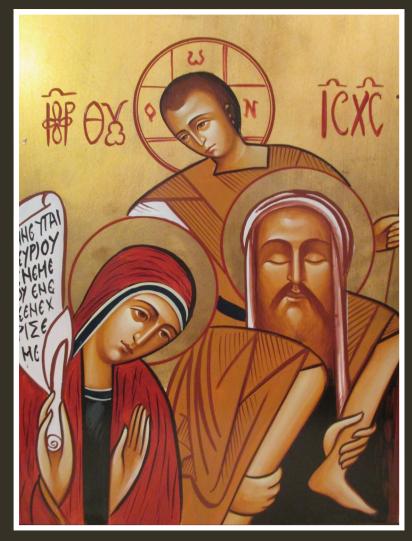
The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph **December 31,2023** 



The Icon of the Holy Family by Kiko Arguello

### **MASSES:**

Saturday-5:00pm

7:30am (simple chant) Sunday-

9am and 11am

Weekday - daily at 8:30am

#### **OFFICE HOURS:**

Mon-Wed 8am-4pm

10:30am-4:00pm 8am-12pm

**OFFICE PHONE:** (815) 467-2233

### **NEW PARISHIONERS:**

St. Mary's Parish warmly welcomes

everyone to our community. Please call

the Parish office to register at

815-467-2233 or

Office@stmarysminooka.com

### **SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:**

Saturdays at 4:00pm - 4:45pm And upon request

# ADORATION OF THE BLESSED

SACRAMENT:
Thursdays - 7:30am-8:30am
Saturdays - 4:00pm-5:00
SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: 2nd & 4th Sunday of each Month

### **ANNOINTING OF THE SICK** - Please

call the parish office 815-467-2233.

### SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE:

Six months preparation required. Visit the website for more information.

# SICK, HOMEBOUND AND

Contact the parish office if you would like communion, if you would like someone from St. Mary's to visit you in the hospital, or if we can help you in any other way. Privacy policies do not permit the hospital to contact us directly.

# Meditations on Sunday Readings and Famous Art with Fr. John

This image of the Holy Family, written by Kiko Arguello for the Neocatechumenal Way, is somewhat unusual in that Jesus is not a baby in Mary's arms while Joseph stands by watchfully. Rather, in this depiction the Holy Family is traveling from Jerusalem to Nazareth after Jesus was separated from Mary and Joseph in the Temple at the age of twelve. Here, Mary carries a scroll containing the message of Isaiah, "The spirit of the Lord is upon me, because the Lord has anointed me to bring good tidings to the afflicted," which foreshadows Jesus' future mission as Redeemer. As an adult at the start of his public ministry, Jesus will proclaim this same passage in the synagogue at Nazareth, and so in this scene the boy Jesus bows to Mary, as he reaches out to receive the scroll she bears, in anticipation of his mission.

Joseph carries Jesus on his shoulders as they journey home to Nazareth. As they walk, however, Joseph's eyes are closed. Rapt in the beauty of the moment, Joseph contemplatively savors the marvelous grace to carry the Son of God. At the same time, Joseph moves in trusting dependence on the Father. In this way, Joseph epitomizes the "contemplative even in action." Walking with closed eyes, Joseph is entirely handed over to the Father to guide and sustain him and his family. The light of grace from within, not Joseph's own resources, will lead them safely home. In all of this Joseph shares Jesus' delight to be so cared for, a father and son reveling in being together in a scene resplendent with tenderness and affection.

Though what passed between Joseph and Jesus remains in the mystical silence of the hidden years at Nazareth, Joseph, Father of the Interior Life, was given by God the Father to Jesus to form Jesus in the life of prayer in preparation for his future public ministry. (Except from the Institute of Priestly Formation's article, *Icon of the Holy Family and the IPF Priests of St Joseph* found on priestlyformation.org)

# **SAVE THE DATE!**



Sunday, January 28,
2024
Bishop Hicks will come
to the
11:00am Mass to install
Fr. John Honiotes as the
Pastor of
St. Mary's Church

Reception will follow in the Parish Center.

### **FISHERS OF MEN**

Men, are you interested in developing a more personal relationship with Jesus?

"FISHERS OF MEN" equips men of all ages to be committed disciples of Jesus Christ and better husbands, fathers and members of their community.

Come join with other men, banding together as brothers in Christ.

### Where:

ST Mary's: Saturday Morning 7-9 AM (Back home in time for breakfast)

St Francis Xavier: Wednesday Evening 7-9 PM (Better than an after dinner nap)

### Contacts:

Dave Clark (815)955-2928
Greg Masters (815)666-7786
Ralph Malec (815)931-9506
Chris Wielgos (779)456-9526

# Youth Ministry Coming Soon!

Be on the Lookout!

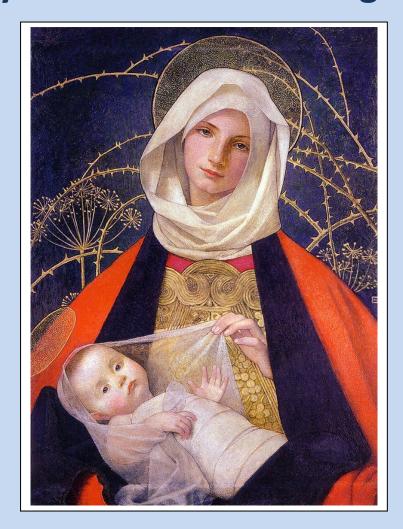
Jr. High grades 6-8

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High School grades 9-12 will include FELLOWSHIP, FAITH, & FUN.



# St. Mary's Catholic Church Registration



Welcome to St. Mary's Church! We're delighted to invite you to join our Parish Family. To become a part of our community, simply complete the details below and drop this form into the collection basket. Thank you for considering joining us – we're excited to have you with us!

Name:	 	 
Address:	 	 
Email:		

# To listen to Sunday Homilies Online!



# Man Does Not Live By Bread Alone

Homilies from Fr. John

To listen to Fr. John's weekly homilies, search "Honiotes" on any major podcast app, or follow this link: https://www.buzzsprout.com/1373725

# **Weekly Mass Intentions**

Date	Time	Intention	From
Saturday, Dec. 30	5:00pm	+Gloria Maxwell	Cathy McClintock Glove
		+Linda Bradley	Sharon Gaydula
		+Antonio Sifre	Leon Family
Sun. Dec. 31	7:30am	+Timmy Harms Jr	Deb & Bernie Bols
	9:00am	Parishioners of St. Mary's	
	11:00am	+Judy Bremer	Knights of Columbus
New Year's Day			
Monday, Jan. 1	10:00am	+Virginia Guertin	Al & Donna Chesko
Tuesday, Jan 2	8:30am	+Chris Underhill	Family
Wednesday, Jan 3	8:30am	Intention of our Pastor	
Thursday, Jan 4	8:30am	Parishioners of St. Mary's	
Friday, Jan 5	8:30am	+Virginia Guertin	Peg Francisco
Saturday, Jan. 6	5:00pm	+Sr. Rosemary Small	
Sunday, Jan 7	7:30am	+Don Ruettiger	Family
	9:00am	+Francis R. Dollinger	St. Mary's Church
	11:00am	+Virginia Guertin	ccw

#### Full-time Director of Finance & Administration – St. John the Baptist, Winfield, IL

St. John the Baptist parish is seeking to hire a full-time parish Director of Finance & Administration. The Parish Director of Finance & Administration is a professional administrator who reports directly to the Pastor. This role assists the Pastor with the stewardship and strategic direction of the financial, technology, and personnel resources of the Parish in accordance with Diocesan policies and guidelines. The Parish Director of Finance & Administration works in our Parish with a school. The Parish has at least 20 employees. The Parish Director of Finance & Administration is a person of faith committed to Gospel values. He or she values the organization and responsible management of resources and helps the Church fulfill its mission and purpose. An attitude of service and collaboration is essential to this role. Qualifications include a minimum of a bachelor's degree in a business discipline, preferably accounting. The professional business experience of the candidate is important and may be considered if a degree is in a different field of study. Has five or more years of business and/or church-related experience. Possesses knowledge of personnel issues, including policies, procedures, selection, benefits, federal and state laws, employee motivation, team building, etc. Possesses knowledge of safety and security issues.

Is literate and skilled in an office software suite (including word processing, spreadsheet, database), preferably Microsoft Office. Candidate must support the mission, philosophy, objectives and policies of the Catholic Church and the Diocese of Joliet. To view a full job description, visit: The Roman Catholic Diocese of Joliet in Illinois. To apply for this opportunity, please send a cover letter and resume to Ed Rylko, at erylko@stjohnwinfield.org

# **Weekly Mass Volunteer Schedule**

	Saturday, Jan. 6 5:00pm	Sunday, Jan 7 7:30am	Sunday, Jan 7 9:00am	Sunday, Jan 7 11:00am
Mass Coordinator	Pat Favero Jeanne Rapp	Nita Caruso	John & Sue Hulbert	Kathy Williamson
Lector	Pete Quirk	Lucy Feeney	Sue Gregory	Kelly Klepec
Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion	Jeanne Rapp John Mooney	Rose Ruettiger Jim Chiapello	Sue Hulbert John Hulbert	Jane Spray Kathy Williamson
Altar Server	Brooklyn Lehner	Bridget Phillips	Alex Folsom Sara Folsom	Teagan Saelens



Police & Firefighters
Dennis Trzesniewski
Scott Tezak
Lucy McDonald
Pat & Mickey McDonald
John Brown
Special Intention

If you would like a candle lit outside for a Special Intention, please call the Parish Office At 815-467-2233.



# Please Pray For the Sick of our Parish Family

Denise Tonarelli Kimberly Gaydula Paul Thien Phu Bill Reed Larry Goodwin Karen Lombardo Sara Lovell Wren Wagoner Baker Family Bayley Webb Aberie Skiba Kathy Ly Fred Lotarski

Lorenzo Benitez Marlena Benitez Judy Stafford Ruth Kesselring Olivia Arenella Lisa Pelton Dawn Dempsay Robert Fonck Marilyn Wilkens Gerald Magolan Paisly Schad Joe Overbeck Keith Flatness Jerry Moreno
Connie Hamilton
Katelyn Latta
Jim Novotny
Paul Pullara
Ralph Westbrook
Phill Wizorek

If you would like to add a name to our prayer list, please email office@stmarysminooka.com or call the parish office at 815-467-2233.

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