



**Second Sunday of Advent**  
December 7th, 2025

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# St Mary of Czestochowa

## CATHOLIC CHURCH

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*Growing together in Christ through the power of the Holy Spirit, leading others to Him; striving to become saints.*

**Welcome!** If interested in becoming a member or becoming a Catholic, contact Fr. Kubista.

**Baptism:** Contact Fr. Kubista at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

**Faith Formation** for grades K-Confirmation Wednesday evenings from Sept 11th-April

**First Confession & Holy Eucharist:** Register for 2nd grade Faith Formation classes.

**Confirmation:** Register for 9th & 10th grade Faith Formation classes.

**Marriage:** Contact Fr. Kubista at least six months before the planned

wedding date.

**Pastoral Care of the Sick:** If you move to a nursing home or care facility and would like a priest to visit, or if unable to attend mass and would like communion at home, contact Fr. Kubista.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Contact Fr. Kubista when seriously ill or near death.

**Funerals:** Contact Fr. Kubista

**Eucharistic Adoration** - First Friday of every month 9-10am (including Confessions, Benediction) and Wednesdays 9am-6pm.

**First Saturday devotions** start 35

minutes prior to 4pm Mass.

**Mass Intention Requests** may be placed in the collection plate. Please enclose them in an envelope along with instructions (i.e., desired dates, number of masses, etc). Or contact Sue Roskowiak at 612-414-4705.

**Bulletin Items by Thurs noon:** kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

**Hall Rental:** Contact Mary Kay Swartzter.

**Safe Environment Coordinator:** Kathleen Motzko kmotzko@stmarydelano.org

**Cemetery questions:** Don Gabrelcik at 952-955-2563

MASS SCHEDULE / Intentions		
Sat 6th	4pm	Mary Smith+
Sun 7th	8:30am	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Mon 8th	8:30am 6:30pm	Paul & Anna Dalbec Family+ Dan Gabrelck+
Tues 9th	6:30pm	Bruce Remer+
Wed 10th	8:30am	Melody Lewton+
Thur 11th	8:30am	Carol & Brad Theisen+
Fri 12th	11am	Funeral Mass- Judy Odenthal
Sat 13th	4pm	St Mary's Living & Deceased
Sun 14th	8:30am	Tracy Anderson (Health)

Lector and Sacristan Schedule	
Dec 6th	Stephanie (L), Sue R (S), Don G & volunteer (U)
Dec 7th	Theisens (L/S), Jim Otto & Dave L (U)
Dec 13th	George & Sue (L/S), Jim & George (U)
Dec 14th	Huns V (L), Deb D (S), Jim O' & Gene G (U)

**Reconciliation Times:** One-half hour before each Mass or by appointment.

**Rosary Times:** starts 16 min before each weekday Mass and 20 min before Sat & Sun Masses

Be sure to check the back tables for a variety of free items: calendars, books, rosaries, holy cards and pamphlets, etc. Also, there are some lost & found items that need to be claimed.

Divine Mercy Chaplet and Liturgy of the Hours after each

## **A Message from Fr. Kubista:**

(Continued from last week...) Another important aspect in apologetics is to be able to defend the Bible, which is the inspired word of God. Some might say that it is not the inspired word of God and that it was just made up. There is lots of evidence that everything in it is true. No part of the Bible has been definitively proven to be wrong. There is lots of historical evidence to show us that the things in the Bible really happened. Jesus fulfilled all the prophecies (some scholars estimate as many as 300) written about him before he came to the earth. Since the Bible is such an important book, it was kept ever since its beginnings when Moses wrote the first five books of it (See Luke 24:27). If it was not important, it would not have with stood the test of time.

The Bible is the inspired word of God. God inspired its authors to write in their own style the content which was guided by the Holy Spirit so that it was as God would have it. The books that are in the Bible were defined by the Catholic Church in 382AD and then infallibility defined in 1546AD after individuals (like Martin Luther) challenged its content. The Bible is the revelation of God therefore it is all true since God cannot tell us anything that is contrary to the Truth. We have different translations of the Bible and Catholics should get a Catholic version of the Bible as some non-Catholic bibles have excluded certain books which contradict their teachings. The Bible is one source of revelation and another is Tradition, the teachings that have come to us through the Church that Jesus founded on Peter, who was the first pope.

If there is a God then who or what is He? It has been revealed to us that God is three persons in one God (Trinity) which was revealed to us by God in the Bible at the baptism of Jesus. On a logical level, it makes sense that there are at least two persons in the Trinity. With three persons, there is a community of love as there should be love within God. You cannot have love with only one person, love means there is another person involved. All three persons have the divine nature which makes them one, but they are separate persons as each one has a unique role. The Father is the source of all, the Son receives from the Father, and the Holy Spirit in part is the love between them. In a broader sense, the Holy Spirit includes the actualization of attributes of God (wisdom, knowledge, life, etc.). The Trinity is a mystery and that is ok. A mystery does not imply that something is not true rather that although it is real, we do not fully understand it. It is ok for things to be a mystery in our faith because a mystery can help us to be in awe of what is before us like being in awe and wonder of the Trinity.

What does God look like and what has he done for us? Jesus Christ was with the Father from all eternity and at a certain time, became man and took on a human nature. That occurred at the Annunciation, when the angel Gabriel came and asked Mary if she would be the mother of God. When she said her yes, Jesus took on a human nature, united it with his divine nature in what is called the hypostatic union. He was like us in all things but sin. So Jesus, in addition to his Divinity, has a human body and human soul (an intellect and will), and has the capacity for his Divinity to inform and transcend his humanity in following the will of the Father. Jesus then was born, grew up, and eventually died on the cross. He then rose from the dead and forty days later, he ascended into heaven where he is fully glorified. Jesus will come again to judge the living and the dead. *“He is the image of the invisible God, the firstborn of all creation.”*(Colossians 1:15) (Continued next week...)

**Thank you from the Florek**

**family:** The family of Richard Florek would like to thank all helped cook, set up or serve the funeral luncheon and your kind expression of sympathy. Thank you to Fr Kubista, Fr Rasset & Fr Bodine & musicians for leading the beautiful liturgy, and Deacon Joe Kittock for leading the Rosary. Your kindness will never be forgotten.



**Congratulations to Wade and**

**Katie** whose daughter Baylee Evelyn Hustad was baptized on Sunday November 23rd. We welcome Baylee into our Catholic Family.

**Funeral Notice**—We will be having a funeral mass for Judy Odenthal on Friday Dec 12th at 11am with a 10-11am visitation in the Church. A lunch will follow in the Church basement and the burial will be after lunch.

**Serra Club of Wright County general meeting** will be held at Christ the King Retreat Center on Thursday, Dec 11. Join them in the chapel at 5:00 for Holy Rosary, followed by Mass. A meal will be provided by the Retreat Center staff at the cost of \$15. Please RSVP to Carol Freeman by Sunday, Dec 7 @ 612-719-2766.

**The Catholic Order of Foresters Court 1560 annual Christmas Party** will be Sunday, December 7th in the **St. Mary's (Waverly) Parish Center** from 2:00 pm - 5:00 pm. They will be serving a pizza lunch at 3:30 pm. There will have kids games, crafts, Mrs. Claus and door prizes. All COF members and their families are welcome, as well as those who would like to learn more about COF.

**New Gifting Option for Parishioners**—St. Mary of Czestochowa has partnered with the Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota (CCF) to process gifts of appreciated securities. If you would like to make a gift of stock, mutual funds, bonds, or ETFs, please contact the parish office to share the details of your gift: type of security, ticker symbol, and number of shares. Parish staff will provide you with instructions for completing your gift. For more information, check the posting on the bulletin board or speak with Fr. Kubista.

**Special Collection Dec 13th/14th for the Retirement Fund for Religious**—Support those who have given a lifetime. For 174 of our 175 years as an Archdiocese, we have been blessed with the presence of religious. These Religious Sisters and Brothers and Religious Order Priests have dedicated their

lives to service—praying, teaching, and caring for those in need—usually for little to no pay. The annual Retirement Fund for Religious helps enable many religious communities to meet their pressing retirement needs for the essential care, medicine and daily needs of thousands of senior women and men religious. Your contributions also support newer religious communities with their retirement planning. Donations may be given directly to your parish for them to forward onto the archdiocese.

**Our Sacrificial Giving**

*We offer unto you, O Lord, our sacrificial giving. Thank you.*

Average weekly collection income need	\$3,315.00
<b>11/30/25: Weekly Envelopes/Autobanking</b>	\$2,945.00
Weekly Plate collection	\$1,555.00
Masses	\$76.00
Stole Fee	\$100.00
Christmas Flowers env.	\$250.00
Memorial Mass donation	\$10.00
<b>Collection Total for 11/30/25:</b>	<b>\$4,936.00</b>
Budgeted Collection Income YTD**	\$72,930.00
YTD Weekly Collection (as of 11/30/25 )	\$92,002.90

\* Not included in Collection Total  
\*\* Does not include income from festival

## Parish Events

- Dec 7th—Donut Sunday after Mass
- Dec 8th—Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Masses at 8:30am and 6:30pm (Holy Day of Obligation)
- Dec 9th at 7:15pm—Class on Mary
- Dec 10th at 6:30pm—Faith Formation
- Dec 13th/14th—Second Collection for Retirement Fund for Religious
- Dec. 24th at 4pm—Christmas Eve Mass
- Dec 25th at 8:30am—Christmas Day Mass

**Liturgy of the Hours after weekend Masses**—We will be praying *Liturgy of the Hours* after the Sat and Sun masses during Advent. It takes about 10 minutes so you are welcome to stay. Guides to pray will be available on the tables as you enter. You can also use the iBreviary app on your phone to follow along.

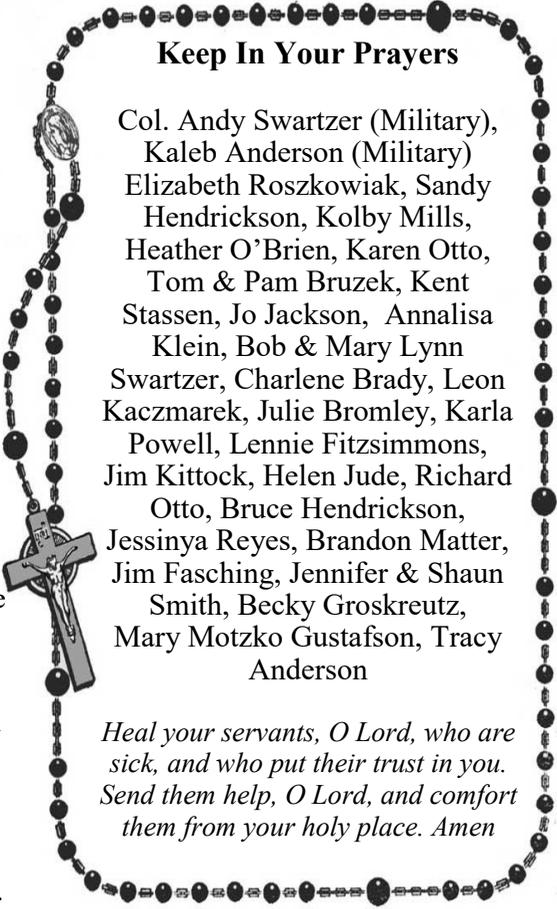
**Class on Mary**—Fr. Kubista will be teaching a class on Mary on Tuesdays during Advent from 7:15pm to 8:30pm. He will be covering various aspects of Mary including Mary being the Co-Redemptrix and Mediatrix of graces. Come to as many of the sessions as you can as it will be a great way to more learn about Mary.

**Advent book** - A free copy of *Living Joy: 9 Rules To Help You Rediscover And Live Joy Every Day* by Christ Stefanick, is available on the back tables. One per household please. Feel free to take an extra to gift.

**Christmas Flowers**—if you would like to donate toward flowers, please use the envelope or drop your donation (with a note attached) into the collection basket. Thanks!

Thank you sponsors! If you are interested in placing an ad, please contact Kathleen at [kmotzko@stmarydelano.org](mailto:kmotzko@stmarydelano.org)

## Keep In Your Prayers



Col. Andy Swartzter (Military),  
Kaleb Anderson (Military)  
Elizabeth Roszkowiak, Sandy  
Hendrickson, Kolby Mills,  
Heather O'Brien, Karen Otto,  
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Stassen, Jo Jackson, Annalisa  
Klein, Bob & Mary Lynn  
Swartzter, Charlene Brady, Leon  
Kaczmarek, Julie Bromley, Karla  
Powell, Lennie Fitzsimmons,  
Jim Kittock, Helen Jude, Richard  
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Jim Fasching, Jennifer & Shaun  
Smith, Becky Groskreutz,  
Mary Motzko Gustafson, Tracy  
Anderson

*Heal your servants, O Lord, who are  
sick, and who put their trust in you.  
Send them help, O Lord, and comfort  
them from your holy place. Amen*

## Radio Rosary 11:00 am Sundays

KRWC - 1360 AM Buffalo

**Dec 7th**—for living and deceased members  
of St. Francis Xavier Catholic Church,  
Buffalo, MN

**Dec 14th**—for living and deceased  
members of Knights of Columbus Council  
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