Dec 22nd, 2024

4th Advent Sunday

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Dec 23rd - Dec 29th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass − 4:00 pm Chokio ~

Mass -4:00 pm Wheaton \sim

Mass − 4:00 pm Browns Valley ~ Blair Piechowski

WED Mass -9:00 am Wheaton \sim

THU ~ No Mass ~

FRI Mass -10:00 am TCC \sim

SUN Mass -8:00 am Chokio \sim

Mass -9:30 am Wheaton \sim

Mass − 11:00 am Browns Valley ~ Kenny Westbrock

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, Dec 15th

Adult \$ 1,170.00 Loose \$306.75 Votive \$34.00 Immaculate Conception \$64.00 Christmas Flowers \$295.00 **TOTAL:** \$1,869.75

Confession Schedule:

*No Confessions on Tuesday
**No Confessions on Wednesday
***No Confessions on Thursday either

No confessions this week due to Christmas schedule nor morning Mass on <u>Tues & Thurs.</u>

Christmas Programs were fantastic □ □ A big thank you to our youth, DREs, teachers, & food preparers that made it all so wonderful and helped us enter into the Christmas Spirit!!

Go Vikes!

Christmas Mass Schedule

Tues, Dec 24 @ 4:00 pm (Chokio) Tues, Dec 24 @ 4:00 pm (Wheaton) Tues, Dec 24 @ 4:00 pm (Browns Valley) Wed, Dec 25 @ 9:00 am (Wheaton)

The Choir will play at 3:40 p.m. on Christmas Eve before 4 p.m. Mass at St. Anthony's Church.



St. Anthony ~ Browns Valley

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<u>Liturgical Ministers – December 24 – 4:00 p.m.</u> Choir to play at 3:40 p.m. before Mass.

Lector: Mike Toelle

EM: Mike Toelle, Mary Nigg & Brenda Pederson Choir & Congregation: David & Julie Metz Servers: Emilie Metz & Natalie Remily Greeters/Gift Bearers: David & Julie Metz

Ushers: David Metz & Bob Metz

<u>Liturgical Ministers – December 29 – 11:00 a.m.</u>

Lector: Jeanette Pistorius

EM: Brenda Bartz, Edith Foren & Jeanette Pistorius **Choir & Congregation:** Marlene A. & Carol Hoffman

Servers: Emmett Piechowski & Daxtin Miller Greeters/Gift Bearers: Mike & Sue Toelle

Ushers: Ryan Toelle & John Toelle **Home Communion**: Edith Foren

Sacristan: Brenda Bartz

FAITH FORMATION – No class Sunday, December 22nd or Sunday, December 29th.

Stewardship as a Way of Life: "For behold, when the voice of your greeting came to my ears, the babe in my womb leaped for joy." (Luke 1:44) When you hear the scripture readings and Gospel reading at Mass, do you "leap for joy?" If not, don't blame the lecturer or priest, rather look inside yourself. What are you doing to grow in friendship with Jesus? How do you prepare for Mass each week? Do you just show up and expect to be entertained? As the Body of Christ, we are called to be active participants, not just passive observers.

Honoring Marriage Day is May 3rd at St. Francis Xavier parish, Sartell MN for couples celebrating 5, 10, 25, 40, 50, 60 & 60 plus years of marriage in 2025. Please let the office know if you are celebrating one of these milestones and would like to participate in the Marriage Day on May 3rd.

Students are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. There is a box in back of church for the pop tabs.

American Legion Fish Fry is Friday, December 27th - serving beginning at 5 p.m. until gone. Price is \$20 for all you can eat.



Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

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Children's Christmas Mass & Program is today! Everyone is invited to stay for the program and potluck!!

Tuesday ~ Christmas Eve ~ 4:00pm

Lector: Sam Thielen

EM: Sam Thielen, Deb Mucha, Paul Thielen, Linda Larson

Servers: Lyla Peterson & Teddy Peterson **Ushers:** Lenny Zimmel & Butch Doll



Merry Christmas

Wednesday ~ Christmas Day ~ 9:00am

Lector: Philip Deal

EM: Philip Deal, Armon Karsky, John Tauber Servers: Colin O'Leary & Patrick O'Leary Ushers: Jim Coffman & Hank Frisch

Sunday, December 29th ~ 9:30AM

Lectors: Matt Franzese

EM: Deb Mucha, Linda Larson, Colleen Violet Servers: Elizabeth Franzese & Ellie Klein Ushers: Philip Brink & Rich Frisch Fellowship: Dave & Jackie McClernon

Anyone who would like a donation included in the 2024 year, please have them into the office by December 30th.

The January Mass Ministers Schedule and the Living Faith for January – March are available at all entrances.

The 2025 Boxes of Offertory Envelopes and Calendars are in the front entry of the church. Please discard your 2024 box of envelopes after December 29th. If you do not find a box with your name on it, please contact the office.



St. Mary's ~ Chokio
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Ministry Schedule, Monday, December 24th, 4:00 p.m.

EM's: J. Van Eps, B. Berlinger, J. Heltemes, G. Heintzelman

Lector: Paul Daly

Ushers: Jacob Marty & Andrew Marty **Servers:** Jace Kleindl & Josie Kleindl **Sacristans:** John & Mary Lou Berlinger

Ministry Schedule, Sunday, December 29th, 8:00 a.m.

EM's': Jeri Erickson & Bruce Berlinger

Lector: Paula Baxter

Ushers: Keith & Maria Marty

Servers: Hannah Marty & Lillian Marty **Sacristans:** Larry & Ginny Heintzelman

Winter Schedule:

--- December 31st, Tuesday, New Years Eve Mass, 5:00 p.m.

---Bloodmobile, Jan. 24th, St. Mary's Hall

Becky Draper Retiring as Calendar Raffle Chair: After 16 years as chairs, Becky is stepping down. We need a new Calendar Raffle Chair by mid-January and 1 more person to help sell tickets after church. Please call the office or Becky, if you are willing to chair or sell. If we don't get a new chair, there won't be a calendar raffle.

Donations of Christmas Flowers, in memory of loved ones, can be placed in the collection, in an envelope. Thus far money has been received in memory of Fabian, Liz, Peggy, Geri, Tom & Lynn Ritter, Jayne Hacker; Ben Schneider, Liane & Wally Raasch; Justin Heltemes; Marge, Otto, & Adrian Karsky, Joseph Kleindl & Bill Kirkey; Dan & Leona Curran, Pete & Burnys Koch, Darlene Carpentier & Elaine Synder; James Schwebach, Ambrose & Evelyn Schwebach, Norbert & Phyllis Deslauriers; Ken & Jeanne Asmus; Nick Daly, Mike & Ruth Foley, Joe & Ruth Kinney; Wm. Schott Jr., Bill & Dorothy Schott, Sr., Eleanor Nickalauson, Tony Schott, Herman & Rose Wencel, Vic Wencel, Elly Carrington, & John Wencel.

Please take a 2025 Catholic Art Calendar from the back of church:

Thank the calendar sponsors: SJJK Plumbing, Heating, Electrical; Hooter's Lumber/Jo-Ko, Dacotah Bank; Tri-County Coop Oil Assn.

Options for Women of Morris sent a "Thank You" for our

donations: "I thank my God upon every remembrance of you."
Phil. 1:3. God has blessed us through wonderful friends like you!