

Sacred Heart Catholic Church and St. Mary's Catholic Church

PARISH BULLETIN

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Hall Rental: Please e-mail sacredheartrentals@live.com or call Mark Meuth at 512-332-6201.

Holtman Hall Contracts are posted on the church website, <http://sacredheart.rocknetx.com/>

Baptism: One class is required for parents and sponsors! Please call Fr. Dariusz or Deacon Roger or Deacon Alvin.

Marriage: A six-month notice is required. Please call Fr. Dariusz or Deacon Roger or Deacon Alvin.

Ministry to the Sick: When a parishioner is hospitalized or homebound, please contact the rectory.

Confessions: Rockne and String Prairie: A half-hour before Mass on Friday, Saturday and Sunday or by appointment.

December 17, 2017 – Third Sunday of Advent

MASSES:	Monday	7:00 p.m.	(Rockne) NO MASS
	Tuesday	7:00 a.m.	(Rockne) For the Parishioners
	Wednesday	7:00 p.m.	(String Prairie) NO MASS
	Thursday	7:00 a.m.	(Rockne) David and Garrett Goertz – by Nelda Thompson
	Friday	6:00 p.m.	(Rockne) Holy Hour for World Peace
		7:00 p.m.	(Rockne) Roger Beck – by Gary & Judy Ambrose
	Saturday	5:00 p.m.	(Rockne) Wayne David Mitchell – by Family
	Sunday	8:00 a.m.	(Rockne) Mary Jane Goertz – by Goertz Family
		10:00 a.m.	(String Prairie) Robert "Bob" Seidel – by John & Sharon Foerster
	Sunday	8:00 p.m.	(String Prairie – Christmas Eve) Gilbert Seidel – by David & Lisa Smith
		10:00 p.m.	(Rockne – Christmas Eve) Anthony Kirk Matocha – by Mike & Dena Matocha
	Monday	8:00 a.m.	(Rockne - Christmas) Francis P. Goertz – by Neil & Kristi Goertz Family
		10:00 a.m.	(String Prairie - Christmas) Charles Goertz – by Elaine Seidel Family

Religious Education Classes will be on Sunday, 9:15 – 10:15 a.m. for grades K – 6 and on Wednesday, 7:15 – 8:30 p.m. for grades 7 - 12. There will be no CCE classes December 24 through January 3. (Bill Kadura and Veronica Hoffman)

RCIA classes continue this Sunday, December 17, from 9:00 – 10:30 a.m., in Holtman Hall. This week's class covers The Church and will be facilitated by Kay Leidy and Rodney Kadura. Classes are open to anyone, including parishioners, interested in exploring the Catholic faith. (Rodney Kadura)

Advent Penitential Service will be on Monday, December 18, at 7:00 p.m. in Rockne, on Wednesday, December 20, at 7:00 p.m. in Lockhart and on Thursday, December 21, at 7:00 p.m. in Smithville. (Fr. Dariusz)

Rockne-String Prairie Knights of Columbus Christmas Party will be on Monday, December 18, in String Prairie. Social hour is at 6:00 p.m. and the dinner is at 6:30 p.m. Members and their families can bring a dessert if they wish. During this season of giving, please bring items for the County Food Bank or make a donation at the party. (Phil Fredericks)

There will be a second collection next weekend, December 23 and 24 for Marywood.

To celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family, the Sacred Heart St. Ann's Society in conjunction with the Council of Catholic Women want to honor couples who have celebrated special wedding anniversaries of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, etc. in 2017. Each of these couples will receive a certificate signed by Bishop Joe Vasquez which expresses honor and gratitude for the faithful witness to their commitment to the Sacrament of Marriage. Please call Gerri Martinez at 512-303-5936 with your information before December 21. If you called and left a message, please call again. The phone was out of order and did not save any messages. (Gerri Martinez)

The Christmas Season is filled with hymns and songs that are unique to this special time of year. Your church choir wishes to give all of you the gift of this special music. The choir will begin singing at approximately 9:00 p.m. on Christmas Eve. Please join us as we celebrate the songs of Christmas. (Phyllis Fischer)

We wish to congratulate Bill Meuth on the occasion of his 98th birthday, which he will celebrate on December 18. May God bless you and keep you for many more years. (Fr. Dariusz)

Collection: \$3,264.87

Clergy Medical & Retirement Fund: \$2,000.25

Immaculate Conception: \$617.00

Dec. 23	GB:	Wayne David Mitchell Family	Servers:	Shawn Altum
	LR:	Patsy Meuth, Shelley Brewer		Luke Kadura
	EM:	Mark Goertz		Nicole Kadura
	Rosary:	Eva Friske, Jenease Friske		
	Statue:	Thomas Wilhelm		
	Greeters:	Barbara Seidel, Phil Fredericks		
	Ushers:	Barbara Seidel, Phil Fredericks, Tyler Vinklerek, Carl Vinklerek, Virgil Meuth, Carl Meuth		
Dec. 24	GB:	Mary Jane Goertz Family	Servers:	Mariana Zuniga
	LR:	Robert Natal, Gloria Davis		Adriana Zuniga
	EM:	Donald & Marilyn Klaus		Isaac Havens
	Rosary:	Mike & Jackie May		
	Statue:	LaVerne Norris Family		
	Chalice:	JoAnn Hilbig		
	Greeters:	Marcus Meuth, Michael Hilbig		
	Ushers:	Marcus Meuth, Michael Hilbig, Eloy Espinosa III, David Tucker, Gary Klaus		
Dec. 24	GB:	Mike & Dena Matocha	Servers:	Deigo Ruiz
	LR:	John Altum, Cella Espinosa		Deya Ruiz
	EM:	Carroll Rabel, Jr., Pat Friske		Emily Bernard
	Greeters:	Barbara Seidel, Phil Fredericks		Eloy Espinosa
	Ushers:	Barbara Seidel, Phil Fredericks, Tyler Vinklerek, Carl Vinklerek, Virgil Meuth, Carl Meuth		
Dec. 25	GB:	Neil & Kristi Goertz Family	Servers:	Trevor Culpepper
	LR:	Janet Rathmann, Gabrielle Foytik		
	EM:	Marcella Muehr, Eva Friske		
	Greeters:	Marcus Meuth, Michael Hilbig		
	Ushers:	Marcus Meuth, Michael Hilbig, Eloy Espinosa III, David Tucker, Gary Klaus		

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Dec. 24	GB:	Cathy Witherspoon	Servers:	Ethan Posey
	LR:	Michael Goertz		Peighton Willie
	EM:	Florence Neal		Trinity Campion
	Rosary:	LaVerne Till		
	Statue:	Kurt & Megan Hammons		
	Ushers:	Alan Seidel, Billy Seidel		
Dec. 24	GB:	Ronnie & Denise Behrens	Servers:	Cole Waneck
	LR:	Paul Goertz		Addison Waneck
	EM:	Alan Seidel, Leroy Herauf		Trace Nampkin
Dec. 25	GB:	Robert & Hattie Campion	Servers:	Grayson Mullen
	LR:	Florence Neal		Darcy Mullen
	EM:	Jody Pruitt		Guy Page

Collection (12/10): \$1,042.00

Clergy Medical & Retirement Fund: \$685.00

Immaculate Conception: \$232.00

On January 14, we will celebrate the Feast of the Holy Family. We will honor the couples who have been married 5, 10, 15, etc. years with a marriage certificate. Please call LaVerne Till at 830-540-4827 with your information before December 31. (LaVerne Till)

St. Mary's now offers Online Giving, a web-based electronic contribution application. We are providing this service so that you have the option to manage your contributions online or with your offering envelopes. This service is safe and secure. It is also convenient for you and for our parish staff. Sign up for Online Giving by visiting our parish website at <https://stmarysp.church> and selecting the Online Giving link or refer to our parish bulletin for information. (James Page)

There will be no CCE classes today or Sunday, December 24 and December 31.