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December 3

SS Peter & Paul 413 Fremont Street, Kiel 920-894-3553



First Sunday of Advent

December 3, 2023

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Eucharist

St. Ann Sunday: 8:00 am Thursday: 8:30 am

Holy Rosary

Saturday Vigil: 6:00 pm Sunday: 10:00 am Wednesday: 8:30 am

SS. Peter & Paul

Saturday Vigil: 4:00 pm Sunday: 8:00 am Tuesday: 8:30 am First Friday: 8:30 am

Reconciliation

First Friday SS. Peter & Paul 7:45 am

Saturday

SS. Peter & Paul—3:15 pm Holy Rosary—5:30 pm *Sunday* St. Ann —3rd Sunday after Mass

Adoration

Mondays SS. Peter & Paul 4—5 pm *Wednesdays* Holy Rosary 4—5 pm *Fridays* St. Ann 4—5 pm

Leadership

Fr. Alvan Amadi, Pastor amadi@cua.edu Deacon Dennis Bennin, Pastoral Associate dcndennis02@gmail.com

Readings for the week of December 3, 2023

Sunday:

Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Monday:

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/ Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday:

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday:

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/ Mt 15:29-37

Thursday:

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/ Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday:

Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/ Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday:

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/ Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday:

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



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Worship & Meditation



Gospel Meditation Encourage Deeper Understanding of Scripture

Lately I've been listening to a science-based podcast on healthy daily living. The host frequently discusses the wide range of health benefits of sleep. So, each night I'm trying to get more, and better, slumber, and it's helping me feel energized. So, why in the world should we follow Christ's advice this week? **"Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house will come ... lest he find you asleep."** Isn't sleep, especially at midnight and cockcrow, a good thing?

Of course, it is. But the wakefulness the Lord calls us to is a deep, personal orientation to Him. A nightly vigil is therefore a metaphor for this, but it's not just that. We should give up real sleep in order to pray, too. This difficult practice is a time-tested way to foster wakefulness of heart. When we give up sleep to pray, it focuses us. We learn that life is not an endless series of days. You and I belong to the Lord — awake or asleep, in life and in death. Sooner or later, even our need for our physical sleep will pass away. And our attentiveness to God — that is, whether we are awaiting Him to meet us — will be all that matters.

May I challenge us this week and this Advent to intentionally give up at least one hour of sleep each week for prayer? Stay up later, wake up in the middle of the night, or an hour earlier, and pray. Will we be a bit more tired the next day? Yes. But we'll be amazed at the spiritual wakefulness that results, too.

- Father John Muir

Holy Day – Immaculate Conception

There are (3) opportunities for you to attend Mass for the Immaculate Conception Holy Day. The Vigil will be December 7 – St. Ann at 6:30 pm and Friday – December 8, Ss. Peter & Paul with Divine Savior school children will be at 8:30 am; and Holy Rosary – Friday, December 8 at 8:30 am.



Retirement Collection

Next weekend our parishes will have the annual collection for Diocesan Priests Retirement and National Retirement Fund for Religious. This will be to benefit two groups of people who have served us faithfully. We will have the opportunity to give to the National Retirement Fund for Religious, which helps our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests. We also have an opportunity to give to the retirement needs of the senior priests in the Diocese of Green Bay. You may donate to both of these groups, or just to one. Please use the envelope provided and be as generous as you can.

Advent Reconciliation Service

Our three linked parishes will be hosting a communal celebration of the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, December 14, beginning at 6 pm at St. Ann Parish. The evening will begin with a brief service, followed by time for individual celebration of the sacrament (both screens and face to face available). Several priests will be present. All are invited and welcomed.

FORMED

Rooted presents a beloved tradition in a new light. This new 22-episode series guides Catholics through a daily Advent reflection using the Jesse Tree model traditionally practiced by families. Each seven-minute episode introduces the ancestors of Jesus Christ, shares a Scripture passage, and offers an engaging, practical reflection. Hosted by Dr. Scott Hefelfinger, *Rooted* helps viewers apply the passage and related teachings to each day of Advent, guided by the Church's teaching. Episodes begin on December 3, the First Sunday of Advent, and end on December 24, the Fourth Sunday of Advent.

If you haven't done so already, create an account today with a username and password and then enter our parish code **J246GV** on the website (FORMED.org). Once you've got an account, search for ROOTED and sign up for *Rooted* email reminders so you don't miss a day!

Mass Time Change

Please note that going forward St. Ann's Sunday Mass time will be 8 am. Get there early? Spend some quiet time in prayer.

Divine Savior

All are invited on December 19 at 6:00 PM in the SS. Peter & Paul Church to watch and listen to the Divine Savior students perform their Christmas concert. Weekday Mass with the Divine Savior students takes place on Tuesdays at 8:30 am at SS. Peter & Paul. All are invited and welcome to come and pray!

Experience Pietra Fitness

Classes for Women are held on Mondays at 4:15 and Tuesdays at 9 am at SS Peter & Paul Parish Center, lower level. For cost information and to find out what to bring to class, contact Sherry, Certified Pietra Fitness Instructor 920-286- 1062 and she'll get back to you.

Votives & Vigils

Would you like some peaceful prayer time with Jesus in the Tabernacle? Holy Trinity, School Hill, will be open December 8 and January 12 from 6—8 pm for you to light a votive candle for your intention and kneel or sit in quiet time with Jesus in personal prayer. You may attend the entire time or just part of the time. All are welcome.

one by One

To make a one by One payment towards your pledge, please mail it to the following address:

Catholic Foundation of the Diocese of Green Bay PO Box 22550, Green Bay, WI 54305-2550 This is a locked box specifically for receiving campaign pledges. Please be sure to note your parish on the payment. Thank you.

Living Nativity

Come! Celebrate the birth of Jesus! See and hear a live 15 minute outside presentation of the Christmas story with animals. Saturday, December 3rd - 6-9 p.m. Sunday, December 4th - 4-7 p.m. Signed Presentations for the Hearing Impaired Saturday, December 3rd at 6, 7, & 8 p.m. St. Paul's Lutheran Church, 441 Millersville Ave, Howards Grove. stpaulshowardsgrove.org Join us in our gym for cookies, warm drinks and musical entertainment. See a display of nativities in the commons. FREE Admission, Parking and Refreshments. Celebrating our 20th year!

SS. PETER & PAUL, KIEL

Calendar of Events +Mass Intentions

Dec 4-10, 2023

MonExposition & Adoration 4-5 pmPietra Fitness 4:15 pmPC

Tues Mass 8:30 am +Debra Dorn Pietra Fitness 9 am | PC

Prayer & Worship Mtg 5:30 pm | HR

Wed Faith Formation

Fri Immaculate Conception

Mass 8:30 am +Sylvia & Alfred Anhalt

Sat Reconciliation 3:15 pm

Mass 4 pm + Richard Nett

Sun Mass 8 am +For the Living & Deceased Members of our Three Linked Parishes

Rosary 6 pm/Church



For the week of December 3 the Sanctuary Candle is burning *In Memory of Alfred Winkel*

Housekeeper/Janitor Needed

We're looking for someone who would be willing to clean the rectory and parish center on a paid, part time basis. The hours will vary based on your availability, but it's approximately 5 hours a week. If interested in more hours, the position could be combined with cleaning in the school a few hours a day. Please contact Kim in the office if you are interested or want more information: 920-894-3553 or secretary@sspeternpaul.org.

Thanksgiving Gratitude

Just over \$350 was donated and we were able to serve a total of 123 meals on Thanksgiving. Thank you goes out to Badger's Den for their delicious meal preparation, the last minute kitchen crew who helped with the turkeys, and the drivers who delivered. Your help, your caring and your sharing are what enables us to serve our community.

Christmas Flowers

Christmas flowers donations are being accepted for flowers and Christmas decorations for the church. You may make your donation in memory of, in honor of or in thanksgiving. Your packet of envelopes includes one for Christmas flowers. You may place your intention and donation in that envelope, or one of your own clearly marked 'Christmas Flowers' with your name on it, drop it in the collection basket at Mass or bring it to the rectory.

Food & Fellowship

Please join us for our Christmas Food & Fellowship on Thursday, December 21 at the Kiel VFW Hall. This month's meal, funded by Thrivent Lutheran's community giving program, will be served at 5:30 pm. So we can have adequate seating and enough food, please RSVP by Monday, December 18 if you'll be joining us. 894-3553 We will have some special surprises too!

Advent Books

Free booklets for Advent with daily reflections are available at each entrance for you to take home. We hope you will allow the words in the booklet to help you more fully celebrate Advent and better prepare to celebrate the joy and wonder of Our Savior's birth.

Year End Contributions

I can't believe I'm typing this, but the year 2023 will be coming to an end in a few short weeks! Parishioners are reminded that all tax-deductible contributions need to be in the parish office or postmarked by Dec. 31st to be counted in 2023. The Dec 30/31 weekend collections will be counted for 2023. Thank you all for these gifts throughout the year.

Christmas Meals

The Christmas Season is approaching quickly and like at Thanksgiving, we are working with Badger's Den to offer a simple, prepackaged meal to anyone, at no charge. Please give the Rectory a call (920-894-3553) if you'd like a meal delivered for Christmas. We need name, address and phone number of those getting a meal. The meals will be delivered near Christmas.

Your Stewardship Sharing					
Ending November 26, 2023					
Stewardship	\$	3,517.50	20		
Loose	\$	254.50	ATT		
Thanksgiving –SVdP	\$	1,204.00	AND I A		
Building & Main	\$	793.50	- The second		
Needed weekly to m	eet	budget: \$5,9	962 Short \$2,444		

Thank you for your contributions!

SS. F	SS. Peter & Paul Liturgical Roles			
	Saturday, Dec 9 4 PM	Sunday, Dec 10 8 AM		
GREETERS	M Manz	J DeTroye K Gilsdorf		
LECTOR	L Becker	F Billmann		
EUCHARIST	G Vondrachek C Stein	Volunteers Needed		
SERVERS	A Stephany	D Arenz K Pethan		
HOSPITALITY MINISTERS	S Werdeo P Mahloch	H Brost S Meyer		

Marian Devotions

Many great Christian leaders have invited us to pray the rosary. It's a powerful prayer, they say, one that can change your life. All are welcome to join us in church in front of Mary on Sunday nights at 6 pm. We may include a song or two but we'll always start with any prayer intentions you bring and then pray the rosary. Please enter through the south east sacristy door.

Adoration/Exposition of the Eucharist

If you are looking for a spiritual uplift, hoping to spend

some quality time in prayer, or simply desirous to be in a familiar space, come spend an hour before the Blessed Sacrament. From 4—5 pm on Mondays at Ss. Peter & Paul [and Wednesdays at Holy Rosary and Fridays at St. Ann] the church will be open for you to come, sit in silence and spend time in prayer. All are invited and welcome.

SCRIP

We brought back \$10 Barnes & Noble gift cards just for the Christmas season!

ST. ANN, ST. ANNA

Calendar of Events + Mass Intention

Sunday – December 3 1st Sunday of Advent Mass – 8 am +Friends of Catholic Financial Life. Tuesday—December 5 Prayer & Worship Mtg 5:30 pm | HR Wednesday — December 6 Faith Formation Thursday – December 7 NO Mass 8:30 am Immaculate Conception Mass 6:30 pm

+Rodney Capanash

Friday – December 8

Exposition & Adoration 4-5 pm <u>Sunday</u> – December 10 2nd Sunday of Advent Mass – 8 am +Lydia Turba

Christmas Cookie Trays

Cookie trays for the elderly and widowed of our parish will be assembled December 17. If you would like to donate cookies, please leave them in the gathering room before mass on December 17. Approximately 20 trays will be assembled. Thank you!

Scrip

Scrip gift cards are available before or after Mass each Sunday. Simply buying gas and groceries can support the parish if you use Scrip.

Mass Intentions

Each year you may offer Mass Intentions for deceased loved ones, living family members, or celebrations such as anniversaries or birthdays. Mass intentions for 2024, both on Sundays and Thursdays, are now being accepted, with available dates starting in March. Please email Kim at secretary@sspeternpaul.org or call her at 894-3553, stop in the SS. Peter & Paul office to schedule your intentions.

Poinsettia Memory Tree Order Form

The Poinsettia Tree will be set up in church for Christmas. If

you wish to purchase a plant in memory of a deceased loved one, we invite you to submit \$15 with his/her name to have a tag created and inserted in the plant. Order forms are available to fill out the names and number of plants you would like. They are available in the front



pews, entry table, the parish center porch and on the website. Place your money/check along with the order form in an envelope and drop it into the collection basket or in the drop box in the porch by December 10th. The plants are yours to take home when the décor is changed.

Mass Time Change

Please note Sunday mass at St. Ann will be at 8.00am going forward.

Your Stewardship Sharing	g –	November	<u>19, 2023</u>
Church Support Envelopes:	\$	1,567.50	1
Loose Offering:	\$	146.00	金服
Thanksgiving	\$	393.36	新五
Weekly Stewardship needed	to n	neet budget:	\$1.154.00

Thank you for your contributions!

	St. Ann Parish Liturgical Roles			
	Thursday—December 7 Immaculate Conception	Sunday – December 3 8 am Mass		
GREETERS	Donna Schmitz	Jill Preissner		
LECTOR	Lynette Mierzejewski	Cheri Schmitz		
EUCHARIST	Kathy Pershing	Julie Schoenborn		
SERVERS	Leo DeBruin	Daniel Binversie		
USHERS	Renee Keltesch	Dennis Preissner		
USHEKS	Dean Winkel	Larry Kempf		
GIFT BEARERS	Volunteers	Turba Family		

HOLY ROSARY, NEW HOLSTEIN

Calendar of Events + Mass Intentions

Monday – Dec 4

Choir | 6:15 pm (church) SVdP | 6:30 pm MQP

<u> Tuesday – Dec 5</u>

Prayer & Worship | 6:30 pm MQP

<u>Wednesday – Dec 6</u>

Mass | 8:30 am + Kenneth & Rosemary Steffen Grief Support | 1:00 pm Lectio Bible Study | 1:00 pm Adoration | 4:00-5:00 pm Church Faith Formation | grades 1-11

Thursday – Dec 7 Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass at St. Ann | 6:30 pm

Friday – Dec 8 Immaculate Conception

Mass at SSPP | 8:30 am Mass at HR | 8:30 am

<u>Saturday – Dec 9</u>

6:00 pm Mass Sunday – Dec 10 + Robert & Doris Turba

10:00 am Mass + '

+ Vern Casper

Sanctuary Candle Memorial For the week of December 3, the Sanctuary Candle is burning in Memory of *Patrick Sepnieski*

Holy Day – Immaculate Conception

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Christian Women Christmas Party

The Christian Women are having their annual Christmas Party on Tuesday, December 5, 2023, at the Altona. Lunch will be at 1:00 pm with a meeting to follow. There are signup sheets at each of the entrances of church, or please call Mary Jane at 920-898-5047 to reserve your seat.

Book Club

The holiday book club group will meet on December 13th at 5:30 pm at Riverview Restaurant in Kiel. We will be reading The Immortal Nicholas by Glen Beck. Feel free to join us. Call Ann at 920-652 -4365 with any questions.

Scrip

Let our Scrip Program help you with your Christmas shopping. We have grocery stores: Piggly Wiggly, WalMart, Pick 'n Save and Festival Foods. We have specialty stores like Bath & Body Works, Barnes & Noble, Dick's Sporting Goods, Kohl's, Target, Walgreens... We have local stores: Hennings Cheese, New Holstein True Value, Chilton Furniture. We have gas stations, home improvement merchants, Amazon gift cards and so much more. We now carry Visa gift cards in \$25 & \$50 cards. Whether you are shopping for yourself or your loved ones, your use of Scrip also helps our parish. Cards can be used to make your purchase or to give as a gift.

Helping Hands Food Pantry Needs

Thank you for your continued support. We could use the following items in the pantry: Spaghetti O's, baked beans, kleenix, jams and jellies, hearty soups and hygiene items. Please put the items in the box located in the back of each wing.

Year End Contributions

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Your Stewardship of Sharing

For Week Ending November 26, 2023:		
Church Support Envelopes:	\$	2,182.00
Loose Offertory:	\$	278.86
Student Envelopes:		1.00



Adult Envelopes Needed Weekly to Meet Budget: **\$4,275.00** Received in Nov. \$10,694 Monthly Budget: \$17,100 (short \$6,406) THANK YOU FOR YOUR CONTRIBUTIONS!

Holy Rosary Liturgical Ministers				
	December 8 December 9		December 10	
	Saturday 8:30 AM	Saturday 6:00 PM	Sunday 10:00 AM	
LECTOR	Lisa Jacobson	Kathy Burnett	Lisa Jacobson	
ALTAR SERVERS	Volunteer Needed	Landyn Grenzer	Corbin Danes	
		Volunteer Needed	Della Danes	
PRECIOUS BODY	Volunteer Needed	Ana Ramaker	Dave Bennin	
-N	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	
USHERS -M	Donna Schwantes	Rich Greuel	Bill Habermann	
-S	Dan Shirmer	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	
-N	Volunteer Needed	Volunteer Needed	Betsy Daun	
GREETERS -M	Donna Schwantes	Rich Greuel	Barb Weber	
-S	Chris Schirmer	Volunteer Needed	Florence Knier	
CANTOR	Choir		Choir	
ORGANIST	Ann Arbuckle	Ann Arbuckle	Ann Arbuckle	

In the Community

The Live Nativity

Cristo Rey Ranch, N8102 Cty Rd WW, Mt. Calvary Friday, December 8 & Saturday, December 9 6 pm (doors open at 5:30)

\$12.50 per person plus fees-only 200 tickets per show Tickets are NOT sold at the door.

wbodden@cristoreyranch.org | 920-948-1276 United Christmas Choir - Sing Joy The choirs of St. Peters United Church of Christ Kiel, Salem U.C.C. Plymouth, First Congregational U.C.C. Plymouth and Bethlehem U.C.C. Kiel will have a Christmas Concert "Sing Joy" on Sunday, December 10,

2023 at 3:30 pm. Free will offering.

Adoration Invitation - 12 Hours of Adoration

St. John the Baptist & St. Thomas Aquinas Parishes invite your and your family to 12 Hours of Adoration for an Advent opportunity. On Wednesday, December 20, 2023, from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm at St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Plymouth. Come and spend time with our Lord in the Eucharist. What a beautiful way to prepare the way for Christmas.

SVDP SOCIETY

"Oh Mother of our Advent be with us, and see to it that He will remain with us in this difficult advent of the struggles for truth and hope, for justice and peace : He, alone, Emmanuel." ~ Saint Pope John Paul II Help Us! Help Others! Donate . Shop . Volunteer! SVdP Kiel Thrift Store 1234 Teckla Place 920.894.7834 Line 1) store Line 2) assistance

Sponsor of the Week



Baptism

Congratulations on the birth of your child! Contact the office at least one month before desired date of Baptism to arrange for preparation.

Marriage

Congratulations on your engagement! Contact the office at least six months before your intended date to meet with Father Amadi and to make arrangements for the marriage preparation process.

Bequests

Please remember our parishes when making out your will. Thank you.

Leadership

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