

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT NOVEMBER 29, 2020

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



Advent Week 1

As you light the first candle in the Advent wreath, take a slow deep breath. Remember that achieving the perfectly orchestrated holiday doesn't matter. What matters is watching for God in every situation.

Reflection is adapted from St. Anthony Messenger Press.
www.AmericanCatholic.org



Diocese of
Winona-Rochester



*Lord, make us turn to You;
let us see Your face
and we shall be saved. ~ Psalm 63*

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OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

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

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Mon 11/30 8:30 AM (A) **No Mass**
Tues 12/01 8:30 AM (A) † Thomas Hoffman
Wed 12/02 8:30 AM (L) † Mary Ann Spieker
Thurs 12/03 8:30 AM (A) † Francis Lonneman
special intention
Fri 12/04 8:30 AM (W) † Chuck Fienhage

Weekend Mass Intentions

Sat 12/05 5:00 PM (L) † Rita Lenz
 † Robbie Erdman
Sun 12/06 8:30 AM (W) † Glen Pearson
 † Jim & Agnes Joens
Sun 12/06 10:30 AM (A) † Marion & Warren Kruger
 † Lee Oertli

Catholic Ministry Appeal



Goals for 2020

St. Adrian: \$18,500.....\$16,125.00
St. Anthony: \$ 8,100.....\$ 4,419.95
OLGC: \$ 8,700.....\$ 9,448.00

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 22, 2020

Envelopes: \$2,240.00 ~ Offertory: \$30.00 ~ Campaign for Human Development: \$20.00 ~ Online Giving: \$480.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: November 29, 2020: Vern Kramer

Ministry Schedule: December 6, 2020: 5:30 PM

Lectors: Troy Loosbrock

Servers: Marshall Wagner, Maddie Wagner

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: John Heitkamp, Cindy Cox, Alan Cox



Saint Adrian CCW: We need your help. The Adrian CCW is collecting food items for our area Christmas gift bags for homebound and nursing facilities. This year due to Covid, no homemade foods may be used. You may donate other items, such as individually packaged hot cocoa packets, tea packets, cheese and crackers, cookies, cereal mix, popcorn, oatmeal, etc. **Remember these items must be individually wrapped.** Items may be dropped off at the church office or the back of church and placed in the box provided, or brought to the Ed Center on **Saturday, December 5th by 9:00 AM.** Christmas gift

bags will be filled at that time. Members are asked to come help fill and distribute these items. Thank you.



Catholic Daughters Court Santa Maria #247 will meet on **Thursday, December 17th at 6:30 PM** in the church basement. The officers will provide refreshments. Please bring something for the food shelf—canned goods, paper products, or personal items. New members are welcomed and can join at any time!!

OUR LADY OF GOOD COUNSEL

Sacrificial Giving – November 22, 2020

(No Mass) Online Giving: \$410.00

Calendar Raffle Winner: November 29, 2020: Jason Schettler

Ministry Schedule: December 6, 2020: 8:30 AM

Lector: Lori Nelson

Servers: Kamryn Spartz, Claire Hoffman

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Kevin Spartz



Court Madonna 839 and JCDA Court St Maria are still planning on participating in the adopt a family Christmas program. The need to spread cheer is greater than ever! We usually host a coffee and rolls fundraiser for this project, but we do not feel comfortable doing so during this time. If you would still like to make a donation towards this project, please contact Theresa Steve, Kendra Schettler, or Alicia Entinger. Thank you and wishing you many blessings for a healthy Christmas season.



JCDA will be holding a hat and mitten drive from November 6 - December 20. Donations will go to a local school district for students in need of some warm gear. The donation box is under the JCDA table at the back of OLGC. Thank you!!

ST. ANTHONY / ST. KILIAN

Sacrificial Giving – November 7, 2020

Envelopes: \$1,135.00 ~ Offertory: \$89.00
 Online Giving: \$1,025.00

Sacrificial Giving – November 14, 2020

Envelopes: \$985.00 ~ Offertory: \$90.00
 Online Giving: \$745.00

Sacrificial Giving – November 21, 2020

(No Mass) Online Giving: \$125.00

Calendar Raffle: November 29, 2020: Mark & Pam Luettel

Ministry Schedule: December 5, 2020: 5:00 PM

Lector: Mary Brake

Servers: Cassidy Madison


Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Julie Brake




Thank You to all the caring individuals at St. Anthony's for supporting Boxes of Joy!! Your generosity will brighten the day for 17 children at Christmas!



St. Anthony's CCW welcomed Lydia Diekmann as our new Vice President and Nicole Knips as our new Treasurer at our meeting November 4, 2020. Everyone, please give them a warm welcome and Thank them for stepping up to support our CCW. Thank You also to Roxanne Kemper for her support as President and Vice President the past two years!

 **CDA Ct. St. Bernard #886** will hold their monthly meeting on **Wednesday, December 9th at 7:00 PM** in the church basement. Please wear a mask. Dues may be sent to Financial Secretary, Ellen Henning. Lunch committee: Roxanne Kemper and Stephanie Diekmann

FAITH FORMATION 2020 - 2021

 **Faith Formation Office:** Call Pam at 507-483-2480 or 507-290-0080 or Mary at 507-483-2317 to reserve the St. Adrian Education Center or Church Hall for family events. Office hours are 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday-Friday at 108 E 6th St.

HAVE A BLESSED THANKSGIVING WEEKEND!




Looking Ahead.....*In January, Edge and the High School Program will move to Adrian on Wednesdays.*

PARISH LEADERSHIP

Parish Cluster Pastoral Council: The next meeting is **Thursday, December 3rd at 7:00 PM** at St. Anthony Church. Following Adoration, we will meet in the church social hall.

OLGC Finance Council Meeting: The next meeting will be on **December 7th at 7:00 PM** in the School Office.

OF INTEREST TO ALL

 **Rite of Initiation of Adults (RCIA):** Do you know of someone who has expressed interest in becoming Catholic? Are you an adult who is already baptized Catholic and now wants to complete your initiation through the sacrament of Confirmation? For more information about the process of RCIA, you can call Father Colletti, Pam, or Roxanne or the parish office.

For private counseling and spiritual mentoring with:
Leslie Slater contact her at lslater66@gmail.com or 507-370-0559.

Katie Henning, licensed marriage and family therapist, is available for counseling at 507-483-3322 and by email at katie@inspirefamilytherapy.com
The office is located at 101 N. St. Paul Ave. in Fulda. The website address is: www.inspirefamilytherapy.com



Soul Friends: The meetings for Soul Friends have been postponed until the Spring. Stay warm & healthy!



Rental for Church Events: Even though there is no evidence that COVID-19 is spread by food, people sharing utensils and congregating around food service areas can pose a risk. * If a cafeteria or group dining room is used, serve individually plated meals or grab-and-go options, and hold activities in separate areas. * Avoid offering any self-serve food or drink options, such as buffets, salad bars, and drink stations. Consider having pre-packaged boxes or bags for each attendee. * Further guidance on food service can be found under Considerations for Events and Gatherings from the CDC as well as Guidance for Providing Food and Beverages for On-site Consumption at Indoor and Outdoor Gatherings. **For those people who are serving food, wear masks and gloves. Thank you!**



Flocknotes: Text message the letters **Stadrian** to the SHORT 5-digit phone number **84576**. Once you send that in, Flocknote will text you back a confirmation message AND another message with a link you'll need to click to complete the process. **Thank you** for helping make our communication better for our parishes with Flocknotes.



Respect Life- "To be actively pro-life is to contribute to the renewal of society through the promotion of the common good. It is impossible to further the common good without acknowledging and defending the right to life, upon which all the other inalienable rights of individuals are founded and from which they develop." — Pope Saint John Paul II, *Evangelium vitae*, 101. © 1995 Libreria Editrice Vaticana. Used with permission.



Tree of Lights 2020: For \$5.00 per name, you may sponsor a light for the Tree of Lights. Trees will be lit at the **Fire Hall/ EMS building in Adrian**; however, there will be no public "lighting ceremonies" held this year. For more information, call Sanford Luverne Hospice at (507) 283-1805. There are green forms available at the back of the church. **Please have forms sent in by December 7th**, checks payable to LACF Hospice. This is sponsored by Sanford Luverne Hospice. Thank you!

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota would like to offer you some opportunities to make your Advent preparations special this year. **Beginning on Saturday, November 28th**, we will offer an **Advent Reflection Series – each Saturday at 10:00 AM on Zoom**. Each week we will have a guest presenter offering reflection and discussion on the themes of Advent each week; Hope, Peace, Joy and Love. To get the Zoom link for this series, please contact Lisa Kremer at lkremer@ccsomin.org. Also check the Advent banner on our website (www.ccsomin.org) for more information and other opportunities.

For Catholic Charities Counseling call the Worthington Office at: Phone: (507) 376-9757 or email info@ccsomin.org



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





Retirement Fund for Religious: In good times and in bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications, nursing care, and other necessities. Please be generous.



PASTOR'S CORNER

For Catholics, the new Liturgical Year commences with the first Sunday of Advent. In this new liturgical year, the Church not only wishes to indicate the beginning of a period of time, but the beginning of a renewed commitment to the faith by all those who follow Christ, the Lord. The season of Advent focuses on the Parousia, the Second Coming of Jesus. We may be tempted to regard this event as some distant final chapter in the history of salvation. The Parousia has significance today because the Lord's coming in glory calls us to involvement with all believers. To wait for the Lord is to wait on God's people.

Today's passage from Isaiah was written around 500 B.C. when Jerusalem was in ruins and God seemed all too absent. The author looks forward to the return of Yahweh: "Turn back for the sake of your servants, for the sake of the tribes that are your heritage" (*Isaiah 63:17*). Waiting implies that the people must look to the needs of others. For example, the leaders are blind watchmen who seek only personal gain. God's presence means that their efforts should provide for the common good. The gospel addresses the age-old question, "When will the Second Coming take place?" Jesus warns that only God knows the exact time. In the time prior to the Parousia, vigilance is required. Mark cites the parable of the Doorkeeper in order to make this point (see *Mark 13:33-37*). Vigilance is service to others. The opportunities for Parousia service are many. Sharing food with the poor identifies with Third Isaiah, sharing talents with the community imitates Paul, exercising authority with kindness and justice echoes Mark's message.

~ Father Colletti



Holy Virgin of Guadalupe, Queen of the Angels & Mother of the Americas

*We fly to you today as your beloved children.
We ask you to intercede for us with your Son,
as you did at the wedding in Cana.
Pray for us, loving Mother, and gain for our nation
and world, and for all our families and loved ones,
the protection of your holy angels,
that we may be spared the worst of this illness.
For those already afflicted, we ask you to obtain the
grace of healing and deliverance.
Hear the cries of those who are vulnerable and
fearful, wipe away their tears and help them to trust.
In this time of trial and testing, teach all of us in the
Church to love one another and to be patient & kind.
Help us to bring the peace of Jesus to our land and to
our hearts. We come to you with confidence, knowing
that you truly are our compassionate mother,
health of the sick and cause of our joy.
Shelter us under the mantle of your protection,
keep us in the embrace of your arms,
help us always to know the love of your Son, Jesus.
Amen.*



Thank you to our 5th Grade Faith Formation class for decorating the Rectory trees and setting up the nativity sets. Thanks also to the adults volunteers who assisted our youth: Bob and Connie Kunkel, Ching and Cindy Heitkamp, and Tim Taylor. Father Colletti and Ezra appreciate the wonderful Christmas environment provided for us this coming Advent and Christmas season.