John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey. - Mt 3:4

NDAY OF ADVENT

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WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE Saturday Vigil: 4:00 PM Sunday: 8:30 AM, 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE Morning Prayer 7:45 AM Morning Mass: 8:00 AM Morning Rosary: 8:30 AM **©LP**

Pastor: Rev. Barry J. Gamache

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> ASSISTING CLERGY: Rev. John Wydeven

SECRETARY: Jane Fallon Press 1, or stmarysjane@gmail.com



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by family	
Sunday, December 8th	
8:30 AM Irene & William Holr	mes
requested by family	
10:00 AM Marie & Euclid Vern	nette and
Eleanor & Walter G	reene
requested by John &	<u>k</u>
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11:30 AM Dennis & Isabel Vie	ra
requested by son-in	-law
and grandchildren	
Monday, December 9th	
8:00 AM Parish deceased	
Tuesday, December 10th	
8:00 AM Theresa & Andrew I	aroche
requested by Donal	
Wednesday, December 11th	
8:00 AM Healing for Sheila S	ulentic
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These are the intentions for which we are asked to pray:

For J and a nephew to receive the care and support needed to manage mental health issues For comfort and healing for K who is recovering from spinal surgery For easing of respiratory problems For newborn baby T and successful surgery For peace within a family For N, D, W, K, J, M and all those who ask for prayers of healing and strength For courage, hope and healing for all those with cancer diagnoses For 3 year old G, recently found to be autistic / guidance and wisdom for his parents For PEACE

For the special intentions of each other, our families and friends

In thanksgiving for prayers answered and for those who pray for the needs of others

Thank you





This week's Sanctuary Lamp will burn in memory of **Dennis & Isabel Viera** *requested by son-in-law and grandchildren.* Please keep them in your prayers.

The Loaves and Fishes ministry would greatly appreciate your generosity once again as we prepare to help our local homeless folks deal with the stress of winter. Warm coats and winter hats and gloves for men and women are currently in short supply. Backpacks are useful to people who must carry their belongings with them, especially in winter when clothing tends to be bulky. Small, warm fleece blankets are popular and versatile items. Ladies' underwear (new) in asst. sizes is in short supply. As usual, we welcome men's warm pants and jeans, and sweatpants in all sizes. Warm footwear is especially critical in winter -even better if it is water resistant. Thank you to all whose wonderful support helps make a huge difference for those we visit.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH



Harish Support

The collection for 11/24/19 was \$5,481 and 12/1/19 was \$7,638. Thank you for your continued support and generosity.



The date for Confirmation at St. Mary's Parish has been released by the Diocese **Confirmation 2020** will be conferred at St. Mary's Tuesday, March 31, 2020 @ 6:30 PM

St. Mary 2020 Calendars are available at the back of the Church. *Please take and enjoy!*

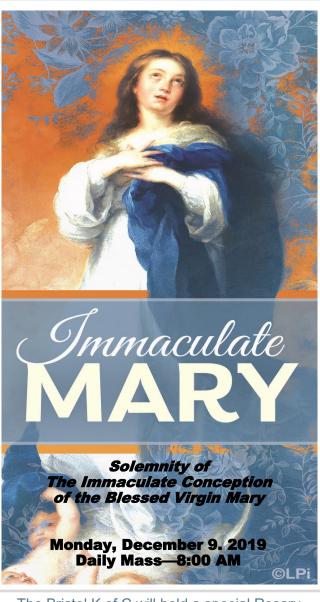


BRISTOL COUNTY CHORUS CHRISTMAS CONCERT ST. MARY'S CHURCH, BRISTOL, RI

The Bristol County Chorus will present their 39th annual Christmas concert accompanied by a professional orchestra on Sunday Dec 15, 2019 at St. Mary's Church, 330 Wood Street, Bristol, RI, at 3:00 PM. The Chorus and orchestra will be conducted by director of music, Nicholas Rocha. This year's holiday offering, *The Night Before Christmas*, will feature a celebration of carols, including music by John Rutter; "Believe" from the popular movie adaptation of *The Polar Express*; and traditional favorites, such as the "Bristol Christmas Sing-Along," and "O Holy Night."

Tickets are available locally at the George Hail Library in Warren, RI, Paper Packaging and Panache in Bristol, RI and online at https.// bccholidayconcert2019.brownpapertickets .com. Tickets are \$15.00 in advance, and \$20.00 at the door.

Any questions can be emailed to <u>bristolcounty-</u> <u>chorus@gmail.com</u>, or addressed to Bristol County Chorus, P.O. Box 928, Bristol, RI, 02809. Look for us on Facebook!



The Bristol K of C will hold a special Rosary at Saint Elizabeth's Church Saturday Dec 14 at 12 noon. The intention for this Rosary is "Keep Christ in Christmas"

Giving Tree:

Giving Trees gifts must be returned **no later** than Saturday, December 7, and Sunday, December 8. If you have any questions call Donna at 254-1979. God Bless you for your generosity



SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 8, 2019

The phone number to reach St. Mary's Catholic Church (Parish Offices) is 401 253-3300. Upon connecting with our welcome directory, you

will be given a selection of numbers to press for individual offices.

The corresponding numbers offered are as follows:

For Parish Secretary, Jane Fallon **PRESS 1** For Deacon Paul Bisbano, **PRESS 2** For Cemetery Office **PRESS 3** For Pastor, Father Barry Gamache **PRESS 4** For Martha Foster, Coordinator of Youth Ministry **PRESS 5**

For Mary's Helpers PRESS 6

For Brian Silvia, Property Supervisor **PRESS 7** For Mass Schedule, **PRESS 8**

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION:

Saturday at 3:30 P.M. or by appointment at any time.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: Baptisms are at the convenience of the family following the 4PM or 11:30AM Masses. Arrangements must be made in advance for required instruction. Godparents must present Sponsor Certificates from their parish. Email Jane Fallon:

stmarysbristolbaptisms@gmail.com, or Press 1 at 401 253-3300

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY: Couples

should contact the office at least one year in advance. Be sure you have a confirmed date at the church before making any other arrangements. Email Jane Fallon:

stmarysbristolweddings@gmail.com, or Press 1 at 401 253-3300



POINSETTIA SALE to benefit our 2020 Youth Mission Trip

Poinsettia plants will be available for purchase Sat, Dec 7th and Sun, Dec 8th following Masses.

\$10 suggested donation

Bishop Connolly High School—

HSPT placement exam for prospective students on December 14, 2019, at 8 a.m. at BCHS. Pre-registration is <u>not</u> required; exam fee is \$20, payable at check-in. For more information, please call BCHS Admissions at 508.676.1071 x333.

Bishop Stang, - (HSPT) on Sat, Dec 14th from 8:00 am – 11:30 am.

Visit <u>bishopstang.org</u> for more details or to preregister. Walk-ins are always welcome on exam day. Merit scholarship incentives are available.



MUSIC MINISTRY

Director (Organist/Soloist): Michael DiMucci (529-8367) Pianist/Soloist: David M. Marshall (952-5574) Organist: Justin Vicente (286-2305) Soloist: Celia Gomes (451-5778) Bass: Andy Stone (254-9709) Drums: Gaven Dauplaise

Music Ministry CD's for sale!!

These are perfect stocking stuffers!!

Michael DiMucci—<u>The Impossible</u> <u>*Dream:* \$20.00 each</u>

St. Mary's Music Ministry—<u>A Concert For</u> <u>Christmas</u>: \$15.00 each

Through Mary's Heart—<u>Go Light Your</u> <u>World</u>: \$15.00 each

Celia Gomes—<u>Release</u> (Over The Rainbow, Crazy, At Last & more): \$10.00 each

Available from the Music Ministry after any mass.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH

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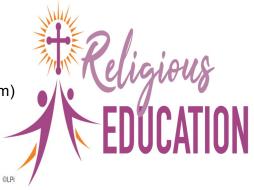
RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

2019-2020 Grades 1–3 9:30 am-10:30 am December 8 Class December 15 <u>Mass</u>, 10 am Food for the hungry (canned/boxed item)

Grades 4-5-6 11am-12:30 pm December 15 <u>Class & Mass</u>, 10 am (attendance recommended)

Grades 7-8-9-10 11am-12:30pm

December 7 **(10th Gr. Retreat)**, December 8 **Class** December 15 <u>Mass</u>, 10 am (attendance recommended)



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St. Mary's 150th Anniversary Dinner Dance was held on November 23rd at Jacky's Galaxie, Bristol



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