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December 16, 2012

The Advent wreath's circular shape and greenery symbolize eternity and everlasting life. The candles celebrate Jesus, the Light of the World. Violet is the liturgical color of preparation, reminding us to turn our hearts to God, and the rose-colored candle urges us to rejoice, for we are assured of our Lord's faithfulness.

Calendar for Dec. 16 - Dec. 29

SJ = St. Joseph / SF = St. Francis

SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
16 3rd Sunday of Advent SJ: Mass 7:30 & 10:30 am Kids' Christmas Play following 10:30 Mass SF: 9 am Mass	17 Christmas Eve SF: 5 pm Mass SJ: 10 pm Mass	18 Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation SJ: Mass 7:30 & 10:30 am SF: 9 am Mass	19 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass SF: 6:30 pm Conf. 7 pm Mass	20 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass	21 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass 8 am- Sat. 7:45 am 24 Hr. Eucharistic Adoration	22 SJ: 7:45 am Benediction 4:30 pm Conf. 5:30 pm Mass
23 4th Sunday of Advent SJ: Mass 7:30 & 10:30 am Knights of Columbus Donut Sunday SF: 9 am Mass	24 Christmas Eve SF: 5 pm Mass SJ: 10 pm Mass	25 Christmas Day Holy Day of Obligation SJ: Mass 7:30 & 10:30 am SF: 9 am Mass	26 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass	27 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass	28 SJ: 7-7:20 am Conf. 7:30 am Mass 8 am- Sat. 7:45 am 24 Hr. Eucharistic Adoration	29 SJ: 7:45 am Benediction 4:30 pm Conf. 5:30 pm Mass

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MASS INTENTIONS

For the week of Dec. 16

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm

†Rudy Washenberger

Sunday, 7:30 am

All parishioners of both parishes

SF-9:00 am

Stimson Family intentions

10:30 am

†Virginia Lichtscheidl

Tuesday, 7:30 am

Open

Wednesday, 7:30 am

Open

SF - 7:00 pm

Jeff Hoffman

Thursday, 7:30 am

Open

Friday, 7:30 am

Open

For the week of Dec. 23

Saturday Vigil, 5:30 pm

All parishioners of both parishes

Sunday, 7:30 am

Klocker Family intentions

SF-9:00 am

†Steve McTigue

10:30 am

Open

† indicates the Repose of Soul



Advent Reconciliation at St. Joseph Church

3:00 - 7:00 pm

December 18, 2012

Discretionary Fund

Thank you to the many parishioners who have contributed so generously to the Discretionary Fund this past year. Keep the Fund in mind, and contact Fr. Frank or Sandy if you know someone who is in need of financial assistance. There will be a second collection taken for this fund at all the Christmas Masses.

Thank you for donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious.

A sister from Pennsylvania writes, "In our prayers, all the sisters remember in a special way the faithful of the diocese who support the [RFR] collection. We realize that their sacrifices and generosity have made this [financial] assistance possible. May God reward them."

St. Joseph parish donation: \$271.00

St. Francis parish donation: \$293.00

Thank you to Andrie Electric, LTD for installing the electrical wiring in the rec-tory garage.

2012 Donations to your parish!

If you wish to donate stock or any other donation before the end of the year to your parish, all trans-actions must be in the office no later than December 31, 2012.

Bulletin Cover Artwork Opportunity
Needed: original artwork, to be considered for use in upcoming bulletins. Please submit your artwork to the office or put it in the collection basket. The following depictions are needed:

- The Epiphany of the Lord: the magi from the east bringing Jesus gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. (Matthew 2:1-12) Submit by Dec. 23.
- The Baptism of the Lord: Jesus is baptized by John the Baptist and a voice comes from heaven, "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." (Luke 3:15-16, 21-22) Submit by Dec. 30.



4th Sunday in Advent December 23, 2012

1st Reading: Micah 5:1-4a (12C)

2nd Reading: Hebrews 10:5-10

Gospel: Luke 1:39-45



SCHEDULE OF MINISTRIES

■ SATURDAY VIGIL, DECEMBER 22

◆ 5:30 pm Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers: Jodi Gilbert

Virginia Johnson, Deb Dusenka*

Reader: Larry Julik-Heine

Altar Servers: Emilia & Sophie Jury

■ SUNDAY, DECEMBER 23

◆ 7:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Chris Hudspeth, Peg Baillargeon

Sharon Peterson*, Gerry Merth*

Reader: Jan Kozlovsky

Altar Servers: Alaina & Jenna Driscoll

◆ 9 am Mass (St. Francis)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Debra Kops, Linda Merrier, Nick Barbato

Darlene Kazmierczak*

Reader: Karen Nelson

◆ 10:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Teresa Steele, Char Gudmunsen*

Sandy Greene*

Reader: Mary Jo Mandell

Altar Servers:

Brooklyn Kelash & John Deneen

■ CHRISTMAS EVE, MON., DEC. 24

◆ 5:00 pm Mass (St. Francis)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Karen Nelson, Anne Nelson, Carol Nelson

Paul Gifford*

Reader: Greg Colter

◆ 10:00 pm Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Sandy Greene, Tom & Michelle Lunzer*

Reader: Rick Raffesberger

Altar Servers: Shelby & Ashley Peltier

■ CHRISTMAS DAY, TUES., DEC. 25

◆ 7:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Gerry Merth, Wendy Kelly, Joe Weinberg*

Sharon Peterson*

Reader: Mary Weinberg

Altar Servers: Christina & Alicia Sandberg

◆ 9:00 am Mass (St. Francis)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Monica Osterbauer, Pat Thraen, Deb Ryan

Dorine Rohe*

Reader: Mike Harnetty

◆ 10:30 am Mass (St. Joseph)

Extraordinary Ministers:

Richard McCurdy, Teresa Steele*

Jan Rintoul*

Reader: Sharon McCurdy

Altar Servers: Alaina & Jenna Driscoll

*Indicates people to cleanse Sacred Vessels



If you **have more**, then you **share.**

Holiday magazines are well known for providing quick, practical ideas for trimming the house, welcoming guests, and preparing enticing food. The suggestions that are offered are designed to help the host and hostess show off a stunning atmosphere without spending days and weeks preparing for a party or dinner that may only last an hour or two. Often everyday items are transformed with a swatch of fabric, a candle, or some evergreens. Ingenious cutting makes plain vegetables or ordinary hors d'oeuvres into holiday delights. The operative concepts in getting people to buy these idea books and read them are: quick, easy, and practical.

In the Gospel today, John the Baptist offers quick, easy, and practical ideas for those who would prepare for the coming of the Christ. As St. Luke tells us, people in his day were filled with expectation. John was pretty straightforward in what he thought they should do: If you have two coats, give one away to somebody who doesn't have one; be equitable in your dealings with others; don't push people around; don't lie about people. In modern parlance, we might say that John the Baptist was asking people to act justly in the world.

Unfortunately, today we don't often think of justice as quick, easy, or practical. Our understanding of justice is more often colored by the contemporary legal system than by the divine laws of the covenant that binds God and his people. There was a reciprocity and equanimity in the covenantal relationship. There were duties to be fulfilled on each side. John was asking that those who were filled with expectation for the coming of the Messiah would set themselves aright with one another so that God's covenant would find full expression in the relationships that bind people to God and to one another. Justice is really about leveling things out. And when you think about it, that is pretty easy. If you have more, then you share.

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ST. FRANCIS XAVIER NEWS & UPDATES



YEAR OF FAITH 2012

"The door of faith is always open...rediscover the joy of believing!"

-Pope Benedict XVI

O Come, O Come Emmanuel!

We have a free gift to help you prepare to receive Christ anew this Advent! Join Fr. Thomas Acklin as he leads us in a Novena prayer from Dec 17-25, including helpful meditations on the prophetic "O" Antiphon titles for Christ. Go to www.relevantradio - keyword "Advent" - for audio links and schedule. St. Paul-Mpls. 1330 AM



Congratulations

to Eleanor Elizabeth Barbato, daughter of Nicholas and Molly Barbato, who received the sacrament of Baptism on November 25, 2012. We welcome her into the Catholic faith with God's graces.

Thank you to Rod Morkert and Gary Thomas for installing the emergency exit lights in the church.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec. 16--9 am Mass-11 am Rel. Ed. Rosary Sunday
- Dec. 18--SJ-3-7 pm Advent Reconciliation
- Dec. 19--6:30 pm Confession 7:00 pm Mass
- Dec. 23--9 am Mass, No Rel. Ed.
- Dec. 24--Christmas Eve, Office Closed 5:00 pm Mass SJ-10:00 pm Mass
- Dec. 25--Christmas Day, Office Closed 9:00 am Mass SJ-7:30 & 10:30 am Mass



The Rosary is prayed at St. Francis Church on the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month at 8:40 am.

Please come to Mass early and join us!

St. Francis Financial Contributions

Weekly needed income:	\$ 1,519.23
EFT (December 5)	65.00
Immaculate Conception	15.00
December 9	1,362.00
<u>Children's Collection</u>	<u>2.91</u>
Year to date (7/1/12):	260.82

ST. JOSEPH NEWS & UPDATES

St. Joseph's Annual Children's Christmas Program will be held Sunday, December 16th, immediately following the 10:30 am Mass.



Join the Knights of Columbus in support of our Confirmation students!

Please show your support by attending Donut Sunday on Sun., Dec. 23.

Attention: Please pick up any personal pans or dishes that are in the church kitchen.



What are the "O" antiphons?

The "O" antiphons are: O Wisdom, O Lord, O Root of Jesse, O Key of David, O Day-spring, O King of Nations, and O God-with-Us. Each makes a biblical reference to Christ and has been used since the early Church. The hymn tune "O Come Emmanuel" is probably the oldest and most familiar setting.

**GOD IS GREAT, ALL THE TIME!
ALL THE TIME, GOD IS GREAT!**

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Dec. 15--4:30-5:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Mass
- Dec. 16--7:30 & 10:30 am Mass, Kids' Christmas Play following 10:30 Mass
- Dec. 18--3-7 pm Advent Reconciliation
- Dec. 19--5:30-7:45 pm Rel. Ed. & Choir SF-6:30 pm Confession, 7 pm Mass
- Dec. 22--4:30-5:00 pm Confession 5:30 pm Mass
- Dec. 23--7:30 & 10:30 am Mass
- Dec. 24--Christmas Eve, Office Closed 10:00 pm Mass SF-5:00 pm Mass
- Dec. 25--Christmas Day, Office Closed 7:30 & 10:30 am Mass SF-9:00 am Mass



St. Joseph Financial Contributions

Weekly needed income:	\$ 3,250.00
EFT (December 5)	395.00
Immaculate Conception	281.00
December 9	3,130.10
<u>Children's Collection</u>	<u>1.41</u>
Year to Date (7/1/12):	6,051.07

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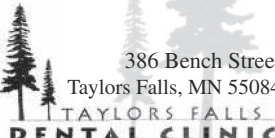
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