



to our  
**Parishes on the Prairie  
Area Catholic Community**

**St. Donatus**, Brooten  
**St. Alexius**, West Union  
**St. Francis de Sales**, Belgrade  
**Sts. Peter & Paul**, Elrosa  
**Our Lady of the Angels**, Sauk Centre  
**St. Paul's**, Sauk Centre



### Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday 4:00 pm .... St. Donatus, Brooten  
Saturday 4:00 pm....St. Paul's, Sauk Centre  
Saturday 5:00 pm....Our Lady's, Sauk Centre  
Saturday 8:00 pm....St. Paul's, Sauk Centre  
Sunday 8:00 am....St. Paul's, Sauk Centre  
Sunday 8:15 am....Ss. Peter & Paul, Elrosa  
Sunday 8:30 am....St. Alexius, West Union  
Sunday 10:00 am....St. Paul's, Sauk Centre  
Sunday 10:15 am....St. Francis de Sales, Belgrade  
Sunday 10:30 am....Our Lady's, Sauk Centre

### Reconciliation Schedule

Thursday 4:00 pm....St. Paul's  
Saturday 3:00 pm....St. Donatus  
Saturday 3:00 pm....St. Paul's  
Saturday 4:00 pm....Our Lady's  
Sunday 8:00 am....St. Alexius

### Websites

[www.parishesontheprairie.org](http://www.parishesontheprairie.org)  
[www.holyfamilysc.org](http://www.holyfamilysc.org)  
[www.centreforchrist.org](http://www.centreforchrist.org)  
[www.stclouddiocese.org](http://www.stclouddiocese.org)

Fr. Greg Paffel, Pastor  
Fr. Jeremy Theis, Parochial Vicar  
Fr. Rick Aubol, Parochial Vicar  
Dcn. Tom McFadden

**Priest Emergency Number 320-429-5429**

**DECEMBER 26 , 2021 & JANUARY 2, 2022**



**“A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us.”**

~ Refrain for Psalm 97 ~

Imagine being one of the shepherds in the fields near Bethlehem. Like any other night, it was cool outside with the crisp stars shining overhead. The sheep were baaing as they settled down for the night. Then out of nowhere a brilliant light, more than one light, several lights that are revealed as angels from heaven. They descended to sing the sweetest lullaby the world has ever known, “Glory to God in the highest and peace to His people of good will!”

The shepherds are told of a newborn King lying in a manger. They were giddy with joy and were filled with hope that what the angels said was true. With great excitement they went in search of the Baby, the One born of a virgin, the One who would be the Light of the World!

Imagine being one of the three magi. You were awakened from your sleep by a new Star in a far away place. It was a sign, a sign of a newborn King. Prompted by some unknown truth welling up inside of you, you had to pack your camel and leave for a great adventure.

Heading west from your home with the morning sun at your back, you crossed deserts and wilderness to seek a treasure like no other treasure you had ever seen. With gift in hand, you were inspired to head for the Star, to press on towards a great light in the sky. And there you would find something more precious than gold, you would find the reason for the Star over Bethlehem, you would find a Baby, the One born of a virgin, the One who would be the Light of the World.

Christmas is wonderful with its family gatherings, holiday parties, and presents shared among loved ones over a decorated cookie or glass of eggnog. Even so, from beginning to end, the greatest thing to celebrate is the love God has for us - a love so grand that He would share with us his only begotten Son, a Baby who would become the Messiah, a Child born among animals that would become our Good Shepherd, a newborn King that would become our Savior who died on the Cross crowned with thorns.

For our salvation, for our hope to be received into heaven, for our longing to be with God, the story doesn't end with Christmas or with the Cross. JESUS IS BORN and He will forever be the LIGHT OF THE WORLD!

May His light shine on all of you this day, this MERRY CHRISTMAS!

In our Father's hands,

☺ Fr. Greg



South Office

St. Donatus, St. Francis de Sales  
and Sts. Peter & Paul

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Belgrade, MN 56312

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8:00 am-3:00 pm

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Our Lady's & St. Paul's

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Sauk Centre, MN 56378

Office Hours: Mon-Thur 9:00 am-4:30pm  
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Prayer Chains

St. Alexius.....320-266-1909  
St. Donatus .....320-346-2428  
St. Francis de Sales.....320-254-3305  
Sts. Peter & Paul.....320-697-5537  
OLA.....320-352-3192  
St. Paul's.....320-260-8478

# ST. DONATUS

301 EASTERN AVE, BROOTEN, MN 56316



## Ministry Schedule

**Saturday, January 1**

**4:00 pm**

Lector: Trisha Delhamer

EMs: Jessica Rademacher, Scott Jacobson,  
Judy Detloff

Ushers: Aaron & Isaac Rademacher

Servers: Kylie Weller & Faith Rademacher

Counters: Mary Rodahl & Jeanie Rooney

**Saturday, January 8**

**4:00 pm**

Lector: Carol Sanders

EMs: Trisha Delhamer, Carol Sanders,  
Jessica Rademacher

Ushers: Tony Rooney & Tom Rooney

Servers: Aiden & Lilly Rademacher

Counters: Bonnie Winter & Tony Rooney

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, December 29**

8:15 am Mass of Thanksgiving

**Saturday, January 1**

4:00 pm †Sandy Rooney

**Wednesday, January 5**

8:15 am †Tony Zehrer

**Friday, January 7**

**First Friday**

8:15 am †Deacon Jerry Theis

**Saturday, January 8**

4:00 pm †Willie Rooney

## FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

December 12, 2021

Adult.....	\$1,225.00
Loose.....	138.00
Flower Donations.....	80.00
Mass Intentions.....	59.00
Religious Retirement.....	175.00
Votives.....	14.00
Immaculate Conception.....	235.00
<b>Total.....</b>	<b><u>\$1,926.00</u></b>

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the next bulletin.



## Eucharistic Adoration

Every Wednesday

8:45 am-6:00 pm

Everyone Welcome!

# ST. ALEXIUS

11 OAK STREET, WEST UNION, MN 56389



## Ministry Schedule

**Friday, December 31**

**7:30 pm**

Lector: Christina Rousslang

Gift bearers: Tom & Carol Miller

EMs: Christina Rousslang, Kelly & Marlys Marthaler

Rosary: Mark Klaphake

Sacristan: Maria Minette

Servers: Silas & Zander Borgerding

Ushers: Jerry Minette & Matt Krousey

**Sunday, January 2**

**8:30 am**

Lector: Teresa Burlet

Gift bearers: Marcus & Jessica Minette Family

EMs: Teresa Burlet, June Messer, Laura Primus

Rosary: Carol Miller

Sacristan: Teresa Burlet

Servers: Simon & Max Marthaler

January Ushers: Tom & Blake Rousslang

## MASS SCHEDULE

**Wednesday, December 29**

8:30 am †Fr. Andrew Marthaler

**Friday, December 31**

7:30 pm †Ed, Frances, John &

Chopper Sauer

**Sunday, January 2**

8:30 am †Harold Walter

**Wednesday, January 5**

8:30 am †Vern & Esther Winters

**Sunday, January 9**

8:30 am †Ralph Borgerding

## FINANCIAL BLESSINGS

December 12, 2021

Adult.....	\$1,266.00
Loose.....	677.00
Youth.....	10.29
Share to Care.....	65.00
Rent.....	25.00
Immaculate Conception.....	439.01
<b>Total.....</b>	<b><u>\$2,482.30</u></b>

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next bulletin.

**Sunday, January 9**

**8:30 am**

Lector: April Klaphake

Gift bearers: Nick & Crystle Miller Family

EMs: Jim Bottelberghe, Darla Marthaler,

Marie Spoden

Rosary: Hannah Kroll

Sacristan: Maria Minette

Servers: Dylan Dirkes, Brock & Henry Miller

## **Senior Mass/ Breakfast**

We are currently looking for one individual or a team of two people, to take on and coordinate the senior Mass/breakfast. If you may be interested, please reach out to Teresa Burlet or Jessica Minette with any questions.



**Ministry Schedule**

**Friday, December 31**

**New Years' Eve**

**5:30 pm**

Lector: Sue Disrud

EMs: Dave & Joyce Schwinghammer,

Paul Rooney

Ushers: Volunteers

Servers: Volunteers

Counters: Paul & Christina Rooney

**Sunday, January 2**

**10:15 am**

Lector: Sue Betz

EMs: Sue Betz, Sarah Gregory,

Josie Dingmann

Ushers: Dave Bertram, Dave Braegelman,

Bob Dingmann, Matt Dingman

Servers: Volunteers

Counters: Paul & Christina Rooney

Rosary Leader: Rita Walz

**Sunday, January 9**

**10:15 am**

Lector: Tiffany Breitbach

EMs: Paul & Christina Rooney,

Rick Tschida

Ushers: Dale & Darren Braegelman,

Lionel Radermacher, Don Roelike

Servers: Volunteers

Counters: Doug & Teresa Winter

Rosary Leader: Christina Rooney

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday, December 27**

8:00 am Communion Service

**Tuesday, December 28**

8:15 am †Sylvester & Florentine Walz

**Friday, December 31**

**Belgrade Nursing Home**

**Not Open to the Public**

10:00 am †Alma VonWahlde

5:30 pm †Delany Braun

**Sunday, January 2**

10:15 am †Marv & Valeria Lensing

**Monday, January 3**

8:00 am Communion Service

**Tuesday, January 4**

8:15 am †Gerald Zenzen

**Friday, January 7**

**Belgrade Nursing Home**

**Not Open to the Public**

10:00 am †Hallermann & Rooney

deceased parents

**Sunday, January 9**

10:15 am †Bob Serbus

**FINANCIAL BLESSINGS**

December 12, 2021

Adult.....	\$3,550.00
Loose .....	1.00
Youth.....	8.00
Mass Intentions.....	240.00
Religious Retirement.....	100.00
Votives.....	32.00
Coffee .....	13.00
Poinsettias.....	240.00
Immaculate Conception.....	221.00
Online Giving.....	100.00
Total.....	<u>\$4,505.00</u>

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**News for BBE Parishes**

**HOLIDAY OFFICE HOURS**

**Parish Office Holiday Hours**

The Parish Office in Belgrade will be closed December 24-January 4.

**DON'T FORGET!**

**Mass Time Changes Effective January 1:**

<b>Saturday:</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>	<b>St. Donatus, Brooten</b>
<b>Sunday:</b>	<b>8:15 am</b>	<b>Ss. Peter &amp; Paul, Elrosa</b>
	<b>10:15 am</b>	<b>St. Francis de Sales, Belgrade</b>



Ministry Schedule

**Sunday, January 2**

**8:15 am**

Lector: Aimee Huston

EMs: Stacy Stalboerger, Randy Hellermann,  
Jeanne Illies

Ushers: Brian Wesbur & Art Marthaler

Servers: Re Ann Stalboerger &  
Grant Hellermann

Counters: Tim & Bonnie Heinze

**Sunday, January 9**

**8:15 am**

Lector: Sheila Jaeger

EMs: Sheila Jaeger, Mary Ann Bauer,  
Joe Borgerding

Ushers: Jeff Zenzen & Wilfred Wesbur

Servers: Ethan Hellickson & Anna Jaeger

Counters: Toni Borgerding & Bob Kampsen

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Thursday, December 30**

8:15 am †Laurie Frikken

**Sunday, January 2**

8:15 am †Dorine Salzl

**Thursday, January 6**

8:15 am †Mike, Andy & Larry  
Olmscheid

**Sunday, January 9**

8:15 am †Bernard Arceneau

**FINANCIAL BLESSINGS**

December 12, 2021

Adult.....	\$2,397.00
Loose .....	56.00
Youth .....	4.00
Christmas.....	100.00
Mass Intentions.....	210.00
Religious Retirement .....	60.00
Thanksgiving .....	100.00
Votives.....	86.00
Immaculate Conception.....	110.00
Elevator .....	200.00
Online Giving .....	25.00
Total.....	<u>\$3,348.00</u>

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the next bulletin.

*Bible Study*

**Adult Bible Study** Session 5 will be  
Thursday, January 6 at 10:00 am in  
Elrosa. Session 6 will be Thursday,  
January 20.



*Readings of the Week*

**Readings for the week of December 26, 2021**

- Sunday: 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
- Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12 [12]/Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8 [7]/Mt 2:13-18
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6 [11a]/Lk 2:22-35
- Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [11a]/Lk 2:36-40
- Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13 [11a]/Jn 1:1-18
- Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 [2a]/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21
- Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12

**Readings for the week of January 02, 2022**

- Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-11, 12-13 [cf.11]/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
- Monday: 1 Jn 3:22—4:6/Ps 2:7bc-8, 10-12a/Mt 4:12-17, 23-25
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 4:7-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4, 7-8/Mk 6:34-44
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 4:11-18/Ps 72:1-2, 10, 12-13/Mk 6:45-52
- Thursday: 1 Jn 4:19—5:4/Ps 72:1-2, 14 and 15bc, 17/Lk 4:14-22a
- Friday: 1 Jn 5:5-13/Ps 147:12-13, 14-15, 19-20/Lk 5:12-16
- Saturday: 1 Jn 5:14-21/Ps 149:1-2, 3-4, 5 and 6a and 9b/Jn 3:22-30
- Next Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22  
or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22



**Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday, January 1**

**5:00 pm**

EMs: Annette Kittelson, Diane Leukam, Cindy Sunderman

Lectors: Diane Leukam, Steve Peterson

Servers: Cody Gregory, Ellen Rick, Gerald Haskamp

Ushers: Don Leukam, Rob Gruber, Fred Massmann, Mark Hintzen

Rosary: Cindy Sunderman

Gift Bearers: Kristie Whitcomb + an usher

**Sunday, January 2**

**10:30 am**

EMs: Deb Britz, Cele Gamradt, Allison Norgren

Lectors: Mike Sopcyk, Mary Borgerding

Servers: Peter Jordan, Bob Borgmann, Philip Polipnick

Ushers: Cyril Felling, James Bosl, Kale Burkey, Donald Hieserich

Rosary: Tony & Marlene Jennissen

Gift Bearers: Philip & Sara Goellner Family

**Saturday, January 8**

**5:00 pm**

EMs: Lola Welle, Tom Trutna, Deb Robischon

Lectors: Kristi Whitcomb, JoAnn Kohorst

Servers: Sophia Arends, Rob Gruber, Mark Hintzen

Ushers: Jason Kerfeld, Ken Leukam, Kenny Leukam Jr., Gerald Haskamp

Rosary: Jim & Kathy Kerfeld

Gift Bearers: Jim & Kathy Kerfeld

**Sunday, January 9**

**10:30 am**

EMs: Mary Borgerding, Jean McDonald, Deb Bosl

Lectors: Peter Jordan, Brenda Jennissen

Servers: Michael Doubek, Jeremiah Jordan, Sammy Klaphake

Ushers: Ron Klaphake, James Metcalf, John Metcalf, Timothy Meyer

Rosary: Peter & Annmarie Jordan Family

Gift Bearers: Peter & Annmarie Jordan

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**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Monday, December 27**

7:00 am †Al & Hyacinth Lahr

**Tuesday, December 28**

**Riverview Manor**

2:00 pm †Alma VonWahlde

**Friday, December 31**

4:00 pm †Mary Jane Kane

**Saturday, January 1**

9:00 am †Living & Deceased Members of the Hinnenkamp & Roering Family Members

5:00 pm †James Kinney

**Sunday, January 2**

10:30 am †Sharon Goellner (Anniv.)

**Monday, January 3**

7:00 am †Sandy Theisen

**No Mass at the Assisted Living this week**

**Friday, January 7**

7:00 am †Cecile Zehr

**Saturday, January 8**

5:00 pm †Living & Deceased Members of the Jim & Kathy Kerfeld Family

**Sunday, January 9**

10:30 am †Living & Deceased Bromenshenkel & Rousslange Family

**FINANCIAL BLESSINGS**

December 12, 2021

Adult .....	\$4,505.00
Plate .....	833.55
Votive .....	94.16
Fall Collection .....	100.00
Immaculate Conception....	385.00
Thanksgiving .....	195.00
Christmas .....	2,300.00
Religious Retirement .....	500.00
Total.....	<u>\$8,912.71</u>

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**First Saturday Devotions at Our Lady of the Angels:**

Saturday, January 1, 2022

7:45 am Confessions

8:00 am Adoration

8:30 am Rosary

9:00 am Mass

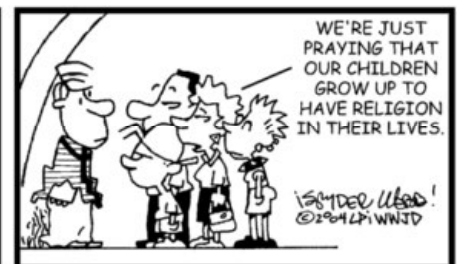
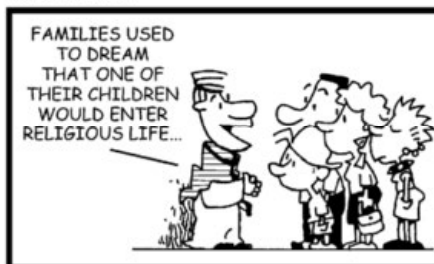
**Our Lady of the Angels Stained Glass Windows!**

Repairs are set to begin early next year. The Rose Window located in the choir loft needs repairs. We will have it re-leaded along with some extensive repairs. A few of the other windows will need some slight repairs. Estimated cost is \$18,000. Parishioners will receive a new envelope in their contribution packet to use and support this project.

Thank you!

The St. Margaret's Mission Group Christmas Party will be held on Wednesday, January 5, at 12:00 Noon at the upstairs room of Minnesota National Bank. A potluck lunch will be served and cards will be played. A dollar will be asked from each person for prizes.

HOLY FAMILY





**Ministry Schedule**

**Saturday, January 1**

**4:00 pm**

EMs: Dennis Boeckers, Ruth Ann Zastrow,  
Becky Winters, Mary Peterson  
Greeters: Mark Haskamp, Mike Imdieke,  
Linda Frericks  
Lector: Kris Hokanson, Hailey Hokanson  
Rosary: Carla Moritz  
Servers: Jordan & Zack Klimek  
Gift Bearers: Ushers

**8:00 pm**

EMs: Olivia Uphus, Cathy Walter  
Greeters: *Need a Volunteer*  
Lector: Olivia Uphus  
Servers: Grant Lahr  
Gift Bearers: Ushers

**Sunday, January 2**

**8:00 am**

EMs: Nick Wheeler, Mary Lauer,  
Lorraine Traut, Karen Von Wahlde  
Greeters: Tom & Pam Koppelman,  
Charlotte Johnson  
Lectors: Ken Gieske  
Rosary: Julie Meyer  
Servers: Elizabeth Herickhoff, Sophia Tschida  
Gift Bearers: Virgil & Jean Zwilling

**10:00 am**

EMs: Darla Boyer, Sally Ross, Barbara Uphus,  
Paula Bromenshenkel, TessMcGree-Deem  
Greeters: Gabe & Barb Gieske, Bob Deem  
Lectors: Marty Primus, Steve Schreifels  
Rosary: Becky Eibesteiner or Charlotte Johnson  
Servers: Steven & Jacob Schreifels,  
Addy Bromenshenkel  
Gift Bearers: Adam & Shari Saltmarsh

**Saturday, January 8**

**4:00 pm**

EMs: Kate Uphus, Denise Rieland,  
Dan Krousey, Tom Koppelman  
Greeters: Dave Weir, Jean Lahr, Mary Peterson  
Lector: Kate Uphus, Mark Haskamp  
Rosary: Charlotte Johnson  
Servers: Noah Cross  
Gift Bearers: Ushers

**8:00 pm**

EMs: Nick Pohlkamp, Janet Lahr  
Greeters: *Need a Volunteer*  
Lector: Dan Gieske  
Servers: Jaden Lahr  
Gift Bearers: Marty & Georgianne Primus Family

**MASS SCHEDULE**

**Tuesday, December 28**

8:30 am †For the Deceased & Living  
Members of the Minette Family

**Wednesday, December 29**

7:00 am †For the Deceased Members of  
the Sylvester & Rose Uphus Family

**Thursday, December 30**

8:30 am †Nathan Roering

**Mass at Nursing Home -  
Not Open to the Public**

10:15 am †Jeanette Orth

**Saturday, January 1**

4:00 pm †Sandy Theisen

8:00 pm †Sylvester Uphus

**Sunday, January 2**

8:00 am †Linda (Stadtherr) Ley

10:00 am (Contemporary Music)

†Herb Mies

**Tuesday, January 4**

8:30 am †Leo & Louise Unger

**Wednesday, January 5**

7:00 am †Ralph Borgerding

**Thursday, January 6**

8:30 am †Evelyn Stepan & Kenneth Stepan

**No Mass at Nursing Home**

**Saturday, January 8**

4:00 pm †Sandy Theisen

8:00 pm †Jerome & Phyllis Messer,  
Irene Wolbeck

**Sunday, January 9**

8:00 am †Alphonse Loehr, Mathias &  
Theresa Loehr

10:00 am †For the Living & Deceased  
Members of the Lawrence & Loretta Marthaler  
Family

**Sunday, January 9**

**8:00 am**

EMs: Cindy & Mike Karasch, Jean Zwilling,  
Sandi Friedrichs  
Greeters: Virgil & Jean Zwilling, Ruth &  
Shannon Pohlmann  
Lectors: Mary Reuter, David Tholl  
Rosary: Allen & Elaine Walter  
Servers: Hayden & Hunter Tschida  
Gift Bearers: Cory & Katie Nathe Family

**10:00 am**

EMs: Richard & Susan Cardinal, Jean Marthaler,  
Marlene Gwost, Deb Himsl  
Greeters: Kevin & Marlene Gwost  
Lectors: Tess McFree-Deem, Lois Egeland  
Rosary: Becky Eibesteiner or Charlotte Johnson  
Servers: Cory Marthaler, Caden Hooper  
Gift Bearers: Brandon & Merissa Durbin Family

**FINANCIAL  
BLESSINGS**

**December 12, 2021**

Adult .....	\$14,347.00
Plate .....	2,545.94
Votive .....	117.70
Debt Retirement .....	75.00
HFS.....	100.00
Cemetery .....	20.00
All Saints .....	35.00
Thanksgiving .....	110.00
Misc .....	150.00
Religious Retirement.....	340.00
Immaculate Conception....	315.00
Christmas.....	1,670.00
Christmas Flowers .....	20.00
Total.....	<u>\$20,145.64</u>

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**Rosary Leaders needed!** We need  
volunteers to lead our Rosary at  
the weekend Masses. Individuals,  
Couples, Families are welcomed.  
Contact Carla Moritz 320-248-  
3455 if interested or the parish  
office 352-2196!

**Gift Bearers Needed:** If you  
would be willing to volunteer-  
individuals, couples or families- to  
bring up the Gifts at a weekend  
Mass, please contact Karen  
VonWahlde 320-980-2159 or call  
the parish office 352-2196.

It would be great to have more  
people involved in these  
Ministries.

**St. Paul's Church:** Decorations  
will be taken down on Sunday,  
January 9, after the 10 am Mass.  
Any volunteers willing to help  
would be greatly appreciated!

# HOLY FAMILY SCHOOL & NEWS FOR ALL



## Holy Family School Weekly Calendar Raffle

12/19	\$20	Greg Trisko, Sauk Centre
12/20	\$20	Joe & Joyce Beckermann, Melrose
12/21	\$20	Lyle & Marilyn Uhlenkamp, Sauk Centre
12/22	\$20	Diane Schmitz, Waite Park
12/23	\$20	Dennis & Beverly Paul, Osakis
12/24	\$20	Roger & Mary Klimek, Brandon
12/25	\$200	David & Theresa Slifka, El Cajon

## News for All Six Parishes

- **Bulletin News Deadline** Mondays at 12:00 Noon. Email Janae Nemmers at [francisdesales@mediacombb.net](mailto:francisdesales@mediacombb.net) or call her office and leave a message at 320-254-8218.
- **Thank you to the generous individuals that donated and covered the cost of the Christmas Books! (Life is Messy & Fulton Sheen)** Feel free to pick yours up today at any of our parishes.
- **Keep our Priests in your prayers...**Fr. Greg, Fr. Rick, Fr. Joe will be at a Clergy retreat the week of January 3-6, 2022.
- **Schola**-Come and learn and practice (or just listen to) some of the rich treasures of the music of the Church with the schola in St. Paul's choir loft on Sunday, January 2, from 2:30-3:30 pm. Note, we will not be meeting on December 26.
- **Save a Marriage**-Are you or some you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. The next program is January 14-16, 2022 in St. Cloud. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is Limited.

*Thank You*

**Thank you to everyone who help decorate the churches inside and outside for Christmas! Our Churches look so beautiful! What an amazing group of volunteers. Thank you!**



### **Confession**

En route to church to make his first confession, my nervous seven-year-old grandson asked me what he could expect.

"Confession is where you tell all the bad things you've done to the priest," I told him. He looked relieved.

"Good. I haven't done anything bad to the priest."

### Parishes on the Prairie Area Catholic Community Prayer Corner

If you or someone you know in our ACC is sick or ill, please call our Parish Office at 320-254-8218 to add them to our Prayer Corner. Please pray daily for those in need of healing in our parishes.



*All those in Nursing Homes, family of †MaryLou Sahli, family of †Robert Serbus, family of †Roger Ahrens, family of †Bernard Arceneau, family of †Hildegard Bromenshenkel, family of †Mary Ann Boeckers*



# RELIGIOUS EDUCATION & FAITH FORMATION



## **BBE Faith Formation**

January 5: Class for Grades K-6, Parent & Student Classroom Lesson in Elrosa from 6:30-8:00 pm.  
January 12: Class for Grades 7-11 and Grade 2 in Elrosa from 6:30-8:00 pm.

Next HS (9-12) Youth Group: Sunday, January 16, in Elrosa at the parish house from 6:30-8:00 pm.  
Next Middle School (6-8) Youth Group: Wednesday, January 19, at the parish house from 6:30-8:00 pm.



## **St. Alexis Faith Formation**

NO faith formation classes December 26 Merry CHRISTmas, January 2 Happy New Year

Confirmation Rite of Sending January 9 and mini parish retreat for our Confirmation candidates and their sponsors. Please keep our Confirmandi: Jarod Drobny and Aaron Kerfeld in your prayers as they continue their young adult journey to being confirmed in our Catholic faith.

Youth group: tubing at Andes Tower Hills for everyone in grades 4-12, Saturday, January 15, from 1:30-5:00pm, meet at the church parking lot. Everyone is welcome. Please bring a friend. Adult chaperones and drivers needed. Questions, please call or text Christina 320-980-0475.



## **EDGE: Jr. High Youth Group (6th-8th grade)**

Class resumes on Wednesday, January 5.

Extra EDGE/Extra Fun- Friday, January 21, from 6-8 pm at the outdoor skating rink for "Fire & Ice." Come skate (or wear boots), enjoy a bonfire, make smores, enjoy hot chocolate while hanging out with your friends. Families are welcome to this event. Anyone younger than 6<sup>th</sup> grade should have a parent present.

## **Gift Program**

Wednesday, January 5 (6pm-7:30 pm) and Sunday, January 9 (7pm-8:30 pm) with a parent.

## **Confirmation**

Y1-Next class is Wednesday, January 12, at 7 pm.

Y2- Next class is Wednesday, January 5, at 7:45 pm.

## **CREW: Senior High Youth Group (8th-12th grade)**

NEW YEAR'S PARTY, SOUP & BREADSTICKS! Come to Centre For Christ on Sunday, January 2 from 5-6:45 pm for Prayer Stations - New Year, Now What? A prayerful & unique way to reflect on the past year and embrace the new that God has in store!



# MISCELLANEOUS

## News For SA/OLA/SP

- **Searching Souls** Join other searching souls every Monday at 6:30 pm at Centre for Christ for videos and small group discussions with a different topic each week to grow in our Catholic faith together! Call 320-761-3590 for more information or with questions! Like the Searching Souls Ministries Facebook page for more information.
  - December 27: The Feast of the Holy Family
  - January 3 \*\*\*No meeting tonight\*\*\*Happy New Year!
  - January 10: The Baptism of the Lord

**HOLIDAY  
OFFICE HOURS**

**Our Lady of the Angels and St. Paul's Parish Office will be closed December 24-27 and January 1-3.** We appreciate ALL the people we serve and assist throughout the year. May everyone have a healthy and joyous New Year, and may God Bless you and your families!

- **2022 Church Calendars** are available in the churches for pickup. Thank you to First State Bank and Minnesota National for covering the cost of these calendars.
- **2021 Contributions must be received by the Parish Office by Friday, December 31, 2021 to be included on your Annual Contribution Statement.** The Parish Offices will be closed for Christmas December 24- 27 but feel free to drop donations in a secured drop slot located next to office door. Anything received after December 31 will be considered a 2022 donation. Thank you again for your generosity and support.



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### PRAYER PARTNER or PRAYER SUB REQUESTED for THESE COMMITTED ADORERS:

Wednesday- 2PM & Saturday- 3AM

Please read the "IF YOU NEED A SUB" notice on the sign-in desk before signing up for a sub on the calendar. As we get farther into the winter weather months, it becomes more of a challenge to cover the open hours that need subs and we appreciate any effort to find a sub on your own. It is also imperative that COMMITTED ADORERS keep their CONTACT NUMBER UP-TO-DATE on the sign-in register for emergency weather related announcements. As coordinators who also work full time jobs we need and GREATLY appreciate your HELP! Thank you and blessings!! ~Linda, Maria & Gretchen

### CHRISTMAS HOURS FOR THE ADORATION CHAPEL

The Adoration Chapel remains OPEN to all visitors throughout the Christmas holidays, however, the Blessed Sacrament will be reposed in the tabernacle beginning on Thursday, December 23 at 6:00 pm. Regularly scheduled adoration will resume on Sunday, December 26 at 1:00 pm. During reposed hours the scheduled Committed Adorers need not be present. Christmas and New Year's reposed hours will be posted at the Adoration Chapel.

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