

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT
DECEMBER 1, 2019

BAPTISM: During Mass on the weekends; if outside of Mass, on Saturday or Sunday afternoon only. If this is your first child to be baptized, you must meet with Msgr. Rick Colletti for instructions. Please call the St. Adrian Parish office at 507-483-2317 prior to setting the date of the baptism.

MARRIAGE: Please make arrangements at least six months in advance. Your first visit with Msgr. Rick Colletti will be to set the date of your wedding. Please call the St. Adrian Parish Office at (507) 483-2317. Marriage Preparation Course is required



Diocese of
Winona-Rochester



Let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord. ~ Psalm 122

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† *All for the greater glory of God!* †

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Mass Intentions

FOR THE WEEK



Mon 12/02 8:30 AM (A) **No Mass**
Tues 12/03 8:30 AM (A) † Henry & Gwen Recker
 † Butch Recker
Wed 12/04 8:30 AM (L) † Marvin Lorang
Thurs 12/05 8:30 AM (A) † Henry Honermann
 † Kay Cox
Fri 12/06 8:30 AM (W) † Virginia "Cookie" Paulsen
 † Jim Joens, Sr.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Sat 12/07 5:00 PM (L) † Robbie Erdman
 † Dave & Mary Voss
 † Bruce Loosbrock
Sun 12/08 8:30 AM (W) † Marlin Mitchell
Sun 12/08 10:30 AM (A) † Rosalia Woltjer
 † Bernard & Chris Oertli

Confessions: Half-hour before weekend Masses

Catholic Ministry Appeal



Goals for 2019

St. Adrian: \$17,860.....\$13,230.00
St. Anthony: \$ 7,720.....\$ 6,978.00
OLGC: \$ 8,050.....\$ 6,785.00

ONLINE GIVING – WEB LINKS

<http://giving.parishsoft.com/stanthonygiving> ~ St. Anthony
<http://giving.parishsoft.com/stadriangiving> ~ St. Adrian
<http://giving.parishsoft.com/olgcgiving> ~ OLGC

ST. ADRIAN

Sacrificial Giving – November 24, 2019- 10:30 AM

Envelopes: \$2,710.00 ~ Offertory: \$158.60 ~ Youth: \$3.00
 Utilities: \$70.00 ~ Christmas Flowers: \$6.00~Online Giving: \$140.00

Roof Fund Goal: \$130,000.00

Amount Received: \$113,135.97 **Donors:** 82

A reminder letter will be sent out next week for those who have not had the chance to make a roof donation.

Calendar Raffle Winner: December 1, 2019: Rosie Henning

Ministry Schedule: December 8, 2019: 10:30 AM

Lectors: John Faber, Troy Loosbrock

Servers: Brandon Boltjes, Drake Kruger, Brooklyn Schock

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Ryan Kruger, Lisa Kruger, Pam Konz, Gary Honermann, Sharan Honermann, Jodi Thier, Rose Henriksen



Choir Practice: We will be practicing for Christmas Eve Mass in St. Adrian **Sunday, December 1st at 9:00 AM** at St. Adrian Church. Please come and share your talents!! Please watch the bulletin for additional practice times as needed. Thank you!



Christmas Goodie Plates: St. Adrian CCW is again putting goodie plates together on **Saturday, December 7th at 9:00 AM.** at the Education Center for area shut-ins and those in nursing facilities. We ask CCW members to please bring homemade treats and other items, such as tea bags, hot cocoa pouches, granola bars, etc. You can bring them the day before or come and join us to make the trays. Sugar-free items are also needed, please mark them as such if you bring some. Thank you.



Court Santa Maria # 247 Catholic Daughters will be hosting a Christmas party for the clients and staff at the DAC in Worthington on **Thursday, December 12th at 12:30 PM.** Meet at the church at 11:45 AM, if you wish to carpool. There will be music, refreshments, and fun. Santa and Mrs. Claus will be there....how about you??!



Court Santa Maria #247 Catholic Daughters are collecting **personal hygiene and paper products** for the food shelf **until December 19th.** If you feel so inclined, please bring your donations and place them in the back of church in the box provided. Thank you in advance for your generosity.



Are you missing a bowl or cake pan? It may be in the pie room at the church. There are lots of bowls and pans located there right now. Please pick up your bowl at your earliest convenience.

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Sacrificial Giving – November 24, 2019 – 8:30 AM

Envelopes: \$920.00 ~ Offertory: \$24300 ~ Youth: \$20.74
 Utilities/Fuel: \$100.00 ~ Christmas Flowers: \$20.00
 Online Giving: \$120.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: December 1, 2019:

Jim & Shelley Fuerstenberg

Ministry Schedule: December 8, 2019: 8:30 AM

Lector: Courtney Penning

Servers: Brandt Joens, Chloe Joens, Jena Joens

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Courtney Penning, Sharon Balster, Jim & Joan Joens, Bill Slater, Gene & Carol Bertrand



Please join Court Madonna #839 in fundraising for Christmas Adopt- A – Family. On **Sunday, December 8th.** Coffee, Rolls and yogurt parfaits will be served. The money raised stays local! Please join us in raising money for this great cause!



OLGC Christmas Choir: We would like to invite anyone 15 years of age and older to be a part of our Christmas Choir at OLGC for the Christmas Eve Mass at 6:00 PM. **Our practices will be Sundays, December 8, 15, and 22 after Mass in Wilmont.**



The Ladies from the Wilmont area have finished 230 plus quilts for the missions this year. Thanks to the people who have donated excess material, sheets etc. from their homes or the homes of a loved one. Father will be blessing these quilts at the 8:30 AM Thanksgiving Mass in Wilmont before many of them are given to the Nobles County Christmas Basket Program on December 5th. Keep our project in mind when going through your closets and we are always in need of thread to sew all these quilts together.

Santa is coming to the VFW in Wilmont on Sunday, December 1st. Social hour at 12:00 noon, potluck meal at 12:30 with Santa Arriving around 1:15. Santa will hand out treats and will play bingo with all who want to join in! The Christmas season is upon us!! Wilmont Booster Club and VFW.

ST. ANTHONY / ST. KILIAN

Sacrificial Giving – November 23, 2019- 5:00 PM

Envelopes: \$1,816.00 ~ Offertory: \$124.00 ~ Fuel Fund: \$50.00
Campaign for Human Development.: \$25.00

Plastering & Painting Project Goal: \$182,000.00

Money Available from past Roofing Project & Rooted in Faith:
\$68,000

Current Amount Received for Plaster/Painting Project: **\$42,585.45**

Total to date: \$110,585.45

Amount Needed for full project goal: \$71,414.55

Calendar Raffle: December 1, 2019: Jim Weidert

Ministry Schedule: December 7, 2019: 5:00 PM

Lector: Lisa Diekmann

Servers: Landyn Loosbrock, Damon John

Sacristan: Steve & Laurie Wieneke

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Mark Lorang
Vonnie Sieve, McKenzie Wieneke

Plastering & Painting Project is scheduled to begin on **December 10th**. Mass will be celebrated at St. Kilian Church beginning on **Saturday, December 14th at 5:00 PM** and will continue to be held at St. Kilian until completion of the project. Estimated time for completion is about 3 months. If you have not yet donated, we encourage you to do so as soon as possible. We need everyone's help. Thank you to all who have already donated to the project. It is much appreciated.



CDA Christmas Bake Sale: Mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 7th** for the annual CDA Bake Sale. **Ladies:** get out those special Christmas recipes and start baking!



Spaghetti Supper Sendoff! Please mark your calendars for **Saturday, December 7th**! The CCW will be serving a Spaghetti Supper following the last Mass at St. Anthony Church until March 2020. Chairpersons Shirley Wieneke and Kris Weidert along with Group 2 will be in charge of the meal. Also, to help celebrate the evening, the Catholic Daughters will have their Christmas Bake Sale. Everyone is welcome!



Wednesday Morning Mass will be held in the **Parish House** beginning **Wednesday, December 11th at 8:30 AM**. We will continue to gather in the Parish House until the Painting Project is complete.

2020 Envelopes have arrived! St. Anthony Families are encouraged to pick up their box as soon as possible. We'd appreciate it if you'd also pick up all family member boxes. **This will be helpful since we will be moving Mass to St. Kilian on December 14th.**

Calendar Raffle Tickets: Please pick up your envelope from the back of the church. It will also be helpful if parishioners would help deliver envelopes to family members and friends. All money and tickets must be returned. Thank you.



Christmas Party: The **St. Anthony CCW and CDA Ct. St. Bernard** will hold joint meetings and a Christmas Party on **Tuesday, December 10th** at the **Lismore Legion Hall** beginning at **6:30 PM**. This year it will be a potluck supper - so please bring something yummy to share! As in the past, there will also be a \$5.00 gift exchange for those wishing to participate. Lunch Committee: Deb Wieneke, Kate McCann (CDA) and McKenzie Wieneke, Sarah Lenz (CCW). We hope to see you there!

FAITH FORMATION 2019 - 2020

The Edge and high school classes schedule for December in **Wilmont 7:00-8:30 PM** in Marian Hall at OLG Church will be **Wednesdays, December 4, 11, and 18**. We will serve a meal starting at 6:15 every night that we meet.

Faith Formation Office: Faith Formation Office hours are 10-5, M-F. Call Pam at 507-483-2480 or 507-290-0080 or Mary at 507-483-2317 to reserve the ed center for family events

PARISH LEADERSHIP

OLGC Finance Council Meeting: The next OLG Finance Council will meet on **Monday, December 2nd at 7:00 PM** in the school building.

Parish Cluster Pastoral Council Meeting: The next Parish Cluster Council Meeting will be held on **Monday, January 6th at 7:00 PM** at St. Adrian Church.

St. Anthony Finance Council will next meet on **Thursday, January 30th at 7:00 PM** in the Parish House.

OF INTEREST TO ALL



Inquiry classes for RCIA (The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults) will meet **Sunday, December 1st at 7:00 PM** at the St. Adrian Ed Center. This is for anyone interested in joining the Catholic Church or in learning more about it. Bring along all your questions about why we do what we do it. If you have questions or are interested in Inquiry, but are unable to meet on the 1st, Pam Konz at the Faith Formation Office at 507-483-2480.





Adoration during Wednesday evening classes is a very important part of our Faith Formation and is one way that anyone can help with the youth. The Blessed Sacrament is exposed every Wednesday class night in the church that the classes are held. Please sign up for the time that works for you to be a guardian of the Eucharist and Prayer Warrior for the youth and catechists. The sheets are on gold paper in the back of the churches.

Puffins sales ended on November 23rd. They will be delivered on Wednesday, December 4th.



Advent Choral Vespers: The Choirs of Mount Marty College will present its annual Advent Choral Vespers program at **St. Adrian on Thursday, December 5th at 7:00 PM.** The program will include readings from scripture along with songs of the season. The program is free and open to the public. Parishioners and community members alike are encouraged to attend.



You are invited to an appreciation dinner on Sunday, December 8th at St. Adrian following the Sunday 10:30 Mass. The St. Joseph Council wants to thank everyone in the parishes for your support this year. St. Joseph along with Catholic United Financial is instrumental in helping provide funding for many youth events in all of the parishes. Come join us for pizza salad and ice cream!



Give in Thanksgiving: "The nuns left lasting impressions on me", writes a donor. "I shall always be grateful for my Catholic education". Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Next week's second collection is for the Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please give generously.



Soul Friends: The next Soul Friends meeting will be on **Tuesday, December 10th.** This will be the only meeting in December. We will meet at the Education Building at **11:30 AM** to go to lunch.



COMFORTING THOSE WHO MOURN: When someone we know is mourning the loss of a loved one, we may struggle to know what to say and what to do to offer some form of assistance. **This week's helpful tips are: Make Contact:** Make a phone call, send a card, attend the funeral or wake, bake and deliver cookies, cook a meal. Don't let discomfort, fear, or uncertainty stand in the way of making contact and being of support. **Provide Practical Help:** It's usually not enough to say, "If there's anything I can do, let me know." Decide on a task you can help with (shovel snow, pick up mail, mow the lawn, offer rides to appointments or church, pick up groceries, etc...) There are many ways to help that are unique to your relationship to the bereaved. Let it be natural. Watch for next week's tips on knowing what to say.

Leslie Slater - Parish Counselor 483-2317
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Worldwide Marriage Encounter: "Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter; we are all the work of your hands." As we begin the waiting of Advent, let us strive to become the work of his hands by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next Weekends are Feb 7-9, 2020 in Windom, MN and Apr 24-26, 2020 in HUTCHINSON, MN. For more information, call Miki Schultz at 507-227-8229 or visit them at southmnwwme.org.



Tree of Lights: For \$5.00 per name, you may sponsor a light for the Tree of Lights ceremony which will be held **Wednesday, December 11^h at 6:30 PM at the Fire Hall/EMS building in Adrian.**

Nondenominational Widow's Ministry will meet on **Monday, December 9th** at First United Methodist Church at 408 11th Street, Worthington. Galen Benton, will entertain with seasonal accordion music. Please bring a treat to share.

The Pastor's Corner:

Time is central to the Christian celebration of Advent. This season reminds us that the mystery of faith is not complete until Jesus' Second Coming (the Parousia). We are in-between people, caught between the time of Resurrection / Ascension / Pentecost and the time of the Parousia. How do we deal with the issue of time? Isaiah says that future security comes from following divine wisdom today; success will not be found in our own designs. This reading pictures a pilgrimage of nations. They are asking Yahweh to settle their disputes once and for all. The instruments of war will be refashioned into peacetime implements of agriculture -- swords into plowshares. The renouncing of war and aggression will take time, but the believer knows that tomorrow must begin today.

The question of the Parousia also comes up in the excerpt from Matthew's gospel. Vigilance is demanded because the Second Coming has no "estimated time of arrival." Lest anyone become indifferent about the need to prepare, three short parables are offered. The readings challenge us to adopt a timetable in which the seemingly distant Parousia impinges on the present moment. Be aware of responsibilities and see to their fulfillment! Attend to relationships, reach out to the needy, and make time for prayer. The Second Coming thus becomes an event that gives purpose and energy to our every breath and pulse now.

~Father Colletti



*"The Eucharist is a fire
which inflames us."
~St. John Damascene*

