

# Saint Mary Church

85 S. Sandusky Street  
Tiffin, Ohio 44883

Parish Office: 419-447-2087  
www.stmarychurch.com

## ∞ Eucharistic Liturgies ∞

Weekends

Saturday 4:30 & 6:30 p.m.  
Sunday, 8:00, 10:00, & 11:30 a.m.

Weekdays

See Schedule of Liturgies

Holy Days

8:30 a.m., 12:10, & 7:00 p.m.

## Sacrament of Baptism

*Instructions for Parents* are held on the 2nd Sunday of the month in Room 22 of the school at 1:00 p.m.

*Celebration of Sacrament* is on the 3rd Sunday of the month, immediately after 11:30 Mass.

Register with the Parish Office for both instructions and Baptism by the Monday before.

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturdays at 3:30 p.m., other times by appointment.

## Sacrament of Matrimony

Please arrange an appointment with a priest at the parish office six months in advance of the tentative wedding date.

## Sacrament of the Sick

Please contact the parish office.

## Parish Membership/Registration

If you would like to become a member of our parish family, please contact the parish office.

## Bulletin Announcement Deadline

For publication in the next Sunday Bulletin, copy must be received by Monday, noon.

### St. Mary Parish Mission Statement

*Called by God to be a people of Christ, we are bound by love and rich in heritage. We are a community committed to strengthen and uplift one another. We seek direction from the Word of God and the Holy Spirit for positive growth and increased faith and unity. We strive for a deeper sense of Christian community leading us to active involvement by serving and witnessing to all people.*

## Pastoral Staff

Rev. Gary R. Walters  
Pastor

Rev. Eric J. Culler  
Associate Pastor

Walter Beat  
Deacon

Robert Hartzell  
Deacon

Sr. Maryann Orians, OSF/T  
Pastoral Associate

Thomas Fretz, Jr.  
Music & Liturgy Coordinator

Rose Gaietto  
Director of Religious Education

William Booth  
Operations Manager

Tiffany Fry  
Office Manager

Barb Borer  
Cemetery Secretary



## Calvert Catholic Schools

Theodore Rombach Jr.,  
Superintendent

Calvert High School, 447-3844  
Grades 9-12

Anthony Mass,  
Principal

St. Joseph Campus, 447-5790  
Grades 4-8

St. Mary Campus, 447-5202  
Grades PreK-3

Patricia Haley,  
Principal

*Welcome to St. Mary!*

## SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

### Schedule of Liturgies

**December 6 ~ December 14**

**Saturday, December 6, Vigil: Second Sunday of Advent**

- 4:30 PM Zablocki-Huth-Fretz Fam. & Keary  
Campbell; Herbert Heilman;  
Charles, June, & Kenneth Gerber &  
Berdell & Twila Falter
- 6:30 PM Jim King

**Sunday, December 7, Second Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00 AM St. Mary Parish Family
- 10:00 AM Mildred Comer; John Haman  
Liv. & Dec'd Children of Doug & Ann  
Huth Fretz; Streacker-Hunker Fam.
- 11:30 AM Luke Clouse; Mary Amlin

**Monday, December 8, Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
All School Mass**

- 8:30 AM Flavius & Irene Steinhauser
- 12:10 PM Richard O. Gase
- 7:00 PM Nick & Theresa Mazzaferro
- 12:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration Begins

**Tuesday, December 9, Advent Weekday**

- 6:30 AM Communion Service
- 8:30 AM Hubert & Dorothy Elchert
- 12:00 AM Eucharistic Adoration Ends

**Wednesday, December 10, Advent Weekday**

- 8:30 AM Tom Fate; Thomas & Oscar Company

**Thursday, December 11, Advent Weekday**

- 8:30 AM Maurice Lupica; Carmie Fabrizio & the  
Liv. & Dec'd Members of the Perna Fam.

**Friday, December 12, Our Lady of Guadalupe**

- 8:30 AM Paul Lang; Sr. Merici Gaietto

**Saturday, December 13, Vigil: Third Sunday of Advent**

- 4:30 PM Tom Maloy; George Hoffman Jr. &  
Robert Lauterbur; Liv & Dec'd Louis &  
Irene Elchert Fam.; Liv, & Dec'd  
Frederick Schmitz Fam.
- 6:30 PM Albert Williams; Liv. & Dec'd Mem. of the  
Boehler/DiCesare Fam.

**Sunday, December 14, Third Sunday of Advent**

- 8:00 AM Charles & Gertrude Schell;  
Special Intention
- 10:00 AM Lewis & Grace Kirian; Anna Allen
- 11:30 AM St. Mary Parish Family



**ADVENT:** It can be difficult to prepare our lives for Christ amidst the busy preparations of a material Christmas. The four weeks before Christmas are a time to prepare our families to celebrate Christ's birth: to prepare our minds to accept that God's Son became a baby and lived and died for us; to prepare our hearts to accept God's forgiveness, and to change our ways; to prepare our souls to receive God's healing grace through the celebration of Mass; to take part in not only the work of preparation but also the hope and joy in the midst of our work.



**ST. VINCENT DE PAUL'S CHRISTMAS** collection is underway and they need your help. Volunteers are needed to help set-up and pass out items to families in St. Mary Rec. Room on December 19 & 20. If you can help please call the parish office at 447-2087 for more information. Items still needed are: money to purchase perishable items, canned meat, cereal, Velveeta cheese, disposable diapers, non-perishable foods, toiletries, paper products, new or clean blankets and linens, new socks and new toys. Your donations can be brought to the vestibule of church. Thank you.



**STUDENTS** of Calvert Catholic Schools will be collecting money to buy toys for the less fortunate after all Masses on December 13 and 14. Thank you for your generosity.

### **GOD SQUAD**

December 7, *Retreat in Bellevue* (no evening meeting), 11:00 a.m. - 5:30 p.m.  
December 14, *Live Nativity* at St. Francis Convent, 6:00 - 8:30 p.m.  
December 21, *11:30 Youth Mass* with cookie decorating and lunch to follow.  
December 27, *Overnight Adoration* beginning after 6:30 p.m. Mass.



**SIGN UP SHEETS FOR THE CHRISTMAS LITURGIES** are at the main entrance of church. Mass Ministers, please be sure to sign up for your preferred Mass time. Thank you.

**THE CHRISTMAS FLOWER ENVELOPE** in your packet can be used to list your deceased loved ones' names for printing in the Christmas bulletin. The deadline is *December 15*.

**SCAT DRIVERS** for December 14 are Ken and Ann Jones.

**IF YOU WOULD LIKE TO ADD** someone to the prayer list for Adoration and the prayer group that meets weekly, please call the parish office at 447-2087.

**"COFFEE AND CONVERSATION"** is after the 8:30 a.m. Tuesday Mass in room 22 in the school. Everyone is welcome for coffee, rolls and socializing after Mass.

<i>Offering</i>		<b>November 29 &amp; 30, 2008</b>	
<i>Total</i>		<b>Total \$</b>	<b>Env</b>
<b>Amount Needed Each Sunday</b>		<b>\$ 13,000.00</b>	
<b>Sunday Offering</b>		<b>\$ 10,169.27</b>	<b>412</b>
Difference	-	\$ 2,830.73	
Repair and Maintenance		\$ 209.00	9
Solemnity of Mary		\$ 40.00	4
Immaculate Conception		\$ 42.00	5
Christmas		\$ 80.00	4
Retirement Fund for Religious		\$ 73.39	53
Youth Offering		\$ 45.25	42
<b>Total Sunday, 2008</b>		<b>\$ 10,648.91</b>	
<b>Total Sunday, 2007</b>		<b>\$ 10,913.35</b>	



THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK: What is left in our children is more important than what is left to them.

**FAMILY PERSPECTIVE:** Today's gospel raises many questions: Was the Baptist's family embarrassed by his lifestyle, diet, clothing, and message? Did they avoid or ignore him or advise him to come home and be 'normal?' Advent, a time to change our hearts, raises another question: Who in your family needs for your acceptance?

**ST. MARY PARISH FAMILY CHRISTMAS MASS** will be celebrated on December 24 at 4:30 P.M. We are inviting any students grades K - 8 to participate in this Mass. If you would like your child to participate please complete the paper that was sent home through our schools or religious education programs or go to [www.stmaryparish.com](http://www.stmaryparish.com) to fill out the registration.

**DID YOU KNOW** that the 96 Confirmation candidates from St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishes each have a special prayer partner? May God continue to bless these students as they prepare to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation.

**OUR DEEPEST SYMPATHY AND PRAYERS** to the family and friends of *Robert Hunt (73); Michael F. Goshe (51)*. We pray the bereaved may find comfort at this difficult time.

**CONGRATULATIONS TO THE NEWLY** baptized: *Grace Caylie Poignon* ~ parents are Casey and Leslie Poignon; *Hayden Scott Traxler* ~ parents are Eric and Janet Traxler; *Grady Paul Eakin* ~ parents are Brian and Tracie Eakin. We welcome them into our parish family and the Catholic faith community.

**EXPERIENCE THE JOY** and wonder of the first Christmas with a visit to the Live Nativity on the grounds of the St. Francis Convent. The St. Francis Community will present a walk-through Live Nativity with costumed characters and live animals on December 14 from 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. (In case of inclement weather, the Live Nativity will be postponed until Monday, December 15, same time.



**CALVERT ALUMNI DIRECTORY:** Calvert Catholic Schools has contracted with Harris Connect to publish an updated version of the Calvert Alumni Directory. All CHS Alumni are to be contacted for relevant data. Note, you are under no obligation to purchase anything. The only benefit to the school is the updated contact information. If you have any questions, please contact the Development Office at 447-0358 or [mbaltzell@calverths.org](mailto:mbaltzell@calverths.org)

**TIFFIN TUBACHRISTMAS** will be held December 14 at 6:00 p.m. at the Ritz. This free event is open to the public and will have over 50 tuba and euphonium players from around Ohio playing sacred Christmas music.



**ALUMINUM CAN COLLECTION** is next weekend beginning a half hour before all Masses. The troop is looking for a cabin for their winter camp outings. If you would like more information on how you can help the Boy Scouts continue their scouting experiences, please call Roger Ardner at 447-5394.

**SUNDAY NIGHT BINGO**

Doors open at 5:00 p.m.; Early birds at 6:05 p.m. **Bingo begins at 6:30 p.m.**



**BINGO WORKERS** for today, December 7; Coordinator: Phyllis Hays; Gate: Nick Collet, Marguerite Bernard; Instant: Jeremy Marinis, Matt Coleman; Floor: Phyllis Hays, Andy Felton, Nancy Warnement, Brian Coleman; Concessions: Ruth Ludwig.



**"52" CLUB WINNERS 11-25-2008**

- 1st** Patrick Lauer Family
- 2nd** Janet Barger
- 3rd** Phil & Carolyn Falter
- 4th** Marian L. Rumschlag
- 5th** Christopher Reinhart

**LOOKING FOR THAT SPECIAL GIFT?** SpiritSpace is the new gallery & gift shop at St. Francis Spirituality Center. Hand woven baskets and hand crafted work, Earth'n Sisters Pottery, Solar powered mobiles and much more! Come and See! Open daily 8:00 a.m.- noon Monday thru Friday and by appointment by calling 419-443-1485.



**UGANDAN BEAD PARTY** at St. Francis Spirituality Center, December 7 from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. Help empower African women and stamp out poverty by supporting Beads for Life.

**ADVENT BY CANDLELIGHT FOR WOMEN** will be December 14 at St. Francis Elizabeth Shaffer Auditorium. If you would like to register, please call Stephanie at 419-618-0155.

**DIOCESAN CELEBRATION** of Our Lady of Guadalupe will be held at Holy Rosary Cathedral on December 13 with the rosary from 8:00 - 9:00 a.m. and Mass at 10:00 a.m.

**PLEASE JOIN US FOR A SPIRIT-FILLED** youth conference at the Franciscan University in Steubenville, Ohio. This weekend is open to all high school youth. Please pick up an information brochure at the main entrance to church. **Registration forms and a deposit of \$35.00 are due by January 11.** Call Fr. Eric at 447-2087 or Lea Frank at 448-4913 with questions.



**K OF C LADY KNIGHTS BREAKFAST** will be held December 14 from 8:30 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. All are invited.

**K OF C ARTHUR TREACHER'S FISH FRY** will be December 12 from 4:30 - 7:00 p.m. All are welcome.

**CALVERT CATHOLIC SCHOOLS** invite you to their Christmas programs: Preschoolers, December 11 and 18 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary Campus gym; Grades 4-8 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Joseph Campus gym. Come and enjoy the spirit of the season.

**December 13 & 14**

**Mass Coordinators:**

- 4:30 p.m. M. Bernard
- 6:30 p.m. Sheila Jeffery
- 8:00 a.m. Ruth Bowman
- 10:00 a.m. Mark Zimmerman
- 11:30 a.m. Jeanne Tackett

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

- 4:30 p.m. Mike Durso, Joyce Hart, Ann Jones, Kim Lucius, Patti Roland.
- 6:30 p.m. Allen & Suzanne Reinhart, Matthew Gaietto, John Ink, Al Ubri, Kelly & Ron Witte.
- 8:00 a.m. Dave & Marge Fisher, Juanita Magers, Alvin & Carol Ringlein, Don Schalk
- 10:00 a.m. Chris Hafley, Bernard & Martha Hohman, Paul Lapczenski, Chris Rubeck, Nancy & Ron Ruffing, Bernie Steinmetz.
- 11:30 a.m. Michael Canton, Bev Martin, Helen Mullins, Tracey Sherman, Mary Shultz.

**Servers:**

- 4:30 p.m. Team B
- 6:30 p.m. Team I
- 8:00 a.m. Team K
- 10:00 a.m. Team N
- 11:30 a.m. Team S

December 8 ~ Holy Day  
7:00 p.m. Teams C & V

**Student Lectors:**

- 4:30 p.m. Mason McCool
- 6:30 p.m. Kelli Weininger
- 8:00 a.m. Amanda Traxler
- 10:00 a.m. Marcus King
- 11:30 a.m. Danielle Estep

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**Lectors:**

- 4:30 p.m. Bernie Steinmetz
- 6:30 p.m. Sheila Jeffery
- 8:00 a.m. Becky Wilhelm
- 10:00 a.m. Ron Ruffing
- 11:30 a.m. Jeanne Tackett



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