

The Catholic Communities of Cherokee and Holstein

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December 6, 2020 Second Sunday of Advent

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FROM THE DESK OF THE PASTOR:

Today is the Second (2nd) Sunday of Advent. The voice of God breaks into our world through sacred Scripture and the witness of modern-day disciples. Does it resound and echo in our thoughts, words, and actions, forming and shaping our lives? Or is it dulled and dimmed by our worldly ways? Now is the time to listen, now is the time to act, for the kingdom of God is at hand.

Thank you to everyone who has supported our annual TOGETHER AS ONE campaign to help support our parishes and our Diocese, who visits our parish website and Facebook page to stay in touch with the latest news and information, who utilizes 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 to 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 cherokeecounty Catholics.org.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Wednesday.

STEWARDSHIP

IC **Nov 29**

Weekly Total: \$3,690 – Adult Envelopes \$2,148, General – Online \$310, Major Repair - Envelopes \$262, Major Repair - Online \$90, Loose \$10, CAP \$345, Cemetery \$505, Catholic Charities \$10, Briar Cliff University \$10. **TAO Goal:** \$41,385, Pledged \$22,472.50, Paid \$18,247.50; Cards to be returned: 464, Cards returned 135.

OLGC **Nov 29**

Weekly Total: \$2,405 - Envelopes \$1,030, General – Online \$225, Loose \$1,150. **Capital campaign:** Goal \$350,000, Pledges: \$445,312, Amount received: \$364,65. **TAO Goal:** \$9,735, Pledged \$3,846, Paid \$3,846; Cards to be returned: 112, Cards returned 29.

USHER SCHEDULE

IC:

Dec. 12 Bill Anderson, Lori Fordyce, Joe Immele

Dec. 13 Jim Peterson, Julie Peterson, John Schwarz

OLCG:

Dec. 13 Shawn Flanagan, Jensen Flanagan,
Judy Wagoner

OF INTEREST TO BOTH PARISHES

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary, December 8th, is a Holy Day [but not of obligation this year due to the current COVID-19 pandemic dispensation from attending Mass on Sundays and Holy Days]. Masses will be celebrated December 8th, 8:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception and 7:00 p.m. at Our Lady of Good Counsel.

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: The word "advent," from the Latin adventus (Greek parousia), means "coming" or "arrival." The Advent Season is focused on the "coming" of Jesus as Messiah (Christ or King). Christian worship, Bible readings, and prayers not only prepare us spiritually for Christmas (his first coming), but also for his eventual second coming. This is why the Bible readings during Advent include both Old Testament passages related to the expected Messiah, and New Testament passages concerning Jesus' second coming as judge of all. Also, passages about John the Baptist, the precursor who prepared the way for the Messiah, are read. All of these themes are present in Catholic worship during Advent.

Laudato Si Series – Think globally and locally. Pope Francis reminds us that institutions throughout the world need to cooperate. (170) Reflect on what global and local actions are needed to address problems of poverty hunger, health, education, gender equality, clean water, clean energy, work/economic growth, industrial innovation/infrastructure, inequalities, sustainable cities, responsible consumption and production, climate change, oceans, land, and peace/justice/strong institution. Act: Google and read the United Nations Sustainable Development Goals. Read: Chapter 5, Sections 1 & 2 of Laudato Si found under PARISH DOCUMENTS on the parish website. Source: <https://www.ncronline.org/news/earthbeat/power-think-global-act-local>

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.

IC PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

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

Please remember Joan Oentrich (85), who died on November 23rd, in your prayers as well as her family.

Please remember Stan Sitzmann (90), who died on November 26th, in your prayers as well as his family.

Christmas Poinsettias: Poinsettia plants have been ordered for Christmas. If you would like to make a donation, place a check in an envelope marked "Flowers" and put it in the collection box, or send it by mail to the church office.

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. 7 Missy Foley, Jason Thorson

Dec. 8 Holli Pogeler

Dec. 9 Neil Kruse

Dec. 10 Ron Berg, Bob Craig, Lori Fordyce,
Chad Husman, Henry James

Dec. 11 Alma Balgos, Ann Letsche, Laityn Riley,
Bailey Husman

Dec. 12 David Carey, Mason Goebel

Dec. 13 Ryan Brown, Caleb Smith

* 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.

The Christmas "Adopt a Family" serves families and senior citizens in need from Holstein and the surrounding area during the Christmas season. Through your generosity, gifts are selected for households. A big warm thank you to our many participants already. If you have not been able to "adopt a family" this year and

would like to contribute, please consider a cash donation to help with purchases of food or gas gift cards. Monetary donations may be made online or through your envelope at Church. Thank you for supporting families in our community this Christmas Season.

2020 Holstein Area Community Chest Fund Drive:

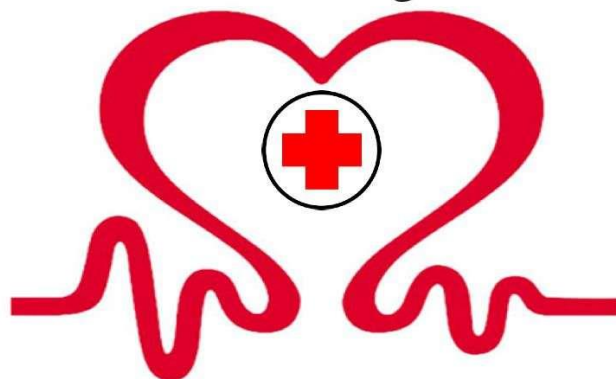
The Holstein Area Community Chest Fund Drive has officially begun. Through the generous support of many Holstein area citizens and business donors, \$12,390 was raised last year and \$12,730 was disbursed to many worthwhile organizations. Thank you for your support in the past and we hope you will consider 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.

Flood *front line workers*
with a wave of gratitude.



Our *heartfelt thanks* and *prayers*
are with all healthcare workers!

#floodthefrontline

Please Pray For Those Who Are Remembered Here...

<i>In Memory of...</i> Barbara Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Ralph, Herta and Sharon Rupp	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jerry & Steven Madsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> Stacy Goth, Roger Goth, Adrian & Helen Goth and Margaret Healy
<i>In Memory of...</i> Del Ament and Jill Ament	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Schallau	<i>In Memory of...</i> Roger, Marilyn & Karen Immele and Sy Rodgers	<i>In Memory of...</i> Emil & Helen Mendt
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud & Marjorie Brandt	<i>In Memory of...</i> Kay Chettinger	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dale & Ann Wright and Floyd & Mark Courtright	<i>In Memory of...</i> John Berigan
<i>In Memory of...</i> Owen & Eileen Hiniker	<i>In Memory of...</i> Dick & Darlene Hirschman	<i>In Memory of...</i> Paul & Matt George and John Storbeck	<i>In Memory of...</i> Nancy Wright, Justin & Corey Nicolaisen And Richard Wych
<i>In Memory of...</i> Tom Murphy	<i>In Memory of...</i> Romaine & Joanne Ryan	<i>In Memory of...</i> Jim Karhoff & Dan Karhoff	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lester & Mary Ann Bush, Mike Bush, Sharon Geary and Sandy Tuttle
<i>In Memory of...</i> Wayne & Rosemary Roepke	<i>In Memory of...</i> Max D. Martinsen	<i>In Memory of...</i> JoAnn Bartlett	<i>In Memory of ...</i> Richard & Sally Henke
<i>In Memory of...</i> Chuck & Joyce Perrin, Dan & Mike Perrin & Mike Gates	<i>In Memory of...</i> August "Gus" Erickson	<i>In Memory of...</i> Pat Bakker, Dale Bakker Jr. and Barb Timmins	<i>In Memory of ...</i> Kenneth & Elva Johnson
<i>In Memory of...</i> Bud Perrin	<i>In Memory of...</i> Lori Sokolowski and Aaron Sokolowski		

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 <p>ANDERSON PROFESSIONAL SERVICES Your Tax Specialists 221 East Main Street Cherokee 225-9027 www.apssiouxland.com Owned by Parishioners Bill & Angie Anderson</p>			 <p>LOUGHLIN LAW FIRM ATTORNEYS AT LAW 231 W. Maple St. Cherokee, IA, 225-2514</p>
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