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Second Sunday of
ADVENT

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Mass, Prayer & Sacraments

MASS

Tuesday - Friday	8:00 AM
Saturday (Anticipation)	4:15 PM
Sunday	8:00 AM & 10:30 AM

CHURCH OPEN FOR PRIVATE PRAYER
Monday - Friday 8:00 AM - Noon

ROSARY Thursday 7:30 AM

DIVINE MERCY CHAPLET Thursday after 8 AM Mass

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION First Fridays of the month beginning after the 8:00 AM Mass with Reposition at Noon.

RECONCILIATION Saturday from 3:30 - 4:00 PM

ANOINTING OF THE SICK Anyone who is seriously ill due to sickness or old age may be anointed. Please call the Parish Office.

BAPTISM Please call the Parish Office if you wish to have you child baptized.

ADULT BAPTISM OR CONFIRMATION If you are an adult interested in becoming Catholic, or are an adult baptized Catholic but not confirmed, please contact Deacon Mike.

MATRIMONY Please call the Parish Office at least six months prior to the marriage.

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Mass Intentions

Monday, December 6	**St. Nicholas, Bishop**
No Liturgical Service	
Tuesday, December 7	**St. Ambrose of Milan, Bishop and Doctor of the Church**
8:00 AM	+ Anthony "Butch" Geib
Wednesday, December 8	**The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**
8:00 AM	+ Herb and Lucille Lewis
6:00 PM	+ Tony LaLoggia
Thursday, December 9	**St. Juan Diego Cuauhtiatoatzin**
9:00 AM	+ Steven D. Jacoby
Friday, December 10	**Our Lady of Loreto**
	+ Peter Schwinn
Saturday, December 11	**Third Sunday of Advent - Vigil**
4:15 PM	+ Barbara Stockhausen
Sunday, December 12	**Third Sunday of Advent**
8:00 AM	For the people of Holy Trinity
10:30 AM	+ John "Jack" Peterson

Liturgical Schedules

Saturday, December 11 at 4:15 PM

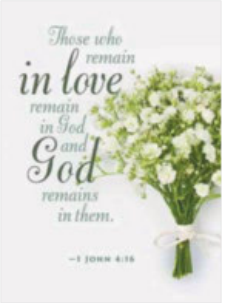
Altar Server	Carol Willegal
Lector	Anna Bjerk
Ushers	Damian Clark, Dean Canales and Kathy Canales

Sunday, December 12 at 8:00 AM

Altar Server	Richard Becker
Lector	Ron Stifter
Ushers	Don Wollner, Lee Carter and volunteer

Sunday, December 12 at 10:30 AM

Altar Server	Tammy Weber
Lector	Marilyn Stys
Ushers	Tom Malone, Bob Weyker and volunteer



Congratulations

to
Leroy & Rita Kannenberg
on their 65th Wedding Anniversary!

May God bless you with many more years of love and happiness!

May We Pray for You?

If you, or someone you know, are in need of prayers our Prayer Team is always willing to pray for your requests.

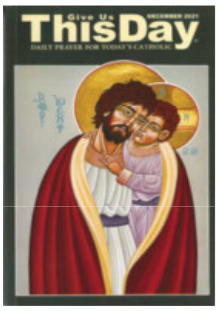
You may contact our Prayer Team at (262) 692-2639. All prayer requests are confidential.

An essential part of God's plan for the mother of his Son was that she be conceived free from Original Sin. "Through the centuries the Church became ever more aware that Mary, 'full of grace' through God, was redeemed from the moment of her conception" (CCC, no. 491). In anticipation that she was to bear the Son of God, Mary was preserved from the time of her conception from Original Sin. We call this the Immaculate Conception. No sin would touch her, so that she would be a fitting and worthy vessel of the Son of God. The Immaculate Conception does not refer to the virginal conception and birth of Christ, but rather to Mary's being conceived without inheriting Original Sin. In the course of time, the doctrine of the Immaculate Conception became more precisely enunciated, as its truth— long supported by the universal popular devotion of the faithful—was better understood by deepening theological inquiry. In 1854, Pope Pius IX proclaimed this dogma infallibly: that is, in his role as supreme teacher of the Church, he declared that this doctrine is divinely revealed and must be accepted with faith by the entire Church. USCCB

The **Feast of the Immaculate Conception** is celebrated on **Wednesday, December 8.** Mass times for this **Holy Day of Obligation** are 8:00 AM and 6:00 PM.

Memorare

Remember, O most gracious Virgin Mary,
that never was it known that anyone
who fled to your protection,
implored your help or sought
your intercession was left unaided.
Inspired with this confidence, we fly unto you,
O Virgin of Virgins, our Mother.
To you we come. Before you we kneel,
sinful and sorrowful.
O Mother of the Word Incarnate,
despise not our petitions,
but in your clemency, hear and answer them.
Amen.
—St. Bernard of Clairvaux



Liturgical Press sent us several copies of **GIVE US THIS DAY.** It is a monthly publication that invites us to daily prayer. Each issue includes readings and prayers for Mass, reflections on the scriptures, morning and evening prayers, profiles of holy people and saints among us and much more. Free copies are available in the Narthex. Instructions how to receive a **Give Us This Day** subscription are in each copy. In this season of giving, **Give Us This Day** would make a wonderful Christmas gift.

Scripture Readings for the week of December 5

Sunday	Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
Monday	Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. Is 35:4f]/Lk 5:17-26
Tuesday	Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13 [cf. Is 40:10ab]/Mt 18:12-14
Wednesday	Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/ Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
Thursday	Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab [8]/Mt 11:11-15
Friday	Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [cf. Jn 8:12]/Mt 11:16-19
Saturday	Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Next Sunday	Zep 3:14-18a/Is12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18

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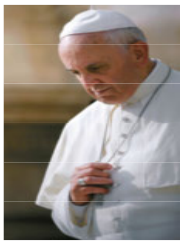

The Holy Father has reached out to Archbishop Jerome E. Listecki to send his assurance of his spiritual closeness to the archbishop all those impacted by the Waukesha parade attack. Pope Francis sent the remarks through his Secretary of State. Archbishop Listecki asked that we share Pope Francis' message with our parishioners.

To the Most Reverend Jerome E. Listecki, Archbishop of Milwaukee:

The Holy Father asks you kindly to convey the assurance of his spiritual closeness to all affected by the tragic incident to all affected by the tragic that recently took place in Waukesha. He commends the souls of those who died to Almighty God's loving mercy and implores the divine gifts of healing and consolation upon the injured and bereaved. He joins in asking the Lord to bestow upon everyone the spiritual strength which triumphs over violence and overcomes evil with good. (cf. Rom 12:21).

Cardinal Pietro Par Olin
Secretary of State

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ADVENT

Let's make ready the way of the Lord

GOSPEL MEDITATION ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

St. Ambrose shares some wisdom on our need to prepare the way and open the door for Christ. "You see that when the Word of God knocks hardest on your door, it is when his hair is wet with the dew of the night. In fact, he chooses to visit those who are in tribulation and trial, lest one of them be overwhelmed by distress. So, his head is covered with dew, with drops, when his body is laboring hard. It is important to keep watch so that when the Bridegroom comes, he is not shut out. If you are asleep and your heart is not keeping watch, he will go away without knocking; but if your heart is alert for his coming, he knocks and asks for the door to be opened to him." When life gets overwhelming and difficult and we find ourselves feeling a bit downhearted and miserable, these words can bring great comfort.

We sometimes choose to remain stuck in our uncomfortable darkness and being stuck becomes our norm. In this time of self-focus our hearts are closed to the graces and life God desires to give us. Wrapped in the robe of mourning and misery, we fail to see the mercy, justice, and love the Bridegroom wants to bring. If we take seriously the need to prepare the way for Christ and open our hearts in preparation for his visit, we can hear God's gentle voice calling us deep within. It beckons us to seek out its source and discover the inner calm and peace that can prevail over the darkness of despair. Sometimes our darkness is so dark that it may seem unsurmountable. Trusting in the spiritual friends who journey with us, and God's promise may bring a glimmer of light even when it is most difficult to keep our hearts' doors open. Sometimes, the only light in the darkness is found in trusting the faith of others both past and present.

We have to trust that God has already begun the accomplishment of good work in us and that humanity is on an incredible journey to something wonderful and awesome. God is not done. When we open the doors of our hearts, straighten the paths of our lives, and prepare the way, Jesus can come with God's simple gifts of peace, grace, and joy. Life throws a great deal at us. It is easy to get tired and confused. We have to train our hearts to keep watch, discern what is of value, and forge ahead. Not allowing ourselves to become so weighed down by things and brought out of focus is a tremendous goal to achieve this Advent season. God is knocking. Answer the door. You will see and understand life in ways you never thought possible before.

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EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

God's Personal Assistants

If you have ever planned a large-scale event, whether it's a musical performance or a religious conference, you may have dealt with someone's personal assistant. Possibly this person would be a representative of the keynote speaker or the master of ceremonies for the local bishop; perhaps it's even the staffer of a local politician or the lackey of a well-known musical act.

Personal assistants are masters of stewardship — overseeing things in their boss' absence. They prepare the way. This person's job is to get everything ready for the person in charge, so that when he or she shows up — whoever he or she is — it's smooth sailing for them to do whatever it is they need to do: sing, speak, pray, mingle, what-have-you. It's usually a big job full of little things, a gig where attention to detail is key.

God is the guest of honor in our life, the keynote speaker, the main event. And what He wants — what He needs — to do is to change our hearts. Constantly, over, and over, and over again.

We are all His personal assistants in this endeavor. We need to prepare the way of the Lord, to make straight His paths. We need to make everything ready so that when He shows up — however He shows up, whether it's in the form of a neighbor in need or a burning bush right in front of us — everything is ready for Him to do His job.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS **©LPi**

This year's ***Care to Share "Thanks Giving"*** brought in $6,395.00!

50%of this amount will help support our parish and its ministries and the other 50% will be divided between the following fours chosen non-profit organizations whose mission it is to help those in need:

- St. Vincent de Paul - West Bend
- On the Spectrum Inc. - West Bend (Autism Awareness and Support)
- Family Promise of Washington County
- Seed of Hope - West Bend

Words cannot express our gratitude for your generosity and support of our parish and the charitable organizations that will receive our donations to help support their missions. ***God bless you all!***

A very Merry Christmas from the Christen Women of Holy Trinity!

Do you have a family member who can no longer attend Mass? Please contact Carol Altschwager at 262-483-1129 if you would like to discuss a visit to your family member from a member of the Christen Women during the Advent Season."

Our 2022 calendars have arrived and are available in the Narthex.

Due to the upcoming Christmas holidays the bulletin needs to be to the publisher early. **All bulletin articles are due by 9AM on the dates below**. If your article is to run for two weeks, please send each week separately. Please email your article to holytrinitynewburgbulletin@gmail.com with "Bulletin article for (bulletin date)" in the subject line.

Bulletin Date	Articles Due
December 19	Wednesday, December 8
December 26	Tuesday, December 14
January 2, 2022	Monday, December 20

Christmas Giving Project Thank You

We would like to extend a very heartfelt thank you to the many parishioners and visitors who contributed to our November 27/28 second collection for the Gingerbread House. Your very generous donations brought in $1,524.43 plus a check made out directly to the Gingerbread House for $100.00. Our Human Concerns Committee will use your donations to purchase and wrap the gifts for our assigned family.

The Gingerbread House Christmas Gift Giving Program is sponsored by The Youth and Family Project, Inc, a private, non-profit agency founded in 1975 with offices located in Washington and Waukesha Counties.

Words to Inspire

"If we see someone who needs help, do we stop? There is so much suffering and poverty, and a great need for good Samaritans."

— Pope Francis

Congratulations to the winners of our **50/50 raffle!** Thank you to everyone for supporting our parish through the purchase/selling of raffle tickets. ***Your support is greatly appreciated!***

$2,500.00	Sharon Peters
$1,000.00	Janice Muenzmaier
$ 100.00	Dennis & Carol Weiss
$ 100.00	Sharon Bohlen
$ 100.00	JoAnn Stiever
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$ 100.00	Tom Mauer
$ 100.00	Fred Falter
$ 100.00	Bernard Barth
$ 65.00	Robin Culver

Thank you for your continued support of Holy Trinity Parish. Your gifts of financial stewardship are *truly appreciated!*

Your donations may be dropped in the collection basket, secured locked box or mailed to the Parish Office.

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