

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Contact the pastor 1-2 months Prior to date.

SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE Arrangements to be made 6 months in advance. Contact the Pastor.

RCIA Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults Adults desiring baptism, confirmation or full membership in the Catholic Church, contact Deacon Wendt. Sessions begin in Fall.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Please call the parish office or fill out one of the Family Registration sheets in the back of church. They can be handed in the weekend collection

VISITATION Please notify the pastor when a hospitalized /

DECEMBER 19, 2021

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

PARISH OFFICE

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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday: 4:30 pm (SB) Sunday: 8:00 am (SL) & 10:00 am (IC) Tuesday: 5:30 pm (SB) Wednesday: 8:00 am (SL) & 2:00 pm (M) Thursday: 8:00 am (SL) Friday: 8:00 am (IC) & 11:00 am (SB)

CONFESSIONS

Saturday: 3:45 pm (B) Sunday: 7:30 am (L) Sunday: 9:30 am (IC)

KEY Immaculate Conception Parish = (IC) | St. Lawrence Parish = (SL) | St. Boniface Parish = (SB) | St. Michael's A.L. = (M)

FROM OUR PASTOR

Dear People of God,

Greetings of love and Peace to you all.

I wish you a very Merry Christmas. How are all in your family? I pray at the Altar of Christ for your happiness and good health. Many more blessings of God be with you all. In advance, I express my hearty thanks for all who are going to volunteering themselves for the Christmas decorations at our three churches.

Christmas is a milestone in the history of our salvation. So, it is wonderful to know that "God is with us." During the celebration of the Nativity of the Lord, we remember the Baby in the Manger. We remember the Virgin who bore a Child. We remember St. Joseph, who had great humility and faith. We remember the shepherds and angels and animals who surrounded the Newborn King.

The story of the first Christmas is just as awe-inspiring as it was 2,000 years ago. God Himself came to earth and was born under extremely humble circumstances – and He came here in order to live and to die for us. He also came to give us nourishment. The name of the city

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday –12/20/21 No Mass

Tuesday –12/21/21 St. Boniface 5:30 pm † All Entrusted To Our Pastor's Care Wednesday – 12/22/21 St. Lawrence 8:00 am † Janet Lietha by Ron & Rita Brownell Wednesday – 12/22/21 St. Michael's Assisted Living 2:00 pm † Wayne Konter by His Family Thursday – 12/23/21 St. Lawrence 8:00 am † Mary Anne Glentz by Mary Ehlinger Family Friday –12/24/21 St. Boniface–Christmas Eve 4:30 pm † Father Doss's Mom–Mrs. Irudhayamary by St. Boniface Students Friday-12/24/21 Immaculate Conception-Christmas Eve Midnight † All Entrusted To Pastor's Care Saturday – 12/25/21 St. Lawrence - Christmas 8:00 am † Renee Earney by Dave & Pam Earney Saturday – 12/25/21 Immaculate Conception–Christmas 10:00 am † Dennis Semling by Diane Semling Saturday – 12/25/21 St. Boniface 4:30 pm † Al Slaby & Jeff Anderson by Family Sunday – 12/26/21 St. Lawrence 8:00 am † Jane Noll by Jim & Kathryn Ruff Sunday -12/26/21 Immaculate Conception 10:00 am † Duellman Family

Bethlehem translates to "house of bread," and the Baby Jesus was laid in a feeding trough soon after His Birth. Both of these facts prefigure that Jesus – the Bread of Life – would give Himself as Food for us. The Most Holy Eucharist is truly the Body and Blood of Jesus Christ, and the Nativity points us toward this great Truth. The Incarnation is the central point of all of human history – when the Word became flesh and dwelt among us. But why did He come? It was all out of His unending Love for each one of us. God creates us out of love, redeems us out of love, and will glorify us one day out of love.

I pray that your Christmas season is filled with the blessings that only the Lord can provide. Once again, I wish you all a Joyful Christmas. Let our Baby Jesus bring us the normality of life from this continuing pandemic and joyful sharing of love and peace with one another.

Have a grace-filled and Joyful Christmas!

Yours In Christ Jesus,



Fr. Doss

MINISTRY SCHEDULE | DEC 25-26

CHRISTMAS EVE - 4:30PM / SATURDAY- 4:30 PM

Eucharistic Ministers: Faith Pronschinske / Cletus Foegen **Lectors:** Bob Baecker / Loren Wolfe

 Servers: Andrea Stoltz / Kailey Knight Bree Pronschinske / Volunteer
Ushers: Mike Schmidtknecht / Pat Pronschinske Joe Slaby / Scott Pronschinske

SUNDAY | 8:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Lisowski Lectors: Bryce Lisowski Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Ron Brownell Dean Haigh

CHRISTMAS-10:00 AM / SUNDAY -10:00 AM

Eucharistic Ministers: Jim Killian / Deb Kujak Lectors: Deb Kujak / Bernice Semling Servers: Goettings

Ushers: Jim Semling / Donnie Bjorge Roman Kujak / Matthew Bjorge

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Christmas Schedule St. Boniface—4:30 pm Christmas Eve Immaculate Conception—Midnight St. Lawrence—8 am Immaculate Conception—10 am



RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT FUND

Religious give thanks. "Thank you' hardly seems adequate to convey what it means to us," says a Catholic sister regarding the financial assistance her community received from the Retirement Fund for Religious. Prayer-filled thanks for your donation to last week's second collection!

50TH JUBILEE WEDDING ANNIVERSARIES

If you and your spouse are celebrating your 50th anniversary in 2022 or know of someone in the three parishes that will be, please let Connie in the office know



before the end of the month. Bishop Callahan is hopeful to have his jubilee mass and dinner in person next year.

2022 CALENDARS

The new 2022 calendars are available and in the back of church. Please help yourself to a beautifully made calendar. If you know someone that would like one, please take one for them as well.

DEANERY CHRISTMAS CONFESSIONS DECEMBER 19TH

Christmas confessions will be held this afternoon, Dec 19th, from 3pm til 5pm at Holy Family Church in Arcadia. Everyone is welcome to come.



The word "Advent" comes from the Latin word adventus, meaning "coming". So, Advent is associated with a sense of expectation and anticipation. Although it has come to be associated with Christmas, it was originally about the second coming of Christ. We don't know when that will be.

Advent symbolizes anticipation, in looking forward to Christ's return, but also remembrance, as we do remember Jesus' first coming in a manger in Bethlehem, which we celebrate at Christmas as a major event of our faith, next to Easter.

The color associated with Advent is purple, which in ancient times was the color of royalty because purple dye was costly and rare. So the liturgical color of Advent is a symbol of looking forward to welcoming the coming of a King.

Purple also has a second meaning: it also evokes pain and suffering, making it a somber color. In this the purple color of Advent points to Jesus' death on the cross, remembered at Easter.

But most important than any Christmas preparation is preparing your heart for the birth of <u>Jesus</u> who lights up our way to the father and saves our lives.

TEACHER WANTED

St. Boniface School is in need of a health/gym teacher. They would love to have someone teach health one afternoon and gym another afternoon but it could be combined into one afternoon if needed. If interested contact Carrie Venner-Adams at the school.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION FOOD PANTRY

The Immaculate Conception Food Pantry will stay with



being open every Saturday from 9 -10 am at the Parish Life Center. It is

more convenient for more people. All are welcome to come no matter your financial status.

LIGHTER SIDE

1. How does a sheep say Merry Christmas?



Fleece Navidad!

2. What comes at the end of Christmas Day?

The letter "Y!"

3. What do you get when you combine a Christmas Tree with an iPad?

A pineapple!

4. Why was the little boy so cold on Christmas morning?

Because it was Decembrrrrr!

PARISH FINANCIALS FOR DEC 11-12

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION		ST. LAWRENCE		ST. BONIFACE	
55 Envelopes	\$ 1,071.00	25 Envelopes	\$ 538.00	16 Envelopes	\$ 625.00
Plate	\$ 65.00	Plate	\$ 205.00	Plate	\$ 126.00
Flowers	\$ 225.00	Flowers	\$ 35.00	Religious Retire	\$ 225.00
Total	\$ 1,361.00	Total	\$ 778.00	Total	\$976.00
Attendance	70	Attendance	75	Attendance	58

SAINT LAWRENCE

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Their next Meeting will be held at 7pm on Dec 27th.

MASS INTENTIONS NEEDED

We are getting low on mass intentions. If you would like a mass said for someone, either fill out one of the blue envelopes in the back of church or send an envelop in the mail to church. Everyone needs to be prayed for.

ORGAN

The organ cost \$32,895 of which we raised \$28,380 already. It means we still need to raise \$4,515 to pay the remainder of the purchase. We have had many memorials for the organ.

* Robert Murphy

- * Lloyd & Florence Johnson
- * Duane Engstrand
- * Ed Helmueller * Carol Jean Adler

* LeRoy Bechly

* Ted Rivette

- * Eli & Mary Maule
- * Mary Jane Wanek
- * Mary Anne Glentz
- * Diane Reglin
- * Kathy Speltz
- * Bill Noll
- * Delores Noll * Jeanette Duda * Joan Nee

* Elizabeth Baecker * Janet Lietha

* John Stiehl

- * Jane Noll
- * Pat Noll
- * Richard Wendt Sr.
- * Ed Parent * Kathie Gleiter * Kevin Frank

* Victor Grabau

* Henry Schultz * Urban & Esther Pronschinske

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- * Verlaine Averbeck
- * Dale & Delores Hansen

ST. BONIFACE **CATHOLIC SCHOOL &** DAYCARE



Ways to donate to St. Boniface School:

Kwik Trip Rewards Coca-Cola Gives Points SCRIP

Box Tops For Education Amazon Smiles Rewards

If you have any questions on how to participate in any of these programs, give Connie a call in the office at 608-626-2611.

HELP WANTED

St. Boniface Childcare Center is hiring in the daycare. Daycare hours 7:30 am to 5:30 pm. Week days only, no holidays or nights! If you have any questions or are interested, please contact the director, Olivia Wick at 715-530-1434 or st.bonifacechildcare@gmail.com

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact Diane Semling at 507-450-7191 or treecclesiae.red@gmail.com if you have any questions.

HIGH SCHOOL 7-10th grade

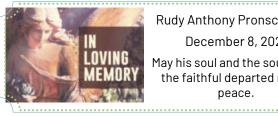
Their next class will be Jan 26th @ 7 pm-Immaculate Conception. They will meet in Fountain City for the rest of the year.

ELEMENTERY 1-6th grade

They will meet for the last time on Dec 22nd for the year. We will meet again after the break on January 26th.



SAINT BONIFACE



Rudy Anthony Pronschinske December 8, 2021 May his soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CHRISTMAS DECORATING

We will be decorating the church for Christmas today after mass. Everyone is welcome to help make the church look beautiful for the birth of Christ. The more the merrier!





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