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**LIVING THE LITURGY**

Jesus stood in line with everyone else and was baptized. There is something incredibly humbling about how this must have played out. Then, God did something truly awesome and inspiring. Through a very gentle and simple action he let the world know about the special relationship He shares with Jesus. That's exactly what is so incredible about our baptisms as well! Through those holy waters God announces to the world the special place we also occupy in His heart. We no longer have to wonder about the purpose of our lives or struggle to find our way. We do not need to fumble around, tripping over ourselves and wondering why we are even here. The answer has been given. All we have to do is live out the vocation we have received, to live the Gospel in fidelity to our Creator. There is nothing to fear and worry has no place. Standing in line with other sinners, we have our anchor and God is very pleased.

**MASS TIMES**

Monday	January	10	7:30 AM	Seven Dolors	† Betty Sand
Tuesday	January	11	7:30 AM	Seven Dolors	† Alma Buerman
			8:00 AM	Saint Benedict	† Mary Maile
Wednesday	January	12	9:00 AM	Seven Dolors	† Linus Kalthoff
			8:30 AM	Saint Anthony	† Ervin Beutz anniv.
Thursday	January	13	7:30 AM	Seven Dolors	† Norbert & Noel Mohs
			8:00 AM	Saint Benedict	† Michael Court
			8:30 AM	Saint Martin	† L & D St. Martin Catholic United Financial
Friday	January	14	7:30 AM	Seven Dolors	† Ella Budde
			11:00 AM	Serenity Village	† Carol Dinndorf
Saturday	January	15	5:00 PM	Seven Dolors	† Jim Schimers
Sunday	January	16	7:30 AM	Seven Dolors	† Norbert & Marcella Bloch, and Jerry Panek
			8:30 AM	Saint Anthony	† Alphonse Malley Jr.
			8:00 AM	Saint Benedict	† Albert M Ethen
			9:30 AM	Saint Martin	People of the Harvest of Hope Parishes
			10:30 AM	Saint Benedict	† Joel Orne
			10:30 AM	Seven Dolors	Jim and Carol Christen Families

\* Livestream Mass

**PASTORAL SERVICES**

**Reconciliation**

Saturdays	4:30 PM	Seven Dolors
Sundays	8:00 AM	Saint Anthony
Thursdays	7:30 AM	Saint Benedict
	8:00 AM	Saint Martin
Fridays	8:00 AM	Seven Dolors

Anointing of the Sick  
Home Bound Communion  
Pastoral Visitation  
Prayer Requests

If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.

### Living Out the Gospel

Words from Toni Hudock – Pastoral Associate

#### Seeds of Hope

I hope everyone is enjoying a Christmas season of hope, love, and joy. Throughout the Advent season and in our celebration of Christmas, I have seen the people of our parishes reach out with striking generosity to help one another and help our parishes. The giving has been enormous. Just to name one example, during Advent, each of our parishes in the Harvest of Hope community put up giving trees, with many tags that needed to be taken, representing gifts for people in need – and within the first weeks, we had no tags left. To me, this is an amazing example of goodness. Thank you for making Christmas beautiful in our communities.

Of course, there's no reason our giving should be limited to a few weeks of the year. In fact, wouldn't it be wonderful to experience the joy of giving and of making our world a better place throughout the year? Today I'd like to invite you to consider one way of carrying this spirit of love and giving into the year ahead.

A few years ago, our parishes added an inspiring and needed new ministry called Seeds of Hope. It was a way for us to serve the needs of our surrounding community, far outside the doors of our church buildings, just as the Gospel calls us to clearly do. We started thinking about the ways we could live out the Church's teaching -- what it means to build a good and just society -- in concrete and effective ways. The first Seeds of Hope project was to collect personal hygiene products for our local food shelves. It was a huge success. We also hosted the 2019 Century Farmers Mass with the bishop, held at the Hartung Farm.

Due to a change of staffing, the program was put on hold for a bit. Then when the pandemic hit, it was sidelined for even longer. It's now time to renew our efforts to make Seeds of Hope an important part of our parish life.

Our priests and parish staff are convinced that we should not let the momentum that was begun with Seeds of Hope disappear. It's time to re-engage the program, and we're looking for people who would like to take part. One great thing about a program like this is that it's mostly "behind the scenes," which can make it appealing to some folks who are not so comfortable with ministries that put us in front of large crowds, like an entire Sunday congregation or a religious education classroom. It's rolling up your sleeves, doing things like packing boxes or making deliveries, and engaging with people one-on-one – in ways that make the Gospel more alive in the world!

If you would like to join us in the work of Seeds of Hope, please join us at Seven Dolores Parish on January 27 at 7:00 pm to reorganize and begin talking about the next steps. This invite goes to all parishioners in our Harvest of Hope Catholic Community.



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### Harvest of Hope Livestream Mass

To access the Harvest of Hope livestream each week:

- 1) Go to [www.hohcatholic.org](http://www.hohcatholic.org) and click on LIVESTREAM MASS
- 2) Go to [www.youtube.com](http://www.youtube.com) and type in 'Harvest of Hope Mass' and it will be the first and only thing to pop-up (smart TVs and mobile devices also work)
- 3) Go to <https://www.youtube.com/c/HarvestofHopeCatholicCommunity>
- 4) myParish App

## READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

**Monday:** 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20  
**Tuesday:** 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28  
**Wednesday:** 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39  
**Thursday:** 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45  
**Friday:** 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12  
**Saturday:** 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17  
**Next Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

## SHARED EVENTS

### Confirmation Dates and Deadlines:

Confirmation Students as we are now in the month of January you should be in full swing meeting with your sponsors. Here are some important upcoming dates and deadlines:

**January 5**— Confirmation Name/Saint Paper is due. Can be emailed to [toni.hudock@hohcatholic.org](mailto:toni.hudock@hohcatholic.org)

**January 12**— Class for St. Anthony, St. Benedict, and Seven Dolors @ Seven Dolors 7:00 pm

**January 17, 22, 23**— Station with your parents. This is held at Seven Dolors and you need to sign up for a slot. Parents received a notice from SignUp Genius

**February 1**— Letter to Father Edward, this can be mailed or dropped off at your parishes office

**February 9**— Mass Journal original date was Feb 1, on the 9th you can hand them in during our class session, (St. Anthony, St. Benedict, and Seven Dolors @ Seven Dolors 7:00 pm).

Saint Martin please hand them in by the 9th to your parish office or at Seven Dolors.

**February 12th** - Rite of Sending Seven Dolors 5:00 pm

**February 13th** —Rite of Sending Saint Anthony 8:30 am, Saint Martin 9:30 am, Saint Benedict 10:30 am

**March 12**— Confirmation Practice ALL students 9:30 am

**March 13**— Confirmation 1:00 all students arrive— 2:00 pm Mass starts

### Becoming Catholic

Rite of Catholic Initiation for Adults (RCIA) inquiry sessions will be held at 6:00pm at Seven Dolors on January 10, 17, and 24 at 6:00pm. RCIA is for adults who are interested in becoming Catholic, whether or not they have already been baptized.

### Youth Rally

The Middle/High School Youth Rally is quickly approaching. Grades 6 through 12 are invited to join in this diocesan event called "Together." It will be held on Sunday, January 30, at Cathedral High School, from 9 am to 4 pm. Participants will have an opportunity to hang out with others who share in their faith, attend Mass with the bishop, and build lasting friendships. The big guest will be musician Connor Flanagan, who will use his talent to share his faith and strengthen ours. For more information, scan the code on the poster hanging at your parish church with your phone, or call the parish office. Permission forms (available at your parish or on our HOH website) need to be turned in to Toni Hudock by January 18. The event costs \$20.00, which includes a shirt.

### Mass at Serenity Village

The next planned Mass at Serenity Village is Friday, January 14th at 11:00. At times visitors may be restricted because of an abundance of caution concerning the spread of the virus. Please check by calling (320) 844-8880.

### 500 Card Playing

Card games played every Sunday afternoon at 1:30pm at the Albany Area Community Center, unless the facility is rented on a Sunday. All are welcome.

## LOOKING AHEAD

**Sunday, January 9:** 500 Card Party, Hosted by St Joseph Men's Society

7PM, St. Martin Parish Center - Everyone is Invited

**Monday, January 10:** Eucharistic Adoration at Seven Dolors

8:00am to 10:00pm

**Monday, January 10:** RCIA Inquiry Meeting-Becoming Catholic

6:00pm at Seven Dolors

**Thursday, January 13:** Eucharistic Adoration at St. Martin

9:00am to 10:00pm

**Thursday, January 13:** St. Benedict Breakfast Club

After 8:00 Mass

**Friday, January 14:** Mass at Serenity Village

11:00am at Serenity Village

**Friday, January 14:** Rosary for America

12:30pm Seven Dolors

**Saturday, January 15:** Holy Family Snowball Fundraiser

5:00pm-11:00pm Seven Dolors Gym

## WITH GREAT SYMPATHY



Please keep in your prayers the families of  
Carl Thelen who passed away December 27th  
Jesse Thelen who passed away December 27th  
Charlene Loecken who passed away December 30th  
May all the souls of all the faithful departed, through the  
mercy of God, rest in peace.

## BAPTISM



Through the waters of baptism we welcome:  
Gracelynn Feldewerd, child of Michael Feldewerd & Brittney Binek  
Gianna Sorenson, child of Ben & Kristina Sorenson

## MARRIAGE BLESSINGS



Congratulations and many blessings to  
Nathan Brinker & Haley Thelen

## PRAYER CORNER

All who are ill in our community, especially;  
Abby Gertken, Alice Eichers, Alice Luethmers, Angela Teske,  
Anna May Fleischhacker, Arlene Landowski, Barb Tabatt, Bea Olmscheid,  
Bill Holden, Bill Opatz, Brayden Harren, Bryan Goebel, Bud & Jean Terres,  
Chad Fruechte, Cecilia Lorsung, Dale Peterson, David Kleve, Dennis Nack,  
Diane Rotter, Elmer Maciejewski, Fr. Raymond Monsour, Hanna Hamann,  
Helen Thome, Ione Heinen, James Hudson, James Ramsey,  
Jeanie Young, Jerry Ramler, Joan M Achman, Joe Rabideau,  
Kathleen Goebel, Les Gerads, Lisa Jensen, Lydia Schneider, Marie Heinen,  
Mary Geise, Mary Kroll, Melvin Fiedler, Michelle Novotny, Nansi Vos, Neil  
Nathe, Reagan Zierden, Ruth Linn, Tim Merten, Tom Geislinger, Tom Vos,  
Tony Cherne, Tony Lenneman, Trish Doubek,  
and all their caregivers.

*If you would like a name added to our prayer list, please contact your Parish Office. Names may be removed after 6 months, however, can easily be re-added by notifying the Parish Staff.*

## CHURCH OF SAINT ANTHONY

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY JANUARY 16TH-PRESIDER: FR. EDWARD

	Gift Bearers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Lector	Sacristan
<b>8:30 AM</b>	Gerald & Karen Voller	Molly Goebel Collin Goebel	Jessica Adrian Joan Stich	Jacob Adrian Jim Rehkamp	Jessica Adrian	Dean Goebel

#### Faith Formation Schedule

Next class is January 19th at 3:15pm for grades 1-6 and January 19th at 7:00pm for grades 7-10.

Funeral lunch fund dues can be paid with the January 9th pink envelope in your packets. Also please remember to contribute for the Central MN Catholic Magazine which is included on your January 9th envelope. Each church is asked to pay an amount for their parishioners for the magazine to the St. Cloud Diocese and your donations help with this expense. Thank you!

Recently you may have noticed some activity on the east side of church. During a scheduled tiling project we encountered contaminated soil near the underground fuel tank which had rusted through. The tank has been removed. We have been in contact with MN Pollution Control following their guidelines for cleanup. The decision was made to convert our boiler to a gas burner. The cost for this is \$13,047. We greatly appreciate any donations for this unforeseen expense. Thank you for your generosity.

### ST ANTHONY FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 4TH

Adult Envelopes	\$ 665.00	Plate	\$	167.00
Christmas	\$ 50.00	Funeral Lunch	\$	20.00
Envelopes Offering	\$ 140.00	Votive Candles	\$	205.26
Adult Envelope Giving (fiscal year-to-date)	\$ 47,040.47	Adult Envelope Giving <b>NEEDED</b> (fiscal year-to-date)	\$	36,478.00

## CHURCH OF SAINT MARTIN

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 16TH-PRESIDER: FR. JULIUS

	Gift Bearers	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Lector	Counters
<b>9:30 AM</b>	Trent Imholte & Family	Olivia Mergen Kierra Kollman	Deb Goebel Jason Hoffmann Joan Olmscheid	Leroy Moscho Alvin Shay Don Thomes Allen Stang	Liz Meyer	Larry & Dorothy Massmann Joel & Laura Schmitz

#### Faith Formation

Faith formation classes for grades 1-10 will meet on Wednesday, Jan. 12, at 7 p.m. Students in grades 1-5 will meet in their classrooms. Grades 6-10 will meet in the church.

Confirmation Learning Stations candidates and their parents will take place at Seven Dolors on January 17, 19, 22 & 23rd. Information was emailed to parents and students.

Children's Liturgy of the Word is offered each Sunday. Preschool through 2nd-grade students are invited to attend. Children's Liturgy of the Word is a special class for young children to learn more about the week's gospel during Mass.

**ST. MARTIN CHRISTIAN WOMEN** – (St. Ann's) annual meeting is Sunday, Jan. 23rd, at the St. Martin Parish Center following the 9:30am Mass. A meal will be provided. New members are welcome. Dues will be collected before & after Mass, in the ushers Room on Sunday Jan 16th & 23rd.

#### 500 CARD PARTY

On Sunday, January 9th at 7:00 PM, at the St. Martin Parish Center, there will be a 500 card party hosted by St. Joseph Men's Society. Everyone is invited. Great Prizes! Lunch will be served.

**CHAIRMAN:** Tom Beier, **CO-CHAIRMAN:** Paul Rothstein

**WORKERS:** Leroy Bertram, Richard Doll, Bob Kalthoff, Terry Olmscheid, Roman Schaefer, Duane Schmitt, Mark Osendorf, Gary Doll, Alvin Shay

**RELIGIOUS CALENDARS** are available at the church entrances. A huge Thank You to Albany Council # 3628 Knights of Columbus & Dan Demarais from Catholic United Financial for providing us with these Religious Calendars.

**FINANCE MEETING** - Thursday, January 20th at 7:00pm at the St. Martin Parish Center.

**CHURCH CLEANERS**-St Ann's Parish group will clean Church on Monday, January 17 starting at 6:00 pm.

### ST MARTIN FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 4TH

Adult Envelopes	\$ 1,860.00	Plate	\$	88.00
Christmas	\$ 2,050.00	Utilities	\$	220.00
Adult Envelope Giving (fiscal year-to-date)	\$ 59,775.00	Adult Envelope Giving <b>NEEDED</b> (fiscal year-to-date)	\$	55,438.49



# CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDICT

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SUNDAY, JANUARY 16TH-PRESIDER: FR. GREG

	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Greeters	Lector	Sacristan	Cantors	A/V
8:00 AM	Nora Dupuy Grace Plumski	Janel Eibensteiner	Keegan Eibensteiner Matt Eibensteiner Kenna Eibensteiner Steve Salzl Janel Eibensteiner Brian Schoenberg	Sam Dupuy	Bill Becker	Stephanie Vaske	Andrew Burnett
10:30 AM	Reid Mueller Jonah Richard	Becky Boyer	Michelle Parker Allan Eisenschenk Mary Eisenschenk Paul F Hughes Paul & Sandra Salzl Teresa Mueller	Judi Brekke	Laurice Kostreba	Brad Opatz	Brenda L Schindler

### Faith Formation / Youth Ministry

January 12, 19 and 26 at 6:30pm Faith Formation Classes and youth group will meet.

First Reconciliation Families preparing their child for First Reconciliation should continue to be using the "hearts" that were sent home from the parent meeting to assist your child in recognizing "sin" and "mistakes". We are honored to support you as the primary educators of your child, please let us know how we can help. Questions? Contact Geralyn.

Epiphany Sunday was January 2. This past week our Faith Formation Classes blessed their classrooms, if you have not yet blessed your home, we encourage you to do so.

#### How do you bless an epiphany door?

Either on Twelfth Night (5 January), the twelfth day of Christmastide and eve of the feast of the Epiphany, or on Epiphany Day (6 January) itself, many Christians (including Anglicans, Lutherans, Methodists, Presbyterians and Roman Catholics, among others) write on their doors with chalk in a pattern such as 20 + C + M + B + 22. The first initial of the 3 kings that visited Jesus are used. Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar.

As you mark the sign of the cross, utter a simple prayer asking God to bless the room. For example "In the name of Jesus Christ I ask for Your peace and joy to inhabit this room," or "May Your Holy Spirit flow through and fill this home up with Your Spirit."

### Christian Women Baby Jesus Crib

We are still collecting for 'Baby Jesus' until Sunday January 19th, 2021. Please see what items are needed, in the Gathering Area. Thank You

### Christian Women

We know there are amazing women in our parish and the Christian Women's Group has open board seats, and are heartfelt in knowing there are women out there that can bring such knowledge, prayer, spirituality, ideas, and fellowship to our group. Please consider filling one of the open seats: President, Vice President, Secretary, and Treasurer. There can be training & mentoring for you, we will not let you walk alone. For more information contact Patty at 320-249-1563.

Thank you!

### Music Ministry & Liturgy

#### A PRAYER FOR A NEW YEAR

Sometimes, as the festivities of Christmas are ending and the decorations are coming down, life can feel a little blah. People are going back to their regular work and school routines, making resolutions (and breaking them, in some cases!), and there are still months to go until spring. What are we supposed to do with ourselves if we feel restless in these long months?

One thing that can be helpful is to try out a new prayer practice. I'd like to share one that might be new to you. It can be said sitting down or kneeling, lying in bed or walking, driving or waiting in line. It goes like this:

Be.  
Be still.  
Be still and know.  
Be still and know that I am.  
Be still and know that I am God.  
Be still and know that I am.  
Be still and know.  
Be still.  
Be.

I like to take a breath in before each line and then exhale while saying the words of that line. We have used it before bed with our children when they had trouble falling asleep. I find that if I'm feeling anxious, this prayer helps me to re-center and focus. If you decide to try it out, let me know! —Abbey

The choirs and chimes will be on a well-deserved break from rehearsals until the end of January. Stay tuned for information on the next choir season.

### 2021 Giving Statements

The end of year contribution statements will be available before and after Masses the next few weekends. Please stop in the gathering space to pick them up.

Thank you!

### Next Funeral Group #11

#### ST BENEDICT FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 4TH

Adult Envelopes	\$	2,472.00	Plate	\$	200.25
Hospitality	\$	16.00	Facility Updates	\$	280.00
Adult Envelope Giving (fiscal year-to-date)	\$	113,061.02	Adult Envelope Giving NEEDED (fiscal year-to-date)	\$	97,043.97

## CHURCH OF SEVEN DOLORS

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR SATURDAY/SUNDAY, JANUARY 15TH/16TH - PRESIDER: FR. GREG, JULIUS, EDWARD

	Servers	Eucharistic Ministers	Ushers	Lector	Sacristan
<b>Saturday 5:00 PM</b>	Needed	Carol Bloch Sheela Arceneau Mary Ann Fuchs	Kevin Watry Dennis Mareck Rod Gerads Jeff Arceneau	Monetta Watry	Sheela Arceneau
<b>Sunday 7:30 AM</b>	Kaylin Fischer Grace Michels	Geri Lenneman Randy & Judy Loecken	Pat & Sharon Timp Bill & Sue Smith	Adam Burandt	Judy Loecken
<b>Sunday 10:30 AM</b>	Jack & Elijah Eveslage	Rita Gasperlin Greg Smoley Gail Kokett	Greg Smoley Brian Schneider Nathan Schneider Alan Welle	Lisa Anderson	Janine Welle

## Faith Formation

Faith Formation Dates for January:

### Second Grade Faith Formation-

On January 19 the second grade students will be making First Reconciliation. At least one parent should attend with their child. The service begins at 6:00 pm in the Seven Dolors Church.

### Faith Formation News-

January 19—All students have class

February 9— NO CLASS, participating in Kids Fighting Hunger at St Martin (sign up is required)

February 13— All students have class

## Contribution Statements for 2021

End of the year contribution statements will be available after Mass, and through the week during business hours. Please stop by and pick up your statement, before the end of the month.

Thank you so much to all for your contributions through this year. We value all you contribute through your time, talent, and treasure.

## 2022 CALENDARS

Calendars are available in the entryway of the church and in the gathering space.

Adoration on Mondays

Holy Family School Masses are Wednesdays at 9:00 am. If no school, Mass will be at 7:30 am.

Rosary for America - every Friday at 12:30 at Seven Dolors

Quilting Tues & Wed, 8:30-2:30, and Wednesday 6:30-9:00 at Holy Family School

Saturday Prayer Service—7:30 am - Rosary, Litany of Blessed Mother, and the Divine Mercy Chaplet. Intention is for our priests.

Mother Seton Thrift Store is located at 115 4th Street, Albany. All Christmas items will be 50% off.

Next Funeral Group serving will be #3. Funeral lists are available in the wall file in the Gathering Space.

### Family Time

Baptism of the Lord

We know Jesus was born without sin, so why does he have John the Baptist baptize him?

Jesus welcomes his own baptism as an example for the rest of us and as a sign of his true identity. "You are my beloved Son; with you I am well pleased." Luke 3:22 These are the words we hear this weekend. Jesus is the living presence of God on earth.

To celebrate and share this baptism as a family, take some time this month to talk to your kids about their own baptism. Light their candle and say a prayer with them. Talk about who was there, how their godparents were chosen and the celebration after the ritual. What a great time to share that Jesus is with us always.



## SEVEN DOLORS FINANCIALS FOR THE WEEK ENDING JANUARY 4TH

Adult Envelopes	\$ 3,389.00	Plate	\$ 344.50
Christmas Envelopes	\$ 29,248.00	Votives	\$ 126.07
Free Will	\$ 2.00	Mother Seton Store	\$ 1,427.75
Adult Envelope Giving (fiscal year-to-date)	\$ 169,398.60	Adult Envelope Giving <b>NEEDED</b> (fiscal year-to-date)	\$ 160,887.10

# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL NEWS



## Upcoming Holy Family School Dates:

Jan. 11th - 13th NWEA Standardized Reading Testing - K-6  
 Wed., Jan. 12th Ms. Richter's 3rd Grade Mass  
 Sat., Jan. 15th HFS Snowball Fundraiser event  
 Mon., Jan. 17th No School - Dr. Martin Luther King Day  
 Jan. 18th - 20th NWEA Standardized Math Testing - K - 6

## HOLY FAMILY PLANNING ITS 7TH ANNUAL SNOW BALL EVENT!

A Cash Raffle, Ranger Raffle, Silent and Live Auctions along with a dinner, will be held at HFS' annual Snow Ball event, scheduled for Saturday, Jan. 15th at Seven Dolores Church. Raffle and dinner tickets are available in the Holy Family School office (845-2011), Seven Dolores Parish Office and Albany Central MN Credit Union! Fundraiser participation and support is a vital part in the operation of our school. HFS is in need of auction items for the Snow Ball event this year. If you or anyone you know is interested in donating, please contact the school office (845-2011 or [hfamilies@albanytel.com](mailto:hfamilies@albanytel.com))! The Snowball Committee is looking for help with the dinner (serving, dishes, kitchen help). We are looking for high school confirmation students and/or parents to help in these areas.

Thank you!

## CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL RAFFLE COMING SOON!

Tickets for the raffle will be coming home in January, 100% of the money raised with this raffle stays at Holy Family. It is probably the easiest fundraiser we have as Catholic United takes care of all the prizes, tickets, advertising, etc. Tickets are \$5 for a chance to win great prizes. Visit the Catholic United Financial webpage for the Catholic Schools Raffle prize list. Check it out at [www.catholicunited.org/raffle](http://www.catholicunited.org/raffle).

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