

Sunday, December 9, 2018

Second Sunday of Advent

Mass Times & Intentions

<i>Date / Feast</i>	<i>Time</i>	<i>Location</i>	<i>Mass offered for:</i>	<i>Mass offered by:</i>
Mon., Dec. 10	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Marilyn Laffitte	Jim Van Kirk Family
Tues., Dec. 11 <i>St. Damasus I</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	†Gerald Kohmetscher	Marty & Cathy Ostrander
Wed., Dec. 12 <i>Our Lady of Guadalupe</i> <i>Spanish Mass for CCD→</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	†Nick Hansen	Reg & Cheryl Simonsen
Thurs., Dec. 13 <i>St. Lucy</i>	8:00 a.m.	Grafton	†Don Hohman	S. & M. Leininger
Fri., Dec. 14 <i>St. John of the Cross</i>	7:15 a.m.	Sutton	†Rita Schriener	Jean Erthum
Sat., Dec. 15	9:00 a.m.	Sutton	The People of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	
	5:30 p.m.	Sutton	†Eugene & Irene Bollig	Cheryl Dedrickson
Sun., Dec. 16 <i>Third Sunday of Advent</i>	9:00 a.m.	Sutton	Jade Schoneberg	The Pope Family
	11:00 a.m.	Grafton	The People of St. Mary's & St. Helena's	

Confession

St. Mary's (Sutton)	Saturday 5:00-5:20 p.m. and Sunday 8:20-8:50 a.m.
St. Helena's (Grafton)	Sunday 10:45-10:55 a.m.
Extra Confession Times During Advent:	Dec. 15 from 4:30-5:20 p.m. at St. Mary's Dec. 22 from 3:30-4:30 p.m. at St. Helena's Dec. 23 Penance Service from 2-3 p.m. at St. Mary's

The Holy Rosary

15 minutes before Mass at St. Mary's (Sutton)

First Friday Mass & Adoration

On the First Friday of each month, Mass is offered at 7:15 a.m. at St. Mary's in Sutton. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament is available until 1:00 p.m., closing with Benediction.

Spanish Mass

Beginning in January 2019, a Spanish Mass will be offered at 7 p.m. on the third Saturday of each month.

Prayer Chain

<i>For the Sick:</i>		<i>For the Faithful Departed:</i>	
Carol Fessler	Rhonda Cloet	†Sterling Schelkopf	†Leo Overturf
Kathy Sneed	Scott Schmer	†Vic Kathol	†Gerald Kohmetscher
Jade Schoneberg	John, Josh & Jed Sharky	†Vicki Dirks	†Eleanor Pepler
Vina Mody	Denise Griess	†Richard Pariset	†All Pour Souls in Purgatory
Leota Griess	Juan Castanada	†Nick Hansen	Mass for the Dead
Liz George	Rolly Kastens	†Imelda McCoy	Once a month, Mass will
Megan Hinrichs	April Lemkau	†Marilyn Laffitte	be offered for all the
Scott Borders	Danielle Fry	†Don Hohman	faithful departed of our
Thayer Overturf	Dick & Dorothy Yaeger	†Randy Veik	parishes.
Maria Miranda		†Lucille Kester	

Announcements

- The Children's Advent Program is Sunday, Dec. 9 at 4 p.m. at St. Mary's with a reception to follow. Those who attend are encouraged to bring an item for the food pantry in Sutton.
- Donate your used items now through Tuesday, Dec. 11 from 8 a.m. to 5 p.m. at George's 66 Gas Station!
- All parishioners of St. Helena's are invited to the Christmas Party on Monday, Dec. 10 at the home of Dick & Deb Hoarty. Dinner at 6 p.m. Meat and drinks provided. Please bring a side dish and/or dessert to share. You are welcome to bring a white elephant gift for the auction!
- Bishop James Conley and Fr. Gary Coulter will lead a retreat Dec. 14-16 at Good Counsel Retreat House for men and women of all ages. Entitled, "The Mysteries of Christmas," the retreat theme ties in with the Rosary Crusade that Bishop Conley has invited the diocese to participate in this year, encouraging families to take time in daily prayer and the rosary. Several of the Joyful Mysteries of the rosary are typically associated with Christmas, such as the Annunciation, Nativity, and Presentation in the Temple. The Epiphany is traditionally associated with the wise men but also two other mysteries: the Baptism of Jesus and the Miracle at the Wedding in Cana, which are also 'Epiphanies' that make Jesus known. The retreat begins 8 p.m. Friday with a Rosary and Mass, and ends at noon Sunday with Mass and lunch, for a suggested donation of \$170. Bishop Conley will present three talks; Fr. Coulter will present four talks.
- If you wish to donate towards a poinsettia for the altar in memory of a loved one, contact Cecilia Van Kirk.
- St. Mary's will have an Advent Baby Shower for Jesus every weekend during Advent. Please bring unwrapped baby items and place in bassinet or give to Father at offertory time. St. Helena's will also collect baby items during December. Donations can be placed at the church entrance.
- The Catholic Coffee House is an adult faith formation series held at Gianna Java and Gelato (2241 O St, Lincoln) from 7-8:30 p.m. The theme for this year is "Navigating the Church Now." The December presentation (December 16) is entitled "Relationship, Transparency and Obedience" by Fr. Sean Kilcawley. This series is oriented towards being in the church in the current climate of scandal. Each session includes prayer, a presentation, and Q&A. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0619 for questions.
- The Holy Spirit moves very well in times of trouble in the Church. Those who have had an abortion in their lives, those who have been a victim of abuse of any kind, and those who are in need of any kind of healing are invited to a Healing Mass on Thursday, Dec. 20 at 7 p.m. at Sts. Cyril & Methodius Church (120 Cherry St, Clarkson, NE). Confessions at 6 p.m. All are welcome.
- Please let the secretary know your ministry preferences and / or dates you are unavailable for the January and February Ministry Schedule by December 23rd. Thank you!
- Help Spirit 91.5-FM and 90.1-FM (Spirit Catholic Radio) bring warmth to people in the Grand Island and Hastings area as we Warm up Winter! We're accepting donations of NEW socks, coats, mittens, hats and boots for both adults and children in Grand Island at Hope Harbor (615 W. 1st St) and in Hastings at Catholic Social Services (333 W 2nd St). Items will be distributed in the Grand Island and Hastings areas. Drop off your new, unwrapped donations of warm, winter gear by Dec. 28.

- The Annual Mass of the Holy Innocents will be celebrated on Friday, December 28th. All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at 6:30 p.m. with Mass at 7:00 p.m. at John XXIII Diocesan Center Chapel, 3700 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner for this year, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 before 5:00 p.m. on Dec. 19th. If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.
- Acolytes and Lectors are invited to a Men's retreat at Good Counsel Retreat House Jan. 18-20, 2019 with Fr. Eric Clark entitled "Discipleship at the Foot of the Cross". The retreat will also include Acolyte/Lector refresher training with the Knights of the Holy Eucharist. Registration and information at www.goodcounselretreat.com or 402-786-2705.
- Save the Date! Nebraskans Embracing Life Presents 44th Annual Celebration of Life Dinner on Friday January 25th at the DC Centre in Omaha. Master of Ceremonies: Pete Ricketts / Keynote Speaker: Gianna Jessen / Lifetime Achievement Award: Dr. Thomas Hilgers.

Ministry Schedule

<i>Mass Times</i>	<i>Acolyte</i>	<i>Reader</i>	<i>Servers</i>	<i>Gift Bearers / Greeters</i>
Daily Mass Dec. 10-15	---	---	Esae Olvera & Juan Reyes	---
Dec. 15 at 5:30 p.m.	Jim Jones	Jennifer Johnson	Adrian & Airan Hernandez	Marty & Cathy Ostrander
Dec. 16 at 9:00 a.m.	Mike McLaughlin	Cathy Mohnike	Jonathan Olvera & Adrian Avila	Jeremiah & Amber Peterson
Dec. 16 at 11:00 a.m.	---	John Lowe	Shane Fessler	---

Collection	<i>St. Mary's</i>	<i>St. Helena's</i>	<i>Upcoming Collections</i>
<i>Weekly Envelopes</i>	2,260.00	<i>Please note: When Fr. Zimmer has a military weekend, St. Helena's collection will be posted later than usual. Thank you for understanding.</i>	
<i>Loose Plate</i>	135.00		
<i>Christmas Flowers</i>	160.00		
<i>Total Collected Dec. 1 & 2</i>	\$2,555.00		

A Look at This Week

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
9 9 a.m. Mass	10 5:30 p.m. Mass	11 7:15 a.m. Mass	12 <i>Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe</i>	13 8 a.m. Mass	14 7:15 a.m. Mass	15 9 a.m. Mass
10-11:30 a.m. Advent program practice (preschoolers welcome!)	6 p.m. St. Helena's Christmas Party	7 p.m. Parish Council meeting	7:15 a.m. Mass			4:30-5:20 p.m. Confessions extended (Sutton)
11 a.m. Mass			6:30 p.m. CCD (7 p.m. Spanish Mass)			5:30 p.m. Mass
4 p.m. Advent Program in St. Mary's Hall (Reception)						