



Saint Andrew Parish

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS...December 10 - 17, 2017

Sunday	9:00am	Peggy Theis
Wednesday	8:00am	Lois Gleason
Thursday	8:00pm	Mike Lix
Friday	9:00am	Ben Schawe [<i>Halsey Hall – Fort Dodge</i>]
Sunday	9:00am	Doris Salmans

MANNA HOUSE...basket is in the vestibule by the east bulletin board. We may place non-perishable food items and other useful items such as toiletries in the basket.

2017 CALENDARS...will be blest as part of our final blessing at mass today. We continue to be grateful to our anonymous benefactor who provides these calendars to us year after year.

3rd-12th GRADERS...gather at the Parish Center following mass this morning for donuts, followed by shopping for an Angel Tree recipient. Bring a monetary donation to put towards the recipients gifts. Previous RSVP to Deena Hamilton was required for this event to ensure sufficient transportation.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS...meet Monday, December 11th, 6:45pm, Parish Center.

PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE...is Wednesday, December 13th, 7pm. There will be five confessors available: Fr. Maurice Cummings, Jetmore and Hanston; Fr. John Strasser, Kinsley and Offerle; Fr. John Forkuoh, Spearville; Fr. Aneesh Parappanattu, Cathedral; and Fr. Bob. There will also be Services 2pm at Offerle and 4pm at Spearville, today, December 10th and 7pm at Kinsley, Tuesday, December 12th. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available Sunday morning 8:30am, following weekday mass, upon request when possible and always by appointment

SENIOR CENTER CHRISTMAS DINNER...is Thursday December 14th, 5:30pm (Please note the time change.) Wright Senior Center, 10891 Main Street, Wright.

RCIA INQUIRY...continues Thursday, December 14th, Saint Augustine Room, Cathedral.

COFFEE AND ROLLS...will be served in the Parish Center following mass next Sunday, December 17th. St. Nick plans to visit and wish everyone a blessed Advent and a merry Christmas. Please plan on stopping by the Parish Center following mass next Sunday to visit with St. Nick and with one another.

CHOIR WILL PREPARE FOR CHRISTMAS CELEBRATIONS...next Sunday, December 17th, 4:30pm, in church. If you are interested in being part of the music ministry, please come and join in.

WE WILL PREPARE OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS...5:30pm, Wednesday, December 20th. All help is invited, welcome, and appreciated. Food and drink will be available.

CHRISTMAS MASSES...are 4:30pm, Sunday, December 24th and 9am, Monday, December 25th.

SAINT ANDREW SERVES FRIENDSHIP FEAST...Wednesday, January 3rd. There is a sign-up sheet on the shelf in the southeast corner of the church vestibule. Friendship Feast provides a noon meal at the 1st Presbyterian Church, Dodge City. Saint Andrew serves the meal that has been prepared on the first Wednesday of each month. For information: Blaine Venters: 225-5520, blainerson@live.com.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION...will participate in the Parish Advent Reconciliation Service this Wednesday, December 13th, 7pm. All are invited to help prepare church for Christmas on Wednesday, December 20th, 5:30pm. Religious Formation will be on Christmas break December 27th and January 3rd. Sessions will resume Wednesday, January 10th when we celebrate Epiphany. Fr. John Forkuoh, Pastor of Spearville, who is from Ghana, will be with us to share Church life in Africa. We gather with all ages at 6:30pm in the Parish Center, beginning with a meal and then gathering in age groups. We conclude at 8:00pm. Child care is provided. The meal on the January 10th will be provided by the Liturgy Commission. For more information: Regina Lix, our parish DRE, 227-4542, regina.lix@gmail.com.

THE FLUORESCENT LIGHTS...in the Parish Center have been replaced recently with LED panels. If you would have need of any fluorescent tubes and fixtures, they are available for the taking from the trailer parked on the west side of the Parish Center. They will remain there until December 11th.

THE OLD TESTAMENT DOES NOT HAVE TO BE OLD...when we see ourselves in the stories of some real flesh and blood people from long ago but on the same journey of life and faith that we are. Introduction to the Old Testament begins January 20th via Interactive TV. Flyers are on the east bulletin board in church or visit <http://www.dcdiocese.org/pastoral-ministry-formation>. St. Andrew will pay the fees for parishioners who participate in Pastoral Ministry Formation offerings.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT...December 3rd: \$2,910.00 in envelopes; \$46.00 in loose; \$1,204.89 in electronic giving; \$65.00 for Saint Bonaventure Mission & School; \$30.00 for Thanksgiving. Thank you!

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for 9:00am, Third Sunday of Advent, December 17, 2017

Music Ministry: Sr. Janice Grochowsky & Sr. Jan Roberts

Lectors: Greg Lix & Dave Strecker

Servers: Taige Kliesen & Jarrett Kliesen

Gifts: Nick Theis

Communion: Sheila McCarty, Sara Smith, Maurice Bleumer, Lynn Buehne, Greg Lix

Greeters: Matthew & Cornitius

Collection: Doug Trombley & Frank Morton (*for December*)

Rosary: Maurice Bleumer

Fort Dodge Transportation: Gary Stein

Prayer -- Second Week of Advent

Eternal life is in him, and this life gives light to all people. His life is the light that shines through the darkness and the darkness can never extinguish it. [John 1:4-5]



Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us bring the light of your love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith.

Light two candles on the wreath.

What is the ONE THING that touched your heart today from the scripture readings, homily, music or prayers that inspires you to “Become the Best Version of Yourself” for this upcoming week?