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Advent
Week 1

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December 2, 2018 — 1st Sunday of Advent

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MASS TIMES

MONDAYS, TUESDAYS, FRIDAYS: 12:05 pm
SATURDAYS: 4:00 pm
SUNDAYS: 8:00 am, 10:00 am & 6:30 pm
See Bulletin or Website for Holy Days.

St. Joseph Parish is a member of St. Francis

Xavier Catholic School System 735-9380

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.

Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.

Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.

Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Parish Office anytime.

OFFICE HOURS

MONDAYS—THURSDAYS: 9:00 am—4:30 pm
FRIDAYS: 9:00 am—2:00 pm

Fr. Jim's Jottings

We begin another Advent season! Our liturgical year starts with these four weeks of re-living the time of waiting between the sin of Adam and Eve and the coming of the Savior of the world. It is also a time of preparing our hearts to welcome in a greater way the presence of Jesus Christ.

To **prepare** for Christ's birth is awfully difficult in our society. It seems there's no such thing as **preparing and waiting**. With all the Christmas lights around us and carols heard everywhere, Christmas is here. The idea of spiritually shaping up our sinful selves is drowned out by all the shopping and hectic pace of the next few weeks. But we will try to get into the spirit of Advent in our weekend liturgies.

We will light our Advent wreath each week. That will be accompanied by a procession of banners with the words: **Hope, Peace, Joy, & Love**. And one other effort during Advent is **praising our Lord by our singing**. May all of us make a greater effort to sing at Mass. Our Lord deserves our best, right?



Thanks to Brettschneider Trettin-Nickel Funeral Home

The parish has been offered the gift of a liturgical calendar from our supporters at Brettschneider Trettin-Nickel Funeral Home. They have picked up the cost of these calendars for 2019. Hopefully every parish family will put this calendar in a prominent place in your home. It will remind us of saints' feast days as well as the holydays of our church year.

Calendar Raffle

Thanks to many of you who picked up your calendar raffle envelope in the back of church. If you haven't done so yet, the envelopes will be in the Great Hall. This is our most successful fundraiser because of the efforts of many parishioners. We have until the end of this year to buy/sell these calendars. Thanks, everyone, for your help.

Congratulations to Our

Weekly Calendar Raffle Winners

- November 18 — Sherry Freimuth—\$25.00
- November 19 — Andrea Mirabelli—\$25.00
- November 20 — Joanne Hoffmann— \$25.00
- November 21 — Sue Humphrey — \$25.00
- November 22 —Cindi MacSwaim—\$25.00
- November 23 — Michele Kraus —\$25.00
- November 24 — Joseph Coughlin — \$25.00

Please Pray For...

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill:

Barb Otto, Esther Barry, Curt Gloude-mans, Joe Martin, Ruth Carstensen (Mary Stern's Mom)

Please also remember our nursing home residents and shut-ins.

Please remember to pray for our parishioners or family members of our parishioners who have died.

2018 Retirement Collection for Religious & Clergy

This collection will take place next weekend. This combined collection will benefit the women and men religious as well as our senior diocesan priests. Once again, we are asking for your help in making this year's appeal a success. Last year, through the generosity of many, \$207,388 was given to the National Retirement Fund for Religious and \$238,657 to our own Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund.

Next weekend there will be envelopes for this collection in all of the pews. You are invited to take an envelope home and consider what kind of gift you can offer and bring the envelope back the following weekend. Thank You!

WWDWWD (Why We Do What We Do)

Can you give me some info on Advent wreaths? Advent wreaths have their origins in the folk traditions of northern Europe, where in the deep of winter people lit candles on wheel-shaped bundles of evergreens. Both the evergreen and the circular shape symbolized ongoing life. The candlelight gave comfort at this darkest time of the year, as people looked forward to the longer days of spring.

An advent wreath traditionally contains four candles—three blue and one rose. Blue dyes were once so rare and costly that they were associated with royalty; the Roman Catholic Church has long used this color around Christmas and Easter to honor Jesus. The three blue candles in the Advent wreath symbolize hope, peace, and love. These candles are lit on the first, second, and fourth Sundays of Advent. The rose candle, which symbolizes joy, is lit on the third Sunday.



Mark your Calendars!

Immaculate Conception Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 8th : 8 am

Christmas Mass Schedule

Monday, December 24th:

4pm, 6:30 pm & 10 pm

Tuesday December 25th: 9 am

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ADVENT INTER-PARISH COMMUNAL

RECONCILIATION SERVICES

St Mary's - Thursday, December 13 @ 6:30pm

St Joe's - Monday, December 17 @ 6:30pm

Tuesdays Book Club

Please join our group on Tuesday December 4 at 6 pm

December 4th: A Little Love Story
by Roland Merullo

January 8th: Defying Gravity by Joe Sikorra

February 5th: Out of the Easy by Ruta Sepetys

Contact Jessica Michaels at jessicajmichels@gmail.com

or 920-251-3388 for the location details
The December meeting will be at St Mary.



Financial News

Tithing Needed.....\$17,480.00
Last Week's Tithing.....\$12,236.81
Auto Withdrawal.....\$560.00
Children's Collection.....\$63.75

Thank You!

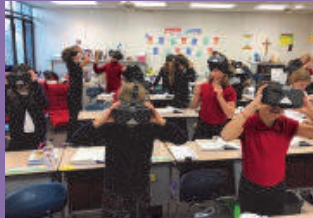
Your special offering to help keep us on target would be appreciated.

Xavier Catholic Schools Corner

Xavier Elementary McDonald Street Spotlight Mrs. Masak's 4th Grade



Thanks to Miss Sarah Simon, our Education Technology Specialist, the fourth grade students were able to witness animals camouflaged on the land as well as in the ocean through the use of virtual reality goggles. We found out that the stripes on the zebras can confuse its predator when in a large group because the predator can't tell where one zebra starts and the other finishes. Also, lions are colorblind, so they can't tell the stripes apart from the tall grasses. Some animals use mimicry, or they look like another object to blend into its surroundings. Not only is there a walking stick that looks like a twig, but there is also a flower mantis that looks just like a beautiful pink flower! Each time the scene changed, you could hear squeals throughout the room as the students explored the new environment and located the hiding animals. Thank you to Cellcom for the loan of the goggles and phones and to Miss Simon for bringing them into the fourth grade for us.



Mrs. Masak, 4th grade teacher

Christmas Stars 2018: Celebrating 25 years!



Christmas Stars ticket sales are on sale. The remaining performances will be held at the Xavier Fine Arts Theatre, 1600 Prospect Avenue, Appleton, December 7-9. There are matinee and evening performances. Come and enjoy this historic event. For performance times and ticket information, please call 920-733-8840 or visit www.christmasstars.org.

Attention Families with Small Children

Please consider participating in the Children's Christmas Liturgy December 24 at 6:30 p.m. Having your children participate helps to bring their faith alive and reminds everyone of the joy and beauty of Christ's birth.

Practices take place on Sundays following the 10 am Mass beginning Sunday, December 2nd. Anyone who cannot attend and is interested in participating please contact Deacon CF at 734-7195 or email cfdedman@saintjosephparish.org



Readings for the Week of December 2, 2018

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16
Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]
1 Thes 3:12-4:2
Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday: Is 11:1-10
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6
Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24
Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20
Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: Bar 5:1-9
Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]
Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
Lk 3:1-6

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IPRF NEWS

First Reconciliation Celebrations

Our second graders will be celebrating their First Reconciliation this week: on Tuesday, December 4 at 6 pm at St. Joseph Parish OR on Thurs., December 6 at 6 pm at St. Mary Parish. They can attend whichever celebration fits better in their schedule. **Reminder: Students need to return their books that evening and please write their name on the inside cover.** Please pray for these young people as they participate in this healing sacrament.



DECEMBER 2, 2018

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3 - St. Francis Xavier, Priest
12:05 pm Dec. Wilbert A Popp

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4 - St. John Damascene, Priest
12:05 pm Dec. Mary Cartew
12:35 pm St. Anthony Devotions

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6 - St. Nicholas, Bishop
12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7 - St. Ambrose, Bishop
12:05 pm Dec. Mary Langman
6:30 pm VIGIL MASS at St. Mary's

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
8:00 am HOLY DAY - Dec. Eileen Sherman
4:00 pm Mary Chin

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9 -2ND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
8:00 am Dec. Doris Filz
10:00 am Members of St. Joseph Parish
6:30 pm Dec. Joe Zimmer

THIS WEEK in OUR PARISH

MONDAY, DECEMBER 3
9:00 am ALPHA session, St. Mary's
7:00 pm Faith & Light Class, Rm. LL11

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 4
12:05 pm Seniors' Christmas Mass & Gathering,
Holly Hall
1:00 pm Prayer Shawl, Rm. LL09
6:00 pm Chime Choir Practice, Holly Hall
6:30 pm 1st Reconciliation, Church

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 5
6:00 am EARLY BIRD ALPHA, Rm. 210-212
IPRF CLASSES

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 6
9:00 am ALPHA session, upstairs
5:00 pm ALPHA Session, St. Mary's
6:00 pm 1st Reconciliation, St. Mary's

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 7
12:35 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour, Church

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 8
8:00 am Holy Day Mass
9:00 am Private Reconciliation, Church
1:30 pm WEDDING:
Carmen Lindberg & Connor O'Brien

SCRIP Sales after Mass
Sign up for Pillars Adult Shelter after Mass

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 9
SCRIP Sales after Masses
Sign up for Pillars Adult Shelter after Masses
9:30 am RCIA Gathering, Rm. 209
10:00 am Children's Choir at Mass
5:00 pm ALPHA Sessions, upstairs

1st SUNDAY OF ADVENT

ANNOUNCEMENT

- 1) Pray for our second graders as they receive God's healing through their First Reconciliation this week. May they always remember how forgiving and loving our God can be.
- 2) The Seniors' Christmas Mass and luncheon take place on Tuesday December 4th beginning with the 12:05 pm Mass.
- 3) Eucharistic Holy Hour will be held on Friday December 7 at 12:25 pm in church. Come and spend one hour with Jesus.
- 4) The final chance to order special SCRIP cards is next weekend to have them in for Christmas. We will sell cards December 16/17, so if you order, you will need to pick them up by December 16/17 in church or come in to the office and pick up the order prior to Christmas.

SERVICE NEEDED

Would you be interested in helping serve the adults in the Pillars Adult Shelter [formerly known as Fox Valley Warming Shelter]?

We are in need of people to help one to six times a year. Sign up will take place the weekend of December 9th.

Any questions, call Karen Husman at 920-731-8532

SCRIP UPDATE

You can give St. Joe's extra cash without spending more money. The SCRIP program gives us a check for a percentage of the amount purchased.

Help us by purchasing your Gift Cards this weekend December 1/2.. SCRIP is available every weekend through December 15/16. After Christmas we return to our regular selling schedule of the 1st and 3rd weekend of the month.

Please, put your special order in early for Christmas purchases, especially if you want something not in our SCRIP box.

Another advantage of using SCRIP is to eliminate the worry of a credit card compromise. "Skimmers" that have been detected at some fuel stations in the area that can read credit card info when used at the pump. In addition, identity theft through large retailers with a potential security breach through their systems. Scrip is safe and easy to use.

This opportunity allows you to have more time to purchased SCRIP for birthdays, weddings, everyday needs and Christmas! Thanks for using SCRIP.



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