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Week of
December 13, 2020

Today is the
 Third Sunday
 of Advent.

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 p.m. **Sunday:** 7:00 a.m. & 8:30 a.m.
Weekday Mass: Tuesday, Wednesday, Thursday & Friday: 7:00 a.m.
Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturday: 3:00 - 3:30 p.m. or by appointment.

~ PASTORAL CARE INFORMATION ~

Sacrament of Baptism: If you are in need of a Baptism, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

Sacrament of Marriage: Couples planning marriage should contact the Parish Office six months prior to the desired date at (979) 543-6985.

Ministry to the Sick and Homebound: If a family member is sick and would like to receive Holy Communion, Reconciliation or Anointing of the Sick, please contact the Parish Office at (979) 543-6985.

New Parishioners: Welcome to St. John's Church. Please fill out our census form located at the main entrance and return to the Parish Office.

Mass Intentions for this Week:

Monday, 12/14	No Mass	
Tuesday, 12/15	7:00 a.m.	Annie Supak †
Wednesday, 12/16	7:00 a.m.	Raymond Baca †
Thursday, 12/17	7:00 a.m.	Bertha C. Hajovsky †
Friday, 12/18	7:00 a.m.	Joe & Mary Baca †
Saturday, 12/19	4:00 p.m.	Donna Korenek † Darrell Naiser †
Sunday, 12/20	7:00 a.m.	Parish Family Annimae Merta †
	8:30 a.m.	Patricia Kresta †

Saturday, 4:00 p.m.

Altar Servers: Dylan Srubar, Cole Srubar, Kade Srubar
Lector: Allison Fucik
Ushers: Donald Priesmeyer, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Keith Kresta, Lori Tupa
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Altar Servers: Mason Bystrek, Jackson Bystrek, Carson Bystrek, Hudson Bystrek
Lector: Yvonne Marcaurele
Ushers: Ronnie Gold, Volunteer
Extraordinary Ministers: Becky Dluhos, Volunteer
Rosary prayed before Mass.

Our Harvest Collection
for this week
 \$500.00

Offertory Collection
 Loose: \$711.58
 Envelopes: \$2270.00
 \$2981.58

BULLETIN SPONSOR this week is Karen Zapalac.

SANCTUARY LIGHT this week is in memory of Edwin Zapalac.

STATUE OF OUR LADY OF FATIMA will be in the home of Ben & Lena Tupa for the months of November & December.

CRUCIFIX AND PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS will be in the home of Karen Zapalac for the months of November & December. Please pray for vocations.

DECEMBER ALTAR DECORATORS: Connie Hlavaty, Kathy Bubela, Megan Bubela, Dorothy Fiala, Jeanette Socha, Donna Korenek, Lena Tupa, Elizabeth Tupa, Rose Ann Mitchell, Lori Tupa, Judy Venglar, Sarah Venglar, Alicia Stary and Robin Hensley. Your offering is due.

CCD CLASSES Wednesday at 6:00 p.m.

2021 PARISH CALENDARS AND SUPPORT ENVELOPES can be found at the main entrance.

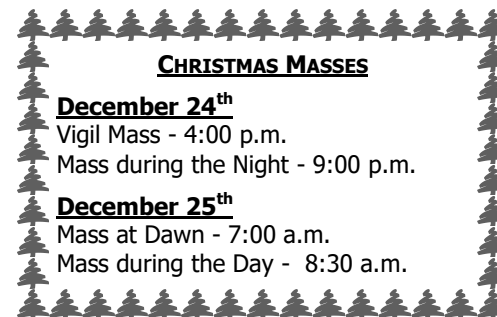
SPECIAL ANNUAL COLLECTION FOR RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS will be taken up today at all Masses.

ST. JOHN'S SCHOLARSHIP GAMES PARTY RAFFLE TICKETS can be found at each entrance.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED! Volunteers are needed for Christmas and New Year Masses. If you are able to help, please place your name on the schedules provided at the main entrance.

CHRISTMAS CRIB IN THE CHURCH will be put up on Sunday, December 20th at 12:00 p.m. Come when you can. Any help is greatly appreciated.

PARISH FAMILY TREE: If you are new to our Parish, we have a large tree in the Sanctuary called the Parish Family Tree. All ornaments on the tree are from members of our Parish. Please be a part of our Parish Family and place your ornament on the tree.



Meditation for the Week

"The Third Sunday of Advent is called Gaudete Sunday because today's opening antiphon begins with the word *gaudete*, which means rejoice. We rejoice today, for the coming of the Lord is so near that we cannot help but think about it. Perhaps we are starting to feel overwhelmed by all of what we need to do between now and Christmas. Let this be an opportunity to refocus our attention on the true reason we celebrate this time of year. Rejoice, the Lord is near!" (Pastoral Patterns)

Isaiah 61:1-2a, 10-11 I rejoice heartily in the Lord.

Luke 1 "My soul rejoices in my God."

1 Thessalonians 5:16-24 May you entirely, spirit, soul, and body, be preserved blameless for the coming of our Lord Jesus Christ.

John 1:6-8, 19-28 There is one among you whom you do not recognize.

"We are visited by three messengers today. The first is Isaiah, with a message of hope and joy, "a year of favor . . . a day of vindication." Next comes Paul, with a message for the Thessalonians that we can take to heart as well, advising us how to live while we wait for Christ's return. Finally we hear from Jesus' messenger, John the Baptist, who came to testify to the Messiah. Let us heed their messages as we prepare for Christ's coming." (Pastoral Patterns)

CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS

Wednesday, December 16th
 St. John's - 6:00 p.m.

DID I PAY MY 2020

ALTAR SOCIETY DUES, HARVEST COLLECTION,
 DSA, NO BAKE CAKE SALE DONATION
 AND MY \$25 FOR ALTAR FLOWERS
 FOR THE MONTH I AM ASSIGNED?