

Today's Liturgical Ministers – December 23rd
Fourth Sunday in the Season of Advent
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Father Bob

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Lang Rodgers

Altar Servers

Jason Rodgers

Jon Rodgers

Lectors

Annalee Rodgers

Dana Berry

Extraordinary Ministers

Candice Miller

Russ Miller

Next Week – December 30th

God's Housekeeper

Barbara Pratt

Commentator

Mike Rodgers

Altar Servers

Aiden Rodgers

Kenneth Way

Lectors

Steve Miller

Donna Way

Extraordinary Ministers

Becky Elders

Lang Rodgers



"Nobody remembered to bring birthday cake?"

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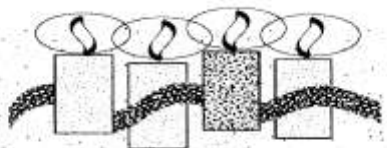
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Fourth
Sunday of
Advent

December 23, 2018

Mass Schedule

Saturday	6:00 PM Misa en Espanol
Sunday	10:15 AM Mass
Wednesday	7:00 PM Mass

Light to guide
 our feet into a
 way of peace.

Luke 1:79

PEACE



Welcome to St. William Catholic Church

Sunday, December 23rd, 2018 – 4th Sunday of Advent

This Week's Events

Sunday, December 23rd

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

10:15 AM Mass

Monday, December 24th

CHRISTMAS EVE

6:00 PM Mass (Spanish)



Tuesday, December 25th

CHRISTMAS

12:00 AM Mass

10:15 AM Mass

Saturday, December 29th

6:00 PM Mass (Spanish)

Sunday, December 30th

FEAST OF THE HOLY FAMILY

10:15 AM Mass

Prayer List

Don Able	Russell Altman
Maria Avila	Corine Bailey
Mollie Bartley	Emma Susie Black
Rita Copeland	Sandra Corder
Wayne Fain	Ora Gillian
Ralph Hall	Kathy Harris
Beth Huff	Elaina Julian
Rose Kitchings	Marco A. Lache
L.M. "Frog" Matthews	Betty Jean Miller
Jackson Miller	Jim Moore
Jack O'Brien	George Pierce
Johnny Ray Powell	Marian Richardson
Charles Rodgers	Dale Rodgers
Martha Rodgers	Tasha Rodgers
Will Rogers	Richard Rowe
McKinley Simpson	Sara Tompkins
Gena Turner	Kerry Way

Let us also pray for our servicemen and women, for the unemployed, for the homeless, and for our nation.



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A Christmas Message from the Bishop Guglielmone

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

The beautiful and familiar Christmas scene of Mary and Joseph kneeling around a baby in a manger produces a special longing in us for the peace and harmony that the scene in Bethlehem creates. How we long for that peace. However, in our world today, that peace is so difficult to find. Instead we view a world of war, of corruption, of terror, of scandals, of abject poverty.

This season ideally should inspire us to go out of ourselves and to "put on hold" the temptations to despair that we face every day. Through this inspiration, let us resolve as we prepare to celebrate a new year that we will see it as a time of grace — a time of opportunity to do all we can to further progress toward the realization of the Kingdom of God in our midst.

May the blessings of the Christ child be yours in abundance this Christmas and throughout 2019.

In the Lord's Peace,



Most Reverend Robert E. Guglielmone
Bishop of Charleston

AVE, MARIA | Hail, Mary
gratia plena | full of grace
Dominus tecum | the Lord is with thee

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Parish News and Happenings

Christmas Mass Schedule

December 24th – 6:00 PM – Spanish
 December 25th – Midnight – English
 December 25th – 10:15 AM – English

Solemnity of Mary Mass Schedule

December 31st – 6:00 PM – Spanish
 January 1st – TBA –English

Note from Fr. Bob

Father Bob would like to extend his THANKS to all of the members of the parish, for the beautiful cards, kind words and generous gifts. He wishes everyone a most blessed Christmas, and adds, *"I will miss you All"*

Happy Anniversary

Dale & Brenda Rodgers
 December 26th

Terry & Kelly Bedenbaugh
 December 28th

Happy Birthday!

Randy Rodgers
 December 29th

Offertory for December 15th & 16th

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Retirement Fund for Religious

\$ _____

"This money is pure gift," writes a religious sister of the support made possible by the Retirement Fund for Religious. "It enables us to continue providing care for our elderly sisters." Your gift to last week's collection helps hundreds of religious communities meet pressing retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Thank you for your generosity!

The Best Gifts of All

There's nothing like Christmas

To make us believe
 It's more blessed to give
 Than it is to receive.
 The spirit of Christmas
 Is noble and kind,

For when we help others
 We gain peace of mind.
 Some gifts are expensive
 And some works of art,
 But the best gifts of all
 Are gifts from the heart!

The gifts we give others
 Define who we are

And our gifts from the heart
 Send blessings from afar.

There's nothing like Christmas
 To make us believe
 We're more blessed when we give
 Than when we receive!

Clay Harrison

Save the Date

- Sunday, December 30th
 - HOLY FAMILY
- Monday, December 31st
 - NEW YEAR'S EVE
 - Mass: 6:00 PM (Spanish)
- Tuesday, January 1st
 - NEW YEAR'S DAY
 - SOLEMNITY OF MARY
 - Mass: TBA
- Sunday, January 6th
 - EPIPHANY
- Sunday, January 13th
 - BAPTISM OF THE LORD
 - Maintenance Fund collection
- Monday, January 21st
 - MARTIN LUTHER KING JR. DAY
- Sunday, February 10th
 - Maintenance Fund collection
- Thursday, February 14th
 - VALENTINE'S DAY
- Monday, February 18th
 - PRESIDENTS DAY
- Wednesday, March 6th
 - ASH WEDNESDAY
- Sunday, March 10th
 - Maintenance Fund collection

Invitation to Prayer

One day when Francis was in a lonely place by himself, weeping for his misspent years in the bitterness of his heart, the joy of the Holy Spirit was infused into him and he was assured that all his sins had been forgiven. He was rapt in ecstasy and completely absorbed in a wonderful light, so that the depths of his soul were enlightened and he saw what the future held in store for himself and his sons. Then he returned to the friars once again and told them, 'Have courage, my dearly beloved, and rejoice in God. There is no need to be upset because there are only a few of us, nor any need to be afraid because we have no experience. God has shown me beyond all shadow of doubt that he will make us grow into a great multitude and that the Order will spread far and wide, by the favor of his blessing.'" - from *Peace and Good: Through the Year with Francis of Assisi*



Upcoming Readings & Gospels

12/23	Micah 5:1-4a Hebrews 10:5-10 Luke 1:39-45
12/30	Sirach 3:2-6,12-14 Colossians 3:12-21 Luke 2:41-52
1/6	Isaiah 60:1-6 Ephesians 3:2-3a,5-6 Matthew 2:1-12