

**SUNDAY COLLECTIONS**

Dec. 7	\$1,244
Dec. 14	\$502
Ret. Rel.	\$235

**MASS SCHEDULE**

(L=Living, †=Deceased)

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

Sat. Dec. 20	5:00 PM	For † Helen Bach (from Joe and Kathy Bach)
Sun. Dec. 21	9:00 AM	For the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish
Mon. Dec. 22	XXX	NO PUBLIC MASS
Tue. Dec. 23	8:00 AM	For † Bob and Laferhn Rottman (from Bob Rottman)
<b>Wed. Dec. 24</b>	<b>10 PM</b>	For † Rosanne Rawe (from Sarah Gripshover)
<b>Thur. Dec. 25</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	For † John Jackson (from Tessie Schildmeyer)
Fri. Dec. 26	8:00 AM	For † Michael Thomas Durr (from David Durrr)

**THE HOLY FAMILY OF JESUS, MARY AND JOSEPH**

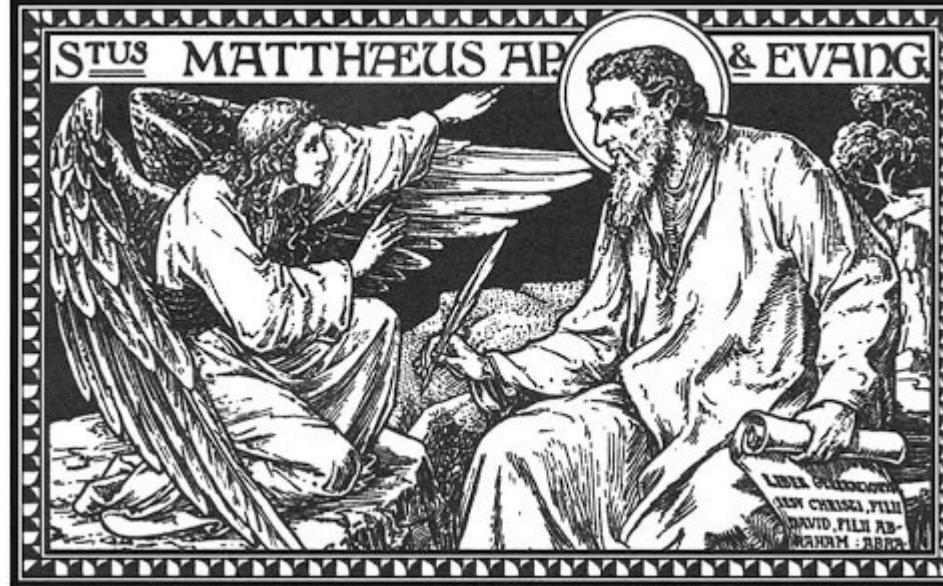
Sat. Dec. 27	5:00 PM	For † Mary Jo Schmiade (from Joe and Kathy Bach)
Sun. Dec. 28	9:00 AM	For † the Living and Deceased People of Our Parish

**PRAAYER LIST**—Eileen Ehlman, Kate & Colton Sherold, Emmitt Thomas, Jeff suffering from Meniere's disease, Tony Bach, Bill Lemming, Dave Neuspickel, Andy Sper, Billie Huffman, Roger High, Cheryl Miller, Sherry Jackson, Sarah Gripshover, Bill Schneider (Dominion Assisted Living 4009 Seligman Dr. Florence, Room 215), Ree Wagner, Wanda Bach, Maverick Orth (3yrs old), Daniel Cahill, Pax Minch, Todd Kloentrup, Gina Cooper, Tom Breeze, Valetta Proctor, Ruth Elbert, Melba Hauser, Larry Cappel, Mary Beth Feldmann, Griffin Cornell, the family and friends of Rosanne Rawe, Jeff Piehl, Annamarie Schroeder, Elissa Baker, Doug Redman, Jody Rodriguez, Aiden Magee, Jeff Groneck, Greg White, and Ashley Wolfe..

**BIRTHDAYS**—Dec. 2-Ambrose Mayleben, Dec. 3-Ryder Cooper, Dec. 7—Nolan Benjamin Redmond, Dec. 8—Sherman Patrick Redmond, Dec. 15—Thomas Schneider, Dec. 18—Ella Dickerson, Dec. 18—Joseph Broering, Dec. 21—Mary Mayleben, Dec. 21—Ava Mae Noelle Hummel, Dec. 23—Kaylynn Cooper, Dec. 24—Patty Neuspickel.

**ANNIVERSARY**—Dec. 7-Howard and Penny Kluesener, Dec. 22-Lawrence and Amanda Eten

*Please send any requests for prayers or memorials to the parish email or call to make a request. If anyone's birthday or anniversary is not listed, let Linda Fryman know. Missing someone on the birthday or anniversary list, let me know.*

**SAINT MATTHEW CHURCH**

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Saturdays — 5:00 PM	Sundays — 9:00 AM
Weekdays [Tue through Fri] — 8 AM	Holy Days— 8:00 AM and 7:00 PM

Confession Times:

Saturdays — 4:00-4:50 PM	Sundays — 8:00-8:50 AM
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Parish Staff and Volunteers

Religious Education — Lindsey Rawe (859) 250-7415

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Parish History/Cemetery Info — Patty Neuspickel (859) 472-2508

**THE FOURTH SUNDAY IN ADVENT**

**DECEMBER 21, 2025**

**DPAA**—We have met our goal! Now, everything given gets returned to our parish without paying the Diocesan Taxes on it. Our parish's goal for this year was \$13,400. Please be generous if you have not contributed. This collection will run until March, 2026.

**GIVING TREE**- Gifts are due back by Dec. 22.

**YEARLY CHURCH CALENDERS**-The calendars are in the back of church. Please pick one up as you leave.

**CHURCH DECORATING**-If you are able and would like to help, we will be decorating the church inside and of out after this Sunday's mass. This is always a good time so try to stay and help

**CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES: CHRISTMAS EVE, DEC. 24-10 PM. CHRISTMAS DAY, DEC. 25-9 AM.**

**LECTOR**— Dec21.-Bill Funke, Dec. 28-Lisa Cooper

**CLEANING**—Dec.-Penny and Patty



**From the Pastor**

We're almost there! The 4 th candle is lit on the Advent wreath. Anticipation is building for the celebration of Christmas, the birth of God as one of us to save us! Of course, the 4 th candle being lit also means there aren't many shopping days left! Yikes! But as tempting as it is, don't let that take you out of the mindset of peaceful preparation. Have the spirit of Advent in your heart – a peace and light that not even the craziest Christmas schedule can take away! And let the joy of preparing for Christmas permeate even the busy-ness and all the things you need to get done. Do it all with the joy and love of the season!

I want to thank you again from the bottom of my heart for your tremendous generosity on Giving Tuesday! We raised just a little south of \$12,500! According to my lights, that should build us a pretty good picnic shelter! And we'll have some left over for some other projects to be determined. I am very much in awe of your generosity, and I bless you for helping your parish in such an open-hearted way!

I also want to express my happiness at the CCD's Advent presentation and Pancake-Breakfast. We had some bad weather, but I was so amazed that almost all, if not all, of our students were there! The singing (and violin playing!) was so uplifting and inspiring. Thanks to all the teachers and parents who made it happen, and to the chefs who made those delicious pancakes and fixings. Don't forget to invite your family and friends to join us for Christmas Mass, either on Christmas Eve at 10:00 pm or Christmas Day at 9:00 am. If I don't get to see you over the holiday, may you and yours have a truly blessed Christmas!

- Fr. Josh Lange