The members of Saint Matthew Church are invited to experience God's Mercy in the Sacrament of Reconciliation during



## ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

on Monday, December 18, 2023 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Matthew Church.

For your convenience, below is a list of additional Advent Penance Services in our area:

- > December 3 (Sunday) at 4:00 p.m. Saint John Evangelist, Lakemont
- December 3 (Sunday) at 5:00 p.m. Saint Joseph, Bellwood
- December 9 (Saturday) at 10:00 a.m. Saint Therese of the Child Jesus, Altoona
- December 10 (Sunday) at 4:00 p.m. Saint Mary, Hollidaysburg
- December 11 (Monday) at 7:00 p.m. Our Lady of Mount Carmel, Altoona
- December 11 (Monday) at 6:30 p.m. Saint Rose, Altoona
- December 14 (Thursday) at 5:30 p.m. Our Lady of Lourdes, Altoona
- ➤ December 14 (Thursday) at 7:00 p.m. Most Holy Trinity, Huntingdon
- > December 18 (Monday) at 7:00 p.m. Saint Matthew, Tyrone
- December 19 (Tuesday) at 7:00 p.m. Good Shepherd, Port Matilda
- > December 20 (Wednesday) at 6:00 p.m. Cathedral of the Blessed Sacrament, Altoona
- December 21 (Thursday) at 5:30 p.m. Sacred Heart and Saint Mary (at Sacred Heart)

## CHRISTMAS SEASON MASSES

Since this year the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent is on December 24, the obligatory Mass attendance for Catholics is as follows:

You need to attend one of the following Masses to fulfill your Sunday obligation for the 4th Sunday of ADVENT

- 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Saturday, December 23, 2023 at Saint Joseph Church
- or 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Saturday, December 23, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church
- or 7:30 a.m. Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church
- or 9:00 a.m. Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Joseph Church
- or 10:30 a.m. Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church

You need to attend one of the following Masses to fulfill your **CHRISTMAS** Holy Day of Obligation

- \* 4:00 p.m. Vigil Mass Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Joseph Church
- \* or 5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church
- \* or 9:00 p.m. Mass at Night Sunday, December 24, 2023 at Saint Joseph Church
- \* or 12:00 a.m. (midnight Mass) Sunday, December 25, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church
- \* or 9:00 a.m. Christmas Day Mass Monday, December 25, 2023 at Saint Joseph Church
- \* or 10:30 a.m. Christmas Day Mass Monday, December 25, 2023 at Saint Matthew Church

January 1, 2024 – The Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God (New Year's Day) is NOT a Holy Day of Obligation this year, but you might want to attend one of the scheduled Masses:

- \* 9:00 a.m. Mass Monday, January 1, 2024 at Saint Joseph Church
- \* or 10:30 a.m. Mass Monday, January 1, 2024 at Saint Matthew Church