bep Versteeg, Heather Sisk, Lorraine Barker, Mary Ellen James and Lisa Serjak (coordinator of the event) for assisting the residents of Champagne Home in Vars to go Christmas shopping and to view Christmas lights once again this year. The CWL has a long standing tradition of supporting this home in our community at Christmas time.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Penitential Service

Thursday, December 20th -7:00pm

Christmas Eve

Monday, December 24th -4:30pm-(STA)
-7:00pm (OLMM)
-9:00pm-(OLMM)

Christmas Day

Tuesday, December 25th-10:00am-(OLMM)

New Years Eve

Monday, December 31st -4:30pm

New Years Day

Tuesday, January 1st, -10:00am