

God is with us.

Matthew 1:23

4th Sunday of
Advent

St. Ignatius Catholic Church, 585 S. Third St., Rogers City, MI 49779 - 989-734-2753

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Requirements for baptism are listed on the parish website, www.stignatiusrc.org, on the drop down bar under church services. To attend baptism class, call Shannon Wilbert at the parish office at 989-734-2753.

We follow the Church's desire that outside Lent and Advent, Baptisms take place during Sunday Mass (Ritual intro., rubric 9).

Christmas Liturgy Reminder for Guests To avoid embarrassing moments with your Christmas guests during the Christmas liturgies, please read and observe the "Guidelines for Receiving Communion in the Catholic Church" from the Catholic Bishops, found on page 234 of the *"Breaking Bread"* hymnal.

Inclement Weather When school is closed due to bad weather, daily Mass will be postponed until 10:30 a.m. Please be responsive to the weather conditions where you live. Just because we have Mass does not obligate you to attend Mass when the weather or illness physically impedes you from leaving your home. Missing Mass for illness or dangerous travel conditions is not a sin. Thank you.

IN CASE OF ILLNESS If you are running a fever or experiencing a productive cough, please receive Holy Communion under Consecrated Host alone. Please refrain from receiving the Blood of Christ. Remember that the Second Vatican Council out of which comes our Catechism of the Catholic Church §1377, makes no alteration or relaxation of the Council of Trent and the Fathers of the Church in the dogma on the Eucharist: Christ is present whole and entire in each of its species [Host and Precious Blood], in each of their parts, so that the breaking of the bread does not divide Christ. After receiving the Sacred Host your self-denial of the chalice will be recognized by our Lord in heaven as imitative of his humility and charity, and regarded as considerate on earth among the people sharing the Sacrifice of the Mass with you.

A Message to Snowbirds: When planning your winter in warmer climates, log onto: <https://www.stignatiusrc.org/> click on Online Giving (located under the parish phone number on the right hand side of the screen) and seamlessly continue your weekly giving through a safe and secure website.

Catholic Way Bible Study The next bible study session will be on Thursday, January 9, 2020 in the parish office at 6:00 p.m.

Senior High Youth Ministry The youth will not meet on Sunday, December 15. On Friday, December 20, at 12:15 p.m. the **Senior & Junior High Youth Ministry** will be Christmas caroling at Medilodge.

****THE PARISH OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED DECEMBER 24-29**

ADVENT & CHRISTMAS CONFESSION TIMES

Tuesday, December 24—8:00 a.m.-8:15 a.m.

Tuesday, December 31—5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.

Wednesday, January 1—8:30 a.m.-9:15 a.m.



***These are in addition to the regular confession schedule.**

TAX REMINDER!

Any contributions received in the parish office after December 31, 2019 will be recorded as 2020 calendar year contributions.

Needed!

On Monday, December 23, after the 8:30 am Mass, we will need helpers to decorate our church for the Christmas season.

Please consider helping.



CHURCH SECURITY AND DOOR LOCKS - The pastoral and finance councils have consulted with law enforcement to form a plan for emergency evacuations of the church. This is in accordance with diocesan safety policies. Generally, the ushers, who have graciously and deliberately taken on this responsibility, will be the persons to direct us to the nearest exits, which will vary depending upon the incident, whether it is related to severe weather, fire, or assault on the assembly. A signaling system has been established. When we see an action or hear a sound not usually seen and heard during the liturgy, that means that an emergency is being signaled, and we are to look for the ushers to give us evacuation instructions, and the celebration of Mass will be suspended until further notice.

Further, as a way of limiting access to potential assaulters upon the premises during the liturgy, once the Mass has begun with the entrance song, the only access into the church will be the Third Street doors, which the ushers will monitor. This action will still allow emergency exit from inside the church, through all the exterior doorways available to the assembly. At weekday school Masses, this plan has been in effect for over a month, and based on its reception, we think it is a good time for everyone to become familiar with the plan for its use during the Sunday liturgies.

Signs will be posted at the side doors of the church – the door from the parking lot and alley with the hall and the door from Ira Street, advising anyone arriving after the beginning of Mass to use the Third Street entrance.

The accommodations for carrying out the emergency plan will go into effect on the weekend of Saturday and Sunday, December 21-22 2019.

~ Father Rolando

Worship and Prayer

Mass Schedule

Monday, Dec. 23

8:30 a.m. Mass - **+Diane Hentkowski** (Jerry Wenzel)

Tuesday, Dec. 24

8:30 a.m. Mass - **+Rev. Fr. Rolando Silva**
 10:00 a.m. Communion Service - Medilodge
 4:30 p.m. Christmas Eve Mass (*Incense Used*) - *For the Holy Father*

Wednesday, Dec. 25

12:00 a.m. Christmas Midnight Mass (*Incense Used*) - *For Bishop Steven J. Raica*
 9:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass (*Incense Used*) - *For the People*

Saturday, Dec. 28

3:30 p.m.- 4:15 p.m. Reconciliation
 4:30 p.m. Mass - **+Henry Dietlin** (Family)

Sunday, Dec. 29

8:30 a.m.- 9:00 a.m. Reconciliation
 9:30 a.m. Mass - *For the People*



JESUS
 EMMANUEL
 god with us

Weekly Scripture Readings

(Dec. 23 – Dec. 28)

Monday

Mal 3:1-4, 23-24
 Lk 1:57-66

Tuesday

2 Sm 7:1-5, 8B-12, 14A, 16
 Lk 1:67-79

Wednesday

Is 52:7-10
 Heb 1:1-6
 Jn 1:1-18

Thursday

Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59
 Mt 10:17-22

Friday

1 Jn 1:1-4
 Jn 20:1A & 2-8

Saturday

1 Jn 1:5—2:2
 Mt 2:13-18



“When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of God commanded him and took Mary as his wife.” ~ Matthew 1:18

Feast of the Holy Family

December 29, 2019

Sirach 3:2-6, 12-14
 Psalm 128:1-5
 Colossians 3:12-21
 Matthew 2:13-15, 19-23

Liturgical Ministers for Dec. 28 and Dec. 29

Saturday, December 28 - 4:30 p.m.

Lector Shannon Wilbert
Altar Servers O. Lafferty, S. Tulgestka, Baylee Lijewski
Eucharistic Ministers J. Bellmore, L. Hilla, J. Idalski
 E. Martini, M. Nowak, C. Marshall

Sunday, December 29 - 9:30 a.m.

Lector Karl Grambau
Altar Servers C. Andrews, L. Andrews, **Volunteer Needed**
Eucharistic Ministers B. Heinzl, P. Kowalski, B. Lamp
 T. Przybyla, R. Vogelheim, C. Wisniewski

***Note: EMHC's, please remember to stay after Mass to help clean the vessels.



Intercessory Prayer

Divine Mercy Prayer Chain

For healing and special intentions, you are invited to call the Divine Mercy Prayer Chain (989) 734-2546

Petitions/Praise Reports

Binder

Write any petitions or praise reports you may have in the binder on the podium near the choir loft stairs.

We encourage all the parish family to pray for the petitions written in the book and share in the joy of answered prayer!

Note: A Mass is scheduled once a month for the intentions in the Parish Petitions Binder.

NEW YEAR LITURGIES

December 31, New Years Eve Mass @ 4:30 pm

January 1, Solemnity of the Holy Mother of God @ 9:30 am

(THIS IS A HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION)

Family Perspective-by Bud Ozar

The child born to Jesus and Mary was named Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” Every child is EMMANUEL, reminding us “God is with us.” Children are signs of God’s continuing presence in our lives.

OFFERTORY

“We offer you our gifts, Lord.”

NOTE: If you have a family intention and/or would like to take up the offertory gifts, please sign up on the offertory sheet at the Third St. entrance or call Eileen Martini at

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