# A Franciscan Parish for 157 years! December 3, 2023 First Sunday of Advent



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#### MASS SCHEDULE

<u>Weekend</u> Saturday at 5:30 pm Sunday at 8:00 & 10:00 am <u>Weekdays in Main Church</u> Monday-Friday at 8:00 am <u>Holy Day</u> Please check the bulletin.

VIRTUAL MASS SCHEDULE LIVE on Saturdays at 5:30pm on our Facebook page Available on our Website shortly after Saturday Mass

#### **ADORATION**

Monday-Friday 9am-9pm St. Anne's Chapel located by the East side entrance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM Contact <u>Beth Geis</u> to arrange a Baptism holyfamilybeth@gmail.com/ 812-934-3013 (ext. 125)

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION Saturdays from 4:30pm - 5pm

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## Fr. Carl's Thoughts and Reflections

First Sunday of Advent, December 3, 2023

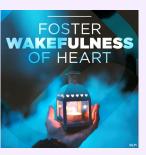
Happy New Year to you all! This weekend we begin the new Church year

with the First Sunday of Advent. This year we have the 4 Sundays of Advent, but with Christmas on Mon., December 25, the 4<sup>th</sup> week is less than one day! So we have a little less time to prepare, but the focus as usual is on our spiritual preparation for the Birth of our Savior, Jesus the Lord! Try to have some quiet time to pray and reflect. Don't put all your time and energy into Christmas shopping



and food preparation! The Son of God becoming human like us is the greatest gift God could give us! Let us keep in mind this "reason for the season."

Our first reading as we begin Advent is from the Prophet Isaiah. Isaiah reminds the Israelites and us that God is our Father, but we have strayed. He asks God to rend the heavens and come down to us because He is our only God. Isaiah acknowledges that all have sinned and fail to call on God because He seems far away. God is our Father and "potter;" we are the clay in His hands; remember, we have been formed by Him! In the second reading, St. Paul reminds the Corinthians and us that they have received spiritual gifts from



God and are awaiting the final revelation of Jesus Christ. They and we were called to fellowship with His Son Jesus, for which St. Paul is thankful.

St. Mark's Gospel continues to speak of the end time, and calls all to be watchful and alert. Jesus uses the analogy of a man travelling abroad, leaving his servants in charge. They are to be alert, watching for the man's return, and carrying out their responsibilities

in the meantime. As we enter this new Church year, are we being watchful and ready for Jesus' return, or are we focused on lots of other mundane things, forgetting about Jesus and His final coming? Let's make this Advent Season a

time of quiet anticipation and reflection, preparing to celebrate Jesus' first coming at Christmas, but also aware of His final coming.

Congratulations to Wrenley Grace Nobbe, daughter of Katherine Nobbe, who was Baptized on November 26 at Holy Family Church. May she & her family continue to grow in their love of God and the Church throughout their lives.



Friday, December 8, is the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, a Holyday of Obligation. Our Masses will be a Vigil Mass at 7 PM on December 7, and at 8 AM & 12 noon on December 8. Please join us to celebrate the Patroness of the United States

Have a Blessed First Week of Advent!

Fr. Carl



\$17. Thank you for your support of this remembrance for our veterans.

Presented by Bill Tonnis, Pastoral Minister Cost: \$30/ \$45 w/CEU's.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, December 2 5:30 pm † Fred Schene Sunday, December 3 8:00 am † Dee Schwegman 10:00 am Members of the Parish Monday, December 4 8:00 am † Ruth Siefert Tuesday, December 5 8:00 am All of the Living & † All of the Deceased Wed, December 6 8:00 am † Janey Obermeyer Thurs, December 7 8:00 am † Richard Jaisle 7:00pm † Barb Lecher Friday, December 8 8:00 am † Rita Giesting Noon Members of the Parish Saturday, December 9 5:30 pm † Shirley Manning Sunday, December 10 8:00 am Members of the Parish 10:00 am † Ray Bedel

#### OFFERING AN ACT OF WORSHIP

November 19th Sunday Collection		
Envelope Collection	\$6,695.75	
Loose	\$1,297.25	
Total		
Budget	\$7,455.84	
ABOVE Budget	\$537.16	
November 26th Sunday Collection		
Envelope Collection	\$5,962.75	
Loose	\$1,395.25	
Total	\$7,358.00	
Budget	\$7,455.84	
UNDER Budget	\$97.84	
November Monthly Collection	\$1,065.00	

Special Parish <u>DECEMBER</u> Collection: Choir/Music Liturgy



Caring Comittee Holy Family Caring Committee is looking for individuals who would like a visit; help running errands; use some meals....etc. If you know of anyone, please contact Carol Dobson at 812-212-3582. We would love to help in <u>any way</u> we are able! PLEASE reach out! AT THIS TIME...we are unable to transport anyone around.



Wilfrid Scheele, Cam Wahman, Aaron Davis, Connie, Donn Salladay, Shane Neal,, Tony Gorball, Todd Leising, Jeanne Phillips, Sandy Meyer, Becky Horstman, Scott Barnhorst,

Bill Pierce, Benjamin Mattingly, Steve Suding, Terry Duncan, Tom Wilson, Marvin Gehring, Leah Schornick. Paul Messerschmidt. Bobby Patterson, Tami Peters, Dick Hirt, Beth Fasbinder. Lisa Haessig, Jean Ham. Scott Cooper, Keith Milligan,

Pat Schrank, Carlos Luken. Wesley Neil Thompson, Jane Fussner, Terri Jo Thompson, Tina Cohill. Carolyn Scheele, Gary Lewis, Dennis Harmeyer, Beth Lamping, Eugene Laker. Dan Wagner, Sylva Havens, Jen Tucker, Doty Amberger,

Rita Litzinger, Clare Ronnebaum, Jerry Lamping, Anna Mae Raver, Dave Amberger, Gary Payne, Mattie Wagner, Julianne Raver, Alma Simmermeyer, Dale Kuntz, Rita Struewing, Ruth Ronnebaum, and all our nursing home & homebound parishioners.

December 3, 2023

#### **READINGS FOR THE 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 122:1-9/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 23:1-6/Mt 15:29-37 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 & 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27 Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38 Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-6/Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8 Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

## 2023 Capital Improvement Projects

Project	Approx Cost
Website Revamp	\$ (4,435.00)
Roof above ramp replace	\$ (3,198.84)
Slate Roof Steeple fix	\$ (10,000.00)
Boiler Work & Replacement	\$ (61,632.00)
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ (79,265.84)
TOTAL INCOME RAISED	\$ 24,725.05
TOTAL DIFFERENCE NEEDED	\$ (54,540.79)



#### Please return ALL of the Families Helping Families gifts by DEC. 3rd for distribution on DEC.

**10th.** We will also be doing tags for our own parishioners who are the in the nursing homes,

homebound, college students & veterans. These do not need to be returned as early as the first set of tags. Please be sure to include the tags with your donation. THANK YOU so much!





Food Pantry Requests <u>from Holy Family:</u> Ingredients for Green Bean Casserole Green Beans - Cream of Mushroom Soup French-fried Onions



The Batesville Area Ministerial Association is seeking to fill the position of Food Pantry Director. The director would oversee the ministry of distributing food to

those in need in the Batesville Community. The director will need to be onsite at the pantry on Wednesdays and for deliveries. The position would require attendance at meetizzngs and community events as needed to represent the food pantry. The position would be part-time approximately <u>15-20</u> <u>hours</u> per week. This will be a paid position with no benefits. If interested, please submit your resume to the BAMA Food Pantry Search Committee at <u>BatesvilleFoodPantry@yahoo.com</u>

The Salvation Army in Batesville is looking for bell ringers for this years' Red Kettle Campaign. All Money raised will be used locally to assist those in need. To sign up contact the Kettle Coordinator, Jeff, at 765-309-3055 or online at "registertoring.com".

Ringing began Nov. 24 and runs through December 24 at Batesville's Kroger between 9am-7pm.

# **Mass Ministry Schedule**

December 2nd & December 3rd Servers:	December 9th & December 10th Servers:	December 16th & December 17th Servers:
5:30pm Henry Jelinek & George Jelinek	5:30pm Maggie Jelinek & Annabelle Eckstein	5:30pm Makynze Borgman & Taytum Froehling
8:00am Wilbur Giesting & Henry Giesting	8:00am Blaise Mullens & Reagan Flaspohler	8:00am Caitlin Raver & Luke Raver
10:00am George Wanstrath & Nolan Wanstrath	10:00am Jonah Trossman & Gus Robben	10:00am Jonah Trossman & Gus Robben
Lector:	Lector:	Lector:
5:30pm Toni Cummings	5:30pm Kristina Schneider	5:30pm Steve Kerker
8:00am Teresa Merkel	8:00am Kyle Laker	8:00am Shannon Munchel
10:00am Gus Robben	10:00am Paul Brockman	10:00am Carol Dobson
Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:	Eucharistic Ministers:
5:30pm Dan Eckstein, Carla Enzinger,	<b>5:30pm</b> Jay Pfeiffer, Connie Chaffee,	5:30pm Michael Irvin, Diane Raver,
Maureen Grote, Elaine Hawkes	Lisa Oldham, Karen Patterson	Carla Enzinger, Maureen Grote
& Tom Meyer	& Will Patterson	& Elaine Hawkes
8:00am Deanna Raver, Connie Chaffee,	8:00am Theresa Boyce, Jeff Paul,	8:00am Eric Heppner, Connie Luers,
Jon Spreckelson, Isaac Trossman	Eddie Obermeyer, Landon Oldham	Dennis Moeller, Christy Honnert
& Angie Harmeyer	& Teresa Merkel	& Karen Trenkamp
10:00am Carol Dobson, Tina Duncan,	<b>10:00am</b> Melissa Jacobs, Barb Luff,	<b>10:00am</b> Jacob Starost, Ryan Tekulve,
Wendy Havens, Julia Heidlage	Kay Pulskamp, Allen Raab	Beth Geis, Beth Deputy
& Jenny Ilderton	& Brandy Starost	& Isaac Trossman
Music:	Music:	Music:
5:30pm Parish Choir	<b>5:30pm</b> Leon Enneking, Tim Volz,	5:30pm Bryce & Shannon Mullins
8:00am Matt Trossman	Carol Roell & Kim Brockman	8:00am Parish Choir
10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz,	8:00am Jayne Enneking	10:00am Leon Enneking, Tim Volz,
Carol Roell & Kim Brockman	10:00am Bryce & Shannon Mullins	Carol Roell & Kim Brockman

USHERS for DECEMBER <u>5:30pm</u>: Herbert Moorman, Brad Nobbe & Doug Nobbe 8:00am: Bill Gehring, Eric Heppner & Bill Hoff - **10:00am**: Mike Meyer, Ron Obermeyer & Ken Pfeiffer



Our Maintenance Man, Doug Nobbe will be retiring April 2024. We are

seeking a replacement soon. Electric, plumbing, bobcat/ excavator operation, as well as being able to fix about anything is all part of the required skills for this job. If you are interested in this position please submit a resume to Cheryl Borgman in the Parish Office at holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com.



They are: Dec. 10 submits Dec 4, Dec. 17 submits Dec. 8, Dec. 24 submits Dec. 13, Dec. 31 submits Dec. 21 Please send any info you would like listed in the bulletin by those dates.

# Weekend/Holiday Ministries Sign-Ups

Due to Christmas 2023 & New Year 2024 falling so close to weekends, we are utilizing a signupgenius to ask for ministers for our Masses. PLEASE SIGN UP FOR the weekend Masses for December 23/24, Christmas Masses @ 4pm, Midnight, 8am & 10am AT https:// www.signupgenius.com/go/20F0448ABAC28A3FA7-46285935weekend#/ AND for the December 30/31 weekend Masses & Solemnity of Mary Masses on December 31 @ 7pm & January 1 @ 8am & 10am AT https://www.signupgenius.com/ go/20F0448ABAC28A3FA7-46294479-ministries#/. If you are unable to access the link, contact Toni Cummings by email: tdcummings96@gmail.com or call/text her at 812-212-2354 with time and date. *Please sign up as soon as you can! Thanks!* 



Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament at Holy Family encourage all parishioners to join them Monday – Friday anytime from 9am-9pm in the St. Anne's Chapel. Bring a friend or someone you know and bask in the Lord and grow in His Love for us! Come for the time that works for you. Sit in His Presence with the scheduled adorers.

SEEKING ADORERS for THREE HOURS....Tuesdays at <u>8pm, Thursdays at 5pm & Fridays at 2pm</u>. If you are interested, please contact Dustin Walke at 317-691-5209 or walkedustin@gmail.com Even if unable to cover an hour on a regular basis, we ask that you just join us when you can to adore the Lord in the Presence of the Blessed Sacrament.

#### HOLY FAMILY VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES CONTACTS: CATECHIST:

Beth Geis: at 812-932-3045/holyfamilybeth@gmail.com <u>TURTLE SOUP:</u> Dorothy Ziegler @ 812-212-0414 -<u>MASS MINISTRIES:</u> Toni Cummings @ 812-932-3046 tdcummings96@gmail.com - <u>RUMMAGE SALE:</u> Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015/holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com-<u>FESTIVAL:</u> Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015/ holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com - <u>CARING COMMITTEE:</u> Carol Dobson @ 812-212-3582 - <u>BEREAVEMENT</u> <u>COMMITTEE:</u> Marcia Bischoff @ 812-871-4872 & <u>LINEN SERVICES:</u> Cheryl Borgman @ 812-934-3015holyfamilycheryl@gmail.com



# Religious Education/Youth Ministry Page

Religious The next Religious Education Classes are Wed., Dec. 6<sup>th</sup> from 6:30pm-Education 2:30pm. We will be having classes up until Wed., December 20th this year. Our Christmas Break will be Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> & January 3<sup>rd</sup> & will resume Wed. January 10<sup>th</sup>.

The next Preschool Kindergarten Class is Sun., Dec. 3<sup>rd</sup> in the Fr. Rudolf Room from 9:45am-11am.

Wed., Dec, 6th, the First Communion students will be receiving First Reconciliation. Please keep them in your prayers!





SAINTS IN THE MAKING (Jr. High) YOUTH GROUP: Our next Youth Group is Fri., Dec. 15th from 3-5 pm @ St. Louis Youth Center.

JR. HIGH BIBLE STUDY: Our first Bible Study is this Mon., Dec. 11th from 3 - 5 pm @ St. Louis Youth Center. If you need help with getting a ride to the Center for either Bible Study or Youth Group, please let Beth Geis know!

TEAM JESUS HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH GROUP:

The next Team Jesus High School Youth Group is THIS Sun., Dec 3<sup>rd</sup> @ St. Louis Youth Center @ 6:30pm. We will be decorating Christmas Cookies & having a married Couple Coming to talk with us.

#### TRIFORCE MISSION TRIP MEETING:

The next Mission Trip Meeting is Sun., Dec. 17th @ 4:30 PM at the Youth Center. This will be our Christmas Party, but we will also have a short meeting.



#### CHRISTMAS SALES PICK-UP FRIENDLY

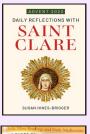
REMINDER - If you ordered from the Mission Trip Christmas Sale, the orders will be ready for pick-up at the St. Louis School Old Gym Sat., Dec. 2nd after the 5:30p Mass, and on Sun., Dec. 3rd from 7pm-1pm! Thank you for helping our teens attending the Mission Trip!

BATESVILLE DID YOU KNOW ... Abortion has never been a constitutional right. PREGNANCY HOTLINE The word abortion does not ap-

pear in the U.S. Constitution. The "right to privacy" was cited in the Roe v. Wade decision to justify abortion, but even in the Roe decision the Supreme Court wrote that "the Constitution does not explicitly mention any right of privacy." Batesville's pregnancy hotline mission is to help mothers in difficult

situations. If you need help or know a mother needing help, please call 812-934-5116, go to www.batesvillecph.org, or search for

Batesville Pregnancy Hotline on Facebook. The hotline can also be reached at FB Messenger.





Grab a copy of these books before they run out to help prepare your hearts for the Lord's birth! They are located at both side entrances and

in the center vestibule.

If you have any questions, feel free to contact Beth Geis! E-mail: holyfamilybeth@gmail.com or call: 812-934-3013 (ext. 3)

#### Adul Faih Formation

ADULT FORMATION - Join us for Adult Faith Formation on Wed., Dec. 6th at 6:30pm. There will be different themes each week discussing different topics of our faith. If

you are interesting in joining, come on Wednesday evenings or contact Beth Geis at holyfamilybeth@gmail.com or Brother John Barker at jbarker@friars.us



CHASITY TALK WITH JASON EVERT - The Batesville Deanery is blessed to have Jason Evert, one of the most renowned Catholic speakers in the US, coming to the Batesville Deanery on Wed., Feb. 21st from 6pm-9:30pm.

During the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of Lent, we Can bring out 7<sup>th</sup> - 12<sup>th</sup> graders to hear him speak to their hearts about an incredibly important message: Chasity. For more information, please go to

chastity.com/purified. If you have any questions concerning this, please contact Beth Geis!

#### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK



**Rooted** - 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. Schoot 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 3rd, the First Sunday of Advent, and end on December 24<sup>th</sup>, the Fourth Sunday of Advent.



**BAPTISM:** If you are preparing to have your child baptized or need to receive a Baptismal Certificate, please contact Beth Geis. If this is your first

child, you will need to schedule a Baptism Class with Beth Geis. If this is not your first child & have attended a class already, we will need proof. Phone #: (812)-934-3013 ext 3 or E-mail:holyfamilybeth@gmail.com

> **1st Rummage Sale Collection Date**

Tues., December 5th, 2023 (ONLY DATE IN DECEMBER) 6pm-7:30pm Please use FRONT entrance of school. Must bring items to sorting rooms INSIDE building.

## **JANUARY Collection Dates:**

January 2, 2024 January 16, 2024 January 30, 2024 Collection times are 6pm-7:30pm