Holy Rosary Catholic Church St. Pio Adoration Chapel

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Masses, Confessions, & Devotions Check e-calendar for changes after printing (funerals, confessions times, etc.)

Saturday, November 23rd • St. Clement I; St. Columban; Blessed Miguel Agustin Pro

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer

- 8:15 am Mass Int. Jacob Straub
- 3:00 pm Confessions; 3:35 pm Rosary
- 4:00 pm Anticipated Mass for Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe Int. All Souls Envelopes

Sunday, November 24th • OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

- 7:20 am M Prayer & Rosary; 7:35-7:50 Confessions
 8:00 am Mass Int. Bradley Wayne Schaub (+) by Eric & Julana Schaub
- 11:00 am Mass Int. For All Parishioners

Monday, November 25th • St. Catherine of Alexandria

5:05-5:20 pm Confessions; 5:15 pm Rosary & E Prayer 5:45 pm Mass • Int. Shirley Mikowski by the McManus Family

6:30 pm OCIA & Finance Council

Tuesday, November 26th • Weekday

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer 8:15 am Mass • Int. Special Intention

Wednesday, November 27th • Weekday

5:15-5:45 pm Rosary & E Prayer 5:45 pm Mass • Int. Rita & Jim Cwengros (+) by Terry Weber

Thursday, November 28th • Weekday

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer 8:15 am Mass • Int. Walker Galla (+) by Sandy Galla

Friday, November 29th • Weekday

5:45 pm Mass • Georgetta Galla (+) by Dan & Donna Petroskey

Saturday, November 30th • ST. ANDREW, APOSTLE

7:30-7:50 am Confessions; 7:45 am Rosary & M Prayer
8:15 am Mass • Int. Joanne Popa (+) by Dale & Trina Pleva
3:00 pm Confessions; 3:35 pm Rosary
4:00 pm Anticipated Mass for the 1st Sunday of Advent • Int. For All Parishioners

Sunday, December 1st • FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

7:20 am	M Prayer & Rosary; 7:35-7:50 Confessions
8:00 am	Mass • Int. Claude Czerniak (+) by Frank & Claudette
	Winowiecki
9:15 am	Faith Formation
11 [.] 00 am	Mass • Int Kate Bolton

Dear All,

Pola and Wyle's famous song It's the Most Wonderful

From Father Libby

Time of the Year, recorded originally by Andy Williams, is my theme song for Lent. 'There'll be fasting and praying and people all saying "let's give up the beer!"'...that's as far as I've got as to Lenten lyrics--though a couple of parishioners have come up with a great verse or two ('we should have a contest,' I keep thinking/saying). But here we are, according to the ancient tradition at least, now into the forty days of Advent, 'the Coming,' and it is definitely, in its own way, the most wonderful time. What tips the scales as to which one, Lent or Advent?

The fundamental point concerns whether or not we've accepted that we are sons, daughters of God; that what we will be hasn't even been expressed, as scripture says, how good it will be is inexpressible. If we have accepted the challenge/ exhortation of the 'last gospel', John 1("10 He was in the world, and the world was made through him, yet the world knew him not. 11 He came to his own home, and his own people received him not. 12 But to all who received him, who believed in his name, he gave **power** to become **children** of God"), then we will 'wait in joyful hope for the coming of the Saviour' as we say at each mass right after praying the greatest of prayers, the Our Father, with confidence in that, our, Sonship. But, and in conjunction with this, there is something else: the fundamental difference between Lent and Advent is that Lent is a *joint* function with all the others in the body of Christ; we get to heaven, the Promised Land, together like those in the desert did. That's why we do sacraments together, do the classes for sacraments together, especially confirmation—for Catholics, salvation is a communal event.

Advent, however, is the time to focus on our individual salvation-the coming of the Just Judge who accepts no bribes. The 'rational day' as the Sequence for the dead says. Whether it's a day for joyful hope or a day of dread is up to us--taking up the challenge of John 1:10-12. *What we will be* as not yet known, but is known at least in part; to be the priests that God intended from the beginning, along with Adam, all the way to the time of Moses when the priesthood was transferred/ legalized into the law, all the way till the people said 'yes we want a King even if he makes our lives miserable'. Advent is the Return of the King in the person of Christ, but also the return of the Kings, priests, and prophets in the recognition and acceptation of our baptisms.

So why am I talking about Advent at least a week early? Because this Sunday is 'the End.' This is the last Sunday of the liturgical year. The readings in the Liturgy of Hours and in many of the masses are about the time of great distress, the end, the darkening of the sun and moon, the Return of Christ, judgment, and the Reckoning. In other words the *advenire* the coming is now. Like the return of the Lord at the end of time, the fact that the end of the year is this Sunday might catch us off guard like a thief. The New Year for the Church begins next Sunday in Advent. But many things have 'happened' by then. We want to be ready in our hearts and in our lives, finishing up all the things we avoid, making wrongs right through prayer and penance, and

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going to confession. Make sure to put on your calendar December 12, Thursday for our penance service at 6:30 pm, and also enjoy the great Lessons and Carols program *at the same time*.

As we give *great thanks* for our nation this coming Thursday we also give thanks for this calendar year. We prepare to meet our Maker with clean consciences and, thus, joy. We eat, drink, and are merry that we've been given another year to be patriots and due our duty to God and Country. Let's pray for all our troops who can't be home for Thanksgiving and all those who have no one with whom to celebrate. I am very thankful for all of you. Let us enjoy this time of year: the great solemnity of Christ the King, Thanksgiving, and the official beginning of the New Calendar Year for the Church next Sunday when we take up Advent in earnest.

God bless,

Fr Libby

Collection Totals For November 16th & 17th Total.....\$6,685.60 For the Coming Week's Masses 4:00 pm November 30th **Propers** Joseph & Timothy Trudeau Cantor Hannah Trudeau Lector Dick Dell'Acqua Ushers - Len Zeck, Allen Brzezinski, Bernard Zacharias, 1 Volunteer December 1st 8:00 am Propers Chris Steffke Cantor Tonya Ratajczak Judy LaCross Lector Acolyte **Greg Robinson** Ushers- Dale Pleva, Joe Peplinski, Fred Peplinski, Mike Tate 11:00 am December 1st Ushers- Bill Huddleston, Al Garvin, Kris Zimmerman, Tom Lesausky

Our Sponsor of the Week Cluff Well Drilling

New Member & Parish Pancake Breakfast

Save the date if you are a new member or if you just like pancake breakfasts. On December 8th, the Parish Council will host a hot breakfast with sausage, eggs, fruit, hashbrowns, juice, coffee, and pancakes after the 8 a.m. mass. It is a freewill offering. Donations accepted.

December 9th Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation

Everyone has to go to two masses between the 4 PM Saturday and the 5:45 PM Monday. The 5 PM Sunday can count for either the Sunday mass or for the Immaculate Conception mass. So even though the 5 PM Sunday mass is for the Immaculate Conception, you could use it to fulfill your Sunday obligation as long as you go again on Monday, for instance, or you could go to the 8 AM on Sunday and then come back Sunday night for the 5 PM and fulfill your Immaculate Conception and Sunday obligations for instance.

Knights of Columbus Coffee Sale

Knights of Columbus Council #11664 will be selling the popular Christmas Blend of Mystic Monk Coffee on Saturday, December 7th and Sunday, December 8th after the weekend masses. Processed will benefit the seminarians. Cash and check sales only.

Penance Service and Lessons & Carols

December 12th starting at 6:30 pm there will be an Advent penance service with about four area priests along with Lessons and Carols.

Christmas Tree Set-Up

Set-up in church is on Friday, November 29th starting at 9am. (No Young Children Under 12)

Social Dance Class

Every Tuesday from 6:30-7:45 pm at Holy Rosary there will a Social Dance Class in the parish hall. This will run until December 10th which will be the last lesson/dance of the year. The lessons are taught by Drew and Courtney Gibson.



A Dickens's Christmas Carol Reading

Join us once again this year for the wonderful and heartwarming performance of the Christmas Carol at Holy Rosary School Concert Hall at 6:30 pm on December 8th. Light refreshments will be served at 6:30 pm.

Our Lady Of Guadalupe Chapel Events

From Monday, December 9th until Sunday, December 15th Our Lady of Guadalupe Chapel will be hosting events to celebrate and honor Our Lady of Guadalupe. Sunday, December 15th the Bishop will preside over mass at 12 noon with a free lunch to follow.

Christmas Choir and Carol Rehearsals



Rehearsals are on Wednesday evenings following mass. No previous choir experience needed. Come and sing with us! Email Holly for more information.

Christmas Flower Envelopes

If you would like your loved ones names listed in the Christmas program please have your flower envelopes in by Sunday, December 15th.

Join Fr. Lawler on a Retreat/Vacation to France

Join Fr. Mark & Fr. Scott Lawler along with two other priests as they tour France from February 16th-28th, 2025. The trip will be a combination of retreat and vacation in some of the most beautiful places in France. The cost is \$4,000 per person. Flights will be from Detroit. All travel within France & meals are included. For details contact stpetertrips@outlook.com. Payment is due November 29th.

Coming Up...

November 28th & 29th—Office Closed

November 29th 9am– Christmas Tree Set-Up

December 4th – Holy League

December 8th – New Parishioner Welcome Breakfast

December 9th—Holy Day of Obligation Mass times are Dec. 8 at 5pm, Dec. 9th at noon and 5:45 pm

December 12th—6:30 pm Penance Service and Lessons and Carols



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