



# St. Libory's Catholic Church

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### **Weekend Mass Times:**

Saturday: 4:30 P.M.

Sunday: 9:00 A.M.

Reconciliation: 30 minutes prior to Weekend Mass.

### **Weekday Mass Times:**

Wednesday: 5:45 P.M.

Thursday: 6:00 P.M.

Friday: 6:45 A.M.

### **MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday - Tuesday: No Daily Mass**

**Wednesday (Dec 16): 5:45 P.M.**

Carter Rock t by Darin & Karen Placke Family

**Thursday (Dec 17): 6:00 P.M.**

Larry Forbes t by Marcia Forbes

**Friday (Dec 18): 6:45 A.M.**

Jim Kasson t by Alda & Joe Boehle

**Saturday – (Dec 19): 4:30 P.M.**

For All Parishioners

**Sunday (Dec 20) 9:00 A.M.**

Joseph & Victoria Radke t by Shirley Hanisch

### **MINISTERS OF THE ALTAR**

**Saturday, December 19<sup>th</sup>, 4:30 P.M.**

**Lector:** Carolyn Kuta

**Sunday, December 20<sup>th</sup>, 9:00 A.M.**

**Lector:** Brook Buhrman

### **OUR GIFTS OF TREASURE**

**(December 5 & 6)**

Adults: \$5,454.00

Christmas Flowers: \$150.00

Immaculate Conception: \$30.00

### **DIOCESAN APPEAL**

Parish Goal: \$15,898.00

Total Raised: \$12,796.00

Donor Goal: 86

Total Received: \$11,746.00

Current No. of Donors: 41

### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

\*Wednesdays during Advent. Confessions at 6:30 – 7:30 P.M.

\*Dec 24 – Masses at 3:00 P.M., 4:00 P.M. and 5:30 P.M.

\*Dec 25 – Mass at 9:00 A.M.

\*Dec 31 – Mass at 4:00 P.M.

## **FROM THE PASTORS DESK**

I have some important information to bring to your attention, our Christmas Eve Mass schedule. This year, due to the virus, we will have three Masses offered, one at 3 PM, one at 4 PM and one at 5:30 PM. On Christmas day the Mass will be at 9 AM. Normally a Vigil Mass may not be offered until 4 PM or later on the Eve of a Holy Day but Bishop Hanefeldt has granted permission for an earlier time due to the pandemic.

The hope here is to spread folks out and reduce crowding. Historically, people have attended the earliest Mass in the greatest numbers. The first one has always been packed and sometimes overflowing. Due to the limited seating, I anticipate the 3 and 4 PM Masses to be full. If you are concerned about having adequate social distancing, I strongly recommend that you try to attend the 5:30 PM Mass or the 9 AM Christmas day Mass. In the past the Christmas day Mass has had very light attendance.

I strongly encourage you to wear a mask. As this is being written, there is not government mandate to wear a mask in Howard county. This could change by Christmas Eve. If it is mandated, we will post it at the door and have mask available as they always have been in the past.

I know there are strong feelings about both sides of the mask issue. Both make strong arguments. I simply ask you to think of others in the choices you make. Please remember, it is Christmas! Yours in Christ our Lord. Fr. Sid.

**SUNDAY MORNING BLESSING** – This Sunday Morning we will bless our new handicap parking and our new Clavinova which was provided by memorial funds given in memory of Al Roepker and Rosella Mamot.

**CONFESSIONS** – No Advent Parish Penance service this year. On Wednesday evenings during Advent, Confessions will be offered at 6:30 - 7:30 P.M.

**CHRISTMAS POINSETTIAS** – If you would like to donate towards a poinsettia in memory of a loved one place it in the collection basket by December 13th.

**MEMORY TREE** - A Christmas tree in memory of Blaine Weller will be set up in the next couple weeks. It will be decorated with ornaments from previous years. In memory of a loved one you may bring an ornament to hang on the tree (you may hang yourself or give to Kaylene/Tom). Mark the ornament with your name and the name of the person(s) you are remembering. Also record it in the book that is by the tree.

**CHRISTMAS MASSES** – There will be three Christmas Eve Masses. They will be at 3:00 P.M., 4:00 P.M. and 5:30 P.M. Christmas Day Mass at 9:00 A.M.

**NEW YEARS MASS** – New Year's Eve Mass at 4:00 P.M. No Mass on New Year's Day.

**CHOSEN VIDEO** – You can watch "The Chosen" at home. Enter: [www.thechosen.tv/app](http://www.thechosen.tv/app) or search "The Chosen" in your Apple or Android app store. From the app, you can stream to your tv using another device, such as Roku, etc.

**FORMED** – If you haven't checked out the FORMED website, you need to. There have been a lot of new additions of faith inspiring movies and studies. If you have never registered, you will need to as a parishioner of St. Libory and use the password: J6K3PK. You can also share the password with anyone interested.

**SEMINARIANS** – Please keep our seminarians in your daily prayers, especially our Adam Bauer. Here is his address. Please consider sending him notes and cards of encouragement (snacks are also appreciated).

Conception Seminary College - Adam Bauer - Mailbox 102 - Conception MO 64433

**WELCOME TO ALL VISITORS** – We would like to extend a heartfelt welcome to all our visitors. Registration forms for all new members may be found at the back of the church or contact Fr. Sid.

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I would like to donate towards a flower that will decorate the church during the Christmas season. Enclosed is my donation. **Return by Dec 13<sup>th</sup> in the collection basket.**

In Memory/Honor of \_\_\_\_\_

Remembered by \_\_\_\_\_