

# St. Anne's Church

December 2, 2018

First Sunday of Advent



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**Mission Statement:** *We, the people of St. Anne's Parish, together with the Diocese of St. Cloud and the Roman Catholic Church, are called to know, love and serve God through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. Our mission is to educate ourselves and our children and to carry on Christ's ministry in our daily life as His members.*

**Reconciliation:** Saturday at 4:30pm.

**Weddings:** Engaged couples should see the pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

**Anointing of the Sick:** Call the parish office for homebound/hospitalized.

**Secretary's Hours:** Lana Vossen - Mon., Thurs. 8:30-12:00 & Wed. 8:30-3:00 (Bulletin materials must be in by Thurs.AM)

**Religious Education:** Betty Nystrom 320-398-2211 Ext. 12, email – [reledsanne@meltel.net](mailto:reledsanne@meltel.net)

**Diocesan Web Site:** [www.stcdio.org](http://www.stcdio.org)

**Trustees:** Tom Ehlinger and Robin Schiefelbein

**Parish Council:** Greg Stang, Trudy Westrich, Lois Jensen, Fritz Hoffmann, John Donnay and Mary Lou Pivec

## MASS INTENTIONS

December 3	Monday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	Saint Francis Xavier	+Brad Boeckmann
December 4	Tuesday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	Advent Weekday	
December 5	Wednesday	[SA]	8:30 a.m.	Advent Weekday	Special intention MMH
December 6	Thursday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	Advent Weekday	
December 7	Friday	[SA]	No Mass	Saint Ambrose	
December 8	Saturday	[SA]	5:00 p.m.	Second Sunday of Advent	+Rita Dropps
December 9	Sunday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	Second Sunday of Advent	+Helen Haag Gaspar

**Weekend Masses at St. Nicholas are Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>SACRISTAN</u>
<b>Dec. 8, 5:00 p.m.</b>	Gene Gohmann Mary Spaulding, Mary Mathies	Steve Maus	Mark Schiefelbein Omar Feyma	Robert Stelten Chuck Froehling	Cindy Stelten
<b>Dec. 9, 8:00 a.m.</b>	Tracy Theis, Barb Hoffmann Sarah DeMarais	Dave Traurig	Jason Pierskalla Tristan Pierskalla	Chad Spaulding Fritz Hoffmann	Jeff Hilsgen

## STEWARD OF TREASURE

Adult	XXX	44 Envelopes of 283
Youth	XXX	11 Envelopes of 97
Loose	XXX	
Thanksgiving	XXX	
Total	XXX	

Furnace Replacement \$75.00

**PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE** of the parish and community who have asked for our prayers: Steven Whalen, Allen Kuhn, Walter White, Barb Huckenpoehler, Mary Ann Bechtold, Nancy Stang, Mary Baker, Julie Anderson, Kathy Wholman, John Decker, Ed Ougel, Madison Brown and Madison Woodford. Also pray for the women and men serving in the armed forces. Your contact persons are 236-7947, 398-7525 (also the prayer line) or the parish office 398-2211.

**HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION:** In observance of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary falling on Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup>. The weekend Masses on Saturday and Sunday will fulfill the obligation.

**YOUTH MOVIE AND GAME NIGHT:** The Confirmation Class of St. Anne's is hosting a Youth Group on Sundays, December 9<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup>. To start the evening students 5<sup>th</sup> Grade and younger join us from 4:30 - 5:30 p.m. to watch Veggie Tale Movies and play games. Then at 5:45 any age can join us to watch a Christmas classic. Bring your own snacks and enjoy fellowship.



**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** St. Anne's monthly Eucharist Adoration will be Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. St. Nicholas' Adoration is on Tuesday, December 4<sup>th</sup> from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. We need two people throughout the day please sign up in the Gathering Area, even if you have a regular time each month you attend.



**THE MAGNIFICAT ADVENT CAMPANION:** Please help yourself to this prayer aid for the Advent Season. They are located in the Gathering Area on the table.

**HOLIDAY BAKE SALE:** Dec. 1st & 2nd - after Masses



Don't have time to bake this Christmas season? We're baking for you! Pick up some goodies for coffee, hostess gifts, or your cookie jar. Proceeds to benefit our Sister Diocese of Homa Bay, Kenya. Last year \$390 was sent to them. With your help, more will be sent this year!!

**COFFEE AND DONUTS:** Please join us next Sunday, December 9<sup>th</sup> for coffee, donuts and fellowship in the Dining Area.



**THANK YOU** to those who helped this week getting the Church ready for the Season of Advent. Barb and Fritz Hoffmann for decorating the altar. Garry and Mary Linn, Tony Kuechle, Loretta Grote, Robin, Luci, Mark and Ava Schiefelbein for putting the new Missal and Music Issue into the books. Thank you for your time volunteering to start the season of Advent.

**RELIGIOUS RETIREMENT COLLECTION:** a donor writes, "Your flyer touched my heart - seeing the retired religious, such memories surfaced." Do you remember the sister, brother, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggles to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's second collection. Use the envelope in your pack.

**KIMBALL AREA GIVING TREE:** It is that time of year again, please help out in making a child's Christmas one to remember. There are still tags available on the Giving Tree located in the Gathering Area. Please choose a gift tag that fits your budget. Return these gifts wrapped with the tag on them to St. Anne's by Sunday, December 16<sup>th</sup>.

**2019 CHURCH CALENDARS** on the back table in the gathering Area were donated by Dingmann Funeral Care. Thank you to Brian and Dana Dingmann. Please one calendar per household.

**ANNUAL KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NATIVITY RAFFLE:** Tickets will be for sale the weekends of December 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> and 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>. The drawing will be after the Mass on December 16<sup>th</sup>. Thank you in advance for your continued support. Proceeds will go toward our March charitable contributions and various council projects.

**KIMBALL FFA** is selling meat packs in support of the Kimball Library. Each pack contains 10 lbs of Schiefelbein hamburger premade into ¼ lb. patties. Also a Beef Jerky and Beef Stick pack is included in the box. For more information or to order please contact Bailee Schiefelbein at 398-6511 or [jshiefel@melnet.net](mailto:jshiefel@melnet.net). All packs are \$50 and 100% of the sales will be donated to the library.

**GOSPEL CONNECTION:** First Sunday of Advent

The sign of the ladle

It had been a horrible day at the office, one crisis after another. He spent the day saving deals that were coming apart, reassuring angry customers whose orders had been messed up, going to the mat with vendors — putting out one fire after another.

Just as he was about to leave for the day, he remembered: it was his family's night to volunteer at the soup kitchen. He called his wife, apologized for forgetting, and said he would meet her and the kids at the church hall in a half hour.

Once there, he slowly managed to put the stress of the day behind him and got into the rhythm of the busy kitchen. His job that night was making the soup, with his daughter helping cut the vegetables.

At 6 p.m., the doors opened. He took his station at the steaming caldron of chicken noodle soup. The first guest was an elderly woman in a torn coat and ripped sneakers. He ladled the soup into a bowl, and gently handed it to her.

"Thank you so much," she said. "Thank you and bless you."

Her smile was the brightest thing he had seen all day.

And, he realized that he was, indeed, blessed.

A busy dad comes to realize his blessedness in the unexpected "sign" of a homeless woman's gratitude. In the course of our days, we all encounter such "signs": indicators of the realities of God's presence that we do not readily see or appreciate or have stopped seeing or would rather ignore altogether. These "signs" urge us to look deeper, to see beyond ourselves and our needs and expectations, to confront issues before they become disasters. In the "signs" of the good we give and receive, we "stand erect" to behold God's Spirit of humility and wisdom, transforming our lives in the justice and peace of Advent.

**MARRIED AND ENGAGED COUPLES!** Would you like to gain a better understanding of yourself as man, woman, and couple? Advent is here and is the season of preparing and making straight our path. Jesus' coming and incarnation reminds us of the importance of how we love with our bodies. Learn about your gift of fertility and true love. Why wait to learn and use Natural Family Planning? A First instruction class in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in: St. Cloud on Monday, December 17 and Thursday, January 17 at 6:30 p.m. at the Office of Marriage & Family. For more information, or to register, contact Sheila Reineke at [omf@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:omf@gw.stcdio.org) or 320-252-4721. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. \*Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!