

# First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019

## Mass Intentions

### Monday, December 2

*Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11*

**8:00 AM Mass** – T.W. O'Meara and Family +

### Tuesday, December 3

*Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf.7]/Lk 10:21-24*

**8:00 AM Mass** – Helen and Arthur Roseler +

### Wednesday, December 4

*Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/Mt 15:29-37*

**7:00 AM Mass** – No special intention scheduled

**6:00 PM Mass** – Kias Bernard +

### Thursday, December 5

*Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/*

*Mt 7:21, 24-27*

**8:00 AM Mass** – John Robertson +

### Friday, December 6

*Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31*

**8:00 AM Mass** – No special intention scheduled

### Saturday, December 7

*Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8*

**8:00 AM Mass** – No special intention scheduled

**4:00 PM Mass** – Puccio and Pusateri Families +

### Sunday, December 8

*Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]/Rom 15, 4-9/Mt 3:1-12*

**8:30 AM Mass** – Bob Sanders +

**11:30 AM Mass** – People of the Parish

**Volunteers are needed** to help with the **Community Chorus concert reception** after each performance held at the Cathedral on **Sun., Dec. 15 (3:00 PM)** and **Mon., Dec. 16 (7:30 PM)**. Free admission to the concert is provided for our volunteers. If interested, please contact **Mary Burgess** at **344-2322** or **mcburgess@gmail.com** or **Margaret Lister** at **279-5378** or **Markl\_66413@yahoo.com**.

It's not too late to make a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Appeal**. The Diocese has given us a goal of \$38,000. So far, thanks to the generosity of our parishioners, 71 pledges have been made for a total of \$25,200. This is 66% of our goal. Please use the pledge card you were sent at home, use one of the envelopes in the pews, or donate directly online to **kcsjatholic.org**. **Thank you** for your prayerful consideration.

Next weekend's second collection is for the **Retirement Fund for Religious**, which helps hundreds of religious communities care for aging members. Please join in thanking the thousands of senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests who worked tirelessly to educate the young and serve those in need. Please give generously.

#### WEEKLY OFFERTORY INCOME

Monthly Budget Goal \$63,917.00

	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Aged, Sick &amp; Poor</u>
Week 1	\$ 11,079.57	\$ 813.00
Week 2	\$ 10,479.75	\$ 181.00
Week 3	\$ 19,312.65	\$ 121.00
Week 4	<u>\$ 22,861.50</u>	<u>\$ 465.00</u>
Total	\$ 63,733.47	\$ 1,580.00

## This Coming Week

### Monday, December 2

8:00 AM Advent All School Mass

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry - Rectory Basement

3:45-4:45 PM Coding Club – Ruggle Hall

6:00- 6:50 PM School of Religion – Ruggle Hall

7:15 PM Cathedral Choir Rehearsal – Ruggle Hall

### Tuesday, December 3

3:15-4:15 PM Grade 5 Bell Choir Rehearsal - Church

5:30 PM Buildings/Grounds Mtg-Msgr. Dierkes Rm

7:00-8:30 PM Scouts – Gym

### Wednesday, December 4

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry – Rectory Basement

### Thursday, December 5

7:00 PM Dream Event - Church

### Friday, December 6

9:30-11:00 AM Food Pantry - Rectory Basement

2:00-9:00 PM Cathedral Directory Photos – Ruggle Hall

### Saturday, December 7

9:00-11:00 AM Cocoa with Santa – 1205 49<sup>th</sup> Terrace

10:00 AM-5:00 PM Cathedral Directory Photos – Ruggle Hall

2:30 PM Confessions

3:30 PM Rosary

4:00 PM Mass

### Sunday, December 8

8:00 AM Rosary and Confessions

8:30 AM Mass – 5<sup>th</sup> Grade Family Mass

After Mass Coffee, Milk, and Donuts – Ruggle Hall

11:00 AM Confessions

11:30 AM Mass

4:00-7:30 PM Religious Emblem Session – Ruggle Hall

4:15-6:15 PM RCIA Session-Msgr. Dierkes Mtg Room

*Prayers and Sympathy to the family and friends of Betty Yeater, the aunt of Judy Hausman. Please pray for Betty and her family.*

**New Church Year, New Hymnal** – With the beginning of a new church year, we have a new hymnal, the **Ignatius Pew Missal**. It is organized in sections: 1) The Order of Mass, with the regular texts. The Glory to God, the Creed, and the other usual prayers are here. 2) Musical settings of the Glory to God, the Holy, and other sung parts. 3) The readings for the Sundays and Holydays, beginning with today's celebration of the First Sunday of Advent. 4) Spoken texts for the daily Mass responses for the next year. 5) Hymns and songs, in alphabetical order. 6) A selection of common prayers. 7) There will soon be a supplement inside the back cover, containing familiar hymns and Mass settings which are not included in the *Pew Missal*.

What is your dream for your future? For your family's future? For our parish's future? Join us on **Thurs., Dec. 5** at **7:00 PM** for **"The Dream Event"** in the church, as we share our hopes and dreams for our future and the future of Cathedral parish. (Doors open at **6:30 PM**.) As we begin the journey to become a truly dynamic parish, this event will provide a common starting point and an opportunity to reflect on God's role in our lives as individuals and as a parish family. Embark on this journey with us, and be ready to dream big. Child care will be available. If you have a cell phone, please bring it for this interactive event.

To you, I lift up my soul, O my God. (Ps 25)

**Father Hansen's message . . .** One Bishop wrote "Advent is a time of fervent hope. But it also proposes to us, above all in the first weeks, the need to avoid succumbing to the torpor of mediocrity and lukewarmness. "Take heed, watch and pray," says Jesus in today's Gospel, "for you do not know when the time will come" (Mark 13:33). That time is the moment when the Lord will ask of us an account of our life, of how we have used the gifts we have received. Are we conscious that God expects us to love and serve others no matter what situation we are in?"

Let us ask our Lord this Advent to make us fervent for Him and His first coming. Let us all take advantage of the hours of Confessions available here and St. Mary's to cleanse our souls leaving us disposed for the fervency to increase!

I'm grateful to Jeff Daise for addressing us all last weekend at all the Masses. Please watch for an email from the parish with a video of that address by Jeff. After consideration, I've decided to increase my gift to Phase I - St. Gianna Center - with an additional one-time gift by Christmas of 1/3 of my total gift to this campaign Phase. Please do what you can to help us offset the increase of cost over the architect's estimate.

Also, as mentioned after Mass last weekend, an email survey, titled "Bishop Johnston's Healing Our Family Survey" will soon be sent to randomly selected parishioners throughout the diocese. Your responses will help identify the manner by which we can assist all of those impacted by clergy sexual abuse. Please complete the survey if you receive it; it will take 10 minutes.

Finally, I'm grateful for all who have signed up for the Dream Event this coming Thursday, December 5th. The co-chairs are happy with the sign-ups and are just encouraging people to come (no more signing up is necessary). Please bring family and friends, too! Doors open at 6:30pm and Event beings at 7pm. A reception will follow.

**Father Hansen** will be on **Catholic Radio Network – 1090 AM/106.1 FM** on **Tues. Dec. 3**, from **10:00-11:30 AM** for **Giving Tuesday**. We encourage all parishioners to tune in!

**Angels** are on the trees at the church exits for our homebound and nursing home parishioners. Gifts are due **Dec. 7-8** with delivery on **Dec. 15**.

**Attention all parishioners:** Advent is here! Our beloved Cathedral needs sprucing up before the holiday decorations can go up. Please join us in the **west vestibule** on **Dec. 6** at **8:45 AM** to clean (after All School Mass). Please bring your mops, brooms, and dusting supplies. The Altar Society will provide some basic supplies as well. Please contact **Chris Den Ouden** at [denoudenchris@gmail.com](mailto:denoudenchris@gmail.com) or text or call **816-294-7435**.

**Men and ladies needed:** It's time to begin decorating the church for Christmas! Please meet in the church on **Mon., Dec. 9, 6:00 PM** (Phase 1), and **Sun., Dec. 22, 5:00 PM** (Phase 2).

### **CHECK THIS OUT . . . *The Good News of Cathedral***

- **Congratulations to Alexis (Lou) Boyles**, Cathedral Class of 09 and **LB Class of 13**, and **Grant Thrasher**, **LB Class of 14**, on the birth of **Leo Gabriel Thrasher** on **Nov. 20!**
- **Congratulations to and God's Blessings on Emilia Marie McLaughlin** who was baptized on **Nov. 24**. **Emilia** is the granddaughter of **Chuck and Debbie Kempf**.
- **Thank you to Ann and Dennis Gronniger** for providing treats to the School of Religion.

### **School and ECC News**

- **Cocoa with Santa –Sat., Dec. 7, 9:00-11:00 AM** at the **Knights of Columbus Hall, 1205 49<sup>th</sup> Terrace**. Warm up with hot cocoa and pastries. Visit with St. Nick and Mrs. Claus too! Enjoy Christmas crafts and face painting.
- Last day to order your **Cathedral Cash** cards for Christmas is **Tues., Dec. 17**. Feel free to stop by after Masses in the west vestibule on **Dec. 21 & 22** to purchase what is available in the box (there will be extra cards on hand).

**Cathedral Pictorial Directory:** It's not too late to schedule an appointment to have your photo taken. Please go online to: <https://booknow-lifetouch.appointment-plus.com/b1sqv07c/> or contact the **Parish Office** for assistance at **232-7763**, [pbokay@cathedralsj.org](mailto:pbokay@cathedralsj.org) or [tteschner@cathedralsj.org](mailto:tteschner@cathedralsj.org). The last dates to have your photo taken are:

**Fri., Dec 6, 2-9 PM and Sat., Dec. 7, 10 AM-5 PM**

On **Wed., Dec. 4**, **St. Mary Church** will have **Mass** at **6:00 PM**, followed by a **potluck dinner** and a **program** on Advent presented by **Dr. Ed Kammerer**. All Cathedral Parishioners are invited to join St. Mary Parish for this event.

The Catholic young adult group (age 22-35) for St. Joseph, **Coram Deo**, is meeting on **Fri., Dec. 6** for **First Fridays** and a trip to **Jowler Creek Winery in Platte City** for a wine-tasting hayride! Meet at **St. Rose of Lima Parish** at **5:15 PM** for Mass, then we will head to Platte City, grabbing dinner on the way. The cost for the hayride is \$15/person. To reserve your spot, please turn in your money to **Ally Goetz** either by cash, check, or Venmo @ Ally-Goetz Questions? Please contact **Ally Goetz** at [agoetz@olog.org](mailto:agoetz@olog.org).

**Thank you** to all who attended the **Altar Society Fall Business meeting!** **Thank you** especially to **Father Hansen** and **John Modlin** for presenting the program, to **Paula Bokay** and **Leroy Davis** for preparing the St. Anne' Room, to **Terri Modlin** for updating and making copies of the 2019-2020 Altar Society booklets, to **Margaret Lister** for facilitating the meeting, to **Chris Den Ouden** for presenting the Pastoral Council report of Fall Altar Society activities as the Altar Society representative to the Pastoral Council, to **Joyce Weight** for preparing the treasurer's report, to **Peggy Muehlbach** for taking the minutes, and to **Mary Ann Dide**, **Chris Den Ouden**, **Carolyn Robertson**, and **Evelyn Wyble** for providing the evening's refreshments.

***Stewardship Makes a Difference . . . Oh My Goodness!*** Our school children collected another 4 grocery carts and a two wheeler with an additional 30 cases of Cup-a-Soup and 30 flats of vegetables. **Thank you so much.** God Bless all of our families.