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## St. Mary Mom's Group



*Friday Mornings:*  
 at 10:00 am

Bring your children to  
 play in the parish hall  
 nursery and meet  
 some other Moms.

**Contact Lindsey Carey at [Lindsey@solonstmary.org](mailto:Lindsey@solonstmary.org)  
 or 319-400-2484 for questions.**



*All Staff email addresses end with [@solonstmary.org](mailto:@solonstmary.org)*

<b>Secretary:</b>	Donna Matthes (Donna@..)	624-2228
<b>Rel. Ed. Director:</b>	Julie Agne (Julie@..)	624-2228
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### Parish Council , Commissions & Organizations

<b>President:</b>	Terry Rasmussen	624-2391
<b>Vice President:</b>	Mark Sovers	644-1406
<b>Recording Secretary:</b>	Rose Alice Brokaw	644-3742
<b>At Large Council Members</b>	Jeanne Haight	848-8140

	Lisa Connell	624-5152
	Judy Gleason	624-3894
<b>Worship &amp; Prayer:</b>	Dcn. Mitch Holte	624-3151
<b>Justice &amp; Peace:</b>	Diane Wurzer	624-2719
<b>Church Life:</b>	DeWayne Klouda	624-3989
<b>Finance Council:</b>	Dcn. David Krob	848-4348
<b>Family Life:</b>	Patty Benzing	466-0082
<b>Faith Formation:</b>	Patty Erusha	624-2537
<b>Stewardship</b>	Bill Christensen	624-8066
<b>Helping Hands:</b>	Marianne Harney	624-2630
	Pat Zimmerman	337-8296

<b>Parish Nurse</b>	Nancy Upmeyer	624-2944
<b>Knights of Columbus:</b>	David Ritchie	319-573-1152
	Kevin Hayes	319-430-0670
<b>Catholic Order of Foresters</b>	Bill Fabritz	624-2515
	Pat Pisarik	360-1318

**FOURTH SUNDAY  
 OF ADVENT  
 December 22, 2013**  
**St. Mary Catholic Church**  
**1749 Racine Ave NE Solon, IA 52333**  
**PHONE: 624-2228**  
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**(FrJim@solonstmary.org)**

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**(DcnDavid@...)**              **(DcnMitch@...)**

<b><u>Weekend Masses:</u></b>	<b>Saturday 5:00PM</b>
	<b>Sunday 8:30AM &amp; 10:30AM</b>
<b><u>Confessions:</u></b>	<b>Saturday 4:00-4:30PM or by appointment</b>
<b><u>Office Hours:</u></b>	<b>Monday-Friday 8:30AM - 1:00PM</b>

**WELCOME TO ST. MARYS!** If you would like to embrace  
 our parish family please give Fr. Jim or Donna a call at the  
 office @624-2228.

**Homebound:** If you would like Communion brought to  
 your home, please contact the office @ 624-2228 between  
 8am and 1pm.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Friday after the 7am Mass until  
 noon.

**Sickness:** Please notify the pastor 624-2228 when  
 someone is ill or has been hospitalized. Sacrament of  
 Anointing is available.

**Marriage:** A minimum of 6 months is necessary for  
 marriage preparation. Please contact the pastor.

**Baptism:** Parents must be registered members of the  
 parish. Baptism instructions are required., ideally before  
 the child is born. Please call Donna, 624-2228 to register.

**Expecting a New Arrival???** Please call the church office  
 at 624-2228 when your baby arrives, so we can arrange  
 meals to be delivered when it is convenient for your family.

**Child Abuse:** To report child sexual abuse, contact the  
 Iowa Department of Human Services' Child Abuse hotline  
 at (800)262-2178. If the abuse involves clergy or church  
 personnel, also notify Victim Assistance Coordinator,  
 Alicia Owens, anytime at (563)349-5002; by email at  
[vacdav@attglobal.net](mailto:vacdav@attglobal.net); or by mail at PO Box 232,  
 Bettendorf, IA 52722.



Ministry Schedule			
DATE	December 28	December 29	December 29
	5:00 pm	8:30 am	10:30 am
MINISTRY	NAME	NAME	NAME
CANTOR	JE Ritchie	LA Hugeback	B&K Uhlenkamp
MUSICIAN	L Broghammer	S Olsem	H Koffron
Eucharistic Ministers	M Schmitt S Ahern J Anderson	J Haight S Holte J Miller	M Mahoney J Maiers R Myers
GREETER	B & D Matthes R & D Miller Family	J & P Connelly R Erenberger	D & M Erenberger Family
LECTOR	J Hames L Manary	T Krob S Johnson	S Ransom R Myers
SERVER	R Geistkemper S Melloy G Ritchie	C Thole A Thole S Havlicek	K Benzing K Benzing M Grimm
Ushers	J Luedtka J Luedtka T Miller	M Sovers J Steinbrech T Stout	T Brown T Brown
GIFTS	N & P Erusha Family	B&L Havlicek Family	M & K Roskopf Family
Child Lit			S Brink-Hoeper
HC @ Home		Nancy, Theresa M Linda Deacon Mitch	
SACRISTIAN	J Anderson	J Shulista	T Brown
NURSERY			Paula Hermesen Amie Stewart
NURSERY BACK-UP			Eric/Kelli Schmitz

**WALKING** Just a reminder, you can walk in the parish hall to exercise and avoid the cold weather, ice, and snow. The auditorium is open from 8 am until 3 pm Monday through Friday

**Collection for Dec. 14 & 15**

Offertory \$ 318.50

Weekly \$ 9,345.00

Total \$ 9,663.50

Monthly Direct & ACH \$725.00  
(in addition to weekly collection total)

**Mass Intentions (DEC 2013 & Jan 2014)**

Mon	23	9:30 am CC	John Redlinger
Tue	24	5:00 pm	Special Intention (G)
		10:00 pm	For the Parish
Wed	25	9:00 am	Edward Swenka
Thurs	26	NO MASS	
Fri	27	NO MASS or ADORATION	
Sat	28	5:00 pm	Edward & Elizabeth Koss
Sun	29	8:30 am	Cletus Redlinger
		10:30 am	Claire “Lefty” Doyle
Tues	31	12:10 pm	For the Parish
Wed	Jan 1	9:00 am	Delores Swann
Thurs	Jan 2	9:30 am CC	John Kasper
Fri	Jan 3	7:00 am	Margaret Holte
Sat	Jan 4	5:00 pm	Jerry Mahoney
Sun	Jan 5	8:00 am	Raphael Pisarik
		10:30 am	For the Parish



**Remember our troops!**  
An address list is on the military wall in the gathering space. **We would like more names, pictures & address to add—please bring or send to the parish.**

**UPCOMING EVENTS**

**Choir Practice** for 5 pm Christmas Eve Mass is Monday at 6:30 pm in the parish hall. If you like to sing, please join us.



**Christmas Caroling:** Join us for some traditional Christmas Caroling this Sunday from approx. 1:30-2:30pm! We will caravan to the houses of our home bound parishioners in town and sing Christmas Carols. Meet in the church gathering space around 1:30pm .

**WELCOME FATHER DOYLE!** Father Jim will be with his family next weekend. Father Doyle will be the celebrant on the weekend of Dec 28-29.



Helping Hands assists with Bingo at the Solon Nursing Care Center the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. **PLEASE NOTE:** SNCC requested the change to the 1<sup>st</sup> Thursday of each month. The chair for the month of January is Mary Brannaman. She will need four helpers. If you would like to assist with Bingo this month, please contact Mary at 624-3226.

**STEUBENVILLE 2014! Current 8-12th Grade:** Join us July 25-27 for St. Mary's 10th trip to St. Paul. \$50 Deposits are now due—first come for the spots we have reserved. Maker checks payable to St. Mary and mail, drop off at church or put in collection basket.

**Beginning January 12: Sunday**

**Preschool Program for 4-5 year olds** (who begin kindergarten in Fall of 2014.) During the 10:30 Mass, kids will join in arts, crafts, story telling to learn about Jesus. *Contact Lindsey: Lindsey@solonstmary.org or 319-400-2484* more details or to signed up.



**Beginning Sunday, January 12th — 6:00-7:30**

**Financial Peace University for Adults** (\$90 for membership kit)

**Generation Change for 7-12th Grade** (\$40 for 3 Study Guides)

**Nine Weeks, Child Care Provided, Sign-up:** lindsey@solonstmary.org



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<b>Be Yourself</b> Teens will learn their identity isn't wrapped up in what the world says	<b>Do the Details</b> learn basic budgeting and wants vs needs.	<b>Go Debt Free</b> what makes debt dangerous; how to live debt free
<b>Be Realistic</b> learn not to drown in advertising and peer pressure	<b>Do the Math</b> prioritize saving power over spending—learn about interest & mutual funds	<b>Go To Work</b> start to figure out your purpose in life, set big goals, choose a major that fits
<b>Be Aware</b> debunk the culture's money myths	<b>Do Your Part</b> giving of one's time and money	<b>Go the Distance</b> cost of life in the real world

**SCRIPTURE MEDITATION**



*(Jerry Galipeau, World Library Publications)*

The Bible gives us several stories about dreamers – Jacob and his son Joseph come to mind. But the most important dreamer of all was a carpenter named Joseph. In his dream an angel came and spoke to him: “Do not fear to take Mary your wife into your home. For it is through the Holy Spirit that this child has been conceived in her.” Not only that, in his dream Joseph was told to name the child Jesus, which means “God saves.” And when he awoke from the dream, he did what had been asked and took Mary into his home. That wasn't the end of his dreams, though. They kept coming. Voices spoke: “Joseph, take the mother and child into Egypt – Herod is trying to kill him.” Joseph, take the mother and child out of Egypt – Herod is dead.” And Joseph listened to his dreams. Maybe once you begin to live god's dream, it becomes clearer, if not easier. God's dream is that we live in the world as God's children, taking care of each other and working to bring God's peace and justice, mercy and forgiveness, God's very presence, wherever these are needed.

**How are you living God's dream?**



**A STEWARDSHIP MOMENT**

In today's Gospel we hear of the coming of Emmanuel, which means “God is with us.” We celebrate three Advents: the birth of Christ, his Second Coming, and his presence in the world today. Our daily lives are attended by God's presence. Indeed, “God is with us.” The Good News of Christ's Incarnation is that we are the sign, “sacrament,” of Christ's presence in the world. People are supposed to see us, see how we love one another, see how we treat the stranger among us, give comfort to the poor and afflicted, share the Good News with joy. They see how good stewards are the light of Christ. And there can be no possible response except to say: “God is here!”



**Baptism Classes:**

Parents must be members of the parish to have their children baptized. Parents baptizing their first child **are** required to attend both classes.

**2014 Classes are from 6:30-8:00 and meet as follows**

**First Class**

January 14, April 8, July 8, October 14

**Second Class**

February 11, May 13, August 12, November 11