

Holy Rosary Church

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WEEKEND MASSES

Holy Rosary: Saturday 5:30 p.m. & Sunday 9:30 a.m.

St. Stephen: Sunday 8:00 a.m.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Holy Rosary: Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m.

St. Stephen: Sunday 7:15 a.m. – 7:45 a.m.
or anytime by appointment

Mass Intentions

Saturday 5:30 p.m.	January 15 Dede Yager Kenny Fulton
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	January 16 Kathy Smith Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen
Monday	January 17 No Scripture Service
Tuesday 7:30 a.m.	January 18 Scott & Marlene Mulford
Wednesday 7:30 a.m.	January 19 Hays, Long, McNeill Families Living & Deceased
Thursday 7:30 a.m.	January 20 Purgatorial Society
Friday 8:20 a.m.	January 21 Pat Mudd
Saturday 5:30 p.m.	January 22 Matt & Lorene Hays
Sunday 8:00 a.m. 9:30 a.m.	January 23 Families of Holy Rosary and St. Stephen Mark Saunders

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**Daily Mass Servers: January 18-21**

Kanton Eckman, Kyle DeLaporte

## Your Gifts to God and Parish

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| December 19 | \$ 6,424.25  |
| December 26 | \$ 17,099.75 |
| January 2   | \$ 7,196.25  |
| January 9   | \$ 5,842.25  |

**Intention of Pope Francis:** For true human fraternity:

We pray for all those suffering from religious discrimination and persecution; may their own rights and dignity be recognized, which originate from being brothers and sisters in the human family.

**Intention of Bishop McKnight:** As we begin a new year, may the opportunities for the grace to clearly recognize the dignity of life, education and ecumenism allow us to better support our brothers and sisters who need the warmth of Christ's love and our compassion during this winter season.

**"You aspire to great things?  
Begin with the little ones."**

~ St. Augustine



Parish Goal: \$ 24,990  
Pledged: \$ 22,930  
Collected: \$ 17,215.50

January 16, 2022

Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Dear Parishioners,

The last couple of Sundays I have encouraged you to live your baptismal call by preaching the Gospel with your words and actions. Live your faith boldly and promote our Catholic Faith in our daily interactions with family and others we see each day. Our two great apostles and the most renowned prophet did not think they were worthy to live their call from God.

Peter, on his knees, says to Jesus after his fellow fishermen haul in a miraculous catch of fish, "*Depart from me Lord for I am a sinful man.*" [Luke 5:8]. Paul remembers the man he was before Jesus called him to be an apostle and tells the people of Corinth, "*I am least of all the apostles, not fit to be called an apostle, because I persecuted the church of God.*" [1 Cor. 15:9]. What would have happened to the Church if the first Pope and the greatest of the Apostles gave into their feeling of being an inadequate Christian? The great prophet Isaiah, when he has a vision of the power of God, assumes that he is doomed and will be destroyed by God because of his foul mouth and sinfulness. Instead, Isaiah, to his surprise, was chosen by God and his wickedness and sins were purged. Isaiah, like the apostles above, saw God's mercy and was able to answer God's call to serve by saying, "Here I am, SEND ME!" [Isaiah 6:8].

**Please don't count yourself out when God calls you to worship, to serve, and to preach.** Often, we allow sin and/or the lack of prayer or Mass attendance to "throw the baby out with the bathwater." We allow ourselves to be discouraged by thoughts that play in our head like: 'I didn't do what God asks or expects of me so I might as well not try'; 'I'm doomed any way'; 'I'm just not that holy'; 'I've gone too far down the road of sin and there's no turning back'; 'What can God use that I've got?'; 'I don't know enough to talk to others about my faith'; and 'I know what God wants me to do but I don't have the time- I don't have the courage- I don't have the money- I don't want to.'

There is not one of us that has not felt one or more of the feelings expressed, and the only truth in the paragraph above is that: "I can't do it alone!" Isaiah, Peter and Paul couldn't do it by themselves. God doesn't expect us to receive a message from God and then go off alone to spread the Good News. Isaiah, Peter and Paul came to understand that being a prophet and an apostle meant bringing the Spirit of God with you, realizing that we are instruments and vessels of God. God gives us His strength and wisdom to be a disciple and prophet in the world. The same Holy Spirit that guided Isaiah, Peter and Paul to spread the gospel is at work helping each of us to know our role in serving God.

Try this simple prayer this week: **Here I am Lord, send me.** You may be surprised in how God will use your gifts and to whom He may call you to serve. Prayers and Blessings,

*Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger*

God of infinite Love and Mercy. We call upon you in times of illness and challenge. Grant healing and comfort to the sick and strength to all caregivers. May we put our trust completely in you. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

**Please pray for:**

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| David Griffin          | Mark Leake           | Caitlin Shively   |
| Geoffrey Preckshot     | Trent Zeiger         | Jeff Thomas       |
| Kayla Benson McAndrews |                      | Phyllis Taylor    |
| Lakian Lehenbauer      | Janice Kendrick      | Richard Elliott   |
| Rusty Adam             | Regina Hays          | Frankie Maddox    |
| Tim Quinn              | John Kendrick        | Deacon Mike Long  |
| Hazel Smith            | Sue Gilbert          | Natalee Amos      |
| Rosemary Evans         | Deanna Buckman       | Jackie Ryan       |
| Logan Maher            | Bonnie Ess           | Barbara Kendrick  |
| Connie Kendrick        | Nick Mudd            | Michael Kellerman |
| Bill Smith             | Teresa Ritter Toland |                   |

**The Ladies of Holy Rosary** are having a fundraiser for the National Resource Conservation Committee on January 28. We would like to ask our parishioners to make and deliver a pie for the meal. You may call Regina Miskell at 573-406-2509 to confirm and so we will have an idea of how many pies we will have.

**Knights of Columbus Free Throw contest** is back!! The local event will happen February 6, starting at 1 p.m. in the old Holy Rosary gym. Registration starts at noon. We will send forms home with the kids so you can have the registration form filled out ahead of time if you want. This will save us some time the day of the event.

Districts will be held immediately following the local event. We are guessing that districts will start at approximately at 3 p.m., depending on how many local participants we have. District winners will advance to the regional competition. Regional winners will advance to the state competition. These dates will be announced later.

Winners of each age group need birth certificates or some proof of age to advance to the next round. Keep in mind, your age is as of 1/1/2022, so if you turned 10 on 1/2/22 then you shoot in the 9-year age group. Age groups range from 9-14 boys and girls.

- 9-11 year old's will shoot from 12 ft with a women's ball
- 12-14 year girls shoot from 15 ft with women's ball
- 12-14 year boys shoot from 15 ft with men's ball

#### Liturgical Ministries

##### **January 22 - 5:30 p.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Denny & Dorothy Moss

**Servers:** NaVada Lewis, Maddix Dowell

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gary Yager, Betty Yager, Dorothy Moss, Gina Carroll, Courtney Smith, Dennis Moss, Ruth Ann Lorenson

**Lector:** Debbie Watson

**Ushers:** John Ritter, Kent Bichsel, Kevin Bichsel

**Cross Bearer:** Jeff Albus

**Gift Bearer:** Stephen Moss Family

**Greeters:** Ryan Watson Family

##### **January 23 - 9:30 a.m. Mass**

**Rosary:** Frank Harris

**Servers:** Junior Class

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Zachary Jones, Jerry Copenhaver, Howard Willard, David Little, Marie Little, Linda Willard, Steve DeLaporte, Phil Thompson, Dennis Long

**Lector:** Junior Class

**Ushers:** Mike Bichsel, Mike Hunter, Bill Schneider

**Cross Bearer:** Junior Class

**Gift Bearer:** Junior Class

**Greeters:** Junior Class

#### **Readings for January 23, 2022**

**1<sup>st</sup> Reading – Nehemiah 8:2-4, 5-6, 8-10** Ezra the priest stood before the people and proclaimed the book of the law. The he "interpreted it so that all could understand." He declared the day holy and urged the people to rejoice.

**Responsorial Psalm – Psalm 19:8-10, 15**

Your words, Lord, are Spirit and life.

**2<sup>nd</sup> Reading – 1 Corinthians 12:12-30** The body is one and has many members, but all members, though many, are one body. Further, each part is indispensable. So it is with Christ's body: we, though many, are one.

**Gospel – Luke 1:1-4; 4:14-21** Returning to Nazareth, Jesus entered the synagogue and read from the prophet Isaiah. After reading, Jesus proclaimed "Today this Scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing."

#### On the Calendar...

**January 17** – Rosary at St. Stephen at 12:00 noon

**January 31** – Catholic Schools Week

**February 5** - 1<sup>st</sup> Saturday Rosary at 10:00 a.m.

**February 12** – Lucky Hearts Banquet

**March 19** – Sacrament of Confirmation Mass

**March 23** – Family Faith Night

#### MONROE CITY MANOR CARE CENTER

##### **Sunday Ministerial Alliance Scripture Service**

January 23 – Jim and Sheryl Underhill

February 6 – Mark and Cathy Yager

##### **Rosary**

January 18 – Annette Carmean / Dorothy Shively

February 1 – Donna Thompson / Marie Puro

Call to me and I will answer you, and will tell you great and hidden things that you have not known. Jeremiah 33:3



Sunday - 2-3 p.m.

Monday - 2-3 a.m., 3-4 p.m.

Tuesday - 1-2, 2-3 a.m., 11-midnight

Wednesday - 1-2, 2-3 a.m.

Thursday - 3-4 a.m.

Friday - 8-9, 9-10 p.m.

Saturday - 7-8, 9-10, 10-11 a.m.

Contact Pat Kendrick @ 735-2541

#### School News

- ❖ Classes **will not** be held on Monday, January 17, as Martin Luther King Day is celebrated.
- ❖ Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated from January 31, – February 4. Open House will be held on Thursday, February 3. Parents, grandparents and other visitors are invited to visit our school and view the various displays.
- ❖ Mass at 8:20 on Friday, January 21, will be led by students of the fifth grade.
- ❖ Lucky Hearts will be held on Saturday, February 12. Tickets are available at Holy Rosary School. **You could be a big winner!!!!** The event will be held virtually and in person. Prime rib dinners will be available for pick-up or you may choose to attend in-person.

#### Options to participate are:

1. Raffle tickets @ \$100 each - watch the live stream drawing on the Facebook page of Fr. Greg Oligschlaeger.
2. Prime Rib dinners to pick up @ \$25 each
3. In-person attendance (for 2 people) \$200 includes 1 raffle ticket, 2 dinners, 2 reserved seats, beverages and dance.

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#### **Following God's Lead along with Donna**

**RCIA Sessions** – Our next session will be January 19, 2022 at 6:30 pm at Holy Rosary Church basement. Our topic will be *The Sacrament of Matrimony & The Sacrament of Holy Orders*.

**FORMED.org** – I am fascinated by the life of St. John Paul II. The movie *John Paul II: I Kept Looking for You* explores his remarkable legacy in the history of the Church. He was exceptionally intelligent, generous and courageous. He also had a wonderful sense of humor. I really enjoyed this documentary on his life.

<https://watch.formed.org/john-paul-ii-i-kept-looking-for-you>

**Our Next Parish-Wide Study** will be **The Bible and the Virgin Mary** will have two options to attend. Mondays at 5:30 pm beginning January 24 and Thursdays at 2:00 pm beginning January 20. We will meet on the small side of the Knights of Columbus hall. Go to the parish website <https://holynosary.diojeffcity.org/> -or- <https://ststephenic.diojeffcity.org/> to register or call Donna at the parish office. You will be able to download the Participant Workbook for free. If you need it printed, it will be \$5 to offset the cost of printing.

**Walking with Purpose** – I read this fantastic blog from WWP entitled *There are no boring gifts in God's Kingdom* by Laura Phelps. Several women of our parishes may be familiar with the WWP Bible study website. I encourage you to read this blog about the value of your particular gifts. <https://bit.ly/3fl0fCJ>