

St. Patrick Catholic Parish – Colfax

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Masses: Colfax: Saturday 5:30p.m.; Sunday 8:30a.m. LaCrosse: Sunday 11:00a.m.

Confessions: Colfax – 45 Minutes before Sat/Sun Mass and anytime by appointment.

LaCrosse – After Mass and anytime by appointment

Religious Education Coordinator: Linda Marler - 397-3172

St Patrick’s Prayer Chain: Diane Appel - 397-3220 **Email:** appelquilter@outlook.com

2 December 2018 – First Sunday of Advent

<p>Mass Intention: Requested By:</p> <p>04 December: Tuesday: Rene Hall Damery – M & G Parrish</p> <p>05 December: Wednesday: Dennis Roe – M & G Parrish</p> <p>06 December: Thursday: Corrine Liotta – M & G Parrish</p> <p>07 December: Friday: Virginia Hall – M & G Parrish</p> <p>08 December: Saturday a.m. Leslie Moore– M & G Parrish p.m. For all our Parishioners</p> <p>09 December: Colfax: 8:30a.m.: Wilbert Parrish – M & G Parrish Lacrosse 11:00a.m. For all our Parishioners</p>		<p>Kids Collection \$206.68 Way to Go ! Religious Education Begins in the home!</p> <p>DECEMBER 2 RE Classes DECEMBER 9 RE Classes</p> <p>Class begins at 9:30 a.m.</p>
<p>Lectors: Dec 8th /9th 2018 5:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. Bill Knox Peter Appel</p>	<p>E Eucharist Ministers of the Cup: Dec 8th /9th 2018 5:30 p.m. 8:30 a.m. Mike & Ginny Parrish Dave & Alice Appel Patrick Thompson Peter Appel</p>	

Stewardship Quote: “Be on guard,” Jesus warns in today’s Gospel, “lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence.” Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

COMMUNITY CALENDAR:

- 05 December:** Women’s Bible Study 9-10:30 a.m. at the Courtyard
- 06 December:** Eucharistic Adoration – After the 8:00a.m. Mass until 6:00p.m.
- 08 December:** 8:00am Feast Day Mass of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
- 09 December:** Religious Education Classes 9:30 a.m. in the Parish Hall
- 12 December:** Wednesday 7 p.m. Reconciliation at Sacred Heart – Pullman
- 13 December:** Thursday 7 p.m. Reconciliation at Colton/Uniontown
- 16 December:** 2018 Christmas Program after Sunday a.m. Mass
- 19 December:** Wednesday 7 p.m. Reconciliation at St. Patrick – Colfax

☞ **Pray with Pope Francis:** For the Month of December: That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

☞ **Sacrament of Reconciliation (Confession):**

There are a variety of opportunities to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation. These include: 45 minutes before Sat/Sun Mass in St. Patrick Church; After Mass in St. Joseph Church; 12/12 Wed. 7 p.m. at Sacred Heart – Pullman; 12/13 Thur. 7 p.m. at Colton/Uniontown; 12/19 Wed 7 p.m. at St. Patrick – Colfax.

A J from Fr. Al, We begin a **new** Church year with the season of Advent. Advent is a time to prepare for the season of Christmas which begins on December 25. While most people skip the season of Advent and have already entered into the Christmas season (after Thanksgiving or even before), how can we benefit from this time of Advent? May I suggest you think/pray about “**Friendship**”. What is a friend? How do you become a friend? What makes us friends? What do friends do for each other? Who is a good friend? This will help focus your reasons for everything you are doing in this time before Christmas. Happy Advent, Fr. Al

☞ **Formed:** FORMED is a website with free Catholic books, videos for adults and children, and e-books. This resource is free of charge to help our parishioners learn and grow in their faith. Having trouble setting up FORMED? After Mass on 12/9 people will help you set up your smartphone, computer, iPad, or Kindle. To do it yourself, Go to:

<https://stpatrickscolfaxwa.formed.org> on your computer to register. You will enter your email address and a password. Once you have signed up you can download the free app: FORMED.

☞ **St. Patrick Prepares Program:** Our parish Prepares program is dispensing diapers and baby wipes on the second Tuesday of each month at the Colfax Food Pantry. Our average diaper give out is to 8-12 children once a month. If you are interested in donating diapers, baby wipes or money, please bring the diapers or baby wipes to the cry room at the church. Or you can make a monetary donation for PREPARED and put it in the Basket on Sunday. PLEASE NOTE: Baby Wipes are needed. Diaper needed are Sizes 1; 6; 3-4 Pull-ups; and 4-5 Pull-ups. For more information, and if you are interested in helping, please contact Chris Thompson at 397-3254.

☞ **Catholic Charities Collection:** The Catholic Charities Collection is one of our four major collection in the Diocese. This collection helps throughout our diocese those who are most vulnerable. Your support helps children who live in poverty so they can be lifted out of poverty to have a future that holds more. Envelopes are available at the doors of the Church or donate online at www.cceasternwa.org. Thank you.

☞ **Immaculate Conception of The Blessed Virgin Mary:** The Church in the United States calls all Catholic citizens to participate at Mass on Saturday, December 8 on the feast day of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. Our country was dedicated to the Immaculate Conception in the mid-1800s. We will have Mass at 8 a.m. in St. Patrick Church.

☞ **Annual Catholic Appeal:** Thank you to all who have helped to make our financial goals this year. Thank you also to those who will keep our diocese in your prayers.

12 December: Knights Sausage made, to order Bob Lothspeich, 397-4009, bclothspeich@gmail.com.

☞ **Rest In Peace:** We pray for the soul of Sister Barbara Gfeller (religious sister and sister of David Gfeller), may she and her family know the comfort and mercy of God’s Love.

