

**Nov 26<sup>th</sup>, 2023**

## **Christ the King!**

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**Wheaton ~ 320-563-4421**

### **THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Nov 27<sup>th</sup> – Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

**MON** – No Mass –

**TUE** – No Mass –

**WED** Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

**THU** Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~ Gina Jung Thorne

**FRI** Mass – 8:30 am Browns Valley ~ Special Intention  
Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

**SAT** Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~

**SUN** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~ Evelyn Kleindl

**STEWARDSHIP** – for Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>

Adult \$855 Loose \$278 Votive \$19.50 Fall & Fuel  
\$200 Catholic Charities \$80 Total: \$1,432.50

### **Confession Schedule**

**\*No confessions** on Tuesday in Chokio

7:00 pm on Wednesday in Wheaton

7:00 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

**No mass or confessions** this week on Tuesday.

**First Friday Mass** will be Friday, Dec. 1<sup>st</sup> @ 8:30 am in  
Browns Valley with adoration beginning @ 7:30 am;

**First Saturday Mass** will be Saturday, Dec. 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 8:30 am  
in Chokio with confessions beginning @ 7:30 am.

### **Immaculate Conception Schedule**

Thur., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 5:00 pm (Chokio)

Thur., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00 pm (Browns Valley)

Fri., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> @ 8:30 am (Wheaton)

***Welcome into our faith community Harper Gene  
Herberg, daughter of Casey Herberg and Bethany  
Rogers. Harper was baptized last Sunday after Mass.***

**Still looking for a teacher for the 4-6 grades in our  
Faith Formation program.** Please call the office if you  
would be able to help out, even part-time. Thank you.



**St. Anthony ~ Browns Valley**

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**Prayer Line: Mary Schwagel 320-695-2994 or Connie  
Miller 320-695-2137 or 2376 or Edith F. 320-695-2260**

### **Liturgical Ministers – Dec. 3 – 11 a.m.**

**Lector:** Mike Toelle

**EM:** Mike Toelle, Edith Foren & Brenda Pederson

**Choir & Congregation EM:** Julie & Dave Metz

**Servers:** Ryen Metz, Rylie Metz & Natalie Remily

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Mike & Sue Toelle

**Ushers:** Mike Heck & Pat Homan

**Home Communion** – Bernice Piechowski

**Sacristan:** Sue Toelle

### **CHRISTIAN MOTHERS**

The Christian Mothers will meet on Thursday,  
November 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m. This will be the annual  
Christmas party and election of officers. Please bring a  
plate of goodies to share.

### **Upcoming events:**

The Faith Formation Christmas Program will be  
after Mass on Sunday, December 17<sup>th</sup>. The Guild  
ladies will provide a luncheon right after Mass that day.  
You are welcome to come and eat even if you aren't  
going to stay for the program. Your chairperson will be  
calling you for your jobs at the luncheon. They will be  
serving Sloppy Joes.

We will have the First Friday Mass at 8:30 on  
December 1st, with Adoration beginning at 7:30 a.m.

The Immaculate Conception Mass will be on Thursday,  
December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m. On December 24th, we will have  
a 10 a.m. Mass for the Fourth Sunday of Advent and  
will have a 4 p.m. Mass for Christmas Eve.

### **CHOIR PRACTICE**

If you would like to join the St. Anthony Choir, you are asked  
to come to practice on Wednesday December 13<sup>th</sup> and  
December 20th at 6:30 p.m. to prepare for Christmas season.  
All voices welcome! We are also practicing today after Mass.



**St. Mary's ~ Chokio**

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**Ministry Schedule, Sunday, December 3, 8 a.m.**

**EM:** Jeri Erickson & Ginny Heintzelman

**Lector:** Vivian Heltemes

**Ushers:** Jeramee VanEps & Ron Draper

**Servers:** Otto Kleindl & Xavier Kleindl

**Sacristans:** Larry & Ginny Heintzelman

**December Schedule:**

**-Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass:** December 7, 5 p.m.

**-Anointing of the Sick:** Will take place December 10, after the homily. Senior citizens, the chronically ill, and others are welcome.

**-Penance Service** on Tues., Dec. 12<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**-Faith Formation Christmas Program:** December 17, after 8 a.m. Mass, followed by cake for Baby Jesus in the Hall. All Welcome!

**-4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent Mass** will be at 8 a.m, Sunday, Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>

**-Christmas Eve Mass** will be at 4 p.m. on Sunday. Dec. 24<sup>th</sup>

**-Sunday, Dec. 31<sup>st</sup>** we'll have the regular 8:00 am Sunday Mass.

No Mass in Chokio, New Year's Day, as it's nonobligatory this year.

**Options for Women Baby Bottle Campaign:** Please return your bottle/make your donation by December 3rd. Options funding was cut significantly by the legislature so this campaign is important!

**Change to the Texting Leaders for the Prayer Chain:** Jeri Ritter & Vivian Heltemes, are now serving as texting leaders. Copies of the revised Prayer Chain are at the back of church.

**Christmas Crafts/Gifts for sale in the Hall!** Shop Local!

**Pedersen Funeral Home's annual holiday service, "Remembering"** will be held Sunday, Dec. 3, 2023 at 2 p.m., at Pedersen Funeral Home. The service is centered on keeping memories alive and helping to endure the pain that the holidays can bring following a death. Names of all who passed in the last year are read.

**Donations of Christmas Flowers, in memory of loved ones,** can be placed in the collection, in an envelope, with their names.

**November Food Drive:** A collection for the Stevens County Food Shelf was taken up at the Thanksgiving Mass. If you'd like to donate, put an envelope in the collection, marked "Food Shelf."



***Ave Maria ~ Wheaton***

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**Sunday, December 3<sup>rd</sup>**

**Lector:** Paul Frisch

**EM:** Philip Deal, Paul Frisch, Linda Larson

**Servers:** Marissa Frisch & Charlie Frisch

**Ushers:** Butch Doll & Jim Coffman

**Fellowship:** Sam & Kassie Thielen

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sun., Nov 26<sup>th</sup>** – Fellowship after 9:30am Mass

**Sun., Dec 3<sup>rd</sup>** – 10:30am – 11:30am Faith Formation

**Sun., Dec 10<sup>th</sup>** – **Children's Mass, Christmas Program  
And Potluck Dinner**

**Sanford Wheaton Auxiliary**

**Christmas Cookie Sale**

Will be held on **Friday, December 8, 2023**

At the Wheaton Ambulance Facility

Starting at **12:00 Noon**

Homemade Cookies ~ \$6.00/Dozen

Assorted Cookie Trays ~ \$13.00 & \$20.00

**\*\* No Early Sales \*\***

**Children's Christmas Program will be Sunday, Dec 10<sup>th</sup>. They will start with a Children's Mass at 9:30, followed by the Christmas Program and then a potluck dinner. Everyone is invited to the Mass, program, and potluck!!**

If you would like to display something on the bulletin boards, please contact the office before adding your item.

**Thank You!**

The **December Mass Ministers Schedule** and the **Living Faith for October - December** are available at all entrances.

**Stewardship as a Way of Life: "...whatever you did for one of the least of my brothers, you did for me." – Matthew 25:40**

Most of us are generous when it's convenient for us.

We are generous when we have the time or the money.

But real generosity is the opposite of that.

It means giving of one's time, money, compassion, forgiveness, or mercy when it's not convenient to us, when it's not on our schedule, but on the other person's timeline.