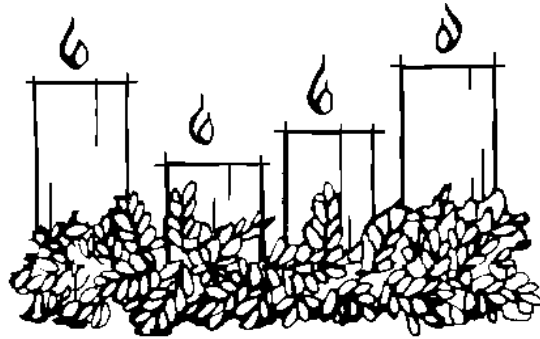


# St. John the Apostle Parish

December 22, 2019 \* Fourth Sunday of Advent



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Office Hours 8:00am - 4:30pm Monday through Thursday; Closed on Friday

Bulletin Deadline: Thursday's 4:00pm (the week before publication)

**Weekend Masses: Saturday Vigil 4:30pm & Sunday 10:00am**

**Weekday Masses: Monday thru Thursday 8:00am**

**Devotional Opportunities:** Rosary is prayed for Vocations on Saturday's at 4:05 pm and Sunday's at 9:35 am

Eucharistic Adoration: Saturday's 3:30 - 4:00 pm; Monday's 7 -9pm

## Parish Staff

|  |   |
|--|---|
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## Welcome Visitors!

We hope you enjoy your visit with us.  
If you are looking for a home church, we want you to know you are most welcome. If you would like to join, please call or come into the parish office.

## SACRAMENTS

**Baptisms:** Preparation is required, 3rd Saturday of the month at 5:45pm, call the office to register.

**Confirmation:** Preparation is required, please call the office for more information.

**Reconciliation:** Saturday's 3:30pm or by appointment.

**Anointing of the Sick:** If you are sick, homebound or in the hospital & would like Father to visit, please call the office.

**Marriage:** 6 month preparation required, call the office.

## Parish Pastoral Council

Ed Kopp - Chairperson ([elk868890@gmail.com](mailto:elk868890@gmail.com))  
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If you wish to address any concerns in regards to the parish, please speak to one of the council members.



## Mass Intentions for the week of December 23

| Day:                 | Time:      | Intention:                  |
|----------------------|------------|-----------------------------|
| Monday               | 8:00 a.m.. | Our Parish Family           |
| Tuesday              | 4:30 p.m   | Loyd Basham & Nick Ford     |
| <b>Christmas Eve</b> |            |                             |
| Wednesday            | 10:00 a.m. | Bob Whelan & Red Lucas      |
| <b>Christmas Day</b> |            |                             |
| Thursday             | 8:00 a.m.  | <b>No Mass</b>              |
| Saturday             | 4:30p.m.   | Tom Wooldridge<br>Joe Mills |
| Sunday               | 10:00 a.m. | Maria Paulus                |

**Altar Flowers:** Remember or honor a loved one, family member or soldier. Call the parish office to schedule your weekend (\$50.00 donation)

### NEXT WEEKEND'S SCRIPTURE READINGS



**SIRACH** 3:2-6, 12-14  
**PSALM** 128:1-2, 3, 4-5  
**COLOSSIANS** 3:12-21 or 3:12-17  
**MATTHEW** 2:13-15

### Stay connected to your parish

Check out our website at  
[www.stjohnonline.org](http://www.stjohnonline.org)

### Faith Formation News

**No Classes** on December 25 or January 1

### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

Wishing everyone many blessings this Christmas season! A light will shine on us this day: the Lord is born for us. Alleluia, alleluia.  
 Glory to God in the highest, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests.

### Ministers for weekend of Dec. 28 & 29, 2019

|                       | 4:30 pm  | 10:00 am  |
|-----------------------|--|---|
| Eucharistic Ministers | Deacon Mike *Judy Sipes, Lauren Ray, Bea Ann Reesor & Sr. Lydia & Volunteers (2) | Deacon Mike *Debbie Thompson, Anne Marie Warren, Adrian Whelan, Gery Whelan, Andy & Amanda Zanone |
| Lectors               | Beth LaFrance  | Rosalie Whelan & Kim Myers  |
| Servers               | Mike LaFrance  | Megan & Drew Zanone   |
| Hospitality           | Lauren Ray & Judy Sipes  | Darlene Hayden & John Proctor   |
| Ushers                | Jimmy Medley, Debbie Stiff & Volunteers (2)                                      | Brian Hobbs, Marshall & Ben Jackson & Jerry Miles   |
| Gift Bearers          | Volunteers (2)   | John Wooldridge Family  |

**If you are unable to minister as scheduled, please call someone on the list to cover for you.**

|                            |             |                             |                  |
|----------------------------|-------------|-----------------------------|------------------|
| Tuesday's (Sept.- April)   | 6:30-8:30pm | RCIA                        | Room B           |
| Wednesday's (Aug. - April) | 7:00 pm     | Religious Ed (grades 1-12)  | Education Center |
| Sunday's (year round)      | 9:00 am     | Men's & Women's Bible Study | Education Center |
| Sunday's                   | 10:00 am    | Children's Church (Gather)  | Church           |

### Ministers for Christmas Eve (4:30pm)

**Eucharistic** - Deacon Mike \*Debbie Jones, Stephanie & Jack Parker, Kim DeVries, Andy & Amanda Zanone  
**Lector** - John DeVries & Liz Hawkins  
**Altar Servers** - Megan & Drew Zanone  
**Hospitality** - Kevin & Rhonda Roberts & Lloyd & Paula McCollum  
**Ushers** - Kyle Cook, Jim DeVries, Scott Parker, John & Chip DeVries **\*\*please help with seating**  
**Gift Bearers** - Travis Flaherty Family

### Ministers for Christmas Day (10:00am)

**Eucharistic** - \*Jeff Kendrick, Diane O'Connell, Debbie Stiff & Volunteers (3)  
**Lector** - Jenny Kendrick  
**Altar Servers** - Volunteers (2)  
**Hospitality** - Marion Bratcher & Gayle Deuser  
**Ushers** - Volunteers (4) **Gift Bearers** - Volunteers (2)



**Youth Ministry Meetings:** (grades 7-12)  
 WEEKLY from 5:45-7pm in rooms C & D.

**2020 Youth Masses:** Jan. 25; Feb. 16; Mar. 15 & Apr. 19

Only a few more days until the birth of our beloved Savior... In these moments before Christmas Day, take time away from the hustle & bustle & contemplate how Mary & Joseph must have felt waiting for the birth of their special child: a child SO special that he would change the world & our lives forever. We could all learn from the wise men, they were so anxious to meet their Lord, "Saying, Where is he who has been born king of the Jews? For we saw his star when it rose & have come to worship him." (Matthew 2:2) & then, "When they saw the star, they rejoiced exceedingly with great joy." (Matthew 2:10) They were joyous because their search for the One who gives us meaning had been found... their quest for perfect love & redemption had been fulfilled in the birth of a sweet baby boy in a faraway, not-so-remarkable place. Are you searching? Well, good news!! Look no further than Christmas Day & the birth of Jesus... you will find your JOY there!

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**From the Pastor, Parish Staff & Sisters**

Dear Friends,

We offer each of you our prayers for a very Blessed and Merry Christmas! For those of you who will be traveling, we pray for your safe return.

God Bless,

Father Kevin, Parish Staff & Augustinian Sisters

**PARISH NEWS**

**Church Decorating Help Needed:** anyone willing to help decorate Church for Christmas please meet in Church immediately following the 8am Mass on Mon., **Dec. 23rd.**

**A special Christmas gift for you:** when you come to Mass this Christmas, you'll receive the book "Rediscover the Saints" from the parish. This book is not a dense biography about the Saints but an invitation to reflect on how the Saints are active in your life & to let them be even more involved each & every day!

**Closed:** the Parish office will be closed **Dec. 23-27 & Jan. 1, 2020** in observance of the holidays.

**Saturday Parish Gathering Save the 2020 dates: Feb. 1, April 4, June 6, Aug. 1, Oct. 3 & Dec. 5,** watch the upcoming bulletins for more details as the dates get closer.

**Seniors Game Day: will resumes Jan. 7th .** All Senior Citizens are invited to join the group for social time on Tuesday's starting at 12:30pm in the cafeteria. Feel free to bring your card or favorite board game. Bring a friend!

**Sew & Sews: will meet Dec. 30th & then resumes Jan. 6th.** They gather the 1st & 3rd Monday's (except if legal holiday, then meet Tuesday) of the month at 10:00am in the cafeteria. For more info call Amanda Brown 547-8337.

**January Happenings**

|          |        |                         |           |
|----------|--------|-------------------------|-----------|
| Jan. 6   | 10am   | Sew & Sews              | Cafeteria |
| Jan. 13  | 6pm    | Finance Council Meeting | Room B    |
| Jan.. 16 | 6:30pm | Baptismal Prep          | Room B    |
| Jan. 21  | 10am   | Sew & Sews              | Cafeteria |
| Jan. 25  | 6pm    | Deep Winter Classic     | Cafeteria |

Tuesday's 12:30pm Senior Citizen Game Day Cafeteria  
 Wednesday's 5:30pm Pray the Rosary Room B



**With Deepest Sympathy**

Our prayers & condolences to the family & friends of

**Phyllis "Jean" Fraze**

mother of Dolores LaTondress & Brenda Kenney,  
7 Grandkids; 11 Great Grandkids & 1 Great-great Grandchild

May the love of God and the peace of  
the Lord Jesus Christ bless and console you.



**Pray for the sick of our Parish**

Archbishop Kurtz, John Allgeier, Peter Allgor Jr., Mildred Barr, Patricia Baskins, Bennie Bruner, Kenny Butler, Herbie Chism, Joe Cook, Clay Fackler, David H. Fackler, Larry & Joan Gagel, Carol Kuster, Rose LaTondress, Mildred Mattingly, Vance Menefee, Marie Padgett, Kathleen Powell, Diann Shireman, Becky Stiff, Lucy Stupak, Charles Thompson, Joe Whelan, & Mary West

If you know a parishioner who is sick, homebound or in the hospital & would like Father Kevin to visit, please call the Parish Office.

**Community News**

**Meade Co. Clothes Closet & Food Pantry:** is collected the weekend of Jan. 11/12 . We are asked to supply: cereal, toilet paper & coffee. Items can be left in the Narthex or brought to the office. This is a very worthwhile service in our community. Please help us support this ministry.

**Holiday & Holy Day Mass Schedule**

- ◆ Solemnity of Mary
  - Tues., Dec. 31 6:00pm Vigil
  - Wed., Jan. 1 10:00am

**MERRY CHRISTMAS !!**

**Christmas Flower Donations**

Thanks to all who donated money towards Christmas flowers to decorate.

Flowers were donated in Memory or Honor of:

Ann & Weir Bristow, Mary Margaret & Bob Miller, Kathleen Williams, Dave Baskin, Gene Hardesty, Anna Mae, Dock & Kenneth Wardrip, Alfred & Amelia Barr, Maria Paulus, Edwin, Dorothy & Mike Rhodes, Sam, Clara, Roselee & Eileen Kopp, Seferino & Puli Carpea, Jerry, Anacleta, Piling & Paling Raquinio, Anarda, Isabel & Edna Castaneda, Eugene & Cecelia Winebarger, Jimbo DeVries, Peter, John & Peter Jr. Allgor, Al & Mary Grubb, Tom Stiff, Angela Holtsclaw, Don Godbey, Pat Brown, Joe Deininger, Clyde & Nellie Hardesty, Evans & Elizabeth Cook, Clarence & Joetta Hardesty, Dan Cook, Julie Lindsey, Gene Hardesty, Bryan & Loyd Basham, Christopher Reesor, Lester & Marjorie Huffines, Margaret Fackler Sipes, Paul & Violet Powell, Bill & Dot Medley, Nick Ford, Woody & Dorothy Hesler, Ronnie Buren, Lu F. Foushee, Sister Rosalba, Lavona "Bonnie" Szwed, Cale & Garland Brown, Anne Pace, Susan Kinney, Rena Lou Wheatley, Audrey Dugan, Patsy Foushee, Ned & Nelle Brown, Melvin Lawson, Carmon Bradley Medley & Hager Families, Zanone, Basham & Austin Families, O'Connell & Driscoll families, John R. & Emma Lou Yates family, LaFrance Family - especially Raymond, Margaret & Ed LaFrance & Gene Shin, Rahrig Family - especially Tom, Don & Wilma Rahrig

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