



# St. Joseph Church

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## FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

12/24/17

Sunday	4:00 PM + Robert Straka	<b>Christmas Eve</b>
Monday	10:00 AM – Parish Families of St. Joseph & St. Boniface	<b>Christmas</b>
Tuesday	<b>No Mass</b>	
Wednesday	8:15 AM + Don Schaaf	
Thursday	10:00 AM + Lawrence, Albena & Rollin Kramer @ Good Sam.	
Friday	8:15 AM + Art Laetsch	
Saturday	5:00 PM + MaryAnn Kennedy	
Sunday	10:30 AM + Joe Langan	
Monday	10:30 AM + Tom Welsh	<b>Solemnity of Mary</b>

*Sacrament of Reconciliation: One half hour before each weekend Mass or anytime by appointment*

***This Week..*** we celebrate the 4<sup>th</sup> week of Advent. Our Gospel is Luke’s account of the Annunciation. The angel Gabriel comes to Mary and tells her that she was chosen to be the mother of the Messiah. She did not fully understand all of this; nevertheless, Mary gave her “yes.” Later, we’ll celebrate the Nativity. We will not fully understand what all of this means; however, we will celebrate it. It seems like Christmas brings out the best in us. Gifts are given to strangers as well as family and friends. Christmas is a time to reach out to others. It is also a time to re-connect with people that journeyed with us in days past. To celebrate all of this, there are decorations, special foods, special music and special programs. Advent is a time of preparation for the Nativity. Our preparation will, we hope, bring everyone great joy. Peace and joy!

***The Harvest Is Great, Laborers Are Few.*** Taking the vocation crucifix this week—John & Marsha Thomassen. The week of Dec. 31—Tim Laible Family.

***We Pray With Special Love & Concern For All Those Who Are Ill.*** Janice Ries, Kaitlyn Fritz, Nathan Boyle, Michelle Bulau, Emma Lou Gunther, Pat Baker, Ryan Berg, Vikki Hickok, Jim Schaaf & David Gokie.

***St. Boniface Mass Schedule-----Christmas---*** Sun., Dec. 24 @ 6 pm **and** 12:00 midnight

***Weekend----*** Sat., Dec. 30 @ 7 pm Sun., Dec. 31 @ 8:30 am

***Solemnity of Mary----*** Mon., Jan. 1 @ 8:30 am



Trayton Olson, 5th Grader at St. Joseph's, is shown with his artwork that was entered in the Catholic Voice's Colors of Christmas Contest. He placed 2nd in the 4th-6th grade division. Congratulations Trayton!



- Thu., Dec. 28—Choir practice @ 5 pm for Sunday Mass...everyone is welcome!
- Wed., Jan. 3—**St. Boniface**...1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & Parish Penance Service, 6:30 pm
- Wed., Jan. 17—**St. Joseph**...1<sup>st</sup> Reconciliation & Parish Penance Service, 6:30 pm



**School Board: Wed., Jan. 3 @ 8 pm**

*EMHCs*...Good Samaritan Home & Prairie Winds...Sun., Dec. 31—Phil & Linda Fritz

*CCD Classes*...will resume **Wed., Jan. 10.**

*Liturgical Ministers---DEC. 30/31*

MASS TIMES	SAT. 5:00 PM	SUN. 10:30 AM
EMHCs	GThurlow, EJones, LFritz	GDvorak, DLiewer, CSholes, SOsborne, JSkrdla
LECTORS	Tim Hamik	Patti Skrdla
GIFT BEARERS	M/M Pat Kennedy	Brendan Borer Fam.
ORGANIST	Jayne Fetherston	Diane Osborne
SERVERS	Makenna Schaaf Rylan Olson Braydon Olson	Arideth Weekley Malya Bussinger Destini Bussinger
<b><u>JAN. USHERS</u></b>	Phillip Hamik Mike Laible Jeff Hostert Bryan Rentschler	Dan Ziska George Schmit Todd Seger Roger Frickel

**THE LORD'S PORTION**

**12/17/17**

<b>Adult envelopes (50)</b>	<b>1,208.00</b>
<b>Loose cash</b>	<b>138.27</b>
<b>Loose checks (3)</b>	<b>95.00</b>
<b>Midweek deposit</b>	<b>25.00</b>
<b>Online giving</b>	<b><u>400.00</u></b>
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1,866.27</b>
<b>Budget...(Sundays)</b>	<b>3,163.22</b>
	<b>-1,296.95</b>
<b>Immaculate Conception</b>	<b>15.00</b>
<b>Previous week</b>	<b>334.50</b>
<b>Budget...Holy Days</b>	<b>600.00</b>
	<b>-250.50</b>
<b>Christmas</b>	<b>295.00</b>
<b>Religious Pensions</b>	<b>10.00</b>

*Liturgical Ministers*

**Monday, January 1...10:30 AM**

**EMHCs: LWolf, JKaup, SRossman**

**Lector: Jack Wolf**

**Offertory: Ben Sholes Family**

**Servers: Volunteers**

