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**Bulletin Deadline**  
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**FROM THE PASTOR:**

The traditional date for the Solemnity of the Epiphany is January 6, but in most countries the observance of this feast is transferred to the Sunday between January 2 and January 8. This year, we are blessed to be able to celebrate Epiphany on its proper date, the twelfth day of Christmas, which in many Catholic countries is rich in traditions. In some places, this is the day children receive gifts, in commemoration of the gifts the Child Jesus received from the Three Kings. A "Kings' Cake" or "Rosca de Reyes" is a traditional dessert for this day. All of these traditions and customs have one purpose: they remind us that the divinity of Jesus Christ has been revealed to the world. The newborn King of the Jews is not King of one nation only, but the rightful ruler of the hearts of men and woman of every nation.



As the students, faculty, and staff of St. Mary School resume their normal schedule after a well-deserved Christmas break, I want to remind all parents and grandparents that January is the perfect month to enroll new students in our Catholic elementary and middle school. I would like once more to emphasize that a Catholic education is available for every Catholic child. Ample financial aid is available for those who qualify, including funding from the State of Ohio, parish tuition assistance funds, local foundations, and the Diocese of Columbus. Those wishing to learn more should contact our school office at the earliest possible opportunity.

Sincerely Yours, in Christ,  
Fr. Thomas Buffer



**Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, January 13,**

**after the 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass, in Moira Hall.**

All-you-can-eat Pancakes, Sausages and Eggs. Along with coffee, orange juice, milk. No cost, donations only. All proceeds will help our 15 teens and 6 adults attend the *March For Life Trip* to Washington, D.C. (January 17th-19th). Thank you in advance for supporting our teens. If you are unable to attend and would like to make a donation, please call or text Mark at 740-223-8656.

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**Life Teen Schedule for January**

- 6 Life Teen – 6:00 p.m.
- 13 Life Teen – 6:00 p.m.  
*Pancake Breakfast after 8:00 a.m. and 11:00 a.m. Mass.  
We could use your help. Call or text Mark.*
- 20 No Life Teen
- 27 Life Teen – 6:00 p.m.

**Del Párroco:**

La fecha tradicional para la Solemnidad de la Epifanía es el 6 de Enero, pero en la mayoría de los países la observancia de esta fiesta se transfiere al Domingo entre el 2 de Enero y el 8 de Enero. Este año tenemos la bendición de poder celebrar la Epifanía en su fecha adecuada, el Duodécimo día de la Navidad, que en muchos países Católicos es rico en tradiciones. En algunos lugares, este es el día en que los niños reciben regalos, en conmemoración de los dones que el niño Jesús recibió de los tres reyes. Un **"Kings' Cake"** o "Rosca de Reyes" es un postre tradicional para este día. Todas estas tradiciones y costumbres tienen un propósito: el recordarnos que la divinidad de Jesucristo ha sido revelada al mundo. El recién nacido Rey de los Judíos no es Rey de una sola nación, sino el legítimo gobernante de los corazones de los hombres y mujeres de cada nación.



Así como los estudiantes, la facultad y el personal de la escuela Santa María reanudan su horario normal después de un merecido descanso navideño, quiero recordarle a todos los padres y abuelos que Enero es el mes perfecto para inscribir a nuevos estudiantes en nuestra escuela Católica. Me gustaría insistir una vez más en que la educación católica está disponible para todos los niños católicos. Hay una amplia ayuda financiera disponible para aquellos que califican, incluyendo financiamiento del Estado de Ohio, fondos de asistencia para la matrícula parroquial, fundaciones locales y la Diócesis de Columbus. Aquellos que deseen aprender más deben ponerse en contacto con nuestra oficina de la escuela en la primera oportunidad posible.

Su hermano en Cristo,  
Padre Thomas Buffer

**March For Life Trip to Washington, D.C. – January 17-19**

Depart St. Mary Thursday, at 12:00 noon. Return Saturday around 1:00 a.m. Cost is \$35.00. Join 8,000 teens in a Youth Rally for Life and Mass at George Mason University prior to the March. Then, join hundreds of thousands in walking and praying for the unborn and an end to abortion. Fifteen spots available for teens. RSVP to Mark ASAP (first 15 to reserve will go). **Deadline is January 8th.** Pick up a flyer in back of church. RSVP by calling or texting Mark at 740-223-8656.

**PARISH MEMBERSHIP**

**New Members Welcome.** Please contact St. Mary Parish Office. Present members, please keep our Office informed of change in name, address and family members.

**REMINDER FOR VISITATION OF THE SICK**

Please remember that, due to privacy laws, hospitals no longer notify us when one of our parishioners has been admitted. Please notify the Parish Office if you or a loved one is ill or in the hospital by calling 740-382-2118. Thank you.



For a prayer request for the Prayer Line, please call Ellen Distel at 740-389-4551 or Dolores at the Parish Office at 740-382-2118 or email [dolores@marionstmary.org](mailto:dolores@marionstmary.org).



The Nursery is available at the 11:00 a.m. Mass each Sunday. Looking for a rewarding way to acquire service hours for Confirmation? **Think about helping in the Nursery.** Please call Angie at 419-834-5783 if you would like to help out.

*CHRISTMAS FLOWERS  
IN LOVING MEMORY OF:*



*Janis Swebston  
Paul & Lois Eshman  
Ruth Ebersole*

**IN MEMORIAM**

**Eternal Rest Grant Unto  
G. Edward Murphy**



## St. Mary School News

School Resumes on  
Monday, January 7, 2019.

January 9: 8:30 a.m.  
School Mass

For more information about  
enrollment, please call the  
school at 740-382-1607.



**Sundays, at 9:15 a.m.**  
**Preschool through 7th Grade**  
**at St. Mary Grade School**

### **2019 Classes**

**January 6, 13 and 20**  
**February 3, 10 and 17**  
**March 3, 10, 17 and 31**

**Glenna Celestino CL**  
**(740-382-2262)**



### **CONFIRMATION**

**9:15~10:45 a.m.,**  
**in the Commons**

### **2019 Class Schedule**

**January 6, 13\* and 20**  
**February 3, 10\*\* and 17**  
**March 3, 10, 17 and 31**

*\*January 13, Parents  
attend with student.*

*\*\*February 10: Super Sunday,  
9:10 a.m.-2:00 p.m. for the  
Confirmation student  
and their sponsor*

Mary Dutton  
([duttonmatter@aol.com](mailto:duttonmatter@aol.com)  
or 740-361-0121)  
Lucas Bledsoe (740-244-7401)  
Glenna Celestino  
([glenna@marionstmary.org](mailto:glenna@marionstmary.org)  
or 740-382-2262)

## **THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD JANUARY 6, 2019**

### **THIS WEEK IN ST. MARY PARISH JANUARY 7-12, 2019**



#### **MASS INTENTIONS • DAILY READINGS • EVENTS**

#### **MONDAY – January 7**

1 Jn 3:22–4:6; Mk 4:12-17, 23-25

#### **TUESDAY – January 8**

1 Jn 4:7-10; Mk 6:34-44

**11:00 a.m. Mass Intention: †Eleanor Schuler**

#### **WEDNESDAY – January 9**

1 Jn 4:11-18; Mk 6:45-52

**8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Dean Cusick**  
**7:30 p.m. Parish Choir**

#### **THURSDAY – January 10**

1 Jn 4:19–5:4; Lk 4:14-22

**8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Carl L. Doty**

#### **FRIDAY – January 11**

1 Jn 5:5-13; Lk 5:12-16

**8:30 a.m. Mass Intention: †Marsha Greenland**

#### **SATURDAY – January 12**

1 Jn 5:14-21; Jn 3:22-30

**9:00 a.m. Rosary**  
**4:00-4:30 p.m. Confessions**  
**5:00 p.m. Mass Intention:**  
**†Deceased of Kingsley & Thome Families**  
**6:15 p.m. "The Choice Wine" program for married couples**  
*(Commons)*

#### **SUNDAY – January 13 – The Baptism of the Lord**

Is 40:1-5, 9-11; Ti 2:11-14, 3:4-7; Lk 3:15-16, 21-22


*(Life Teen Pancake Breakfast in Moira Hall  
after 8:00 and 11:00 a.m. Masses )*

**8:00 a.m. Mass Intention: Living and Deceased  
of Anthony J. Maniaci Family**  
**9:15 a.m. PSR Classes: Preschool-Grade 7  
and Confirmation**  
**11:00 a.m. Mass Intention: †Janis Swepston**  
**1:00 p.m. Spanish Mass Intention: St. Mary Parishioners**  
**2:00 p.m. Baptism Class (Commons)**  
**6:00 p.m. Life Teen**



**SANCTUARY CANDLE**  
will burn this week  
in loving memory  
**Dean Cusick**  
by family and friends.

**SACRAMENTAL WINE**  
provided by  
**the Knights of Columbus.**



**Healing Blanket Ministry:**  
Healing Blanket Ministry continues its mission to sew blankets. Would you like to join us in this ministry? We will supply the material for you to sew. *We ask those who give a blanket to a loved one, to please sign the blue binder with your name and the name of the person receiving it.* We need more people to sew the blankets. Please contact Elaine Kelly at 740-389-1018.

**Inspired by Faith**

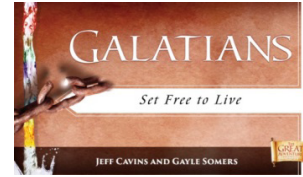
If you want something you've never had, you have to do something you've never done. Are you ready to reignite your faith? Want to grow closer to Jesus, but you're not sure how to do it? Want to get involved and meet other women of the parish? We have the solution for you! Please save the dates to attend the upcoming **Columbus Catholic Women's Conference**. Discounted pricing ends January 14, 2019. **Makes a great Christmas gift!**

Women's Conference:

February 16, 2019, from 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

<http://www.columbuscatholicwomen.com/>

**Ohio Expo Center – Cardinal Hall**



**St. Mary Women's Group Study:**

**Book of Galatians**

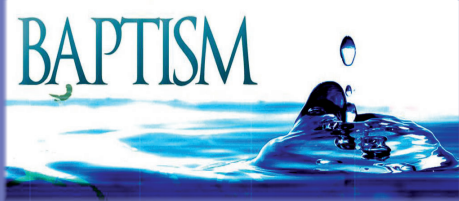
from Ascension Press (Jeff Cavins)

Mondays, February 18-April 8, 2019, in the Commons  
This eight-week study session will follow directly after the study on the **"Pivotal Players"** by Bishop Barron. Participant's book is \$24.95. Registration for this study will take place **January 14, 2019.**

LITURGICAL MINISTERS – WEEKENDS OF JANUARY 5/6 AND JANUARY 12/13		
THIS WEEKEND	SERVERS	LECTORS
5:00 p.m.	Christian Smith, Ben Waldo, Luke Waldo	(I) Bob New (II) Joan Shoup
8:00 a.m.	Sway Sontag, Ben Wood, Sean Murphy	(I) Jeannene James (II) Pat Baldinger
11:00 a.m.	Mia Chatman, Bryce Rollins, Clare Stevenson	(I) Dora Jean Mendoza (II) Dean Jacob
1:00 p.m.	Betzayda Simon, David Arreola, Ashley Alvarez	(I) Grecia Catalan (II) Gilberto Aguirre
NEXT WEEKEND	SERVERS	LECTORS
5:00 p.m.	Nicholas Swartz, Carson DeWitt, <b>Volunteer Needed</b>	(I) Anthony Swartz (II) Becky Swartz
8:00 a.m.	Nate Slemmons, Jasmine Flores, Gabriella Flores	(I) Suzanne Schuler (II) Peter Schuler
11:00 a.m.	Summer McLernon, Kasey McDaniel, Nicholas McDaniel	(I) Mary Dutton (II) Fred Dutton
1:00 p.m.	Bryana Martinez, Maria Martinez, Miguel Martinez	(I) Martha Esparza (II) Gilberto Aguirre

**PLEASE NOTE:** Liturgical Minister Schedules are posted online at <http://www.marionstmary.org/Bulletin> & Liturgical Assignments. Paper copies are available in the main vestibule and are also posted on church bulletin boards. If you are unable to keep your assignment, please find a substitute. Thank you.





## SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

In order to understand and better appreciate this special sacrament, parents must attend a Pre-Baptismal Class. St. Mary offers this instruction four times a year on the second Sunday of the month from 2:00-4:30 p.m. in the Commons. *Preregistration for the class is required.*

**THE NEXT CLASS:**  
January 13, 2019,  
2:00-4:30 p.m.  
in the Commons.

Please call the Office of Religious Education at 740-382-2262, to register or if you have any questions. Families may schedule Baptisms by calling the Rectory at 740-382-2118.

## EL SACRAMENTO DE BAUTISMO

El bautizo es el inicio de nuestra Vida Católica y es el sacramento más importante que recibimos. Si es que su niño es menor de 7 años, y desea bautizarlo, los padres y padrinos deben atender a una clase Pre-Bautismal. Nuestra Iglesia Santa María ofrece estas clases 4 veces al año.

Para más información o si tiene alguna pregunta, por favor llamar a la Sra Evelyn (860)997-0627.

Las próximas clases serán el Las próximas clases serán el **Domingo, 20 de Enero, 2019 a las 2:30 p.m.** en la Casa Blanca (The Commons).

## THE CHOICE Wine™

**Couples, would you describe your marriage as superabundant?**

Mark your calendars.

Our new marriage ministry, **The Choice Wine** will begin on **January 12th, 2019**, at 6:15 p.m. after the 5:00 p.m. Mass. The program will be from 6:15 to 8:00 p.m., each week for nine weeks.

This nine-session program will teach couples  
*7 Steps to a  
Superabundant Marriage.*

Give your marriage the gift of superabundance.  
It's worth it!

**For more information,**  
please call **Keith or Connie Adams at 740-387-7931**  
or **740-244-5406.**



We greatly appreciate the many parishioners who have pledged their support for the **St. Mary Beautification Project** with a monthly donation. We are not mailing out monthly statements.

**Please Note:** When making payment on your pledge to the "St. Mary Church Beautification Project," please place in separate envelope and note on it "**Beautification Project**" to ensure it is properly allocated. *You can either mail your payment to the Parish Office (251 N. Main Street), or place it in the Sunday Collection.*

**Thank you** for your assistance in this matter.

Vicki Moser,  
Financial Secretary



### **ADOPT A TREE**

Plant a tree in memory or honor – a fitting tribute for present and future generations. We have 10 beautiful Princeton Sentry Ginkgo trees for \$500.00 per tree with an engraved plaque at the base of the tree in memory or honor of. Please call Mike Nicolosi for more information at 740-382-2118.

**As of December 28,  
there were only three trees  
left to adopt.  
Thank you for your support.**



### **YOUR SPOUSE WILL THANK YOU!**

Give thanks and plan now to attend a  
***Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend!***

The next weekend is February 15-17, 2019, in Central Ohio. Marriage Encounter is where married couples can get away from jobs, kids, chores, and phones and focus on each other. For more information or to apply, contact Paul and Marilou Clouse at 614-834-6880, or visit our website at [www.wmecolumbus.org](http://www.wmecolumbus.org).



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Masses may be scheduled for deceased relatives and friends or for a special intention (i.e. health, anniversary). Intentions for Mass are noted in the Sunday Bulletin. The normal stipend is \$10.00.

You can also schedule the **Sanctuary Candle (\$10.00)** to burn in memory of loved ones or for special intentions/occasions. **Communion Hosts (\$25.00)** for the week can be offered as well.

Please contact Dolores at the Parish Office at 740-382-2118 or by e-mail at [dolores@marionstmary.org](mailto:dolores@marionstmary.org) to schedule. Thank you.



# **BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

FROM THE DIOCESE OF COLUMBUS

The Catholic Record Society preserves the history of the Diocese of Columbus and supports the Diocesan Archives, which retains the official records of the Diocese. Meetings are held quarterly and members receive a calendar year subscription to the monthly Bulletin. The Society responds to genealogical inquiries and requests for historical information on the parishes, institutions, religious orders, and clergy of the Diocese. Basic membership is \$12.00 with digital Bulletin, or \$25.00 with paper Bulletin. Please send check to the Catholic Record Society, 197 E. Gay Street, Columbus, Ohio 43215. If questions, contact Chairman Mike Finn at [fcoolavin@aol.com](mailto:fcoolavin@aol.com).