

St. John the Baptist Parish & St. Mary of the Assumption Parish

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Saturday	December 20	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Alan Barnes by Dixie & Dennis Barnes
Sunday	December 21	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	All Parishioners
		10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Tiffany Andrewjetski by John & Cindy Chavey
Tuesday	December 23	8:00 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Genevieve Jones by Sharon George
Wednesday	December 24	5:00 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	All Parishioners
		7:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Fr. Henry Baxa
Thursday	December 25	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	Pope Leo & Bishop Vincke
Saturday	December 27	5:30 p.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Wendy Genereux by Bill Genereux
Sunday	December 28	8:30 a.m.	St. Mary, Clifton	All Parishioners
		10:30 a.m.	St. John, Clyde	+Madeleine Blackwood by Steve & Gloria Blackwood

St. Mary's Liturgical Assignments:

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gifts Bearers	Collection
Dec. 21	Francis Cox	Matt Schwab Family	Diane Steinbrock	Jim Leiszler	Deanne Jackson Mike Kantack Barb Lange	Jordi Fahey Nellie Fahey	Wade Knoettgen Family	Tim Lange Travis Wurtz
Dec. 25	Stephen Kieffer	Daniel & Judy Deaver	Zachary Leiszler	Mike Kantack	Linda Kantack Susan Bechard Steve Bechard	Annika Werneke Remi Wurtz	Francis Cox & Kayla Darden	Stan Marshall Dennis Alexander
Dec. 28	Mike Kantack	Francis Cox Kayla Darden	Deanne Jackson	David Leiszler	Monica Wurtz Stephen Kieffer S. Bev Carlin, csj	Charly Steinbrock Warric Gelino	Travis Wurtz family	Wade Kneottgen Shawn Taddiken

St. John's Liturgical Assignments:

Date	Rosary	Greeters	Cross Bearer	Reader	EMHC	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
Dec. 20	Karen Leiszler	Noel Garrison & Maryclara Joyce	Steve Biery	Cathy Koch	Scott & Dawn Siefert	Ryan LeClair Cooper Girard	David Girard Family	
Dec. 21	Choir	Mary Lou & Gary Channell	Jim LeDuc	Jeff Koch	Jackie Askren Greg Askren Marylynn Delude	Luke Nobert Cohen Girard	Jeff & Lori Bulleigh	John & Cindy Chavey
Dec. 24 5:00 p.m.	Stephanie Girard	Scott & Dawn Seifert	Ian Bergstrom	Karen Leiszler	Audra Walter Curtis Walter Mary Lynn DeLude	Cohen Girard Cooper Girard	Andrew & Molly Seifert Family	
Dec. 24 7:30 p.m.	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Gary Sipe	Jody Sipe Noel Garrison	Zach Bulleigh Ryan LeClair	Volunteers Needed	
Dec. 27	Eric Stenberg	Kathleen Sorell Noel Garrison	Scott Siefert	Cathy Koch	Brenda Koch Maryclara Joyce	Cohen Girard Remy Girard	Eric Stenberg family	
Dec. 28	Choir	Stan & Beth Bergstrom	Greg Askren	Kristi Koch	S. Beverly Carlin	Zach Bulleigh Luke Nobert	Adam Junek family	Derek & Dana Sandmann

Finance totals: St. John December 14 – Plate: \$249.00, Envelopes: \$1,892.00, Retired Religious: \$575.00
St. Mary December 14 – Plate: \$47.00, Envelopes: \$1,045.00, Retired Religious: \$615.00

Homebound Ministry: S. Beverly Carlin, CSJ

Adoration at St. Mary on Tuesday, December 23 at 4:00 – 6:00 p.m.

Outreach Ministers for December: Circle Two- Loretta Koch, Pat Pearson

Sacrament of Reconciliation: St. John 4:00 – 5:00 p.m. Saturday, **1:00 p.m. Sunday Dec. 21st** and 30 mins before daily Mass;
St. Mary 7:45 – 8:15 a.m. Sunday, **5:00 p.m. Tuesday Dec. 23rd** and 30 mins before daily Mass

Notes from the Pastor

St. John's Advent Confessions: The last opportunity for Confession before Christmas will be this Sunday, December 21st at 1 pm.

St. Mary's Advent Confessions: The last opportunity for Confession before Christmas will be this Tuesday, December 23rd at 5 pm.

Catholicism 101: In this section I will begin offering snippets of Catholic teaching and practice. As we celebrate Christmas this week, it is important for Catholics to know that Jesus' birth was in fact miraculous and not "natural/ordinary." This is the logical continuation of His miraculous Conception through the Holy Spirit and not a human father. While Jesus is fully human, He is also God Incarnate, so His entrance into our human experience was unique and miraculous.

This also follows upon Mary's Immaculate Conception. The pain and distress of labor is a consequence of original sin, of which Mary was preserved. This was foretold by God in Isaiah 66:7. Mary did later experience "labor pains" when she spiritually gave birth to us on Calvary.

Christmas Masses: St. John's Christmas Masses will be December 24th at 5 pm and 7:30 pm. St. Mary's Christmas Mass will be December 25th at 8:30 am.

January 1st Masses: Jan 1 is a holy day of obligation for the Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God. St. John's Masses will be December 31st at 5:30 pm and January 1st at 10:30 am. St. Mary's Mass will be January 1st at 8:30 am.

Parish Information

St. Mary CCD: No CCD classes Dec. 21 through Jan. 4th.

St. Mary Christmas Decorating: This will start at 2:00 p.m., Monday, December 22. All are welcomed.

St. John Christmas Collection: St. John's collection will go to the Catholic Charities Outreach Services.
<https://www.ccnks.org/outreach>

Parish Information (cont.)

St. Mary Christmas Collection: St. Mary Collection will go towards the Clifton Park Improvement Fund.
<https://washingtoncountycf.org/>

New Parish Database: We are using a new parish database & communication software called "Flocknote." Please signup each member of your household by simply texting:

JOINSTMARY to 84576.

OR go online to:

stmaryclifton.flocknote.com

JOINSTJOHN to 84576.

OR go online to:

stjohnclifton.flocknote.com

NOTE: Only sign up for your primary parish.

Website: The St. John & St. Mary website has officially launched! Check it out at: www.cliftoncliftoncatholic.com. Mass times, weekly bulletins and Liturgical schedules can all be found here.

Retirement Fund for Religious: Heartfelt gratitude for your generosity! "Thank you very much for your donations, always," says Sister Olivia Bellegante, 93, a member of the Franciscan Sisters of Our Lady of Perpetual Help in St. Louis, Missouri. Your gift directly impacts thousands of senior religious, providing the support they need in their later years. Learn more at retiredreligious.org