

December 2018



















St. Mary – Holy Cross Parish

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<p>November 25 Feast of Christ the King </p> <p>Coffee & donuts after 8:00am Mass 11:00a-12:30pm Cross Ministry meeting, Social Hall 6:00-7:30pm Confirmation 1 & 2 session, Social Hall & Ed Center</p>	<p>November 26</p>	<p>November 27</p>	<p>November 28</p> <p>5:15-7:30pm, RE PreK-6, Ed Center 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:00-6:45pm Good News Singers practice, St. Mary Church 6:00-7:30pm EDGE, 7 & 8 gr., Social Hall</p>	<p>November 29</p> <p>8:00am Mass, St. Mary 2:00-9:00pm Photo Session, Ed Center, large classroom </p> <p><i>Reconciliation Service St. Catherine of Siena, 6:00pm (Des Moines)</i></p>	<p>November 30</p> <p>2:00-9:00pm Photo Session, Ed Center, large classroom </p>	<p>1</p> <p>10:00am - 4:00pm Photo Session, Ed Center, large classroom </p> <p> WOOH Festival 1:00-4:45pm & 6:00-7:00pm 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation Wine & cheese after Mass, Social Hall</p>
<p>2 First Sunday of Advent </p> <p>Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00am Mass  WOOH Festival and coffee & donuts in Social Hall after 10:00am Mass 11am-12:30pm Adult Choir practice, SM <i>Reconciliation Service All Saints Church, 7:00pm (Des Moines)</i></p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4 6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary </p> <p><i>Reconciliation Service St. Francis of Assisi, 7:00pm (West Des Moines)</i></p>	<p>5 <i>Office open 10:00am due to staff mtg. No Mass at Holy Cross today</i> 6:00-6:45pm Good News Singers practice, Music Room 6:00pm Mass, St. Mary Ladies Christmas Party after Mass  <i>No PreK-12 RE</i></p>	<p>6 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross <i>No Mass at St. Mary today</i></p>	<p>7 9:00am First Friday Mass, St. Mary, followed by Senior Citizen Breakfast </p>	<p>8 Feast of the Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary </p> <p>9:00am Mass, St. Mary 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation  Blessing of Mothers-to-be at Mass</p>
<p>9 Second Sunday of Advent </p> <p> Blessing of Mothers-to-be at Mass 11am-12:30pm Adult Choir practice, SM  2:00pm Parish Advent Reconciliation Service, St. Mary Finance Council prepares meal for Catholic Charities Family Shelter 6:00-7:30pm Confirmation 1 & 2 session, Social Hall & Ed Center <i>Reconciliation Service St. Luke the Evangelist Church, 3pm (Ankeny)</i></p>	<p>10 <i>Reconciliation Service St. Theresa Church, 7:00pm (Des Moines)</i></p>	<p>11 6:00-7:30pm Mass & Adoration, St. Mary </p> <p>6:00pm Stewardship meeting, Office area</p>	<p>12 5:15-7:30pm, RE PreK-6, Ed Center ~Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest ends and judging 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 6:00-6:45pm Good News Singers practice, St. Mary Church 6:00-7:30pm EDGE, 7 & 8 gr., Social Hall</p>	<p>13 8:00am Mass, St. Mary 6:30-8:00pm Confirmation Core Team meeting, Social Hall</p> <p><i>Reconciliation Services St. Joseph, 6:30pm St. Pius X Church, 7:00pm (Des Moines)</i></p>	<p>14</p>	<p>15 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation Food Pantry for Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter</p> <p><i>Remainder of calendar on back.</i></p>

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16 Third Sunday of Advent  Food Pantry for Catholic Charities Emergency Family Shelter Children's Liturgy of the Word during 10:00am Mass 11am-12:30pm Adult Choir practice, SM 4:00-5:30pm Youth Group, Ugly Sweater Christmas party, Youth Area 7:00pm K of C meeting, Social Hall <i>Reconciliation Service, Our Lady's Immaculate Heart Church, 3:00pm (Ankeny)</i>	17 <i>Reconciliation Service SS John & Paul Church, 7:00pm (Altoona)</i>	18 6:00-7:30pm Mass and Adoration, St. Mary 	19 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross 5:30-6:30pm Good News Singers practice, St. Mary Church 6:30-7:30pm PreK-6 and EDGE, Birthday Party for Jesus, Social Hall	20 8:00am Mass, St. Mary 9:30am Crafts, Games & Social Time, Social Hall  7:00-8:00pm, Adoration, St. Mary	21	22 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation <i>Reconciliation Service St. Anthony Church 9:00am (Des Moines)</i>
23 Fourth Sunday of Advent  11am-12:30pm Adult Choir practice, SM Decorate St. Mary Church after 10am Mass	24 Christmas Eve  Masses: 5:00pm, St. Mary 7:00pm, Holy Cross <i>Office closes at Noon</i>	25 Christmas Day  Mass: 9:00am Mass, St. Mary <i>Office closed</i>	26 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross <i>No PreK-12 RE</i> <i>Office closed</i>	27 8:00am Mass, St. Mary	28	29 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation
30 Feast of the Holy Family  Coffee and donuts after 8:00am Mass	31 Holy Day Vigil Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  5:30pm Mass, St. Mary <i>Office closes at Noon</i>	January 1 Holy Day of Obligation Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God  9:00am Mass, Holy Cross <i>Office closed</i>	January 2 5:30pm Mass, Holy Cross <i>No PreK-12 RE</i>	January 3 8:00am Mass, St. Mary 6:30-8:00pm Confirmation Core Team meeting, Social Hall	January 4 9:00am First Friday Mass, St. Mary, followed by donuts & conversation	January 5 4:00-4:30pm Reconciliation Wine & cheese after Mass, Social Hall

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**Today in the town of David
 a Savior has been born to you;
 He is Christ the Lord.**