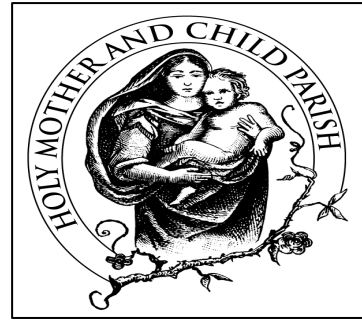


# PARISH NEWS

DECEMBER 7, 2025

THE SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT



## Website:

<https://parishes.rcda.org/HolyMotherandChildParish>

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## Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 7 @ 8:30am

Jean Ward by Frank Ward

Walter Draisey by Anna & Jim

Remembering Dad's birthday

Richard & Nancy Burnham by their children

Monday, December 8@12n

The Feast of the Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, December 10 @ 12noon

Catherine Fry by her family –For what would have been her 100<sup>th</sup> birthday.

Sunday, December 14 @ 8:30am

William & Frances Cromie

by Bill & Cynthia Cromie

William Doody family by Shawna

## FAITH FORMATION

There is a station in the lobby of the hall (immediately to the left of the interior door containing water, snacks, coloring pages and crayons. Please feel free to take whatever you need to get the little ones thru Mass easier.

The next faith formation class is December 7<sup>th</sup> after Mass. Our Faith Formation Coordinator is Maureen Tagliafierro. She can be reached by email with any questions. [ffhmcc@rcda.or](mailto:ffhmcc@rcda.or)

## ALTAR FLOWERS FOR CHRISTMAS

There are envelopes for flowers at both entrances of the church for any parishioner who does not subscribe to our weekly envelopes. Your donations help to decorate our church to celebrate the birth of Christ.

## Thank you on behalf of Birthright

A huge thank you to all who participated in the Baby Bottle Boomerang! Because of your generosity, we estimate that approximately \$1,000 was raised in our parish to help support Birthright's mission, which is to provide mothers in crisis pregnancies with support, referrals, and baby items. If a young woman feels like she has emotional and material support with an unplanned pregnancy, it is our prayer that she will be less likely to terminate her pregnancy. What you have given matters! By your generosity, you have helped save the lives of innocent babies - the most vulnerable of all persons. Thank you again, have a joyous Christmas season, and God bless you all.

## FREE LUNCH

There will be no free lunch in December due to the holidays and the fair. We will see you again on January 16<sup>th</sup>. Have a wonderful holiday season.

## CARE PORTAL

Please note that there is a care portal bulletin board in the lobby of the Parish Center. This will list all our current needs in the community. Laura Clark Clothier is keeping this up to date. Donations can be dropped off at the Parish Office. Thank you in advance for all your donations.

## RESERVED SEATING

We now have the 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> pews on the left designated for any parishioner with health issues. It does not have to be a permanent health issue. It can be you are just having a "bad day". Please take advantage of this seating. We want it available for you, but we don't want the front of the church empty.

## DIOCESAN APPEAL

We have received our assessment for the 25-26 Diocesan Appeal. We are assessed for \$14,055. We have received \$7621.38 as of 10/22/25. That leaves us a balance of \$6433.62

WEEK OF 11/16 & 11/23/25

Regular : 11/16-\$1656 11/23- \$1564

2<sup>nd</sup> Collection: \$372

Attendance

11/12/25 @ 12n – 22 11/16/25 @ 8:30am-121

11/19/25 @ 12 noon – 26 11/23/25 @ 8:30am – 119

EYEGASSES FOR COLLECTION

There will be a box in the vestibule of the church for eyeglass collection for the Lion's Club.. This is a very beneficial project because the lenses are evaluated for prescription strength and distributed to the needy in Third World Countries.

BOTTLE RETURN FOR ALZHEIMERS

It looks like we need to ask you to just bring your bottles on Sunday when you come to church. We have nowhere to protect them from the weather, and we are finding them all over the parking lot. Paula would like to continue her mission for the Alzheimer's Association until the end of the year. Please help her!

You can also make any monetary donations by checks made out to the Alzheimer's Foundation. You can give them to Paula personally or put them in an envelope in the collection basket. Thank you so much for your assistance in this ministry. Any amount is instrumental in the research for this dreaded disease.

ANNUAL THANKSGIVING MINISTRIES

The Corinth Community Churches Thanksgiving dinner was held on Friday, November 14<sup>th</sup>. Over 300 dinners were distributed by delivery, by pickup, and by residents who dined at the Parish Center. We were blessed by all the volunteers from the churches, the Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts, and teenagers from the parish. The adage, "many hands make light work" was demonstrated at this dinner. Whether you baked a pie, biscuits, portioned out food, peeled, weighed served, packaged, delivered, or distributed, thank you. A special thank you to Zack Cutler for his generous donation of food. Of course, we are so grateful for the leadership and guidance of our organizers, Maureen Tagliafierro and Louise Carney.

GIVING THANKS FROM MAXFIELD COMMUNITY FOOD PANTRY

Thank you to those at Holy Mother and Child Parish who contributed to our collection for our Thanksgiving Baskets and those who gave of their time and work. We were able to distribute 110 baskets feeding over 276 deserving people. Thank you also for your ongoing support of the pantry through your donations of food and money to purchase meat so we are able to feed those who need it.

May God bless you all.

CHRISTMAS CAROLING

There will be Christmas Caroling on Sunday, December 14<sup>th</sup> at 6:30pm. We will head down Palmer Ave. There will be cookies and hot cocoa in the Parish center after we are done singing. Please come and join us.

ANNUAL WREATH SALE

Thank you to everyone who purchased a wreath last weekend. The money is used to decorate the church for the Christmas season.

ONLINE GIVING USING THE QR CODE

Are you visiting our Parish or are you a regular parishioner? When you scan this QR code you can make an online offering to our Parish. You just take out your trusty cell phone and after tapping on the camera icon on your phone, go ahead and line up the QR code (don't take a photo). When the QR code is readable by the phone a web site will appear just under the QR code in white. Click on this web site "[secure.myvanco.com/](https://secure.myvanco.com/)". You are now able to follow the website prompts to make an offering to Holy Mother and Child "Online". Please call the church office if you have any questions.



SAVE THE DATE

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| December 7  | Faith Formation    | 9:30am |
| December 14 | Christmas Caroling | 6:30pm |
| December 24 | Christmas Eve Mass | 4pm    |
| December 25 | Christmas Day Mass | 8:30am |

If you are homebound or going into the hospital, please let us know if you would like communion or prayers. Please call the church office at 518-654-2113 with contact information for us to reach you or your caregiver.