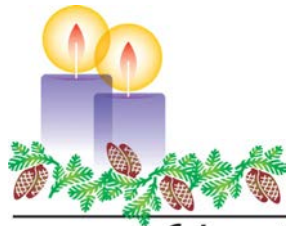


Christ the Servant Catholic Church

The Joy of Living a Giving Life

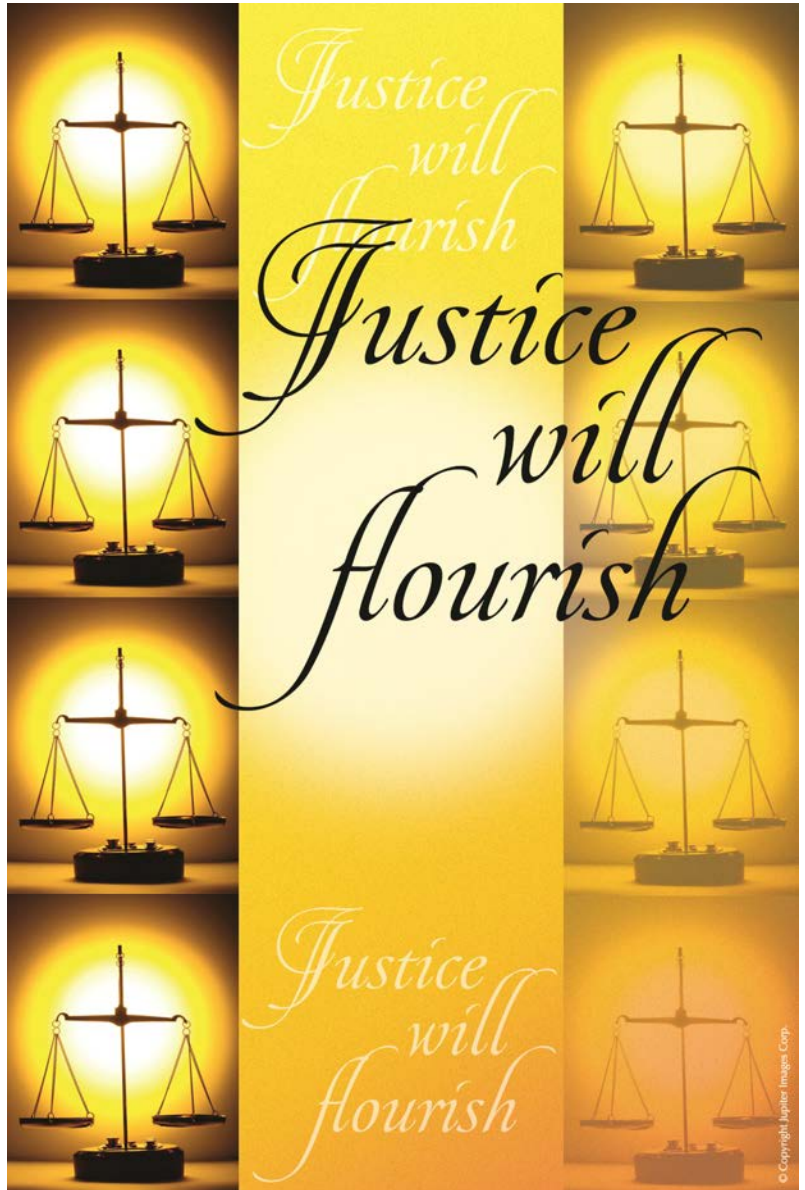
December 4, 2016
Second Sunday of Advent



SECOND SUNDAY OF *Advent*

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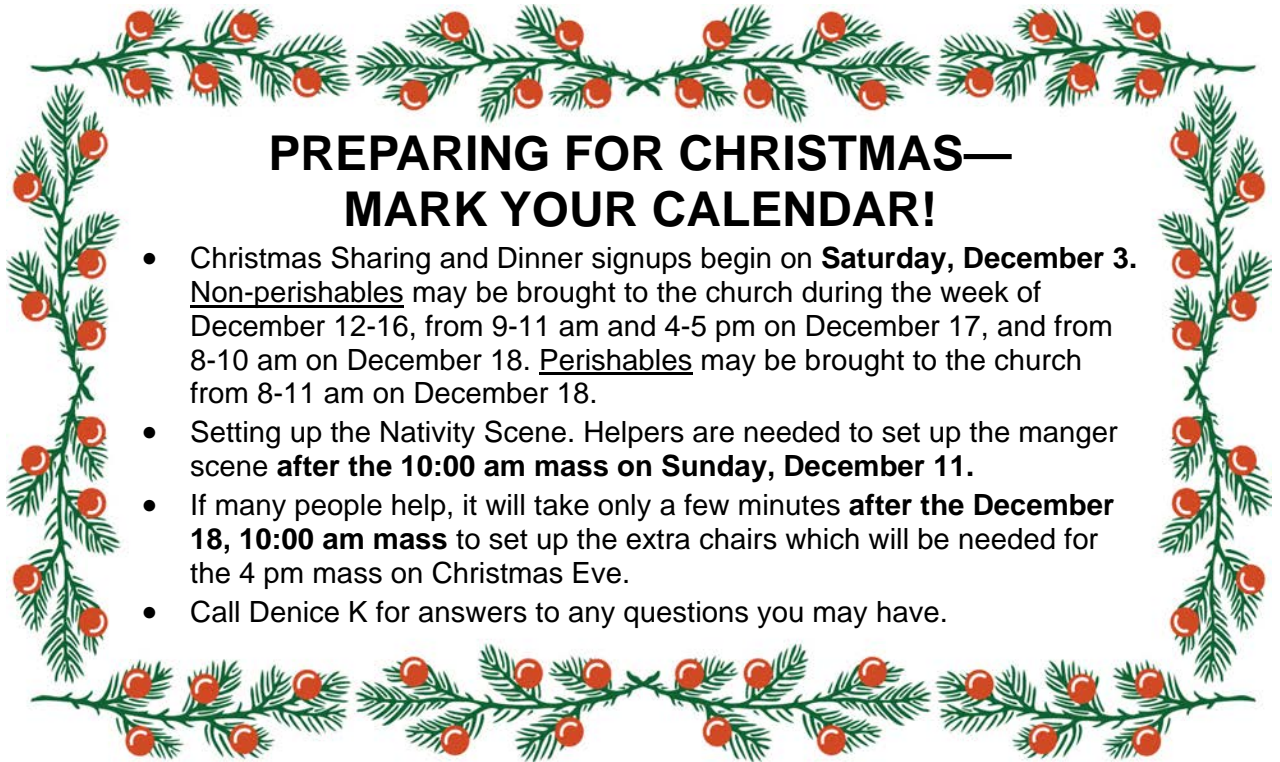


Our Mission

Christ the Servant Parish is a welcoming Catholic faith community gathered together to gratefully share and live the Eucharist, the inspiration of the Gospel, the presence of the Holy Spirit, and to follow Christ's example in service of others.

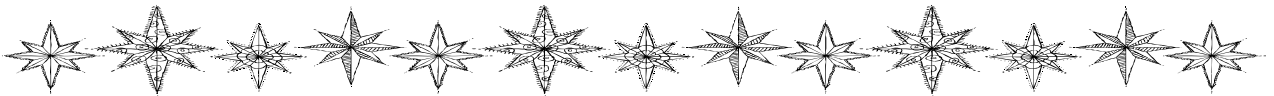
Our Parish ~ Our Spiritual Home

Pope Francis' Tweet for the Week
Jesus calls us to be bearers of joy and consolation as his merciful witnesses.



PREPARING FOR CHRISTMAS— MARK YOUR CALENDAR!

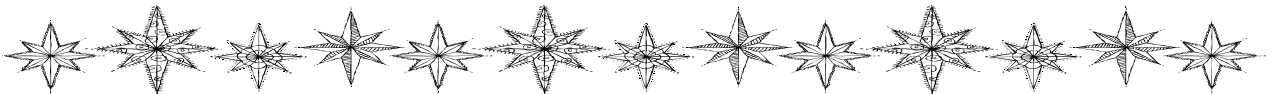
- Christmas Sharing and Dinner signups begin on **Saturday, December 3**. Non-perishables may be brought to the church during the week of December 12-16, from 9-11 am and 4-5 pm on December 17, and from 8-10 am on December 18. Perishables may be brought to the church from 8-11 am on December 18.
- Setting up the Nativity Scene. Helpers are needed to set up the manger scene **after the 10:00 am mass on Sunday, December 11**.
- If many people help, it will take only a few minutes **after the December 18, 10:00 am mass** to set up the extra chairs which will be needed for the 4 pm mass on Christmas Eve.
- Call Denice K for answers to any questions you may have.



**This year's RF Christmas Program
will be**

Friday December 16th at 7:00pm.

You are invited to come enjoy the program, sing Christmas carols, and remember that Jesus is the Reason for the Season.



2016 CATHOLIC MINISTRIES ANNUAL APPEAL is coming to a close.

**Thank you very much to EVERYONE who contributed to the
2016 Catholic Ministries Annual Appeal.**

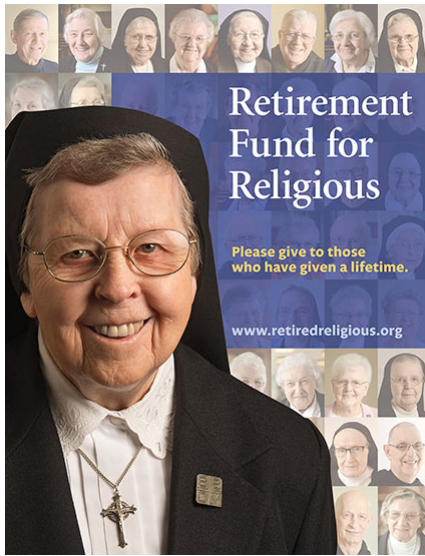
If you have not yet fulfilled your 2016 pledge, please send your contribution in by December 15. Then it can be included in the calculations for our parish rebate, which is currently \$1,228. For any amounts sent in now, 65% of that amount will be returned to the parish, but only if you send it in before Dec. 15!

There are 24 pledges remaining with an unpaid balance. If you are uncertain whether your pledge has been paid in full yet or not, please call Corinne in the Parish Office at 630-910-0770.

Find us (and like us!) on Facebook. www.facebook.com
Type "Christ the Servant Catholic Church" into the search bar.

**Retirement Fund for Religious
December 10-11, 2016**

In our faith lives, nearly all of us have been deeply touched by the example of thousands of now elderly women and men religious who, for so many, were a living sign of God's mercy. These women and men—Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests—were indeed the hands of Christ as they educated the young, cared for the sick, and ministered to the neediest among us. Through their service and witness, they modeled the compassionate love of Jesus and showed us that we, too, could be instruments of peace and mercy.



Today, many senior religious continue to be vessels of mercy, serving in a wide range of volunteer and prayer ministries. Others are frail and need assistance. Most older religious ministered for small stipends, leaving a substantial gap in retirement savings. With the ever-rising cost of health care and the increased number of those needing care, many religious communities struggle to provide for aging members.

Next week is the appeal for the Retirement Fund for Religious, an annual collection that benefits nearly 33,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. Your gift provides vital support for medications, nursing care, and more. It also helps religious communities implement long-term retirement strategies that ensure both quality elder-care and continued service to the People of God.



Welcome

Welcome to our parish family:

Hugh M
Iroquois Ln, Darien

If you have not yet registered, we welcome you too! Registration forms are available each weekend on the table in the narthex. Pick up a Welcome Folder to help introduce you to your new parish home!

Ladies Lunch Out ~ Over 55 Ladies Club

Come join us on
Tuesday, December 6, at 1:30 PM at



**1295 Lakeview Dr, Romeoville
(Weber Rd & I-55)**

*Call Rita S
or Andie W*

**Special Event: Bring a gift card or cash to
benefit Hope's Front Door**

New Members Welcome!!!

Manna Orders are due at 11:00 am, this Sunday, December 4. This is the last sale before Christmas.



Orders placed with this order will be ready for pickup, next weekend, Dec 10/11, which is plenty of time to include as part of your Christmas Giving gift baskets (or to purchase what you enclose), as gifts, or as a safe way to purchase gifts without fear of identity theft. Order forms are available in the narthex.

Contact Bill C to learn more about how Manna works, or to request an order form via email.



Are you a Scout? If so, have you earned your Catholic religious recognition for your age group? If not, the Diocese of Joliet will hold their annual Scout Day of Reflection Retreat on **Saturday, February 18, 2017, at the Blanchette Catholic Center, 16555 Weber Rd, Crest Hill** to help you get started! The retreat will start at 9am and end at 1pm and is open to **Boys and Girls** alike. This year there will be **TWO separate sessions**, one for **Older Scouts (grade 6+)** and one for **Younger Scouts (grades K-5)**. The event is for **ALL**



Scouts (male or female) in Kindergarten or older. For further information, registration, & permission forms, please visit: www.dioceseofjoliet.org/scouting/sectioncontent.php?secid=6

Religious Formation



Grades K-7

Sessions meet Tuesday and Wednesday.

Confirmation 8th Grade Classes:

Session SunA - December 4th
 Session WedA - December 7th
 Session SunB - December 11th
 Session WedB - December 14th



Service Project—
Christmas Dinner & Gift Pick-up
Sunday December 18th
 11:00 am to 1:00 pm
 (Wednesday Confirmation Classes)



Thank you to the Christ the Servant families who dressed the **F.A.C.T. Youth Group (Grades 6-8) GIVING TREE** with donations of new hats, earmuffs, scarves, mittens & gloves. They

are being donated to Hope's Front Door (formerly NW DuPage Walk-In Ministry) & St. Ethelreda.

Protecting God's Children for Adults

This program was developed to help caring and responsible adults in keeping children safe. PGCA is mandatory for all adults who work with children in the parish. All parents are encouraged to attend this program.

Visit www.virtus.org for session listings in our area (select Joliet, IL (Diocese)) and to register. For more information contact Liz Jesse Wagner @ 910-0770 x12 or liz@ctswoodridge.org.

**Christ the Servant
 Religious Formation has a
 Facebook page!**

**www.facebook.com/ctswoodridgerf.org
 "Like" us!**

From Mary's Heart to Yours

Join us on the feast of the Immaculate Conception as we, explore the Blessed Mother's life as a young wife, and mother and what Mary's life has to teach us as contemporary Christians.

DATE/TIME: Thursday,
 12/8/2016; 12:30-2:30pm
 LOCATION: Mayslake Ministries
 718 Ogden Ave, Suite 200
 Downers Grove, IL 60515
 COST: \$20



Register:

Online by visiting www.mayslakeministries.org

Call our office at 630-852-9000

Mail: Send your check payable to: Mayslake Ministries
 718 Ogden Ave, Suite 200

Downers Grove, IL 60515

FACILITATOR: Dr. Mary Amore

Dr. Mary Amore holds a Doctor of Ministry Degree in Liturgy and Master of Arts in Pastoral Studies from Catholic Theological Union. Dr. Amore is the author of Primary Symbols of Worship and the Call to Participation, as well as the creator of the DVD Series: Eucharist: Pathway of Transformation, Healing and Discipleship published by Pauline Media. A Cardinal Bernardin Scholar and distinguished member of the North American Academy of Liturgy, Mary has been a presenter at the RE Congress, University of Dallas Ministry Conference, Diocese of New Hampshire Ministry Conference, as well as conducting parish missions, retreats, and adult faith formation programs. A monthly blogger for CatholicMom.com, and a columnist for Ministry and Liturgy magazine, Dr. Amore serves as the Executive Director of Mayslake Ministries.



Looking at the history and prophecies of Sacred Scriptures, Sister Mary Bratrsovsky, OSB will focus on "**Mary: 'Model of Advent Waiting and Hope'**" at Sacred Heart Monastery, 1910 Maple Ave, Lisle. We offer this program on two dates Saturday, Dec. 10 and Tuesday, Dec. 13 from 9-11 am. Please choose the date

most suitable to your schedule. Mass is celebrated in our chapel at 11:30 and you are most welcome. Come to the door with the statue of the Sacred Heart in front. No reservation is necessary. There is no cost for the program, but donations are appreciated.

Questions: jdoyle@shmlisle.org or 630.725.6016

If you/your family would like to bring up the gifts at Mass (Bread, Wine and collection basket), just let one of the "hosts" know when you come into church. (the ones handing out the music booklets) They're always looking for volunteers!



Next Weekend's **MINISTERS**—3rd Sunday of Advent
(Liturigical color: Violet/Purple)

Contact Corinne Hanson, 630-910-0770, or email ctsoffice@ctswoodridge.org, for information on how to get started in a liturgical ministry. Scheduling is based on your availability. When you see a name lots of times on the lists to the right, it's because we need more people like you helping out!

	Saturday December 10 4:45 PM	Sunday December 11 8:30 AM	Sunday December 11 10:00 AM
ALTAR MIN:	Van Family	P Family	K Family
EXT. MINISTERS:	Jim G Mary K Pat S Annie T Maureen V	Paula R Dan S Heather S Lee W Andrea W	Judy E Ed J Madeline J Maureen N Chineze N
LECTORS:	Heather J Jim N	Donna C Joe C	Dan R Steve W
HOST TEAMS:	Maryrose G Donna M	Chr Family	Ant Family

Advent Penance Service MINISTERS
Monday, December 5
7:00 pm

LECTOR: Barbara K

GREETERS: Maria F
MINISTER NEEDED



Respect for All Life

"You also must be prepared, because the Son of Man will come at an hour when you do not expect Him."



The word "Advent" means "coming", and the season focuses on the coming of Christ at the end of time, and then on His first coming at Christmas. The joy of Advent is joined by a strong warning that we must be prepared for his coming. Promoting justice and human rights is a key element of our preparation. A society that does not respect the gift of life is not prepared for the coming of Christ.

"Come, Lord Jesus. May we be prepared to welcome You by welcoming all human life".

Submitted by Dave A

Sacramental Information

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION Adults interested in learning more about the Catholic Faith, the celebration of Baptism, Eucharist and/or Confirmation are invited to contact the parish office.

BAPTISM OF INFANTS Baptisms are usually celebrated on the first and third Sundays of each month (except during Lent) at 11:30 AM. A Baptism Preparation Class must be attended if you are planning your first child's baptism or if three years have passed since your last child was baptized. Call the Parish Office to register and to check whether adjustments have been made to the schedule.

MARRIAGE Marriage arrangements must be made at least six months in advance by contacting the Parish Office to set the date and reserve the church. Reserve the church before you reserve the reception hall.

HOLY ORDERS: Are you thinking of becoming a priest or religious? Talk with Fr. Bob or email Fr. Burke Masters at frburke23@aol.com.

RECONCILIATION Available Saturdays from 4:00-4:30 pm (except Holy Saturday), or by appointment with Fr. Bob.

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK Please contact the parish office for a visit from a priest when sickness occurs or death is imminent for the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. To arrange for Communion to be brought to the sick/homebound members of the parish community, help driving to appointments, or emergency meals, call Deacon Tom F.

FUNERALS Arrangements for funerals are usually made in cooperation with the attending funeral home. Contact the parish office for pre-planning of funerals.

Baptism Preparation Class:
Thursday, January 5, 7:00-8:00 PM

Mass Intentions for the Week

TABERNACLE LIGHT

Richard Regnier

MASS & PRAYER INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 3

4:45 PM John & Esther Michalek, *r. family*
 Gerald Johnson, *r. family*
 Tom Wolfe, *r. Andie Wolfe*
 Joseph Riedl, Sr., *r. Riedl family*
 Rose Neary, *r. Mike & Judy Garvey*
 Apolinario Bernal, *r. Rosauero & Nenita Luyun*
 Obdulio Castro, *r. Rosauero & Nenita Luyun*

Sunday, December 4

8:30 AM Joseph Enrique Garcia, *r. Ciolek family*
 Tim Mrozinski, *r. Ciolek family*

10:00 AM People of the Parish

Monday, December 5

8:30 AM Poor Souls in Purgatory

Tuesday, December 6

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Wednesday, December 7

8:30 AM People of the Parish

Thursday, December 8—Immaculate Conception

Holy Day of Obligation

8:30 AM Richard Buch, *r. Marge Buch & family*
 7:00 PM Chuck Kasper, *r. Kestler family*

Friday, December 9—Communion Service

8:30 AM

Saturday, December 10

4:45 PM Wilfred Merriman, *r. family*
 Joseph Riedl, Sr. *r. Riedl family*
 Apolinario Bernal, *r. Rosauero & Nenita Luyun*
 Obdulio Castro, *r. Rosauero & Nenita Luyun*

Sunday, December 11

8:30 AM Edwin & Helen Ciolek, *r. Ciolek family*
 Carol McIlvain
 Tim Mrozinski, *r. Ciolek family*
 People of the Parish

10:00 AM Diana Kasper, Sp. Int., *r. Kestler family*

*To request a mass, stop by or call the parish office
 at 630-910-0770.*

Bible Readings—Dec. 4-Dec. 11

SUNDAY: Is 11:1-10 / Rom 15:4-9 / Mt 3:1-12

MONDAY: Is 35:1-10 / Lk 5:17-26

TUESDAY: Is 40:1-11 / Mt 18:12-14

WEDNESDAY: Is 40:25-31 / Mt 11:28-30

THURSDAY: Gn 3:9-15,20 / Eph 1:3-6,11-12 / Lk 1:26-38

FRIDAY: Is 48:17-19 / Mt 11:16-19

SATURDAY: Sir 48:1-4,9-11 / Mt 17:9a,10-13

SUNDAY: Is 35:1-6a,10 / Jas 5:7-10 / Mt 11:2-11

We pray for the Sick

Mary Ann Andress	Nancy Komis	Jim Sanders
Marilyn Beres	Betty Kozlowski	Paula Sedlacek
Jack Crosby	LaVergne Kozerski	Roger Terry
Jim Dennis	Peggy Laughlin	Virginia Todro
Bernice Deron	Mary Mack	Frank Tiesenga
Holly Derrico	Tony Martusciello	Mary Vanderplow
Nathaniel Eagleson	Christy Moran	Joey Ventimiglia
Ron Ginocchio	Wanda Mulsoff	Rick Vendl
Bill Hitzke	Yecenia Palacios	Jim Wright
Marge Hodson	Richard Peslak	Ron Wyman
Dorothy Hunter	Kim Peterson	Joe Zapalac
Hannah Jahn	Dana Pharo	Harold Ziegler
Madeline Jascewsky	Pauline Popek	
Joanne Keefe	John Rossi	
Dave Kestler	Diane Rutkowski	
Peg Klug	Ron Rydzewski	

*Names remain on this list approximately three months, unless specifically requested otherwise. **To update the list, call the Parish Office at 630-910-0770 or email corinne@ctswoodridge.org. Thank you.***

We give thanks and praise to our God and for all those who have been praying for Carol Klucina. She's doing great!

We pray for the Deceased



Burton Jacobson

Pat Byrne

We pray for those who Serve

Christopher Durkovic, grandson of Joan Kurtz

Dan Fialek, nephew of Jerry Fialek

Eric Graslie, cousin of Pauline Ryan

Avery Jackson, grandson of Steve & Karen Jackson

David Jackson, son of Cathleen Jackson

Ben Jalove, nephew of Chuck & Linda Jalove

Joshua Plucinski, grandson of Joan Kurtz

Jim Sheehan, godson of Liz Jesse

If you have a family member serving overseas, please let us know. We will publish their names in the bulletin to remind everyone to ask for God's blessings on them, that they may return safely to their families. Let us join our prayers for peace and safety with yours. Also, please let us know when they return safely home, so that we may also rejoice with you.

Office Hours & Staff

8700 Havens Drive
Woodridge, Illinois 60517
Phone: (630) 910-0770
Fax: (630) 910-6060
www.ctswoodridge.org

Office Hours

Monday—Friday.....9:00 AM—4:30 PM

Mass Schedule

Monday through Thursday.....8:30 AM

Friday Communion Service.....8:30 AM

The Rosary is recited following daily Mass.

Saturday.....4:45 PM

Sunday.....8:30 and 10:00 AM

Holy Days....consult bulletin or call

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday, 4:00-4:30 or by appointment

Pastoral Staff

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dcnfricke@ctswoodridge.org

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 Religious Formation Director *Ext. 12*

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janet@ctswoodridge.org

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Barb Kosiek, Pastoral Council

Debi Savage, Pastoral Council Co-Chair

Jim McIlvain, Administration/Finance

Jerry Fialek, Christian Service (scribe)

Rosada Heintz, Parish Life

Jean Durran, Parish Life Co-Chair

(open position), Religious Formation

Sister Suzanne Lesniewski, Worship

Calendar of Events

Craft Fair

Christmas Giving signups

Sunday, December 4

8:30 am—Confirmation Class SA

10:00 am—Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:00 am—Manna orders due

Monday, December 5

5:00 pm—RF Christmas rehearsal

7:00 pm—Advent Penance Service

Tuesday, December 6

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

Wednesday, December 7

4:45-6:00 pm—RF Classes

6:30-7:45 pm—RF Classes

6:30-8:00 pm—Confirmation WA

Immaculate Conception

Thursday, December 8

8:30 am—Holy Day mass

7:00 pm—Holy Day mass

Friday, December 9

6:30 pm—Holiday Centerpiece Event

Pick up Manna

Christmas Giving signups

Saturday, December 10

Sunday, December 11

8:30 am—Confirmation Class SB

10:00 am—Children's Liturgy of the Word

11:00 am—Set up Nativity

Upcoming Events

Dec 12-16: non-perishable Christmas Sharing items may be dropped off at parish office 9 am-4:30 pm.

Dec 24: 4:00 pm & 10:00 pm masses

Dec 25: 8:30 am & 10:00 am masses

Parish Giving

We must be good stewards of God's gifts to us, receiving them gratefully and cultivating them with care, lest we be the ones about whom John the Baptist speaks today, cautioning us, "Every tree that does not bear good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire." *See Matthew 3:10*

NEEDED WEEKLY: 2016-2017

Parish Expenses	\$ 7,417.00
Mortgage Payment	3,350.00
Total Needed	\$ 10,767.00

CONTRIBUTIONS Nov. 15-Nov. 28:

Sunday 11/20	\$ 5,958.40
Sunday 11/27	6,771.50
Sunday other forms	1,545.00
General funds	351.00
Debt Reduction	176.00
Total Contributed	\$ 14,896.90

Differential report: 2 weeks

Needed	\$ 21,534.00
Reported	14,896.90
Deficit this 2 week period	\$ (6,637.10)

OTHER CONTRIBUTIONS:

World Missions	\$ 10.00
Campaign for Human Dev.	1,062.00
T-giving/Hope's Front Door	864.10

General Funds includes Holy Days, All Souls, mass intentions, etc.

Debt to Diocese as of 10/31	\$294,977
Registered Households	—752

Thank you for your generous support!

Did you know... Give freely—love your family & friends, support those in need, pray for the imprisoned.

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