

# The Spirit of St. Joseph Parish

214 North Main  
Ellinwood KS 67526

## Immaculate Conception Parish

310 North Main  
Claffin KS 67525

*Father Terrance Klein, Pastor*  
*Sister Andre Kravec*



## “Beautiful Day Brings Huge Crowd for German Buffet”

*By Sharla Thill*

The smell of smoked German Sausage greeted a large group, as they entered the St. Joseph Parish Center for the annual German Buffet, held each year to benefit the Catholic School.

Close to 680 people were served, from 5-7, on November 6th, at the end of a most beautiful fall day. Decorated tables of gourds and fall greenery made the tables very festive.

Students and their parents, and many parishioners were on hand, working hard to make the event another success. Parish school supporters help by bringing the desserts. It's a real team!

The younger students pour coffee and tea, and take trays, all with big smiles on their faces. Two long lines of German Food let guests select what they want to eat.

Sausage was also for sale in the kitchen and many people took home five to ten pounds to put away for the winter months.

In charge of the buffet is the St. Joseph School Board, who begin their work as soon as the semester starts in September.

As I made my rounds, snapping a picture here and there, I saw parents stirring pork and sauerkraut, cutting up all kinds of pies and cakes, setting up their booths, and adding touches to the tables. Everyone was wearing their maroon and gold St. Joseph School shirts and showing their school spirit.

“Jamie Rowan was the chairperson for the German Buffet this year,” said Marlene Clayton, lead teacher at St. Joseph School. “She was in charge of all the committees and taking care of all the organizational details, large and small!”



**Brian Rowan, with the help of his two sons, Caymen and Caden, package up another pound or two of the German Buffet sausage for taking home.**

Clayton went on to share this, “The decorations at the entrance of the hall were done by Donna Mason. Table and stage decorations were done by Lori Hammeke and daughters, Sarah and Erin.”

“The German Buffet ran very smoothly. We had plenty of food. It was a wonderful evening with a great turnout!”

Many prizes made up the German Buffet raffle and tickets were sold as far away as North Carolina. Many area businesses donate these great prizes for the drawing. Most have done so for many years.

Joe Curtiss once again came to help the committee pick the winners, and take care of the dinner tickets. Father Mazouch stopped in to eat dinner and visit with everyone.



### What is Advent?

The season of Advent is the four weeks of waiting and preparing for the birth of Jesus on Christmas Day. For centuries Catholics have lit the Advent wreath as part of their spiritual preparation. The evergreen branches shaped into a circle represent everlasting life promised to us by Jesus. The lit candles remind us that he came into the world to dispel darkness and radiate the light of God's love.





**Shaun Weber**

## **Students Help at Funeral Dinners**

*By JoAnn Roth*

St. Joseph student, Shaun Weber, and Caden Rowan (not pictured), volunteered to help the St. Joseph Altar Society at the recent Alex Thomas funeral dinner. The funeral dinner was held at the St. John Lutheran Youth Center because of sausage making for the German Buffet at the St. Joseph parish center. The young men were cheerful, very helpful, and assisted with many extra duties of the day.

At the recent Milton Achatz funeral, students Wittney Hammeke, Erin Hammeke, and Caden Rowan helped the ladies with the dinner. The young people have good cheer and ready helpfulness for all who come to share this time with the family in the loss of their loved one. We thank them all.



# **Altar Society Makes Plans for New Year**

*By Mary Waite*

The St. Joseph Altar Society met on October 24th. Members present looked at a rough draft of the new Altar Society booklet and made additions or corrections. New booklets should be printed by the first of the year.

If any Altar Society member has a new phone number, or an e-mail address that needs updated for the new booklet, please contact Altar Society president, Mary Waite, at 564-2518.

New Funeral Committee co-chairs, Marilyn Schartz and JoAnn Roth will take over for Linda Sobba and Marcella Birzer. Rosemary McCrary will be the new secretary, replacing Jolene Snell. The Altar Society wishes to thank Linda, Marcella and Jolene for their service, and welcomes Marilyn, JoAnn and Rosemary for accepting the new positions.

The funeral committee reported they have served dinners to the families of Alan Schartz, David Lloyd, Mercedes Huslig, Larry Rickert, Ruth Hill and Rheinard Schwartz. Since that meeting, funeral dinners for Milton Achatz and Alex Thomas families have been served.

JoAnn Roth, rosary chairperson,

reported that she and fellow Altar Society members had led eight rosaries for the deceased, and also said Novenas or Divine Mercy Chaplet for a dying family member if the family requests it. Praying for those parishioners who have died and serving funeral dinners for their families are powerful ministries and acts of Christian service. The Altar Society wishes to thank all those women who have prayed for the deceased, served the dinners and prepared the food.

Melanie Zink organized the Altar Society volunteers to work at the Blood Mobile and serve the refreshments. Ladies who have worked in the kitchen have noticed that the number of kitchen towels has been shrinking. It was decided to hold a tea towel drive for the Parish Center Kitchen. Good used towels or new towels will be asked for.

Ideas for possible fundraisers were discussed. A "No Work" fundraiser is tentatively planned for March. The next meeting will be announced in the bulletin.

Reminder: All women of the Parish are members of Altar Society and have a privilege and duty to serve their fellow

## **Guidelines for Unexpected Changes In Weekly Scheduled Masses**

*by Father Terrance Klein*

Our bulletin goes to press several days before it is distributed. Sometimes, later events cause the schedule to be altered. Sometimes, I simply forget to foresee the change and get it in the bulletin.

A priest is only to celebrate one Mass per day. He may celebrate two Masses in one day for serious pastoral reasons. The only day in which more Masses are permitted is All Souls Day, which allows an individual priest to offer three Masses.

Mass is always an assembly of the people of God in the parish, not an act of personal piety either for the individual priest or parishioner. Typically, when there is a funeral, which includes a Mass, in either parish, the Mass scheduled in either parish will be cancelled.

So a Mass might be cancelled in Ellinwood or Claffin, because of a funeral in one or the other parishes. We want to

encourage parishioners to attend the funeral Mass, as that is the principle task of the parish that day, to pray for our dead.

On days when a school Mass is scheduled, two Masses will typically be celebrated since Mass is an essential part of St. Joseph School's formation of students.

When there is no 8:15 Mass in Ellinwood, adoration is always cancelled.





## Theology on Tap

The topic for the monthly gathering at the Ellinwood Underground Saloon this month, November 5th was "Picturing Purgatory". Fr. Klein shared the topic, with a very large crowd attending. What You Imagine Says Everything About What We Don't Believe was discussed by all.

## We Remember Milton Achatz

Lifetime Ellinwood resident and member of St. Joseph Church, Milton Achatz, died on October 23. He was 92 years old. Funeral Mass was on Wednesday, Oct. 26, with Fr. Klein officiating. Milton is survived by his wife, Bertha, and four sons.

Memorials to St. Joseph Church, Sts. Peter and Paul Historical Fund and Woodhaven Care Center, where Milton made his home the past few years.

Our deepest sympathy to Bertha and the Achatz family, from your church community.

## Young Kids on Dating and Marriage

### Is it Better to be Single or Married?

It's better for girls to be single, but not for boys. Boys need someone to clean up after them. – Anita, age 9 – (bless you child).

### When is it Okay to Kiss Someone?

The law says you have to be eighteen, so I wouldn't want to mess with that. – Curt, age 7

The rule goes like this. If you kiss someone then you should marry them and have kids with them. It's the right thing to do. – Howard, age 8



## "Zink and Clawson Exchange Wedding Vows"

*By Sharla Thill*

St. Joseph Church was the scene of the marriage of Stacy Zink and Kyler Clawson, on October 22, 2016. Father Terry Klein officiated at the double-ring ceremony.

"Kyler and I met in high school, but didn't really get to know each other very well until my senior year," Stacy shared. "He was at K-State."

"One of our first interests that we shared was how much we liked Disney movies and even went as far as watching 'The Lion King' on our first date. It's funny how that has stuck with us through the years to the point where Father Klein included it as part of the homily at our ceremony."

Stacy graduated from St. Joseph School and Ellinwood High. She has two associate degrees; one from Barton Community College, and one from Kansas City, Kansas, Community College (KCKCC), in applied science for Physical Therapist Assistant.

Kyler attended Ellinwood Grade School and High School. He has degrees from



**Stacy and Kyler**

Garden City Community College, K-State, and his doctorate of chiropractic from Cleveland Chiropractic College.

Stacy remarked, "Right now, Kyler and I live in Marion, Kansas, where he works as a chiropractor and I work as a paraprofessional for a special education school."

The young couple is currently unsure of where they would like to settle down. They would like a location where Stacy can use her PTA degree, and they pray for God's guidance of where that place will be.

She is the daughter of Melanie and Dan Zink of our St. Joseph parish. Kyler is the son of Lori and Kyle Clawson. All live in Ellinwood.

"Both of my siblings were in the wedding party," said Stacy. "Lindsey was my maid of honor and Kyle was a groomsman. Nicole Schartz and Haley Batchman, lifelong friends since our times at St. Joseph School, were two of my bridesmaids." Ashtyn Kasting Wilson, Brandon Barr, Cole and Chantz Clawson, all Ellinwood graduates, were also part of the wedding party.

"Hunting is probably one of Kyler's favorite things to do," Stacy commented, "even though I don't particularly share that interest with him." Together they love to go to the movies, spend time with family, and hang out with their dog, Dozer.

The St. Joseph Church community congratulate Stacy and Kyler and wish them many happy years.

### What do Most People do on a Date?

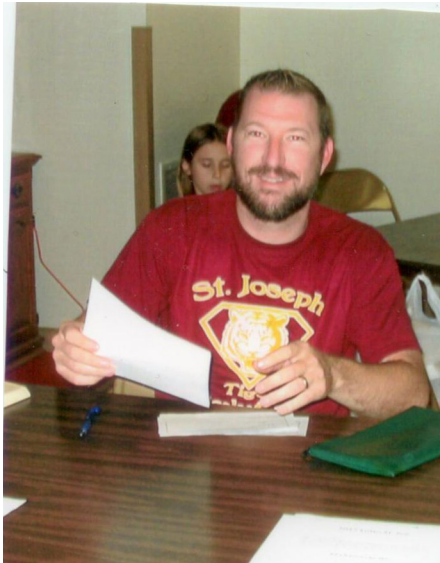
Dates are for having fun, and people should use them to get to know each other. Even boys have something to say if you listen long enough. – Lynnette, age 8 – (isn't she a treasure).

On the first date, they just tell each other lies and that usually gets them interested enough to go for a second date. – Martin, age 10

### And my #1 favorite is –

**How would you make a marriage work?**

Tell your wife that she looks pretty, even if she looks like a dump truck. – Ricky, age 10



**Fred Gunn, Jr.**

## **Tickets Still on Sale**

Fred Gunn Jr., along with Chad Steffan, sell Lotto St. Joe raffle tickets on the evening of the German Buffet. The Lotto St. Joe tickets are currently being sold for the coming calendar year.

The cost of the tickets is \$25. There are sixty chances to win: weekly drawings of \$50, and \$100 on New Year's, Memorial, Independence, Labor and Thanksgiving Days. The Feast of St. Joseph prize is \$250. Christmas and Easter drawings are for \$500. Each ticket has multiple chances to win as the ticket goes back into the pot.

Contact the parish or school office to purchase tickets. They can also be bought in the gathering space of the church on Saturday evening and Sunday morning.

## **A Christmas Story**

The Nativity scene was erected in a church yard. During the night folks walking came across this scene. An abandoned dog was looking for a comfortable, protected place to sleep.

He chose baby Jesus as his comfort and crawled in to sleep. No one had the heart to send him away, so he was there all night. We should all have the good sense of this dog and curl up in Jesus' lap from time to time.

A PSR teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, "They couldn't get a baby sitter."

# **Remembering Glenn Breford**

*By Sharla Thill*

St. Joseph parishioner, Glenn Breford, 84, passed away on Saturday, November 12th. He was born in Wilson, Kansas on August 11, 1932. He was one of two children, born to Herman and Marie Breford.

He attended Holyrood High School, graduating in 1950. He served his country from 1953 to 1955, with the US Army. He was always a great supporter of the American Legion, and was a member.

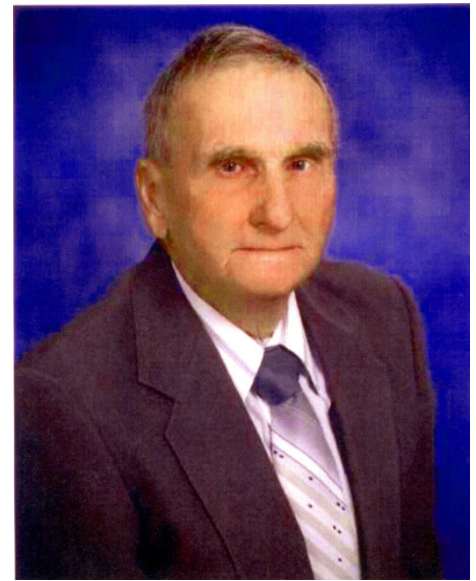
Glenn, a native of Holyrood, was owner of Breford and Sons Construction Company there for many years. He moved to Ellinwood in 1981, where he went into the heating, air and plumbing business, until his eyesight began to fail. In his spare time, Glenn enjoyed making and repairing things, and he loved to go fishing.

He married Joan Stumps and together they had four children. He later married Anna Maria Erdman on September 18, 1982. She died on June 21, 2010. Glenn lived out his last three years as a resident of Woodhaven in Ellinwood.

"Glenn was always a happy person, relating to all the residents. He liked the outdoors and took care of the flowers on the patio, and helped plant the flowers in the front of Woodhaven," said Mary Tudor, Administrator. "He helped our caretaker rake leaves in the fall."

Mary continued, "When we remodeled the nurses station some time back, Glenn was right on hand sharing his expertise with the contractor. We called him the Mayor of Woodhaven."

Survivors include a son, Mark Breford, and fiancé, Terri Nellis, of Holyrood; a sister, Marilyn Kaiser of Claflin; step-grandsons, Kenny Stroede and wife Lauren, of Great Bend, and Jason Stroede and wife



**Glenn Breford**

Kim, of Holyrood.

The family shared with Father Klein that Glenn always made everyone laugh and was the life of the party. Nieces and nephews said that he would call them each year as Santa, the Easter Bunny and the Tooth Fairy.

Funeral services were held on Thursday, November 17th, at St. Joseph Church with Fr. Terrance Klein presiding.

In Father Klein's homily, he said that Glenn brought joy into our lives and always attended Mass at Woodhaven weekly, where he never failed to say "Thank You" afterwards.

Father shared, "Students of St. Joseph often visited at Woodhaven. Seventh grader, Cody Zink, commented that Glenn could really get into a game of "War" with energy and enthusiasm."

St. Joseph parish extends deepest sympathy to the family of Glenn Breford.

## **Ponderisms to Live By**

Too often, we seek better jobs, bigger houses, and more stuff at the expense of our family. God doesn't mind if you have things, but He does mind if those things have you. Possessions should be rightfully gained, but loosely held.

**(This quote from a book I recently read called: "7 Steps to No Regrets", by Robert Rogers.)**

Demonstrate that what happens through you is far more important than what happens to you.

Don't be so busy making a living that you neglect to make a life.

Don't live to work. Work to live. "Be wise enough not to wear yourself out trying to get rich."

**Proverbs 23-4**



# Scenes of November

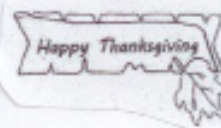


On a crisp and breezy ALL Souls Day, Father Klein says Mass at the cemetery as we pray for the souls of the dead. Lane Klepper reads the first reading, as Daphne Doll and Erin Hammeke are Altar servers. Students from several grades at St. Joseph School attended, (Daniel Hammeke, Caden Rowen, Ison Dauber and Shaun Weber use blankets to keep warm), as well as other members of the parish.

Derek Joiner helps daughter Eleanor select dessert at the German Buffet.



Karen Rugan and Heather Panning pass out the prizes following the German buffet raffle drawing, with the aid of St. Joseph School students.



# The Growth of CarePortal

by Sandi Oberle

On the second Sunday in November of 2004, Bishop Aaron Blake, a pastor and foster/adoptive father in Texas stood in front of his congregation and said, "Who will stand with me to defend, care, and support abused, abandoned and neglected children in our community?" One woman stood up and said, "Pastor, I will." Many others did the same. Within 3 months, members of the church had taken 39 children into their homes. By 2010, there were enough foster homes for all of the children. Today, there are more foster families than foster children waiting for homes in Brown County, Texas. On the second Sunday in November each year since 2004, the church celebrates "Orphan Sunday" for the care of orphans worldwide, and "Stand Sunday" to call the church to stand for children and families in the U. S. foster care system.

Today, there are almost 500,000 children in the foster care system in the United States, and a real shortage of foster care homes remains. In our local area, the foster care system is served by St. Francis Community Services in Great Bend. There are 28 foster homes in Barton County. 122 Barton County children are in foster care in our county, and 38 additional Barton County children are placed in homes outside of the county. Even if you may not feel that God is calling you to be a foster parent, there are other ways that you can help. This is where the CarePortal has become a powerful tool.

CarePortal was officially launched on March 1, 2015. It is an interdenominational network of churches that collaborate with local child welfare agencies to serve children and families in crisis. There are now over 900 active CarePortal churches in the United States and over 5,500 children have been impacted. The eight states with active CarePortal churches include Arizona, Georgia, Kansas, Missouri, North Carolina, Ohio, Oklahoma and Texas. Kansas has 154 active churches and has helped almost 1,200 children.

How does a church become involved? They can enroll online at [careportal.org](http://careportal.org). Immaculate Conception Church in Claffin took that step in the summer of 2016. A point person was appointed and received training. Barton County officially "launched" in July, and St. Francis started sending needs in August through the CarePortal to the

churches that were enrolled in our county.

As of November, there are 11 Barton County churches in the CarePortal system. As needs occur, a social worker from St. Francis puts the need into the CarePortal technology. DCF (Department of Children and Families) will be joining the system in the near future and will also be entering requests into the CarePortal. An email is sent to the churches in the area. The point person then notifies church members of the need. At ICC, this is done through a private Facebook page or through emails, or can be done through phone calls if someone doesn't have the technology. If a church member can help with the need, they contact the point person (Sandi Oberle). Then CarePortal is contacted and delivery is arranged.



ICC has helped with 7 of the 24 needs that have been posted. We have received needs requests from Barton, Stafford and Rice Counties (Rice and Stafford counties have not launched yet). Church members have helped with donations of funds for school clothing and school supplies, an electric bill, a rent bill, plus a dining room table, and a bed. ICC has helped a young man that was aging out of the foster care system, two kinship families (a grandmother that took in her 3 grandchildren & 1 great grandchild...and a woman who took in her 3 nieces) and other families in the system that were in crisis.

CarePortal is a growing ministry. It puts the hurting right in front of us. We are not all called to do the same thing, but we are all capable of doing something. For more information you may visit [careportal.org](http://careportal.org), or call Sandi Oberle at 587-9913

## BIRTHRIGHT



The Birthright Giving Tree will be located at Immaculate Conception Church from December 1-25. Tags on the tree list items needed by the Birthright office in Great Bend, such as diapers, sleepers, baby shampoo and misc. baby items. Those wishing to donate should purchase items listed on the tags and place the items (not wrapped) in the box under the tree. Pre-addressed envelopes are provided at the bottom of the tree for anyone wishing to make a monetary donation.

Birthright provides caring, non-judgmental support to girls and women who are distressed by an unplanned pregnancy. Services are free, absolutely confidential, and available to anyone regardless of age, race, creed, economic or marital status. Some local services include friendship and emotional support, free pregnancy testing, baby supplies, and maternity and baby clothes.

Birthright is there for every woman who calls for help. It exists because of the financial and moral support of its donors and volunteers. If you have any questions or would like to donate used baby clothes or maternity clothes to Birthright, call Sandi Oberle @ 587-9913.



***"Today, if you hear His voice, do not harden your hearts." Hebrews 4:7***

***"Truly, I say to you, as you did it to one of the least of these my brothers, you did it to me." Matt 25:40***

***CarePortal....every church doing a little.***

**December 2016**  
**Daily Eucharistic Ministers**

2 - Geraldine Menges, Marcella Birzer  
 7 - JoAnn Roth, Kirk Bressler  
 9 - Joy S., Glenda Heinz  
 14 - Angie Hammeke, Sharla Thill  
 16 - Kirk Bressler, Glenda Heinz  
 21 - JoAnn Roth, Joy S.  
 23 - Sharla Thill, Marcella Birzer  
 28 - Angie Hammeke, Kirk Bressler  
 30 - Joy S. Glenda Heinz

**Immaculate Conception**  
**Holy Day Mass - Thursday**  
**Dec. 8, 2016 7:00pm**

Lector 1 Art Huslig  
 Lector 2 Catherine Strecker

EM: Millie Menges  
 Jayne Wirtz  
 Paul & Joy Schlochtermeier  
 Joe Schulte

Servers Karson Harrington  
 Caden Rowan

Sacristan: Leon & Marilyn Reichuber

*Greeter Schedule*

**SATURDAY, 5:00PM MASS**

Dec. 3 - John & Marlene Clayton  
 David & Karla Gonzales  
 Millie Menges  
 Nancy Jenisch

Dec. 10 - Angie Hammeke  
 Paul Huschka  
 Jamie Komarek  
 Josh Komarek  
 Joni & Louis Pivonka

Dec. 17 - Steve & Amy Oelke Family  
 Vernon Robl  
 Yvonne Strecker  
 Mark Menges

Dec. 24 & Dec. 31 - Volunteers needed

**SUNDAY, 10:30AM MASS**

Dec. 4 - Richard & Jean Doll Family  
 Larry & Joan Drees

Dec. 11 -Monte & Robin Doll Family  
 Ed Schlochtermeier,  
 Geraldine Menges

Dec. 18 - Jeff & Sandy Roth  
 Ron & Rosemary Robl  
 Leon & Marilyn Reichuber

Dec. 25 - Volunteers needed

Jan. 1 - Volunteers needed

***St. Joseph December Ministers***

Weekday Server: Week of Nov. 27 - Monica Hammeke, Haley Troyer

**Dec. 3 & 4                      5:00pm Saturday                      10:30am Sunday**

Lector 1 Jerome Huslig  
 Lector 2 Karen Mitchel  
 Mary Tudor  
 Sharon Gattton

EM: Rosie Joiner  
 Jean Klepper  
 Ellen Shanteau  
 Angie Hammeke  
 Jason Schlochtermeier  
 Marcella Birzer  
 LeRoy Thill  
 Sharla Thill  
 Mel Waite  
 Lori Billinger

Servers Grant Klepper  
 Madisyn Schlochtermeier  
 Britton Dutton  
 Cody Zink

Sacristan Marilyn Schartz  
 Rosemary Robl

Weekday Server: Week of Dec. 4 - Britton Dutton, Karson Harrington

**Dec. 10 & 11                      5:00pm Saturday                      10:30am Sunday**

Lector 1 Ellen Shanteau  
 Lector 2 Yvonne Strecker  
 David Gonzales  
 Karla Gonzales

EM: Amy Oelke  
 Steve Oelke  
 Rick Thomas  
 Lori Thomas  
 Curtis Wolf  
 Jaylene Ewing  
 Ed Schlochtermeier  
 Kirk Bressler  
 Lori Hammeke  
 Kent Roth

Servers Colby Heinz & Shaun Weber  
 JoAnna Strecker & Kyler Doll

Sacristan Karen Kramp  
 Kent Robl

Weekday Server: Week of Dec. 10 - Ashtin Klepper, Colby Heinz

**Dec. 17 & 18                      5:00pm Saturday                      10:30am Sunday**

Lector 1 Stephanie Joiner  
 Lector 2 Steve Billinger  
 John Clayton  
 Charlie Joslin

EM: Jason Schlochtermeier  
 Melanie Zink  
 Jean Klepper  
 Millie Menges  
 Joe Schulte  
 Catherine Strecker  
 Marcella Birzer  
 Mel Waite  
 Lori Billinger  
 Curtis Wolf

Servers Jenna Oelke  
 Kennedy Harrington  
 Daniel Hammeke  
 David Hammeke

Sacristan Marilyn Schartz  
 Geraldine Menges

Weekday Server: Week of Dec. 18 - Madisyn Schlochtermeier, Cody Zink

Weekday Servers: Week of 31 - Daphne Doll, Shaun Weber

***See Christmas/New Year's Schedule***



## *Christmas 2016 Schedule*

### **Christmas Eve 4:00pm**

|            |                                                                                    |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lector 1   | Rosie Joiner                                                                       |
| Lector 2   | Kent Robl                                                                          |
| EM:        | Glenda Heinz<br>John Clayton<br>Angie Hammeke<br>Yvonne Strecker<br>Ellen Shanteau |
| Servers    | Wittney Hammeke<br>Colby Heinz<br>Madisyn Schlochtermeyer                          |
| Sacristan: | Larry Drees                                                                        |
| Greeters:  | Volunteers needed                                                                  |

### **Christms Day 10:30am**

|            |                                                                              |
|------------|------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lector 1   | Dennis Habiger                                                               |
| Lector 2   | Linda Sobba                                                                  |
| EM:        | Jerome Huslig<br>Mike Moeder<br>Mary Tudor<br>Kirk Bressler<br>Sharon Gatton |
| Servers:   | Erin Hammeke<br>Sarah Hammeke<br>Shaun Weber                                 |
| Sacristan: | Karen Kramp                                                                  |
| Greeters:  | Volunteers needed                                                            |



## *New Year 2017 Schedule*

### **New Year's Eve 5:00pm**

|            |                                                                                        |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lector 1   | Mary Waite                                                                             |
| Lector 2   | Larry Drees                                                                            |
| EM:        | Jerome Huslig<br>Catherine Strecker<br>Yvonne Strecker<br>Melanie Zink<br>Jean Klepper |
| Servers    | Daphne Doll<br>Monica Hammeke<br>Haley Troyer                                          |
| Sacristan: | Rosemary Robl                                                                          |
| Greeters:  | Volunteers needed                                                                      |

### **New Year's Day 10:30am**

|            |                                                                                              |
|------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| Lector 1   | John Sturn                                                                                   |
| Lector 2   | Kent Roth                                                                                    |
| EM:        | Joy Schlochtermeyer<br>Paul Schlochtermeyer<br>Rick Thomas<br>Lori Thomas<br>Marcella Birzer |
| Servers:   | Luke Wonda<br>Kayanna Hammeke<br>David Hammeke                                               |
| Sacristan: | Kent Robl                                                                                    |
| Greeters:  | Volunteers needed                                                                            |

# ICC Ministry Schedule

## December, 2016

### Dec. 4, 2016 2nd Sunday of Advent

Lector: ..... Kent Praeger, Kathy Krier  
 EM: ..... Karlyn & Fred Beck, Dawnya Hickel, Carla & Todd Liebl  
 Greeters: ..... Connie & John Miller  
 Gifts: ..... Judy & Leon Oberle  
 Servers: ..... Emily Ryan, Mollie Steiner  
 Sacristan: ..... Joan Miller

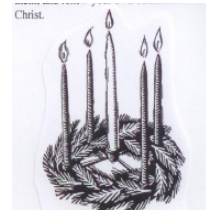


### Dec. 8, 2016 Feast of Immaculate Conception (7pm -Weds.)

Lector: ..... Nancy Schartz, Laura Schlessiger  
 EM: ..... Bill Thomas, Rita Stueder, Joan Miller, Sheri & Toby Holmes  
 Greeters: ..... Kirk & Aaron Schneweis  
 Gifts: ..... Ryan Family  
 Servers: ..... Tyler Holmes, Callie Zink  
 Sacristan: ..... Joy Hertach

### Dec. 11, 2016 3rd Sunday of Advent

Lector: ..... Janet Hitschmann, Darah Harrison  
 EM: ..... Doris Feist, Peggy Feist, Barbara Musgrove, Kathy Krier, Carmen Johnson  
 Greeters: ..... Margaret Frisbie, Janie Haxton  
 Gifts: ..... Ryan Harrison Family  
 Servers: ..... Emily Ryan, Maryn Rose Schmidt  
 Sacristan: ..... Dee Krier



### Dec. 18, 2016 4th Sunday of Advent

Lector: ..... Lori Koester, Lexi Broeker  
 EM: ..... Laurie Feist, Jim Oberle, Nancy Liebl, Dawnya Hickel, Bridget Letourneau  
 Greeters: ..... Ed Hitschmann Family  
 Gifts: ..... Jon Oeser Family  
 Servers: ..... Blaine Hickel, Brianna Hickel  
 Sacristan: ..... Judy Oberle

### Dec. 24, 2016 Christmas Eve - 6pm

Lector: ..... Richard & Brady Rugan  
 EM: ..... Carmen Johnson, Bridget Letourneau, Carla & Todd Liebl  
 Greeters: ..... Judy & Leon Oberle  
 Gifts: ..... Jim Ryan Family  
 Servers: ..... Brett Liebl, Brianna Hickel  
 Sacristan: ..... Dee Krier



### Dec. 25, 2016 Christmas Day 8:30am

Lector: ..... Toby Holmes, Abby Holmes  
 EM: ..... Bill Thomas, Sheri Holmes, Laurie Feist, Karlynn & Fred Beck  
 Greeters: ..... Connie & John Miller  
 Gifts: ..... Ryan Harrison Family  
 Servers: ..... Tyler Holmes, Jacob Oberle  
 Sacristan: ..... Sr. Andre

### Jan. 1, 2017 - New Year's Day 8:30am

Lector: ..... Nancy Liebl, Janet Hitschmann  
 EM: ..... Dawnya Hickel, Carmen Johnson, Rita Stueder, Joan Miller, Barbara Musgrove  
 Greeters: ..... Jon Oeser Family  
 Gifts: ..... Doris & Gene Feist  
 Servers: ..... Emily & Peyton Ryan  
 Sacristan: ..... Judy Oberle



# St. Joseph December 2016

## Happy Birthday

- |                    |                      |
|--------------------|----------------------|
| 1 Rosemary McCrary | 15 Don Roth          |
| Ryley Ney          | 16 Lexi Steele       |
| 2 Eleanor Joiner   | 17 Louise Hammeke    |
| Ryan Ward          | 18 Karson Harrington |
| 3 Jackson Cherry   | 19 Holly Bowyer      |
| Stephanie Joiner   | 20 Josh Thomas       |
| Ryan Komarek       | 21 David Sauber      |
| 4 Clayton Doll     | 24 Sherrie Siefers   |
| Kyler Doll         | Robert Yarmer        |
| 7 Terri Huslig     | 25 John Thomas       |
| 8 Luke Heinz       | 26 Stephen Birzer    |
| 9 Sarah Hammeke    | DeSales Feist        |
| 10 Brad Bressler   | Kay Linden           |
| Marilyn Reichuber  | 28 Tammy Sturn       |
| 11 Marilee Huslig  | 29 Glenda Heinz      |
| 12 Glen Hertel     | Gracie Quesenbury    |
| 13 Jean Klepper    | 30 Cody Wondra       |
| Dale Masden        | Charles Elliot       |
| Richard Hammeke    | 31 Brooke Panning    |
| 14 Brandon Carr    | Kinsley Racette      |
| Alexandra Gonzalez |                      |
| Eileen Huslig      |                      |
| Layton Wirtz       |                      |



## Happy Anniversary

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| 3 Richard & Shirley Hammeke |
| 4 Gerald & Sharon Reichuber |
| 9 Seth & Jamie Harrington   |
| 17 Kevin & Rhea Schartz     |
| David & Karla Gonzales      |
| 18 Pat & Sharon Gatton      |
| 27 LeRoy & Sharla Thill     |
| 28 Larry & Jean Klepper     |
| 29 Louie & Joni Pivonka     |

# Immaculate Conception - December 2016

## Happy Birthday

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| 1 Eugene Feist    | 20 Shelby Letourneau  |
| Richard Feist     | Madelyn Harrison      |
| Jane Oeser        | 22 Dan Demel          |
| 3 Belinda Connell | Deidre Moran          |
| 5 Bailee Miller   | 24 Holly Ney          |
| 9 Nathan Staton   | Jeanette Soukup       |
| 10 Bonnie Buehler | 26 Huntley Kirmer     |
| 11 Trevor Cates   | 27 Kade Beck          |
| Kristy Rupe       | Lois Krier            |
| 12 Jason Dody     | 28 Benn Kirmer        |
| 13 James Bortz    | 29 Tami Miller        |
| 14 Tammie Steiner | Danielle Hollingshead |
| 17 Kathleen Krier | 30 Gracie Demel       |
| Donald Zink       | 31 Joy Hertach        |

## Happy Anniversary

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| 29 Kurt and Patricia Strube |
| Alan and Sheila Oeser       |



*Please inform the Parish Office if there is an error, or if a name has been omitted.*

| Sunday                                                                                             | Monday                        | Tuesday               | Wednesday                                                                                                     | Thursday                                                           | Friday                                      | Saturday                                                                                                            |
|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------|---------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|
| <h1>December 2016</h1> <p><i>Prepare the way of the LORD</i></p> <p>LEADERS</p>                    |                               |                       |                                                                                                               |                                                                    |                                             |                                                                                                                     |
| <b>1<sup>st</sup> Sun. Of Advent</b><br>ss 8:30am [C]<br>ss 10:30am [E]                            | 5<br>Mass 10:15am<br>Wdhvn    | 6<br>Mass 8:15am [C]  | 7 Mass 8:15am [E]<br>SJS Christmas<br>Program 7pm<br>6pm Confessions [C]<br>Holy Day Vigil Mass<br>7:00pm [C] | 8 <b>Immaculate<br/>Conception Holy<br/>Day</b><br>Mass 7:00pm [E] | 9<br>Mass 8:15am [E]<br>SJS Confessions 9am | 10<br>Reconciliation 4pm<br>Mass 5:00pm [E]                                                                         |
| <b>3<sup>rd</sup> Sun. Of Advent</b><br>ss 8:30am [C]<br>ss 10:30am [E]<br>f C Christmas<br>ty [E] | 12<br>Mass 10:15am<br>Wdhvn   | 13<br>Mass 8:15am [C] | 14<br>Mass 8:15am [E]<br>Confessions 6pm [C]<br>PSR Confessions<br>7pm [C]                                    | 15<br>Mass 8:15am [C]                                              | 16<br>Mass 8:15am [E]                       | 17<br>Reconciliation 4pm<br>Mass 5:00pm [E]<br>Theology on Tap 7pm<br>Wolf Hotel Saloon                             |
| <b>4<sup>th</sup> Sun. Of Advent</b><br>ss 8:30am [C]<br>ss 10:30am [E]                            | 19<br>Mass 9:30am<br>Hospital | 20<br>Mass 8:15am [C] | 21<br>Mass 8:15am [E]<br>Confessions 7pm [E]                                                                  | 22<br>Mass 8:15am [C]                                              | 23<br>Mass 8:15am [E]                       | <b>24 Vigil of<br/>Christmas</b><br>Mass 4:00pm [E]<br>Mass 6:00pm [C]                                              |
| <b>Nativity of the Lord</b><br>ss 8:30am [C]<br>ss 10:30am [E]                                     | 26<br>Mass 10:15am<br>Wdhvn   | 27<br>Mass 8:15am [C] | 28<br>Mass 8:15am [E]                                                                                         | 29<br>Mass 8:15am [C]                                              | 30<br>Mass 8:15am [E]                       | <b>31 New Year's Eve</b><br>Mass 5:00pm [E]<br>Jan. 1, 2017<br>New Year's Day<br>Mass 8:30am [C]<br>Mass 10:30a [E] |

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