



Third Sunday Of Advent

December 14, 2014

"Among you stand one whom you do not know."

– John 1.6-8, 19-28

When there is a funeral at "either" Holy Trinity or St. Joachim's, our regular 12 noon Mass will be cancelled and the Mass intention rescheduled for another day.

MASS SCHEDULE THIS WEEK

Tuesday	December 16	12 noon
Thursday	December 18	12 noon
<u>Saturday</u>	December 20	5:30pm
<u>Sunday</u>	December 21	9:30am

MASS INTENTION

Dianna Naves
Eileen (Colgan) Hughes
Madeline Butler
For All Parishioners & Their Intentions

Last Week's Offertory Collection

25	Regular Envelopes	\$927.00	
	Loose Donations	\$65.20	
2	Building Fund	\$45.00	
1	Christmas Flowers	\$50.00	
2	Memorial Tree	\$70.00	
6	Pro Life	\$145.00	
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		\$1,302.20	Last Week's Total

Amount needed to pay only "our regular weekly bills": \$2,500.00 per week
Amount needed to "also include" repairs and maintenance: \$3,500.00 per week

Christmas Party

The annual parish Christmas Party will be held today, Sunday, December 14th, after the 9:30am Mass. Everyone is welcome and we plan on having hot dogs, cake, guessing games, treat bags, and possibly pictures with a special guest.

Christmas / New Year's Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve	Wednesday, December 24 th	6pm
Christmas Day	Thursday, December 25 th	10:30am
New Year's Eve	Wednesday, December 31 st	5:30pm
New Year's Day	Thursday, January 1 st	9:30am

Children's Presents

Each year we sort and pack the presents for the children. These gifts come from the generosity of the CWL, you, and the Bell Aliant Pioneers. We also receive donations of mittens, hats and scarves which are so beautifully made. If you would like to sort and pack we would be so very grateful. We do not as yet have a date for this activity, but if you leave your name and phone number at the back of the church, Lynn LeBlanc will give you a call. Thanks so much. -Sister Nickerson

Christmas Ministry Schedule

Ministry schedule for those who signed up to participate in Christmas Masses is available at the entrance of the church or on our website.

Congratulations

The winners of the 50/50 Squares were Loretta Parsons and Yvette Fullerton. Congratulations to the winners and Thank You to everyone for their support!

Breakfast/Christmas Bazaar

A HUGE THANK YOU to everyone who donated baked goods, bazaar items, breakfast items, their time and to those who attended this event! Your support helped raise \$705.65, which will be donated to the Holy Trinity Building Fund.

Christmas Flower Memorial

Again this year we are asking for your assistance as we decorate Holy Trinity for Christmas. We encourage you to make a donation towards our Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one. Simply write the name(s) of those you would like to remember on the outside of an envelope and drop it in the collection. **Deadline for submission of names is today, Sunday, December 14th.** Please also indicate that the envelope is for "Flowers", and include your envelope number. The names of all those being honored will be included in our Christmas bulletin.

Lighthouse CDs

Just in time for Christmas we have a whole new batch of Advent-themed titles to choose from on the rack at the entrance of the church. We encourage you to check out some of these great titles, which are perfect to spend an hour listening to over the holidays.



Adult Religious Education - Thursday 7 - 8:30pm

A 1 hour DVD presentation of the Catechism of the Catholic Church, followed by a question-answer / discussion period every Thursday from 7 - 8:30pm at St. Joachim's Parish Hall. This week's topic is the **"Faith: Response To God's Love"**.

Memorial Tree

Each year, as Christmas approaches, people think of family members and friends who have died. Many have found our Memorial Tree to be a helpful way of remembering and dealing with feelings of loss during an otherwise happy time. If this is helpful for you, you are invited to print the names(s) of deceased relatives and friends on the outside of an envelope and mark it "Memorial Tree". These names will be placed on ornaments prepared and decorated by the children in our Religious Education Program and the ornaments will be placed on the Tree. While you may also use the same envelope to make a voluntary donation to our Building Fund, a donation is not required. **Deadline for submission of names is today, Sunday, December 14th.**

Parish Renewal Meeting/Potluck

The next Holy Trinity Parish Renewal Committee meeting will be on Wednesday, December 17th, 6pm, in the parish Family Center. There will be a short meeting and a potluck dinner. All parishioners are invited to attend.

Bulletin Announcements

Due to the Christmas holiday schedule, any announcements for the December 28th & January 4th bulletins must be received **no later than 8am on Friday, December 19th.**

Card Party

Holy Trinity hosts an Auction 45s Card Party this Monday, 1pm, in the Family Center. Admission is \$3. **This will be the last card party of the season. Card parties will resume in the spring.**

Concert

The Saint John High School Choir, directed by Trish Gallagher, will present a concert at the Cathedral of Immaculate Conception on Sunday, December 21st at 2pm. Tickets: \$5 Students; \$10 Adults.

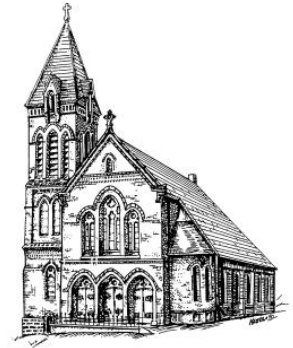
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SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated on the first Sunday of the month at 1pm for family members of Holy Trinity Parish and those who are living within the geographical boundaries of our parish. To make arrangements for a baptism please contact the office.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE / RECONCILIATION

Confessions are celebrated on Saturdays after the 5:30pm Mass or by appointment. To schedule a time, please speak with Father Peter.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

To reserve our church for a wedding, couples must first make an appointment with our pastor to discuss their plans and complete the pre-nuptial investigation forms. At least a six month notice and taking a marriage preparation course is a requirement. Because of our pastor's schedule for two parishes, weddings cannot be celebrated any later than 1pm on Saturday.

SACRAMENT AND MINISTRY TO THE SICK

If there is a family member or relative in the hospital who would like to receive a visit from the pastor, please inform Father Peter. Also, please let Father Peter know if there is someone sick or confined to their home who would like to receive a visit, receive Holy Communion, or be anointed with the Sacrament of the Sick.