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Baptisms: By appointment

Reconciliation: Saturday 2:30-3:30 PM or by appointment

Weddings: Six months advance notice

Mass Schedule:

Weekday Mass: Monday No Mass/Communion Service Only 7:00 AM

Tuesday: 6:00 PM, **Wednesday & Friday:** 8:00 AM, **Thursday:** 7:00 AM

Saturday: 7:30 AM; **Vigil:** 4:00 PM

Sunday: 7:00 AM, 9:00 AM, 11:00 AM

December 16th, 2018



Today We Light the Third Candle on our Advent Wreath and celebrate Gaudete Sunday. Gaudete means "Rejoice" in Latin.

This allows Father to wear rose-colored vestments at the Eucharist today to exclaim our joy that Advent is half over. The readings and Gospel prepare us for Jesus coming. Make ready our hearts, O Lord!



The Living Nativity Play will be performed by the K-5th grade CCD students on Wednesday December 19th. It will be held at 7:00 PM in Church. All are welcome to attend.



The Memory Tree still needs your family's names. This is a meaningful way to remember your loved ones who have gone, and to include them in your family Christmas. We will remember them in our Prayers of the Faithful at Masses. To include your loved ones, please enclose a list of their names and a free will offering in a separate envelope marked Memory Tree and place in the collection. Money raised will benefit SPPS needs.



SPPS PTO's Annual Christmas Wish List for Teachers is ongoing. We hope the absence of a listing of small gifts does not deter you from donating. Many small monetary donations will add up quickly to help pay for the expensive technological needs of our teachers and SPPS students. Place donations marked "Wish List" in the Sunday Collection or bring to the Grade School office. This event runs to December 31st.

Third Sunday of Advent

Together We Grow in Faith

The Catholic Faith Explained

All Catholics are welcome for a refresher course to help us go deeper in our relationship with Christ. It will be presented in RCIA format by our SPPC RCIA instructor, Joan Henry. Classes will be on Sunday evenings beginning in February. Contact Joan by calling/texting 785-799-4151 for more information and registration. There is an accompanying book for a \$20.00 fee.

Remaining Reconciliation Schedule: Today is the last day for Communal Reconciliation in the area. Sts Peter and Paul is at 3:00 PM today, Sabetha is at 7:00 PM, and St. Benedict is at 7:00 PM.

Christmas Mass Schedule

Monday, December 24th - Christmas Eve

4:00 PM in Church - High School Choir

4:15 PM in New Gym - Cantor, Allison Hermes

6:00 PM in Church - Knights of Columbus

8:00 PM in Church - Adult Choir

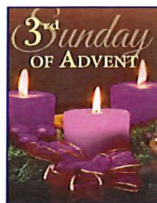
Tuesday, December 25th - Christmas Day

8:00 AM in Church - Cantor, Eileen Love

10:00 AM in Church - Childrens Choir



SPPS Advent Projects: Two more days to take part in the Sts. Peter & Paul School Advent Projects. Check the needs on the small Narthex Christmas tree. Especially needed are monetary donations to purchase grocery cards. Please turn all donations into the Parish Office by Dec 18th.



Masses for December 17th to December 23rd Third Sunday of Advent

Monday	<u>December 17</u> – <u>Advent Weekday</u> 7:00 AM – Communion Service
Tuesday	<u>December 18</u> – <u>Advent Weekday</u> 6:00 PM – Galen Lackey (Anniv)
Wednesday	<u>December 19</u> – <u>Advent Weekday</u> 8:00 AM – Mary Jean Shinn 10:00 AM – Crestview Mass (Fr. Arul)
Thursday	<u>December 20</u> – <u>Advent Weekday</u> 7:00 AM – In Thanksgiving
Friday	<u>December 21</u> – <u>Saint Peter Canisius</u> 8:00 AM – For the Poor Souls in Purgatory
Saturday	<u>December 22</u> – <u>Advent Weekday</u> 7:30 AM – Balaswamy Carasala 4:00 PM – Ralph Shiffbauer
Sunday	<u>December 23</u> – <u>Fourth Sunday of Advent</u> 7:00 AM – For Our Parish 9:00 AM – Melvin H. Haverkamp (Anniv) 11:00 AM – Kurt T. Holthaus



Weekday Servers: Dec. 18, Dec. 20, Dec. 22 (Tues 6 PM, Thurs 7 AM, Sat 7:30 AM) Marley Lutz & Presley Lutz
Dec. 19 & Dec. 21 (Wed 8 AM, Fri 8 AM) SPPS students

Servers – Saturday & Sunday, December 22 & December 23

<u>4PM</u>	<u>7AM</u>	<u>9AM</u>	<u>11AM</u>
Wade Leonard	Jacob Hundley	Amelia Olberding	Jaidyn Koehler
Kate Bartkoski	Keaton Rottinghaus	Derek Wurtz	Dane Haverkamp
Lucas Holthaus	Chris Dalinghaus	Kaylee Haverkamp	Addie Haverkamp
Jordyn Haverkamp	Kate Niehues	Sarah Haverkamp	Julie Rottinghaus

Assistants at the Eucharist for Saturday & Sunday, December 22 & December 23

	<u>Lector/*Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Cantor</u>	<u>Organist</u>
<u>4:00 PM</u>	Andrew Henry *Andrew Leonard	Gina Ronnebaum Todd Leonard	Kristi Haverkamp Marilyn Ronnebaum	Alan Lierz	Terry Nordhus
<u>7:00 AM</u>	Cole Hermes	Rick Henry Sheryl Heinen	Ty Hermes Tyler Heinen	Stacy Rethman	Jan Rottinghaus
<u>9:00 AM</u>	Hailey Wurtz *Paula Rottinghaus	Julia Bergman Jerry Rottinghaus	Marian Rottinghaus Ray Rottinghaus	Greg & Anna Kohake	Janet Kramer
<u>11:00 AM</u>	Adrienne Koehler *John Rottinghaus	Keith Haverkamp Patty Haverkamp	Cara Baker Mary Rottinghaus	Cyril Steinlage	Deb Rethman
<u>Rosary</u>					
<u>Leaders:</u>	4:00 PM: Alan Lierz		9:00 AM: Joe Kohake		

Christian Burial was held on Sat. December 15, 2018 for Elmer H. Melcher at Sts. Peter & Paul Cemetery.

Thank You: The family of Elmer Melcher would like to thank the Altar Society circles who donated food and the Funeral Committee who organized and served the funeral meal for Elmer's family and loved ones.



Don't let Jesus alone during the advent of His birth - a wonderful time to thank Him for all His special gifts to you and the gift of His birth! Open hours are: Sundays 1-2 AM, 3-4 AM, 3-4 PM, Tuesdays 1-2 AM, Thursdays 1-2 PM, Fridays 12 Midnight-1AM, 1-2 AM, Saturdays 3-4 AM. Call/text Betty Sudbeck at 336-4022. Father God, Lord Jesus, please bless each adorer with Your choicest blessings and Your Divine Mercy especially during this Holy Season of waiting.

Fill out your Distinguished Graduate Nomination Form and bring into the School Office. This is your chance to make someone shine! Catholic Schools Week is January 27-February 2. They will be announced on Sunday, January 27th at the 9:00 Mass and then will be honored at the Altar Society Breakfast that same morning.

Stewardship Summary

Projected Yearly Budget \$1,518,735.16 (parish & school)

Fiscal Year 7-1-18 to 6-30-19	Week of 12/8 & 12/9	Year to Date Totals
<i>Envelope</i>	\$ 6,926.00	\$ 146,267.25
<i>Plate</i>	\$ 1,688.00	\$ 32,450.28
<i>EFT Church</i>	\$ 7,014.00	\$ 90,099.00
<i>School</i>	\$ 3,570.00	\$ 98,653.22
<i>EFT/School</i>	\$ 2,119.41	\$ 23,188.54
<i>Other</i>	\$ 912.00	\$ 11,345.50
<i>Total</i>	\$ 22,229.41	\$ 402,003.79
<i>Weekly Budget \$21,000.00</i>	<i>Income over/under \$ +1,229.41</i>	<i>Week #24 over/under \$ -94,801.35</i>



The Faith, Hope and Charity Appeal for the week ending 12/2/18 had additional donations of \$12,813.40. We are now showing a current total of \$252,639.05. Thank you for your support of our parish and school.



Windows Report for the week ending 12/9/18 had a donation of \$2,000.00, showing a current balance of \$553,019.00, toward our goal of \$600,000.00. Thank you for your continued giving.

LEAVEN REPORT: As of 12/9/18 we have collected \$4,985.00 towards the total of \$12,621.00 which our parish is required to pay to the Archdiocese. Your payment of \$21.00 is appreciated. Make checks payable to Sts. Peter & Paul Church with Leaven noted in the Memo area.

Please Note Today's Insert of Christmas to New Years Mass Schedules. If you cannot be there, please find your own substitute. Merry Christmas!

The Quilting Committee of Sts. Peter & Paul Parish would greatly appreciate quilt top donations for our Labor Day Picnic. We have a great group of ladies ready to donate their time to do the quilting.

Foster Parenting - Beginning next month, our parish will host Foster Parenting Classes on Saturday mornings. KVC Foster Care representative, Seth Montgomery, will explain this project in following Bulletins.

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Sun Jan 13 - K of C Soup Luncheon 10-2
Sun Jan 13 - K of C Free Throw Contest 1:00

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Thu Dec 20 - BB D-West @ D-West 4 PM
Fri Dec 21 - Early Dismissal
Sat Dec 22 - Wed Jan 2 - Christmas Break
Thu Jan 3 - Classes Resume
Mon Jan 7 - BB Frankfort @ Frankfort 6 PM

UPCOMING CCD EVENTS

Wed Dec 19 - Christmas Program: "The Living Nativity" in Church performed by Grades K-5 at 7 PM. CCD Monitors: Scott & Rosie Sloop and Brian & Kristin Gudenkauf



Don't forget the sick, the home-bound and the lonely for the Christmas Holidays. To make sure they receive Communion and prayers, call John & Diane Mulryan at 336-3320.

Parish Pictorial Directories are again available. Please stop by the office to get yours. Cost is \$5.00 each.



Join us for an Alaskan Cruise in August 2019 to raise funds for Sts. Peter & Paul School. For more information contact Marilyn Boeding at Boeding Travel 785-336-6383 or 785-799-7296. Brochures are on the Narthex table.

Area Events:

**** New Year's Eve Supper Tickets for Sale or available at the door.** Catholic Heart Work Camp teens from St. Mary's and Sacred Heart will be holding a Fundraiser, December 31 from 5:00 to 8:30 PM at the Sacred Heart Church Hall, Baileyville. Tickets are \$15 for Pork Chop or Chicken Cordon Bleu dinner. Hot dog meal is \$5.00. For tickets contact Bryan Schmitz at 294-0212 or Rosette Randel at 336-2998. Your support is appreciated.

Christmas Mass Schedules

Monday, December 24th Christmas Eve

4 PM in Church

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Jonah Deters	Nikki Honeyman	Marilyn Boeding	Paul Boeding	High School Choir
Cali Honeyman	*Bob Niehues	Bruce Deters	Brenda Deters	Owen Zinke
Laura Hammes				
Charlie Bontrager				

4:15 in Gym

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Jillian Stueve	Ty Hermes	Lori Carlson	Mary Sack	Allison Hermes
Aden Feldkamp	*Jean Wassenberg	Damian Enneking	Margie Shinn	Janet Kramer
Reese Gerety				
Reagan Gerety				

6:00 PM in Church

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Trent Thomas	Chelsey Haverkamp	Brett Haverkamp	Kristi Wilhelm	Knights of Columbus
Marianna Hammes	*Jeanie Kramer	Mary Jane Hammes	Aimee Rottinghaus	Terry Nordhus
Joel Hammes				
Chase Holthaus				

8:00 PM in Church

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Lacie Young	Hunter Steinlage	Susan Stallbaumer	Adam Niehues	Adult Choir
Jacob Hundley	*Gary Niehues	Carrie Young	Brenda Niehues	Owen Zinke
Hillary Stallbaumer				
Colby Schmelzle				

Tuesday, December 25th Christmas Day

8:00 AM in Church

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Timothy Hemman	Megan Olberding	Shelly Schmelzle	Rhonda Sperflage	Eileen Love
Clarissa Hemman	*Riley Bontrager	Kevin Kohake	Julie Strathman	Janet Kramer
Isabella Hammes				
Seth Meyer				

10:00 AM in Church

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Leo Holthaus	James Lueger	Amy Duryea	Lacey Frehe	Children Choir
Colby Frehe	*Shannon Holthaus	Aaron Duryea	Trenton Schmitz	Owen Zinke
Connor Deters				
Tanner Schmelzle				

Saturday, December 29 and Sunday December 30

Weekday Servers: Dec. 27, Dec. 28, Dec. 29 (Thurs 7 AM, Fri 7 AM, Sat 7:30 AM) Logan Deters & Connor Deters
Dec. 28 (Fri 7 AM) Maryssa Stallbaumer & Hillary Stallbaumer

Saturday, December 29

4:00 PM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Luke Stallbaumer	Julie Strathman	Kirby Schmelzle	Donna Miller	
Sara Schmelzle	*Gina Ronnebaum	Greg Elder	Emma Elder	
Ryan Uphaus				
Kevin Uphaus				

Sunday, December 30

7:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Marisol Rivera	Sydney Schmelzle	Jim Runnebaum	Myra Runnebaum	
Keaton Rottinghaus	*Doug Schmelzle	Leon Feldkamp	Marilyn Nolte	
Colby Schmelzle				
Sadie Haverkamp				

9:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Sarah Haverkamp	Ashley Carlson	Kim Bontrager	Riley Bontrager	
Kaylee Haverkamp	*Joe Kohake	Bryce Haverkamp	Ainsley Nordhus	
Brooklyn Uphaus				
Ava McKinley				

11:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Kaitlyn Bennett	Michelle Olberding	Lynda Cross	Sharon Haverkamp	
Sam Nordhus	*Michelle Fangman	Mike Stallbaumer	Jon Stallbaumer	
Kaden Peterson				
Trista Peterson				

New Years Eve & New Years Day

Monday, December 31

4:00 PM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Cooper Kramer	Tami Haverkamp	Jerry Rottinghaus	Jana Kramer	Adult Choir
Carter Kramer	*Bob Niehues	Paula Rottinghaus	Marilyn Ronnebaum	Terry Nordhus
Marley Lutz				
Presley Lutz				

Tuesday, January 1

8:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Chris Dalinghaus	Jim Strathman	Dorothy Hammes	Lori Lueger	Eileen Love
Jonah Deters	*Steve Bennett	Rick Henry	Joan Henry	Deb Rethman
Trent Thomas				
Amelia Olberding				

10:00 AM

<u>Servers</u>	<u>Lector/Commentator</u>	<u>Communion</u>	<u>Cup</u>	<u>Singer/Organist</u>
Julie Rottinghaus	Nathan Deters	John Kohake	Cara Baker	Alan Lierz
Kate Bartkoski	*Dean Becker	Mary Beth Kohake	Corley Becker	Emily Altenhofen
Dane Haverkamp				
Addie Haverkamp				

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