

Mass Intentions for the Week

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| Saturday, | December 22, 2018 |
| 4:30 p.m. | Ed Mack by Dorothy, Bob & Marie Gondek |
| Sunday, | December 23, 2018 |
| 7:30 a.m. | Bob Slabinski by his wife, Marilyn |
| 9:30 a.m. | Concetta Desnoyers by Don & Linda Powers |
| 11:00 a.m. | Alice Flynn |
| Monday, | December 24, 2018 |
| 4:00 p.m. | Mr. & Mrs. Henry J. Daley & family by Karen Daley Hull |
| 10:00 p.m. | The Kelley & Duggan family members by their families |
| Tuesday, | December 25, 2018 |
| 8:00 a.m. | Angela Sienko by her family |
| 10:00 a.m. | Eugene Rudiak by Elaine Searle & family |
| Wednesday, | December 26, 2018 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Timothy Kelly by his family |
| Thursday, | December 27, 2018 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Sebastian "Mike" Motta |
| Friday, | December 28, 2018 |
| 7:45 a.m. | Alice Flynn |
| Saturday, | December 29, 2018 |
| 4:30 p.m. | Helen Motta |
| Sunday, | December 30, 2018 |
| 7:30 a.m. | Mom, Dad, Joseph, Jr. Teresa, Robert, Jr., & Ruby Lee Gondek by Gondek family |
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| 9:30 a.m. | St. Mary Parish |
| 11:00 a.m. | William J. Tierney (1st anniversary) |

Readings for the week of December 23, 2018

Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-18 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Monday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79

Tuesday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Midnight: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20

Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14

Wednesday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22

Thursday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8

Friday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7cd-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35

Next Sunday: 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3, 5-6, 9-10 [cf.

5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52

Calendar

12/29 4:30 p.m. Choir



Christmas Eve, Monday, December 24
4:00, 10:00 p.m.

Christmas Day, Tuesday, December 25
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

New Year's Eve, Monday, December 31
4:00 p.m.

New Year's Day, Tuesday, January 1
8:00 a.m., 10:00 a.m.

There will be no daily morning Mass on Monday, December 24 or Monday, December 31.

Why Do We Give Gifts at Christmas?

Great events in and of themselves are not tangible. They occur in life but leave no mark behind, nothing that someone could come across and know that something significant occurred. So we mark the event with monuments, holidays, gold watches or plaques making a meaningful event tangible and memorable.

Gifts at Christmas do the same thing. They mark the occasion of the birth of Jesus, communicating a bit of the joy of the day by allowing us to be both giver and receiver. Gift-giving sets aside the day as special and different. The special foods, customs, decorations and gifts all help focus our attention on the importance and meaning of the day and at the same time allow us to share personally in its joy and happiness.

In giving gifts, though, we can share in the meaning of Christmas in a significant way. We imitate God in sharing with others. We give a bit of ourselves to others in the gifts we give, just as God gives us the gift of his Son. No wonder we often say that the best gifts are those that come from the heart. Given in love, these presents are wrapped in the best covering of all.

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The Women's Guild would like to thank Charles Thomas for his very generous gift in memory of his wife, Marylin.

Parish Support— December 16, 2018

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| Weekly | \$10,246.00 |
| On-line Giving | <u>1,299.00</u> |
| Total | \$11,545.00 |

We thank all who were so generous with their Christmas donation to the flower fund. Our sanctuary is a beautiful tribute to the presence of the Risen Christ and those who have shared with the community in worship and prayer.

In memory of:

Joseph Amico, Mr. & Mrs. A. Bove, Tim Bove, Mr. & Mrs. E. Amico
 John & Lillian Arcidiacono, Joan Russo
 Anita Bilodeau
 Edward L. Burke, Suzanne Burke Lampognana
 Al & Lillian Clark, Matt & Edward Clark, Margaret & George Riker, Mary & David Twomey
 Rev. Boris & Sophia Dukely, Lucille Tuttle
 Anna Brouillard, Marie Polo
 Burns and Grandbois family
 Civitillo & Phoenix family members
 Cugno Family, Bagioni Family
 Frank & Penny D'Addabbo, Al & Helen Szewczul
 Pilar deAtienza
 Maureen & Albert V. Dellavolpe & Albert M. Dellavolpe
 Joyce Dixon
 William Driscoll, Helen Driscoll
 Dwan & Lambe family
 Gawinski & Tarasiuk family
 Mom, Dad, Joe, Teresa & Rob Gondek
 Gurnicki, DiNoia, O'Neil families
 Lois & Joseph Hannon
 Thomas Harkins & Sullivan family
 The Jakobowski & Zukowski families
 Nan Douglass Kennedy, James F. Kennedy
 Eugene Kupchik
 Lanfair, Schwentke, Siennick families & Jane Reeve
 Lamoin & Noveck Families
 John & Rita Leiner & Peplau Family
 Loiselle, Brodeur, Krupa & Haftkowycz families
 Santo F. Lombardo, Myrtle Morin
 Mack & Prindiville families
 James & Margaret Mitchell
 Bogdan Moch
 Deanna Nasto
 Neulinger & Pahl family
 Carl & Louise Niederer
 Madeline Palmese, Helen Wilks
 Papa, Ida & John Vaselling
 Parzyck & Kawiecki family
 Alfredo Peluso, George Thomas
 Ettore Premus
 Peter & Marion Ragaisis
 Charles Reiss, Carol & Jim Malone
 John Reno, William & Valerie McEnroe
 Aldo & Bettie Rogliano, Jack & Ruth Shortley
 Ted Scheidel
 Sally Schumacher, Kathy Schumacher, Larry Schumacher
 Sheehy Family
 Grant Sheely
 Angela Sienko, Deceased Sienko, Sinski & Sheerin families

Sylvester & Gagne families
 Anthony, Joseph & Rose Tapogna
 Thomas Toce, Ellen Norcross
 Michael Vacca

Elizabeth Villa, Michael Villa
 Anita Violette

Ed Welcome, Art & Gert Beaulieu, Frank & Margaret Welcome, Everett Pelkey, Barbara Wolf
 Mr. & Mrs. Skip Woods

Memorial donations will continue next week.

For Your Information

Young Adult Bible Study

Start the new year by exploring eight encounters with Jesus as found in the Gospel of John. The group will meet on Thursday evenings starting on January 3 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. in the Hart House. Light dinner will be provided. For more information, go to the Youth Ministry page on stmary-unionville.org

Middle School Ministry Night

Saturday, January 12 from 5:30—7:00 p.m.

All 5th, 6th, 7th and 8th graders are invited to join us for a night of fun, faith and friendship. Middle school students are invited to join this dynamic ministry which is designed just for them and brings the faith to them in a fun and relevant way. This night we will focus on having fun and building community. Pizza and salad will be provided for dinner. Go to the Youth Ministry page on stmary-unionville.org for more information.

CHRISTMAS



The rectory office will be closed on Monday and Tuesday, December 24 and 25 for the Christmas Holiday.