



NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Sacred Heart Parish—Clay County & St. Joseph Parish—O’Brien County

EUCCHARISTIC CELEBRATIONS

November 30	Monday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	7:30 AM	Louise Heinrichs
December 1	Tuesday (Hartley St. Joseph)	8:00 AM	Kevin Franker
December 2	Wednesday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	7:30 AM	Kay Steffen
December 3	Thursday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	7:30 AM	James Ruden
December 4	Friday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	7:30 AM	Bob & Sanny Andrews
	Friday (Spencer Sacred Heart School only)	8:30 AM	Marilyn Higgins
December 5	Saturday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	4:00 PM	Don Linnan
	Saturday (Primghar St. Anthony)	6:00 PM	All Parish Members
December 6	Sunday (Hartley St. Joseph)	9:00 AM	Jim Roling
	Sunday (Spencer Sacred Heart)	10:30 AM	James Ruden

FROM THE PASTOR

Welcome to Advent! As we prepare for Christmas keep in mind that in our diocese the obligation to attend Mass has been suspended until the end of the year. For Christmas Masses you will need to reserve seating in church if you plan to attend one of those Masses. Instructions on reserving seats will be sent to you. The schedule will be the same as last year. Remember that you are required to wear a mask in church.

December 24, Spencer Sacred Heart	4:00 PM
Hartley St. Joseph	5:30 PM
Spencer Sacred Heart	7:00 PM
Primghar St. Anthony	7:00 PM
December 25, Hartley St. Joseph	9:00 AM
Spencer Sacred Heart	10:30 AM

Have a blessed Advent.

Fr. Tim

CHURCH SUPPORT AND TOGETHER AS ONE

CHURCH SUPPORT: Sacred Heart \$8,984 St. Joseph \$3,217, Special Collections \$5

SACRED HEART TAO PAYMENTS/PLEDGES TO DATE: \$18,657; goal \$32,204

ST. JOSEPH O'BRIEN COUNTY TAO PAYMENTS/PLEDGES TO DATE: \$10,134; goal \$13,541

SCHOOL NEWS

A BIG THANK YOU to Jennie Stevenson for organizing the meals from Weasy's for the staff during Parent/Teacher conferences last week. Thank you to the parents who donated toward these meals.

ONLINE SCHOLASTIC BOOK FAIR starts on Monday, November 30th and continues through Sunday, December 13th. Great Christmas gift items! Book orders of \$25 or more qualify for free shipping. If you order non-book items free shipping does not apply. Everything ships directly to you. Use this web address to begin shopping starting November 30th! <https://www.scholastic.com/bf/sacredheartschool52>.

Thank you, Mrs. Klatt

ANNOUNCEMENTS

SACRED HEART PARISH ADVENT CALENDAR: The staff at Sacred Heart have put together an Advent calendar! Please follow along at our website: spencersacredheart.com/advent. It will run from November 29 through December 25.

SPENCER CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS TASTEFULLY SIMPLE FUNDRAISER is coming to an end. The last day for orders is November 30. Your order can be placed at <https://www.tastefullysimple.com/p/11330669> or by contacting Tracy Wilkerson at 712-240-2634.

6TH-10TH GRADE FAITH FORMATION-ST. JOSEPH PARISH: Faith Formation class scheduled for December 3rd will take place remotely. Families with students in 6th-10th grade, please watch your Parish email for additional instructions.

BEST ADVENT EVER: Experience free, daily video reflections on the Advent gospel readings, and head into 2021 with the happiest, shiniest soul you've ever had! Sign up today at www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever. You can also contact Megan Wagner at 4unioncatholic@gmail.com for additional Advent study opportunities.

MAGNIFICAT VIRTUAL VISITATION: Sisters in Christ, pour your coffee, and rejoice in the presence of the Lord during a virtual women's conference! Join us on Saturday, December 5th, at 9:00 AM. Email your RSVPs to MagnificatNWIA@gmail.com by December 1st. Space is limited.

USHERS NEEDED: The St. Joseph O'Brien County Parish is requesting your help. Ushers are needed to ensure proper social distancing during weekend Masses. Volunteers must be 65 years old or younger. Please contact Megan Wagner at 4unioncatholic@gmail.com for more information. Thank you!

MESSIAH MEMORIES ON "FROM THE VAULT" on SMU Channel 3: The Spencer Messiah Board working with SMU will be presenting some 'classic' Messiah Memories this holiday season. You can find them on SMU Channel 3's "From the Vault" program. Dates and times are: The Messiah from 2009: Thursday, Dec 17 @ 3pm, Saturday, Dec 19 @ 11:30pm, Sunday, Dec 20 @ 3pm and Monday, Dec 21 @ 10:30am. Festival of Lessons and Carols from 2016: Thursday, Dec 24 @ 3pm, Friday, Dec 25 @ 7pm, Saturday, Dec 26 @ 11:30pm, Sunday, Dec 27 @ 3pm and Monday, Dec 28 @ 10:30am. We hope to see everyone at next year's "Festival of Lessons and Carols" on Dec. 5, 2021. For additional information visit "Spencer Messiah" on Facebook.

TOGETHER AS ONE: "To whom much is given, much is expected" (Luke 12, v. 48). Thanksgiving is a time to reflect on the truths of our Catholic Faith. We are truly blessed, and we know it. Together As One is a practical way to demonstrate stewardship, and the unity of purpose for which we stand. The goal for this year's campaign is within reach. Let's finish 2020 by exceeding our goal!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF NOVEMBER 29, 2020

Sunday:	Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
Monday:	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [10]/Mt 4:18-22
Tuesday:	Is 11:1-10/ Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday:	Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37
Thursday:	Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday:	Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday:	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. Is 30:18d]/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8©LPI