

# Second Sunday of Advent



**December 8, 2019**

*“O people of Sion, behold,  
The Lord will come to save nations,  
And the Lord will make the glory of his voice heard  
In the joy of your heart.”  
cf. Isaiah 30:19,30*

*Pray for the sick of our parish & community..  
Oremos por los enfermos de nuestra parroquia &  
comunidad..*

Barbara Bess	Cindy Haan	Jack Seurnyck
Pauline Buchholz	Janet Hathaway	Terry Tatman
John Eberle	Peter Kerkove	Cecile Wilimitis
Lorane Eberle	Betty Kremer	Juan Ovalle
Marie Butcher	Linda Martin	Madison Riley
Laura Yoder	Carol Musser	Geoff Keyes
Rodger James	Sean Mylet	Judy Mang
Stephanie Willy	Sue Nipple	Dan Houston
David Alvarez	Joyce Sullivan	Glady Murphy
Matt Weber	Vicki Hartman	Willard Merkel
Connie Meyer	Reynalda Martinez	Denise Lamb
Ron Metzinger	Gina Hemersbach	Jack Jones

*Prayer*   
Request

*\*\*\*To be added or removed  
from the prayer list please  
contact the parish office at :  
765-564-2407 or  
office@stjosephdelphi.org*

## Mass Schedule & Intentions

**Monday December 9**

8:30 a.m. – †Steve Meyer

**Tuesday December 10**

5:30 p.m.– Int. Schoenstatt Families &  
Benefactors

**Wednesday December 11**

**NO MASS**

**Thursday December 12**

8:30 a.m. – Int. Kathi Shriner

**Friday December 13**

6:45 a.m.– † Mary Clifford

**Saturday December 14**

5:00 p.m.– Int. Tammy Metzinger

**Sunday December 15**

9:00 a.m. – Int. Connie Meyer

11:30 a.m. - St. Joseph Parish

## Schedule of Events

**Monday December 9**

10:30 a.m. - Mass at St. E. Healthcare

**Tuesday December 10**

6:30 a.m. - Mass at St. E. Healthcare

**Wednesday December 11**

10:30 a.m.– Mass at St. E Healthcare

**Thursday December 12**

10:30 a.m. - Mass at St. E Healthcare

**Friday December 13**

10:30 a.m. - Mass at St. E. Healthcare

**Saturday December 14**

10:30 a.m. - Mass at St E Healthcare

6:00 p.m. - **Marian Re-Consecration  
Party**

**Sunday December 15**

10:30 a.m. - Mass at St E. Healthcare

# St. Joseph Community News

## THE RIGHT KIND OF EXPECTATION

The feeling of expectation lies at the very core of the season of Advent. The word Advent itself means “coming” or “arrival” – which immediately gives the sense that something is about to happen. During these few weeks, we focus on the ways that Jesus comes to us: by preparing to celebrate the past event of his first coming as a baby in Bethlehem; by looking to the future, the day on which he will come a second time as our judge; and by building an awareness of the manner in which he comes to us in the present moment. Our task is to stir up a longing to receive him in the varied ways he enters our lives – that attentiveness is what our Advent expectation is all about.

However, as you are aware, the word “expectation” has another, quite different meaning. Far from an eager anticipation, “expectation” also refers to our own set of standards and benchmarks to which we demand that others measure up. Expectations in this sense are the limits and rules that we place on others: how they ought to act, how they should meet our needs, how they should appear, speak, or think. These expectations impose terms on our relationships. Now, expectations in this sense are not all bad – for example, a wife should be able to expect that her husband love her, sacrifice his own good for her at times, and do acts of service for her (all within reason, obviously). But we all have had experiences when others’ expectations of us went too far, or were unrealistic, or suffocated the possibility any authentic relationship with them.

My question for you this Advent is: Which type of expectation do you show toward Christ in your life? Is it the expectation that recognizes that he, the infinite God, chooses to come to live in communion with you – and that strives to build an awareness of the small, almost-imperceptible ways that he is present, speaking to you, calling you to holiness, and acting in your life? Or is it the type of expectation that renders a relationship with him impossible: that he come to you precise in “this” or “that” way, that he enter your life purely on your terms, that he disrupt nothing of the comfortable routine of your faith, and that he leave the demands of the Gospel along with his shoes at the door?

The first type of expectation gives more freedom to Christ. It allows him to act in a way outside of the limits of our own mind – through difficulty and suffering, even – and it sees him in the unexpected. What a joy it is to find him there, precisely in the unexpected! How it changes the horizons of our lives and expands the limitations of our souls!

The second type of expectation demands freedom for ourselves. Those expectations close off our souls to the transformative action of Christ because they allow nothing that falls outside the comfortable limits that we have deigned to grant Him. And the result is precisely what we want: we remain within the narrow confines of our own souls, trapped in the isolation of our own expectations while Jesus stands knocking at the door.

What a fearful and trusting thing it is to have the right kind of expectation this Advent. But what joy to have it, too – to pray, “Come, Lord Jesus!” – and to be open to discovering the treasure that we find in the unexpected ways that he comes to a soul who gives him the freedom he needs to transform it.

~Fr. Clayton

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The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring their annual **Keep Christ in Christmas** poster contest. There is a prize awarded to the winner.



While some people think this means the word “xmas” should revert to our original “Christmas,” the poster contest is really about how we can make the Christmas season less secular (commercial) and more holy, and family oriented. Christmas is not just a single day. As Catholics, we celebrate a whole season, which starts on December 25. As a family, discuss ways that you can keep Christ in the Christmas season and make a poster entry for the contest. While you are at it, discuss how we can better celebrate the season of Advent- a beautiful season of waiting for the birth of Christ.



Entries are due December 8 to Rod Butcher in the 5th grade classroom.

## Adopt a Resident at the Carroll Manor or the Delphi CDC Group Homes

The Altar and Rosary Society will be sponsoring a Christmas Dessert Bar at Carroll Manor on December 16 from 6:30 p.m. to 7:30 p.m.

In addition to the Dessert Bar and Christmas carols, we will be sponsoring the residents by giving them a Christmas present. If you would like to “adopt a resident” and to provide them with a gift this Christmas season, please sign the sign-up sheet at the entrance of church and take an ornament with the resident’s name on it. Suggestions for each resident will be on the back of the ornaments. Place the ornament on the wrapped gift.

In order to ensure everyone gets a gift, please give gifts to Ann Minnicus, Kim Minnicus, or Tammy Metzinger before December 15. If you will be attending the Christmas Dessert Bar, please bring your gift with you. Do not take gifts directly to Carroll Manor...the residents open gifts immediately and we want all to have a present to unwrap.

Everyone is invited to attend the party. No RSVP is required...bring a dessert to share.

Merry Christmas.  
- Altar & Rosary Society



Si usted necesita el sacramento de Bautizo y/o Matrimonio porfavor llame a la oficina para mas informacion.

Oficina de Nuestra Parroquia:  
765.564.2407 O email of-  
fice@stjosephdelphi.org

## Re-consecration Party

“Re-consecration Party “on December 14, after the 5pm Saturday Mass. That day, we will have the opportunity to stay after Mass for a while to renew our consecration together and then go across the street to the old Methodist church to celebrate once more and to share some of the graces that we have seen in our lives over the past year.

Re-consecrate yourself to Our Lady at the weekend Masses on December 14-15.



## Fiesta de re-consagración

“Fiesta de re-consagración” el 14 de diciembre, Después de la misa del sábado a las 5 p.m.

Ese día, tendremos la oportunidad de quedarnos después de la misa por un tiempo para renovar nuestra consagración juntos y luego cruzar la calle hacia la iglesia metodista para celebrar una vez más y compartir algunas de las gracias que hemos visto en nuestras vidas durante el año pasado.

Vuelva a consagrarse a Nuestra Señora en las Misas de fin de semana del 14 al 15 de diciembre.

The collection total for December 1, 2019

**\$ 3,928.40**

El total de la colecta para el 1 de diciembre del 2019  
Thank you!



THE FRASSATI SOCIETY PRESENTS  
THE FIFTH ANNUAL  
**CASSOCK CLASSIC**  
PRIESTS VS. SEMINARIANS

A graphic showing a silhouette of a priest in a cassock and a seminarian in a white shirt and black cassock, facing each other with 'VS' between them, set against a background of a soccer field.

**JANUARY 3**  
**GUERIN CATHOLIC**

5:00 PM DOORS OPEN | 6:15 PM TIP-OFF  
\$5 PER PERSON | \$20 PER FAMILY  
TICKETS MAY BE PURCHASED AT THE DOOR

# St. Joseph Community News

## DECEMBER LITURGICAL MINISTERS

### Eucharistic Ministers

5:00 pm - Sharon Rettig & Denise Craig  
9:00 am - Scot & Becky Price, Kay Seurnyck

### Commentators & Readers

5:00 pm - Commentor: Kelly Studebaker  
Reader: Larry Banks  
9:00 am - Commentor: The Hickner Family  
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Registration for the **2020 Destination Jesus high school retreat**, to be held February 14-16 and hosted by Our Lady of Mt. Carmel (Carmel), will open in early December. Information will be posted at DestinationJesus.org; contact Lou Paiz for details.

Please come to the Schoenstatt Holy Hour with Fr. Cassian Sama, O.P. in St. Thomas Aquinas Church on Tuesday, December 17, 2019, at 7:00 p.m. It will include adoration, rosary, homily, and benediction.

## ROSARY WALK

On Wednesday, December 18 at 1 p.m., come walk and pray!

Join us for a "Rosary Walk" at the Outdoor Schoenstatt Wayside Shrine.

Look for our Billboard on Highway 421 just north of Old 25 in Delphi.

It's the perfect gift you can give our Blessed Mother.



## Misa para un ser querido

Si usted gusta ofrecer una misa para un ser querido puede llenar un sobre con la informacion, una ofrenda de \$10 dolares y poner el sobre en la canasta de la colecta.

(Por favor, ponga la ofrenda dos semanas  
Antes o pongase en contacto con Iris )

Los sobres se encuentran en la entrada de la iglesia.

## A Commitment to Protect

If you have any concerns regarding abuse, sexual or otherwise by church personnel please contact:

Doris May  
Victim Assistance Minister & Head of Pastoral Response Team  
(765) 464-4988

## Lectores

Dic 8: Adriana Martinez  
Dic 15: Claudia Moreno  
Dic 22: Carlos  
Dic 29: Sandra D



## ALTAR SERVERS FOR DECEMBER

### **December 8th**

5:00 Mass  
Alex Studebaker  
9:00 Mass  
Alison O'Brien  
Mallory O'Brien

### **December 29th**

5:00 Mass  
Alex Studebaker  
9:00 Mass  
Volunteer

### **December 15th**

5:00 Mass  
Alex Studebaker  
9:00 Mass  
Mary Kate Iunghuhn  
Seth Sullivan  
Luke Meek

### **December 22nd**

5:00 Mass  
Alex Studebaker  
Volunteer  
9:00 Mass  
Allison O'Brien  
Mallory O'Brien  
Volunteer



## **ALTAR SERVERS**

## MINISTERIOS DE LA EUCARISTIA

Dic 8: Julian Hernandez & Wendy Espindola  
Dic 15: Irene Quiroz & Nora Hernandez  
Dic 22: Fermín Sanchez & Carolina Raya  
Dic 29: Rodolfo Morales & Yolanda Tovar

## Ushers for December

Dec 7: Joe Seurnyck & Jeff Craig  
Dec 8: Jon Zink & Brent Lanoue  
Dec 14: Pat Leahy & Joe O'Donnell  
Dec 15: Joe Hann & Scot Price  
Dec 21: Dave Miller & Jim Walker  
Dec 22: Kevin Bender & Wayne Killian  
Dec 24: TBA  
Dec 24: Jeff Craig & The Bender Family (Midnight)  
Dec 25: Kent & Kane Zimpher  
Dec 28: Jerry Minnicus & David Barnard  
Dec 29: Matt & Dean Iunghuhn