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## First Sunday of Advent December 2, 2018



### From: Fr. Tony Hesse:

As you heard in the petitions this weekend, we are asked to pray for a couple who is attending a Retrouvaille Weekend this weekend. This program is for couples with marital problems that want marriage help. Those who are considering marriage separation and those who are already separated or divorced are encouraged to consider the Retrouvaille Program. There is always hope of reviving your relationship. Some couples come to Retrouvaille during the initial signs of a marriage problem. Other couples are in a state of despair and hopelessness when they attend the program. The Retrouvaille program is for husbands and wives and is not designed nor intended for couples in a co-habiting relationship. It is a weekend program with post weekend sessions and monthly support. For more information, let me know or check out their website, [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org). Speaking of healing, we will have a couple opportunities to celebrate it. See the attachment in the bulletin.

### Fr. Christian's Corner

#### **Love your Priests and always pray for them!**

Love Jesus Christ in a special way through your priests. Your priests are Christ ambassadors and Christ Himself; they not only represent Christ, they act in the person of Christ Himself. Christ in the person of each priest always sacrifices Himself for your good. Priestly life is life of sacrifice. Your priests are who they are because of you; they pray for you and offer sacrifices especially the Holy Mass for you. When you are sick they visit/pray for you, they listen to your problems and carry them in their minds. When anyone does this they join in mourning the person and consoling the bereaved family. They listen to God and communicate God's will to you.

However, no one can love you more than Christ through his priests. Your priests are always happy when you are happy and sad when you are sad. God is always very happy when you love him through his priests. Abraham was blessed by God through the instrumentality of His priest because of His kindness to the priests in the book of Genesis 14 and the Letter to the Hebrews 7. Love your priest and be blessed.

It is important to note that your priests are not perfect; they are also human beings that are prone to mistakes and vulnerable to sin. In the letter to the Hebrews: "Every high priest is selected from among the people and is appointed to represent the people in matters related to God, to offer gifts and sacrifices for sins. He is able to deal gently with those who are ignorant and are going astray, since he himself is subject to weakness. This is why he has to offer sacrifices for his own sins as well as for the sins of the people". (Hebrews 5:1-3)

Always forgive your priests when they sin or make mistakes. God is always happy when you forgive and pray for his priests. God knew that Apostle Peter will deny Him three times but chose him as the head of his apostles. Since God forgave Apostle Peter despite the fact that he warned him before why can't you forgive and pray for your priests. God's love for his priests is awesome despite their mistakes/sins and will always forgive them whenever they approach his throne of mercy and forgiveness. My dear, don't judge or condemn whom God has not yet judged or condemned. In the confessional priest always ask God to forgive and more importantly Christ always forgive you through his priests. Reciprocate the mercy and forgiveness you have been receiving from God by forgiving his priests that have hurt you.

Remember Jesus words in the Gospel according to Matthew 7:1-2 & Luke 6:36: the measure you will be the measure you will receive. If you love your priests God will love you in a special way. God will bless you abundantly when you give, support and encourage any of his priests.

*Fr. Christian and my pastor, amicable and spirit-filled Fr. Tony Love you all.*

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#### **BAPTISM**

Contact your parish office to set an appointment for class and baptism.

#### **MARRIAGE**

Contact the parish office at least nine months before intended marriage.

#### **CATHOLIC CHARITIES COUNSELING**

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#### **PRAYER NETWORK**

Contact Bev Passe  
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**EVENTS OF THE WEEK**

**SUNDAY – December 2**

**First Sunday of Advent**

*Jer 33:14-16 (3C)1 Thes 3:12-4:2; Lk 21:25-28,34-36*

8 AM Mass - *St. John*

*People of our Parishes*

8 AM Mass - *St. Mary - Seaforth*

*d. Floyd & Hazel Sinclair, Joseph, Christine,  
William & Anthony Woelfel*

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Sunday School - PRE-K

9:30 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Marcella & Lawrence Plaetz*

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne - Wabasso*

*d. Wilbur, Joan, Steve, Jim & George Frank*

4 PM Penance - *St. Anne - Wabasso*

4 -5 PM Holy Hour – *St. Catherine*

**MONDAY – December 3**

**St. Francis Xavier, Priest**

*Is 2:1-5; Mt 8:5-11*

No Mass

7 PM Bells

**TUESDAY - December 4**

**St. John Damascene, Priest & Doctor of the Church**

*Is 11:1-10; Lk 10:21-24*

5:15 PM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Maggie Maserek*

6 PM Mass - *St. Mary - Seaforth*

*d. Donald Maetens*

6:30 PM Following Jesus Bible Study

**WEDNESDAY – December 5**

*Is 25:6-10a; Mt 15:29-37*

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Al Frericks*

8 AM Mass - *Our Lady of Victory - Lucan*

*d. Myron Skoblik*

10 AM Wabasso Healthcare

*d. George Rohlik*

5:30-6:30 PM-RE class GR 1-6

7 PM RE-GR 7-12

**THURSDAY - December 6**

**St. Nicholas, Bishop**

*Is 26:1-6; Mt 7:21,24-27*

8 AM Mass - *St. John*

*d. Joe Malecek*

8:30 AM Mass – *St. Mathias – Wanda*

*d. Clara Schilling*

9 AM-6 PM Adoration/12 Rosary-*St. Catherine*

10 AM Mass - *Garnette Gardens*

*d. Fran Kaufenberg*

7 PM Choir

**FRIDAY – December 7**

**St. Ambrose, Bishop & Doctor of the Church**

**First Friday**

*Is 29:17-24; Mt 9:27-31*

5:45 AM “*That Man Is You*” - *Wabasso*

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Bernie Hagert*

*Coffee & Rolls-following Mass*

8:30 AM Mass - *St. Anne- Wabasso*

*d. Dick Atkins*

5 PM Mass - *OLV - Lucan (Vigil for Holy Day)*

*d. Anton I. Soupir*

5:30 PM Mass—*St. John (Vigil for Holy Day)*

*d. Tom Ochs*

7 PM Mass - *St. Mary – Seaforth (Vigil for Holy Day)*

*People of our Parishes*

**SATURDAY – December 8**

**Immaculate Conception (Holy Day of Obligation)**

*Gn 3:9-15,20(689),Eph 1;3-6,11-12; Lk 1:26-38*

8 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*For the Stoterau family & souls in purgatory*

8 AM Mass - *St. Mathias - Wanda*

*d. Landon Evans*

9-10 AM Confessions – *SC*

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne – Wabasso*

*d. Louie Plaetz*

4 PM Mass – *St. Mary - Seaforth*

*Nam Nguyen*

5 PM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Lillian Swoboda*

CCW Bake Sale - *San Lucas*

6 PM Mass - *St. Mathias - Wanda*

*People of our Parishes*

**SUNDAY – December 9**

**Second Sunday of Advent**

*Bar 5:1-9(6C),Phil 1:4-6,8-11; Lk 3:1-6*

8 AM Mass - *St. John*

*d. Phillip & Doreen LeGare*

8 AM Mass - *Our Lady of Victory - Lucan*

*d. Richard Kramer*

8:30 AM - 9:15 AM Sunday School - PRE-K

8:30-11:30 AM - *KC Pancake Breakfast*

9:30 AM Mass - *St. Catherine*

*d. Angie Kinney*

CCW Bake Sale –*San Lucas*

10 AM Mass - *St. Anne - Wabasso*

*d. Richard Walter*

4 -5 PM Holy Hour – *St. Catherine*

**Mass Servers: December 8, 2018 (Immaculate Conception)**

**8 AM:** Alex Louwagie/Isaac Louwagie/Ethan Louwagie/Cadence Pope

**MASS SERVERS: DECEMBER 8/9, 2018**

**5:00 PM Saturday**

Kyle Huhnerkoch  
Kendall Huhnerkoch  
Griffin Evans

**9:30 AM Sunday**

Alex Johnson  
Victoria Johnson  
Jack Frank

**Our Gifts to God and to His Church**

Adult Contribution	3,447.00	Adult for Week	3,447.00
Students	28.00	Adult Budget	4,808.00
Thanks/Food Shelf	1,111.00		
Loose Plate	424.78		
Maintenance	20.00	YTD Actual	88,215.74
Total	5,030.78	YTD Budget	105,776.00

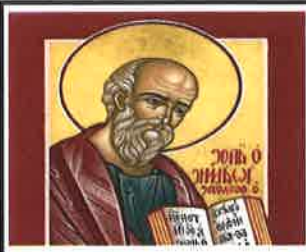
**Share the Spirit—Angel Tree**

We are sponsoring three families this year. Select an Angel from the Angel Tree in the Gathering Space and have fun shopping for a child/family in need. You can buy what is on the Angel and feel free to add something you may think they need or would be glad to receive. Do not wrap the gift, just tape the Angel to the gift and set under the tree. Deadline is Sunday, Dec. 9th.

**Tis the Season for Salvation Army Bell Ringing**

St. Catherine's is ringing the bell at Tersteeg's on some selected days. Please sign-up in the gathering space to help ring the bell.





# St. John's Bulletin

## December 02, 2018

### First Sunday Of Advent



#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**SUNDAY December 02**  
**Ushers:** Tony Mages / Peach Hennen  
**Servers:** Luke Mages / Colton Mages  
**Lector:** Mary Sullivan  
**Video Taper:** Shawn Kodet  
**Gifts:** Tony Mages Family  
**Hosts:** Kate Colwell  
**Cup:** Mary Sullivan / Gloria Lothert  
**Money:** Barb Hennen / Meghann Kodet

#### SUNDAY December 07 -5:30 PM

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
**Ushers:** Bill Shaw / Jeff Kodet  
**Servers:** Maddi Mages / Morgan Kodet  
 Luke Mages / Colton Mages  
**Lector:** Matt Buckley  
**Hosts:** Jean Hillesheim  
**Cup:** Mary Sullivan / Matt Buckley  
**Money:** Peggy Mages / Kris Tetric

#### SUNDAY December 09

**Ushers:** George / Cindy Schottenbauer  
**Servers:** Maddi Mages / Morgan Kodet  
**Lector:** Judy Kodet  
**Video Taper:** Laron Schottenbauer  
**Gifts:** George / Cindy Schottenbauer  
**Hosts:** George Schottenbauer  
**Cup:** Cindy Schottenbauer / Kate Colwell  
**Money:** George / Cindy Schottenbauer  
 Sandy Seehausen

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION -- ST. JOHN'S**  
 December 5th —Regular Class  
**\*\* PIZZA WITH THE PADRE \*\*\*GRADES 7—12**  
 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM  
 Meet in church to eat pizza with Fr. then go to class  
 in the rectory.

#### Our Gifts to God and to His Church

##### WEEKLY CONTRIBUTIONS

Weekly—Adult	\$ 3 40.00
Weekly Bdgt	\$ 528.00
YTD Adlt Act	\$14,878.00
YTD Budget	\$10,560.00
Loose Plate	\$ 242.00
Student	\$ 5.00
Thanksgiving	\$ 242.00
Fuel Fund	\$ 1,014.00
Christmas Flowers	\$ 65.00

##### 2018-19 DMA STATUS As of 11/11/2018

Total Goal	\$ 5,702.35
Total Amt given	\$ 382.00
Variance	\$ 5,320.35
Portion for DMA	\$ 305.60
St. John's amt	\$ 76.40
# of donors	9
Cash/Pledges	\$ 1,382.00

#### PRAY THE ROSARY

#### SAVE THE DATE




**DECEMBER 04 , 2018**

**WELCOME FR. CHRISTIAN**

St. John's would like to have a parish potluck to welcome Fr. Christian. Please bring a dish to pass on Tuesday, Dec. 4, 6:00 PM. Beverages, plates/cups/tableware will be provided. We will meet in the church basement. Come welcome Fr. Christian to our parish. CCW—there will be a short meeting at 7:30 that evening.

**THANK—YOU** for all the donations to the Food Shelf, the white socks for Sharing and Caring Hands and all the gifts that went to Santa's Closet for those in need.

 Christmas Flower requests are now being taken. Please use the Christmas Flower envelope found in the envelope box or label an envelope and drop in the collection box. Please remember to list those you want honored.

 **BLOOD MOBILE-Monday -12/ 3** — The Red Cross Blood Drive will be in the social hall here at St. John's on Monday, Dec 3rd, from 12:00 PM to 6:00 PM. Walk-ins are welcome.

**PLEASE MAKE A NOTE OF THIS CHANGE:** ST. JOHN'S WILL HAVE A CHRISTMAS EVE MASS INSTEAD OF A CHRISTMAS DAY MASS. THE CHRISTMAS EVE MASS WILL BE AT 6:00 PM. ALL LITURGICAL MINISTERS SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTMAS DAY WILL NOW BE SCHEDULED FOR CHRISTMAS EVE. Please let me know if you will not be able to do this switch.





## Religion Class Schedule

Please keep our catechists, students and their families in our prayers through this school year.

### December Schedule

- Sunday, Dec 2 - Sunday School (Pre-K)  
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM
- Wednesday, Dec 5 - 5:30-6:30 PM RE GR 1-6  
7-8 PM RE GR 7-12
- Sunday, Dec 9 - Sunday School (Pre-K)  
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM
- Wednesday, Dec 12- 5:30-6:30 PM RE GR 1-6  
7-8 PM RE GR 7-12
- Sunday, Dec 16 - Sunday School (Pre-K) -Christmas party  
8:30 AM - 9:15 AM
- Wednesday, Dec 19- 5:30-6:30 PM RE GR 1-6  
7-8 PM RE GR 7-12
- Sunday, Dec 23 - No Sunday School (Pre-K)
- Wednesday, Dec 26 - No Religion GR 1-12 –Christmas Break

### Catholic Hearth Work Camp in 2019

There are 3 spots left for the Catholic Heart Work Camp in Kansas City, KS from July 6-13, 2019. Youth in 9th grade and up to adults are welcome to attend. For more information call Sherry Plaetz @ 342-5474

### Advent Prayer Service



All families, especially those with children, are invited to attend an Advent Prayer Service with Bishop John M. LeVoi on Sunday, December 9. The service is at 4:00 p.m. in Hutchinson at the Church of St. Anastasia. This service is designed to help us focus on Advent and prepare for the true meaning of Christmas, centered on the birth of Jesus.

Families are encouraged to bring the Baby Jesus figure from their home nativity set. The figure will be blessed by Bishop LeVoi individually as families come forward in procession. There will be a blessing on families and expectant mothers as they prepare for Jesus' birth in their hearts. A "swaddling clothes" collection (blankets, sleepers, layette items, etc.) and cash donations will be taken for babies in need. For more information, contact the diocesan offices at 507-233-5325.

### 15th ANNUAL "FREEZIN FOR FOOD"

Locations to drop off your non-perishable food and/or cash donations are at Kohls-Weelborg Ford in Redwood Falls, Becker's Super Valu in Morgan, Salfers Food Center in Wabasso, B & D Market in Olivia on Dec. 5, 6 and 7. Donations will be distributed to Redwood Area Food Shelf, Wabasso Wafers, Renville County Food Shelf, We Care Morgan, and the Lower Sioux Food Agency.

### Christmas Flower Donation



If you would like to donate toward the Christmas flowers in memory of or in honor of a loved one, leave your donation in the envelope marked Christmas Flower Offering in your contribution envelopes or write "Christmas Flowers" on an envelope and put in collection basket.

Be sure to list the name (s) you want remembered.

### You are Invited!

....Church of the Japanese Martyrs in Leavenworth, MN Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, Dec. 2nd from 9:30 AM—12:30 PM.  
 ...."Taste of Bechyn" Supper & Raffle on Wed., Dec. 5th at the Olivia American Legion Post 186. Meal served from 4:30-7 PM. This is a fundraiser for the tiling project around St. Mary's Church in Bechyn.  
 ....Annual Sausage Feed on Sunday, Dec. 9th from 4:30-7:30 PM at the Clements American Legion in Clements, MN.  
 ....JFK Bake Sale Fundraiser at Redwood Valley HS Gym on Saturday, Dec. 15th from 12-3PM.  
 ....Annual Men's Christmas Concert on Tuesday, Dec. 4th at 7 PM at Our Lady of Victory Church in Lucan, MN with a pork chop dinner served at 6 PM. Dinner/Concert ticket is \$20, Dinner \$13, Concert is \$7 purchase by Dec. 3rd at First Independent Bank in Lucan or Integrity Bank in Wabasso.

### Cor Jesu

On December 15th at St. Andrew's Church in Granite Falls starting at 7:15 PM join us for a powerful night of adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, an inspirational sermon, opportunities for Confession, and reflective music.

### Knights of Columbus Advent Gathering

On December 11th at 7 PM all Knights and Spouses and any widow of a Knight and members of St. Catherine's staff are invited to come and celebrate the Advent Season by playing games, exchanging gifts (\$5 limit please) and enjoy a light lunch. Please sign-up to attend in the gathering space.

### DONATIONS FOR LOCAL FOOD SHELF!



Our local food shelf is in need!! As we prepare for the holidays, lets keep in mind the people who worry about putting food on their tables for their families. Please place your donation in the shopping cart in the Gathering Space. You can drop your cash donations in the offertory in an envelope marked "food shelf", or drop off at the Parish office. God bless you!

### Famous KC Pancake Breakfast

Sunday, December 9th  
8:30-11:30 AM at St. Catherine's  
Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their  
Famous Pancake Breakfast.



Scrambles eggs, sausage, and pancakes made from scratch, come and enjoy! All are welcome!!

### CCW Ladies-Bake Sale for San Lucas Mission

The CCW Service Commission will be having their Annual Bake Sale after masses next weekend, December 8th & 9th. The proceeds will again go to our mission in San Lucas Toliman in Guatemala. Please sign-up in gathering space to bring bake goods.

### This weeks Calendar Raffle drawing winners:

Nov 26 \$25 Gale Morley	Nov 30 \$100 Larry Kreckow
Nov 27 \$25 Mark Malecek	Dec 1 \$25 Paul/Marvel Pryor
Nov 28 \$25 Cindy Serbus	Dec 2 \$50 Marin Scheffler
Nov 29 \$25 Jake Henjum	

Checks will be mailed out to the address on ticket stub.  
Thank you for buying a raffle ticket!

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