"BEHOLD, YOU WILL CONCEIVE IN YOUR WOMB AND BEAR A SON, AND YOU SHALL NAME HIM JESUS."
—LK 1:31

4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Clergy Corner

December 20, 2020—4th Sunday of Advent

In Blaise Pascal's work, Pensees, he says: "What else does this craving, and this helplessness, proclaim but that there was once in man a true happiness, of which all that now remains is the empty print and trace? This he tries in vain to fill with everything around him, seeking in things that are not there the help he cannot find in those that are, though none can help, since this infinite abyss can be filled only with an infinite and immutable object; in other words by God himself."

We have a difficult time accepting that fulfillment and happiness are not achieved by our own merits but through a relationship with God. We are hardwired for this relationship and it is in our DNA. The simple fact is that we come from God and are designed to return to God. If our beginning and our end define who we are, why would we not want to seek the One who can truly satisfy? The world does not realize that it is waiting. It is waiting for the birth of God in time, within one's soul and in eternity. We get so confused by seeking other momentary satisfactions that we misinterpret the hunger within. We crave God.

The union of God and humanity, revealed in Jesus Christ, is precisely what sets us on a straight path, orders our relationships, establishes proper focus and goals and tells us whose kingdom we really are meant to serve. We are so lost. God is with us. The prophet Nathan told this to King David, the angel said this to Mary and the birth of Christ brings this Good News to us. We do not need to be busily looking for more things but must learn to find contentment and blessing in the One Presence. This is the beautiful simple message of Advent!

If you are feeling unsettled, anxious, angry, disgruntled, disconnected, unhappy, worried, fearful, off center, becoming overly self-indulgent, unable to spend time alone and without distraction, then there's a good chance you are lost. Now is the time to allow God to find you! Ponder the holy simplicity of Mary's call to be the Mother of God. "Behold, I am the handmaid of the Lord. May it be done to me according to your word." When we are helpless and at home with our emptiness, God will fill us. Our Savior has come. ©LPi

Weekly Schedule

MONDAY, DECEMBER 21
St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
9:30 am Rosary — Durand
10:00 am Mass, † Edie Weisenbeck — Durand
8:00 pm Mass, Tri-Parish Parishioners — Lima
8:30 pm 40 Hours Devotion begins — Lima

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 22
8:30 am Mass, † deceased members of the G.F. "Sam" Bauer family — Durand

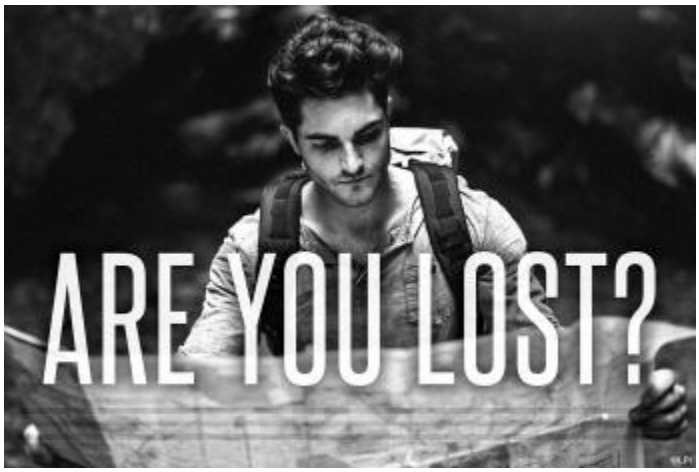
WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 23
St. John of Kanty, Priest
8:30 am Mass, S.I. Sacred Heart homebound parishioners — Mondovi
12:00 pm Mass, † Rosie Hayden — Lima

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 24
Central Office Closed
4:00 pm Mass, † George Plummer — Durand
6:30 pm Mass, † Dee Brugger — Mondovi
9:00 pm Mass, Tri-Parish Parishioners — Durand

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 25
THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD
Central Office Closed
9:00 am Mass, † Barbara "Boots" Hayden — Lima
11:00 am Mass, † Harold Sabelko — Mondovi

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 26
St. Stephen, First Martyr
4:00 pm Mass, † Cyril & Joey Weisenbeck and Mike Pattison — Durand

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 27
THE HOLY FAMILY
8:00 am Mass, Tri-Parish Parishioners — Lima
10:30 am Mass, † Frank Kothbauer — Mondovi



Sacred Heart

Mitten Tree
Sacred Heart Parish will once again be collecting hats, mittens, gloves, socks and new undergarments for the children residing at the Chileda Institute in La Crosse. Chileda is a living and learning center dedicated to helping children with cognitive and behavioral challenges between the ages of 6 to 21. Please add your donations to the Christmas tree by Sunday, January 3. Thank you for your generosity! If you can't make it to Church, please contact your PCCW group leader to make other arrangements.

Parish News & Notes

In Memory
Our sympathy and prayers go out to the family and friends of **Ruth A. Forster**, who passed away on Sunday, December 6, 2020. A graveside service was held on Friday, December 11, 2020 at Holy Rosary Cemetery in Lima.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the family and friends of **Edward C. Robelia**, who passed away on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. A graveside service was held on Friday, December 11, 2020 at St. Mary's Cemetery in Durand.

Our sympathy and prayers go out to the family and friends of **Carl W. Robelia** who passed away on Wednesday, December 9, 2020. A graveside service was held on Tuesday, December 15, 2020 at Holy Rosary Cemetery in Lima.

May Ruth, Edward, Carl, and all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

Additional Christmas Masses
Father Emmanuel has decided that due to the overwhelming response to registrations for our Christmas Masses, we will add two additional Masses. As well as our previously published Mass schedule, there will be a 9:00pm Christmas Eve Mass at St. Mary's and an 11:00am Christmas Day Mass at Sacred Heart. Just like all other Masses, these will also require registration. Please see the following announcement indicating who to contact for Masses for the phone numbers.

Central Office Hours
The Tri-Parish Central Office will be closed on Christmas Eve, Christmas Day, New Year's Eve, and New Year's Day. Regular office hours are 8:00am—4:00pm Monday through Friday.

Important!!
As we must continue to limit capacity, please continue to call to make reservations to attend Mass. For 4:00pm Saturday at St. Mary's, contact Jan Spindler at 715-279-0474. For 8:00am Sunday at Holy Rosary, contact Patty Bauer at 715-672-5359. For 10:30am at Sacred Heart, call or text Helen Danzinger by 8:00pm Saturday at 715-514-7977.

We are already starting to fill up with reservations for Christmas Masses. If you plan on attending one of our Christmas Masses, please call as soon as possible before we fill up! Masks and social distancing are required at Mass.

Because of this, we ask that you please do not show up for a Christmas Mass without a reservation. We really don't want to have to turn people away on Christmas. Unlike the innkeeper, we don't have a manger to put any extra people.

The 4:00pm Mass on Christmas Eve will be live streamed, so anyone who cannot come to Mass will be able to watch from our Facebook and YouTube pages.

Advent Virtual Mission The focus of this year's Advent Mission will be "Preparing for the Birth of the Christ Child through the Eyes of St. Joseph". There will be four presentations, one for each week of Advent. The length of the talks will be roughly 30-40 minutes. The fourth and final presentation is from Bishop Callahan and is titled "Joseph, Son of David…You are to Give Him the Name Jesus"

The goal of the diocesan Advent Mission is to bring people together to prepare for Christmas and to strengthen the community in light of so much isolation. If anyone is interested in gathering virtually (via Zoom) each week to delve further into these talks please contact Margot at (715) 770-9161 or triparishyouth@ntec.net.

Christmas Mass Schedule
Thursday, December 24
4:00pm at St. Mary's, Durand
6:30pm at Sacred Heart, Mondovi
* 9:00pm at St. Mary's, Durand
Friday, December 25
9:00am at Holy Rosary, Lima
* 11:00am at Sacred Heart, Mondovi

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
Thursday, December 31
4:00pm at St. Mary's, Durand
Friday, January 1
8:30am at Holy Rosary, Lima
10:30am at Sacred Heart, Mondovi

Masks and social distancing required at all Masses.
Reservations also required.

Early Bulletin Deadlines
With the upcoming Christmas holidays, we will have some early bulletin deadlines.

Bulletin	Deadline
December 25/27	Wednesday, December 16
January 3	Tuesday, December 22

Please email any announcements to bulletineditor@nelson-tel.net by noon on the day of the deadline.

40 Hours Devotion
The Tri-Parishes are hosting 40 hours of Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament during Advent. We had planned this for Holy Week, however, were unable to hold it due to the pandemic. So, beginning on Monday, December 21st we will have Mass at 8:00pm at Holy Rosary, Lima, followed by Eucharistic Adoration until noon on Wednesday, December 23rd. Adoration will conclude with noon Mass.

Volunteers are needed to commit to spending at least one hour with our Eucharistic Lord. A link to an online sign-up has been emailed to everyone on our email list. If you did not get it, please feel free to call the office to have it forwarded to you. Signing up is not required, though, so feel free to just show up at any time during the 40 hours. All are welcome.

Social Distancing When leaving Mass, please remember to follow the ushers' directions and to keep at least 6 feet away from others. Please don't gather inside, or close to the walkways. Allow space for others to exit safely. Thank you everyone for your efforts to keep others safe!

DIOCESE OF LA CROSSE GUIDELINES FOR REPORTING INSTANCES OF CHILD ABUSE
The Diocese of La Crosse, through its policies and procedures, seeks to provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (bishop, priest, deacon, employee, religious, vendor or volunteer). Anyone wishing to make a report of an allegation of sexual abuse should send that report to Mrs. Karen Becker, Complaint Intake Agent, at the Diocese of La Crosse, P.O. Box 4004, La Crosse, WI 54602-4004. Alternatively, you can contact Mrs. Becker at 608.791.0179 or intakeagent@diolc.org. The reporting form is available through the Diocese of La Crosse Office of Safe Environment or on the diocesan website at: diolc.org/safe-environment/reporting. Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities. Copies of the diocesan policy are available through your local parish and on the diocesan website. If you have any questions about the Diocese of La Crosse and the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, please contact Teresa Brown, Diocese of La Crosse, at 608.791.2679; or tbrown@diolc.org.

Readings for the week of December 20, 2020

Sunday:	2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 [2a]/Rom 16:25-27/Lk 1:26-38
Monday:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21 [1a; 3a]/Lk 1:39-45
Tuesday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd]/Lk 1:46-56
Wednesday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14 [cf. Lk 21:28]/Lk 1:57-66
Thursday:	Morning: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29 [2]/Lk 1:67-79
Friday:	Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 [2a]/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25. Night: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13 [Lk 2:11]/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14. Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20. Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3c]/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or Jn 1:1-5, 9-14
Saturday:	Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc and 17 [6]/Mt 10:17-22
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1] or Ps 105:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 [7a, 8a]/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17-19/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40 ©LPi

Live Streaming We have a working camera again! We are back to live streaming some of our daily Masses, as well as the 4:00pm Saturday Masses. We will again stream the Rosary at 9:30am and Mass at 10:00am on Mondays, Mass at 8:30am Tuesdays, Adoration at 9:30am and Mass at 10:00am on Fridays. Thank you for your patience!

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Contacts to Remember

Pastoral Care of the Sick and Homebound
Dorothy Prissel 715-672-8718

Prayer Line
To include a name to our prayer list please contact:
Elaine Sabelko 715-672-5848 (Lima)
Bernice Fedie 715-926-3357 (Mondovi)
Pam Baier 715-672-8345 (Durand)

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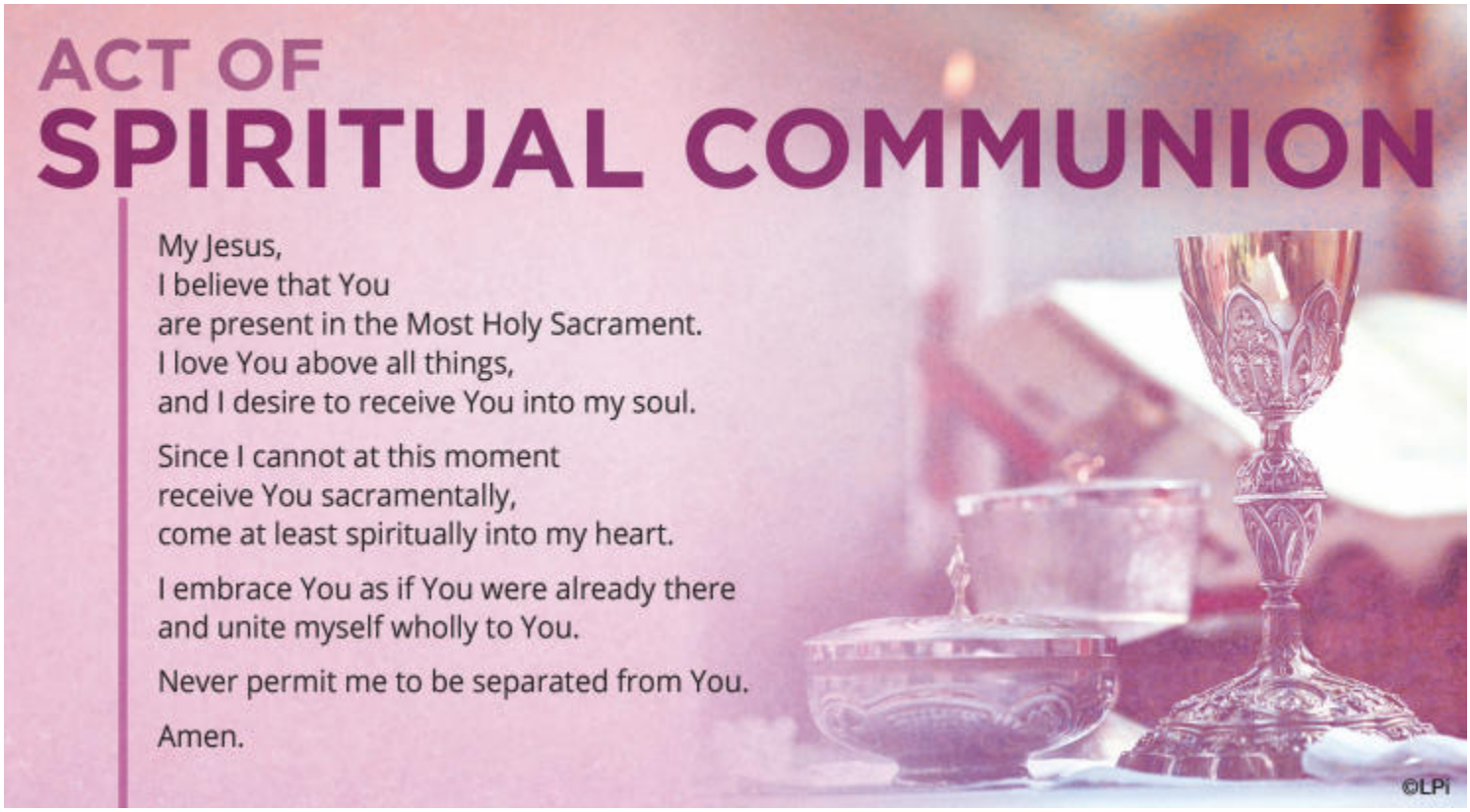
Deadline Mondays at noon unless otherwise stated in the bulletin.



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