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ST. FRANCIS BORGIA
CATHOLIC PARISH

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www.borgiaparish.org

School
225 Cedar Street
636-239-2590 • (Fax) 636-239-3501
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Mass Schedule
Saturday: 8:00 am, Noon, 4:30 pm
Sunday: 7:00, 9:00, 11:00 am
Monday: 7:00 am
Tuesday: 7:00 am, 8:00 am (School Mass)
Wednesday: 7:00 am
Thursday: 7:00 am
Friday: 7:00 am, 7:00 pm

First Fridays: Grandview 10:00 am
Holy Days: Mass times will be listed in the Sunday bulletin.

Eucharistic Adoration
Tuesdays after 7:00 am Mass until Wednesday morning 6:45 am

First Friday Nocturnal Adoration & Benediction 6:30 pm in Church (unless stated in the bulletin)

Anointing of the Sick
After the 9:00 am Mass on Sunday. Other arrangements can be made by calling 636-239-6701
Fr. Joe at ext 1514 or
Fr. Buehler at ext 1513

Sacrament of Reconciliation
Tuesdays: After 7:00 am Mass
Saturdays: After 8:00 am Mass and from 3:30 till 4:15 pm

SFB Mission Statement
The Catholic Faith Community of St. Francis Borgia Parish strives to live according to the gospel through worship, education, and service, and to create a parish environment where all may feel welcome, affirmed, and part of this Christian family.

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Marriage Preparation

Call the Rectory or Parish Office at least six months before the wedding.

Baptism Preparation

Baptism class for new parents are done on an individual basis. Please call the parish office for more information (636-239-6701). Baptisms are celebrated every Sunday after the 11:00 am Mass.

Christian Initiation of Adults

For more information on becoming a Catholic, call Deacon Leon Noelker at the Parish Office.

Pre K-2nd Grade - Children's Liturgy of the Word

Children are dismissed at the beginning of Mass with volunteer catechists to reflect on the Gospel at different levels: Pre K-through grade 2. They return to their families after the homily.

Infants

Cry Room on west (right) side of sanctuary.

Food Pantry Hours

Mondays & Thursdays 4:00-5:30 pm (314 West 2nd Street).

SFB Parish Library

Located on the 1st Floor of Jesuit Hall in the Gold Room.

Prayer Tree

The members of the Prayer Tree express their love for their neighbor by praying each day in the comfort of their home for intentions that are given to them over the telephone. If you have an intention that needs prayers, please call Dot Filla (239-6463) or Janet Boland (239-4697). Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Prayer Tree Ministry, please contact one of these ladies.

Hospital Visits

Visits to our parishioners at Mercy Hospital in Washington are made twice a week, based on Fr. Wormek's & Fr. Buehler's schedule. In serious cases, and on weekends, contact Fr. Wormek or Fr. Buehler. We suggest that you call the parish office at 636-239-6701, for Fr. Wormek (ext. 1514) or Fr. Buehler (ext. 1513), if you or your family member is in the hospital, since the hospital is restricted from notifying the parish without your permission, and/or there may be a delay in updating your parish preference in the hospital computer. Call or leave a message at the above extensions. Also if you would like a priest or deacon to visit you at your home or bring you communion, please call the above number and extension.

Prayers for Expectant Mothers

If you or someone you know is expecting a child, and you'd like to have a rose placed on the altar as a reminder for prayers throughout the pregnancy, please contact the Pro-Life Committee at 390-8815. Ask for Jane Maune.

Cemetery Clean-up

March 1-15 and September 1-15.

Parish Office Hours

The parish office hours are 8 am till 5 pm, Monday through Friday, unless stated in the bulletin. There is normally someone available during the lunch hours, however, on occasion we may have to close at lunch due to special circumstances.

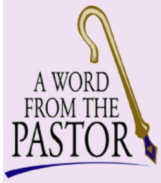
Parish Bulletin Deadline

Please submit bulletin information via e-mail to smichels@borgiaparish.org by 9:00 am on Monday.

St. Francis Borgia, Washington, MO #242400

Prayer Before Mass

Come Holy Spirit and quiet my heart and my head, as I gather with my friends and neighbors to celebrate Mass. I am saint and sinner. Open my ears to Your words. Open my mouth in prayer and song. Open my eyes to see Your mystery in symbol and sign. Open my heart in love for You and my neighbor. Quiet the thoughts and distractions that will keep me from prayer. Strengthen me to take the Mass into my life this week. Amen.



Notes from Fr. Joe Wormek

Today begins the Season of Advent for the Church. We have approximately 3 ½ weeks before Christmas. It is a challenge to make the Season of Advent Spiritual, and yet, that is what it supposed to be for us.

What is one aspect of your spiritual life which you would like to improve? Spend more quiet time to listen to the Lord? Read the little blue book which you picked up at church today? Read a few verses of the bible every day? Listen to one of the many internet messages for Advent? Pray the rosary or a decade of the rosary every day? Attend a week day Mass or Saturday morning Mass every week? Pray the morning offering every morning before you get busy? Say an Act of Contrition each night before you go to bed? These are just a few suggestions one could do to make a deeper spiritual life!

Thanks for all you do!

Fr. Joe Wormek

This weekend we welcome Mr. Travis Crotty from Kenrich-Glennon Seminary

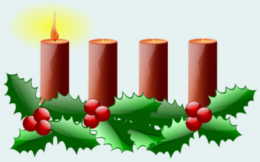
"Hello, My name is Travis Crotty. I am the oldest of three boys and grew up in a very small town in rural Northwest Iowa. I began considering seminary and a call to the priesthood during my sophomore year of high school. The witness of joyful priests at a Project Andrew dinner and the consideration of God's call in my life peaked my interest in the priesthood. I was blessed to attend Conception Seminary College for four years and graduated in 2015. In those years I learned a great deal about myself, formed some wonderful lasting friendships, and continued to grow in my relationship with God.

I spent the past year in Denver participating in the Spirituality Year at St. John Vianney Seminary culminating in a 30-day silent retreat. Now I am here at Kenrick beginning theology and looking forward to the graces the Lord will continue to bless me with."

Please make him feel at home.

THIS WEEK.....SUNDAY (12/2)

7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am | Masses
7:30 - 11:30 am | Ladies Breakfast Bazaar (GS Cafeteria)
6:00 pm | Advent by Candlelight (JH 3rd Floor)
6:00 pm | Teen Mass at SFBRHS Chapel



MONDAY - FRIDAY
6:30 am | Rosary
7:00 am | Mass

MONDAY (12/3)
4:00 - 5:30 pm | Food Pantry Open
7:00 pm | Grateful Hearts Prayer Meeting (Church))

TUESDAY (12/4)
After 7:00 am Mass | Confessions
8:00 am | School Mass (Church)
After 8:00 am Mass | Eucharistic Adoration until 6:45 am Wed.
8:00 am - 3:00 pm | Quilting (Middle School)
6:30 pm | Advent Family Night (GS Gym & Cafeteria)
6:30 pm | Cenacle of Divine Mercy (JH Library

WEDNESDAY (12/5)
7:45 am | Cenacle of Divine Mercy (JH Choir Room)
3:15 pm| Youth Choir Practice (JH Choir Room)
6:30 pm | No PSR (Grade School)
6:30 pm | Adult Choir Practice (JH Choir Room)

THURSDAY (12/6) ST. NICHOLAS DAY
7:45 am | Bible Study (JH Blessed Mother's Room)
4:00 - 5:30 pm | Food Pantry Open
6:30 pm | First Reconciliation (Church) & Reception (Choir Room)

FRIDAY (12/7)
10:00 am | First Friday Mass (Grandview)
6:00 pm | Christmas Movie Night (3rd Floor)
7:00 pm | Mass Vigil (Church)

SATURDAY (12/8) FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
8:00 am, 12 Noon & 4:30 pm | Masses
After 8:00 am Mass | Confession (Church)
3:30 - 4:15 pm | Confession (Church)
After 4:30 pm | BBQ Sales (Round Table) (JH Gathering Area)

SUNDAY (12/9)
7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 am | Masses
After Masses | Fellowship Sunday (JH Gathering Area)
After Masses | BBQ Sales (Round Table) (JH Gathering Area)
1:00 pm | Regional Grade School Christmas Band Concert (SFBRHS)
6:00 pm | Teen Mass at SFBRHS Chapel

Feast of the Immaculate Conception

(Holy Day of Obligation)
Friday, December 7 (Vigil) at 7:00 pm
Saturday, December 8 at 8:00 am & 12 Noon

We are doing some electric work in the school and looking for an electrician to put in an 800 AMP electrical panel in the boiler room. Contact Joe at jholtmeier@borgiagradeschool.org or call my office phone at 636-239-6701 Ext.1600.

Stewardship CORNER

Prayers of the Faithful

That we strengthen our relationship with Jesus through the sacrament of Reconciliation.

November 25, 2018

We are grateful for your continued support and sacrifice to our parish.

Sunday Offertory Total	$ 21,097.00
Sunday Offertory Envelopes	$ 14,746.00
Electronic Offering	$ 6,351.00
Year to Date Weekly Average	$ 22,543.00

ADDITIONAL THANKS

Loose Offering	$ 630.00
Food Pantry	$ 0.00
Building Maintenance	$ 245.00
Tuition Assistance	$ 80.00
Parish Endowment	$ 10.00

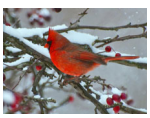
SPECIAL COLLECTIONS

Christmas Offering	$ 25.00
Christmas Flowers	$ 80.00
Seminary	$ 30.00
Immaculate Conception	$ 10.00
Solemnity of Mary	$ 10.00
Human Development	$ 55.00
Retirement for Religious	$ 60.00

HEARTFELT

Remember that God prefers the poverty of our hearts to the most sublime thoughts borrowed from others.

--St. Peter Julian Eymard



Winter Weather Worries

Winter weather is coming and that means ice and snow may make it difficult for some people to get to church. But parish bills keep growing during the winter, including increased heating costs and snow removal expenses. You can make sure your parish support doesn't stop just when we need it the most. Check out our simple, safe and secure online giving program at *www.borgiaparish.org.* Currently 35% of families are giving online. Please consider joining that growing number of dedicated givers! We are most grateful to all those who make every effort to give consistently whether electronically or through the weekly offering basket. It really helps us plan and meet our budget.

Stewardship Reflection

"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." LUKE 21:28

We celebrate Advent each year in preparation of the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await his second coming. In this Advent season, use the sacrament of Reconciliation to strengthen your relationship with Jesus. It's never too late.

Stewardship Is…

Scripture Based: All of the teachings of stewardship come directly from the Gospels, the Old Testament and the letters of the New Testament. Stewardship is not a new fad, or environmental word. Stewardship is the way God has expected His people to live since the beginning of time.

Dependence on God: Stewardship is recognizing that everything we have is a gift from God. We can take credit for nothing. Everything we have and everything we do is a result of some gift that God has placed into our hands.

Gratitude: Stewardship is living a life of gratitude – taking the time every day to recognize the gifts that God has given and to be grateful for them.

growing OUR FAITH THROUGH Generosity

Dynamic Catholic, *Alive!* – "Be Vigilant at all Times"

This phrase from the Gospel is another instance of the Lord calling us to be prepared for His visitation of the world. He is talking about His Second Coming, but we can also consider our preparation for the celebration of His Incarnation and Nativity as we journey through the season of Advent. The gospel discusses how we are often tempted to be involved in earthly affairs and to be consumed by the anxieties of daily life. We certainly must take care of the mundane tasks each day and provide for our families and ourselves. However, we must also constantly watch for the daily revelations of God in our lives. Every moment can be a moment of grace, in which we recognize the presence of God in another person, situation, or activity. As we begin the holy season of Advent, let our prayer be centered on being **in** the world but not **of** it. Let us challenge ourselves to wait with eager expectation for the coming of the Lord in the midst of difficulties and trials. Let us take concrete steps each day to be ready when our Savior comes to us in the vulnerable form of a little child.

Wedding Banns

II Maggie Noelke & Andy Mundwiller

Our Christmas Giving Tree has now begun! Thank you to all who have already taken their ornaments.

Just a reminder to attach the ornament to your gift, so that we can make sure all wishes are met. Please leave unwrapped gifts in the bins in the back of church or under one of the trees. Any monetary gifts may be taken to the Shop & Earn Window (Jesuit Hall) or to the parish office. We will use this money for any ornaments not taken from the trees or larger items.

Our ornaments are from the Pregnancy Assistance Center, Loving Hearts, SFB Food Pantry and our parish families.

You may contact Kathy or Walt Meyer with any questions at 636-667-0089. Thank you and God bless!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK of December 2

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: Is 29:17-24; Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14; Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20; Ps 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-6, 11-12; Lk 1:26-38
Sunday: Bar 5:1-9; Ps 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-6, 8-11; Lk 3:1-6

Please Pray For All Those Serving In Our Military and Especially For…

Travis Branson	Kelly Kosewicz	Bailey Scherer
Patrick Feldmann	Jessica K. Lamecker	Jamie Skornia
Eli Garcilaso	Derek Marquart	Ken Stallmann
Steve Hill	Jacob Maune	Alex Weick
John Heisler	Jeremy Nieder	Jacob Willett
Lindsay Heisler	John Rudlof	Shayne Yenzer

Pray For

Randy Alfermann
John Avooske
Marilyn Beanblossom
Scott Boland
Dorothy Bolzenius
Donna Kay Brown
Georgene Buchman
Betty Bueker
Millie Chisholm
Tom Comage
Andrea Dressel
Regina Dutkiewicz
Charles Eckelkamp
Sr. Michaelanne Estoup
Gertrude Filla
Cindy Finder
Ella Furjes
Keith Gansmann
Allen Gephardt
Rosalie Gerschefske
Tucker Hall
Mike Hamann
Carol Hellman
Ray Hilke
Marc Houseman
Sandra Highly
Richard Kandlbinder
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Jerry Kuenzel
Juanita Lauchstaedt
Leola Lohman
Sr. Reine Marie Martin
Mary Joan Piontek
Todd Ponder
Rose Marie Richardson
Wayne Richardson
Christine Robinson
Marian Schelich
Ashley Smith
Norma Stockhorst
Collin Warrender
Luella Weick
Ann Wessel
Mark Wessel
Kenneth Westhoelter
Patty Westhoelter
Dorothy Witthaus
Katie Wright

For all shut-ins and all those in nursing homes.

Mass Intentions

Sunday, December 2 *First Sunday of Advent*
7:00 am Ferdinand (Mike) & Marian Hoelscher
9:00 am Leo Unnerstall
11:00 am People of the Parish

Monday, December 3 St. Francis Xavier
7:00 am Ann Buchmann

Tuesday, December 4 St. John Damascene
7:00 am John "Jack" Post
8:00 am Intention of Jane Rhoda

Wednesday, December 5
7:00 am Mary Kay Stockhorst Neely

Thursday, December 6 St. Nicholas
7:00 am George Wingbermuehle
8:50 am (GS Chapel) Purgatorial Society

Friday, December 7 St. Ambrose, First Friday
7:00 am Peggy & Paul Sowa
10:00 am Lucille Piontek (Grandview)
7:00 pm Jane Filla

Saturday, December 8 *Immaculate Conception*
8:00 am People of the Parish
12:00 Noon Henriette Breintenbach
4:30 pm Intention of all priests

Sunday, December 9 *Second Sunday of Advent*
7:00 am People of the Parish
9:00 am Jerome Kluba
11:00 am Bill Mentz

California Wildfires Collection

To the Faithful of the Archdiocese of St. Louis,

Even as we are beginning to feel the joyful anticipation that comes with Advent, I know I speak for everyone in the Archdiocese of St. Louis when I say how saddened I am by the deaths and devastation caused by the current wildfires in northern California. I ask the Lord to carry those who are suffering and who have lost so much.

To help provide immediate and long-term aid to those impacted by this most recent natural disaster, I am asking our nearly 200 parishes in 11 counties to participate in a second collection at all Masses this coming weekend.

Catholic Charities of St. Louis will forward 100% of funds raised to Catholic Charities USA for distribution among the Catholic Charities agencies providing relief in the wildfire-impacted communities. I will be offering a Mass for those who have died in this tragedy, as well as their loved ones who are mourning.

I ask you to please join your prayers to mine for our neighbors who must now rebuild their lives.

Sincerely yours in Christ,
Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson Archbishop of St. Louis

The Four Last Things – Part 4 of 4: Heaven
By: Fr. Buehler

This is, admittedly, the hardest of the articles to write. The others are analogously closer to our experiences in this life, and so easier to talk about. But when it comes to heaven… even the greatest saints are rendered silent: not because there's nothing to say, but because even the most superlative language falls tragically short of the real grandeur, joy, life, majesty, abundance of heaven! Music, poetry, art – all these strain toward heaven as well, yet are ultimately frustrated in their deficiency. But with humility, and by the grace of God, let us at least try, so to provide some grist for a fruitful and encouraging contemplation.

(il Gesu, Rome, detail of the ceiling)

What is Heaven?
So often, when we try to understand heaven, we think of the things we enjoy in this life, but *more* so. How many eulogies have we heard about someone who loved golf now playing the greatest golf course in eternity? Or we flock to the latest book on a near death experience where someone has 'come back', which inevitably a few months later turns out to be a hoax. We long for it, we yearn for it to be real, we want assurance that our loved ones are there, we desire something more than the struggle of this life. We grasp at images that give us consolation. But are they true? They are good in that they represent the heart's yearning for something more! But what has God revealed to us?

I could cite dozens of Bible verses (which I encourage you to look up on your own time!) but many of them offer only tiny glimpses or bizarre imagery. But if we drill down to the heart of it, they reveal that heaven is nothing less than total union with God. It is why God made us in the first place! God is love, infinite and eternal. And out of love he created beings capable of receiving, returning, and entering into that love! (This is why hell is often described as the suffering of absolute loneliness.) In heaven, we are completely known and loved. And that is just the start! In heaven, all of our powers of knowing, desiring, feeling, experiencing, choosing are tuned to the highest pitch… and then God super(naturally)charges them to be like His! We will be utterly fulfilled in every conceivable way. The greatest joys of this life give glimpses, but ultimately are *nothing* compared to the infinite joy of seeing and being in union with God.

Thimble or a Tub?
Will everyone be equally happy in heaven? Well, no. Everyone is completely fulfilled, but not to the same extent. Maybe you've heard the analogy of different sized containers. "My holy grandma is a full bucket, Mother Teresa is a full bathtub, and I'm hoping for a thimble." A different analogy is that of the exquisitely played symphony: a world-class composer and an ordinary man can both attend, and both can exclaim, "It's beautiful!" But the composer's joy is greater, as he is better able to follow the sublime perfection of every measure, movement and note.

What will be the measure of our joy in heaven? ***How much have we strived to cooperate with grace in this life?*** This life is a time of preparation. It's not about 'wanting God'. It's about making a decision and striving in every area of our life, in every action we take, to live for God! This, if done truly, is the furthest thing from boring.

Conclusion?
There's so much more to be said, and I've received a lot of great questions from people in the course of these articles. Thank you for asking! In trying to keep these articles to one page, I had to omit some things, and shorten my descriptions of others. My hope was to whet the appetite to look into it more for yourself! Maybe a follow-up article will be written to address some, so please feel free to contact me with questions.

Ultimately, these things should be brought to our prayerful conversation with God, for this cannot stay in the head, but has to make it to the heart.

God bless you, and let's encourage one another as we strive together for heaven!

Protecting God's Children Workshop

Tuesday, December 11 at 6:30 pm in the Franciscan (green) room of Jesuit Hall. To register online, go to www.Borgiaparish.org. If you have any questions about the workshop call Ann Kopp at 636-390-3861 or akopp@borgiaparish.org or call the parish office at 636-239-6701.

Hearts A Fire continuing study program for 10 weeks by Fr. Michael Gaitley MIC on "The One Thing is Three". Starting January 15 to March 19. Call Kathy A. Meyer, 239-7626 if interested. Morning or evening groups will be available. Come join us in this Study of Wisdom and the Works of Mercy.

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Parish Breakfast

Sunday, December 16, 2018

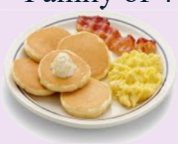
7:30 till 11:00 a.m.

Grade School Cafeteria (225 Cedar Street)

Menu

Bacon
Bone-In-Ham
Scrambled Eggs
Hash Browns
Pancakes
Cinnamon Rolls
Fruit
Coffee
Milk & Juice

Adults $6.00
(6 years and under eat free)
Family of 4 or more - $18.00



Sponsor: Jim & Mary Obermark

Benefits: St. Francis Borgia 8th Grade ProLife Trip

Items Needed for the Holiday Bazaar

Donations of baked items (Christmas stolen, breads, cakes, pies, cookies, etc.) are needed for the bake stand. Also items for the fancy stand would be greatly appreciated (potholders, embroidered tea towels, Christmas stockings, Christmas kitchen items, crafts, etc. You may bring the items on Sunday, December 2. All donations are appreciated. Thanks.

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Holiday Breakfast & Bazaar

Sunday, December 2nd

7:30 AM to 11:00 AM
SFBGS Cafeteria

Adults: $8
Children (6-12): $4
Under 6: Free

Homemade Cinnamon and Dinner Rolls
Pork Sausage, Bone-in Ham
Scrambled Eggs & Drinks

Baked Goods, Fancy Work, Quilt Stand

Sponsored by SFB Ladies Sodality

New this year at the Bazaar... Quilters have made Mizzou fleece wraparounds (two layers) and a large embroidered dish towels. The ladies will also be selling cemetery cones. Come check it out.

SFB Ladies Sodality Christmas Luncheon

Christmas Holiday Luncheon on Wednesday, December 19 at 1:00 pm for members and guests, followed by our regular monthly meeting. Cost per person is $5.00. Please make reservations by calling Joyce Kelly, Sodality President, at 636-239-5541, or Marie Johnson, Sodality Treasurer at 636-239-1955, before December 10.

FORMED PICK

Prepare the Way of the King

By Dr. Scott Hahn

Ready Your Heart this Advent

Your Advent journey will take on new meaning as you prepare your heart for the birth of our Lord. This illuminating presentation is sure to help you grow in appreciation of the greatest gift ever given to mankind—Jesus Christ.

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"Just what I needed for this Advent!"

—Leslie H., Veneta, OR

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Dear Parish Families,

We hope you'll join us for Advent Family Night, December 4th, as we prepare our hearts for Advent.

Advent means "arrival." In the season of Advent, the church prepares to celebrate the coming of Jesus. We recall the past, celebrate the present, and look to the future with hope. We prepare to celebrate not only the birth of Jesus ,but also his presence in our family. We wait for the return of the Lord at the end of time when all hopes will be fulfilled. We await the coming of the light that will shine in the darkness, shining light on our path to peace.

Your partner in learning and faith,
Mrs. Pahl, Principal

A WONDERFUL ADVENT EVENING
FOR ALL PARISH FAMILIES
WITH CHILDREN!

TUESDAY
DEC 4

6:30 - 7:30 PM
SCHOOL GYM

NEW THIS YEAR!
NATIVITY PRESENTATION BY
KINDERGARTEN AND 1ST GRADE STUDENTS
6:30 PM

RSVP REQUESTED:
HTTP://BIT.LY/BORGIA-ADVENTFAMILYNIGHT-RSVP

Second Graders will be making their First Reconciliation on December 6, 2018. Please keep them in your prayers.

Laura Becker
Rylee Bieker
Gunnar Cain
Avery Clark
Zoey Downey
Ray Frankenberg
Hudson Gildehaus
Holly Huchowski
Vivian Kessler
Tanner Kohlbusch
Nolan Margherio
Jaxon Marquart
Audrey Martin
Logan Maune
Reid Meyer
Nicholas Niemeyer
Riley Obermark
Caleb Pich
Joseph Polizzi
Millie Roetheli
Tyler Schroeder
Leo Schulte
Ryan Wilmoth

Save the date

Grade School Trivia Night on February 2, 2019 at Jesuit Hall 3rd Floor. More information to follow.

SFBGS Home and School presents.....

Family Movie Night

Featuring "The Star"

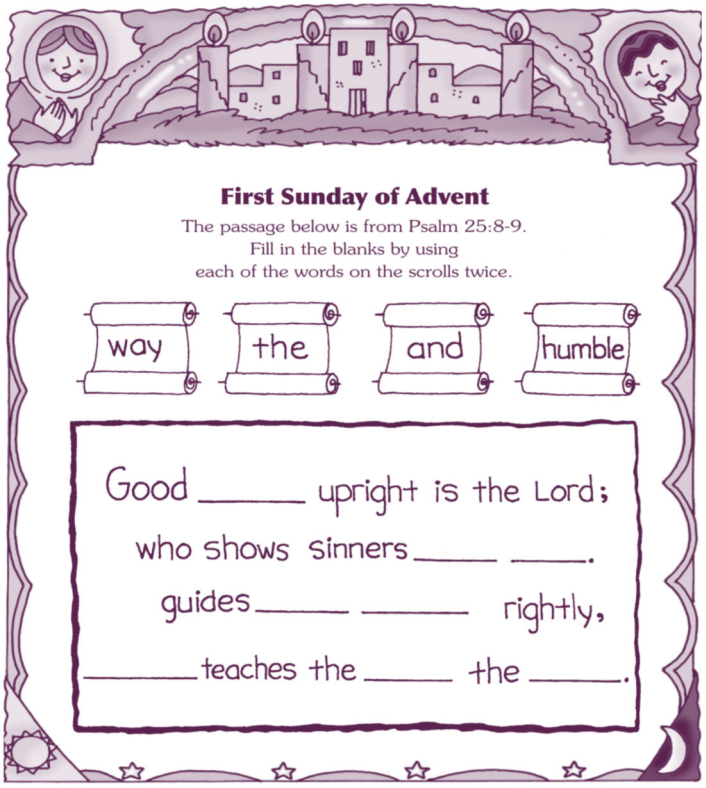
December 7, 2018

Jesuit Hall Third Floor

Events Start : 6pm Popcorn, Cookies, Hot Chocolate and Water with Santa and Mrs. Claus

Movie starts around 6:30pm

Fun Family FREE event!



First Sunday of Advent

The passage below is from Psalm 25:8-9.
Fill in the blanks by using
each of the words on the scrolls twice.

way | the | and | humble

Good _____ upright is the Lord;
who shows sinners _____ _____.
guides _____ _____ rightly,
_____ teaches the _____ the _____.

EXTRAORDINARY MINISTERS ~ DECEMBER 8-9

4:30 pm Mass	7:00 am Mass	9:00 am Mass	11:00 am Mass
G. Marquart	J. Voss	C. Piontek	C. Bleckman
J. Derner	K. Voss	C. Piontek	J. Kelly
J. Derner	R. Kloeppinger	G. Skornia	K. Kleekamp
M. Filla	C. Parmentier	B. Schulze	C. Oldenburg
B. Fagin	C. Parmentier	L. Wilson	D. Oldenburg
L. Noelker	T. Reis	T. Wilson	D. Shirley

If you are unable to attend Mass on your scheduled Saturday or Sunday, PLEASE FIND A SUBSTITUTE.

SERVER SCHEDULE DECEMBER 8-9

December 7
7:00 pm Volunteers needed (Contact Fr. Buehler)

December 8
8:00 am Adult servers
Noon Volunteers needed (Contact Fr. Buehler)
4:30 pm H. Zeitzmann, O. Bruckerhoff, A. Steffens

December 9
7:00 am J. Schwaller, M. Filla
9:00 am N. Schulze, S. Sullentrup, A. Perriman
11:00 am L. Beaman, J. Clark, K. Snider

FOOD PANTRY
December 3-6

Monday, December 3
R. Tobben, D. Tobben, L. Ehler, F. Filla, F. Dolan, J. Dolan

Thursday, December 6
B. Conroy, J. Conroy, M. Hillermann, C. Heimann, J. Kelly, R. Caragine, P. Schonberger, E. Marquart, T. Bocklage

Thank You for your continued support of the Food Pantry.

For more information contact Ron at foodpantry@borgiaparish.org

ENCORE SCHEDULE ~ December 3-8

Shop for all your holiday fashions and home decorating needs!

Mon	10:00-1:30	L. Sellmeyer, K. Kohne
	1:30—5:00	S. Mades
Tues.	10:00-1:30	L. Aholt, W. Roderique
	1:30-5:00	D. Frankenberg
Wed.	10:00-1:30	C. Elbert, M. Buchheit
	1:30-5:00	B. Unnerstall
Thurs.	10:00-1:30	M.J. McDonald, T. Unnerstall
	1:30 - 5:00	D. Brinkmann, D. Hillermann
Fri.	10:00-1:30	N. Schaefer, B. Frankenberg
	1:30-5:00	Open
Sat.	10:00-3:00	L. Shelton, J. Schuler

Reminder - Christmas Breakfast on Wednesday, December 5 at 8:30 am, Jesuit Hall 3rd Floor.

SHOP & EARN NEWS
Week of November 26, 2018

Total Sales $14,350.00
Tuition Credit ..... $ 319.92
Total For School Operating Budget ..... $ 319.92

5 Return ● 46 Parish Family Orders ● 25 Online Orders

Bonuses: Shutterfly 2.75% (December 7)
Applebees 3%, Barnes & Noble 4.75%, Bass Pro 3.75%, Cabela's 3.75%, Home Depot 3%, Lowes's 2% (December 1-14)

SHOP & EARN WORKERS

Saturday, December 8
8:00 - 10:15 am K. Cunningham
5:30 - 6:00 pm L. Buhr

Sunday, December 9
8:00 - 10:15 am J. Kelly
10:15 am - 12:15 pm C. Stelzer

Need volunteers, can you help?
3rd Saturday from 8:00-9:30 am
5th Sunday from 8:00-10:15 am
Also for someone to solicit new businesses. No computer work!
For more info. contact Missy Frankenberg at 636-432-2299 or Email shopandearn@borgiaparish.org

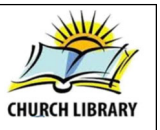
Shop & Earn Hours
Sun: 8:00 am - 12:15 pm (Jesuit Hall Gathering Area)
Mon-Thurs: 8:00 am - 5:00 pm (Notre Dame Hall)
Fri: 8:00 am - 4:00 pm (Notre Dame Hall)
Sat: 8:00 - 9:30 am & 5:30 - 6:30 pm (Jesuit Hall Gathering Area)

Last Day to order on white form is Monday, December 17 at 9:30 am Notre Dame Hall. No exceptions!! Last day to buy from inventory is Sunday, December 23, 8:00 am -12:00 in Jesuit Hall Gathering Area.

Choir Trip to NYC (June 14-19, 2019)

Looking for additional 12-16 people to fill our trip. For more information contact Kathy Haddox at 636-390-1833 or kcjos@yahoo.com or check the parish website www.borgiaparish.org.

SFB Library Book Review



Book: Advent & Lent Activities For Children
By: Shiela Kielly, Sheila Geraghty

Bells, birds, and Boxing Day...manger, maji, and mistletoe... piggy bank, pretzels, and purple cloth... wassail, water, and the traditional yule log. In this fascinating collection, authors Shiela Kielly and Sheila Geraghty explore many of the customs and traditions surrounding the season of Advent, Lent , etc.

Borgia Parish Library is located on the street level entrance of Jesuit Hall. We have so many wonderful books & DVD's to assist you on your Faith Journey. Check it out!

Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe

Friday, December 14

5:30 pm - Rosary
6:00 pm - Spanish/English Mass
St. Francis Borgia Church

Reception will follow the Mass in Jesuit Hall on the 3rd Floor
(100 Cedar Street)

ProLife & Roundtable News

The ECAMRL **free movie** for Thurs, December 13 will be "Silent Night". It is the story of how this most popular Christmas carol had its origin. Hot chocolate and popcorn will be available. It will be in the Franciscan (Green Room) on the lower level of Jesuit Hall after the monthly Rosary for Fatima which begins at 1 p.m. in the Church.

Round Table will be selling Pork Steaks and Pork Burgers after all Masses next weekend.

The Roundtable is looking for volunteers to help them with their service hours to the needy in our parish. If you have a talent in carpentry, plumbing, electrical work, painting, sewing, landscaping, or can just help with yard cleaning, transportation needs. cleaning, etc. please consider volunteering a few hours per month. We have contributed more than 10,000 service hours since we started 5 years ago, but some of us are not able to do what we once could! Call Bill Gegg at 636-283-5030 or email: bill.gegg@att.net if you can offer your talent. We don't do major jobs; just small jobs.

Christmas Party

Knights of Columbus Fr. Seisl Council 1121 Children's Christmas Party will be on **Sunday, December 9** from 3:00-5:00 pm at the Washington KC Hall in the main hall. Join us for an afternoon making a Christmas craft, decorating cookies and visiting with Santa. Afterwards enjoy a chicken or pork steak plate and relax in the lounge.

Christmas Concert

Washington Brass Band will have their annual concert on **Sunday, December 9** at 3:00 pm at the Washington City Park Auditorium.

Upcoming Community EVENTS

Breakfast (St. Vincent, Dutzow)

Sunday, December 2 at St. Vincent Dining Hall serving from 8:30-11:30 am. Bacon, ham, sausage, scrambled eggs, biscuits & gravy, hash browns, pancakes, cinnamon rolls. Adults $9, Children (6-11) $3., Children 5 and under are free.

Burger Knight (K of C Washington)

Knights of Columbus Fr. Seisl Council 1121 is having a Pro Life Burger Night which benefits the Council Pro Life efforts on **Thursday, December 6**, 5:30-8:00 pm at the Washington KC Hall.

ECAMRL Meeting

The ECAMRL monthly meeting for November was cancelled due to inclement weather. It is rescheduled for **Thursday, Dec. 6,** 7:00 p.m. , Blessed Mother Room (old Orange Room) in Jesuit Hall. All newcomers are welcome. We will be voting for new officers at this meeting.

KC Auxiliary Party

KC Ladies Auxiliary Council 1121 will be having their Christmas party on **Tuesday, Dec 4**, at the KC Hall, for members and 1 guest. Cocktails @ 5:30, Dinner @ 6:00. Call Susan Wilson, as soon as possible, at 636-239-3756 to make a reservation. Please bring a dish to share, A-H – Salad, I-Q – Vegetable, R-Z – Dessert