



Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Parish & School

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Closed for lunch 12-1 PM

December 17, 2023

MASS TIMES

Saturday
4:00 PM Vigil

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

DAILY MASS

Monday
7:30 AM Communion Service
Tuesday
6:00 PM
Wednesday & Friday
8:00 AM
Thursday
12:05 PM
Saturday
7:30 AM

Reconciliation

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

Saints Peter & Paul

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3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"I baptize with water; but there is one among you whom you do not recognize, the one who is coming after me, whose sandal strap I am not worthy to untie." - Jn 1:26-27

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Third Sunday of Advent

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 17, 2023

Mass Intentions – December 18 thru December 24

Monday, 7:30 AM	December 18th – Late Advent Weekday Communion Service
Tuesday, 6:00 PM	December 19th – Late Advent Weekday L/D Charles & Grace Wichman Steve Wilhelm
Wednesday, 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	December 20th – Late Advent Weekday Melvin H. Haverkamp Crestview Father Arul
Thursday, 8:00 AM	December 21st – Saint Peter Canisius Rosalie Divelbiss L/D Paul & Jody Henry
Friday, 7:30 AM	December 22nd – Late Advent Weekday Clem & Agatha Heinen & Family
Saturday, 7:30 AM 4:00 PM	December 23rd – Late Advent Weekday No Mass Raymond L. Becker Family
Sunday, 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	December 24th – Fourth Sunday of Advent L/D William & Helen Hermesch Richard & Mary Ann Haugsness
Sunday, 4:00 PM 6:00 PM 8:00 PM	December 24th – Christmas Eve Masses L/D Leonard & Klings Family Glenda Wilhelm Gene Kramer (Anniv.)
Monday, 8:00 AM 10:00 AM	December 25th – Christmas Masses Marie Smith, Norman Rethman Melvin W. Haverkamp Rose McGeeney

Saturday, December 23 at 4:00 PM

Servers.....Ella Bartkoski, Conrad Cain
.....Kolton Kidd, Landon Fitzgerald
Lector.....Kate Bartkoski
Commentator.....Gina Ronnebaum
Communion.....Carter Kramer, Cooper Kramer
.....Jean Wassenberg, Maryssa Stallbaumer
Cantor/Organist.....Eileen Love/Deb Rethman

Sunday, December 24 at 8:00 AM

Servers.....Hudson Kuckelman, Miles Kuckelman
.....Taylor Bennett, Danica Wurtz
Lector.....Trent Thomas
Commentator.....Gary Niehues
Communion.....Derek Wurtz, Kim Bontrager
.....Joel Hammes, Leon Feldkamp
Cantor/Organist.....Katie Nordhus/Owen Zinke

Sunday, December 24 at 10:00 AM

Servers.....Emma Niehues, Lily Niehues
.....Harper Strathman, Simon Strathman
Lector.....Kate Niehues
Commentator.....Joan Henry
Communion.....Caleb Strathman, Cara Baker
.....Julie Strathman, Sadie Haverkamp
Cantor/Organist.....Alan Lierz/Terry Nordhus

Christmas Liturgical Minister Schedule

Weekday Servers:

Dec. 19, Dec. 22 Dec. 20, Dec. 21
(Tue 6 PM, Fri 7:30 AM) (Wed 8 AM, Thurs 8AM)
Mollie Haverkamp, Emma Tangeman SPPS Students

Sunday, December 24 at 4:00 PM

ServersCallie Schultejans, Eli Schultejans
.....Sophia Leonard, Logan Honeyman
Lector.....Makenzie Howard
Commentator.....Brenda Deters
Communion.....Bruce Deters, Jonah Deters
.....Brenda Niehues, Todd Leonard
Cantor/Organist.....K-C Members/Terry Nordhus

Sunday, December 24 at 6:00 PM

Servers.....Jaci Olberding, Logan Uphaus
.....Kendal Bergman, Wylee Bergman
LectorMegan Olberding
CommentatorMichelle Fangman
Communion.....Julia Bergman, Susan Stallbaumer
.....Jim Uphaus, Kelli Uphaus
Cantor/Organist.....High School Choir/Owen Zinke

Sunday, December 24 at 8:00 PM

Servers.....Paul Rottinghaus, Charlotte Rottinghaus
.....Jacoby Bergman, Ava Stallbaumer
LectorAimee Rottinghaus
CommentatorDoug Schmelzle
Communion.....Marilyn Boeding, Paul Boeding
.....Jean Wassenberg, Olivia Ganstrom
Cantor/Organist.....Adult Choir/Emily Altenhofen

Monday, December 25 at 8:00 AM

Servers.....Daniel Hemman, Landon Mady
.....Rykeir Feldkamp, Dominic Osterhaus
LectorJoe Mitchell
CommentatorJulie Strathman
CommunionMarilyn Nolte, Margie Shinn
.....Lucas Holthaus, Damian Enneking
Cantor/OrganistEileen Love/Janet Kramer

Monday, December 25 at 10:00 AM

Servers.....Santy Kramer, Noah Kramer
.....Graham Lueger, Mason Enneking
LectorNate Deters
CommentatorShannon Holthaus
CommunionLynda Cross, Dana Deters
.....Luke Runnebaum, Rhonda Sperfslage
Cantor/Organist.....Kale Rottinghaus



Third Sunday of Advent:

"Joy cannot be pursued. It comes from within. It is a state of being. It does not depend on circumstances, but triumphs over circumstances.

It produces a gentleness of spirit and a magnetic personality." ~Billy Graham

Welcome to the Christian Community:



Lennox Mark Johnson, Son of Alex Johnson & Abigail Kohake, who was baptized Saturday, December 16th at Sts. Peter & Paul Church.

Lennox's godparents are Joseph and Denise Kohake. May God's continued blessings be on Lennox, his parents and godparents.

Welcome to the Christian Community:



Lenora Catherine Smith, Daughter of Brent & Shelly (Schmits) Smith, who was baptized Sunday, December 17th at Sts. Peter & Paul Church. Lenora's godparents are Brice Schmits

and Amy Miller. May God's continued blessings be on Lenora, her parents and godparents.



In Memoriam – Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Eleanor Connell on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 at Sts. Peter and Paul Church.

Let us remember Eleanor and her family in our prayers.

Saints Peter & Paul School is in need of installing a unit heater in the old gym, which will be \$5,814.00 (includes material and labor).



Thank you to all who responded to the Foster Ministry, whether it was financially, preparing food, or prayers for foster families in our area.

Nineteen families were very happy to receive a box of food along with a gift card last weekend.

The Minister Schedule for the Christmas season is listed in this bulletin. If you cannot attend the Mass you are put down for, please try to find a substitute. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to make the Christmas season special.



The SPPS PTO will be hosting its annual Christmas Wish List event. If you would like to

donate, please contact Brooke Strathman (785-336-1749) or Celene Holthaus (785-799-6093) with any questions.



Choir Practice

Childrens Choir practice on Wednesday, 12/27, at 6:00. They will sing on Sunday, 12/31, at 9:00 Mass.

High School Choir practice on Wednesday 12/20, at 7:00. They will sing on Christmas Eve at the 6:00 PM Mass.



SPPS Seeking Kitchen help:

School Cook two days a week- 10-12 hours per week.



The Memory Tree will be sponsored by the SPPS

PTO in our Church this Christmas. To include your loved ones, enclose a list of names with a free will donation in an envelope marked Memory Tree and place in the Sunday collection, bring by the parish office or put in the Parish drop box. Questions, call Carrie Holthaus at 785-294-0611.

The final Penance Service for the Advent season will be today, Sunday, December 17th at Saints Peter & Paul Church at 3:00 PM. There will be 7 priests coming to help with this beautiful sacrament.



There will be no Patriotic Rosary this month due to Advent and Christmas activities. Please continue to pray for our country.

The Parish Office will be closed Thur, Dec. 21st and will re-open on Wed, Dec. 27th. The office will also be closed on New Years Day, January 1st.

Season of Christmas Mass Schedule

Masses for Fourth Sunday of Advent

Saturday, December 23 at	4:00 PM
Sunday, December 24 at	8:00 AM
Sunday, December 24 at	10:00 AM

Masses for Christmas

Sunday, December 24 at	4:00 PM
Sunday, December 24 at	6:00 PM
Sunday, December 24 at	8:00 PM
Monday, December 25 at	8:00 AM
Monday, December 25 at	10:00 AM

UPCOMING PARISH EVENTS

Sun, Dec. 18 – Reconciliation at SPPC @ 3 PM

UPCOMING SCHOOL EVENTS

Dec. 22-Jan. 3	Christmas Break
Wed, Jan. 4	Classes Resume
Mon, Jan. 8	BB Onaga at SPPS

UPCOMING CCD EVENTS

Wed, Dec. 20-Jan. 3 No CCD due to Christmas Break

Stewardship Summary		
Projected Yearly Budget \$1,518,735.16 (parish & school)		
Fiscal Year 7-1-23 to 6-30-24	Week of 12/10/2023	Year to Date Totals
Plate	\$ 1,038.00	\$ 46,611.25
Envelope	\$ 4,503.00	\$ 133,240.00
EFT/Church	\$	\$ 116,237.00
School	\$ 265.00	\$ 127,688.24
EFT/School	\$	\$ 34,518.99
Other	\$ 425.00	\$ 9,972.00
Total	\$ 6,231.00	\$ 468,267.48
Weekly Budget \$21,000.00	Income over/under	Week #24 over/under
	\$ -14,769.00	\$ -36,342.84
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your righteousness.

~ II Corinthians 9:10

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