December 14, 2014 Third Sunday In Advent

Saturday 6:00 P.M. Rosary 6:30 P.M. +Christine Grellhesl; +Herman & Frances Grimm; +Jim Jarrett; +Lydia Dobecka; and +August "Gus" Kocian Sun. 7:30 A.M. +Bruce Malaer; +Teresa Holy; +Agnes Zatopek; +Lydia Dobecka; and For the Health of Charlie Ferguson Sun. 9:00 A.M. +Vickie & Julius Filer; +Joe & Anna Willenborg; +Lydia Dobecka; Deceased and Living FCSLA Dist #14; +A.J. Kutscherousky; +Rita Michael; +Denise Carlile; +Ashton Marek; +Chase Kutscherousky; +Ernie Uptmore; Thanksgiving for the 90th Birthday of Bernice Kutscherousky; and For the Health of Mark Kutscherousky Sun. 10:30 A.M +Edward Miller, Anniv; +Tal & Margaret Scott; +Gene & Larry Scott; +Harry & Martha Marak; +Lydia Dobecka: and +Sharon Uptmore Sun. Spanish Mass (Noon) Parish Family Mon 6:30 A.M. Parish Mission 7:00 P.M. Parish Mission Tues. 7:00 P.M. Parish Mission Wed. 7:00 P.M. Parish Mission Thurs. 6:30 A.M.

Fri. 8:15 A.M. +Willie Mae Holecek and +Bill Poludka

Next Sat. 6:00 P.M. Rosary
6:30 P.M. +Bill Dvorak; +Henry Nors, Sr.
BD; and +V.J. Pratka Anniv
Next Sun. 7:30 A.M. +Emil & Georgia
Mechell; and +Louis F. Cepak
Next Sun. 9:00 A.M. +Nicholas Van Pelt;
+Lucille Isom; +Joe & Virginia Marek;
+Evelyn Gerik; +Louis & Regina Vanek;
and +Bruce & Frances Malaer
Next Sun. 10:30 A.M. +Edward Raymond
Smajstrla; +Jennifer Smajstrla; and
Thanksgiving Makovy Family
Next Sun. (Noon) Spanish Mass Parish
Family

NEXT WEEKEND December 20 & 21 SATURDAY 6:30 P.M. LECTOR –Adrienne Janek GIFTS – Larry Podsednik Family ALTAR SERVERS –Lily & Toby Cook EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS –Donna Sepeda, Susan Stone, Dianne Mendola SUNDAY – 7:30 A.M. LECTOR – Jane Kapavik GIFTS –Lucas Wolf Family ALTAR SERVERS – Feryn, Adryn, &

Shyan Schulte **EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS** – Chuck
Felderhoff, & Bernice Dulock **9:00 A.M**.

LECTOR – Cheryl Hoelscher
GIFTS – Eugene Roznos Family
SERVERS –Mo Matus, Zane & Reid
Cooper

EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS-Raymond & Joyce Dulock, Rose Kubacak **10:30 A.M**.

LECTOR -Pat Herring
GIFTS -Kenny Sykora Family
SERVERS -Libby & Kaylin Gerik
EXTRA ORDINARY MINISTERS -Bill &
Dorothy Warren, Michelle Marak
If you are unable to attend this Mass,
please make sure that you have a
replacement. Thank you for serving.

<u>LECTORS, EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS,</u> <u>GIFT BEARERS, USHERS, AND ALTAR</u>

SERVERS: A schedule has been posted in the vestibule of the church for the Christmas and New Year's Masses. **PLEASE** sign up for the masses that will be convenient for you.

TODAY --- The Knights of Columbus will be selling Poinsettias for \$10.00 after all the Masses.

TODAY – Parish Mission begins at 7 to 8:15 p.m. and the topic will be Death, The Big Lie.

TODAY -- St Mary's school board will be selling Fall Raffle \$100. Tickets at all weekend masses. The raffle is December 14 at 1 p.m. in the Parish Center.

TODAY – CCE Classes for the 9th & 10th grades at 9:15 to 10:15 a.m. followed with Mass at 10:30 a.m.

TODAY ADULT STUDY GROUP –Our adult Sunday study group will be at 9:00 a.m. in the parish cafeteria. All sessions will last one hour.

TODAY -- KJT & KJZT will have meetings beginning at 2 p.m. at Tours Hall followed by a Christmas program and a meal consisting of pork loin and trimmings. Members are asked to bring either a dessert or salad for the meal and an adult or a child's gift for the raffle drawings. All members and their families are invited to attend. Members are asked to bring a canned good or a non-perishable food item for the Church of the Assumption Food Pantry.

MONDAY – Parish Mission will be held from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at Church and 7 to 8:15 p.m. in the church. The topic will be Making Sense Out of Suffering. Confessions at 3 – 5 p.m. and 8:15 till all

MONDAY --Deadline next edition of The Good News: Please send any articles and event-dates you would like to have in the January-March edition of 'The Good News' to Cheryl Hoelscher by Monday, December 15th. All Items should be emailed to westgoodnews@gmail.com If you need to contact Cheryl, please call 826-3481

TUESDAY --- Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and time for personal prayer will begin, in the cry room, after 6:30 a.m. Mass.

TUESDAY -- POINSETTIAS -- St. Anne's Altar Society is decorating the altar with poinsettias for Christmas. If you would like to make a contribution in memory of or in honor of someone, please submit their names by Tuesday and \$5.00 for each name to Jeanne Roznos (826-4221), Lucille Lednicky (826-3198), or Bernie Klish (826-5333).

TUESDAY -- Parish Mission will be held from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at St. Joseph hall and 7 to 8:15 p.m. in the church. The topic will be Freedom Through Forgiving. Confessions at 3 – 5 p.m. and 8:15 p.m. until all are said.

WEDNESDAY -- Parish Mission will be held from 9 to 10:15 a.m. at Church and 7 to 8:15 p.m. in the church. The topic will be Releasing Your Burdens. Confessions at 3 – 5 p.m

WEDNESDAY -- RCIC & CCE Classes for K-8th grades at 6:15 p.m. The 7th grade will be attending Mass.

THURSDAY - St. Mary's Catholic School students will have their annual Christmas program today at 6:30 p.m. in the church. All are welcome to attend.

THURSDAY ---The Society of St. Vincent dePaul will meet at 6:30 PM in the SMS Library on Thursday, December 18th. This date change was made so our members could attend the evening mission at our church.

SANCTUARY LAMP is in memory of Ernie Sykora by family.

MARIAN SHRINE LIGHT is in memory of Jeremy & Joey Pustejovsky by the Joe Pustejovsky Family.

OFFERTORY COLLECTION

Offertory Collection......\$ 14,743.00

Building Fund......\$ 678.00

Immaculate Conception....\$ 530.00

Envelopes....364

PRAYERFUL SYMPATHIES to the following: Walt Mellgren, Jr. on the loss of his father Walt Mellgren, Sr.; and to Carl Williams on the loss of his brother, John D. Williams; to Delores "Dee Dee" Wolf and Shirley Marek on the loss of their mother, Lydia Dobecka..

CEF PERPETUAL ENROLLMENT,,,,, In loving memory of the DR. WALTER MELLGREN, SR. **FAMILY** by Cliff & Bonnie Archer; Ernest & Evelyn Bezdek; Doug & Clara Carter; Mary Ann Cocek; Raymond & Joyce Dulock; Lori Eisma; Chuck & Bunny Felderhoff; Dianne Friend; Nita Gerik; Henry & Cressie Girard; Bill & Laurann Grimm; Dorothy Hajek; Cheryl Hoelscher; Ernest Holecek; Gene & Martha Hosek; Harry Lee & Mary Ann Hykel; Agnes M. Johnson; Anna Louise Kaska; Helen Klish; Elaine Kolar, Kara and Kailey; Hattie Kolar; John & Wilma Kostecka; Charles & Rose Kubacak: Kenneth & Margaret Kubala: Ginger Kutscherousky; Ervin & Geraldine Laubert; Jim & Jeanie Maguire; Jerry & Jo Ann Maynard: Milada Mazanec: George Meurer: Evelyn Muehlstein: Charles & Marsha Nemec; Robert & Georgie Nors; Billy & Doris Pavelka; Evelyn Petter; Dan & Jeanette Pokluda; Louise (Lou) Pokluda; Joe & Carolyn Pustejovsky; Eugene & Jeanne Roznos; James & Marcella Sinkule; Thomas & Margaret Sinkule; William & Angie Sinkule; Steve & Frances Soukup; Lucille Sulak; Rose Sulak; Dolores Sykora; Toby & Doris Tobola; Helen Trlica: Don & Pam Urbanovsky: Lillian Urbanovsky; Steve & Ann Vanek and Katy Campbell; Margaret Webre;

Robert & Marcella Wolf; Tommy & Jo Ann Wolf; and Royce & Virginia Zatopek.

PRAY FOR THE HEALTH OF THE FOLLOWING: Charlie Ferguson, Maria Vajello de Moya, Kelly Hooper, Jennifer Jares Ashley; Lillian Hromadka, Lillie Mynar; Karcyn Kauffman, Larry Holecek, Kenneth George. Wesley Mashek, Nilce Carman, Henry Edgington, Harvey Janek, Marcy Youngman, Nathaniel Torres, Ginger Kutscherousky, Ann Vanek, Wendel Harrison, Andrew Hlavenka, Billy Kelm, Paula Ledford, Royce Zatopek, Earline Rochester, Martha Sulak Gerik, Cathy Heltenberg, Eugene Roznos, Louis Mynarcik, Frank Haberl, Larry Payne, Mildred Bajer, Ken Bernsen, Jason Neill, Poehls. Tony Stacha. Williams, William Buchanan, Hattie Kolar, Evelyn Bedzek, and Helen Mynar.

Angel Tree - The St. Mary's PTC is selling angels for the Angel Tree. Angels may be purchased in memory of loved ones and they are \$5 each. The Angel Tree will be on display at the beginning of Advent and throughout the Christmas Season. The Children of St. Mary's School will pray for your loved ones, represented by the Angels, at their weekly Masses.

RESPECT LIFE – A recent article in the Journal of Medical Ethics (March, 2012) argues for euthanasia for newborns with disabilities based on the Italian and Australian scientists' belief that these children would have been killed before birth had the genetic disorder been identified. Citing these children as burdens to their families and society, they conclude, "Therefore, we claim that killing a newborn could be ethically permissible in all the circumstances where abortion would be."

CATHOLIC SOCIAL TEACHING CORNER In today's Gospel Mary accepts God's invitation. Being an invited guest

makes everyone feel special. Is there someone you know who needs to be invited to come back to Mass? Now is the perfect time to ask them.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS - The next healing Mass will be held on January 14, 2015 at the 6:30 p.m. Mass.

ARMOR OF GOD -- The men of the parish are asked to prayerfully consider attending the 3rd Annual Austin Diocese Catholic Men's Conference on Saturday, February 21 at St. Williams Church in Round Rock. The keynote speakers are Jesse Romero and Charlie Aeschliman. Tickets for the Conference may be purchased online at www.CatholicArmor of God.com or at Blessings. We will have a charter bus going –registration thru the office.

CHANGE OF ADDRESS ---- Please call the office if you have changed your address since the explosion or after. We need to make sure that our information is correct in the computer. Thank you in advance for your cooperation on this matter.

Family Connection In family life, we learn to trust other people for protection and care. This experience of trust within the family enables children to believe us when we testify about our faith in Jesus. John the Baptist was believed by those who heard him because he helped them to recognize Jesus in their midst. In our family life, we hope and pray that we lead one another to recognize Jesus' presence in our world. As you gather as a family, recall that during the Advent season we are invited to pay particular attention to the signs of Jesus' presence in our world. Consider some of the signs of Jesus' presence that you have experienced. During Advent, we remember how John the Baptist prepared the way for Jesus.

Read together today's Gospel, John 1:6-8,19-28. Discuss the signs of Jesus' presence in our world that you named and explain what these signs tell us about God and God's love for us. Pray together that your family will be led to recognize that Jesus is present among us. Read and pray together the psalm for today's Mass, the Magnificat (Luke 1:46-55).

ADVENT During Advent, we not only prepare ourselves to celebrate the birth of Jesus, but we also check in to see if we are doing all the things that will keep us ready to receive Jesus when He comes again. Talk to your family about how you are doing in attending to your spiritual life as a family. Recommit yourselves to praying daily, reading Scripture, and staying faithful to God's commandments. Pray together that through this Advent season your family will be more prepared to receive Jesus when he comes again. God of Love,

Your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us. He is a sign of your love.

Help us walk in that love during the weeks of <u>Advent</u>,

As we wait and prepare for His coming. We <u>pray</u> in the name of Jesus, our Savior. Amen.

