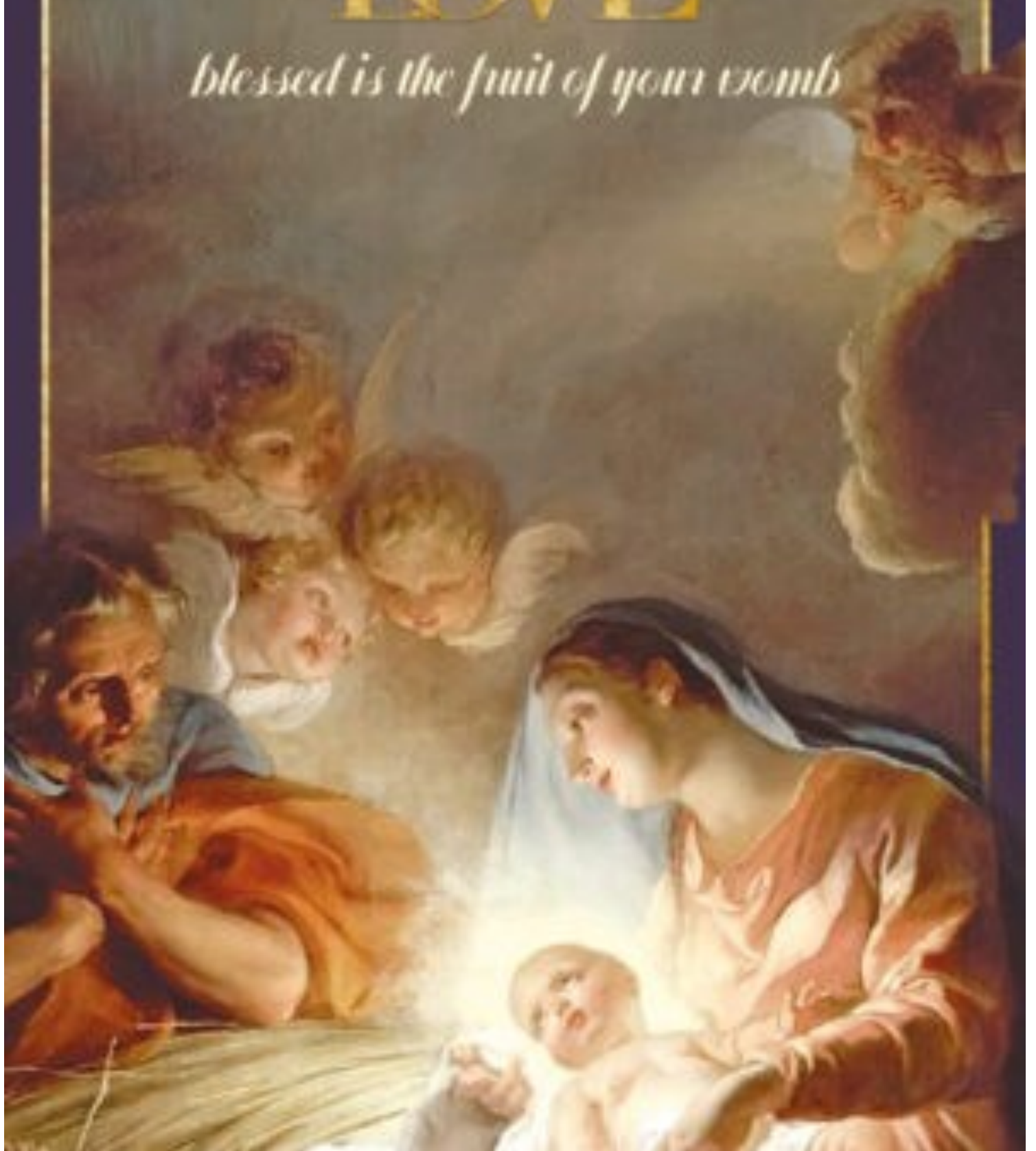


# LOVE

*blessed is the fruit of your womb*



## MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK



### **Monday, December 22nd**

*Weekday*

**7:30am** Catherine Fridmanski (Friend)

### **Tuesday, December 23rd**

*Weekday*

**7:30am** Linda Johnson (Karen Lyons)

### **Wednesday, December 24th**

*Christmas Eve*

**4:00pm** Leonard Karuzis Sr. (Family)

### **Thursday, December 25th**

*Christmas*

**9:00am** (St. Isaac's) Fr. John Paninski (Parishioners)

**9:30am** (St. Mary's) Deceased Members of Jack & Frances Walblay Sr. (Bev Walblay)

### **Friday, December 26th**

*Weekday*

**7:30am** David Christian (George & Jackie Shadden)

### **Saturday, December 27th**

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

**Mass 4:00pm** Virginia Ferpotto (Family)

### **Sunday, December 28th**

*The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph*

**Mass 7:00am** Health & Blessings for Susie Bosch (Family)

**Mass 8:00am** Patty Bryant (Family)

**Mass 10:30am** Regina Sabalaskey (Children)

## **SACRIFICIAL GIVING**

### **December 14th Collection:**

**St. Mary's Church**

**See Later Bulletin**

**St. Isaac Jogues**

**See Later Bulletin**

*Thank  
You!*

## **Lectors for December**

**Saturday (4:00pm) Mass: Maxwell**

**Sunday (8:00am) Mass: Sheets**

**Sunday (10:30am) Mass: Hughes**

***Place Christ at the center of your life!***

**Jesus is waiting!**



You may visit him in the St. Mary's Chapel during the time of your choice. What an opportunity! Please take advantage of it!



## **THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH**

### **Morning Rosary**

Monday-Friday 7:00am

Sunday 7:30am

### **Chaplet of the Divine Mercy**

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday & Friday

Following the AM Rosary

### **Mother of Perpetual Help**

Wednesday Following the AM Rosary

### **Evening Rosary**

Saturday 3:30pm

### **CCD**

Sundays 9:00-10:15am

### **Co-Parish Council Meeting**

1st Tuesday of the Month 6:00pm (Parish Hall)



## **PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK**

Bree Aldridge, Abigail Bartel, Leslie Balsamello, Joseph Bednar, Gina Roulaine-Bolser, Dallas Bowman, Bev Brazas, Bob Brooks, Chad Burton, Judy Byerly, Derrick Cardwell, Todd Castleberry, Joshua Albert Castro, Maria Ceader, Toby Ceader, Colleen Cessna, Karen Chasteen, Jim Cheskawich, Bart Collins, Waylon Conrad, Jerry Cook, DiAnn Cottle, Jackson Cunningham, Christine Delhaye, Lincoln Downing, Nancy Grubber Drake, Marsha Dukes, George Dudich Jr., Mike & Sue Fleming, John Flynn Sr., Randy H., Gary Hackler, David Hall, Denise Hall Shannon, Kayley Hardy, Brenda Hartley, Aaron Hatcher, Edgar Herrera, Rachel Horning, Harvey Hudson, Frank Hutnicke Jr, John Harlan Johnson, Anderson Jones, Paula Jordan, Ruth Karuzis, Kelsi Kresin, Fontella Krout, Bobby Long Jr., Marcia Lambert, Rick Lanter, Eric Lawlyes, James Lawson, Mike Ligocki, Mindy Lutchka, Dylan Lyons, Connie Maquet, Matthew Massman, John & Rosalynn Maudlin, Christina McCollum, Betty Meis, Art Miller, Jaren Miller, Judy Mitchell, Larry Morales, Angie Moretto, Mary Morgan, Matt Murtha, Pat Pataki, Fred Pessky, Jamie Lee Phillips, Connie Pierce, Randall Plankenhorn, Robert Potter, Ray Rach, Karen Rudd, Barb Russian, Debbie Sawyer, Sherry Serd, Alyce Schifo, Seth Seilhymer, Barb Shanks, M.A. Shaw, Virgil Sheets, Myrna Shuman, Sharon Sleva, Jeff Sloger, Marie Smith, Mark Snack, Sarah Snyder, Patricia Sollars, Special Intentions, Michael Spiering, Vicky Stevens, Edy A. Taylor, Marianna Taylor, Kayla Thompson, Shirley Thompson, Brenda J. Todd, Danelle Vanzandt, VanVickle, Tina Vaughn, Roseann & Lee Viktora, Mary Vogel, Amanda Wagnor, Michael Wargo, Steve Wear, Craig Weaver, Kevin Weaver, Steve Weese, Rick Wilson, Roger B Wolfe, Daren Woods, Matt Wyatt, Johnny Youhas, Tom Youhas, Emory Zimmerman

**Upcoming Holiday Masses:**

**Christmas Eve Mass:** 4:00pm at St. Mary's  
*\*(Christmas Choir performing at 3:30pm)\**

**Christmas Mass:** 9:00am at St. Isaac Jogues

**Christmas Mass:** 9:30am at St. Mary's

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**New Year's Eve Mass:** 4:00pm at St. Mary's

**New Year's Mass:** 9:00am at St. Isaac Jogues

**New Year's Mass:** 9:30am at St. Mary's

**What Do The Symbols Of Christmas Mean?**

**Candy Cane:** Shepherds used crooks to bring lambs back into the field. Candy canes remind us we are all our brother's keeper. Christ is called the Good Shepherd.

**Bell:** Sheep wear bells so the shepherd can easily locate them. Bells remind us to locate those in need and to bring them into the fold. Also, for centuries bells have been used to announce special events.



**Star:** The most familiar Christmas symbol. They represent the Star of Bethlehem which guided the Wisemen to the Christ Child. They remind us that we should diligently seek Him every day.

**Evergreen Tree:** For centuries, the evergreen tree has been a common symbol of eternal life. It reminds us that because of the sacrifice of Jesus Christ, we will all enjoy eternal life. It points to Heaven and reminds us that God is eternal.



**The Wreath:** The circle is a symbol of eternity, having no beginning and no end. A wreath combines evergreen bough in a circle as a symbol of never ending love. They remind us that God's love for us never ends, just as ours should never end for Him.

**Candles:** One of the most common symbols in the world. At Christmas time, they shine brightly, showing us that Jesus is the light of the world.



**Gifts:** Symbolize gold, frankincense and myrrh. Christmas gifts symbolize the generosity of God through Jesus' birth.

**Blessed Christmas**

One bright star led the way  
 To a tiny Baby Boy,  
 Asleep in the hay.

Let us Celebrate the  
 Miracle of His Birth!



Silent Night Oh Holy Night.

**PARISH NURSE'S CORNER**

Judy Sheets, Karen Trimble, JoAnn Thompson

Christmas is a time to celebrate the birth of Jesus, a joyous occasion whether we are alone or with others. We wish everyone a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year!

Sharing with you a special prayers sent out by the Marianists Mission for the Holiday Season:

**A Christmas Prayer**

Virgin Mother, we come to you  
 As once did shepherds and kings,  
 To find Jesus, our King and Shepherd  
 In the cradle of your arms.  
 We offer you our lives today.  
 May we always find Him with you  
 And treasure all the wondrous things  
 Which come to those who see His star  
 And search for Him in faith.

Amen



**Thank you to all of those who helped decorate both the inside and the outside of the Church.**

**Final Collection**

Collection for the Women's Care Clinic is due by Sunday, December 21st.

**Baby Items:** Diapers (any size), Baby Wipes, Bottles, Binkies, Blankets, etc.



**Please notice that due to Holiday hours, bulletins have to be turned in early for printing. Collection totals for the next few weeks will be posted in a later date bulletin.**

Jennifer

**Annual Diocesan Appeal Current Totals & Goals:**

**St. Mary's:**  
 Goal: \$32,820.00  
 Received: \$23,036.00

**St. Isaac's:**  
 Goal: \$8,225.00  
 Received: \$4,550.00

Thank you to all who have donated. I only receive an updated list once a month, so if you do not notice a change that is why. If you have any questions or concerns, please call the office.

\*\*\***Make your checks out to Diocese of Peoria ADA**\*\*\*