St. Joseph Parish, Appleton

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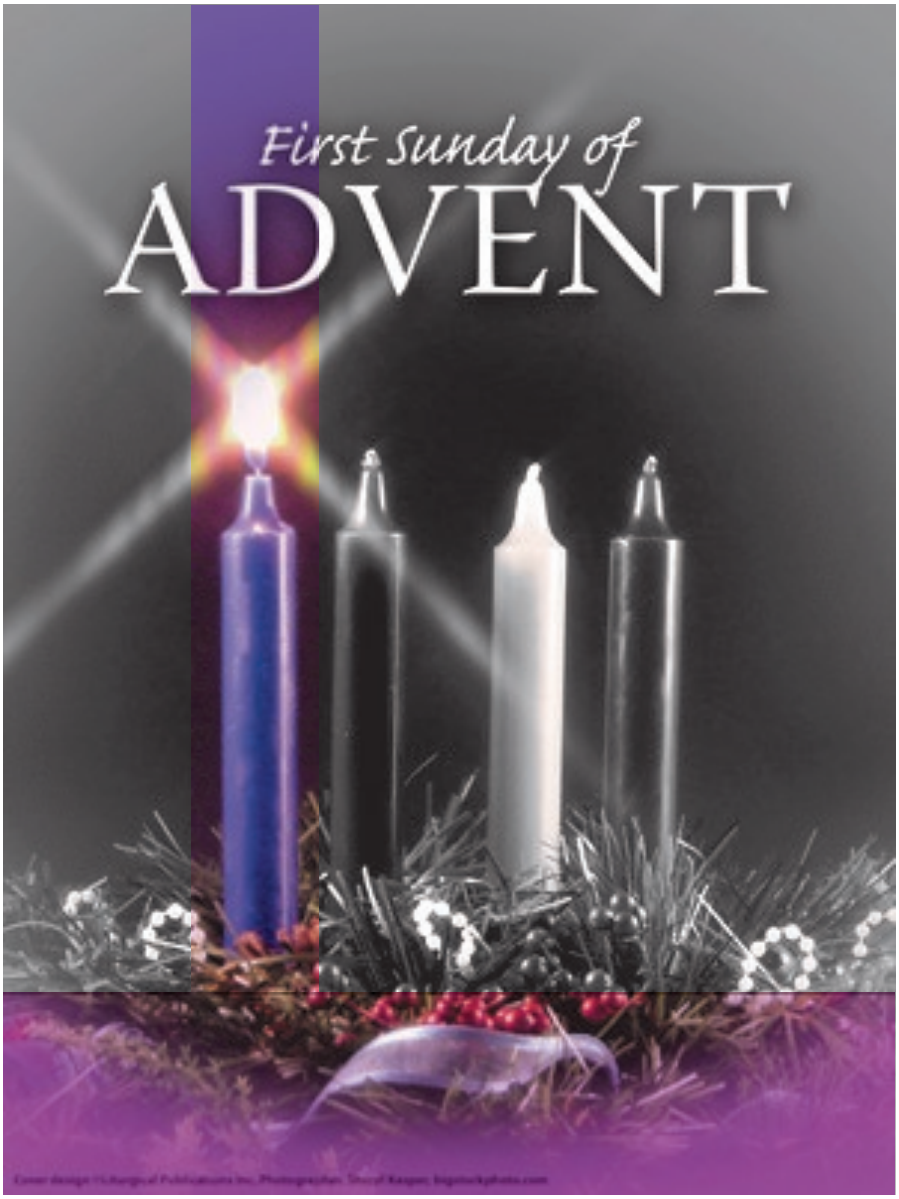

MASS TIMES
Saturdays: 4:00 pm
Sundays: 8:00 am, 10:00 am, 6:30 pm
Weekdays: Mondays, Tuesdays, Fridays: 12:05 pm

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CELEBRATION OF THE SACRAMENTS

Marriage: Active parish membership of 6 months is required before a wedding date may be set.
Reconciliation: Saturdays from 9 until approximately 9:30 am or call for an appointment.
Baptism: Please call the Parish Office 2 months in advance.
Anointing of the Sick: Please call the Office anytime.

OFFICE HOURS
Monday—Thursday, 9:00 am—4:30 pm
Friday, 9:00 am—2:00 pm

December 1, 2019

First Sunday of Advent

HOPE

"So too, you also must be prepared, for at an hour you do not expect, the Son of Man will come."

Matthew 24:44

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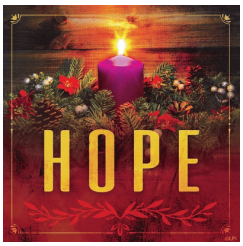


Fr Jim's Jottings

Advent is here! We measure the weeks of Advent by the lighting of the candles of our Advent wreathe. The first Advent candle represents **HOPE**. I read the following thoughts on the internet this week.

"Hope is a great word to describe some of the buzz that happens around Christmas. We watch Christmas movies full of hope. We listen to Christmas music full of hope. Hope that people will get along better. Hope that we will appreciate what we have. Hope that peace and joy will win out over anger and depression. Hope that we will find what we are looking for. I hope you and your family will have a hope-filled Advent season this year."

Why Give to the "one by One" Catholic Campaign?

In the next couple of weeks every parishioner of St Joe's will be asked to help with this campaign. This is an ongoing call to consider how we can better build the Kingdom of God in our families, our Church and our world. We have been called to renew our mission for St Joe's parish and the Diocese. The "one by One" capital campaign takes up this call and invites each of us to embrace people's hearts and transform our communities. Thank you!

Thanks to Brettschneider Trettin-Nickel Funeral Home

The parish has been offered the gift of a liturgical calendar from our supporters at **Brettschneider Trettin-Nickel Funeral Home**. They have picked up the cost of these calendars for 2020. Hopefully every parish family will put this calendar in a prominent place in your home. It will remind us of saints' feast days as well as the holydays of our church year.

Raffle Calendars (back of church)

Thanks, everyone, for your help in making our Calendar Raffle successful. Many of you picked up your three calendars and have already returned them. Some have also asked for extra calendars to be used as Christmas gifts. We have from now till the end of the year to buy/sell these calendars. Friends, we are off to a great start, but have quite a ways to go. Thanks again for your participation.

Congratulations to Our Weekly Calendar Raffle Winners

November 17—Rebecca Stanonik—$25
November 18—Mark & Cindy Hillesheim—$25
November 19—Randy Schrauth—$25
November 20—Colleen Hansen—$25
November 21—Brian Schauf—$25
November 22—Donald Turner—$25
November 23—Len Hansen—$25

Please Pray For…

Please pray for all our parishioners who are ill: ***CF Dedman, LaVina Duvernay, Tom Harp, Ben Holz, Rick Rohde, Arnie VandenBoomen, and Mary Witczak.***

Please also remember our nursing home residents and shut-ins.

Please pray for the intentions recorded in our Prayer Book of Intentions.

Please remember to pray for our parishioners or family members of our parishioners who have died: ***Ralph Armitage*** (family of Margaret Foth & Carol Barth)

Attention Families with Small Children

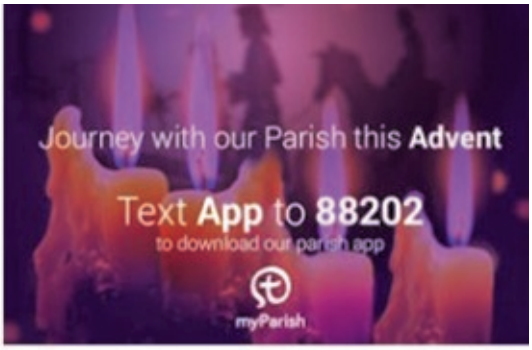
Please consider participating in the Children's Christmas Liturgy December 24 at 6:30 pm. Allowing your children to participate helps bring their faith alive and reminds everyone of the joy and beauty of Christ's Birth.

Practices take place on Sundays following the 10:00 am Mass. Anyone who cannot attend but would like to participate, please contact Julie Bertram at 920-255-2696 or email juliejoebertram@gmail.com.

St. Joe's Annual Craft & Bake Sale

December 7th & 8th after all Masses

Baked Goods and Crafts will be for sale after all Masses. Please donate home-baked cakes, cookies, candy, pies, and breads, and also craft or Christmas craft items. All our bakers and crafters are needed to help make this special event a success! Please bring your donations to the Parish Office by Friday, December 6, or to the Great Hall before Masses. Thank you for your support!



This is a great time to download our updated St.Joe's APP on your cell phone or smart device.

In the spirit of the season, we have just added an ADVENT button with daily reflections on this holy season.

Journey with us through the beautiful ADVENT season by downloading the APP today.

*There are three ways to download the app. The most direct way is to use the following link on your smart device: https://mypari.sh/zq8. You can also text the word "app" to 88202 or search myParish app in the app store!

Search for **myParish** on the App Store or Google Play to download our app today!

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DECEMBER 1, 2019/1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Xavier Catholic Schools Corner

IPRF News

First Reconciliation Celebrations

Our second graders will be celebrating their First Reconciliation this week: on Tuesday, December 3 at 6 pm at St. Joseph Parish OR on Thursday, December 5 at 6 pm at St. Mary Parish. They can attend whichever celebration that fits better in their schedule. **Reminder: Students need to return their books that evening.** Please pray for these young people as they participate in this healing sacrament.

YOU ARE INVITED

Take time out for meditative prayer this advent. Join us at a TAIZE PRAYER SERVICE at 6:00 pm on Friday, December 20, here at St. Joe's Church. Taizé, an ecumenical service, is a form of Christian contemplative worship. Using just a few words, chants are sung which express a basic reality of faith, quickly grasped by the mind. As the words are sung over many times, this reality gradually penetrates the whole being.

Senior Citizens' Tour of Lights Bus Trip

Don't like to drive at night? Come and see the Celebration of Lights in Menominee Park, Oshkosh and other special displays along the way. Cider & cookies in the Great Hall afterwards.

When: Wednesday, December 11
Time: 5:15 pm Departure (Return: 8:00 pm)
Cost: $6 per person
Where: Departure and return: St. Joe's/Great Hall

Return sign up sheet/money to the Parish Office by Friday, December 6. Checks payable to "St. Joseph Parish". Minimum of 45 people needed to make the trip happen, so please join us if you can!)

SCRIP NEWS

If you are looking for cards that are not normally in our SCRIP box, get your special orders in by December 15th to ensure that your cards will be available. To help with this year's Christmas shopping, you may purchase SCRIP gift cards every weekend through December 14-15.

Financial News

Not available at time of publication
(Will be published in our December 8 bulletin)

WWDWWD (why we do what we do)

What happens after the collection is taken at Mass? We then begin what's called the "Liturgy of the Eucharist" with the preparation of the gifts. The altar is set…the bread and wine are placed on the altar. The celebrant lifts the gifts in a gesture of gratitude to God for all He has given us. The congregation is then invited to pray that our sacrifice will be acceptable to God the Father Almighty.

Readings for the week of December 1

Sunday: Is 2:1-5
Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [cf. 1]
Rom 13:11-14
Mt 24:37-44
Monday: Is 4:2-6
Ps122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9
Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17 [cf. 7]
Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a
Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]
Mt 15:29-37
Thursday: Is 26:1-6
Ps 118: 1 and 8-9. 19-21, 25-27a [26a]
Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24 / Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]
Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10
Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 19 [cf. 7]
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-1 ©Liturgical Publications Inc.

TOGETHER READ

for St. Mary and St. Joseph Parishes

WHAT: Together we read a book that helps us on our pathway to becoming authentic and joyful disciples of Jesus.
HOW: Read The Ten Biggest Lies of the Enemy by Deacon Keith Strohm
WHEN: Participants will read at home in the month of January and gather for fellowship and discussion at a morning or evening session.
WHERE: Gathering Dates: Choose
Wednesday, January 22, 2020, 9:00am -St. Joe's
Tuesday, January 28, 2020, 6:00pm - St. Mary's
WHO: Everyone is welcome! Invite your friends, family or ALPHA group.
If you are interested and would like to order a book ($15) or have questions contact ***Mary Ann Otto: motto@stmaryparish.org or 739-5119.***

ST. JOSEPH PARISH

St. Joseph one by One Campaign

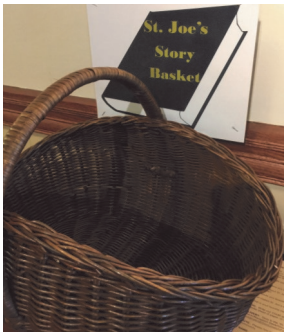
one by One" Campaign (Penny War)

Today we begin our "Penny War" among our parishioners. The proceeds of this will go towards our "one by One" Catholic Campaign. Kaden Bleck, our youth representative on the Parish Council, will oversee this on a weekly basis.

There are buckets in back of church representing four age groups (**Young Pups, Millennials, Gen Xs, & Baby Boomers).** You can put pennies or paper money in the bucket for your age group. You can also put silver money in other buckets to reduce their total.

This Penny War will be done throughout Advent. Which age group do you think will end up winning?

Please drop off your Story!



If you have not yet given us your story, in just a few sentences, please, give us your name, how long you have been at St. Joe's, and why you like it here. Story baskets for drop-off are located by the entrances and in the back of Church, or you may email your story to coordinator@saintjosephparish.org

St. Joe's hopes to address the needs of the following with our portion of one by One funds raised:

1) **Ensure our service to the Community continues and grow.**

2) **Encourage young people to join our Parish.**

3) **Strengthen our Religious Education Programs and build our bond with St. Francis Xavier Catholic School System**.

4) **Support the Capuchin Order.**

"My St. Joseph Stories":

Another Anonymous Story

I have not joined yet. Everyone singing, praying and participating makes me choose to practice my faith here. St. Joseph Parish is friendly, inclusive and healthy. Those are the reasons I come to St. Joseph Parish. ***Anonymous*** *(70 years old)*

The Paul & Susan Lutz Family

During the years we dated, Paul and I would go to Mass at St. Joseph Church. We were excited to join as members and planned our wedding ceremony here because we liked it very much and felt at home. The Rev. Gerald Pehler officiated our marriage in October of 1989. We eventually moved to Menasha and became members of the Parish where our daughter attended the Parochial Schools. It had been some years since her graduation when Paul and I made the sincere decision to rejoin St. Joseph Parish in July of 2017. It was our special place of marriage and still close to our hearts. Also, we both felt a need for spiritual enrichment - St. Joe's has truly helped us grow in our faith. We are happy to be part of this Parish family and feel grateful and blessed to have Father Jim Leary, Deacon Mark Farrell, Deacon C.F. Dedman and the Pastoral staff who serve and lead us.

St. Joe's personality is inviting! This is a Special Parish to me because my Dad was Baptized here, and this past summer our daughter Stephanie and her fiancé Kyle joined as new members. We look forward to their wedding ceremony next Fall, here, where we also celebrated ours. We both agree our favorite memory so far is our wedding ceremony and Rev. Gerald Pehler sharing with us that we were his first couple he officiated a wedding ceremony for at St. Joseph Church. ***Paul*** *(age 59 yrs.)* ***and Susan*** *(age 55 yrs.)* ***Lutz***

The Douglas Wynboom Family

I've been a member for almost thirty years, joining in 1990… I was married at St. Joe's. My children were baptized and did reconciliation through IPRF (our Religious Education program). I was a volunteer at IPRF and enjoyed it very much. St. Joe's feels like home to me. I don't like to dress up, I like to wear jeans and a T-shirt. It's just a comfortable church. I tell friends and family about St Joe's and all they have to offer. One of my favorite memories is coming here for Mass with my children. God Bless. ***Douglas Wynboom*** *(60 years old)*

John & Sara Schnell Family

Our family moved into Appleton in 1960. My mother had been married here and so we were returning! All five of my siblings went to St. Joe's School and Mrs. Thiel worked with the school in the cafeteria back then!

At seventeen, I left Appleton, returning in 1992, but it took until 2003 for me to get back to St. Joe's. My favorite memory was in about 1967-68. St Joe's had a Boys' Choir. It was like sitting in the corner in heaven listening to Angels sing! Fantastic! Sadly we have moved to Florida and are finding it difficult to feel the same warmth and friendships we have discovered here at St. Joe's. And it goes without saying—there is not one like Fr Jim! God Bless All of you! ***Sara White Schnell*** *(63 yrs. old)*

"one by One Prayer"

Father of all generosity, Your abundant gifts amaze us, bless us, and bring joy to our lives. May our thanks and praise make us more like Jesus in sharing with the poor, the homeless, and those in most need. Remind us that we are all one in Jesus. Cultivate in us a compassionate heart, generous spirit, and all inclusive love. We ask this in the name of Jesus now and forever. Amen.

DECEMBER 1, 2019 / FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

WEEKLY LITURGICAL CALENDAR

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
12:05 pm Dec. Bob LaCount

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3 -St. Francis Xavier, Priest
12:05 pm Dec. Fr. Timon Costello
12:35 pm St. Anthony Devotions

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5
12:05 pm Mass at St. Mary's

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6 -St. Nicholas, Bishop
12:05 pm Dec. Jackie Drexler

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
4:00 pm Members of St. Joseph Parish

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8 -2nd Sunday of Advent
8:00 am Dec. Joe Zimmer
10:00 am Dec. Bob Pintarelli
6:30 pm Liv/Dec Members of Ralph & Ethel Dorn Family

THIS WEEK IN OUR PARISH

MONDAY, DECEMBER 2
7:00 pm Faith & Light Class, LL11

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3
12:05 pm Seniors Christmas Mass & Dinner
5:30 pm Chimes Choir, Holly Hall
6:00 pm First Reconciliation, Church
6:30 pm Capital Campaign Mtg., Upstairs

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4
6:30 pm Finance Meeting

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5
6:00 pm First Reconciliation, St. Mary's
6:30 pm Choir Practice, Church

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6
12:35 pm Eucharistic Holy Hour

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7
9:00 am Private Reconciliation
SCRIP Sales

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8
9:30 am RCIA, Rm. 209
11:00 am Children's Christmas Practice, Church
SCRIP Sales

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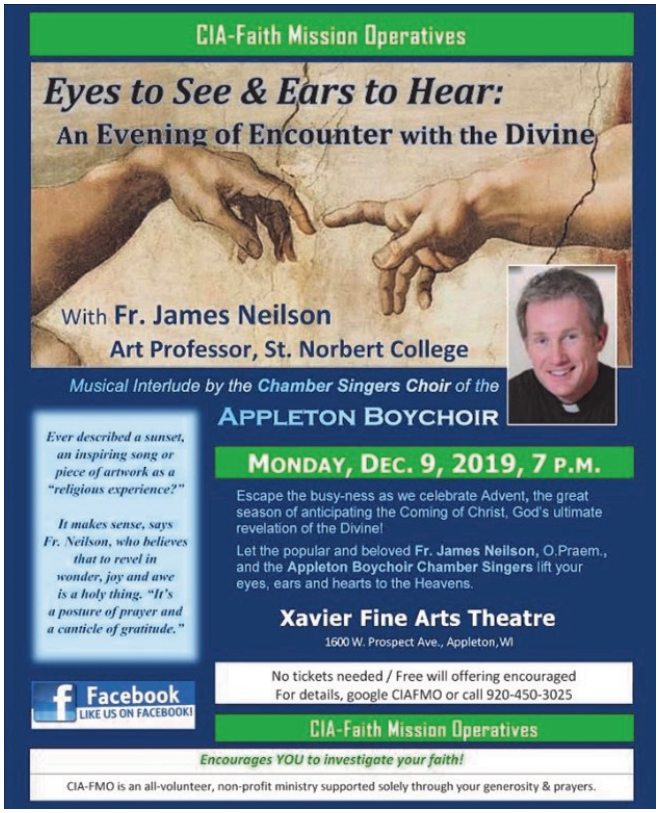
- St. Nick's Bake/Craft Sale December 7-8 after all Masses
- Giving Tree items are due back by Monday, December 9.
- For the "Best Advent Ever" Reflections, sign up at **dynamiccatholic.com**.