

# Churches of All Saints & Immaculate Conception

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## ALL SAINTS CHURCH

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## MASS SCHEDULE (ALL SAINTS)

8:00 a.m. Friday Morning  
5:00 p.m. Saturday Evening (May-October)  
10:00 a.m. Sunday Morning  
Holy Day Schedule: Consult Bulletin

## RECONCILIATION:

Saturday 11:00 a.m. & by appointment.

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CHURCH

101 Church St. P.O. Box 100  
St. Clair, MN 56080  
Phone: 507-245-3447  
Email: icoffice@hickorytech.net

## MASS SCHEDULE (IMMACULATE CONCEPTION)

9:00 a.m. Friday Morning  
4:00 p.m. Saturday Evening (November-April)  
8:30 a.m. Sunday Morning  
Holy Day Schedule: Consult Bulletin

## RECONCILIATION:

Sunday 8:00 a.m. & by appointment.

## SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

### *Baptism*

Arrangements are made by contacting the parish offices in advance of the date.

### *Marriage*

Arrangements for the date and preparations are made by contacting Fr. Schneider at least 9 months in advance.

### *RCIA*

The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults is the process where adults become members in the Catholic Church. For additional information, contact Fr. Schneider.

### *Pastoral Care*

Please contact either parish office when someone is hospitalized or homebound, or if you would like to be added to our prayer chain, or if you would like to receive communion or anointing of the sick. Call Father's cell (507) 469-9979 if it is an emergency.

### *Devices to assist the Hearing Impaired*

During Mass are available. Please contact an usher before Mass to learn where they are located.

## Christmas - Feast of the Holy Family December 26, 2021



**Our Mission** is to invite  
all to strengthen their experience  
of the message and Spirit of Jesus.

## FATHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE



### Christ in the Temple

There is a famous oil painting called "Christ Teaching in The Temple." The painting gets it wrong. It comes from an era when religious people were still uneasy with the notion that Jesus was like the rest of us. In this picture he is standing in the midst of the elders looking very wise, obviously delivering a lecture. He is

talking and pointing and they are listening. He had, no doubt, appeared to instruct them in the law, as if he knew what they didn't.

But that's not what the text says. They found him, says Luke, "listening to (the teachers) and asking them questions." He was not the authority; he was the student. He was there to listen and learn. Now it is true that the religious leaders were impressed by how much he knew, and by how he answered their questions.

But there is nothing in this text which indicates he was a precocious know it all. (*Adapted from When It Is Dark Enough by Charles H. Bayer, CSS Publishing Lima, Ohio*)

### Growing Up Fast

Kids grow up awfully fast these days. It seems like one minute you are trying to encourage your child to go faster on his bicycle, to get up enough speed to stay balanced, and the next you are pleading with the same boy now at the wheel of a car, pleading with him to slow down and live.

One minute you're urging a shy daughter to say hello to strangers, and the very next, you're trying to discourage her from responding to strangers on the Internet. Jesus is growing up fast too.

Here we are, less than a week from Christmas, from the baby lying in a manger. Now Jesus is already an adolescent wandering off on his own. Last week Jesus was "prophecy miraculously fulfilled."

This week he is questioning the teachers of that very tradition. The classical confessions of the church hold that Jesus is "fully human, fully God," and in today's familiar story from Luke, we can see both sides. Jesus, fully human, is growing up as all mortals must.

In the process, Jesus has scared his parents half to death as all teen-agers do. Jesus is asking questions, as should we all, and he is listening to learn, as all we must.

And in this story, we see the twelve-year old Jesus fully divine with everyone amazed at his understanding and his answers. We hear Jesus declaring his unique relationship with God the Father as only the Son can do. (*by Sid Burgess from Question Time*)

## STEWARDSHIP

### ALL SAINTS

Weekend of December 11 & 12, 2021 Totals

Adults	\$1,930.00
Children	\$21.00
Offertory	\$407.00
Online Giving	\$1,920.00
Total	\$4,278.00
Religious Retirement	\$290.00

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Weekend of December 11 & 12, 2021 Totals

Adults	\$1133.50
Children	\$7.00
Offertory	\$315.00
Online Giving	\$440.00
Total	\$1895.50
Religious Retirement	\$407.50
Christmas Flowers	\$45.00

## FATHER'S WEEKLY MESSAGE CONTINUED:

### Erma's New Year's Resolutions

1. I'm going to clean this dump just as soon as the kids grow up.
2. I will go to no doctor whose office plants have died.
3. I'm going to follow my husband's suggestion to put a little excitement into my life by living within our budget.
4. I'm going to apply for a hardship scholarship to Weight Watchers.
5. I will never loan my car to anyone I have given birth to.
6. And just like last year...I am going to remember that my children need love the most when they deserve it the least.

The deadline for our bulletin is **10:00 am on Tuesday**, unless otherwise noted. If you have any questions contact your parish office.

## SOLEMNITY OF MARY, THE HOLY MOTHER OF GOD MASS SCHEDULE

Friday, December 31, 2021 4 PM Immaculate Conception St Clair

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### ALL SAINTS

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### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

CHERYL SODEMAN 507-245-3447

**No Classes December 29. May you be blessed with a Very Merry Christmas.**

**Parenting Pointers:** As we mark the end of 2021, ask your family to gather and recall one regret and one happy memory they have of this past year. Is there one positive act each can commit to during the first month of 2022. *Susan Vogt susanvogt1@gmail.com*

**2021 Contributions:** Donations for 2021 must be received in the parish office no later than 11:30 am on December 31, 2021 or postmarked by December 31, 2021 to be credited for the 2020 calendar year. Contribution statements for 2021 will be mailed out in January. Thank you for your generosity.

**RMD (Required Minimum Distribution)** For those of you who are required to take a RMD, if you have the check made out to the church, there are no taxes taken out! For more information about how you and the Church can benefit from this contact your financial planner or tax preparer.

As Minnesota seasons are ever changing and life happens, you may want to consider our online giving option which you can choose to give weekly, bi-weekly, monthly or one time donations.

1. Go to our parish website [as-ic.org](http://as-ic.org)
2. Click Online Giving then choose **All Saints or Immaculate Conception** giving button.
3. The first time click on Set up a New Account and follow directions.
4. After that you can have it automatically paid according to your wishes.



## WEEKLY SCHEDULE

### ALL SAINTS MASS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021 **NO MASS**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 **January Memorials**  
10:00 AM MASS

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS INTENTIONS

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 31, 2021 **Parishioners**  
4:00 PM MASS

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1 2022 **January Memorials**  
4:00 PM MASS

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 **Jesse Kroenke**  
8:30 AM MASS

## LITURGICAL MINISTRY ROLES

### ALL SAINTS

**SATURDAY MASS WILL RESUME ON MAY 7, 2022**

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 10:00 AM

**Reader:** Jim Onken  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Karon Pohlman  
**Servers:** Brian & Tyler Thilges  
**Ushers:** John (Wm) Ries, Steve Weber, Doug Hume, Andy Dauk

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

SATURDAY, JANUARY 1, 2022 4:00 PM

**Reader:** Kim Carlson  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Marie Ireland  
**Servers:** Olivia & Zachary McGowan  
**Ushers:** Ross & Andrew Carlson

SUNDAY, JANUARY 2, 2022 8:30 AM

**Reader:** Sara Phelps  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Jeanne Becker  
**Servers:** Eli Kruse & Cameron Quast  
**Ushers:** Dave Becker & Steve Kruse

**Memorial Masses:** All Saints - The Benson Family, Delores Hoehn, Joseph & Kathryn Schneider, Bart & Kate Schneider, Julius & Eva Kubier, James Frederick, Susan K. Salzle, Charles & Madelyne (Sally) Wolff, Gene Kopachek, Living & Deceased Members of the Stan & Rose Fritz and Tom & Mary Fritz Families, Living & Deceased Members of the Ulmen & Estby Families, Bob & Mickey Miller, Charles & Lucille Dauk, Cletus & Valeria Frederick, Clarence & Kathleen Wolff, LeRoy (Pete) & Walter Wolff

**Immaculate Conception:** Todd Lang, Katrina Hall, Claire Lang, Neal Lang, Marv & Ardis Steel, Robert & Irene Yenish, Paul & Janet Rudie, Albert & Beverly Juliar, Rita Kiffe, Walter & Margaret Grams.

## ALL SAINTS NEWS

**A HUGE THANK YOU** to **Mike Peters, Wm (John) and Amy Ries and girls, Laurie and Scott Ayers, Scott, Kaitlin, MacKenzie and Dorothy Wolff** for getting the church ready for Christmas.

**2022 Church Giving Envelopes** are now available at the back of church.

**Wednesday evening prayer services** (one monthly during Faith Formation classes) are **CANCELED** for the remainder of the 2021-2022 Faith Formation year.

**THANK YOU.** Our thanks to you and the Piecemakers for the quilts you donated. Providing our shelter guests with these provides more than warmth - it says also that others care about them during these challenging housing times. The thoughtfulness and generosity by the Piecemakers is so appreciated. With gratitude, Kirsten Becker and the Partners for Housing Team, Mankato.

**THANK YOU.** Thank you so much for the beautiful handmade baby blankets! We are so grateful for the time, money, talent and care that went into each blanket. Jess Quast, Options for Women, Mankato.

**PARISH TRUSTEES:** Jen Frazee, Trevor Waagner

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:** Dick Arians, Todd Borchardt, Mark Braun, Dawn Dauk, John Landkamer, Greg Rosenow

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Darcy Anderson, Keri Even-son, Jen Frazee, Karlee Ouradnik, Bev Peters, Reinold Plate, Amy Taylor

**CEMETERY:** Frank Hodapp 243-3371

## IMMACULATE CONCEPTION NEWS

**QUITTING:** The quilting ladies have begun putting together tops. Donations of material, blankets for fill, sheets for backing, yarn, and thread are always welcome.

**OUTSIDE NATIVITY:** The outside Nativity set is in need of a new home for storage. If you have a space in a garage or out building that would work to store the Nativity set please contact the parish office.

**PARISH TRUSTEES:** Troy Braun & Kim Bruender

**PARISH FINANCE COUNCIL:** David Becker, Dan Ireland, Robert Kruse, Tonya Rule, Kelly Zabel

**PARISH PASTORAL COUNCIL:** Kim Carlson, David Ireland, Sharon Juliar, David Kruse, Linda Lynch, Carol Pluym, Tom Rother

**CEMETERY:** Dan Ireland or Stanley Hodapp

## SYNOD

What steps does the Spirit invite us to take in order to grow in our journeying together as a parish community? Please attend the parish synod meeting where we will first gather for coffee and rolls, share scripture and then discuss questions presented to us by the Diocese.

January 30, 2022 at Immaculate Conception  
Immediately after 8:30 AM Mass in the church basement

January 30, 2022 at All Saints  
Immediately after the 10:00 AM Mass  
in the church basement



## CMA 2021 Share The Light of Hope:

**All Saints** has a goal of **\$26,100** as of December 10th, we have received \$21,220 in donations and \$125 in pledges, for a total of \$21,345 or 81% of our goal. Leaving an outstanding balance of \$4,880.

**Immaculate Conception** has a goal of **\$13,450** as of December 10th we have received \$16,195 in donations and \$40 in pledges for a total of \$16,235 or 120% of our goal. We are over our goal by \$2,745. **THANK YOU!**

Please give generously as this helps fund many projects in the diocese. Anything collected over our goal comes back to the parish to help with projects that Father has deemed important. Extra envelopes are at the church entrances.

## ALL SAINTS ACADEMY NEWS



**Toddler 2** made Christmas lights with stickers.

**All Saints Academy** is hiring. Please contact Liz at 507-243-3819 or [asa.madisonlake@gmail.com](mailto:asa.madisonlake@gmail.com)

**Did you know that All Saints Academy** retained our 4 out of 4 **STAR** rating with **Parent Aware**? Our staff works hard to keep this rating!

Please make sure to follow us on Facebook.

If you are interested in a tour, please call 507-243-3819 and ask for Liz or email us at [asa.madisonlake.childcare@gmail.com](mailto:asa.madisonlake.childcare@gmail.com).

## AREA HAPPENINGS

**DO YOU PROVIDE CARE FOR A LOVED ONE? A FREE POWERFUL TOOLS FOR CAREGIVERS** workshop where participants learn skills proven to reduce stress, communicate more effectively, improve self-care, how to deal with difficult emotions, positive self-talk, etc. A **FREE** workshop sponsored by Catholic Charities of Southern MN, will meet six Wednesdays, from 1 – 3 PM beginning Jan. 19th thru Feb. 23rd at Catholic Charities Office located at 201 N. Broad St, Suite 100. (lower level of the Union Square Bldg) Pre-register by January 14th as seating is limited. Email at [mcassem@ccsomn.org](mailto:mcassem@ccsomn.org) or call 507-458-9687.

**Winters can provide transportation challenges.**

### **Cancellation Closing Policy at All Saints in Madison Lake**

When the Minnesota State Patrol issues a **“No Travel Advised”**:

In Madison Lake, all activities will be canceled, but weekend Masses will be held if Fr. Schneider is home and it is possible to move safely in the City of Madison Lake. Please do not try to walk on icy and unplowed streets and sidewalks to attend Mass. The obligation to attend Mass is lifted when conditions are not safe to come to church.

### **Cancellation Closing Policy at Immaculate Conception in St. Clair**

When the Minnesota State Patrol issues a **“No Travel Advised”**:

All Activities, including weekend Masses, will be canceled at Immaculate Conception in St. Clair. Please do not try to drive to Mankato or elsewhere to attend Mass. The obligation to attend Mass is lifted when the authorities tell us it is too dangerous to drive.

Also, when school is canceled in St. Clair because of weather, all activities at Immaculate Conception Church, including daily Mass, will be canceled that day.



### **LOYOLA NEWS:**

**School-Based Mentoring Program** Loyola Catholic School is participating in the YMCA School-Based Mentoring Program for the upcoming school year. The school-based mentoring program pairs Loyola Catholic School students with adult mentors for lunch once a week. For the students, it is an adult who will listen without judging, talk without preaching, and take a genuine interest.

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