

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

Fr. Tuan Van Nguyen

Happy New Year !!!

January 1, 2023 | Mary, the Holy Mother of God



*Mary
kept all these things,
reflecting on them
in her heart.*

~ Luke 2:19

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Sunday, January 1, 2023

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Message from Fr. Tuan

Dear Parishioners:

On behalf of Deacon Fred and my Staff, I would like to wish you and your families a happy and healthy New Year!

Here is a reflection for this weekend's readings on the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, Year A:

After their rescue from slavery in Egypt, the Chosen People prepared to embark on a long and difficult journey through the desert by the promised land. To mark this new beginning, Aaron and his sons called down God's blessings, God's favor, and God's peace upon the people. Centuries later, Jesus' birth represented an even greater new beginning: Through Mary, God became incarnate in our world. The shepherds were so excited by the news that they rushed to the stable to find the child who was Christ and Lord and tell everyone what they had heard. How appropriate we celebrate this new beginning on New Year's Day, the day that marks the start of a new year, a time when we look forward to the Promise of a clean slate, resolve to make changes in our lives, and renew our hope in God's promise to humankind, that Jesus was born into this world to live with us, to die for us, and to save us from our sins. Mary humbly, selflessly, and obediently bore Christ to the world. May we follow her example in this new year and bear Christ to God's children in our own little corner of the world.

How can you bring hope and joy to others by bearing Christ to the world?

Love and Prayers,



Fr. Tuan

The English/Spanish class will not meet again until Thursday, January 12.

Diocesan Policy concerning End of Year Statements

If you would like an End of The Year Statement, please call the rectory at





48 Chances to Win

Time is running out to get your Raffle Mania Chances.

First drawing January 2, 2023

Tickets available by calling the Parish Rectory at 815-467-2233 or by calling or texting Jeanne Rapp 815-545-2354.



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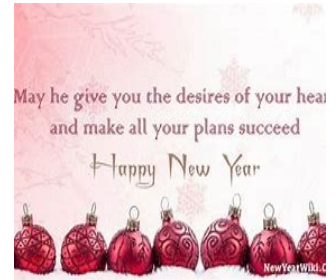
Good Morning and Happy New Year RE Families!!

Looking forward to seeing all of you back for an exciting New Year in RE!!

Peace and Blessings

Deacon Fred Ban

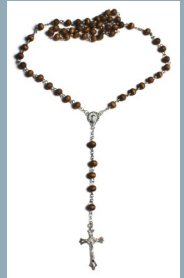
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Week Day Morning Rosary

Morning Rosary will not be prayed during the cold winter months of January and February. It will resume in the spring.

Thank you.



Communion For the Homebound

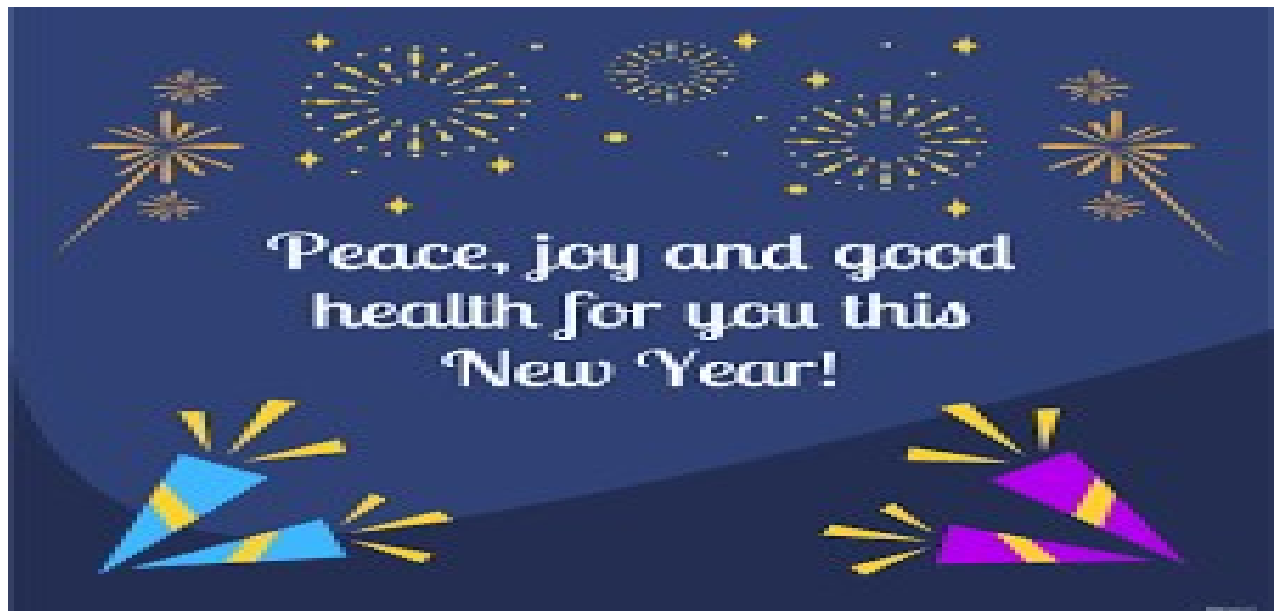


If you or someone you know would benefit from a Communion Visit, please call the rectory at 815-467-2233.



MASS AND PRAYER INTENTIONS

<u>DATE</u>	<u>TIME</u>	<u>MASS INTENTION</u>	<u>FROM</u>
Saturday, Dec. 31 New Year's Eve	5:00pm	Helen Mackay Ken Zbancik 1 yr anniversary Robert Bell	Mr. & Mrs. Malinowski From the Family The Family
Sunday, Jan. 1 New Year's Day	7:30am	Brother Fran (Leo) Keigher	John & Maureen Konopek
	9:00am	Rosalie Jostes	The Family
	11:00am	Marie Starks	June & Dave Battey
Monday, Jan. 2	8:30am	Chris Underhill	The Family
Tuesday, Jan 3	8:30am	Fr. Tuan's Brothers	
Wednesday, Jan 4	8:30am	Communion Service	
Thursday, Jan 5	8:30am	Communion Service	
Friday, Jan 6	8:30am	Russell & Marie Starks	Sean & Kathy O'Hagan
Saturday, Jan. 7	5:00pm	Menda 60th Anniversary Theresa & Christopher Russo (in honor of wedding)	Jeff & Sue Schmitz
		Laly Cyr	The Family
		Fran Delrose	The Family
		Tom Fabek	The Family
		Lonnie Bartuello	Kimble Family
Sunday, Jan. 8	7:30am	Dorothy Bickel	The Family
	9:00am	Kata Eric	Milovan Eric
	11:00am	Sara Szumski	Virginia Mysiewicz



Volunteer Schedule

	Altar Server	Eucharistic Ministers	Lector
Saturday, Jan 7th 5:00pm	Lauren Klimchak	Pat Favero	Carolyn Healy
Sunday, Jan. 8th 7:30am	Bridget Phillips	Deb Bols Cindy Creasman	Ric Offerman
Sunday, Jan 8th 9:00am	Keighera Fleming	Erica Schramm Sydney Yunker	Vic DelMastro
Sunday, Jan. 8th 11:00am	Sara Folsom Alex Folsom	Cheryl Nelson Jessica Folsom	Child Lector

Welcome to St. Mary's Church!

Would you like to become a Registered Parishioner?

We are so blessed to have you with us today and every day! Our liturgies are made better by your presence and participation. We hope that you find the experience here at St. Mary's to be a warm and inspiring experience of the Eucharist and the faith that we profess.

If you are not registered and would like to be, please fill out the form below and mail it to the Parish office at St. Mary's, P.O. Box 456, Minooka IL 60447.

Name: _____

Address _____

City _____

Phone _____

Email _____

☐ New Parishioner

☐ New Email

☐ New Address

☐ New Phone Number



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MASSSES

Weekend Masses-

Saturday- 5:00pm

Sunday- 7:30am, 9am Livestream and 11am

Weekday Masses

Mon, Tues, Fri- 8:30am

Communion Service-

Wed, Thurs - 8:30am

Confession-

Saturday's 4pm-4:45pm in the Church

Anointing of the Sick

Fr. Tuan is available for personal anointing at home, nursing home, hospice etc. please call the rectory 815-467-2233.

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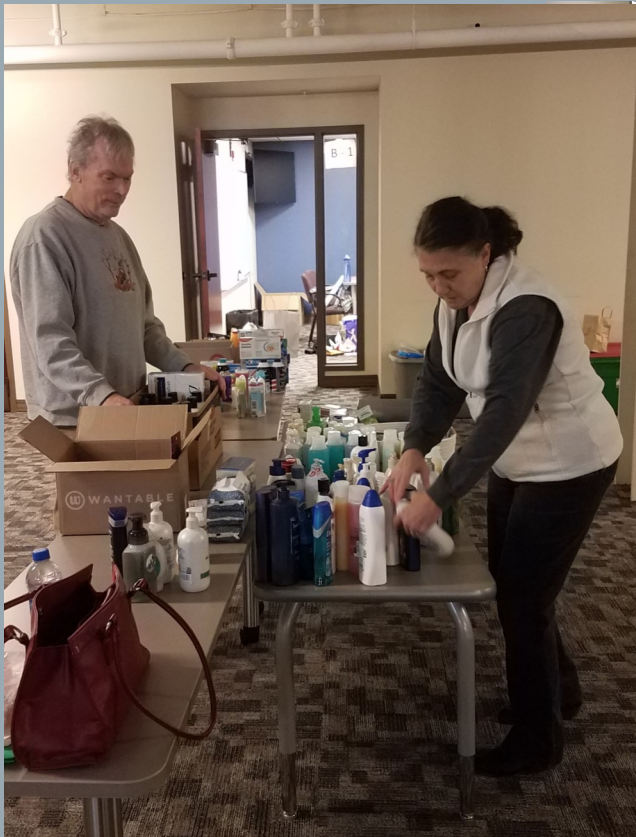
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Our Christmas Giving Tree Delivery



8th Grade Service Project

On December 15, St. Mary's 8th grade Confirmation students, helped serve their community. We partnered with the Minooka High School Reach Program to play games and spend time with the Reach Students. It was a HUGE success ! Both the St. Mary's students and the Reach students had a great time interacting with one another and lives were changed.



Here are the final batch of answers to our quiz.

Hope you had fun with it!!



James & John asked Jesus if he should rain fire down on a Samaritan village.

Jesus appeared to his unknowing disciples after the Resurrection on the road to Emmaus .

In John chapter 6, Jesus told his disciples that if they eat His Body and drink His Blood they would abide in him, and he in them.

The angel Gabriel called Mary full of grace, rather than by her name.

David was an Old Testament Prophet and King, who was a shepherd, was born in Bethlehem, started his Kingship at 30 years of age, and foretold that evil men would cast lots for the Messiah's clothes.

Following the death of King Solomon in 930 BC, the nation of Israel split into the Northern Kingdom, called Israel, and the southern Kingdom, called Judah.

Of the 12 tribes of Israel, 10 were in the northern kingdom, and 2 were in the southern kingdom.

The capital of the northern kingdom was Samaria, while the capital of the southern kingdom was Jerusalem.

In 722 BC, the northern kingdom was taken captive by Assyria.

In 587 BC, the southern kingdom was taken captive by Babylon.

The southern kingdom eventually returned home after 70 years of exile.

The northern kingdom assimilated with pagan countries and was never heard from again.

Jesus said that a kingdom divided against itself cannot stand.

According to 2 Maccabees, Jeremiah buried the Ark of the Covenant containing the 10 Commandments in a cave on or near Mount Nebo.

Also according to 2 Maccabees, the long dead prophet Jeremiah appeared to the former high priest Onias and to Judas Maccabee and presented a golden sword to Judas. Onias said the prophet prays much for the people and the holy city.

Straight out of the Bible, the Seven Sorrows of Mary are the Prophecy of Simeon, the Flight into Egypt, Jesus is lost in the Temple, Mary meets Jesus on the way to His Crucifixion, The Crucifixion, Mary takes Jesus down from the Cross, Mary lays Jesus in His Tomb.

King Antiochus, a biblical type of the antichrist, in 2 Maccabees desecrated the Jewish temple.

The Feast of the Re-dedication of this temple, attended by Jesus in John 10, is known today as Hannukah.

The name "Maccabee" means "Hammer" in English.

This week candles were lit for :

- Police & Firefighters
- George & Evelyn Glad
- Paul & Anna Fabek
- Tom Fabek
- Charles, Marge & Kathy Rapp
- Bernadette Hadaway
- Gloria Ziebler
- Scott Tezak
- Lucy McDonald
- Scott Tezak

If you would like a candle lit outside for a special intention, please call the Parish Office at 815-467-2233.



Please Pray For:

Denise Tonarelli		Lorenzo Benitez
Kimberly Gaydula	Sara Lovell	Marlena Benitez
Dylan Pickett	Wren Wagoner	Judy Stafford
Paul Thien Phu	Jerry Davidson	Irene Davidson
Deidra Hogan	Linda Bradley	Phyllis Artusa
Robert Fonck	Baker Family	Ruth Kesselring
		Olivia Arenella

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

Thank you for your financial support to St. Mary's

Please Remember St. Mary's in your will or trust

As Catholics. We are called to plan ahead and share the blessings of our lives with our loved ones and future generations. To help you be a steward of everything God has entrusted to your care, the Diocese of Joliet is sharing free, online will writing tools. It is cost-free and takes 20 minutes or less to protect your family and your assets and create a gift to pass the Catholic faith onto future generations.

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PLEDGE REPORT: 12/18/2022

Thank you for your financial support to the good works of our Diocese.

Parish Goal: \$44,600.00

Amount Pledged: \$51,234.00

Balance Due: \$ 2,345.00

2022 Rebate: \$ 3,002.00

Please continue to make your 2022 pledge payments. Once we have reached our goal in paid pledges, 70% of the additional funds received will be returned to the parish for our use.

Collection Totals for the Weekend of: Dec 17/18, 2022

	Collected	Dec 10/11 Online	Dec 17/18 Online	Total
Weekly Offering	\$11,456.00	\$2,056.00	\$2,919.00	\$16,431.00
Foundation for Faith	\$413.40	\$125.00	\$595.00	\$1,133.40
Major Maintenance	\$655.00	\$65.00	\$1,565.00	\$2,285.00
Needy in Community	\$418.00	\$290.00	\$345.00	\$1,053.00
Christmas	\$605.00	\$0.00	\$378.00	\$983.00
Flowers	\$37.00	\$0.00	\$20.00	\$57.00
Immaculate Conception	\$1,567.00	\$140.00	\$0.00	\$1,707.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$75.00	\$60.00	\$0.00	\$135.00
Retired Religious	\$1,945.00	\$373.00	\$45.00	\$2,363.00
YTD Weekly Offering Collected	\$215,278.06			
YTD Weekly Offering Needed	\$213,235.25			

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