

# St. Joseph Church

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## 4th SUNDAY of ADVENT

12/23/18

Monday	4:00 PM + Gordon Dvorak	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
Tuesday	10:00 AM + Joe Langan	<b>Christmas</b>
Wednesday	NO MASS	
Thursday	10:00 AM + Ries Family @ Good Sam.	
Friday	8:15 AM + Elmer & Doris Vogel & Rosemary LeMunyan	
Saturday	5:00 PM + Harold & Clara Vrooman	
Sunday	10:30 AM + Ralph & Evelyn Beck	

*Sacrament of Reconciliation: One half hour before each weekend Mass or anytime by appointment*

**THE ANGEL...** Gabriel comes to Mary and tells her that she was chosen to be the mother of the Messiah. She didn't fully understand all of this; nevertheless, Mary gave her "yes." Later, we'll celebrate the Nativity. We'll not fully understand what all of this means; however, we will celebrate it. It seems like Christmas brings out the best in us. Gifts are given to strangers as well as family and friends. Christmas is a time to reach out to others. It's also a time to re-connect with people that journeyed with us in days past. To celebrate all of this, there are decorations, special foods, special music and special programs. Advent is a time of preparation of the Nativity. Our preparation will, we hope, bring everyone great joy. Peace and joy!

**The Harvest Is Great, Laborers Are Few.** Taking the vocation crucifix this week—Joe & Patti Skrdla. The week of Dec. 30—Elmer & Rita Borer.

**We Pray With Special Love & Concern For All Those Who Are Ill:** Janice Ries, Kaitlyn Fritz, Emma Lou Gunther, Ryan Berg, Jim Schaaf, Darrin Wedige, Gianna Slaymaker, Mary Straka, Linus Peter, Sadie Weekley, Melvin Pospisil, Lois Tunender, Michelle Bulau, Jane Leymaster (mother-in-law of Kristina Jungman Leymaster), Bob Miksch.

**St. Boniface Mass Schedule**---Mon., Dec. 24 @ 6 pm and 12:00 Midnight

**EMHCs**---Good Sam. & Prairie Winds...Dec. 30---Scott & Diane Osborne

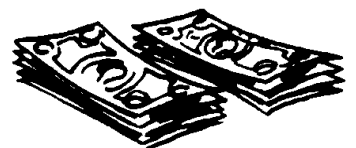
**We Offer Our Sympathy...**to the family of MaryAnn (Piekenbrock) Quigle. She was called home by the Father Dec. 14. May perpetual light shine on MaryAnn and all who have been called to eternal life.

**FA LA LA LA LA**-----**All Parish Students**...grades 4<sup>th</sup> through 8<sup>th</sup> are invited to sing in the choir loft for the 4:00 Christmas Eve Mass. PLEASE **meet at church at 3:30** as we will begin singing carols shortly thereafter. There **will not be** a practice before the 24<sup>th</sup> as in previous years.

**SJ School Is Currently**...raising funds to purchase new interior doors for the elementary school. New doors are needed to meet safety requirements and to provide for securing classrooms. We are excited to announce that during the BIG GIVE we raised \$1,185. Thank you!

**Planning For The Future**...is hard when you're still paying for the past!

**LISTEN**...there is a better way! Fr. Weeder, on behalf of the Atkinson-Stuart Ministerial Association is hosting a Financial Peace University group and we'll learn how to beat debt and make a plan for the future...together! Interested? Join us @ Faith Wesleyan Church in Atkinson beginning Sunday, January 6 @ 7 pm. Feel free to call Fr. Weeder @ 402.925.2122, message your questions, or sign up at <https://fpu.com/1079283>



# EVENTS

- **TODAY!** Decorate church for Christmas....all help will be appreciated!
- **Wed., Dec. 26—No adoration or CCD**
- **Tue., Jan. 1, Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God—Mass at St. Joseph’s @ 10:30 am  
St. Boniface @ 8:30 am---A Holy Day**
- **Sun., Jan. 6—‘Beat Debt & Plan for the Future’ Seminar @ Atkinson, Faith Wesleyan Church, 7 pm**
- **Wed., Jan. 9—CCD resumes**
- **Wed., Jan. 16—First Reconciliation, 6:30 pm**



SJ Home & School...has been moved to Monday, Jan. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:30 pm. The carnival will be discussed.

**Christmas Eve...4 pm**

EMHCs: CSholes, LWolf, GThurlow,  
LFritz, DMorgan, KTunender  
(The Eucharist will also be offered in  
the choir loft & backpews)

LECTOR: Jack Wolf

GIFTS: Parish Children

SERVERS: To Be Designated

**Christmas...10 am**

EMHCs: SSchrunk, RFrickel, HKrumwiede

LECTOR: Don Slaymaker

GIFTS: M/M Doug Kubik

SERVERS: K. Jelinek, I. Laetsch, N.Wallinger

**LITURGICAL MINISTERS...Dec. 29/30**

MASS TIMES	SATURDAY	SUNDAY
EMHCs	S&D Osborne JRamm	JSkrdla MKrieger DLiewer C&L Nemetz
LECTORS	Kenny Tunender	Patti Skrdla
GIFT BEARERS	M/M G. Schmit	Ben Sholes Fam.
ORGANIST	Jayne Fetherston	Lou Ann Tooker
SERVERS	Malya Bussinger Destini Bussinger Arideth Weekley	Kruz Jelinek Marek Dvorak Berkleigh Dvorak
<b><u>JAN. USHERS</u></b>	Phillip Hamik Mike Laible Jeff Hostert Bryan Rentschler	Dan Ziska George Schmit Todd Seger Roger Frickel

**THE LORD’S PORTION...12-16-18**

Adult envelopes (48)	1,970.00
Loose cash	119.50
Loose checks (2)	75.00
Mid-week contribution	25.00
Online giving	<u>511.94</u>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>2,701.44</b>
<b>Budget...Sundays</b>	<b><u>3,622.86</u></b>
	<b>-921.42</b>
<b>Religious Retirement (4)</b>	<b>55.00</b>

**Tue., Jan. 1...10:30 am----Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God**

EMHCs: Volunteers

LECTOR: Brian Mlady

GIFTS: M/M Wayne Baker

SERVERS: Nemetz Children