

Holy Assumption Catholic Church

7109 WEST ORCHARD STREET WEST ALLIS, WI 53214-4893

DECEMBER 19, 2021 • Fourth Sunday of Advent

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Parish Membership

Each family or single adult 18 years or older is invited and expected to be registered in our parish family.

Masses

Weekend	Saturday 4:00 pm
• • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • • •	7:00 pm (Spanish)
	Sunday 10:30 am
	Γuesday - Friday 8:00 am
	TBD

Confessions

In Church

Saturday 3:00pm-3:45pm Saturday 6:00pm - 6:45pm

Baptism

Parental instruction required. Please contact the parish office.

Marriage

Please arrange for a date and instructions at least 6 months in advance at the parish office. Parish registration is required.

Anointing of the Sick

Holy Assumption

*** Contact Parish Office for individual appointment

Christian Formation

RCIA-Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults RCIC-Rite of Christian Initiation of Children

......Contact the Parish Office

Committee Contact

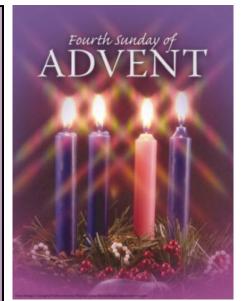
Mary Schum......771-9256

Food Pantry

Holy Assumption (south parking lot) Every Thursday 4:30-6:00pm Every Friday 12-1:30pm

Parish Library

The Parish Library is located in the School Building. To visit the Library please call the Parish Office at 414-774-3010







Please Remember Holy Assumption in your will.

Mass Intentions



Week of December 19, 2021

Saturday 18 Vigil

4:00 p.m. Intentions of the Parish Community

Sunday 19 Fourth Sunday of Advent

10:30 a.m. + Veronica Garvey & + Sr. Alponso

Tuesday 21 Late Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Thomas Lyles

Wednesday 22 Late Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. + Jerry Gritzmacher

Thursday 23 Late Advent Weekday

8:00 a.m. The Rae Family

Friday 24 Christmas Eve

4:00 p.m.

Saturday 25 The Nativity of the Lord (Christmas Day)

10:30 a.m.

Sunday 26 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, & Joseph

10:30 a.m. + Dale Nisenbaum

The Sanctuary Light will burn this week in Loving Memory of:

+ Scott Grapatin



This Week's Readings

Week of December 19, 2021

Sunday 19 Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk

1:39-45

Monday 20 Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26

-38

Tuesday 21 Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a;

3al/Lk 1:39-45

Wednesday 22 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-

56

Thursday 23 Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk

21:28]/Lk 1:57-66

Friday 24 Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22

-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25

Saturday 25 Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-

18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Next Sunday 26 Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1]/Col 3:12-21 or

3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52 or 1 Sm 1:20-22, 24-28/Ps 84:2-3,

5-6, 9-10 [cf. 5a]/1 Jn 3:1-2, 21-24/Lk 2:41-52



Fourth Sunday of Advent

St. Augustine tells us that a "Christian is a mind through which Christ thinks, a heart through which Christ loves, a voice through which Christ speaks and a hand through which Christ helps." As we look around and out at the world, we do not have to search too far before we come face to face with inequity and injustice. There is so much unfairness, prejudice, anger, hatred, violence, and want. The stories of human heartache, people being hurt, deprived of life's necessities, loneliness, and sickness are far too commonplace. For many of the world's ills, the vices of greed, lust, pride, gluttony, and jealousy are clearly among the more significant root causes.

Why doesn't God just step in and fix this mess? After all, God created this world, and one would hope that he would step up and take some measure of responsibility for it! Once we sit with this thinking for a while, we can begin to realize just how flawed it really is. God did take responsibility and God did fix the problem! God sent us Jesus Christ as the divine solution to the world's ills. It is not God who has shirked responsibility, we have. We are the ones who continually fail to set our own personal needs, wants, and securities aside so that One more powerful than us can use us.

Mary had to set her needs aside in order for the Son of God to come into the world. Put simply, Mary listened and believed. Having opened herself to being an instrument of the Divine, God could use her as his mind, heart, voice, and hand. She became God's vessel so that God's greatness could reach the ends of the earth and peace could come upon the world. God's fix for the world's difficulties is you and me. We are the ones who confess that Jesus Christ came into the world as the Son of God, the Prince of Peace, and herald of justice. All we have to do is believe, as did Mary, that what has been spoken to us by the Lord will be fulfilled. Then, we can step aside and be the Christians we claim to be. What a difference it would make if every person who professed to be Christian truly understood that their one and only vocation is to be God's instrument. What a beautiful, equitable, and just world it would be.

Next Week's Greeters December 25 & 26, 2021

4:00 PM Barb Hart

10:30 AM John & Yvonne Gardner

Holy Assumption News...

I	Hi	ghlights This Week
De	c. 20 8:00	Dam - Communion Service / Chapel
I De	c. 21 8:00	Dam - Daily Mass / Chapel
_ De	c. 22 8:00	Dam - Daily Mass / Chapel
I	Hos	pitality after 8:00am mass
De	c. 23 PAI	RISH OFFICE CLOSES AT 11:00AM
Do	8:00	Dam - Daily Mass / Chapel
De	c. 24 PAI	RISH OFFICE CLOSED
I	4:00	Opm - Christmas Eve Mass / Church
De	c. 25 ME l	RRY CHRISTMAS!
:	10:3	30am - Christmas Day Mass / Church
De	c. 26 10:3	30am - Mass / Church



Charlene Ballogh, Tom Beale, Kate Borchardt, Vicki Brilla, Catherine Canh, Erika Carrigan, Richard Centner Jr, Jacob Cowan, Martha Duhai, Harold Garvey, Jill Goehrig, Corky Grapatin, Frannie Handlos, Ennat Hanh, Bob Hosking, Maria Huong, Betty Imp, Barbara Jackson, Thomas Kronenburg, Bui Thi Lan, Steve Lyles, Karen Malki, Martha, Paul Murphy, Helen Nisenbaum, Lois O'Boyle, Jeanette Piechowski, Sharon Pyzyk, Elizabeth Rae, Jim Rekowski, Darlene Roginski, Brian & Cathy Rosenbaum, Laverne Sanders, Jeri Schilling, Suzanne Schubring, David Schultz, B.J. Stephens, Rosalie Taticek, Bob Suwyn, Andrew Tran, Diana Tran, Willy Tran, Marlene Wagner, Darlene Warzon, Betty Weitzer, Paul Wisniewski, Lois Young, Matha, Enane

Weekly Financial Summary:

 Weekly need:
 \$5,800.00

 Collection:
 \$3,728.20

 Excess (Deficit)
 (\$2,071.80)

Note that the "Collection" amount is the sum of the Offertory, Weekly envelopes & Candles from the weekly collection.

Blood Drive

When: Wednesday, January 5th Time: 1:00pm - 4:00pm

Where: Holy Assumption School Building (enter through the double glass doors off of the parking lot)

As we head into the new year, the local blood supply for our hospitals is dangerously low. We encourage anyone that is able to donate blood to please consider it. Please sign up today to donate blood at Holy Assumption on Wed., Jan 5th. Call Versiti Blood Center of WI at 877-232-4376 or visit

https://bit.ly/haparish0105.

Masks are required for blood donation. For more information visit www.versiti.org/covid19.



Giving Tree Thank You

The Human Concerns Committee and the Food Pantry would like to give a HUGE THANK YOU to:

Menards on 43rd and Miller Parkway
West Allis Auto Club
Hallman Lindsay
St. Vincent Pallotti
Holy Assumption Parishioners &
Many Anonymous Donors

With the help of these places, Anonymous donors and Parishioners we were able to help a lot of families this Christmas. Not only were we able to provide them with gifts for under the tree (2 toys, hat, & gloves per child) we were also able to give them a Christmas food basket which included breakfast, lunch, & Dinner. Once again we thank you for your continued support!

Food Pantry Winter Food Drive

Help us start our Winter Food Drive! We will be collecting items for Christmas baskets as well as the pantry.

We will be collecting:



Mac n' Cheese (Pantry is low) Hamburger Helper Box Instant Mashed Potatoes Canned Pineapple

Donations can be placed in the Food Pantry Barrels in the back of church or dropped off at the Parish Office during the week.



2022 New Year Calendar Raffle

A calendar raffle will run from January 30th to February 28th. Each ticket costs \$20 with 30 chances to win. All entries must be paid for and in the parish office by January 29, 2022. Every day by 3 o'clock, one

ticket will be drawn. The winner will be notified by phone, and the ticket will be returned to the hopper for another chance to win. The more tickets you purchase the greater your chances to win. Prizes range from \$50 to \$150. Fill out the ticket at the bottom of the raffle calendar, cut it off, and return it with the money in an envelope in Sunday's collection basket. Weekly prize money checks will be mailed



out the following week. Raffle calendars are now available at the table in the back of church or at the parish office during the week. Tickets make wonderful gifts for friends and family. Sooooooo..... BUY and SELL as many as you can. GOOD LUCK.

Fr. Gene's Help Center

Fr. Gene's Help Center is in GREAT need of boy's and men's winter coats and jackets. They need sizes 4 in boy's to 5XL in men's, all sizes. All donations are greatly appreciated!

Donations can be placed in the box marked Fr. Gene's in the back of church or dropped off directly to Fr. Gene's.



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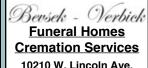
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