

MASS INTENTIONS Dec 15th - Dec 23rd

Saturday 5pm †Vera VanMieghem (Jerry & Cathy Taylor)
Sunday 8am †Charles VanMieghem (James & Susan Smith)
10am The People of St. Patricks Parish
Mon No Mass • †Don Morris (Pat O'Hara)
 • While Father is away he will offer his daily mass for this intention.
Tues 5:30pm †Bernard Severt (Brad & Jennifer Severt)
Wed 8am †Frank George (Bill & Joan Pearson)
Thur 8am †LaVeta Wass (Dr. Steve Miller)
Fri 8am Mary Greenough (John & Sonja Schibi)

Next Weekend's Intentions:
Saturday 5pm †Odie Kleklen (Rosemary Schmid)
Sunday 8am Darren Lubbers (Family)
Sunday 10am The People of St. Patricks Parish

This Week at St. Patrick's

Mon Dec 17	•Rosary	7:30am
	*Mass	8am
Tue Dec 18	*Mass	5:30pm
	*Cursillo	5:30pm
Wed Dec 19	•Rosary	7:30am
	*Mass	8am
	*PSR	5:30pm
	•Edge	6pm
	*CYM	7pm
Thur Dec.20	•Mass	8am
	•Altar Society	6pm
Fri. Dec 21	*Kapaun's Men	5:30am
	•Rosary	7:30am
	•Mass	8am
	*Day of Penance: abstinence from meat, prayer and works of mercy, reading of the Sacred Scriptures for an outpouring of God's mercy and the Holy Spirit's gifts of Holiness	
Sat Dec 22	*Rosary	6:30am
	*Cursillo	7am
	•Confessions	3:30pm
	•Mass	5pm
Sun Dec.23	•Mass	8am
	*RCIA	9am
	*Mass	10am

The Adoration Chapel will be Closed for Christmas December 24th @ noon and reopen December 26th @ 9:00am

Welcome to St. Patricks

Our Sunday Homilies are available on the parish website, from the Home page @ www.stpatricksparsons.org



NEXT WEEK MINISTRIES

Dec. 22nd - Dec 23rd

Altar Servers -
5pm -M Bogner, B Brungardt, L Wolgamott
8am - A Wheat, L Wheat, R Barger
10am - E James, C Manners, A Farris

Extraordinary Ministers-
5pm -Bill Wheat
8am - Max Dhooghe
10am - Harry Heppler

Lectors -
5pm -Nick Pfeifer
8am -Jeff Perez
10am -Emma Feess

Gifts -
5pm - Jerry & Carolyn Waugh
8am - Carl & Sheryl Johnson
10am - Mike & Florence Keal

Ushers -
5pm - Paul & Dana Yanez / Wayne Cupp/ Ilene Ritz
8am -R & B Barger / John & Maggie Keene
10am -Keith & Leslie Keller / Vince & Mary Schibi

Counters -Gary & Judy Harris / Doug & Tracy Holzem



MASS TIMES:
DEC.24TH CHRISTMAS EVE: 5PM
MIDNIGHT MASS: MIDNIGHT
CHRISTMAS DAY: 9AM

CHRISTMAS MINISTRY SCHEDULE

ALTAR SERVERS:
5PM MASS: O FEES, J SCHIBI, A FARRIS, L WOLGAMOTT, M BOGNER
MIDNIGHT MASS: E JAMES, I MANN, B BRUNGARDT
9AM-MASS: Z PHILLIPS, C WESTHOFF, K WAUN, K WAUN

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS:
5PM MASS: T BOGNER, J. STRINGER, S RAMSEY, BILL WHEAT
MIDNIGHT MASS: NOT NEEDED
9AM MASS: JANE AND DON ALEXANDER

LECTOR:
5PM MASS: PAT PATTERSON
MIDNIGHT MASS: JANE BLACKBURN
9AM MASS: JEFF PEREZ



OFFERTORY:
5PM MASS: VINCE & MARY SCHIBI FAMILY
MIDNIGHT MASS: RIKKI JAMES FAMILY
9AM MASS: FRANK & ELAINE CHANDLER

USHERS:
5PM MASS: CARL & SHERYL JOHNSON FAMILY
MIDNIGHT MASS: JOHN & MAGGIE KEENE
9AM MASS: R & BECKY JACQUINOT / F & ELAINE CHANDLER FAMILY

Stewardship Bulletin Reflection

December 16, 2018

We have arrived at Gaudete Sunday (*Gaudete* is the Latin word for "rejoice") this Third Week of Advent, and the Scriptures take on a joyful tone as we continue our preparations for the feast of our Savior's birth.

Our Second Reading gives us cause for joy as St Paul reminds us, "The Lord is near. Have no anxiety at all..." Then he gives us a prescription for maintaining this peace: "In everything, by prayer and petition, with thanksgiving, make your requests known to God. Then the peace of God that surpasses all understanding will guard your hearts and minds in Christ Jesus." Paul's instructions for obtaining peace come as an early Christmas gift. They remind us that we can and should go to God with all our needs and present them to Him *along with our thanks*. This guidance calls to mind a vital aspect of a stewardship way of life: gratitude to God in response to His great love and countless gifts to us.

The Gospel passage, from Luke, shows us how to *live out* this thanks, making our lives a "Christmas gift" to Christ in joyful response to His love for us. When the crowds hear John the Baptist's message that their Savior is coming, they ask him what they should do to prepare. He responds, "Whoever has two cloaks should share with the person who has none. And whoever has food should do the same." He tells tax collectors to stop collecting more than is prescribed and soldiers, to be satisfied with their wages. In other words, he tells them to be good and generous stewards of all God's gifts to them!

As the great feast of Christmas draws near, let us rejoice in Christ's extravagant love. Let's avail ourselves of the peace He longs to give us. And let's look carefully at our lives to make sure we are indeed making of them a gift fitting for Him.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE
YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH:
DEC. 8TH - DEC. 9TH
NEEDED: \$17,081.46 RECEIVED: \$12,945.00
Loose currency / coins: \$ 340.00
Total Collection: \$13,285.00
Other donation: \$2000.00

PRAYERFULLY CONSIDER AN ADORATION HOUR, WHETHER WEEKLY, EVERY OTHER WEEK OR ONCE A MONTH ADORERS NEEDED FOR THE FOLLOWING HOURS.

MON. 1-2AM
THUR. 1-2AM **THUR. 8PM EVERY OTHER WEEK**
FRI. 10PM -11PM **FRI. 11PM - MIDNIGHT**
FRI. MIDNIGHT - 1AM **SAT: 9PM -10PM.**

NEEDING A TEMPORARY SUB.
FOR 11AM - NOON ON FRIDAY'S FOR JAN. & FEB. ONLY..

ADORATION OF OUR LORD

Will you spend some time in Adoration with Jesus this Holy Advent Season? Come and adore Him in our Adoration Chapel. Call the Rectory for information.

Please Pray For: Darren Lubbers



Do You Think It Will Ever Stop?

One morning, as Mark Twain (Samuel Clemens: 1835-1910) and a companion were walking home from Church, they heard a loud rumble of thunder and almost immediately rain began to fall heavily. As they scurried for shelter, Twain's friend asked, "Do you think it will ever stop?!" "It always has", quipped the author. Twain's healthy optimism underscores the necessity of seeing things as they are. Rather than exaggerate life's little difficulties into enormous disasters and thereby end up "drowning in a teacup", optimistic people cultivate a perspective which helps them to cope sensibly as circumstances arise.

When Paul challenged the believers in Philippi to develop a similar optimism, he was also quick to remind them of the advantages that were theirs. They could, indeed, rejoice and even rejoice always, not simply because they had learned to exercise a positive outlook toward life, but because God, the source of all peace was near!

Christmas Call to Sharing 2018

One of the greatest blessings in the Diocese of Wichita is that a young man is free to enter the seminary without worrying about the cost of his private education.

Please consider a gift this year for Christmas Call to Sharing to support our 37 seminarians and 19 retired priests.

Adopt-A-Family Tree Reminder—St. Patrick's Pro-Life

Committee has adopted two families from our Parish and Safe Haven Outreach Mission, and the local homeless shelter. Check the Christmas Tree in the vestibule. Return your wrapped gift (unless indicated otherwise on your tag) by December 19th.

If you don't want to purchase a gift, you have the option to purchase a variety of Scrip cards! A list of scrip cards is included with the angel tag. Just complete the form, enclose it in the provided envelope and return it in the collection basket. Thank you in advance!

CHURCH DECORATING

We need your help decorating St. Patricks church for Christmas, Sunday, Dec. 23rd, after the 10:00am mass..

Many hands make light work.....



Christmas Facts:

St. Nicholas is a saint who lived a life of prayer, generosity, and strong defense of the faith.

The word 'Christmas' comes from old English, the Mass of Christ or Christ's Mass. Even the word 'holiday' is derived from the phrase 'Holy Day'.

Wait there's Myrrh.....

Candy canes are shaped as shepherd's staffs, because Jesus is the Good Shepherd.

The Christmas tree is an evergreen, to remind us of God's everlasting love. The star on top of the tree symbolizes the star of Bethlehem.

