

**MASS INTENTIONS/LITURGIES**

JANUARY 11-19, 2025

**Saturday, January 11 | 4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

*Ralph Clement by The Clement Family*

**6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)**

*John Keating by Dale & Kathy Klosterman*

**Sunday, January 12 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)**

*Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners*

**10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

*George Lear by Sylvia Lear*

**Tuesday, January 14 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

*David Cunningham by Sue & Jim York*

**Wednesday, January 15 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)**

*Joanne Maag by Mike & Mary Rupert*

**Thursday, January 16 | 6:15 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

**6:45 p.m. Adoration/Confession**

*Ethel Houchins by Theresa & Brant Dunn*

**Friday, January 17 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)**

**8:45 a.m. Confession**

*Mary Wischmeyer by The Catholic Ladies of Columbus*

**Saturday, January 18 | 3:00 p.m. Confession (ST. PAT)**

**4:00 p.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

*Rosemary Sullivan by Lorraine & John Tucci*

**6:00 p.m. Mass (SMOW)**

*Nancy Dearwester by Jeff & Donna True*

**Sunday, January 19 | 8:00 a.m. Mass (SMOW)**

*Mary, Queen of Angels Parishioners*

**10:00 a.m. Mass (ST. PAT)**

*Ethel Houchins by Judy & Coop Cooper*

**YOUR TITHE TO GOD**

WEEKEND OF JANUARY 4/5	ST. MARY	ST. PATRICK
MASS COUNT:	255	
SUNDAY COLLECTION:	\$ 2,768.75	
ONLINE COLLECTION:	\$ 2,965.00	
OTHER COLLECTIONS:		Information unavailable at time of print
BUILDING IMPROVEMENT:	\$ 173.00	
SOLEMNITY OF MARY:	\$ 1,231.00	
SVDP:	\$ 200.00	
OTHER:	\$ 375.00	
TOTAL TITHING:	\$ 7,712.75	

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS**

JANUARY 18-19, 2025

**ST. MARY OF THE WOODS**

**6:00 P.M. SATURDAY**

**SERVERS:** Eli Baughman, Ezra Winner, Micha Winner

**READER:** Lisa Axe

**USHERS:** Ken Meier, Volunteers

**CANTORS:** Katie McCabe, John McCabe

**SACRISTAN:** Donna Hesser

**8:00 A.M. SUNDAY**

**SERVERS:** Corbin Wilson, Ash Wilson, Lincoln Nielsen

**READER:** Jan Knight

**EEM:** Kevin Knight

**USHERS:** Charles Seimet, Deb Seimet, Jeff Codora, Dave Shoffner

**CANTORS:** Mary Kuba, Kathy Robinson, Rebecca Bihn

**SACRISTAN:** Laurie Stroebel

**ST. PATRICK**

**4:00 P.M. SATURDAY**

**SERVERS:** Boston Baker, Della Baker, Christina Hager

**READERS:** Wendy Miller, Sharon Hess

**EEM:** Rose Lyons

**10:00 A.M. SUNDAY**

**SERVERS:** Antonio Avalos, Brenden Eckstein, Connor Eckstein

**READERS:** Mindy Bailey, Kelsey Conklin

**EEM:** Catherine Oder

**ATTENTION, LAY MINISTERS**

Therese Calland is now preparing the Ministry Schedules for both SMOW and St. Patrick. Please forward your requested dates that you cannot serve to Therese's email address at tcalland328@gmail.com.

Therese is asking for this information by the 10th of the month prior to the month being scheduled. Thank you for your cooperation!





**READINGS FOR THE WEEK**  
OF JANUARY 12, 2025

- Sunday:** Isaiah 42:1-4, 6-7 or  
Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11  
Psalms 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25,  
27-28, 29-30  
Titus 2:11-14; 3:4-7  
Luke 3:15-16, 21-22
- Monday:** Hebrews 1:1-6  
Psalms 97:1 and 2b, 6 and 7c, 9  
Mark 1:14-20
- Tuesday:** Hebrews 2:5-12  
Psalms 8:2ab and 5, 6-7, 8-9  
Mark 1:21-28
- Wednesday:** Hebrews 2:14-18  
Psalms 105:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8-9  
Mark 1:29-39
- Thursday:** Hebrews 3:7-14  
Psalms 95:6-7c, 8-9, 10-11  
Mark 1:40-45
- Friday:** Hebrews 4:1-5, 11  
Psalms 78:3 and 4bc, 6c-7, 8  
Mark 2:1-12
- Saturday:** Hebrews 4:12-16  
Psalms 19:8, 9, 10, 15  
Mark 2:13-17
- Sunday:** Isaiah 62:1-5  
Psalms 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8, 9-10  
First Corinthians 12:4-11  
John 2:1-11

The SMOW website  
**IS MOVING!**  
Beginning February 1, the SMOW website will be found at [queenofangelsfamily.com](http://queenofangelsfamily.com)



If you wish to receive a Statement of Parish Contributions for the year 2024 for tax filing purposes, please complete the form below **by January 24th** and place it in the offertory basket.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Registered at SMOW or St. Patrick (circle one)





## THE FEAST OF THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD (JANUARY 12, 2025)

The mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan by St. John, the Precursor, proposes the contemplation of an already adult Jesus. This mystery is infinitely linked to the Solemnities of the Lord's birth and the Epiphany that we have just celebrated, as in some ways it takes up and represents their significance to us.

At Christmas, we have contemplated the human birth of the Word incarnate by the Virgin Mary. In the 4th century, the Fathers of the Church deepened the understanding of the faith with regard to the Christmas mystery in the light of Jesus' Humanity. They spoke of the Incarnation of the Word already working like the "Christification" of that humanity that He had assumed from His mother. Or put in simpler terms: Jesus is the Christ from the first instant of conception in Mary's spotless womb because He Himself, with His Divine Power, consecrated, anointed and "Christified" that human nature with which He became incarnate.

In the mystery of the Epiphany, we then meditated on Christ's manifestation to all nations that was represented by the Magi, the Wise Men from the East, who came to Adore the Child.

Now, in the mystery of Christ's Baptism in the Jordan River, we again encounter and represent the truth of the Lord's incarnation and His manifestation as the Christ. Jesus' Baptism is in fact His definitive manifestation as the Messiah or Christ to Israel, and as the Son of the Father to the entire world. Here we find the dimension of the Epiphany which was His manifestation to all nations. The Father's voice from heaven shows that Jesus of Nazareth is the eternal Son and the descent of the Holy Spirit in the form of a dove shows the Trinitarian nature of the Christian God. The true and unique God, Father, Son, and Holy Spirit, shows Himself in Christ, through Him, with Him and in Him.

The Baptism in the Jordan returns to the great Christmas theme of "Christification," Jesus of Nazareth's spiritual anointing, His presentation as the Anointed One par excellence, the Messiah or the One sent by the Father for the salvation of mankind. The Spirit that descended on Jesus shows and seals in an incontrovertible way the "Christification" of Jesus' humanity that the Word had already been fulfilled from the first moment of His miraculous conception by Mary. Jesus, from the very beginning, was always the Lord's Christ, He was always God. Yet, His one, true humanity, that which is perfect in every way, as the Gospel records, constantly grew in natural and supernatural perfection. "And Jesus increased in wisdom, in stature, and in favour with God and with men" (Lk 2:52). In Israel at 30 years of age, one reached full maturity and therefore could become a master. Jesus came of age and the Spirit, descending and remaining on Him, definitively consecrated His whole being as the Christ.

The same Spirit, that descended on the water of the River Jordan wafted over the waters during the first creation (Gen 1:2). Therefore, the Baptism in the Jordan presents yet another truth: that Jesus has started a new creation. He is the second man (1 Cor 15:47) or the last Adam (1 Cor 15:45), that comes to repair the first Adam's guilt. He does this as the Lamb of God that takes away our sins. "Looking at the events in light of the Cross and Resurrection, the Christian people realised what happened: Jesus loaded the burden of all mankind's guilt upon His shoulders; He bore it down into the depths of the Jordan. He inaugurated His public activity by stepping into the place of sinners."

*Joseph Ratzinger, Jesus of Nazareth, Bloomsbury 2007, p 18). - Excerpted from the Dicastery for the Clergy*



### Mary, Queen of Angels Sack Lunch Ministry for Women

All women are invited to attend the Mary, Queen of Angels Women's Sack Lunch Ministry at St. Patrick Church, in Makley Hall on Saturday, January 18th from 11:00 a.m.-1:30 p.m.



### WELCOME TO OUR CHURCH

Whether you recently moved here or are just visiting, we are happy to have you here with us. If you would like to join one of our parishes, please contact the Parish Office for a registration form.



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464 Madison Avenue  
Russells Point, OH 43348  
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320 East Patterson Avenue  
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#### MASS INTENTIONS:

Currently, St. Patrick Church is accepting Mass Intentions for **September, 2025-January, 2026**. Please fill out this form and bring it to the Church Office or drop it into the offertory basket. There is a \$5.00 stipend for each Mass requested. Each family is allowed 12 requests per calendar year. Only three requests may be submitted at one time.

**PLEASE PRINT CLEARLY!**

Intention: \_\_\_\_\_

Offered by: \_\_\_\_\_

Date requested: \_\_\_\_\_

Mass time requested: \_\_\_\_\_

# of Masses you are paying for: \_\_\_\_\_

**Every attempt will be made to schedule the date and Mass time requested; however, funerals and prior requests may prevent this.**

#### MASS INTENTIONS:

Currently, St. Mary of the Woods Church is accepting Mass Intentions for **July-November, 2025**. Please fill out this form and bring it to the Church Office or drop it into the offertory basket. There is a \$5.00 stipend for each Mass requested. Each family is allowed 12 requests per calendar year. Only three requests may be submitted at one time.

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