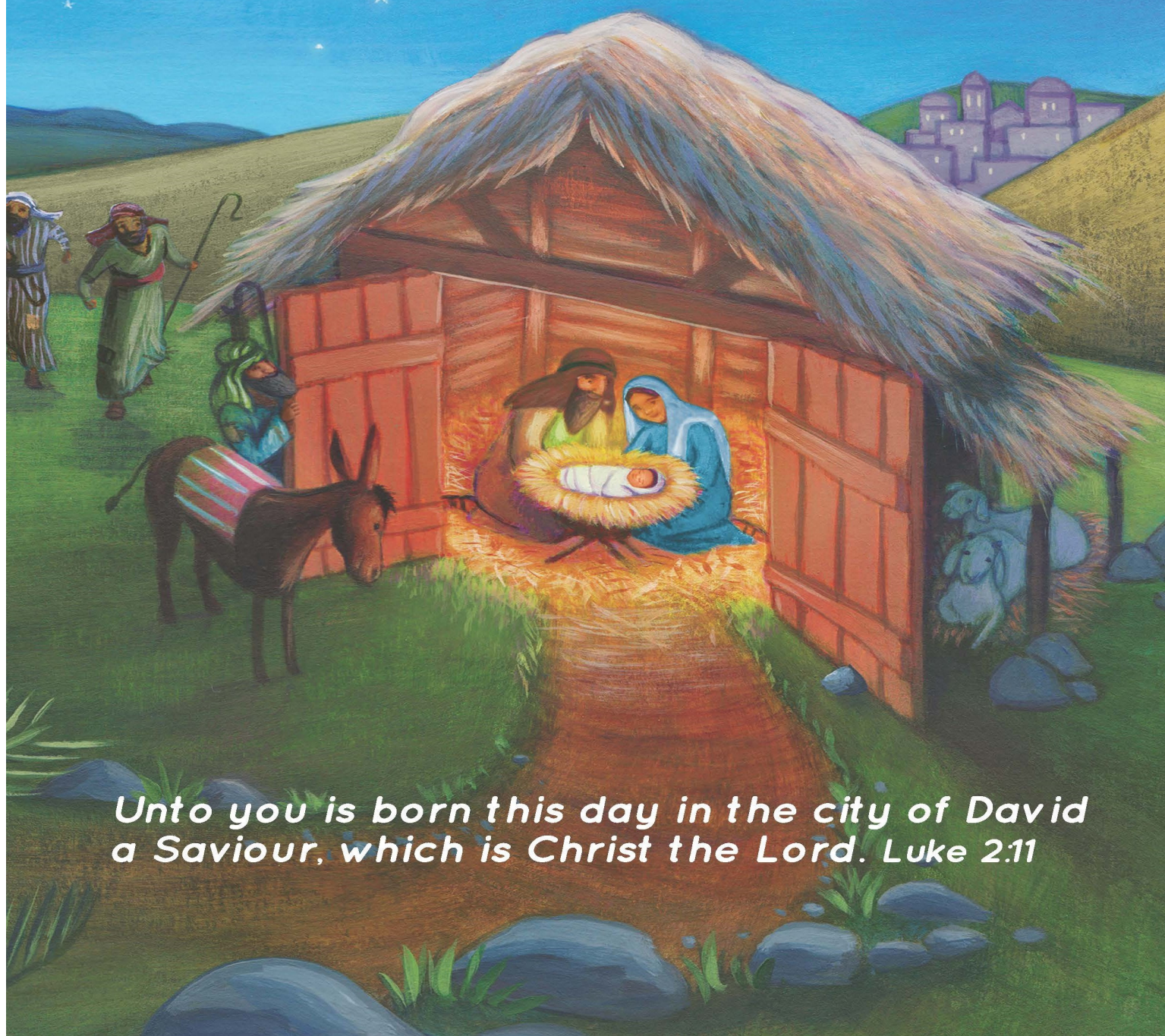


# Saint Mary

OF THE ANNUNCIATION CATHOLIC CHURCH

# Christ the Savior Is Born



*Unto you is born this day in the city of David  
a Saviour, which is Christ the Lord. Luke 2:11*

# MERRY CHRISTMAS

Tis the season to give **thanks** to the Lord our God who sent us His only son giving us a reason to celebrate this most Holy Christmas Season. Thank to those within the parish who brought Christ alive in countless ways throughout the year within the 4 pillars of our church community:

**Worship** - Thank you to our Musicians; Ushers; Altar Servers; Lectors; Ministers of Holy Communion; Schedulers; Prayer group leaders; Those who help decorate throughout the different liturgical seasons; and Children's pageant leaders and participants

**Word** - Thank you to our Catechists; all those involved in Sacramental Preparation; and Children's Liturgy leaders & volunteers

**Community** - Thank you to our Collection Counters; those who helped with clean-ups including church, rectory and gardens; Knights of Columbus; and all those who volunteered during the year.

**Outreach** - Thank you to those who welcome our county's poor through the Food Pantry; those involved with the Polar Bear Plunge; our Angel Tree and Tree of Hope coordinators and givers; and those who give both their time and talent to our Prayer Shawl Ministry

## PARISH REGISTRATION:

Are you interested in joining Saint Mary of the Annunciation? Please go to our website - <http://www.saintmarycc.org/join-the-parish> or scan the QR code.



## Saint Mary's Weekly Donation Report:

**Don't Forget About Online Giving!**  
<https://www.osvhub.com/saintmarycc/funds>



**Pray for the Sick of our Parish**



*David Arnold, Rosemary Baez, Estelle Bareford, Monica Bell, Susan Bennett, The Biddulph Family, Robert Bingaman, Joe Blackburn, Jr., John Bolecek, Maria Bridge, Barry Carrington, Daniel Clarke, Nancy Coffield, Doreen Distensa, Brian Eckert, Levie Edmond, Michael Fisher, Jessica French, Andrew Fresler, Deacon Dave Geary, The Hannick Family, Paula Hass, Laura Harris, The Jayger Family, Alice Karkutt, Rodney Ketterman, Tony Ketrick, Jenny Kolenda, Barbara Litten, Dawn Long, Carly Max, David Meadows, Bette Moore, Andrew Newchok, Peggy Opel, Eva Ortiz, Robert Pecht, Bill Pickett, Marge Polivka, Makayla Prevost, Ritchie Rodebaugh, John Signor, William Simulcik, Isabel Sipe, Rodney Smith, Laurie Snowman, John Speck, Linda Stanton, Barbara Storen, Ron Summers, Julian Thomas, The Townsend Family, The Wheeler Family, Joan Williams, Judy Yanes*

*Names will be removed after 6 months. If you would like to add/remove someone to the Sick of our Parish list, please call Chris Nowark at 804-448-9064 or email her at [office@saintmarycc.org](mailto:office@saintmarycc.org). Thank you.*

**GOD BLESS**

## FORMED

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**LITURGICAL AND OFFICE SCHEDULE  
CHRISTMAS EVE TO NEW YEARS DAY**

**Dec. 24 Christmas  
Eve—Incense will be  
used at all Masses**

**3:45 PM—4:00 PM Children’s Pageant**  
**4:00 PM Vigil Mass of the Nativity (Children’s Mass)**  
*(+Lily Hartigan requested by the Colombell Family)*  
**6:00 PM Vigil Mass of the Nativity**  
*(+Harvey C. Eckert requested by Chris and Mike Nowark)*

**Dec. 25 Christmas  
Day—Incense will be  
used**

**10:00 AM The Nativity of the Lord**  
*(+Duane Riden requested by Chris and Mike Nowark)*

**\*\*\*THIS WILL BE THE ONLY MASS ON DECEMBER 25\*\*\***

**Dec. 26 - Dec. 30**

**CHURCH AND OFFICE CLOSED**

**NO ADORATION OR MASS TUESDAY (27th), WEDNESDAY (28th), THURSDAY (29th)**

**Dec. 31st**

**Regular Mass Schedule**

**FEAST OF THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY, MOTHER OF GOD IS NOT A HOLY DAY OF  
OBLIGATION THIS YEAR**

**Jan. 1**

**Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God—Regular Mass Schedule**

**While Father Muddu is away, please welcome**

**Father William Sokolowisk from Food for the Poor on December 31st and January 1st  
And Father Christian Haydiner for all weekend Masses in January**

**PARISH OFFICE**

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Sacraments of Baptism, Matrimony (a minimum of 6 months prepara-  
tion is typical), and Anointing of the Sick, or to receive a home visit  
or home blessing, Call the office at 804-448-9064.

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# NEXT TOWN HALL MEETINGS SCHEDULED FOR FEBRUARY 12th & 19th

## Link for the First Town Hall Meeting

<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=AuCAHjEREGk&feature=youtu.be>

### St. Mary of the Annunciation Town Hall Meeting Survey #3

Do you feel that the Campaign case for support

# of Surveys the Comment Appeared

#### YES AND COMMENTS:

Yes, at this time	16
There is time to help all our needs, we just need patience	1
Depending on plans for the bathrooms and HVAC	1
but I question the flooring, the rest is needed	2
Food Pantry and Religious Ed space is important	3
Decisions based on Need vs Wants	1
Except for the need for painting and cleaning	1
There are insufficient funds earmarked for infrastructure	1

#### MAYBE AND COMMENTS:

Some, but need to see priorities before can decide on the campaign	2
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#### NO AND COMMENTS:

1)Classrooms (maybe mobile classrooms) 2)HVAC and 3)Roofing debt	1
Not convinced additional classroom space is needed if we can identify creative solutions	1
No, Move the building back to start classrooms needed not just a small section	1
Increasing the size of the Parish would provide additional support base	1

### SPECIAL MASS INTENTION

FOR THE PARISHONERS TO PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER SUPPORTING  
THE CAPITAL CAMPAIGN FOR THE PARISH IMPROVEMENTS.

### Capital Campaign Prayer

Almighty God, we the community of St. Mary's give thanks to you for opportunities, past and present, to worship, study, and proclaim the good news of Jesus Christ. We thank you for the gifts of faith and fellowship that we have experienced during our history.

As we come together to commit ourselves to your direction for our future, we lift our hearts in gratitude to you, O Lord, for all those who helped prepare the way for us – for their worship, devotion, service and care of this beloved Church and property. For these and all your blessings, we give you thanks.

We pray that your Holy Spirit will guide us now as we begin this campaign for the future of St. Mary's. Trusting in your love, help us to move forward with open and willing hearts so that we can continue to grow and serve you. Guide us, so that we may continue to meet new opportunities with courage, love, and steadfastness. We ask this in the name of our Lord and Savior, Jesus Christ. AMEN.

## CHRISTMAS PRAYER

*Loving Father,*

*Help us remember the birth of Jesus,  
that we may share in the song of the angels,  
the gladness of the shepherds,  
and worship of the wise men.*

*Close the door of hate  
and open the door of love all over the world.*

*Let kindness come with every gift  
and good desires with every greeting.*

*Deliver us from evil by the blessing  
which Christ brings,  
and teach us to be merry with clear hearts.*

*May the Christmas morning  
make us happy to be thy children,  
and Christmas evening bring us to our beds  
with grateful thoughts,  
forgiving and forgiven,  
for Jesus' sake. Amen.*

*FR. ALEXANDER MUDDU  
PASTOR.*



## CHRISTMAS FLOWER OFFERING

The flowers that beautify our Sanctuary this Christmas have been given as memorials to  
**THE HONOR AND GLORY OF OUR RISEN SAVIOR, JESUS CHRIST OUR LORD**  
**IN MEMORY/HONOR OF**

James Fulcherino by **Theresa Fulcherino**

Rita & Bill Wormwood, Susan & George Lesko, Jack Stewart & Gisi, Scott O. Hall, Steve & Faith Hall, Pat Hall, Daniel T. Vaughan, Richard Cullup and Souls in Purgatory by **Mr. & Mrs. Gerald Lesko**

George E. Morgan by **Viviane Morgan**

Ronald Karkutt, R. David Karkutt, Jack Pincombe, and David Neddo by **Bruce and Rhonda Pincombe**

Hal Larsen, Jane Larsen, Marius Larsen, and Elise Larsen by **Anna Porter**

Wayne & Kay Ackerman, Art & Lillian Zaska, William H. Ackerman, Barbara Fredlund, Art Zaska, Jr., and Ken & Neyse Sauue by **Carl and Darlene Ackerman**

Harvey C. Eckert, John & Linda Eckert, Hazel & Anthony Eckert, Mary & Melvin Parker, Frank Parker, Mary Roadcap, Steve Stravolo, Marshall & Sandy Deckard, Randall & Bill Bryson, and Debbie Brooks, by **Chris and Mike Nowark**

Mike Kolodzinski, Joe & Rose Vrablic, Stash & Fran Kolodzinski, and Bruce Zacek by **Mr. and Mrs. Michael Kolodzinski**

Christine & Albert Matikonis, and Agnes & Raymond Logan by **Donald & Barbara Logan**

Julia Fry and Elizabeth Colombell by **Tom & Mary Colombell**

Harold & Margaret Fedder, Chuck Tingler, Louise Fedder Whitfield, and Mary Ann Geary by **Wallace and Elizabeth Tingler, Jr**

Turney David Williams, Betty Jean Williams, Mary Cook Paquette, and Joseph Oliver Paquette by **Dr. & Mrs. Joseph Paquette**

Lloyd & Rose Matilda Specht, Josephine Robinson, George & Eobreta Burnett, and Edward & Helen Greene by **Michael and Jean Burnett**

Joseph & Betty Casper, Joseph & Rose Casper and Karen Casper by **Joanne Casper**

Floyd Bareford, Sunni Flowers and Jennifer Flowers by **Estelle Bareford**

Robert Litten and Matthew Litten by **Barbara Litten**

Wayne & Ruth Simpson, Johnny & Joseph Miskin, Irene Miskin and Helen Miskin by **Edward and Patsy Miskin**

Joseph Stier by **Richard and Eileen Mueller**

Renee Marino, Debra Dawn Kollat, Ralph Watermeier, Sr., and Adelaide Watermeier by **Ralph Watermeier**

Ann & Bill Bolecek, Bill & Dorothy Bolecek, Clark and Barbara Gillett, Patricia McCary by **Gloria Bolecek**

Mr. & Mrs. Sydnor Billingsley, Mr. & Mrs. Clyde Bingaman, Mr. & Mrs. Henry Fritz, and Mrs. Cecel Billingsley by **Robert & Gail Bingaman**

Phil Marino and Mr. & Mrs. Francis Smith by **Francis Smith**

Klaus Kardys by **Rowland & Merry Babcock**

Francy Garcia, Jose Garcia, Emmanuel Argueta, and Paora Augueta by **Mr. & Mrs. Elmer Antonio and Ingrid M. Arguet**

Matheny and Boteler Families by **Mark and Deborah Matheny**

John and Genevieve Petroskey, Richard Rodebaugh, Arile & Elenor Mautner, John Finlayson by **Mr. & Mrs. Ritchie Rodebaugh**

Daniel Maida by **Anthony & Patricia Maida**

Alexander & Mary Sinlock, Thomas-Daisy and Willard Stanley, Alfred & Josephine Henshaw, Frances S. Melle, and John & Hermina Simulcik by **Alexander and Diane Sinlock**

Alexander & Mary Sinlock, Frances Melle, Alfred & Josephine Henshaw, Stephanie Sinlock, Coleman & Stephanie Flowers, and Billy Simulick by **Cynthia Wheeler**

Persons Family and Heifferon Family by **Kathleen Persons**

The Mimnaugh's – Eugene, Dorothy & David; The Buchanan's – Robert Sr., Mary, David, John & Debbie by **Diane Dye & Robert Buchanan**

The Rung Family and the Nonamaker Family by **George & Lee Ann Rung**

Annette Wisniewski, Patricia Wisniewski, Sue Wright, Richard Kabava, Nolan Blecha, Ann Wisniewski, Joseph Wisniewski, Anne Lunsford and Robert Lunsford by **Ronald Wisniewski**

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