

From: The Word Among Us, December 19, 2021 Daily Meditation Micah 5:1-4

You, Bethlehem-Ephrathah, . . . from you shall come forth for me one who is to be ruler in Israel. (Micah 5:1)

Did you know that there are more than three hundred verses in the Old Testament pointing to Jesus as the Messiah? In today's first reading, for instance, the prophet Micah says that a great ruler will come from Bethlehem, the village where David was born (5:1). That aligns with other prophecies that the Messiah would come from the line of David (2 Samuel 7:16; Isaiah 11:1).

Yet Micah's words were written centuries before Jesus was born. For the Jews of Jesus' time, living under Roman occupation, that was a long time of waiting, watching, and praying for God to fulfill his promises.

But now the wait is over, and Mary and Elizabeth know it. That's why, in today's Gospel, they are so joyful. Elizabeth greets Mary with a loud cry, and even the young John the Baptist leaps with joy in her womb (Luke 1:44).

Maybe for you, Advent has seemed like a long time of waiting. Maybe you've been waiting for Jesus to speak to you, and you hear nothing but silence. Maybe you've been waiting a long time for him to answer a prayer, and you want to be reassured that he hears you. Maybe your waiting will continue, even after Advent is over.

Unlike the Jews before Jesus' coming, you don't have to wait for the Messiah to appear. And whatever else you are waiting for, you don't have to wait for him to draw close to you. He loves you so much that he offers you his own Body and Blood in the Eucharist. This is what he came to do—to save you and unite himself to you.

So even if you find yourself still waiting on the Lord, know that he always fulfills his promises. Today he is waiting for you to receive him, and that alone is reason to rejoice!

*“Lord, fill me with joy,
today and at your coming on Christmas Day.”*

Fourth Sunday of Advent



*St. Joseph's Church – Twin Buttes
St. Paul's Church – Halliday
St. Joseph's Church – Killdeer*



December 19, 2021



Welcome to all Newcomers

If you would like to know more about any of our parishes feel free to check us out at stjosephkilldeer.com to obtain additional information. We are glad you are here!

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LITURGICAL SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, December 20

No Mass

TUESDAY, December 21

7:30 AM - Mass (Killdeer) +Joe & Lois Wetsch by Family

WEDNESDAY, December 22

7:30 AM - Mass (Killdeer) +Thorris Sandvick by Ray Fettig

THURSDAY, December 23

7:30 AM - Mass (Killdeer) +Lilian Sadowsky by George Tuhy
Eucharistic Exposition and Adoration (Killdeer) 8:00 AM - 8:00 PM

FRIDAY, December 24 Christmas Eve

4:00 PM Central Time - Mass (Twin Buttes) +Joy Burr by Gordon & Mary Robson
6:00 PM - Mass (Killdeer) +Harold Benz by Candice & Kevin Benz

SATURDAY, December 25 Christmas Day - The Nativity of the Lord

12:00 Midnight - Mass (Killdeer) Delores Morris by Deacon Dan and Nancy Tuhy
8:00 AM - Mass (Halliday) Parishioners of St. Joseph's Parishes and St. Paul's
10:30 AM - Mass (Killdeer) +Frank Kulish by Mabel Kulish

SUNDAY, December 26

7:30 - 7:50 AM - Confessions (Halliday)
8:00 AM - Mass (Halliday) +Duane Schwartz by Clark & Adrian Neurohr
10:00 - 10:15 AM - Confessions (Killdeer)
10:30 AM - Mass (Killdeer) Parishioners of St. Joseph's Parishes and St. Paul's
2:00 PM Central Time - Mass (Twin Buttes) +Janie Goldade

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FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK 12/19/2021
Watch: CHRITMAS IN ROME: A CELEBRATION OF THE NATIVITY

Nowhere celebrates the birth of the Savior like Rome. This Christmas, marvel at the Holy City's festive celebration of the coming of the child Jesus in Bethlehem.

COLLECTIONS (Includes Online Donations)

Week of Dec. 6 - 12, 2021

St. Joseph's, Killdeer	\$2736.00
St. Paul's, Halliday	\$720.00
St. Joseph's, Twin Buttes	\$1373.50

Did You Know?

Life in the Womb before birth:
Week 29 - 32: The baby continues to grow and develop body fat. The brain is developing rapidly and can see and hear. Baby is 18 inches long.

Badlands Right to Life

PLEASE REMEMBER IN PRAYER:

Holy Father's Intention: Let us pray for the catechists, summoned to announce the Word of God: may they be its witnesses, with courage and creativity and in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Living: All those in Nursing Home, and Taylin Gessele, Heidi Hernandez, Philip Dukart, Levi and Dani Lund, Kay Duttenhefner, Pam Pavlicek, Pat Klee, Adrian Neurohr, Mike Schumacher.

Deceased: Bruce Kadrmas, Charles Chase, Marcus Gress, Mavis Medicine Stone, Mindy Duttenhefer,

Christmas Mass Schedule

Vigil Mass - Friday, Dec. 24

Twin Buttes	4:00 PM CT
Killdeer	6:00 PM

Christmas Day - Saturday, Dec. 25

Killdeer	12:00 Midnight
Halliday	8:00 AM
Killdeer	10:30 AM

Sunday, Dec. 26 Mass Schedule

(No Vigil Mass Saturday Evening)

Halliday	8:00 AM
Killdeer	10:30 AM
Twin Buttes	2:00 PM CT

Jan. 1 - Mary, Holy Mother of God

(Holy Day of Obligation)

Vigil Mass - Friday, Dec. 1

Twin Buttes	4:00 PM CT
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Saturday, January 1

Halliday	8:00 AM
Killdeer	10:30 AM
Killdeer	5:30 PM

Adorers Needed: There are two time slots open for Thursday Eucharistic Adoration at St. Joseph's, Killdeer: 2 - 3 PM and 5 - 6 PM. Please contact Fr. Joseph or Dcn. Dan if you are able to fill one of these slots. All are welcome to stop at any time during the day between 8:00 a.m. and 8:00 p.m. and stay as long as you like to spend time with Jesus.

THANK YOU: A big thank you to the men who helped with the big tree removal project at St. Joseph's, Killdeer new rectory property this past week. Plans are moving along for construction of a new rectory to begin in the summer of 2022.

Christmas Party: St. Joseph's Parish, Twin Buttes will be having a Christmas party for all parishioners after the December 26th 2:00 Mass. It will be a pot luck meal.

End of Year Giving: With the tax year coming to a close, some of you may be interested in giving to your parish or one of the others.

At St. Joseph's in Killdeer we are working towards the future parish life center and new rectory. (The rectory is projected to begin construction spring of 2022). If you would like to give, simply write in the memo on the check "Building Fund".

At St. Paul's in Halliday we are working toward building an addition which will include bathroom accessibility on both the main floor and basement, a steeple, small gathering area, as well as an interior ramp which won't be icy and slippery in the winter. Simply write "Building Fund" in the memo if you wish to give to this cause.

At St. Joseph's in Twin Buttes we are coming to the completion of the new church building. There are a number of items, statues, murals, candlesticks, kitchen items, etc. that will need to be purchased. If you are interested talk to Fr. Joseph about what needs to be bought yet.

Each parish also has an endowment fund. Informational flyers are available at the church entrance.

Thank you for your generosity.

2022 March for Life: An informational letter to church leaders from Bishop Kagan regarding both the national and ND state marches is available at the church entrances. All are encouraged to participate in this effort to join the cause to protect all human life.