

MASS INTENTIONS: Nov 30th - Dec.8th

Sat 5:00pm	†Loise Lubbers (Lowell & Tina Wells)
Sun 7:30am	For the People of St. Patrick Parish
9:00am	†Bill Wheat (Lou & Karen O'Brien)
Tue 8:00am	For the People Of St. Patrick Parish
5:30pm	Diocesan Priests
Wed 8:00am	†Gloria Cervantes (Delores Shaw)
Thur 8:00am	†Phillip Mendoza (Delores Shaw)
Fri 8:00am	Joey & Katie Gray (Anne Brewer)

NEXT WEEKEND'S INTENTIONS

Sat 5:00pm	†Carol O'Connor (Kristen Bradbury)
Sun 7:30am	†Tom Mansfield (Mary Munoz)
9:00am	For the People of St. Patrick Parish

THIS WEEK AT ST. PATRICK'S:

Tue Dec. 3rd	Mass	8:00am
	Mass	5:30pm
Wed Dec.4th	Mass	8:00am
	PSR	5:30pm
	EDGE	6:00pm
Thur Dec.5th	Mass	8:00am
Fri Dec. 6th	Day of Penance: abstinence from meat. Prayer and works of mercy, Reading of Sacred Scripture for an Outpouring of God's mercy and The Holy Spirit's gifts The Holy Spirit's gifts of holiness and Strength upon the church.	
	First Friday Mass	8:00am
Sat Dec. 7th	First Saturday Confessions	7:30am
	First Saturday Mass	8:00am
	Confession	3:30pm
	Vigil Mass	5:00pm
Sun Dec. 8th	Mass	7:30am
	Mass	9:00am
	Parish Adoration	3:00pm
	Parish Social	3:30pm

Monday: December 9th
The Immaculate Conception
Mass Schedule
8:00am & 5:30pm

Adoration Hour Available
 Monday - 8pm to 9pm
 Please call the Parish Office.

Welcome to St. Patrick Catholic Church
Parish Office Hours: Tuesday - Friday 8am to 3:30pm
Closed Holy Days and Holidays.

YOUR GIFTS TO GOD AND PARISH
11-24-2024 **NEEDED:**
WEEKLY COLLECTION: \$9426.00 **\$17,500.00**

NEXT WEEK MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Sat: Dec. 7th	5:00pm Mass
Servers:	Tanner Nolting
Lector:	Jane Blackburn
Greeters/ Gifts	Tom & Beth Westhoff / Wade Dillinger Family
Sun: Dec. 8th	7:30am Mass
Servers:	Will Gorman & Chandler Bastian
Lector:	Jeff Perez
Greeters /Gifts	Don & Jane Alexander Family
Sun: Dec.8th	9:00am Mass`
Servers:	Micky Manners & Cooper Manners
Lector:	Rick Goodyear
Greeters/ Gifts	Mark & Fatima Mall Family

December 2024 Prayer List:

Cathy Mercado, Luke Smith, Ron Wood, Carilyn Bernd, Mandy Venegas, Raef Stanford, Bristel & Reagan Bernd, April & Natalie Stanton, Janie Schibi, Caleb Fent, Lorie Nutter, Dave Turk, Tim & Chris Hurley, Rita Schauf, Kris Vitt, Jim Vitt, Jerry & Sylvia McKinney, Carl Yockey, Steve Minor, Mary Brooks, Donna George, JoAnn George LaForge, Dr. Gary Yarbrough, James Flaming, Wesley Garber, Matt Carrillo, Darlene Johnsen, Lois Johnsen, Joan Bauer, Rafael Munoz, Joaquin Castellanos, Judy Diver, Andy Tromsness, Charlie Smith, Glenn Linnebur, Dan Bogner, Steve Carnahan, Marlene Merchant, Fr. Michael Schemm, Phillip Mendoza, Heather LaRue, Susan Johnsen, Richard & Dottie Holler, Bryan Spielbusch, Rachel Check, Jennifer Woodworth, Tandi Jones, Lori McKinzie, Meg Schneicke, Randy Brown, Suzie Kuffler, Nan & Ray Panek, Bill Gannaway, DJ, Erica & Jade Ward, Vera Parrish, Mary Perrier, Donal Chandler

Parish Family Adoration in the Church
Sunday December 8th
From 3:00pm to 3:30pm.
Then join us in the Parish Hall for a
Hot Chocolate & Coffee Bar and holiday cookies.

Join us on December 15th
Our Lady of Guadalupe Pot Luck Dinner
In the Parish Hall, 11:30am to 2:00pm.

When you say the Our Fathers, God's ear is next to your lips.
 — St. André Bessette

Advance Stewardship Reflection
 December 1, 2024
 First Sunday Of Advent

We have arrived at the powerful season of Advent, a season to prepare with awe and wonder for the Feast of the Incarnation of Jesus — born to us as Savior and Brother. It is a season to prepare for His return at the end of time. It is also a moment to remind ourselves that our individual judgment day is coming, too, when we will be called to give an account for all that God has given to us during our lifetimes. In other words, Advent is a steward's season!

Our readings for the first week of Advent waste no time in calling our urgent attention to these themes of reflection and preparation. They seem to shout, "Wake up! Get ready!" and offer us some practical advice as we enter into this season.

The Gospel, from Luke, warns, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life." How easy it is to lose focus on our Lord either by too much indulgence in our lives or by too much worry about our lives. During Advent, we Christian stewards must ask ourselves some hard questions. Am I staying faithful to my prayer life? Am I using my energy and skills to serve others? Am I overly concerned about material gain? Am I relying on my "stuff" or my investments as my source of comfort or security? Am I living for the moment or for the coming of the Lord?

Get ready Christian stewards!

He's coming!

Let us prepare with awe and wonder.

Please Pray for: the end of abortion and all sins against life.

Parish POSADA...

A Posada is an old Mexican tradition developed to help missionaries teach about the Christmas Story, specifically about Mary and Joseph's search for shelter prior to Jesus's birth. Posada's involve everyone, and include a novena, with a Rosary recited nightly in the days preceding Christmas Eve. Los Posadas will begin on Monday Dec.16th. and end. Tuesday Dec. 24th. Joseph and Mary will lead the group on a search to find an "Inn" where Jesus can be born. When hospitality is found, a celebration will follow in the home.

If you would like to host, participate or help and for more information, **call Delores Shaw @ 423-5198.** The schedule will be confirmed soon, and will be available on the back tables of the church when complete.

The 1st Sunday of Advent Year A **begins the season of preparation for Christmas.** Advent, starting four Sundays before Christmas, invites us to remember Jesus' birth in Bethlehem and prepare for His future coming. During Advent, we focus on Jesus and try to set aside distractions.

The Symbolism & Tradition Behind the Advent Wreath

What does the Advent wreath symbolize?

The wreath and candles are full of symbolism tied to the Christmas season. The circle of the wreath, which has no beginning or end, symbolizes the eternity of God, the immortality of the soul, and the everlasting life we find in Christ. The wreath itself, which is made of various kinds of evergreens, signifies continuous life.

Even the individual evergreens that make up the wreath have their own meanings to our faith:

- Laurel signifies victory over persecution and suffering
- Pine, holly, and yew signify immortality
- Cedar signifies strength and healing
- Pine cones that decorate the wreath symbolize life and resurrection.

The wreath as a whole is meant to remind us of both the immortality of our souls and God's promise of everlasting life to us through Christ.

What do the candles on an Advent wreath represent?

The four candles on the Advent wreath represent the light of Christ entering the world. One candle is lit each Sunday, marking the progression of the four weeks of Advent.

Prayer for Advent.
 Heavenly Father, your son, Jesus, is your greatest gift to us, a great sign of your love. Guide us as we strive to walk in that love together as a family this Advent. As we prepare our hearts for Christmas, bring us closer to each other and to your son. Give us the grace and

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LORDS DAY MASS SCHEDULE
Vigil Mass: 5:00pm
Sunday: 7:30am & 9:00am

WEEKDAY MASSES
Tuesday: 5:30pm
Wed, Thur, Fri: 8:00am

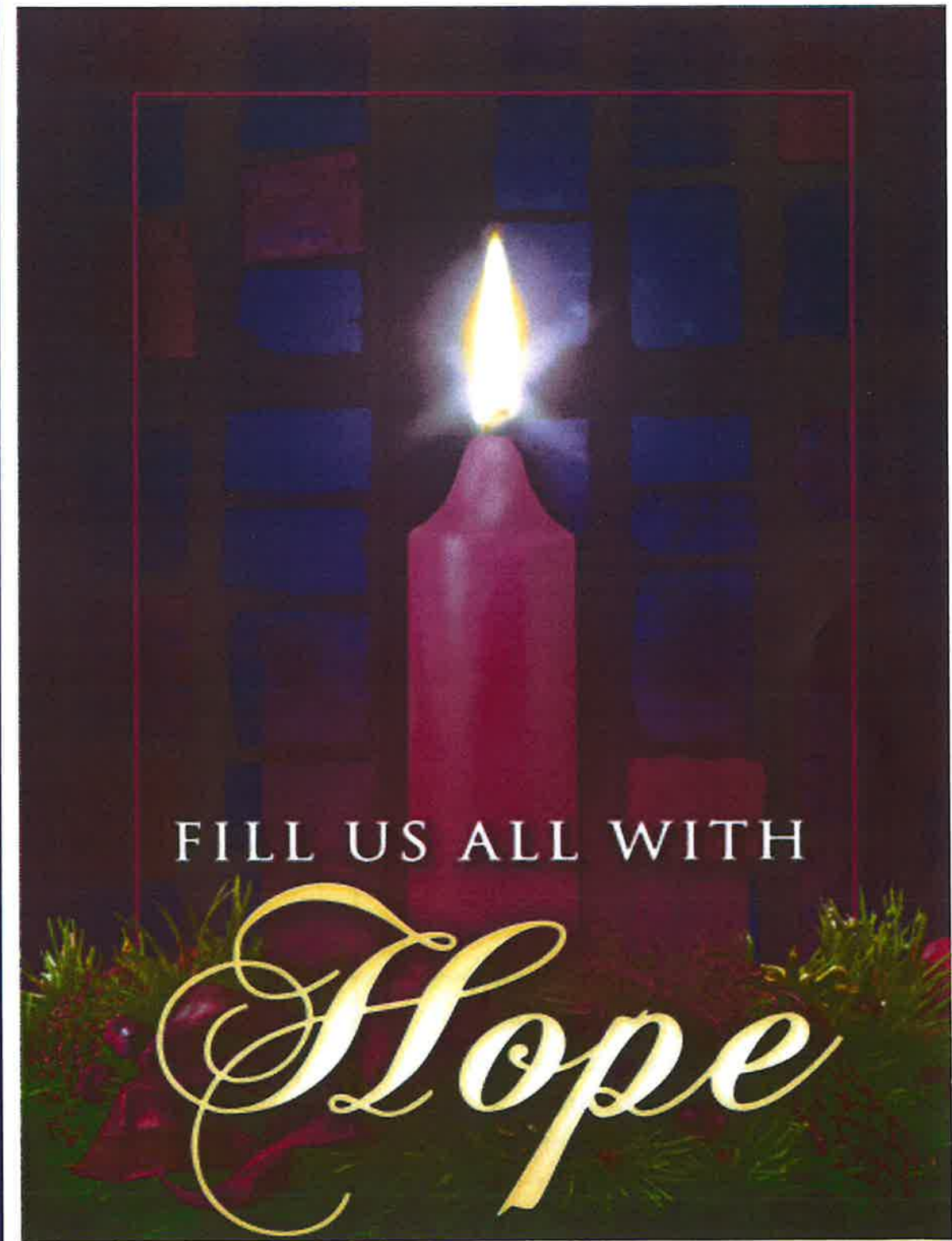
CONFESSION SCHEDULE
Saturdays 3:30pm to 4:30pm
Weekdays 30 minutes before Holy Mass

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