

November 27, 2022 FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

FROM OUR PASTOR

Happy Advent! Happy New Year! Yes, a new year with a new season. I think we always begin a new year with many hopes and dreams for the better. How to get there is usually the problem. Later in the season we will have our communal penance service. We have to admit we are not perfect and need God's grace. So we prepare ourselves for that since God the Father answered our prayers by sending His Son Jesus.

One of the annual rituals we use to prepare is the Advent wreath. It reminds us that the Light of the world is coming. Once again our second graders preparing for their First Confession and later their First Communion will be lighting the candles on the Advent Wreath. With a nice large group some of them have been gracious enough to share, later in the season two families will come up together to light the candles.

Looking back for just a moment, I hope your Thanksgiving Day was filled with family and friends along with time to reflect on the blessings of the year. Also a "thank you" to those who were able to attend the Ecumenical Thanksgiving Service held this year at the Methodist Church.

Getting together and building community is not over with the turkey and pumpkin pie. Sunday is Social Sunday, please come on downstairs and enjoy the morning with fellow parishioners. That is open to all families. For adults, we have our Holy Happy Hour this coming Tuesday (Nov. 29th) If you haven't gotten to one yet this year, here is your chance to do so.

First Friday gives a chance to gather in a whole other way. We unite ourselves with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament. What a powerful spiritual way to build community. Adoration is right after Mass and all day until benediction at 4 pm. There is a sign up sheet in the back of the church. If you can make any time available simply put that down so we know if there are spots to fill at the last minute. Perhaps that is the peace and quiet you were looking for.

First Saturday Mass is at 8 am. Right after Mass is the opportunity to go to confession. The middle of the afternoon may not work for your schedule but this time may work. Give it a try. I encourage you to google First Saturday and see what the saints have said about it and the graces that are offered.

Perhaps there are other ways of beginning the new liturgical year and deepening your relationship with Jesus. One of the great tools we have for all ages is FORMED. If you have not used it yet, I encourage you to get familiar with this platform that allows you to grow in the faith in so many ways. Like many new year's resolutions we simply need to put them into practice.

Happy Advent and new beginnings.

Father John

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WEEKEND MASSES

Saturdays ~ 5 PM Sundays ~ 8 AM &10 AM

WEEKDAY MASSES

Tuesday 5:30 PM Wednesday, Thursday & Friday 8:00 AM First Saturdays 8:00 AM DAILY ROSARY

Before 8 AM Mass at 7:25 AM

CONFESSIONS

Saturdays ~ 4 PM—4:45 PM & Following 1st Saturday 8 AM Mass

EXPOSITION & BENEDICTION

First Fridays following 8 AM Mass Benediction at 4:00 PM All other Fridays beginning at 3:00 PM Benediction at 4:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the week of November 27, 2022

Sat.	Nov. 26	5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Louis Varga
Sun.	Nov. 27	8:00 AM	For our Parishioners
		10:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of James Smart
Tue.	Nov. 29	5:30 PM	For all Deceased Members of the Howard G. Rose Family
Wed.	Nov. 30	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jonetta Zukauskis
		6:15 PM	For the Moore Family
Thu.	Dec. 1	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Joe Buttner Sr.
Fri.	Dec. 2	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of Jean Toth
Sat.	Dec. 3	8:00 AM	For the repose of the soul of John Grzenia
		5:00 PM	For the repose of the soul of Arnold Hacht Jr.
Sun.	Dec. 4	8:00 AM	For the repose of the souls of Rose & LaVerne Schaller
		10:00 AM	For our Parishioners

Pray for the health of Max Teumer, Ben Reynebeau, Julie (Watry) Stoner, Rosemary Lehnen, Vivian G., Russell Fairchild, Deb Beyer, Diana Hunt, Jessie Norton, Tricia Demmin, Bill Chase, Kiley Hackel, Shari Randall, Helen Eucolono, Ethel Passer, Sid Mead, Becky Fredrickson, Bob W., Therese, Audrey Gillen, Rita Kueppers, Cindy Mueller, George Gabay, Jim Smith, Sadie Ravenscroft, Anne Nancolas, Rosemary Wier, RM, Payton, Veronica, Kathryn Doughty, Patricia, JM, Carl Wier, Carole Hayes, Tillie Schumacher, Millie Hovde, Bill Eisch, Marie Boehm, Marsha Hamil, MMB, AAB, EMM, Brenna, Barb Gardner, Patrick Moore, Karen Patton, Therese Severson, Fran Skalak, Tina Moore, Eric, Tony Berns, Jeanne Allen, Randy Czaplewski, Anna Madden, Steve Connor, Joe Wolf, Phil S. and Janel.

Pray for those in the military serving our country: Janie Asberry, Andrei Klika-Sampe, Will Post, Zachary Bader, Bailey Granger, Alex Ericson, Samuel Levandoski and Ethan Jasinski.

HOLY HAPPY HOUR ~ Holy Happy Hour is this Tuesday, November 29th at 6:30 PM. Everyone is invited to State Street Tap for fellowship and meaningful conversation. Please join us!

This Friday is First Friday. Please sign up in the Gathering Area for a time of Eucharistic adoration.

For those subscribing to "The Word Among Us", your Advent issue is available on the table on the rectory porch. We also have additional copies if anyone else would like one. They are located on the table in the gathering area.

Thursday, December 8th is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. This is a Holy Day of Obligation. Mass will be celebrated at 6:15 PM on Wednesday, December 7th and at 8 AM and 6:30 PM on Thursday, December 8th.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

December 10 Ty

Tyler Dolata & Danielle Spencer

Stewardship Corner ~ November 19th & 20th, 2022 (506 Registered Families)

**WKLY	BUDGETED GIVING	ACTUAL
Adult Envelopes	\$8,653.85	\$ 3,567.00
On-Line Giving		1,572.00
Children's Envelopes	9.61	6.00
Loose Offering	385.00	529.00
Total Weekly Offering:	\$ 9,048.46	\$ 5,674.00
Year-to-date* budget ree Year-to-date amount co	\$ 190,017.66 \$ 167,311.14	
*Fiscal Year July 1, 2022 to current	nt date	
** Budgeted Weekly Giving Amount based on pledges made. We anticipate a total budgeted income deficit of \$ 42,539.00 for this fiscal year.		
We ask you to join us in prayin helping to meet the tempora		

Weekly Calendar				
Tuesday	Nov. 29	3:00 PM	Hour of Mercy in Church	
		6:30 PM	Holy Happy Hour	
Wednesday	Nov. 30		RELIGIOUS ED CLASSES	
		5:15 PM	Catholic Ed Committee	
		6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	
Thursday	Dec. 1	12:00 PM	Rosary Makers—RH	
Friday	Dec. 2	6:30 AM	That Man Is You	
		8:45 AM	Friday Folders	

carry on our spiritual mission.

Advent: Preparing Your Heart for Christmas ~ The Christmas Season is here! This Sunday is the First Sunday of Advent. Taking time during Advent to prepare ourselves spiritually can result in a truly meaningful Christmas Day and Christmas Season—the celebration of the birth of the most important Person in all of history: Jesus Christ.

Looking for reading material now that the weather is getting colder? Check out our library (next to the elevator). There are a lot of great reads! If you need help selecting something, stop by and ask Father John for a suggestion. He would be happy to recommend a book.

December Anniversaries

20 years	December 6	Matt & Soni Salm
23 years	December 4	Mike & Karen Krause
24 years	December 26	Frank & Suzanne Incaprero
27 years	December 23	Wayne & Kathy Butz
27 years	December 31	Greg & Moiya Moore
36 years	December 12	Frank & Cindy Vinopal
38 years	December 29	Fred & Sue Hollenbeck
46 years	December 4	John & Nancy Noga
47 years	December 6	Mike & Anita Lubinski
48 years	December 14	John & Jeanne Walsh
49 years	December 8	Allen & Arris Sullivan
50 years	December 17	Gale & Kathy Bauer
65 years	December 28	Fred & Nancy Schweiger

December Bírthdays

December 1	Robert Gonzagowski
December 4	Tony Gizewski
December 15	John Smart
December 16	Barbara Schramer
December 17	Fran Lunenschloss
December 30	Robert Duffy

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of November 26th & 27th

Saturday, 5:00 PM Lector: Kevin Quist Eucharistic Minister: Corinne Kaiser Servers: Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Terri Walling Greeters: Kevin Quist Ushers: Matt Schwab, Kevin Quist, Mike and Matt Lubinski Gift Bearers: Brigitte Varga, Irene Klingemann Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Bridget Gunther Eucharistic Minister: Marion Koca Servers: Seth Schwedrsky, Canaan Becker Musicians: John & Nancy Noga Greeters: Therese, Bridget & Amelia Gunther Ushers: John and Jeanne Walsh & Jim and Mary Ann Allaby Gift Bearers: Harry & Shirley Buttner Scrip Seller: Therese Gunther, Jeri Kolba Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Paul Curran Eucharistic Minister: Joelle Curran Servers: Kaden Cook, Johnny & Eddy Riley Musicians: Ann Benz Greeters: Bill Thill & Jane Powers Ushers: Steve Powers, Tom Jodarski, Adam Pouillie, Bill Thill Gift Bearers: Rob & Sandi Brandli Scrip Seller: Jeri Kolba, Kim Walsh

MINISTRY SCHEDULE—Weekend of December 3rd & 4th Saturday, 5:00 PM

Lector: Makenna Pouillie Eucharistic Minister: Rita Hamm Servers: Carter Field, Landynn & Theron Miller Musicians: Greeters: Danelle & Anita Lubinski Ushers: Bernie Lubinski, Bill Powers, Fran Lunenschloss, Tom Schoettler Gift Bearers: Jim & Anna Vinopal Scrip Sellers: Jeri Kolba, Jodi Field Sunday, 8:00 AM Lector: Paul Schaller Eucharistic Minister: Melissa Schanke Servers: Seth Schwedrsky, Canaan Becker Musicians: Ann Benz Greeters: The Becker Family Ushers: Dave Bosgraaf, George Treml, Jim Bires, Dave Netzer Gift Bearers: Paul & Nancy Schaller Scrip Sellers: Jeri Kolba, Therese Gunther Sunday, 10:00 AM Lector: Naome Pouillie Eucharistic Minister: Julie Whitney Servers: Weston & Garrett Pouillie Musicians: Peg Schmitz, Choir Greeters: Kris Mazur, Nancy Horabik Ushers: Jon Field, Clinton Pouillie Gift Bearers: Chris & Bonnie Clark

Canadian Pacific Holiday Train to Benefit the Food Pantry ~ Saturday, December 10th at 4 PM at the Division Street railroad crossing. The Bank of Mauston will be matching donations. Please stop out to see this beautiful Christmas lights display, listen to some wonderful holiday music and support our local food pantries.

Scrip Sellers: Jeri Kolba, Julie Whitney

St. Patrick School Christmas Program—Sunday, December 11th at 1 PM in the school gym. Everyone is invited to join with our school children as they celebrate Christmas and the birth of our Savior, Jesus Christ, through their Christmas musical " Miracle at Midnight". **Social Sunday** — This Sunday is "Social Sunday"! Please plan to stay after the 8 am and the 10 am Masses for donuts, coffee, juice, and fellowship in Reardon Hall. This month's social is hosted by the Finance Council. Hope to see you there!

Our PCCW Christmas Cookie Sale is December 3rd and 4th after the Weekend Masses! Please consider making a couple dozen cookies for the annual PCCW Christmas Cookie Sale.

SANTA IS COMING!! On Sunday, **December 4th**, Santa will be stopping by to have donuts and visit with the children after the 10am Mass in Reardon Hall (Church Basement). Don't miss out on this opportunity to take a picture with Santa, and visit with one another!

Eucharistic Revival ~ The dioceses of the United States of America have embarked on a three-year time of grace called "Eucharistic Revival." It is an occasion for us to restore our understanding, celebration and love of Jesus in the Eucharist. This focus on the Eucharist will begin with Advent Reflections. There will be 4 recordings available for you to watch during Advent. The following are the titles and presenters of these recordings. The recordings will be 40 minutes each and will be available for you to watch virtually from home. You can watch these recordings at:

https://diolc.org/catechesis/

•1st week of Advent: Jesus' True Presence in the Eucharist with Msgr. Joseph Hirsch.

•2nd week: Receiving and Adoring Jesus – Communion and Thanksgiving with Fr. Justin Kizewski

•3rd week: Offering ourselves with Jesus to the Father with Msgr. Richard Gilles

•4th week: "Source and Summit" of the Church's Life with Father Steven Weller

Eucharistic Revival: A Minute with Jesus for Nov. 27 How do we get to know Jesus better?

Jesus knows each one of us better than we know ourselves and He loves us. Friendship always involves two persons. We want to get to know this Person who loves us so much, through reading the Scriptures (the Bible). As we enter Advent, it is a perfect time to read the Scriptures and remember how Jesus came to us, born as an infant. Let's pray this right now and every day this week: "Jesus, give me the desire to read the Bible a few minutes each day". This week, read Luke 1: 26-38



NEEDED—Religious Education Coordinator / Pastoral Care Minister: St. Patrick Parish is looking for a Religious Ed Coordinator / Pastoral Care Minister. If you enjoy working with people of all ages and have a passion to serve, this position may be for you! For more information or to apply, please contact Father John.

Prayer Opportunities

Hour of Mercy: Tuesdays from 3 PM to 4 PM—time of prayer, litany and chaplet on behalf of our Church and the world.

Holy Hour: Each Friday we have Holy Hour from 3 PM to 4 PM. On First Fridays, we have Exposition and Adoration following morning Mass until benediction at 4 PM.

