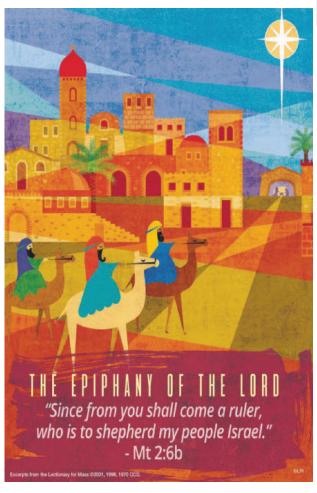


# HOLY SAINTS <u>Area Catholic Community</u>

# **JANUARY 2, 2021**



# MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Day</u>	<u>Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Parish</u>	Mass Intention
Mon.	Jan. 3	8:00 am	St. Anne	+Leroy Ramacher
Tues.	Jan. 4	7:45 am	St. Wendelin	+Ralph Massmann & Cindy Beckius
		8:00 am	St. Nicholas	+Parents of R&J Schreiner Adoration from 5:00-8:00pm +Ed Meyer
		6:00 pm	St. Mary Help of Christians	
Wed.	Jan. 5	7:45 am 8:00 am	St. Wendelin St. Anne	St. Wendelin Quilting Group +Nick Weiler Adoration until 11:30 am
Thurs.	Jan. 6	7:45 am	St. Wendelin	+Fred & Dorothy Becker Adoration until 8:00 pm
		8:00 am	St. Mary Help of Christians	+Ben Lass
Fri.	Jan. 7	8:30 am	Holy Cross	+Merwina Theisen
Sat.	Jan. 8	4:00 pm 5:00 pm	Holy Cross St. Anne	+Celine Kunkel +Rod Gavin
		6:30 pm	St. Mary Help of Christians	People of the Parishes
Sun.	Jan. 9	8:00 am	St. Mary Help of Christians	Nocturnal Adoration Members
		9:00 am 10:00 am	St. Nicholas St. Wendelin	+Deceased Christian Women +Zachary Freiberg

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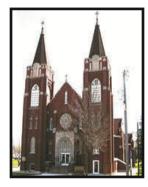
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# HOLY SAINTS COMMUNITY CONTACT INFORMATION

#### **Pastor's Contact Information**

#### Fr. Matthew Crane

Holy Cross, St. Mary Help of Christians and St. Wendelin

Telephone: 252-1799

#### Fr. James Statz

St. Anne and St. Nicholas

Telephone: 398-2211 or 398-2229

Fr. Erik Lundgren (Parochial Vicar) Holy Saints Area Catholic Community Email: fr.erik@holysaintsmn.org

# **Holy Saints**

Website: holysaintsmn.org

**Bulletin Announcements:** Deadline-Noon on Monday prior to the bulletin except for holidays (watch bulletin) Send information to: Lana at sannekim@meltel.net

## **Faith Formation**

Kelli Kleinschnitz: Kelli@HolySaintsMN.org, 320-333-6992 Lester German: Lester@HolySaintsMN.org, 651-243-1150 Website: holysaintsmn.org (watch for links in the bulletin)

#### **Sacramental Information**

# **Baptismal Preparation**

St. Anne & St. Nicholas: Contact your Parish Office Holy Cross, St. Mary Help of Christians, St. Wendelin: Next Baptism class is Monday, February 14th at 6:30 p.m. at St. Mary Help of Christians. Please contact the parish office of St. Mary Help of Christians to register. 320-252-1799

#### RCIA "Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults"

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith, call your Parish Office.

# **Marriage Preparation**

Arrangements must be made at least 6 months before the wedding. Call your Parish Office.

#### **Anointing of the Sick**

Call your Parish Office for homebound or hospitalized visits

#### Reconciliation

<u>St. Nicholas:</u> Sunday 8:30 a.m. or by appointment <u>St. Anne:</u> Saturday at 4:30 p.m. or by appointment <u>Holy Cross, St. Mary Help of Christians, St. Wendelin:</u> Evening Prayers & Confessions at St. Mary Help of Christians.— January 3, 6 & 7 - 6:00-7:00 p.m.

## **Holy Cross**

Address: 10651 Co. Hwy 8, Kimball, MN 55353

**Telephone:** 320-252-1799 **Jeana Meyer:** 320-398-7885

**Prayer Line:** 320-492-5322 or 320-203-9882 **Trustees:** Donna Gregory and John Wicker

Pastoral Council: Helen Krippner, Ann Donnay, Rich

Schlangen, Greg Mueller, Len Voigt

#### St. Anne

**Address:** 441 Hazel Ave. E., Kimball, MN 55353 **Mailing Address**: PO Box 99, Kimball, MN 55353

Email: sannekim@meltel.net

Website: www.churchofsaintannes.com

Secretary: Lana Vossen, 398-2211, cell 290-7424 Office Hours: Mon., Tues. Thurs. 8:30—3:00, Trustees: Robin Schiefelbein and Ed Maus

**Pastoral Council:** Jesse Lesnau, Lara Feyma, Teresa Schiefelbein, Jennifer Schiefelbein, Diane Gavin and Judy

Henneman

Finance Council: Brenda Maus and Tom Ehlinger

# St. Mary Help of Christians

Address: 24588 Co. Rd. 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

**Email:** shellyg@smhoc.org **Website:** www.smhoc.org

Secretary: Shelly Gohmann, 252-1799

Office Hours: Monday—Friday 7:30 am—Noon

Prayer Line: 320-558-6187

Cemetery: Jerry Koltes 320-252-1354

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# St. Mary Help of Christians Catholic School (PreK—Grade 6)

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Telephone: 320-251-3937
Email: kkirks@smhocs.org

#### St. Nicholas

Address: 15862 Co Rd 165, Watkins, MN 55389

Email: stnicholas@meltel.net

Website: www.churchofsaintnicholas.com

Secretary: Brenda Kraemer, 764-7345, cell 493-3957

Parish Nurse: Sandy Stang, 320-293-2788

**Prayer Line:** Sue Frank, 764-9112 **Trustees:** Ken Lutgen and Mary Caskey

**Pastoral Council:** Tom Frank, Judi Schreiner, Jerry Boeckmann, Denise Gathje, Paul Ludwig and Josie Stang

#### St. Wendelin

Address: 22714 Hwy 15, St. Cloud, MN 56301

**Telephone:** 320-252-1799

Website: www.stwendelinschurch.org

**Prayer Line:** 320-251-5376

Trustees: Joe Watrin and Erin Lommel

Pastoral Council: Tracy Dombrovski, Dan Greenwald,

Keith Koltes, Char Volkmuth and Kathy Watrin Cemetery: Michael Ritzer 320-333-5516

#### St. Wendelin Catholic School (Preschool-Grade 5)

Principal: Lynn Rasmussen

Telephone: 320-251-9175 Website: stwendelins.org

Email: lrasmussen@stwendelins.org

# **HOLY SAINTS COMMUNITY NEWS**

Blessed Chalk: Since before the Middle Ages, Catholic have blessed their house by using blessed chalk to inscribe the initials of the three kings above their doorways. For this year, "20+C+M+B+22" is the inscription. Besides representing the traditional names of Caspar, Melchior, and Balthasar of the three Magi, the letters also represent the Latin phrase, Christians, Mansionem Benedicat, "May Christ bless this house." Please take some blessed chalk found on the table in the back of church, with you to mark your doorways.

Holy Saints Holiday Concert on Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm at St. Mary Help of Christians. A reception will follow in the parish center. Please join us for an afternoon of carols and cheer!

The Holy Saints Holiday CD is available for anyone who would like one. Look for the display in your parish. We will continue the Christmas Season with a Holy Saints Holiday Concert on Sunday, January 2<sup>nd</sup> at 1pm at St. Mary Help of Christians. A reception will follow in the parish center. Please join us for an afternoon of carols and cheer!

5<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 25<sup>th</sup>, 40<sup>th</sup>, 50<sup>th</sup> 60<sup>th</sup> or more Anniversaries: If you are celebrating any of these anniversaries in 2022, please call your Parish Office by January 31, 2022 to let us know so that your name can be sent to the Office of Marriage and Family. You will then be receiving an invitation for a Mass on Saturday, May 7, 2022 to be held at the Church of St. Mary in Alexandria

Cathedral Middle & High School Open House:
January 4 & February 1 | 5:00 - 6:30 PM
312 7th Avenue North St. Cloud | Enter Door # 1
All are welcome! Join us for an open house for a chance to tour the school and visit with faculty, administration, and students. We are confident you'll not only find a quality education at Cathedral that will set you up for success, but a community of encouragers, supporters, and lifelong friends. Can't make these dates? Schedule a private tour or "Crusader for a Day" student shadow experience by contacting Denise Klein, Director of Admissions, at (320) 257-2117 or <a href="mailto:dklein@cathedralcrusaders.org">dklein@cathedralcrusaders.org</a>.

Register online at: <a href="https://cathedralcrusaders.org/cathedral-open-house">https://cathedralcrusaders.org/cathedral-open-house</a>

# **CALENDAR OF EVENTS**

# Sunday, January 2

 1:00 p.m., Holiday Concert, St. Mary Help of Christians



Wishing Fr. Statz a Happy Birthday on January 5th

May God bless you with an abundance of peace, joy, and love this coming year.

# GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In his Apostolic Exhortation, The Joy of the Gospel, Pope Francis references a thought from Pope Benedict XVI: "Being a Christian is not the result of an ethical choice or a lofty idea, but the encounter with an event, a person, which gives life a new horizon and a decisive direction." Today we celebrate an encounter with the Person of Jesus Christ! This simple but holy event in time dramatically changes human life, pointing it toward a new horizon and giving it a decisive direction. This is a message and truth that is not meant to be shared with only a select few who qualify but with the entire world. Pope Francis continues saying, "Thanks solely to this encounter or renewed encounter with God's love, which blossoms into an enriching friendship, we are liberated from our narrowness and self-absorption. We become fully human when we become more than human, when we let God bring us beyond ourselves in order to attain the fullest truth of our being."

Look around at people. Where is life heading for them? What gives them direction? Even we who are people of faith can get distracted and lose our focus. God, in all of His fullness, is revealed in Jesus Christ and we can encounter Him! God is tangible, real, vulnerable, poor, and full of wonders, surprises, and opportunities. For those who are struggling and lost, today is a day of great joy. All they have to do is reach out and touch the truth of Christ. This presence is revealed in the poor, exploited, and vulnerable ones who cry out for compassion and love. But it is also found in the faithful ones who see in the Epiphany of God a liberation from structures and systems that hurt us, a narrowness of mind and heart that constricts us, and an absorption in our self-agenda that prevents us from seeing anything other than ourselves as important.

We have been given the charge of preaching this Good News. If only we could find a way to be more effective, it might stand a chance of doing what God intended it to do. There is always tomorrow and our memory of that bright new light that shone so brilliantly that Bethlehem night pointing us to truth and reminding us that we are loved.

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# FAITH FORMATION & CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

# **FAITH FORMATION**

# **January Save the Dates:**

#### **Confirmation:**

To help accommodate so many schedules, we are adding a Wednesday night option for candidates preparing for Confirmation. Candidates pick one of the two dates listed this month! 6:30 - 7:45 class time at Holy Cross

January 5th or 9th: (Pick 1 Date) Candidate Only attends

#### **Faith Formation:**

Week 1: January 12th - Family Faith Formation Night Our Family Faith Formation night begins promptly at 6:30 pm! There will be pizza served before the start of the program from 5:45-6:15! This meal is provided by the St. Nicholas CUF volunteer team! Grades 1st - 7th will have classes during the Parent speaker. Secondary students grades 8th and up are welcome to join parents at the speaker or help out with childcare/ classrooms.

Topic: Marriage Speakers: Patrick & Shelly Flynn

Week 2: January 19th - Secondary Grades (8th grade and up)

This week is for our secondary students! We invite teens 8th grade and up to join us for a high energy and dynamic faith building experience. We will have youth group style activities and small group discussions as we explore the beauty and mystery of the Mass!

Week 3: January 26th: All Grades Meet!

## **New Youth Opportunity:**

January 22nd - Join us for Mass at 4 pm at Holy Cross & with pizza and activities after at the school building! Teens 7th grade and up!

#### Steubenville:

If you are interested in attending Steubenville Rochester this summer, please contact Kelli to get a registration form! More details will be posted on the website and through email!

# CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

#### ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS SCHOOL

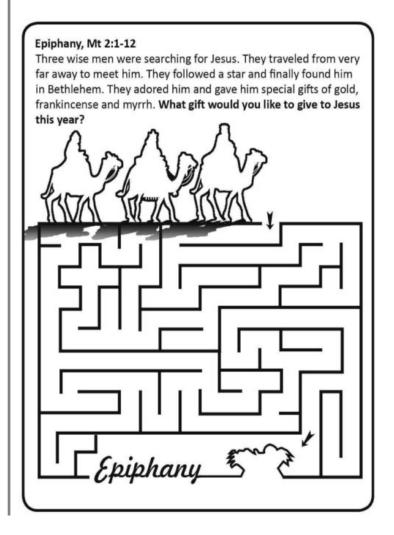
Greetings from SMHOCS...

Our first student assisted liturgy of 2022 will be on Thursday, January 6th at 8:00 a.m. The students in grade four will be assisting with the music and readings. Please come and celebrate the Eucharist with the school community.

New Year's Blessings to all of you – Kelly Kirks, Principal

# ST. WENDELIN SCHOOL

None available at the time of printing.



# ST. ANNE

<u>Eucharistic Adoration</u> will be Wednesday, January 5th from 8:30-11:30 a.m. Please sign up in the Gathering Area for an hour to spend with our Lord.

**2022 Church Calendars** are here and on the table in the Gathering Area. Thank you to Dingmann Funeral Care for this kind donation. Please one calendar per household.

Thank you to all those who volunteered their time to St. Anne's for Christmas this year.—Lectors, Ushers, Sacristan, Servers, Eucharistic Ministers, Musicians, the children who participated in the Nativity on Christmas Eve and Jennifer Schiefelbein who organized it, Fritz and Barb Hoffmann and the Confirmation students and all who helped decorate the church for Christmas. What a wonderful group of people who all brought this Christmas Season together.

Prayer Request: Please keep the following people in your prayers: Allen Kuhn, Walter White, Fran Schmitz, Gene and Gloria Gohman, Maverick McDonald, Peter Heid, Ellen Libbesmeier, Earl Huckenpoehler, Donna Tschumperline, Theresa Carazo and Tony Kuechle. Also pray for the women and men serving in the armed forces. Your contact persons are 236-7947, 398-7525 (also the prayer line) or the parish office.

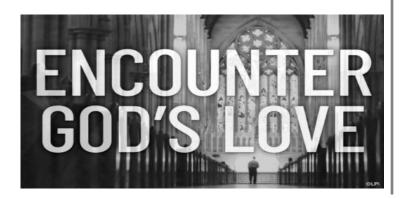
<u>Liturgical Ministers Schedules</u> for the first quarter are available on the bulletin board in the Gathering Area.

Liturgical Ministers Schedule: January 8

Lector - Robin Schiefelbein
Sacristan - Tammy Konz
Eucharistic Minster - Rita Donnay

Usher - Troy Hilsgen and Teresa Schiefelbein

Financial Blessings:December 18Adult\$1786.00Youth\$6.50Loose collection\$90.00Immaculate Conception\$50.00Christmas\$650.00



# ST. NICHOLAS

Parish Finance Council Meeting: The next council meeting will be held on Monday, January 10<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the Parish House. If anyone has something to add to the agenda, please email or call the parish office.

<u>Youth Envelopes:</u> St. Nicholas youth can pick up their box of envelopes in the back of Church for 2022.

Sharing Tree: Thank you to everyone who participated in this year's Sharing Tree. The Cold Spring Area Food Shelf was thrilled by the number of donated toys and household/personal items! The donated money was used to purchase additional gifts targeting the 9 to 12 age group. St. Nicholas Parish has made many local children's Christmas brighter through our generosity!

<u>Adoration:</u> Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will be held at St. Nicholas on Tuesday, January 4<sup>th</sup> from 5 to 8:00 pm. Won't you come and spend some time with the Lord?

Blessed Chalk: You may pick up a piece of blessed chalk and the Blessing prayer at the front of Church today. The Blessing is also listed in the front of this bulletin.

## **Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, January 9**

Lector: Shirley Lutgen

Eucharistic Minister: Mike Kuechle
Ushers: Tom Landwehr and Sy Schreiner

Sacristan: Shirley Lutgen

Counters: Judy Schutz and Shirley Lutgen

Financial Blessings: December 19 Adult \$1715.00 Youth \$2.00 Loose Collection \$311.00 Thanksgiving \$20.00 Retire Religious Fund \$20.00 Christmas \$1600.00 Solemnity Mary \$20.00 Immaculate Conception \$20.00 Christmas Flowers \$260.00 Basement Rent \$75.00

# ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

# Ushers/Greeters - January 2022

6:30pm – Rocky & Mary Keske 8:00am – Darrin & Tracy Yarke Family

Condolences to Myron Shill, Larry Schill and Marilyn Hurrle and families on the death of their sister-in-law, to Family & Friends of Lennora "Lenny" Schill; to Denise Hommerding and family on the death of her brother-in-law, Tom Dierkes Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, may the perpetual light shine upon them. May they rest in peace. Amen

# 10K Raffle Update

Have you had a chance to stop and purchase a raffle ticket? Our Annual 10K Raffle Fundraiser is in motion. The goal is to sell 350 tickets. Raffle Tickets are \$100 and are sold at SMHOC weekend Masses and in the Parish Office Monday - Friday 8 AM - Noon. Three Top Prizes - 1st Prize \$5,000, 2nd Prize \$3,000, 3rd Prize \$2,000

Every 50th ticket drawn wins \$100.00 Seller of 1st Prize ticket wins \$500.00 Drawing and Social to be held Saturday February 5, 2022.

<u>Help Wanted:</u> SMHOC is looking for someone to blow and remove snow for the church and school during the week. If you are interested in this position, please contact the parish office, 320-252-1799, M-F, 7:30am-Noon. Applications will be accepted on a rolling basis.

<u>Prayer Line Calling Tree</u> – If you are interested in being a part of the prayer line calling tree (to pray for those in need) or if you are already on the calling tree and wish to be removed, please contact Marcia at 320-558-6187.

Youth Envelopes – Children/Youth Offering Envelopes for 2022 have arrived. If you wish for your child to receive Offering Envelopes for 2022, please email or call Shelly in the Parish Office.

<u>Nocturnal Adoration Meeting</u> — We will be having our annual meeting on Sunday, January 9, 2022, following the 8:00am Mass.

School Endowment: The School Endowment is a very important means for us to ensure the continuing affordable Catholic education of the students of our Catholic School. In your envelope packs this month, there is an envelope for the School Endowment. Please consider a gift that keeps on giving. Your gift for the endowment is invested and 50% of the interest income is used to help defray the cost of Catholic Education. The principle always remains intact and the other 50% of the interest income generated each year is added to the principle. Your gift keeps growing!

# ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS

December 18/19
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Financial Blessing for Christmas and Dec. 25/26 Wknd were not available at the time of printing.

# ST. WENDELIN

Church Cleaning: January 8, 8:00 a.m. Group One Ron & Jeanette Greener, Henry & Pam Hayenga, Scott & Rochelle Mercer, Mary Neidermeier, Doug & Jessie Schmitt, Gene & Jane Szczech, Lee & Julie Wenz\*\*\*

# <u>Condolences</u> to Family and Friends of Howard "Howie" Stang

Eternal rest grant unto him O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon him. May he rest in peace. Amen.

Attn: Group One: Our group is in charge of helping the Decorating Committee take down the Christmas decorations. We are looking for some good, strong help on Saturday, Jan 15<sup>th</sup> at 8 am . Please join us if you are able.

#### **Banns of Marriage**

II- Morgan Hemmesch & Jacob Honer

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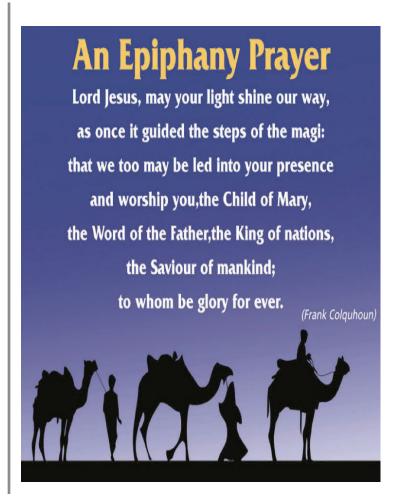
# **HOLY CROSS**

<u>Additional Lector:</u> Holy Cross needs an additional lector to add to the rotation. If you are interested in being a lector, please contact Julene Faber-Andrusick

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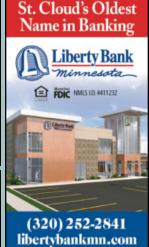
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