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The Second Sunday Of Advent December 4, 2022



Weekend Mass Schedule: Saturday: 5:00 pm Sunday: 8:15 am and 10:30 am **Reconciliation:** Advent Reconciliation: Mon.-Thurs. 12:00 - 12:30 pm Monday & Tuesday 8:45 am; Thursday 5:00 pm Saturdays 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm

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We warmly welcome new parishioners and ask them to register at				
the Parish Office. Individuals interested in becoming Catholic may				
contact Fr. L	Daniel Gifford or call ti	he Parish Office.		



MONDAY, December 5 8:00 am Albert Hudders + TUESDAY, December 6 8:00 am Members of the De De	Second Week of Advent St. Nicholas ecker Family +	Daily M-T-W : A Saturday, 5:00 Sunday, 8:15 a	December 5-December 11 Wery Emmerson, Remington Rahmus pm: Aiden Daly, Charlie Vandersnick m: Jaxon Seals, Garren Boelens am: Jenna & Jonathan Freadhoff	
WEDNESDAY, December 7 8:00 am Dan Cassel + 5:45 pm Kim Ricketts + THURSDAY, December 8 9:00 am Eric Moore + 5:45 pm Mary Chaffee +	<i>St. Ambrose</i> Vigil of the Immaculate Co Solemnity of the Immacula		2	
FRIDAY, December 9 8:00 am No Mass - Communio	Second Week of Advent		Parish Eucharistic Revival Prayer Lord Jesus Christ,	
SATURDAY, December 10 5:00 pm People of the Parish	Vigil of Third Sunday of A	dvent	You have made Yourself PRESENT to us in every age, through the Holy Eucharist.	
SUNDAY, December 11 8:15 am Judy DePorter + 10:30 am Living and Deceased I	Third Sunday of Advent members of the Sherbeyn & McA	woy families	Help us to make You more widely KNOWN, that You may be greatly LOVED. Amen.	
Weekend Mass	Schedules:		OFFICE HOURS:	

St. Anthony/Atkinson 4:00 pm Saturday 9:30 am Sunday

Sacred Heart/Annawan 8:00 am Sunday

Monday - Wednesday 8:30 am - 3:30 pm, Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm, Fridays 8:00 am -1:00 pm Bulletin articles **MUST** be submitted no later than Noon on Tuesdays.

READINGS FOR SUNDAY - December 11, 2022

1st Reading: Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

God himself will come to save us.

Responsorial: Psalm 146

R./: "Lord. come and save us."

2nd Reading: James 5:7-10

Make your hearts firm, because the coming of the Lord is at hand.

Gospel: Matthew 11:2-11

Are you the one who is to come or should we look for another?



Come, let us Adore Him Eucharistic Adoration

Monday 3:00 pm - 8:00 pm Thursday 4:30 pm (1st Fridays, & 1st Saturdays at 8:30 am)

Weekly Calendar

Monday, December 5

Parents Club 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm Rm A

Tuesday, December 6

Lectio: Philippians 9:00 am - 10:00 am CR Circle 14 - 11:30 am Sugar Maple Restaurant, Meeting YR Moms Bible Study 2:00 pm - 3:00 pm YR Social Justice 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm YR Women's Support Group 5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Rm C RCIA 6:00 pm - 7:00 pm Conference Room

Wednesday, December 7

CCD K-5 - 3:30 pm - 4:45 pm CCD 6-7 - 6:30 pm - 7:45 pm Mass 5:45 pm - Vigil Feast of the Immaculate Conception Oasis 6:00 pm - 8:00 pm Adore 7:30 pm Church

Thursday, December 8

School Mass 9:00 am - Feast - Immaculate Conception Mass 5:45 pm - Feast of the Immaculate Conception The Rock 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm YR Lectio: Philippians 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm CR

Sunday, December 11

Coffee & Donuts/Greet the new Deacons after both Masses Children's Mass 10:30 am Stay & Play 11:30 am - 12:30 pm Parish Hall

Christmas Mass - Lay Minister Sign Up Christmas Eve, Saturday, 4:00 pm, 7:00 pm & 10:00 pm Christmas Day, Sunday 9:00 am Can you help at our Christmas Masses? We are in need of: EMHC, Lectors, Commentators, Ushers, Greeters and Altar Servers Please call the office to sign up.

RCIA

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Next Session: Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 6:00 pm Topic: Sacraments of Initiation:

Baptism & Confirmation If you or someone you know is interested, please contact Dcn. Mike Sigwalt (309) 502-9243)

NEW DEACON RECEPTION





Ordination Date: 12/03/2022 Please join us on Sunday, December 11, 2022 to welcome

Dcn. Tom Mattan & Dcn. Bob Thoene

as Permanent Deacons in the Diocese of Peoria **Coffee and Donuts after both Masses** Sponsored by:



A Note From the Pastor

Dear St. Malachy Parishioners,

Heavenly Father... As we seek to live as disciples of your Son, Jesus, inspire us to give authentic witness to our relationship with you, so that others may be inspired by our love for you. Amen. We continue to reflect on the Growing Disciples prayer, line by line. This week, we are challenged to ask ourselves: do we strive to give authentic witness to our relationship with the Lord, or do we regard that relationship as strictly a private matter? Let us take up this prayer, always asking for the grace of being so in love with Our Lord that we can't help but to share Him with others, with great joy.

I am inspired by the example of all Christians who witness to their faith in both word and deed, even to the point of being willing to share their story with others. While there are countless examples, this weekend. I am reminded of the men and their wives who have shared the experience of discerning a call to the diaconate on the Vocations Stories series (which debuted all the way back in Summer of 2021. late in "Season One" of Thursday Thoughts). We still have a couple of couples yet to meet in that series and I hope I can schedule interviews with them early in 2023. But, you may recall that the first couple was one of the couples still in *preparation* for the diaconate. Well, the preparation has ended!

It is with great joy that I share that two of our parishioners, Tom Mattan and Bob Thoene, are being ordained deacons at the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Peoria this weekend (12/3), along with 18 other men from around the diocese. We will have the privilege of hearing from one of them right away, as Dcn. Tom bravely agreed to preach this weekend. Dcn. Bob will preach two weeks from now. December 17-18. Meanwhile, on the weekend in between (when neither of them has a homily to focus on) we will have reception for them, at Coffee and Donuts, thanks to the Knights of Columbus. This will be very fitting for Gaudate Sunday, when the whole Church is called to REJOICE! We hope that you can join us next weekend to greet, congratulate and thank Dcn. Tom Mattan and Debbie. Dcn. Bob Thoene and Shauna. What a blessing to have three consecutive weekends to celebrate this great gift to our parish, as we prepare to celebrate the greatest of gifts: Jesus Christ, born on Christmas Day!

Come, Let Us Adore Him. And abide in His Presence: Living from the Source, Striving for the Summit, Christ as our Center. *"I have eagerly desired to eat this Passover with you before I suffer" (Luke* 22:15).

In Christ through Mary,

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Fr. Daniel P. Gifford St. Malachy, Pray for us



Children's Mass:

2nd Sunday of the Month 10:30 am Stay and Play after the Children's Mass

Children's Liturgy of the Word:

During both Masses on all other Sundays, depending on availability of volunteer leaders.

Come Let us Adore Him

Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve, Saturday: 4:00 pm 7:00 pm Live Streamed 10:00 pm **Christmas Day, Sunday:** 9.00 am Live Streamed

Gift Shop News

The Gift Shop has Advent and Christmas items for sale. Come find a treasure that will enhance your Christmas experience! For special requests please call: Judy Kanke at 309-269-6921



Circle 14 Our Christmas luncheon will be at the Sugar Maple Restaurant Tuesday, December 6, 2022 at 11:30 am. Meeting to follow in the Youth Room at Church.



To be counted in the calendar year, donations need to be to the Church by Christmas Day.

We count the contributions on Monday mornings.



Oasis - High School Youth Ministry

Oasis meets every Wednesday from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm in the Youth Room. We strive to nourish our mind, body, and soul. Growing in community as we walk together to come to know Jesus.



The Rock - Middle School Youth Ministry

Students in grades 6th-8th are invited and encouraged to attend The Rock Youth Ministry on Thursday nights from 6:30-8:00 pm

Christmas Flowers:

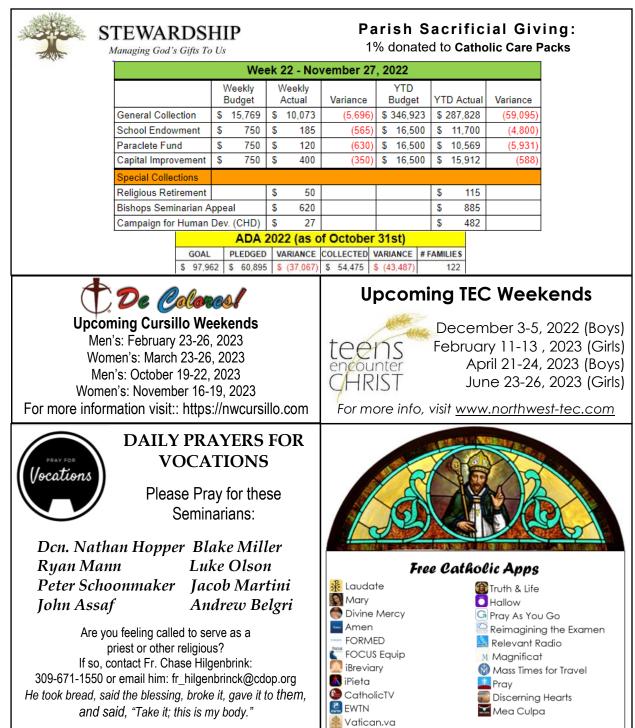
If you would like to donate toward the cost of Christmas flowers in honor of a loved one, please provide their name(s) along with your donation.



Please clearly mark your donation, "Christmas Flowers" and drop in the basket or leave at the Parish Office

ADVENT CAROLING HAPPY BIRTHDAY JESUS PARTY

December 17, 2022 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm For the families of The Rock, Oasis, CCD, and Confirmation Prep **RSVP to Kimberly Souba by: December 10** Meet in the Church Narthex at 12:45 pm Refreshments to follow in the Parish Hall Please bring a non-perishable item for the Geneseo-Atkinson Food Pantry



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Did you know that St. Malachy School and Parish carry a variety of different gift cards? For every gift card we sell, the parish and school receive a percentage of the total sale. You may buy them for gifts or use them yourself at the store when you are shopping. Gift cards may be purchased after every weekend Mass in the narthex or during the week in the parish office. Save yourself the time and headache of fighting the crowds & pick up your holiday gift cards at St. Malachy.

Ideas & Suggestions

Children & Young Adults:

Local MotiveAeropostale American EagleRobloxBath & Body WorksGap/Old NavyBarnes & NoblesTargetAmazon.comBest BuyGas CardsRegal & Rave CinemasPetSmartDick's Sporting GoodsWalmartDisney

<u>Men</u>:

Farm & FleetGeneseo Super WashLowesMenardsThe Home DepotScheelsCabella'sDick's Sporting GoodsBass Pro ShopREIDunham Sports

<u>Women</u>:

KohlsJC PenneyCJ NailsL.L. BeanLands EndBed, Bath & BeyondDillardsT.J. MaxxJo-Ann FabricsVisaNOSHAirline/Hotels

Restaurants/Grocery

Fareway Cellar Sweet Peas Culver's Dairy Queen Applebee's Dunkin Outback Steak House Cracker Barrel Texas Roadhouse **TGI Fridays** Panera Olive Garden Buffalo Wild Wings Red Lobster Arbv's Chili's IHOP Starbucks Pizza Hut Wendy's Happy Joe's Subway



December Liturgy Leanings

December: Advent/Christmas Cycle A Readings

The Liturgical year begins with Advent, which starts in November this year. By the time we get to the first Sunday in December, it is already the Second Sunday of Advent. Since Christmas falls on a Sunday this year, it has created a lot of shifts and changes. Both joyful and repentant, the season prepares us for the coming of Christ as a babe and as a judge at the end of the world. We are asked to prepare, watch, and be ready, a difficult task in this uncertain time. The images of darkness and light parallel the darkening days of December.

November 27: First Sunday of Advent:

December 3: St. Francis Xavier: Jesuit and missionary to Asia, patron of missions.

December 4: Second Sunday of Advent: The voices of Isaiah, St. Paul, and St. Luke call for all of us to prepare for the coming of the Lord!

December 6: St. Nicholas, fourth century bishop remembered for his acts of charity, patron of sailors and children. **December 8:** The Immaculate Conception is the patron of the U.S. It is a holy day of Obligation.

December 11: Third Sunday of Advent: Gaudete Sunday is a time of rejoicing, of bearing witness to the coming of our salvation.

December 12: Our Lady of Guadalupe where Our Lady appears as a mestizo young woman to Juan Diego in 1531. She is the Patron of the Americas.

December 13: St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr, whose name means "light" and is celebrated by Scandinavians as a feast of light in the dark winter.

December 14: St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church, Mystic and poet.

- December 18: Fourth Sunday of Advent: As we gather closer to the Nativity, the time of waiting is coming to a close. Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign: the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son, and shall name him Emmanuel.
- December 25: Solemnity of the Nativity of the Lord Christmas, a new liturgical season, finally arrives. The scriptures may differ depending which mass is attended, but the message is the same: In the mystery of the Incarnation our God became human, and the message of his birth was shared with the world. We, too, must carry the light of Christ to all. "Today is born our Savior, Christ the Lord."

December 26: St. Stephen, First Martyr, and patron of Deacons and altar servers.

December 27: Feast of St. John, the Apostle

December 28: Feast of the Holy Innocents, remembering those innocent children killed by Herod.

December 30: Feast of the Holy Family,

ADVENT SERIES - Preparing for Christmas with a Eucharistic Heart

6:30 pm - Talk by Fr. Peter Zorjan 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm - Holy Hour, Benediction, Rosary 7:00 pm - Last person - Confession

Monday, December 5: The Eucharistic Wisdom of Religious Founders: St. Benedict, St. Dominic, **Monday. December 12:** The Eucharistic Wisdom of the Holy Virgins: St. Therese, of Lisieux, St. Teresa of Avila, St. Faustina

Monday December 19: The Eucharistic Wisdom of the Last 100 Years: St. Pius X, Pope St. John Paul II, St. Padre Pio, and Mother Teresa

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