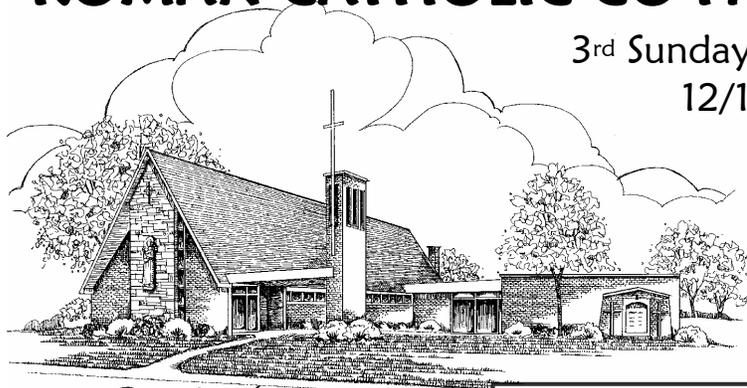


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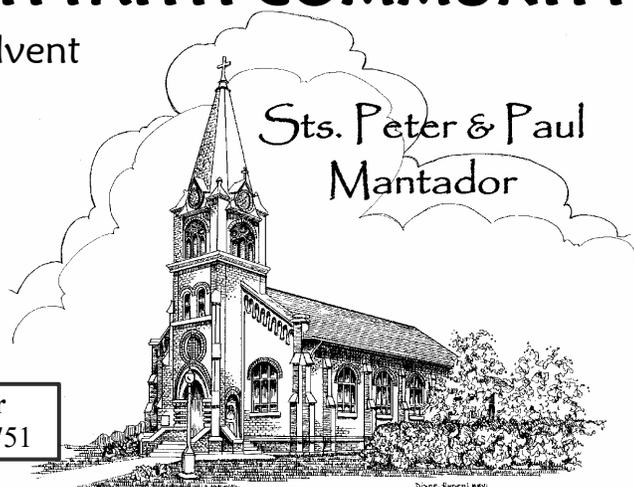
3rd Sunday of Advent

12/15/19



St. Anthony
Mooreton

Fr. Kurt Gunwall, Pastor
701-274-8259 or 701-540-8751



Sts. Peter & Paul
Mantador

St Anthony 12/21 5:00 pm

Lector Adam Mauch
EMHC Jane Althoff, Yvonne Ward
Usher Adam Mauch
Servers Paulys

Sts Peter & Paul 12/22 8:30 am

Lector Todd Althoff
EMHC Marietta Pellman, Don Thiel
Usher Kevin Lingen
Servers Kathys

St Anthony 12/22 10:30 am

Lector Yoney Fobb
EMHC Arnel Onchuck, Chance Pausch
Usher Dale Althoff
Servers A&D Onchuck
Gifts Jim & Renee Griffith

Mass Intentions Changes in Bold

Mon, 16 StsPP 8:30 am Fr. Gerald McCarthy (†)
Tue, 17 StsPP 8:30 am Ray & Johanna Martin & family - O Wisdom
Wed, 18 StA 5:45 pm Bill Ward (†) - O Lord
Thu, 19 StsPP 5:30 pm Special Intention - O Root of Jesse
Fri, 20 StA 9:30 am Wally & Veronica Bulger (†) - O Key of David
Sat, 21 St A 5:00 pm All parishioners - (m) St Peter Canisius (O Dayspring)
Sun, 22 Sts PP 8:30 am Stanley Baem (†) - O King of the Nations
Sun, 22 St A 10:30 am Emma Althoff (†)

Pray for the Sick/Elderly: Leo Althoff, Vernon Althoff, Jerome Birchem, Kate Boll, Wayne Foertsch, Sr Ann Marie Friederichs, Jacinta Goerger, Dennis Iverson, Jim Krump, Erwin Lugert, Dennis Mauch, Kathy (Randy's) Mauch, Macy Mauch, Anita Onchuck, Kassie Pauly, Alice Pausch, Alice Pellman, Patrick Sawyer, Greg Stephens, Tim Sundby, Wayne Ward, Frances Zajac, Carol Zietz. - Send prayer requests to Fr Gunwall

Experience the Real Reason to Celebrate (Dec 2019 Health Enews V5 #12)

It's that wonderful time of year... the time of year that stretches your schedule and your patience. You might be tired of hearing the same Christmas songs and overloaded on Christmas commercialism. But, what if we could experience the Advent season with fresh eyes and a renewed heart and truly see it as the most wonderful time of the year?

Avoiding Burnout and Experiencing the Real Reason for the Celebration Starts With:

- * **Keeping a Quiet Heart.** While everyone is hustling and bustling around you, buying gifts, and short on patience, determine to be different. Don't get caught up in the busy of the season and forget who Christmas is ultimately about. Try making your gift to Jesus this year a calm, quiet heart—one so immersed in the realization of what this season of giving is all really about.
- * **Focus on Doing, Rather than Buying.** Make a list of what you can do for others, not what you can buy. Do you have a neighbor who lost a spouse this year? Make a freezable meal and take it to them the week of Christmas. Is there a family member you haven't seen in a while? They may appreciate a visit or a call more than a gift or a card in the mail. Ask God to show you tangible ways that you can show your love to others this year by serving them.
- * **See Christmas Through the Eyes of a Child.** Look around and observe the joy and wonder in children this holiday season. Revel in their excitement as they make Christmas lists for Santa and participate in Christmas programs and sing their hearts out.
- * **Focus on the Gift. Don't forget your gift...** the One who was laid in a manger and became our Savior. The wondrous love, wrapped up in the gift of Jesus. So, as we focus on giving, rather than getting don't forget the wondrous, priceless gift that was sent for you.

I invite you to rest quietly adoring Jesus as He remains with us in the Eucharist. Our times for Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament (of Jesus) are Mon 9:00 am, Tue 7:30 am, Wed 4:45 pm, Thu 4:30 pm, Fri 8:30 am, Sat 4:00 pm & Sun 7:30 am - **the Sacrament of Reconciliation is always available during these times.**

P.S. We found another broken link to our website. Thank you for your help with this. Check

Advent Reconciliation Services:
Dec 15 - 4:00 & 6:30 pm - St John - Wapheton
Dec 15 - 7:00 pm - St John the Baptist - Wyndmere
Dec 19 - 6:30 pm - St Phillip - Hankinson
Dec 22 - 7:00 pm - St Boniface - Lidgerwood

out the news and events and tell me if you find something we should post or encourage. Please take a look right now at our website listed directly below.

News of the Week:

Mon, 16 StsPP 8:30am Mass
Fri, 20 StA 6am Men's group
Sun, 22 StA 11:30am Youth Christmas program
Tue, 24 StA 4pm Christmas Eve
Tue, 24 StsPP 8:30pm Christmas Night
Wed, 25 StA 10am Christmas Day
Carols before each Mass Dec 24 & 25

email: mooretonmantadorcatholic@gmail.com / web: mooretonmantadorcatholic.org

Questions of the Week

Even as I welcome Jesus into my heart, can I be patient for the fullness of God's life to bloom in me, in my neighbor and in the world?

Verse of the Week: "He will be a joy and delight to you, and many will rejoice because of his birth, for he will be great in the sight of the Lord." (Luke 1:14)

Assignment: Quiet your heart - Do you want peace in this busy season? Then slow down for 10 minutes, turn off the noise, read the Gospel for Sunday and talk with God. Know God, and know peace. No God, then no peace.

Holy Land Crafts - Maher Alatrash represents Catholic Christian Families from Bethlehem this weekend. They ask for your support and assistance for the native people of the Holy Land in Bethlehem. These families, sixty years ago, made up 18% of the population. Due to recent events in the Middle East, these families face devastating economical strain, and the population has decreased to less than 2% in the Holy Land. These families have relied on the income from their religious hand carved olive wood artifacts to tourist. So we bring their artifacts to the USA to try to help support them. All the proceed from sales will be send back to the families of the Holy Land so that they may be able to keep their homes and provide their families. The last few years were very tough for the Christian families, and this is the only source of income for them. Please browse their items and give a gift from the Holy Land. If you miss this weekend, go to our parish site for the link to their website to order online.



Poinsettia donations - If you would like to donate for Christmas, contact Jeanne Lugert, Liane Mauch or Donna Thiel at Sts Peter & Paul, or Cindy Spellerberg, Diane Bircherm, Anita Onchuck or Lisa Mauch at St Anthony. They will be picked up this week so call ASAP. Thank you.

Christian Mothers (of St Anthony) will hold their annual election in the spring after the Confirmation / First Eucharist dinner instead of winter.

Parish Decorating: Sts Peter & Paul - Please stay after Mass this weekend to setup trees and manger scene. Next weekend stay again to finish the other decorations. Treats and snacks may be available. :) / St Anthony - After the Christmas program, stay for a dinner provided by Circle #2. We can use your help to finish decorations after the program or the meal too.

Socks & mittens for homeless - Please bring donations of socks & mittens for adults or youth and hang them on the tree in the entrance of the church at St Anthony. We will collect these items until New Years Day and then take them to the Safe Home in Wahpeton or a homeless shelter in Fargo to be distributed this winter. You can donate a single pair or packages. Contact Dori Palmer for more info at 701-204-2687

Stewardship Moment: "You too must be patient. Make you hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand." (James 5:8)

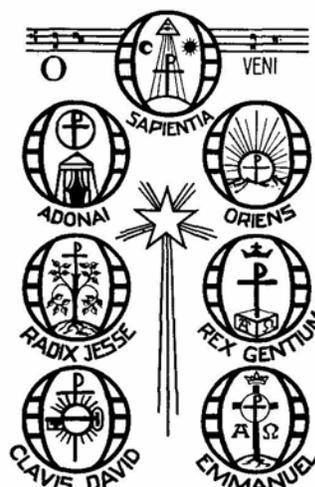
Patience is another one of those things many of us struggle with. We want things to go according to our plan and our schedule. Any change brings anxiety and fear. Through daily prayer we better align ourselves with God's will and His plan, which is far better than anything we can come up with on our own.

Community Announcements

Outdoor Adventures infused with Theology of the Body insight (Into the Deep) - See the poster in the back of the church for local or international adventures for young adults, adults, and youth. You can find your intereste, whether it is canoing, camping, skiing, hiking, or more. Some earlybird deadlines are near. Look online at www.idretreats.org



Priests v. Seminarians basketball at Shanley High School, Fargo, on Fri, Dec 27, at 7 pm - We tried to go last year but a blizzard canceled the game. Families are encouraged to attend together or the teens can join the carpool. As a parish, we will offer pizza at 6:15 pm in Fargo for those who can make it and then enjoy the game and half-time activities.



Quote of the Week
"O Father, in your Truth (that is to say, in your Son, humbled, needy and homeless) you have humbled me. He was humbled in the womb of the Virgin, needy in the manger of the sheep, and homeless on the wood of the Cross. Nothing so humbles the proud sinner as the humility of Jesus Christ's humanity." - St Anthony of Padua

A Prayer for Advent - Joy
Dear Jesus, help us focus on you during this busy season. May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives. We want to find you in the everyday moments and come with hearts of gratitude to your manger on Christmas.

Dec. Cleaners: Sts PP: *Kari Foertsch, Trudy Glynn, JoAnne Jentz, Patty Lingen, Jo Mertes / **St A:** *Kristin Erbes, Tiffany Carlson, Mary Erbes, Alison Krier, Anita Onchuck, Jeri Pausch

the Catechism (CCC) helps us read Scripture with the mind of Christ.

3rd Sunday of Advent - Paragraph #s (not pages)

- 30, 163, 301, 736, 1829, 1832, 2015, 2362: joy
- 227, 2613, 2665, 2772: patience
- 439, 547-550, 1751: Jesus performs messianic signs

HAPPY Birthday This week's celebrations: Kathy Mauch, Parker Kath. Adam & Jennifer Mauch. *Happy Anniversary*