

# The Basilica of Saint Mary of the Assumption

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December 3, 2023  
*First Sunday of Advent*

## MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Sat	5:30 PM - Lee Bryant, 2 <sup>nd</sup> Anniversary
Sun	8:00 AM - Ethel Rose Schoeppner
	10:00 AM - Robert Gessner
	12:00 PM - People of the Parish
Mon	7:45 AM - Health of Tomas Paguirigan
	12:05 PM - Robert & Bobbie Heiss
Tue	7:45 AM - In Thanksgiving for Our Priests
	12:05 PM - Vincent & Alice Lang
Wed	7:45 AM - Health of Teresita DeJosef
	12:05 PM - Robert Heiss
	6:00 PM - Liv/dec'd Members of the CWC
Thu	7:45 AM - Liv/dec'd Members of the Simon Thomas Family
	12:05 PM - Carolyn Archer Armor
	<b>The Immaculate Conception</b>
	<b>6:00 PM</b> - Mark A. Gallito
Fri	<b>7:45 AM</b> - Edgar Walters, 23 <sup>rd</sup> Anniversary
	<b>12:05 PM</b> - Preston John Huck
	<b>6:00 PM</b> - George & Tarcella Hendershot
Sat	9:00 AM - Cindy Heiss Bosner
	5:30 PM - Bobbie Heiss
Sun	8:00 AM - Charles & Marie Rose
	10:00 AM - People of the Parish
	12:00 PM - Brian Lovett

**SUNDAY MASSES** - Saturday 5:30 PM; Sunday 8:00 AM, 10:00 AM, 12:00 PM

**CONFESSIONS** - Saturday 3:30-5:00 PM (or anytime by appointment)

**BAPTISMS** - Contact Parish Office

**WEDDINGS** - Contact Parish Office *six months* in advance

Rector - Rev. Msgr. John Michael Campbell ([fatherjmike@gmail.com](mailto:fatherjmike@gmail.com))

Parochial Vicar - Rev. Edward Maxfield Jr. ([emaxfield@diosteub.org](mailto:emaxfield@diosteub.org))

Permanent Deacon - Rev. Mr. Lee Weisend

Music Director - Mr. John Ontko (740) 350-4224 ([ontkotb@suddenlink.net](mailto:ontkotb@suddenlink.net))

St. Mary School - 320 Marion St, (740)-374-8181 ([www.stmaryscatholic.org](http://www.stmaryscatholic.org))

School Principal - Elizabeth Tokodi ([elizabethtokodi@stmaryscatholic.org](mailto:elizabethtokodi@stmaryscatholic.org))

K of C Grand Knight - Rusty Nesmith (304) 488-1167

Parish Council President - Luke Strahler (614) 309-8876

CWC President - Jenn Tinkler

Hibernians - Mr. William Rathbone (740) 374-5492

Prayer Line - & Eucharistic Adoration, Mrs. Shelly Medley (740) 525-6360

Health Ministry - Mrs. Janet Jaeger (740) 374-6768

Daily Bread Kitchen - Mrs. Carol Henshaw (740) 885-1181

St. Vincent De Paul - Help Line (740) 376-1334

Welcoming Committee - Jim Naylor (740) 350-5510

Divine Mercy Gift Shop - Barb Ritchie (740) 538-4733

*May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping.  
What I say to you, I say to all: "Watch".*

## READINGS FOR NEXT SUNDAY:

Is 40:1-5,9-11; 2 Pt 3:8-14; Mk1:1-8.

## THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION:

Friday, December 8<sup>th</sup> is the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. It is a Holy Day of Obligation. Masses are Thursday evening at 6:00 PM and Friday at 7:45 AM and 12:05 and 6:00 PM. The 12:05 PM Mass is an "All School Mass."

## PARISH APPRECIATION DINNER:

Our Adult Christmas Appreciation Dinner will be held in the Basilica Social Hall on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. Social Hour will be at 5:30 PM. Sign-up sheets are available at the Basilica entrances. Reservations must be in by this **Sunday, December 3.**

## REST IN PEACE:

Eleanor Gribble, mother of Bonnie Offenberger of this parish, passed away November 21<sup>st</sup>. We offer our deepest sympathy to Bonnie and her family and will remember Mrs. Gribble in prayer. May she rest in peace.

**VISITORS WELCOME!** We welcome any visitors who are joining us for Mass this weekend. We hope your stay in Marietta is enjoyable. Any new parishioners at the Basilica are asked to please register with the parish office.

**PARISH OFFICES** are open from 1:00 PM until 4:00 PM on Mondays and from 9:00 AM until 4:00 PM Tuesday through Friday, with a lunch break from Noon until 1:00 PM each day.

## MEETINGS AND EVENTS

TODAY	8:45 AM	-	9:45 AM – CCD Classes in the Basilica Social Hall.
	7:00 PM	-	Presentation of the Messiah in the Basilica.
MON	6:15 PM	-	Our Lady of Perpetual Help Devotions. See announcement.
	7:00 PM	-	RCIA in the Basilica Social Hall.
	7:00 PM	-	St. Vincent dePaul Society Meeting in the Conference Room.
WED	8:15 AM	-	7:00 PM – Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel of the English Martyrs.
	6:00 PM	-	CWC Mass followed by Christmas Dinner.
THU	8:30 AM	-	Cleaning the Basilica. See announcement.
FRI	8:15 AM	-	7:00 PM – Eucharistic Adoration in the Chapel of the English Martyrs.

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### **The Lord Will Never Be Outdone In Generosity!**

Total collection last weekend:           \$ 17,846.00

Amount needed each week for the  
Basilica budget:                           \$ 14,225.00

***God bless those who support our Basilica Parish!***

### SECOND COLLECTION

The first weekend of each month there is a second collection for the maintenance of our Basilica. This collection will be taken up at all Masses this weekend. Envelopes were provided with your monthly packet.

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### ONLINE GIVING

Online giving is available at the Basilica. For more information, please visit this website:

<http://www.stmarysmarietta.org> and go to the left side of the web page. Click on the GIVE ONLINE button to see more information or to sign up.

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### BASILICA FOUNDATION

A fund has been established by the Marietta Community Foundation for the maintenance and repairs of our Basilica. This fund is separate from the monthly maintenance collection. Our goal is to have One Million Dollars in the fund before using it.

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### GIVING TREE

All gifts for the “Giving Tree” program are due this Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>. Please contact Shelly Stollar at 740-350-9374 with any questions. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

## SAINT MARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

Saint Mary Catholic School recently recognized the entire school as “Students of the Month” for the month of November for the Virtue of Charity. St. Mary Catholic participates in many community service projects and most recently presented \$1,655.07 to the Marietta Memorial Health Foundation/Strecker Cancer Center emergency fund with our participation in Breast Cancer Awareness month. Charity is a virtue that is important to instill in our students and we are thrilled to recognize the whole school!

Breakfast with Santa is Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup> in the Parish Center of the school. There will be Breakfast with Santa, crafts, photos with Santa, a country store and much more! Tickets are available early to avoid the line that day. 3 & under are free, children, \$7.00, adults, \$10.00 or family admission for \$30.00. Tickets can be purchased at the school.

St. Mary Catholic School Annual Christmas Concert for PreK-4<sup>th</sup> grade will be Thursday, December 17<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 PM at the Basilica.

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### DAILY BREAD KITCHEN

Each month since January 2023 the Daily Bread Kitchen has provided 300 meals weekly to those in need in our community. Expenses have been commensurate with increased numbers and rising costs of food and supplies.

Once again, we are asking for your prayers and support. Please place your donation in an envelope marked “DBK” and put it in the collection basket. Thank you and God bless you.

## **CWC CHRISTMAS COOKIE WALK**

**Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>**

Catholic Woman's Club Annual Christmas Cookie Sale will be in the Basilica Social Hall after all Masses on Sunday, December 10<sup>th</sup>. Walk from table to table gathering your favorite cookies, and then pay \$8.00 per pound for your selection. 100% of the proceeds will go toward purchasing blankets for the homeless of Washington County.

Many cookies are needed for this fundraiser. If you are able to donate, please call 740-350-0019, or sign up on the Basilica registers. Cookies are brought to the social hall anytime on Saturday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

## **2023 ORNAMENTS AND CHRISTMAS CARDS**

2023 ornaments and new Basilica Christmas Cards are now available in the gift shop. If you did not pre-order, there are still a few left for sale. Advent candles are also available. While there, check out the new Christmas gifts for this year. Divine Mercy Gift Shop is located in the social hall.

## **K of C NEWS**

At the conclusion of this weekend's Masses for the first Sunday of Advent, the Marietta Knights of Columbus will be passing out Keep Christ in Christmas vehicle magnets.

K of C Meetings are held at the K of C Hall, 312 Franklin Street, Marietta. They are held the first Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM and the third Tuesday of each month at 7:30 PM. The rosary will be prayed at 7:00 PM.

## **K OF C APPRECIATION DINNER**

Knights of Columbus Ladies Appreciation Dinner will be held December 19<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 PM at the K of C Hall. The Social Hour will start at around 5:30 PM. Members pay \$15.00, wives of members are free. Lady of the Year will be presented after dinner. Contact Ken Offenberger for reservations: 740-350-4967.

## **YOUNG ADULT GROUP**

A Young Adult Group will be starting on January 8<sup>th</sup>, 2024. If interested contact Leslie Lupardus at 740-885-9378 for more details.

## **MASS CHANGE FOR SUNDAY, DEC. 24<sup>TH</sup>**

**Please Note: There will not be a Noon Mass on Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup>.**

## **DONUT SUNDAY**

The first Sunday of each month is Donut Sunday in our parish. Please join us in the Basilica Social Hall after the 8:00 AM or 10:00 AM Mass this Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup> to enjoy fellowship and donuts and coffee. These Sundays are great opportunities to spend time with fellow parishioners. Hope to see you there!

## **INTERESTED IN DECORATING THE BASILICA FOR CHRISTMAS?**

Join us on Friday, December 15<sup>th</sup> at 10:30 AM. This involves checking lights and "fluffing" 30 + trees. We appreciate your help.

## **PRAY FOR THOSE IN THE SERVICE**

We pray for those serving in the military. We especially remember those from our parish and friends and relatives of parishioners. May God watch over them and bring them home safely.

## **FREE HELP FOR PARISHIONERS**

If anyone in the parish needs help, such as rides to Mass or appointments, or help with errands, grocery shopping, etc., please call or text Anne-Marie at 609-471-5294. Twenty-four hours' notice is preferable but not necessary.

## **2023 ECUMENICAL CHRISTMAS FEAST**

An ecumenical group of community members is working together to offer the 2023 Christmas Day Feast. The ministry to the Marietta and surrounding area is free and available to anyone needing a free hot meal for themselves and their families on Christmas Day. Dine-in, pick-up, or delivery are options for the meals with everything taking place at the K of C Hall on Franklin Street.

### **Dine-in 1:00 pm.**

Live Christmas Music from Puls Family Trio  
Free Ride Service to and From Dine-in Meal.

**Delivery:** 10:30 AM -1:00 PM

**Carryout:** 11:30 AM – 12:00 PM

**RESERVATIONS REQUIRED by December 18**

Phone: 740-760-0277

Email: [christmasfeast2013@gmail.com](mailto:christmasfeast2013@gmail.com)

**MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR THE WEEKEND OF December 9<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup>.**

	<b>Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion</b>	<b>Lectors</b>	<b>Altar Servers</b>
<b>Sat: 5:30</b>	Evelyn Potter (CAPT) Mary Tokodi Ruth (HOST) Amy Brockett (HOST) Irene Cain (CHALICE) Debbie Lazorik (CHALICE)	Tina Thomas	Connor Bichard Anna Combs Maddie Combs
<b>Sun: 8:00</b>	Patti Finkel (CAPT) Marsha McCabe (HOST) Carol Antill (HOST)(swap req.) Sharon Loken (CHALICE) Theresa Huck (CHALICE)	Carol Wharff	Greg Dickson Mike Iaderosa Joyce Iaderosa Joe Flaherty
<b>10:00</b>	Gerald Cooke (CAPT) Sherry Payne (HOST) Deacon Lee (HOST) Cheyenne Greenwood (CHALICE) Cathy Harper(CHALICE)	Jamie Spencer	Cora Black Caroline Krason Aamon Harper
<b>12:00</b>	Stan Vanlandingham (CAPTAIN) (swap req.) Sandy Bickert (HOST) Dennis Nau (HOST) Jeannette Flowers (CHALICE) Lisa Taylor (CHALICE)	Sherry Hill	Kingston McMahon Jonathan Schmidt Annie Tokodi Ruth

**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL ANNUAL FOOD BASKET COLLECTION**

St. Mary's St. Vincent de Paul Society is asking for non-perishable food donations to support our Christmas Basket Share Campaign. This will serve those in our area that need assistance with basic food items. Our mission is to help those in need of food during the Christmas season.

Please place food items (canned goods, peanut butter, mac & cheese or any non-perishables) in the boxes located at the Basilica entrances and downstairs outside the Music Room. We will be collecting donations from November 11<sup>th</sup> through December 10<sup>th</sup>, and the food baskets will be distributed Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup>. Thank you for helping us in our mission of charity.  
The St. Vincent de Paul Society

**CHRISTMAS MEMORIALS ARE ONCE AGAIN AVAILABLE:** Please PRINT the names of those you wish to remember on the back of the "Christmas Flowers" envelope provided with your packet. These names will be listed in our Christmas Memorial page of the December 24<sup>th</sup> bulletin and the flowers and decorations that will grace our Basilica this Christmas Season will be in memory of those listed. The deadline to receive Memorials is Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup>. Reminder: If you give on line, please send us a list of those you wish to remember as we do not receive that information on line. Memorials are \$10.00.

**ALTAR FLOWERS:** This weekend the flowers for the altar are in memory of David Erb. If you would like to request flowers for a particular weekend, please call the parish office to reserve the date. You should contact the florist of your choice to arrange for delivery.