

Daily Readings:

Monday, December 2, 2019

Is 4:2-6
Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday, December 3, 2019

St. Francis Xavier, Priest
Is 11:1-10
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday, December 4, 2019

St. John Damascene, Priest and
Doctor of the Church
Is 25:6-10a
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday, December 5, 2019

Is 26:1-6
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday, December 6, 2019

St. Nicholas, Bishop
Is 29:17-24
Mt 9:27-31

Saturday, December 7, 2019

St. Ambrose, Bishop and
Doctor of the Church
Is 30:19-21, 23-26
Mt 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8

Sunday, December 8, 2019

Second Sunday of Advent
Is 11:1-10
Rom 15:4-9
Mt 3:1-12

Religious Education News:

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Grades K – 6th: Class 3:30-5pm

Grades 7th – 9th: Class 7-8:30pm

Family Formation: Dec 4th at 5:30pm

Children's Mass: December 18th at 5:30pm. The K-6th children will be doing the Mass Ministries for this Mass with a reception following with tree decorating in the Parish Hall. Children are asked to bring a non-perishable food item that will be donated to the food pantry.

CDA Raffle: CDA Members will be selling after Mass this weekend and next. **CDA Sweet Shoppe:** Candy Boxes on Dec 12th at the Depot.

Message from Father Tom:

What must it have been like for the Israelites? It had been promised that a son of David would always sit on the throne of Israel. Yet, in 587 the last of King David's line of sons was blinded and taken into exile by the Babylonians, never to be heard from again. For nearly 600 years they had been oppressed by foreign governments: the Assyrians, the Persians, the Greeks, and Romans. A remnant remained--beaten down, and frustrated--who had faith in God. God spoke about a time when the long awaited one would come. He would be their King and would "judge between the nations /and impose terms on many peoples...one nation shall not raise the sword against another, /nor shall they train for war again." With all these promises, of course they longed for His coming!

Advent is a time concerned with (at least) 2 different comings of Christ. In Advent 1 (Until December 16th) we contemplate the glorious coming of Christ the King *at the end of time*. In Advent 2 (from the 17th until the 24th) we reflect upon God's coming *many years ago* to the tiny town of Bethlehem where he was born in a manger.

What is common to both periods of time is the longing for Christ's coming. The people of Israel had great expectation in waiting for the first coming of Christ. They longed greatly for it. Today, we should have the same type of hope and expectation for Christ's second coming. Scriptures says that the second coming of Christ will bring about an end to war; justice and peace everywhere; and a chance to see the very face of God...If we are faithful, why wouldn't we want Him to come?

Advent is all about getting ready, and longing for what we don't yet have. The Advent wreath is a great way to excite this expectation...one candle is lit, then the next. Also, a family could set up their nativity scene little by little as advent goes along. A certain self-denial this advent is also a good thing. We all love Christmas music, movies, parties, and lights. But by denying ourselves some of these things, or waiting until after Christmas, we get into the spirit of expectation. We hope for what we don't yet have. Until His coming we will all cry out in expectation, in the same spirit as the Israelites so many years ago: O come, o come, Emmanuel!

Confession Times: Regular Confession: 8am prior to daily Masses on Thursday, Friday and Saturday and on Saturday afternoon from 3:30 - 4:45pm. Additional confession times for Advent are listed below.

Wednesday, November 27th at Eastern Star Home at 8:30am
Wednesday, December 4th at Avantara at 8:50am
Wed, December 11th All Saints Penance Service 6:30pm
Sun, December 8th Miller Penance Service at 3pm
Wed, December 18th at Lakeside at 8:50am
Wed, December 18th at St. Bernard 11:30am-1pm

St. Bernard Religious Ed & Family Penance Service - 7pm
Thu, December 19th - St Bernard 11:30am-1pm, 5-6pm, 8-9pm
Sun, December 22nd St. Bernard Penance Service at 1:30pm
Faulkton Penance Service at 4pm



**THE CATHOLIC PARISHES OF:
SAINT BERNARD, REDFIELD & ALL SAINTS, MELLETT**

St. Bernard Office Hours: Mon 8am-5pm; Tues 10am-5pm; Wed 9am-9pm (summer 8am-5pm); Thu 9am-5pm; Fri 9am-4pm

First Sunday of Advent December 1, 2019



Advent Week 1

As you light the first candle in the Advent wreath, take a slow deep breath. Remember that achieving the perfectly orchestrated holiday doesn't matter. What matters is watching for God in every situation.

Prayer for Lighting the Advent Wreath

Lord God of all creation, you came among us as an infant in Bethlehem long ago. Come to us now as we prepare to celebrate your birth and look forward to your coming in glory at the end of time. May the light of this wreath remind us of the power of your steadfast love for us over the darkness of fear, evil and death. May we praise you all the days of our lives. Bless our preparation for your coming. Amen.

St. Bernard Campus Plan: Thank you to everyone who have responded to our pledge campaign for our campus renewal! Our goal is to raise \$400,000 over the course of the next 5 years in order to make our whole campus more accessible to those with lower mobility—for the priests serving us, and for our elderly.

Current Pledges of All Saints: \$381,797 pledged with 103 pledge cards returned.

Current Pledges of St. Bernard: \$31,300 pledged with 13 pledge cards returned.

Total Pledged of both Parishes: \$413,097 pledges with 116 cards returned.

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Sacrament of Reconciliation
St. Bernard: Sat. 3:30 to 4:30 PM
All Saints: 8:00 to 8:20 AM Sunday
Daily: Beginning ½ hour before and ending 10 minutes prior to Mass

Sacrament of Marriage
Contact pastor 6 to 12 months prior.

Sacrament of Baptism
May be celebrated during Sunday Mass or midday on Sunday outside Mass. A class is required prior to the Baptism of your child.

Daily Mass will be said, even if there is a funeral.

Schedule for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass: December 2nd – 8th

Monday	RCIA at 7pm (Office Closed)	Dec 02	5:30 PM	Redfield	† Autumn Jungwirth
Tuesday		Dec 03	5:30 PM	Mellette	† James Gruenwald
Wednesday		Dec 04	9:30 AM	Avantara	† Aliene Lemmer
Thursday	Adoration 7:30AM-5:30PM	Dec 05	5:30 PM	Redfield	† Deceased Redfield KC Members
Friday		Dec 06	8:30 AM	Redfield	† Fr. James Pender
Saturday		Dec 07	8:30 AM	Redfield	† Tressie Esser
SATURDAY		Dec 07	5:00 PM	Redfield	† Winston Sumption
SUNDAY		Dec 08	8:30 AM	Mellette	† Jeff Hoellein
SUNDAY		Dec 08	10:30 AM	Redfield	Mass for the People

Liturgical Schedule for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass - December 7th & 8th

	GREETER/USHER	LECTOR	SERVERS	GIFTS	EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER	COUNTERS/HOMEBOUND
5:00 PM ST BERNARD	Jeremy Fink Bruce Blume	Diane Svacina	Henry Weller Marie Weller Kevin Weller	Stephanie Hansen Family	Diane Svacina Bryon Anderson Kathi Anderson	Homebound 9am Sunday: Paul Hodges
8:30 AM ALL SAINTS	Dave & Judy Ortmeier	Bailey Heim	Brooke Heim Chesnie Heim	Matt & Sheena Hill Family	Kris Boekelheide Hailey Boekelheide	Chad Boekelheide Bill Serfling
10:30 AM ST. BERNARD	Jim Millar Bill Esser	Marvin Mannie	Camden Osborn Peyton Osborn Kyle Woodring	Tristian Olsen Family	James Logan Tracey Millar Sharon Osborn	Team 2 Sharon, Lucille, Marilyn

Angela will be out of the office: Until December 6th. Limited hours until December 12th.

Office will be closed: Monday, December 2nd.

RCIA Topic for Monday: Bible Reading, Saints, Advent Preparation

Collection for the Food Pantry: Thank you from the Tri-County Good Samaritan Center posted on bulletin board. Collection was wonderful this year! The remaining food will be taken to the center on Tue, Dec 3. They are asking people to continue to collect food throughout the year, it can be taken directly to the center.

Advent Meditations Small Groups: will be meeting on Thursdays (Dec 5, 12, & 19) to discuss the Rejoice! Advent Meditations with Joseph at 4pm and 7pm. Contact Cari Mack at 460-2166.

Advent Retreat: Register the Advent Retreat on Saturday, December 14th from 9am-2:30pm at St. Mary in Zell. From the Wood of the Crib to the Wood of the Cross will be presented by Dr. Chris Burgwald. In addition to the presentations, we will have time for discussion and prayer, as well as adoration, confession and Mass. Admission is free, but registration is required. Contact the office at 472-1482.

Cantata practice is each Sunday at 7pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. The performance be on Sunday, Dec. 15 at 4pm. We will have a dress rehearsal on Saturday, Dec. 14 at 8:30am. ~Joy Schweitzer

Christmas at the Cathedral will be performed with six concerts December 19-22 at the Cathedral of St. Joseph. This year's theme, "Light of the World" was inspired by the writings of St. John, experiencing God's immense love for each of us as His Light came into the darkness of our world through the birth of the Christ child. "God is Light. In Him there is no darkness." Purchase your tickets by email events@ccfesd.org. Many volunteers are needed and if interested, you are to call 605-988-3769.

CDA Advent Baby Shower: CDA is collecting new items up to size 12 months through January 5th. All items are put together into layettes and donated to the Spink Country Health Office and given to families in need.

St. Bernard Choir Practice: Wednesday, December 4 (5:30 - 7 pm); Sunday, December 8 (9 am & sing @ 10:30) 2nd Sunday of Advent; Tuesday, December 10 (5:30 - 7 pm); December 16 at 6:15pm; December 24 at 4:45pm and sing at 6pm Mass; December 25th at 8:15am and sing at 9am Mass.

Sing Noel at The Abbey of the Hills: Saturday, December 7th concert-the UofM Concert Choir and Chamber Singers. An elegant pre-concert reception with drinks and appetizers makes for a beautiful evening beginning at 5pm with the concert to follow at 7pm. **Tickets:** \$55 - Solo Tickets; \$109 - Solo Concert Package; \$159 - Duet Concert Package. Tickets available at <https://www.abbeyofthehills.org/>.

Thank You for your generosity!

St. Bernard

Weekly Budget: \$3,712;
Last Week: \$3,664
Collect YTD: \$84,480
Reg-\$3,012; Child-\$43;
Loose-\$324; Fuel-\$100;
All Saints-\$5; Mass-\$40
Stole-\$125; Rel Art-\$15
Capital Campaign-\$9,330
Goal of Capital Campaign:
\$400,000, Pledged: \$413,097
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All Saints

Child-\$13; Loose-\$116;
Reg-\$800
CFSA \$12,000 of \$14,000

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS NEWS: Mary Lou Schwartz, Regent – 460-1554

Next CDA Meeting: is Wed, November 20th at 5:15pm in the Library.

Nativity Picture Raffle: Tickets can be purchased in the office. The Nativity picture was painted by Elnora Burdick, our 96-year old CDA member. There will also be 3 other pictures given away with the raffle. Drawing will be held on Thursday, December 12th at the Depot Craft Fair.

Prayer Chain: Contact Deborah at bbi@abe.midco.net or 460-1123.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Doug Lemmer, Gr Knight, 612-201-8165

If you would like to rent the KC Hall – Contact Joe Keller at 460-3017

Monthly meeting is Thursday, December 12th at 8pm in KC Hall.

Gun Raffle Tickets are available in the office or contact Matt Weller

Vocation: In our material-minded neighborhoods, someone must stand up to speak for our spiritual heritage. Could that be you? Pray for vocations!

RIGHT TO LIFE: Shirley Holt –first Wed of each month at 5pm

"When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others." ~USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities "How to Build a Culture of Life"

Stewardship Snippets: "Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." (Matthew 24:42) People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and grow in gratitude for all that we have been given. You begin to see God's active presence in your life. **The Church Year for donations runs until December 31, any contribution after is 2020.**

Watch for the Lord: "You also must be patient. Strengthen your hearts, for the coming of the Lord is near." (James 5:8) How might I be more attentive to God's presence with me this Advent? How might I do more to help those around me this Advent? How might I stay with God a little longer in my daily prayer?

All Saints News: If the church is locked, call Cindy at 887-3175 or Dolores at 887-3320.

* All Saints Choir Practice following Mass on Sunday, December 8th.

* AS Finance Council meets on Tuesday, December 10th at 7:00 pm.

* All Saints Parish will once again participate in the Advent Baby Shower. New unwrapped gifts for babies can be left in the bassinet in the entrance of the church during the month of December. Suggested gifts (Newborn-12 months) are: sleeper, onesies, socks, outfits, diapers & wipes, jackets, snowsuits, hats & gloves, bath items, blankets, bottles, and baby toys.

* All Saints Religious Ed students are collecting full size toiletries (shampoo, conditioner, soap, toothpaste, toothbrushes, etc.) through Dec. 18. We will put the items together in personal care kits at our Family Fun Night for the Spink County Food Pantry, to be donated to local individuals. Please bring donations to RE on Wednesday nights or leave in the church entry. If you have any questions about this project, contact Ashley Schnell or Laura Melius. Thank you for your generosity!

* Cleaning group members for December are: Joy Braun, Korie Braun, & Jeanne Fischbach. Please contact Robyn Morgan to set up the cleaning schedule for the month.

Upcoming Events: * AS Parish Council meets on Tuesday, December 10th at 6:00 pm.

* All Saints Penance Service is scheduled for Wednesday, December 11th at 6:30pm. RE students and families are strongly encouraged to attend, but the Penance Service is for everyone.

* Instead of the annual RE Christmas Program we will be having a Family Fun Night and Caroling on Wednesday, December 18th at 6:30pm. Everyone is invited.

* Volunteers will decorate church for Christmas on Monday, December 23rd at 10:00 am. Contact Kris Boekelheide or Denise Clemens for details.