The Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein

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November 29, 2020 First Sunday of Advent

Very Rev. Mark J. Stoll, JCL, VF, Pastor Parish Offices:		CALENDAR
Immaculate Conception Cherokee 720 West Willow, PO Box 658	Mon. Nov. 30	8 a.m. Public at OLGC [Merle Pauley ⁺]
Phone 712-225-4606 Office Hours 7 a.m 1 p.m. Email iccherokee@gmail.com	Tues. Dec. 1	8:00 a.m. Public at IC & Online [David Bofenkamp ⁺]
Our Lady of Good Counsel Holstein 517 Mueller Street, PO Box 380 Phone 712-368-4755	Wed. Dec. 2	8:00 a.m. Public at OLGC [Lillian Leonard ⁺] 7:00 p.m. Faith Formation via Zoom
Office Hours TBA Email olgcholstein@hotmail.com	Thur. Dec. 3	9:00 a.m. Public at IC & Online [Joseph & Louise Haselhoff ⁺]
Deacon: Rev. Mr. LeRoy Rupp (IC) 712-225-5297 Business Manager: Joel Ehrig (IC/OLGC) bkcherokee@scdiocese.org	Fri. Dec. 4	8:00 a.m. Public at OLGC [Merle Woolworth ⁺]
Secretary: Open (OLGC) Denise Mendt (IC) iccherokee@gmail.com	Sat. Dec. 5	5:00 p.m. Public at IC & Online [Elaine Rupp ⁺]
Faith Formation: Joyce Galvin (OLGC) olgcholstein@hotmail.com	Sun. Dec. 6	8:30 a.m. Public at OLGC [Harry Oakley ⁺]
Fr. Mark (IC) iccherokeeff@gmail.com	Sun. Dec. 6	10:30 a.m. Public at IC [Parish Families]
Liturgy Music Coordinator: Charlotte Groves (IC)		
Custodian: Joe Immele (IC)		

FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today is the First (1st) Sunday of Advent. Like Isaiah, we may long for God to perform a breath-taking miracle that would make us sit up and take notice. Yet, as people of faith, we are called to see God in the ordinary. Advent gives us the opportunity to take time to pray – to sharpen our vision of God's presence in our daily lives and to be ever watchful for our God, who comes to us in ordinary circumstances.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our annual TOGETHER AS ONE campaign to help support our parishes and our Diocese. If you have not given, please do so soon so we can achieve 100% participation from our parishioners.

Again, thank you to everyone who visits our parish website and Facebook page to stay in touch with the latest news and information, to utilize our weekend Mass reservation system [https://cherokeecountycatholics.org/mass-attendance-reservations [under the Liturgy menu]] to reserve your spot by Saturdays 3:00 p.m.

And again, if we have any spikes in COVID cases in our communities and/or if staff, catechists, or others exhibit symptoms of COVID-19, we will need to postpone and/or cancel parish events and/or close our buildings to public Masses and private prayer. The churches will remain locked except for half hour before Mass times and private prayer times [two hours after each daily Mass]. Saturday evening and daily Masses at Cherokee are live streamed on our website.

And thank you for all parishioners who continue to mail in their parish contributions and/or go online to do this.

Please remember your parish in your will.....Your bequest is a testimony to your faith in our future.

Fr. Mark

SACRAMENT & PARISH INFORMATION

RECONCILIATION: By appointment.

BAPTISM: Parents must attend Baptism Class. Register with

Michelle Wilson at 712-229-0299.

MARRIAGE: Contact the parish office 9 months in advance.

COMMUNION and ANOINTING OF THE SICK: Please call

your parish office or contact Fr. Mark.

PARISH MEMBERSHIP: Contact the parish office or go to

cherokeecountycatholics.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesday.

STEWARDSHIP

C Nov 22

Weekly Total: \$9,858 - Adult Envelopes \$7,285, General - Online \$450, Major Repair - Envelopes \$522, Major Repair - Online \$100, Loose \$10, CAP \$875, Guild \$40, Cemetery \$575, Votives \$1. TAO Goal: \$41,385, Pledged \$21,452.50, Paid \$17,627.50; Cards to be returned: 464, Cards returned 130.

OLGC Nov 22

Weekly Total: \$434 - Envelopes \$270, Loose \$125, Votives \$4, Norma Kofmehl Memorial \$35. Capital campaign: Goal \$350,000, Pledges: \$445,312, Amount received: \$364,605. TAO Goal: \$9,735, Pledged \$3,846, Paid \$3,846; Cards to be returned: 112, Cards returned 29.

USHER SCHEDULE

IC:

Dec. 5 David Fordyce, Darla Immele, Judy Slota

Dec. 6 Jim Peterson, Julie Peterson, David Zanfes

OLCG:

Dec. 6 Dale Friedrichsen, Tom Kofmehl, Joyce Galvin

OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

CRMC Hospice cordially invites you to the Trees of Light Memorial Service on Tuesday December 1st at 6:30 p.m. This year's ceremony will be held virtually due to COVID-19. Visit cherokeermc.org to find a Hospice Trees of Light link on the homepage or visit the Cherokee Regional Medical Center Facebook page for a special Hospice Trees of Light event.

Magnificat of NW Iowa: Plan now to attend a Virtual Visitation via Zoom on Saturday, December 5th, at 9:00 a.m. This online event will last 60-75 minutes. Guest speaker will be Fr. Travis Cotty. RSVP required by emailing MagnificatNWIA@gmail.com by December 1st.

Together As One [TAO] 2020, our annual appeal for the parish and for the Diocese assists with supporting Catholic ministries in the parish and the diocese, including pastoral, educational, spiritual and human

services that benefit thousands of families throughout the 24 counties in the Diocese of Sioux City including helping to advance the work of parishes with financial assistance and support services. Your generous support makes the vital work of the Church possible.

Ushers needed to assist with greeting, taking attendance, seating, and dismissing Mass attendees. Volunteers need to be under age 65 and in general good health and able to do this challenging task. To volunteer, please contact Fr. Mark. Thank you to our current ushers who are doing a great job under challenging circumstances.

Catholic Charities is offering services, including Zoom sessions, for parents/family specific to the impacts of COVID-19 on children regarding masks, anxiety, isolation, etc. For more information you may contact the Sioux City office at: info@cathchar.com, (712) 252-4547, or visit https://cathchar.com.

Online giving is available on our parish website. Simply lick the ONLINE GIVING box, follow the instructions, and give one-time, weekly, or monthly to the funds provided. There are funds set up for each parish.

Regular giving is still available by mailing your contribution to your parish's PO Box address.

Advent: When the Church celebrates the liturgy of Advent each year, she makes present this ancient expectancy of the Messiah, for by sharing in the long preparation for the Savior's first coming, the faithful renew their ardent desire for his second coming. [CCC 524]

Laudato Si Series – The common good. Pope Francis explains the three pillars that support the common good: respect for the human person, overall welfare of society (the family seen as the basic cell of society), and social peace and justice. (157) Reflect on your hope for future generations, considering that "the world is a gift which we have freely received and must share with others " (159). Act: Before making a purchase, ask yourself, "Is this necessary and how will it impact the environment?" Read: Chapter 4, Sections 4 & 5 of Laudato Si found under PARISH DOCUMENTS on the parish website. Source:

https://www.ncronline.org/news/earthbeat/intergenerational-and-intragenerational-solidarity

Waiting with Listening Hearts: Join a virtual Advent discernment retreat for women ages 18-50, December 5th-6th. Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, SD. Register by Dec. 4th. Talks, spiritual direction, discussion, prayer. Contact: shmyankton.vocationdirector@gmail.com.

Would you be interested in volunteering to ring bells this year for the Salvation Army? Bellringing will start on November 28th and continue for the next three Saturdays (December 5th, 12th, and 19th). You may sign

up in one-hour time slots, beginning at 10 a.m. The last slot starts at 2 p.m. and ends at 3 p.m. Bell ringers must be at least 18 years of age. Those who are younger need to be accompanied by an adult. Bells will be rung at these three locations: Fareway, Hy-Vee, and Bomgaars. If you are interested in volunteering for this service project, you may call Mary Jo Carnine at 225-6301 to set up a time to ring bells.

Online Advent Retreat: The Winter of the Spirit. In these days of COVID-19 darkness, how can the hope of Advent speak to us? Bring your feelings and your hopes to an online Advent Retreat given by the staff of the Benedictine Peace Center of Sacred Heart Monastery, Yankton, SD. This retreat will be held on Zoom from 9:30 to 11:30 a.m. on Saturday, December 5th. There will be an opportunity for sharing, two short presentations, and time for prayer and reflection. Please register by noon on Dec. 4th by sending your email address to the benedictinepeacectr@yanktonbenedictines.org. For more information on the retreat and mailing an appropriate donation, call 605-668-6292.

IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

IC Parish Prayer Chain: Call Gert Selk 712-229-1756 to put prayers (illness/other) on prayer chain.

Please remember Deborah A. Johnson (68), who died on November 20th, in your prayers as well as her family.

Please remember David Bofenkamp (76), Al Bofenkamp's brother, who died on November 5th in your prayers as well as his family.

Thank you to Keith Wells and K & M Tree Service for volunteering their services in removing a tree behind the convent that was damaged in the recent ice storm.

Please donate to this worthy fundraiser!

What: Diaper drive or \$\$ towards diapers.

Who: Nash Pigott on behalf of Mary's Choice

Pregnancy Resource Center in Sioux City.

When: Now until Christmas.

Where: Donations can be mailed/shipped to 5318 K Ave., Cherokee, IA 51012 and we will deliver them to Mary's Choice once we have a full van load. You can call 712-221-0115 to arrange a drop-off or pick-up if local.

~ IC Birthdays ~

Dec 1 Clare Tuttle, Dan Winchell

Dec 2 Virgil Gebers, Dylan Kohn, Tate Reinert

Dec 5 Randy Husman

Dec 6 Ron Anderson, Ava Kremer

* Faith Formation News *

Catechists needed for Grades 6, 8, 9, and 10.

OLGC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

Prayer Line: Contact Joyce Galvin at 251-1687 or Diane Gardalen at 229-1486.

2020 Holstein Area Community Chest Fund Drive:

The Holstein Area Community Chest Fund Drive has officially begun. Through the generous support of many Holstein area citizens and business donors, \$12,390 was raised last year and \$12,730 was disbursed to many worthwhile organizations. Thank you for your support in the past and we hope you will consider making a donation again this year. Donations may be mailed or dropped off at Availa Bank, United Bank of Iowa or the City Hall. Donations qualify as charitable contributions for income tax purposes. If you have any questions concerning this year's fund drive, you may contact any of the following board members: Ramona Schuett, Allen Fitch, Karla Henderson, Lynette Henry, Christine Wiese or Kiley Todd. Again, thank you for your generous support!

Community Basket donations for December:

Baking items – flour, cane sugar, cake mixes, baking powder/soda, brown sugar, chips, vanilla, etc.

Face Masks: Pat Cronin has some face masks for anyone in Holstein who is in need of one. Contact Pat at 712-251-8328.



Please Pray For Those Who Are Remembered Here...

In Memory of ... Barbara Rupp

In Memory of... Del Ament and Jill Ament

In Memory of... Bud & Marjorie Brandt

In Memory of ... Owen & Eileen Hiniker

> In Memory of... Tom Murphy

In Memory of... Wayne & Rosemary Roepke

In Memory of... Chuck & Joyce Perrin, Dan & Mike Perrin & Mike Gates

> In Memory of... **Bud Perrin**

In Memory of ... Ralph, Herta and Sharon Rupp

In Memory of ... Jim Schallau

In Memory of ... Kay Chettinger

In Memory of... Dick & Darlene Hirschman

In Memory of ... Romaine & Joanne Ryan

> In Memory of ... Max D. Martinsen

In Memory of ... August "Gus" Erickson

In Memory of ... Lori Sokolowski and Aaron Sokolowski

In Memory of ... Jerry & Steven Madsen

In Memory of... Roger, Marilyn & Karen Immele and Sy Rodgers

In Memory of... Dale & Ann Wright and Floyd & Mark Courtright

In Memory of... Paul & Matt George and John Storbeck

> In Memory of... Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff

In Memory of ... JoAnn Bartlett

In Memory of... Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins

In Memory of ... Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy

In Memory of ... Emil & Helen Mendt

> In Memory of ... John Berigan

In Memory of... Nancy Wright, Justin & Corey Nicolaisen And Richard Wych

In Memory of... Lester & Mary Ann Bush, Mike Bush, Sharon Geary and Sandy Tuttle

In Memory of ... Richard & Sally Henke

In Memory of ... Kenneth & Elva Johnson

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