



SACRED HEART of JESUS CATHOLIC CHURCH

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December 3rd, 2017
First Sunday of Advent

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A Sister Parish with St. Joseph, Crestline
Member of St. Juan Diego Deanery

Mass Intentions

Tuesday

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: Gerald Sutter

Wednesday

NO MASS

Thursday (Vigil Mass) Immaculate Conception

5:30 pm - Confession at St. Joseph

6:30 pm - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: For the Living and
Deceased Members of the Baldasare &
Perito Families*

Friday

Immaculate Conception

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

6:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

Mass Intention: For All Priests

Saturday

3:30 - Confession at Sacred Heart

4:30 pm - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: Paul & Kate Gosser,
Mary Alice Biglin*

2nd Sunday of Advent

7:00 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: Frank & Lucille Sopko,
Earl "Bunny" Smith*

8:30 am - Mass at Sacred Heart

*Mass Intention: David Riehl, Tom
Weaver, Bren & Betts Finnegan*

10:30 am - Mass at St. Joseph

*Mass Intention: Lillian Krichbaum, Bill
Sharrock*

O Come O Come Emmanuel !

We are now in the season of Advent. The word Advent means, "coming" And for the next four weeks we are supposed to prepare for the coming of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ in the flesh. I know what you want to say- "Fr. Chris- Jesus all ready came in the flesh more than 2,000 years ago!" Yes, Jesus did come in the flesh a long time ago, as a matter of earth history, but spiritually it is a great truth of our faith that will echo for all eternity.

Every time we come to Mass, Jesus' death at Calvary and His Resurrection is just as spiritually present as the day it happened. In heaven there is no time, so the truth of Jesus Christ's coming in the flesh (Incarnation) and His death and Resurrection will always be in the present- always in the now- of life in heaven.

Therefore, don't let the secular emphasis of shopping and parties dominate your thoughts as a way to prepare for Christmas, but let the joy of Christ coming in the flesh as a baby fill your hearts and minds. And in the spirit of our Bishop I want to suggest some things for you to do this Advent so you will be ready for Christmas spiritually. Here they are:

1. Say- "Have a Merry Christmas!"- To as many people as you can.
2. Pray Together as a family at least once a week during the four weeks of Advent
3. Bow at Mass during the Nicene Creed when it states the Jesus became Incarnate meaning he took on flesh and became one of us.
4. Read the first three chapters of each Gospel.
5. Always remember to say "Amen" when receiving the Body and Blood of Christ because you are receiving His Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity when you do and acknowledging that he came in the flesh. (This should be said every Sunday)
6. Give something to someone not expecting to be paid back.
7. Imagine you are traveling with the Three Wise Men- What gift would you bring to Jesus at the manger?

These are but a few examples of things to do during Advent. You can be creative and come up with ideas of your own. Just remember that for Advent you want to prepare your heart to receive the Christmas joy of Jesus being born in the world, which will help to increase your devotion to Him and not increase your stress!

God Bless!!!

Fr. Chris



First Sunday in Advent

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

Tuesday, Dec 5th: Roseanne Conley & Leo Hartings

Friday, December 8th	Saturday, December 9th	Sunday, December 10th
<p><u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> Sean Beeson</p> <p><u>SERVERS</u> Kimberly Biglin, Cory Myers</p> <p><u>OFFERTORY</u> Dale & Linda Schroeder</p> <p><u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> Sr. Susanna Weaver, Steve Vogt, Dale Schroeder, Sharon McGowan</p> <p><u>USHERS</u> Tom & Nate Metzger</p> <p><u>LECTOR</u> John Workman</p>	<p><u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> Folk Group</p> <p><u>SERVERS</u> Finnegan Belcik & Garrett Biglin</p> <p><u>OFFERTORY</u> Harry & Jean Miller</p> <p><u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> Sharon McGowan, Brenda Gosser, Harry Miller, Greg Keller</p> <p><u>USHERS</u> Gary Biglin & Shannon Finnegan</p> <p><u>LECTOR</u> Harry Miller</p> <p><u>GREETERS</u> Greg Keller & Laura Gosser</p>	<p><u>MUSIC MINISTER</u> Katie Rietschlin</p> <p><u>SERVERS</u> Macy Rall & Haiden Newmeyer</p> <p><u>OFFERTORY</u> Joe & Joyce Timmer</p> <p><u>EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS</u> Luke & Cheryl Rietschlin, Stan Cain, Sr. Susanna Weaver</p> <p><u>USHERS</u> Chuck Studer & Roger Niese</p> <p><u>LECTOR</u> Denny Gwartz</p> <p><u>GREETERS</u> Cheryl Rietschlin & Debbie Gwartz</p> <p><u>COUNTERS</u> Laura Nold & Steve Metzger</p>

Bible Readings for the Week of December 4th, 2017

Monday - Weekday - Is 2:1-5, Mt 8:5-11
 Tuesday - Weekday - Is 11:1-10, Lk 10:21-24
 Wednesday - Weekday - Is 25:6-10a, Mt 15:29-37
 Thursday - Weekday - Is 26:1-6, Mt 7:21, 24-27
 Friday - Weekday - Gn 3:9-15, 20, Ps 98:1-4, Eph 1:3-6, 11-12, Lk 1:26-38
 Saturday - Weekday - Is 30:19-21, 23-26, Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

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Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests



Monday, December 4, 2017

Kindly remember in prayer all our priests serving in the Diocese of Toledo, as they gather for the annual Day of Prayer for the Sanctification of Priests, at the Basilica and National Shrine of Our Lady of Consolation in Carey. Through our prayers, may the Lord grant them many blessings.

Get Ready for the Holidays While Supporting Sacred Heart School !

It is that time of year when the holidays are right around the corner. Have you ever thought about buying gift cards at the school for your gifts/purchases? There is no extra cost to you, and while purchasing your gift cards through us, we will receive money to help support our school. We have a master list of 500 plus vendors. Scrip cards are sold year round. Please contact Kim Cain or Lisa Myers at 419-342-2797 or 419-683-1697 to purchase gift cards. Thank you in advance for your support!

From the Ways & Means Committee

Thank you for your support of the Ways & Means Fundraising activities for this past year. The Palm Sunday Bake Sale brought in \$1,210.37, Bakeless Bakesale donations were \$487.00 and the Turkey Shoot/Chili Supper profited \$5,011.77. Your donations and support help the Altar & Rosary buy many necessities for the parish including: hosts, wine, candles, altar cloths, vestments for Father and Deacon Steve, roasters and other kitchen supplies, funeral dinner supplies, church cleaning, and much more. Thanks to our spouses for their help with the Turkey Shoot.

Thank you for all you do for Sacred Heart!

The Ways & Means Committee:

Marti Keller, Paula Rietschlin, Miriam Schroeder,
Diane Sutter, Cindy Picou & Sharon Keller

Catholic Womens Club

The next luncheon will be **Wednesday December 13, 2017**. Luncheon will be at Brown Derby Road House in Ontario. Luncheon will start at 12:00 pm. All Catholic Women in the St Juan Diego Deanery are invited. If you are new, we encourage you to join us and get to know the Catholic women in the area. Please call Carol Sgambellone at 419-529-2758 or 419-632-5839 or call JoAnn Jerger at 567-274-7954. Reservations must be made by December 8, 2017 before 12 noon.



ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES:



Dec 6th: 7:00pm
Mansfield St. Mary's

Dec 10th: (Tri-Parish) 2:30pm
Lexington Resurrection

Dec 13th: 1:00pm
Mansfield St. Mary's

Dec 14th: 6:00pm
Willard St. Francis Xavier

Dec 17th: 3:00pm
Shelby Most Pure Heart of Mary

Dec 20th: 7:00pm
Crestline St. Joseph



Daughters of Isabella /Altar & Rosary

Christmas Party to be held Mon. December 11th at 6:00 pm in St. Mary's School Gym. Daughters of Isabella members should gather in the school library at 5:00 pm for a short meeting. The cost is \$13.00 please make checks payable to Altar & Rosary Society. Please call Kathy Kanney 419-347-5177 before Dec 6th for reservations.

Thank You !!!!!

Thank you, Sacred Heart Parishioners, for your donation of food and toys. Last year Shelby Help Line Ministries was able to assist 308 households ! Be assured that your generosity and kindness is greatly appreciated !

Simple Holy Hour Schedule:



Sun	12/3	2:00- 3:00 pm. at St. Joseph
Mon	12/4	10:00-11:00 pm. at St. Joseph
Tues	12/5	8:30- 9:30 am. at St. Joseph
Wed	12/6	10:00-11:00 pm. at St. Joseph
Thurs	12/7	8:30- 9:30 am. at St. Joseph
Fri	12/8	2:15- 3:15 pm. at Sacred Heart
Sat	12/9	2:30- 3:30 pm. at Sacred Heart

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Parish Office Hours Week 12/4 :

Mon & Wed 8:00 - Noon

Tues & Thurs 9:00 - 3:00



**Memorial Flowers on 11/26 were from
Chuck & Darla Studer In Thanksgiving
for the many blessings in their lives.**

PTO Help Needed

We are in need of someone to take the lead role of food donations and workers for our two upcoming Euchre Tournaments .The tournaments take place one Sunday during January and February. Doors open at 3pm and close around 8pm.

Your responsibility would be to organize two to three workers for two different shifts each night. You would also make sure we have the supplies that are needed. School administration helps in sending signup sheets and providing phone numbers.

You do not need to work on the day of the Euchre Tournaments provided all the shifts are covered.

PTO is also open to having this be a co-chair. The Euchre Tournaments are big fundraisers for our PTO. This is how they pay for snow tubing, bingo and food after trick or trunk as well as extra items on the last day of school, academic challenge shirts, playground equipment and many more items. **If we do not get any volunteers to take these lead roles or co-chair, we may need to close the PTO account and no longer offer these activities for our students.**

Please consider volunteering. This would help our PTO stay strong.

Please call Laura Gosser at 419-565-0909, Kimberlie Cain or Lisa Myers at 419-342-2797 or 419-683-1697 for questions or to volunteer.

Thank you for your commitment to our students !

BIRTHDAYS:

12/04	John Workman
12/06	Eileen Cochran
12/06	Teresa Hicks
12/10	Miriam Schroeder
12/10	Paula Goodman
12/12	Claire Davis
12/16	William Alt
12/24	Gerald McGowan
12/24	Barbara Weaver
12/25	Dennis Gwirtz
12/27	Lucy Rietschlin



****Attention Liturgical Ministers:**

Please note the Mass time for 12/31 is 8:30 am NOT 10:30 am !

Thank you !

