

# 4th Sunday of Advent / Christmas



## World Peace Prayer

Lead us from death to life, from false-hood to truth,  
From despair to hope, from fear to trust.

Lead us from hate to love,  
From war to peace;

Let peace fill our hearts, let peace fill our world,  
Let peace fill our universe

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Saturday Vigil Mass - 4:00 PM  
Sunday Mass - 11:00 AM  
Weekday Mass - 9:00 AM on Tuesdays

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Saturday Vigil Mass - 6:00 PM  
Sunday Mass - 9:00 AM

## Liturgy Schedule

### Saturday

**December 23, 2023 - 4:00 PM**

† Marie Burnett

By: Betty Hayes

### Sunday

**December 24, 2023 - 11:00 AM**

† The Troubled, Lonely and Addicted

### Christmas Eve

**December 24, 2023 - 4:00 PM**

† For Children Everywhere

### Christmas Day

**December 25, 2023 - 11:00 AM**

† For Peace in our Families

### Tuesday

**December 26, 2023 - 9:00 AM**

† No Mass

### Saturday

**December 30, 2023 - 4:00 PM**

† Donald Uveges

By: Kim & Linda Balfour

### Sunday

**December 31, 2023 - 11:00 AM**

† Helen Kahrs

By: Werner & Carole Hoffman

### New Years Day

**January 1, 2024 - 11:00AM**

† Peace in the World

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### Tuesday

**January 2, 2024 - 9:00 AM**

† No Mass

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### This week at Our Lady of Fatima...

Date	Event	Time	Place
12/25	Christmas Mass	11:00 AM	Church
12/25	Friendship Cafe	Closed	Hall
12/26	No Mass	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
12/27	Friendship Cafe	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
12/29	Friendship Cafe	11:00 AM - 1:30 PM	Hall
12/30	Mass	4:00 PM	Church
12/31	Mass	11:00 AM	Church
1/1	New Year's Day Mass	11:00 AM	Church
1/1	First Day Hike	12:00 PM	Parking lot

### Please Pray for our Sick and Homebound

Bella Stuart, Charlotte Marks, Joan Williams, Lorraine Duffy, Carolyn Terrell, Mary Brewer, Bill Tindale, Jean Frisbee, Steve Mormando.

### Weekly Donations

12/ 9/23—12/10/23

Candles	\$60
Collections	\$5,111
Immaculate Conception	\$ 197

Thank you for your generous contributions!

### Our Lady of Fatima Mission Statement

At Our Lady of Fatima, Delanson, we are God's people sharing a responsibility to witness God's unconditional love and to bring God's healing presence to our world through our service to our community and beyond.

### WEEKEND MINISTRY SCHEDULE

#### Saturday, Dec 23

LECTOR

Paul Reveal

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Ruth Kulesa

John Hochmuth

Mary Ann Conway

#### Sunday, Dec 24

LECTOR

James Keller

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Noel Luby

Kris Zedaker

Addie Breitenstein

COUNTERS

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#### Saturday, Dec 30

LECTOR

Mary Ann Conway

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

Paul Reveal

John Hochmuth

Ruth Kulesa

#### Sunday, Dec 31

LECTOR

Allen Thesier

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS

James Keller

Jose Flores

Janet Korwan

COUNTERS

Noel Luby

Janet Korwan

Ellen Snowden

### An Advent Psalm

Awaken, My heart,  
God's reign is near;  
the Peaceable Kingdom  
is in my hands.  
If the wolf can be the guest of the lamb,  
and the bear and cow be friends  
then no injury or hate can be a guest  
within the kingdom of my heart  
Eden's peace and harmony will only return  
when first, in my heart,  
there hides no harm or ruin  
for the Peaceable Kingdom is in my hands

Isaiah's dream became Jesus' vision:  
"Come follow me, " Emmanuel's echo rings.  
"Reform your life, recover Eden's peace,"  
for only then will salvation appear."  
For Advent's dream is the healing of earth,  
when the eagle and bear become friends,  
the child and the serpent playmates.  
Arise, awaken, my heart,  
the Peaceable Kingdom  
is in your hands

### We pray, Christmas

Our church is filled with sights, sounds and smells of God's Incarnational presence among us. We are immersed with flowers, trees, lights, incense, figures, bread, wine and each other that remind us of Christ here this day and forever.

We sing the Glory of God, echoing the hymn of the angels! Our response to the Hebrew Scripture is the canticle from Luke's Gospel: "Today our Savior is born." We join with all creation (Psalm 96) in singing for joy. Our Gospel acclamation is the exuberant Caribbean "Halle, Halle, Hallelujah!" In our Eucharist, at Table, we sing our mystery: "Save us, Savior of the World, you have set us free." Together god's love is born anew in each one of us!

The Sacristy lamp burns this week in Memory of  
Anthony & Antoinette Rea

Requested by Josephine Errichetto & Family

### Christmas Party

After our 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass, we are hosting a festive wine - cheese - soda - snacks party in our hall. Come on over after Mass and continue the joy.

### Epiphany Gifts Blessing

Bring in your new toys, stuffed animals, or other gifts to Mass on January 6 & 7, for our blessing of gifts. As we remember the gifts given to Jesus, today we celebrate the gifts given to our children.

### New Year Prayer & Gathering

Jan 1, 2024 - 12:00 PM - First Day hike trekking along the wintry Schoharie @ Burtonsville, following the 11am Mass. We will meet in the church parking lot at noon.

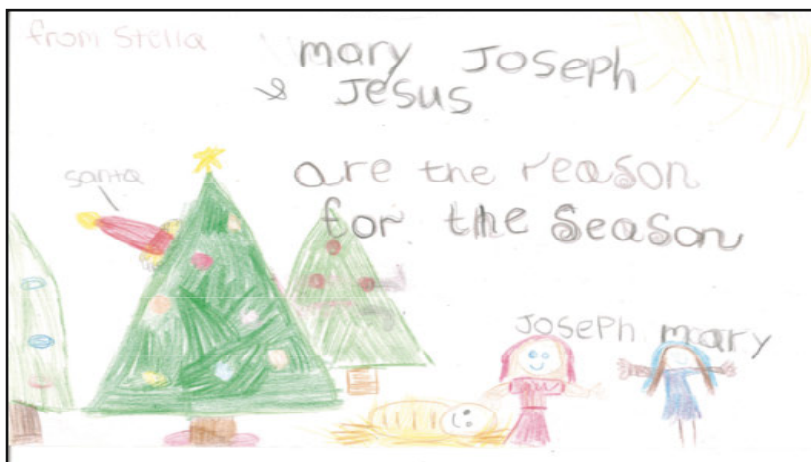
### Our Christmas Schedule

Sunday, December 24th  
4:00 PM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima  
6:30 PM Mass at Our Lady of the Valley  
Monday, December 25th  
9:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of the Valley  
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima  
Monday, January 1st, 2024  
11:00 AM Mass at Our Lady of Fatima

### Seeking Wisdom

Are you willing to help our parish by becoming an active member of our Pastoral Council? Right now Addie, Jeannette, Patricia, Nancy, Paul, Janet and Mary Ann meet monthly with Fr. Tom Zelker to share insights about our parish and Diocese. Please consider ministering with the Council; your positive creativity is vital to our faith community. Contact Fr. Tom Zelker if interested.

**Our Kingsway Nursing Facility Christmas masses** are scheduled for Friday, January 5, 2024 at 2pm and 3pm. If you can help, please call the Parish Office.



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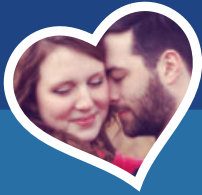
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