

**HOLY GHOST PARISH OF JERSEYVILLE
ST. MARY'S PARISH OF FIELDON**

Church Office: 498-3416

Holy Ghost School: 498-4910

St. Francis School: 498-4823

Parochial Administrator: Rev. Patrick Gibbons, 498-3518

Parochial Vicar: Rev. Tom Hagstrom, 498-3416

Deacon: John Bretz

Secretary, Office Hours: Mon, Tues, Wed, and Fri: 8:30 to 3:00 p.m.

Church E-mail: hgchurch@gtec.com

Church Website: holyghostjerseyville.com

E-Giving Website: www.givecentral.org

Baptism and Weddings: By appointment with the priest, call the parish office for assistance.

Newman Connection Outreach Contact: Kevin McNicholas: 618-535-5494

Youth Director, Danielle Schroeder email: drsmusic@gmail.com or cell: 217-827-8733 (call or text)

MASS INTENTIONS – HOLY GHOST

Mon, Dec. 26th 8:30am: Rita Ann Reimer's Health

Tues, Dec. 27th 8:30am: Dr. Elaine Sharp's Health

Wed, Dec. 28th 8:30pm: Catherine Turpin

Thurs, Dec. 29th 8:30am: Communion Service

Fri, Dec. 30th 8:30am: Charlie and Thelma Davis

Sat. Dec. 31st 5:30pm: Larry Sebastian and Shane Allen

Sun., Jan. 1st 8:00am: Pat Bray

11:15am: Raymond H. Funk

MASS INTENTIONS – ST. MARY'S

Sun. Jan. 1st 9:30am: Tuffy Goetten

Contribution Reports: Holy Ghost: Env: \$5,465.00, Loose: \$1,373.00, School: \$25.00, Imp. Fund: \$25.00

Ret. Rel.: \$130.00, **Total: \$7,018.00**

Online Giving: Sunday Giving: \$670.00, **Total: \$670.00**

St. Mary's: Env: \$1,220.00, Loose: \$63.00, Ret. Rel. \$65.00, **Total: \$1,348.00**

Christmas Mass Schedule:

Sat. Dec. 24th Christmas Eve: Holy Ghost 4:00pm, 5:30pm & 9:00pm

Sun. Dec. 25th Christmas Day: Holy Ghost 8:00am and 10:00am

St. Mary's

7:00pm

Solemnity of Mary:

Sat. Dec. 31st New Year's Eve:

Holy Ghost

5:30pm

Sun., Jan. 1st New Year's Day:

8:00 and 11:15am

St. Mary's

9:30am

The Lamb's Supper: In the back of church are copies of Scott Hahn's book *The Lamb's Supper*. Please take a copy this Christmas and pass it along.

Sock It To Me: Local Men's Prayer Group is assisting St. Peter/Paul Parish in S. St. Louis which ministers to the homeless in that area. Items needed New: socks/underwear, good/clean: gloves, long underwear, sweatshirts Thank you!

KC Members: Dues cards for 2017 are available at the club. Everyone that pays by December 31st will be eligible to win a \$75 KC gift certificate. For anyone paying in January you will be eligible for a \$50 certificate. Drawing will be held February 1st.

Priest Christmas Purse: Envelopes are in the back of church for use as a gift to the priest. We are blest this Christmas with good priest to help us celebrate our Lord's Birth; Father Patrick Gibbons, Father Tom Hagstrom, Father Tom Horan, OMI and Father Rudy Nowakowski, OMI. All moneys will be gifted to our wonderful priest in appreciation. Please place the envelope in the collection baskets or return to the Holy Ghost Church Office. Thank you.

Marriage Encounter: "And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us," Merry Christmas! Give your children the best gift of all—the growing love of their parents. Explore more by attending a World Wide Marriage Encounter weekend on February 3 – 5, 2017. To register or for more information call 314-649-7317 or go online to www.stl-wwme.org.

YOU Can Help Your Marriage: Are you frustrated, hurt or angry with each other? Are you constantly fighting? Or so you simply shut down? Have you thought about separation or divorce? Does talking only make it worse? For information on the Retrouvaille Program, visit the website www.HelpOurMarriage.com or call 1-800-470-2230. The next Program begins the weekend of FEBRUARY 3, 2017.

Upcoming Events:

Jan. 8th 6:30pm: JCCYM mtg. Upstairs K.C.

Christmas Blessing, I appreciate everyone's warm welcome of me as Administrator of Holy Ghost and St. Mary's. I thank Bishop Paprocki for his faith in me and of all our parishioners for their faith in me as well. I am very appreciative that the Bishop has sent Fr. Tom Hagstrom here as Parochial vicar to assist me. He has been wonderful to work with. I know how hard it is to lose Fr. Hembrow, even more so during the holidays. But our Parish has faith and hope in the resurrection. All of us have pulled together during this challenging time. I wish you a holy and blessed Christmas and want you to know that although I am busy now that I have four parishes, I am here for you when you need me. Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Gibbons