

DECEMBER 30, 2018 THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH

**“AND JESUS ADVANCED IN WISDOM AND AGE AND FAVOR
BEFORE GOD AND MAN.”**

Luke 2:52

MONDAY	4:00 p.m.	John, Peggy & Joe Brey by Tom & Mary Beatty	(New Year's Eve)
TUESDAY	9:30 a.m.	For a Blessed New Year for our Parish Families	(New Year's Day)
WEDNESDAY	7:00 a.m.	Lyle & Midge Zablocki by The Family	
THURSDAY	7:00 a.m.	Don Edens Sr. by Art & Shirley Viens	
FRIDAY	8:00 a.m.	Ann Catherine Coughlin by Wayne & Marlene Carter	
SATURDAY	4:15 p.m.	John Mente (Anniversary) by The Family	
SUNDAY	8:00 a.m.	Mark LeClaire (Anniversary) by Kay LeClaire & Family	
SUNDAY	10:15 a.m.	The Living and Deceased of American Martyrs Parish	

SCHEDULE OF EVENTS FOR THE COMING WEEK DECEMBER 30 thru JANUARY 6

CONFESSIONS HEARD BEFORE ALL DAILY MASSES

MONDAY	9:00 TO 9:20 A.M. – Confessions
THURSDAY	6:30 to 6:50 a.m. – Sacrament of Reconciliation
FRIDAY	7:30 a.m. to 7:50 a.m. Confessions – First Friday
SATURDAY	11:00 TO 11:30 A.M. and 3:30 to 4:00 P.M. - Sacrament of Reconciliation
SUNDAY	Following the 10:15 Mass – Christmas Decorations taken down
SUNDAY	6:30 p.m. – 9 th – 10 th – 11 th Grades – Faith Formation – School
SUNDAY	6:30 p.m. – Senior Fireside Chat - Rectory

AMERICAN MARTYRS CATHOLIC FAITH FORMATION NEWS - Faith Formation classes for the New Year will start on Sunday, January 6th, for High School students on Wednesday, January 9th, for all other students.

Our Vocation Crucifix Prayer family for the week of December 30th Julie Barthels.

Fr. Joe will be making “First Friday” calls this week. If you would like him to visit and are not on his list, please call the Rectory at 774-0630. Mass at Evergreen will be said on Friday, January 4, at 10:00 am. Mass is for All Souls by Parishioners.

MINISTRY OF PRAISE: “More things are brought about by prayer than this world dreams of!” Our parish is very blessed to have over fifty of our parishioners involved in a special ministry called “Ministry of Praise”. These are senior citizens, the sick or handicapped who pray for the parish every day. They are commissioned by the pastor and are given a certificate and a cross made of olive wood from the Holy Land and a special large print prayer book to use. Every month they receive a special message from the pastor and also the prayer intention for the month. For the month of January they are praying for Vocations. This Ministry of Praise ministry began a number of years ago when Fr. Bernard Haring visited a small parish in Bavaria and noticed at Mass a very special Presence of God. When he asked about this the priest brought him to the homes of people who offered special prayers for the parish every day. We invite any senior citizen and especially anyone who is not able to go to church to participate. Just call the rectory and Fr. Joe will enroll you in this very special ministry.

WE WISH YOU A VERY HAPPY AND SAFE NEW YEAR

Scholarships Available:

Looking for financial assistance with your college education? Applications are now being accepted for the 2019 Bibianne Bessette Scholarship Fund. The scholarships aid graduating seniors who are pursuing a college or vocational education at an accredited degree granting institution. Consideration is based on academic achievement. Applicants **must complete** the on-line application found at <http://www.dioceseofmarquette.org/bbscholarshiplink> and **mail an Official Transcript and ACT/SAT scores** (via postal mail) to: Bessette Scholarship Fund, Diocese of Marquette, 1004 Harbor Hills Drive, Marquette, MI 49855. Application must be received no later than March 15, 2019.

Senior Fireside Chat dates for 2019 – Fireside chats will be held on the following dates, Sunday, January 6, Sunday February 10 and Sunday, March 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the rectory.

LOOKING AHEAD – *January 26th will be the Winter Carnival, from 11:00 am to 2:00 pm. Cakes and cupcakes will be needed along with volunteers. Fellowship will be on Sunday, January 27th along with Catholic Schools week. Our Anniversary Dinner/Dance will be held on Saturday, February 9th. The sign up sheets will go on the bulletin board in the back of church the second week in January.*

*****NEW CD of the week*****

That They May All Be One by Matt Maher

Matt Maher, an internationally acclaimed Christian singer, song-writer, and eight-time Grammy Award nominee, shares the amazing story of his spiritual journey. He emphasizes the importance of forming relationships with others in order to be effective witnesses of the Gospel and help bring about the unity desired by Christ.

TO ALL ALTAR SERVERS, please pick up your Christmas gift in the Priest Sacristy of Church.

Knights of Columbus would like to extend an invitation out to all those interested in a fifth **Sunday Rosary. Sunday night, December 30th, at St. Mary & St. Joseph Church, at 7:00 PM.**