



# The Basilica of Saint Stanislaus Kostka

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# Saint John Nepomucene

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December 16, 2018  
Third Sunday of Advent

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### Mass Schedule

Check bulletin or call the parish office  
for any changes in mass times.  
**Weekday**..... Tuesday, Wednesday,  
Thursday and Friday 8:00 am (SSK)  
**School Mass** .. Wednesday 9:45 am\* (SSK)  
**Weekend**..... Saturday 4:00 pm (SSK),  
Sunday 8:00 am (SJN) & 10:00 am (SSK)  
**Holydays** ..... See bulletin  
\*When school is in session.

### Perpetual Help Novena (SSK)

Wednesdays after 8:00 am Mass.

### Reconciliation (SSK)

Saturday 3:00-3:30 pm.



John answered them all, saying, "I am baptizing you with water,  
but one mightier than I is coming. I am not worthy to loosen the  
thongs of his sandals. He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit  
and fire." Lk 3:16

### Sacrament of Baptism

Contact Parish Office 1-2 months  
Prior to the birth of your child.

### Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements to be made 6 months  
In advance. Contact the Pastor.

### Visitation

Please notify parish office when a hospitalized /  
homebound parishioner desires holy communion.

### RCIA

**Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults**  
Adults desiring baptism, confirmation or full  
membership in the Catholic Church, contact  
Parish Office. Sessions begin in fall.

### New Parishioners

Please register at the parish office.

### Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday 10 AM. Notices must be in writing.

**Key:** Saint John Nepomucene = (SJN)  
Saint Stanislaus Kostka = (SSK)

*We, the Catholic Parish of St. Stanislaus Kostka and the Catholic Parish of  
St. John Nepomucene, called to Jesus Christ, empowered by the Holy Spirit,  
and nourished by Word and Eucharist, commit our time, talent, and  
treasure to the growth of God's Reign in our world. -Mission Statement*

## FROM THE DESK OF FATHER ARENS

My friends,

We are very familiar with the advent wreath and the purple and pink candles that are arranged in it. The use of those two colors is highly symbolic and teaches us a bit about what the advent season is all about.

Whenever we encounter the color purple or violet in the liturgy, it causes us to pause a bit, since its only during special seasons and days we use that color. Purple is a penitential color, which reminds us that advent is a penitential season. Purple can also be used at funerals and other Masses for the Dead, which are also penitential days in the Church's calendar.

The penitential days and seasons of the Church year call to mind our need for conversion and penance. They are times when we step out of our ordinary, daily lives and consider more carefully our spiritual lives and our state before God.

This weekend, as we light the pink/rose candle from the wreath, we are invited to ponder for a moment the joy that we will have when we celebrate Christmas and our days of penance are over. We also see the goal of our spiritual lives, which is life with God forever in heaven, and that brings us joy. But it isn't long and then the weekend is over and we continue our penitential observance until Christmas.

The symbols of the liturgy are very important as they remind us of necessary practices in our spiritual lives. They are ways that we participate in God's divine life and how He communicates His grace to us. The tangible things of Mass lead us to the intangible things and so they are very helpful to us on our spiritual journey.

In Christ,  
Fr. Arens

### • HOW TO DONATE FOR SANCTUARY CANDLES:

5 Candles will be lit in memory of a loved one or for a special intention for a donation of \$15.

- The 5 candles are the 2 held by the angels at the High altar, one each in front of the Sacred Heart & the Blessed Virgin's altars and the one in front of the Mission Cross. They burn for 6-7 days.
- Requests will be honored on a first come basis and published in the bulletin. You may drop your request in the Sunday collection basket, mail it to the parish office or stop-in at the parish office.



**To our Parish Family:**

Matthew & Valeria Kellogg

**VESPERS:** Join us during Advent for Vespers and Benediction on Sunday, December 16 and 23rd, at 3 PM in the Basilica. Vespers is a collection of evening prayers and psalms that are recited which will conclude with Benediction, a blessing from our Lord in the Holy Eucharist.

## SAINT STANISLAUS KOSTKA

**WE NEED YOUR HELP:** There are sign-up sheet in the back of church for the **Liturgical Roles for the Christmas Liturgies**. If you are available to help, please stop to sign up. Dates & times are listed on each sheet.

Boxes containing Children's Giving envelopes for 2019 are available in the back of church. If interested, please pick up a box for your child.

Birthright of Winona is requesting donations of baby items. The tree at the back of church has ornaments labeled with the needed items. Please return your gift by December 17. These items will make layettes that are given out to people struggling with crisis pregnancies.

**Respect Life:** "In 1531, when the indigenous peoples of Mexico were subjugated and the practice of human sacrifice was still a recent memory, the Mother of God appeared to St. Juan Diego as a pregnant native woman, now known as *Our Lady of Guadalupe*. She sent him with miraculous flowers in his cloak to tell the bishop to build a church where people could receive her Son and her loving, tender care. When St. Juan Diego opened the cloak before the bishop, an image of Our Lady was revealed that remains to this day. The chapel was quickly built, millions embraced Christianity, and the Church increased its protection of the indigenous peoples."-USCCB

### Parish Support: Amount needed each week to meet our expenses: \$10,500

	<u>12/9/18</u>
Envelopes	\$9,545.00
Plate	\$631.40
Youth	\$6.75
Coll. For Retired Religious	\$2,110.00
Catholic University	\$70.00

### Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal As of December 10, 2018

Goal .....	\$39,520
Number of Donors .....	100
Total Pledge & Paid .....	\$18,501.70
% of Total.....	46.82%

Please help us meet our goal. There are giving envelopes in your packets and in the back of church

### St. Stanislaus Parish Council

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## SAINT JOHN NEPOMUCENE

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS:

- Liturgical Roles Schedule for January thru June for St. John's Parish is ready for pick up in the back of church. Please stop to pick up your copy.
- Also there are sign up sheets for the Christmas Liturgies. If you are available, please stop to sign up.

St. John's Support Envelope Boxes for 2019 are now available for pick up in the back of church. Please stop to pick up your box. If you would like us to bring your box to the parish office for pick up, let us know.

Also, Youth Envelope boxes are available.

### Parish Support: Amount needed each week to meet our expenses: \$2,000

	12/9/18
Envelopes	\$2,050.00
Plate	\$106.00
Youth	\$2.00
Coll. for Retired Religious	\$209.90
Coll. For Catholic U	\$21.20

### Diocesan Catholic Ministries Appeal As of December 10, 2018

Goal.....	\$6,590
Number of Donors .....	22
Total Pledge & Paid.....	\$6,740
% of Total.....	103.79%

THANK YOU!!

### Parish/Finance Council

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## SJN AND SSK NEWS



The Faith Formation students will present their **Christmas Pageant** on Wednesday, December 19, at 6:15 pm in the Basilica. Families and friends of our students and all parishioners are invited to attend. Refreshments afterwards in the church hall.

**Harvest House** will meet December 19, in the basement of the Basilica for their Christmas Party. Mass will be at 1 pm. Business meeting will follow. Bring a wrapped gift for bingo. Please bring a food item to give to a needy family. New members welcome. For more information, call Bonnie at 454-2717.

**Catholics at the Capitol 2019:** Now is the time to begin to transform politics in Minnesota. Join your local bishop and 2,000+ Catholics in St. Paul on Tuesday, February 19, to learn how you can build relationships with your newly elected officials and advocate for life and human dignity. Get your tickets, register for transportation, and find more details about this inspiring day of prayer, education and advocacy by visiting: [www.CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org](http://www.CatholicsAtTheCapitol.org).

Married couples, let us strive to become the work of the Lord by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. Next Weekends are February 8-10 in Windom, MN and April 26-28 in Hutchinson, MN. For more information, call Miki Schultz at 507-227-8229 or visit [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org).

## CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS:

During these Advent days, all at Cotter Schools give thanks for your support of Catholic Education in the Winona area. May the spirit of peace and joy fill your hearts and homes this Christmas! Merry Christmas from Cotter Schools Students, Faculty, Staff and Administration.

- Cotter High School Band Concert will be Sunday, December 16, at 2 pm in the St. Cecilia Theatre.
  - Cotter High School Choir & Band Concert will be Monday, December 17, at 7 pm in St. Cecilia Theatre.
  - St. Stan's Band Concert is December 20 at 7 pm in School gym.
  - St. Stan's Choral Concert (grades 1-6) is Friday, December 21, at 12:30 pm in the Basilica.
- All are welcome to attend.



## Mass Intentions

### Monday, December 17 •

8 AM No Mass SSK

### Tuesday, December 18 •

8 AM † Stan Wachowiak SSK

### Wednesday, December 19 •

8 AM † Earl Drussell SSK

9:45 AM School Mass SSK

1 PM † Harvest House Mass-Ben Grain SSK

### Thursday, December 20 •

8 AM † Mary Ann Kubis SSK

### Friday, December 21 • St. Peter Canisius

8 AM † Bernice Cieminski SSK

### Saturday, December 22 •

4 PM † Vigil Mass for 4th Sunday of Advent -  
Arlene Kuklinski SSK

### Sunday, December 23 •

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8 AM † Gene Brah SJN

10 AM † John Cieminski SSK

## Liturgical Roles

### Saturday, December 22, at 4 PM (SSK)

Lector Paul Wisniewski

EMS Joni Hohensee-Burbach, Mark Moga  
Cathy Kirkeby, Jean Galewski

Servers Maddie & Elanna Kohner

Gift Bearers Jim & Lorraine Kronebusch

Ushers Bob & Beth Allred, Mark Allred,  
Bill Haack, Scott McLeod

### Sunday, December 23, at 8 AM (SJN)

Lector Jamie Hansen

EMs Chris & Harley Antoff

Servers Kole & Emma Koehler

Ushers Kevin Salisbury, Mark Yackel

Gift Bearers Chris Antoff

### Sunday, December 23, at 10 AM (SSK)

Lector Deb VonArx

EMs James Bambenek, Mary Yahnke,  
Janann Gilbertson, Dean Beckman

Servers Dylan Hager, Stephen Gilles

Gift Bearers Luke & Brenda Merchlewitz

Ushers Mike Gilles, Jason Rosenbush,  
Russell Rumpca, Jeff Schwanke

The Religious give *thanks*, for your donation to their Retirement Fund. It will help provide care for elderly religious.

### TJ's EXCAVATING

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## This Week

### Tuesday, December 18

6:30-7:30 pm Confessions Basilica  
7 pm Bingo Crew #4 Ann Besek,  
Stacy Laschenski SSK church hall

### Wednesday, December 19

8:30 am Perpetual Help Novena Basilica  
1 pm Harvest House Mtg SSK church hall  
6:15 pm Faith Formation Program Basilica  
6:30 pm Choir Rehearsal PC

### Thursday, December 20

Noon-1 pm Confessions Basilica

### Friday, December 21

8:30 am Confessions Basilica  
12:30 pm School Program Basilica  
10 am Notices due for 12/30/18 bulletin

### Saturday, December 22

3 pm Confessions Basilica

### Sunday, December 23

2-2:45 pm Confessions Basilica  
3 pm Vespers & Benediction Basilica

### Individual Reconciliation (Confessions) at the Basilica for Advent:

Saturday: December 15, 3 pm to 3:30 pm  
Sunday: December 16, 2 pm to 2:45 pm  
Tuesday, December 18, 6:30-7:30 pm  
Thursday: December 20, Noon to 1 pm  
Friday, December 21, after 8 am Mass  
Saturday, December 22, 3 pm to 3:30 pm  
Sunday: December 23, 2 pm to 2:45 pm

### Masses for Christmas and New Year's:

Monday: December 24, 4 pm at SSK & 5:30 pm at SJN  
Tuesday: December 25, 8 am at SJN & 10 am at SSK  
Monday: December 31, 4 pm at SSK  
Tuesday: January 1, 9 am at SSK

### Readings for the week of December 16, 2018

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 [6]/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18  
Monday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:1-17  
Tuesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 [cf. 7]/Mt 1:18-25  
Wednesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 [cf. 8]/Lk 1:5-25  
Thursday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 7c and 10b]/Lk 1:26-38  
Friday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45  
Saturday: 1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd [cf. 1a]/Lk 1:46-56  
Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 [4]/Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

Adult: What might John the Baptist challenge you to do differently in your life?

Child: Do you have extras that you can share with others this week?



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