

Announcements December 9 - 10
Good Shepherd and St. Margaret Mary

1. This year, the Fourth Sunday of Advent falls on Christmas Eve. We are adjusting our Mass schedule to help us accommodate this condensed schedule. We will celebrate the Fourth Sunday of Advent according to the following schedule: on Saturday, December 23rd we will have our usual 5:00 p.m. Mass at St. Margaret Mary. On Sunday, December 24th there will be **NO** 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Margaret Mary. There will be one Mass at Good Shepherd at **9:00 a.m.** on the 24th and **NO** 10:30 a.m. Mass.

Our Christmas schedule will be as usual. There will be a 5:00 p.m. Christmas Vigil Mass at St. Margaret Mary on Sunday the 24th. The Midnight Mass will begin at 12:00 midnight at Good Shepherd. The Mass for Christmas Day will be at 10:00 a.m. at Good Shepherd. This schedule will be posted at the back of the church and will also appear in the bulletin and on our website.

The Hispanic Community will be celebrating Our Lady of Guadalupe this Sunday at 5:00 p.m. All are welcome!

2. Our parish Christmas outreach project is to collect potato, rice, or pasta side dish mixes for the Good Samaritan Ministries' Christmas box program. Last year we were able to collect enough of these mixes for each of the 150 families to receive three in their Christmas box. We would love to meet this level of donations again to help make Christmas special for the Franklin County families in need. Donation boxes are available at the back of the church. Please bring your donations by December 17th. Let's try to meet this goal again this year!
3. Looking for a great Christmas Gift for family and friends? Consider giving Mardi Gras tickets. It is a wonderful way to support our community and to give someone a fantastic evening. Tickets are available on Monday, Wednesday and Friday at the Church Office. They will also be available after the 10:30 Mass this weekend, and after the 5:00 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses next weekend. Don't miss out on this great gift giving opportunity.
4. Envelopes for memorial donations for Christmas flowers are available at the back of the church. These donations are a great opportunity to honor a loved one and help make our church beautiful for the Christmas season.
5. Finally, we would like to welcome all visitors that are with us this weekend. Thank you so much for joining us to worship with our community. Please introduce yourself on the way out. We would love to meet you.