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WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday, 5:30 pm

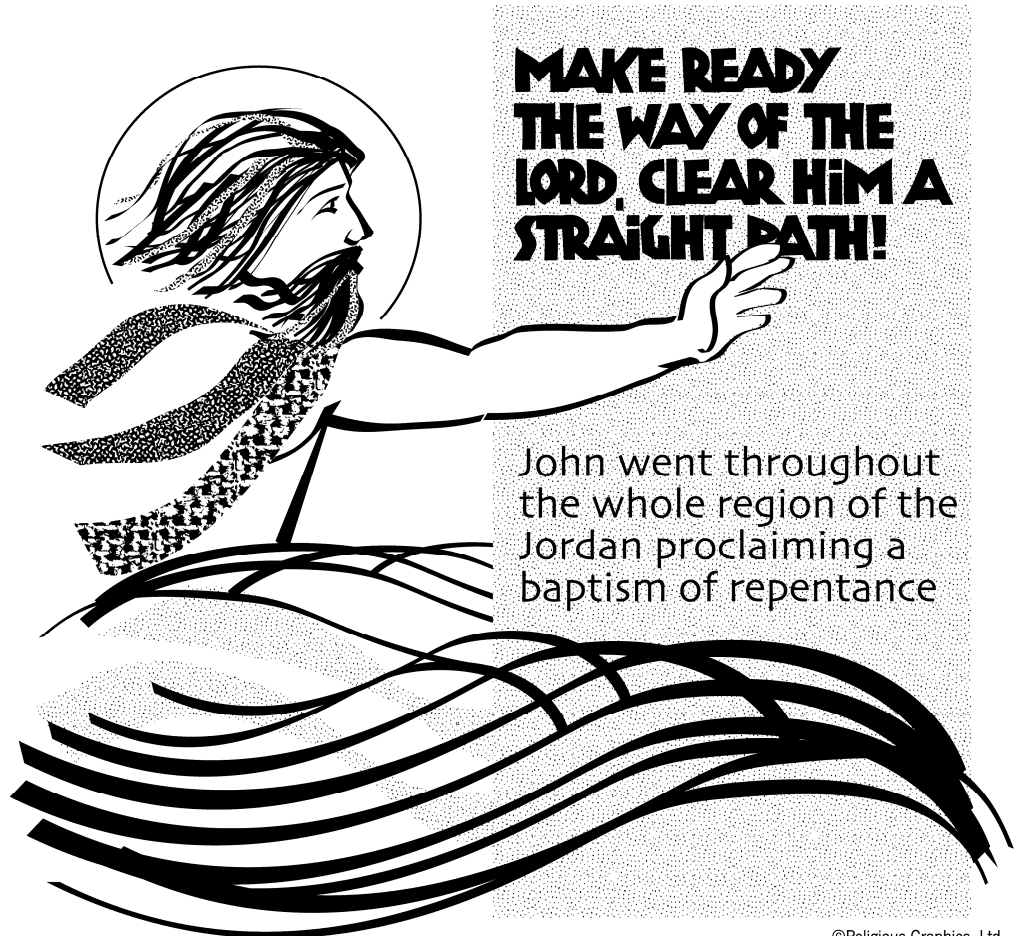
Sunday, 9:00 am

DAILY MASSES: Inside Bulletin

TELEVISED MASS: Thursday, 6:00 pm, Channel 2, Cable TV

SACRAMENT of RECONCILIATION: Saturday, 4:00 pm or by appointment (For Changes In Regular Schedule, See Inside Bulletin)

WHEN TRAVELING: Find Mass times around the country at: www.MassTimes.org



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The Second Sunday
of the
Season of Advent

December 6, 2015

Grant us your salvation, Lord!

FROM THE DESK OF FR. TIM: This is the 2nd Sunday of Advent. With all the activities that have been going on, I just want to say “Thanks” to all who helped and to all who put things together. Thanks to Linda and all who helped with the Christmas Store. You have made some little ones’ Christmas that much brighter. You are awesome!

Just a reminder that the Men’s Choir will be singing this Sunday at the Methodist Church, the Ecumenical Christmas concert, at 3 pm.

Parish Advent Communal Penance Prayer Service this Wednesday evening at 7 pm. Please be a part of this celebration. I know that it is a busy time for a lot of us, but this is a time that you can spend with one another and with our Lord.

No Confirmation class or Faith Formation classes this Wednesday evening. Remember to get your Christmas bags to the office for Newman. These will be given out this Wednesday evening. Thanks for your support for our Newman students.

Please, please read your Liturgical Ministry schedules! If you are assigned and going to be gone on a given weekend, please find a sub to take your place. This really helps us out when preparing for Mass.

Tuesday is a holy day of obligation. The Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Masses are at 7:15 am and 6 pm. This is an obligation for all of us to be aware of. Just a reminder.

Have a great week!

Liturgical Ministers for Immaculate Conception, Dec 8, 2015

Tue, 6:00 pm:

Servers-T Pourier, K Pourier

Proclaimer-M Lane

Leader-R Bauer

Euch Min-A Lane, S Pourier, T Blausey, B Reading, K Heiting

Greeters-R Belknap, T Belknap, M Cullan, T Heiting

Music-J McLain, Men’s Choir

Liturgical Ministers for December 12-13, 2015

Sat, 5:30 pm:

Servers-C Bila, M Pelton

Sacristan-B Scheopner

Proclaimer-C Kuskie

Leader-H Kent

Euch Min-S Pelton, C Abegglen, A Baehler, M Baehler, J Sorenson

Greeters-C Bila, C Bila, D Eitemiller, J Abegglen

Music-P Chasek, J Milburn

Sun, 9:00 am:

Servers-A Swinney, C Swinney

Sacristan-R Horse

Proclaimer-C Janssen

Leader-J Rissler

Euch Min-K Swinney, M Rotherham, C Rotherham, G Klein,

N Dobesh

Greeters-M Menke, R Menke, TD Menke, J Ramm

Crestview-C Baehler

Hosp/Prairie Pines-J Songco

Music-P Chasek, E Klein, T Calamari

Liturgical Ministry Training—Fr. Tim will conduct a training for all new Lectors on Saturday, December 12, 1:30 pm in the church. Current ministers are welcome to attend as well.

Cleaning Schedules

Church Cleaning for Main Sanctuary,

Saturday, December 12 (or whenever convenient during the week):

Julie Bohnenkamp, Linda Hollibaugh, Cheri Grant

Church Window Cleaning for the month of December:

Kris Vahrenkamp

Sunday Offering: Contributions *needed* weekly to meet

budget: \$6,000 (11-29) Reg: \$3,390.17; Online: \$815.00;

Bldg: \$85.00; Children: \$28.50 **Thank You for Your Generosity!**

Checks dated “December 2015” will be posted to your 2015 contribution statement up to Sun, Jan. 10. **Any check dated “2015” received after Jan. 10 will be posted to your 2016 contribution statement.**

Please use “2015” envelopes for “2015” and “2016” for “2016.” They will be posted accordingly. Thanks!

Special Offering—*Support elderly religious.* A parishioner writes, “As a Catholic school student from grades K-12, I was formed to be the person I am by many religious brothers and sisters, and I am forever grateful.” Show your appreciation for the senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests who made a positive difference in so many lives. Please give generously to next week’s collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious.

Christmas Flowers—If you would like to donate a flower in memory of a loved one to help decorate the church for Christmas, please have your plant to the church or office in time to decorate on Dec 20.

Gluten-Free Hosts—If you have celiac disease and are required to be on a gluten-free diet, please see Fr. Tim before Mass so a gluten-free host may be consecrated for you at Communion.

Prayer Requests

Prayer Line – If you have a prayer request, please call Darlene Yantzi, 432-5432; Mary Baehler, 432-4994.

R.I.P. Please remember in your prayers Lila Herr-Young, recently deceased sister of Kay Tyree and Chuck Cogdill, recently deceased husband of Mary Helen and father of Bill Cogdill.

Congratulations—To John and Jody (Huckfeldt) Grantham, who recently had their marriage blessed and to John and Darlene (Glenn) Alfsen, recently married at St. Patrick’s.

Birthday Wishes—A very Happy & Blessed 97th birthday to Lucille McGannon on December 12!

Inspirational

Social Ministry Quote: “We need to let ourselves be imbued with the light of the Holy Spirit, to introduce us into the Truth of God....Let us ask ourselves what steps we are taking so that our faith directs our whole existence. Do not be a “part-time” Christian, at certain moments, in certain circumstances, in certain choices. Be Christian at all times! The truth of Christ, that the Holy Spirit teaches us and gives us, always and forever involves our daily lives. Let us invoke the Spirit more often, to guide us on the path of Christ’s disciples.” ~Pope Francis

Next Sunday’s Readings ~ *Third Sunday of Advent, December 13, 2015* ~ Zephaniah 3:14-18 (Joy Over the Mighty Savior) Philippians 4:4-7 (Rejoice in the Lord) Luke 3:10-8 (Majesty of the Messiah)

THIS WEEK

Sun	9:00 AM—Mass [Parishioners] 10:15 AM—Parish Council meets 3:00 PM—Ecumenical Advent Choir Fest, United Methodist Church
Mon	No Mass 8:00 PM – AA (closed), in the parish center
Tue	Feast of the Immaculate Conception 7:15 AM—Mass [Parishioners] 6:00 PM—Mass [Stoner Family]
Wed	7:30 AM—Mass [+Chuck Cogdill] 5:30 PM—Catholicism class 5:30 PM—No Pre-6th Religious Formation 7:00 PM—No 7th-10th Religious Formation 7:00 PM—No Confirmation class 7:00 PM—Communal Penance Service
Thu	7:30 AM—Mass [+Donna Moler] 6:30 PM— Bible Timeline Bible Study 8:00 PM—AA (open), in the parish center
Fri	7:30 AM—Mass [+John Howard]
Sat	1:30 PM—Training for Lectors 4-4:30 PM—Reconciliation 5:30 PM—Mass [Parishioners] Special offering is for Retirement Fund for the Religious
Sun	8:00 PM—AA (open), in the parish center 9:00 AM—Mass [+Lila Herr-Young] Special offering is for Retirement Fund for the Religious 6:00 PM—Knights of Columbus meeting

Knights of Columbus News

- Sunday, December 13—Regular meeting at 6 pm
- Sunday, January 10—Regular meeting at 6 pm

Religious Christmas cards for sale—The Knights of Columbus are selling religious Christmas cards after Mass. The “Keep Christ in Christmas” is a theme that has been supported by the Knights for numerous years. Sending religious Christmas cards is a great way to keep in mind the true meaning of Christmas

Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund—The Knights of Columbus are also selling olive wood crosses made in the Middle East to help support the persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Crosses are for sale for \$10 each. Proceeds will be given to the Knights of Columbus Christian Refugee Relief Fund. Our Supreme Knight, Carl Anderson, at the Supreme Convention in Philadelphia in August invited all brother Knights to stand with him in solidarity for persecuted Christians in the Middle East. Also the Archbishops of Syria and of Iraq gave keynote addresses describing the grim situation that is occurring in the Middle East and the cleansing of Christians and other religious minorities who are being killed, tortured, or forced to flee their homes by the Islamic extremist group known as ISIS. The Knights of Columbus Christian Relief fund has already distributed over \$4,000,000 to refugees in Iraq and Syria. This humanitarian assistance has included shelter for those who have had to flee their homes, as well as support for medical facilities in areas flooded with refugees. Please support this worthy cause by purchasing the crosses or making a separate donation to the Knights of Columbus marked Christian Refugee Relief Fund.

Knights Grocery Collection – On the first weekend of each month, parishioners are asked to donate non-perishable food items to be distributed to the food pantries for the needy in our area. You do make a difference in our community through this act of service.

James: Pearls for Wise Living Bible Study—James is one of the most practical books of the Bible. Its teachings speak loudly to those who feel torn between the competing demands of this world and their faith.

This study offers “pearls for wise living” by applying the wisdom of James to our current day. For anyone who has struggled to live a truly Christian life, James offers a wealth of practical solutions for handling and even sanctifying everyday circumstances.

Join us for *James: Pearls for Wise Living* at St. Patrick’s Parish Center, in the basement media room, beginning Sunday, January 10 at 7:30 am and continuing every Sunday for 10 sessions. For more information on the study, call the office, 432-2626 or call Cathy Smith at 430– 4749 or via email: catherineasmith@centurylink.net

Vocations—All too often we forget to express appreciation to those in service-oriented jobs, including priest, sisters and brothers. We forget because we think, “It’s their job to help.” Priests and religious aren’t superhuman. They need genuine support from those they serve. Let them know how you feel.

Parish Health Notes—*Hospice Awareness Month*. In many chronic and progressive conditions such as cancer, heart disease or dementia, the natural disease process can ultimately reach an end stage. As a disease progresses to an advanced stage, its symptoms become more intolerable and difficult to control. An end-stage condition significantly impairs a person’s functional status and quality of life.

Hospice focuses on the comprehensive care of patients with terminal illnesses. Medicare, Medicaid, and most private insurance carriers provide hospice benefits.

The main goal of hospice is to provide a peaceful, symptom-free, and dignified transition to death for patients whose diseases are advanced. The hope for a cure shifts to hope for a life free of suffering. The focus becomes quality of life rather than its length. Hospice care is patient-centered medical care. A host of valuable services are offered to address every aspect of the patient’s care as a whole. This is achieved by considering each individual’s goals, values and beliefs. www.nhpco.com

Luncheon Meeting—The Chadron Christian Connection luncheon meeting will be December 8 at 11:30 am at the Country Kitchen restaurant. Our speaker, June Ballard, has been connected with Chadron for 35 years when she and her husband John bought a rental property here. She considers herself a “transplant from California.” Her message will encourage creativity in celebrating Christmas as she shares how God has inspired her to reach out with the gospel story at the most wonderful time of the year. Special music and feature will be Cardinal Singers. For reservations please contact Darlene at 432-5432 or by email at yantzi@gpcom.net no later than 5 pm Saturday, December 5. Complimentary nursery is available by reservation and first time guests are free.

Sister Parish—Our sister parish, Our Lady of the Sioux in Oglala, SD has sent us their November newsletter and pictures. See them on the bulletin board in the church!

FYI—We are doing our part to help the environment. There are bins available to drop off your used #2 plastic items. One is in the Arena and one is in the Parish Center building. Let’s all please try to do our part for our environment and recycle as much as possible. Thank you!