

**SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**  
**Sunday, December 10, 2017**  
**CONFESSSIONS 3:15 – 3:50 P.M. on Saturday in Watford City**

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**MASSES:**

Mon.    11                    No Mass

Tues.   12    7:00 P.M.     For + Otto Dendinger Family

Wed.    13        12:10 P.M.        For + Jane Henry LaDue

Thurs.   14    9:00 A.M.     For + Oscar Knudtson Sr

Fri.     15    9:00 A.M.     For + Marian Schaff

Sat.     16                4:00 P.M.     For + Delores & Virgil McNamee  
                                 Watford City  
                                 GREETERS:    Larry & Vicky Schaff  
                                 READER:        Bill Liebel

Sun.     17                8:30 A.M.     For The Members Of Epiphany and Our Lady of Consolation  
                                 Alexander  
                                 READER:        Phil Davidson  
                                 10:45 A.M.     For + Leo Yesel  
                                 Watford City  
                                 GREETERS:        Paul & Desiree Sorenson Family  
                                 READER:        Nadine Lyon  
                                 SERVERS:        Olivia Gronos, Zion Campbell  
                                 EM:                Rick Pokrzywinski, Marilyn Schroeder  
                                 COUNTERS:     Sarah Billing, Rick Pokrzywinski

**BULLETIN ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**PENANCE SERVICE:** This Sunday, December 10 at St. Joseph’s Parish in Williston from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. and in Watford City, next Sunday, December 17 from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. Priests’ will be available to hear confessions. Please come and prepare your heart for Christmas Day!

**WOE:** WOE Christmas Party Monday, December 11 at 6:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall. Serving will be Ham & Potatoes. Women please bring potluck item and a gift to exchange. See you there!

**UNIQUE MUSICAL ENCOUNTER:** St. Joseph’s Church in Williston is hosting a one-night only event that will feature local Williston musicians and 17 special guests that are flying in from all over the country. Event is free and is on Friday, December 15 at St. Joseph’s Church in Williston starting at 7:00 p.m. This event will be **MAGNIFICAT!**

**REAL PRESENCE RADIO:** You can find Real Presence Radio on 104.1 FM.

**BAKKEN OIL MINISTRIES:** Epiphany Women are in charge of volunteering at the Thrift Store East of Watford City this Thursday, December 14 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. Thank you!

**RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS:** This weekend is a collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. Envelopes are available and can be placed in the collection basket. Thank you!

**STEWARDSHIP THOUGHT:** We are all stewards – managers of the many gifts God has bestowed upon us. Our challenge as Christians is to make good use of those gifts.

**EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION:** Eucharist Adoration is Friday’s from 9:30 a.m. to 9:30 p.m. Thank you to all scheduled adorers!! Your generosity and commitment makes it possible for others that can’t commit to a specific time to be able to come and adore the Lord when their schedules allow. **“Do you realize that Jesus is there in the Blessed Sacrament expressly for you, for you alone? He burns with the desire to come into your heart!”** You are all greatly appreciated! All are welcome to come and pray before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament during this time. Please contact Stephanie Ray at 813-415-8486 if you are available for a time slot.

**VOCATION:** John the Baptist stands as a sign of contradiction, calling his contemporaries back to a relationship with the Living God. Perhaps you are being called to follow in John’s footsteps today. (Mark 1:1-8)

**EPIPHANY’S WEB-SITE:** Epiphany’s web-site address is [wcepiphany.com](http://wcepiphany.com).

**EPIPHANY RELIGIOUS ARTICLES:** If anyone would like to purchase any religious articles they are located in the display case in the Parish Hall, please contact Carla Sorenson at 842-2359. Some of the items are backpack pulls, medals, key chains, visor clips, guardian angel pictures, rosaries, crucifixes, **special orders are available.**

**CONTRIBUTIONS:** Contributions last week in Watford City were \$4,101.26. Thank you!

*Perhaps the best yuletide decoration*

*Is each of us being wreathed in smiles.*

**WORD OF LIFE:** For all Catholics: May the real presence of Jesus in the Eucharist strengthen us in welcoming and protecting each human life; we pray to the Lord, couple to rekindle and grow in their love and experience the joys that come from this intimate weekend. The next available weekend is Sept. 15-17 in Alexandria, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information, visit [ndwwme.org](http://ndwwme.org) or contact Rob & Angie at 701-347-1998.

**BAKKEN OIL MINISTRIES:** Epiphany Women have this Thursday, November 9 to volunteer at the Thrift Store East of Watford City. The hours are between 1:00 and 5:00 p.m. Please keep this in mind as they need lots of help. Thank you!

**FAITH FORMATION CLASSES:** There will be regular Faith Formation Classes this Wednesday, November 8.

**CLOSING PRAYER:** May we always stay awake, alert, and ready for the return of Christ in glory. May we actively await Christ's coming in glory by serving Christ in each other.

**STEUBENVILLE ST. PAUL, 2018:** The Diocese of Bismarck Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry is coordinating a trip to Steubenville St. Paul, July 26-29, 2018 for youth in grades 8-12. This summer, the Diocese will coordinate a trip to the conference held on the campus of the University of St. Thomas in St. Paul MN. Cost for the trip is \$375 for participants and \$205 for chaperones. Deadline to register is December 15. Contact Carrie Davis, at 701-204-7208 or [cdavis@bismarckdiocese.com](mailto:cdavis@bismarckdiocese.com).



**ANNULMENTS:** The Tribunal of the Diocese of Bismarck assists Bishop David D. Kagan D.D., P.A., J.C.L., in his ministry to serve the people of our diocese. As a part of this ministry, the Office of Canonical Services is pleased to announce the implementation of an expanded service to this area. By way of video conferencing our tribunal staff is now available on a weekly basis to assist divorced Catholic and non-Catholic persons who may be seeking clarity and/or an explanation about the annulment process. GoToMeeting is a confidential and secure way to conduct online collaborative, face to face interviews and meetings between a tribunal auditor and anyone interested in the annulment process. An interview is recommended in order to begin the process. The purpose of the meeting would be to get a general overview of the basis for an annulment and to obtain the paperwork necessary to get the process started. Our secure and confidential sites are located at the Church of St. Wenceslaus, Dickinson; Church of Our Lady of Grace, Minot; and Church of St. Joseph, Williston. If you have any questions or wish to schedule an appointment, please call 701-204-7203 or toll free at 1-877-405-7435.

**PILGRIMAGE:** Msgr. Patrick Schumacher, Pastor of St. Wenceslaus, Dickinson ND invites you on an inspiring and enriching Pilgrimage to Lourdes, France! October 5-13, 2017 with travel from Bismarck, ND. For more information and Program details, visit [www.travelillumine.com/trc/pxy](http://www.travelillumine.com/trc/pxy) or contact the Parish Office at 701-225-3972.

€**NEW MEMBERS:** If you and your family are new to the Parish, please complete the New Member Form located at the back of the church and place in the collection basket. Thank you.

**PARISH ROME PILGRIMAGE:** This Thursday night, Feb. 14 at 7 p.m. Jerome Richter from the University of Mary will be visiting to give a presentation on the history of the Church in Rome. He is a very gifted teacher and presenter and he will have much information to share with you. After the presentation he will have information and answer any questions on the parish Rome pilgrimage we are doing in coordination with the University of Mary. The leaders of this pilgrimage will be Msgr. James Shea, president of the University of Mary and Jerome Richter, director of Public Affairs for the University. If you plan on attending the Rome pilgrimage it is very important that you attend this meeting. If possible, please bring your deposit and registration form as well. The spots are filling up very fast and a waiting list will start soon.

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