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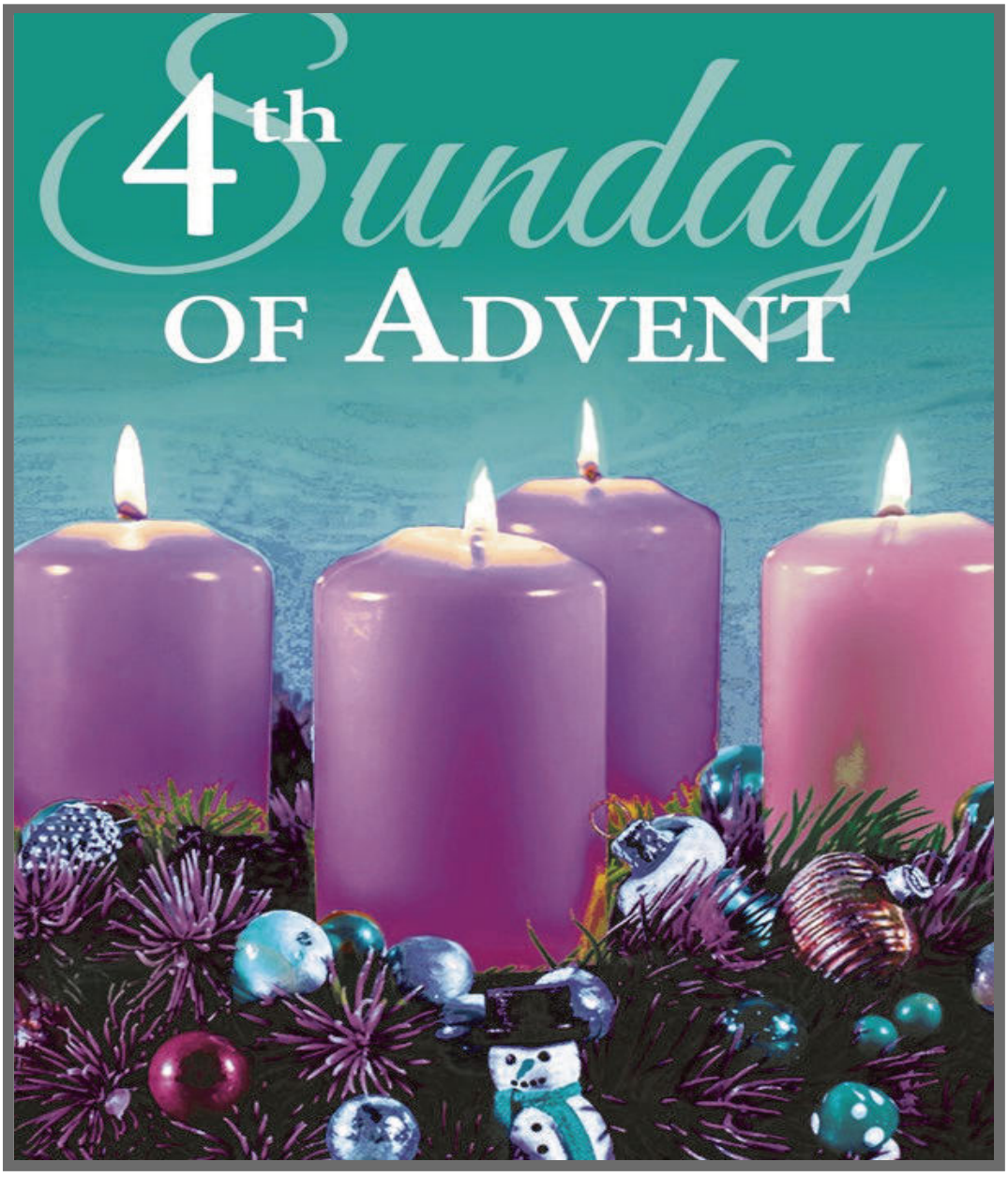

Weekend Confession Times

Holy Family: Saturday 3:30 pm to 3:45 pm
St Anthony: Saturday 6:00 pm to 6:20 pm
St Mary: Sunday 8:00 am to 8:15 am.

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Parish Mass Schedules

Saturday, 4:00 PM
Holy Family, Willard

Saturday, 6:30 PM
St. Anthony, Loyal

Sunday, 8:30 AM
St. Mary, Greenwood

Sunday, 10:30 AM
St. Anthony, Loyal

If There Was Time to Say Just One Thing

If I knew there was only one minute left for us to talk to each other and after that minute we would never again see each other in this world, what would be the one thing I would most want to say to you and to hear you say to me?

"I love you," of course. But also, "I forgive you." Because love has enemies, and forgiveness destroys all those enemies.

Jesus taught forgiveness is so important that He made our salvation depend on it. He made us pray, "God, forgive us our wrongs *just as much as* we forgive those who have wronged us."

So I ask your forgiveness for neglecting you, misunderstanding you, not trying harder, not taking more responsibility for your lives, and not sharing with you more of my feelings, dreams, and wisdom (whatever that may be). Despite all that, I have always loved you, I always will, and I know you know that. I also know you love me and forgive me for all my faults. I know you accept my forgiveness for all the little stupid things you've done. (Welcome to the human race.)

You've really been wonderful, lovable, beautiful kids. You give us far, far less trouble and much more love than most kids do today. You deserve to be loved more than you are and that's one of the reasons I'm glad there's a God – because He can do that even when I can't.

Excerpt from Peter Kreeft's *Before I Go*

Mass times for Christmas will be as follows:

24th December @ 4:00pm Holy Family
@ 6:00pm St Anthony
@ 8:00pm St Mary
25th December @ 9:00am St Anthony

MASS SCHEDULE *SA=ST. ANTHONY, SM=ST. MARY, HF=HOLY FAMILY*

Monday, December 19
For All Parishioners
Tuesday, December 20
Fr. Emmanuel offers privately † Jim & Arlene Lindner by family/friends
Wednesday, December 21
8:15 am SA Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Dorothy Weyer by family/friends
Thursday, December 22
8:15 am SM Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Ralph & Pat Smrecek by family/friends
Friday, December 23
8:15 am SA Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Dennis Wehe by Dorothy Wehe Nesbit
Saturday, December 24
4:00 pm HF Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Tom & Tony Morrow by Don & Judy Morrow
6:00 pm SA Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Ed, Genevieve, Bob & Eugene Schmidt by family
8:00 pm SM Fr. Emmanuel Mass † John Briski & Przybylski family by Florence Briski
Sunday, December 25
9:00 am SM Fr. Emmanuel Mass † Tony & Evelyn Schober by loving family

Please hold in prayer those enduring serious illness in our parishes: Dennis Bangart, Laurie (Plautz) Zamarripa, Matt Lindner, Kendall Schmidt, Verlyn Randt, Martha Hoffarth, Verlyn Rollins, Connie Milz, Stella Brzezinski, Geri Syth, Judy Loberg, Dan Coughlin, Jack Abel, Mark Lezotte, Pat Koszuth, Jim Arch, Audrey Gregorich and Rod Blazvick.

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Holy Family Parish
For Saturday, December 10, 2022
Adult……..…$ 355.00
Plate……..…..$ 60.00
Total…….....$ 415.00

St. Mary Parish
For Sunday, December 11, 2022
Adults……..$ 1,473.00
Plate……..…$ 146.00
Online……..$ 160.00
Total……...$1,779.00

St. Anthony Parish
For weekend, December 10/11, 2022
Adults……..$3,111.00
Plate……..……$ 144.65
Online……..$ 796.00
Total……$4,051.65

St. Anthony PCCW Red Cookbooks are available at Fourmens, House of Spirits or call Mary Kay Behnke at 715-897-5227.

Thank you to all for the many prayers said for me for a successful surgery. Surgery went better than expected and I am doing well.
Thank you again. Mike Bauer

SCHOOL NEWS

St. Anthony School

Wednesday, December 21: Children's Mass 8:15 and
Reveal Secret Advent Angels
Thursday, December 22: Last day of school before Christmas break
Tuesday, January 3: School resumes
Please continue to add food to your box or bag for the Reverse Advent Calendar Food Drive. When your bags are full, please drop them off at church by December 18. Thank you!
Scrip and STP calendars are being sold after Mass or you may contact the school office, 715-255-8636. Thank you for supporting our school!

ST. ANTHONY SERVERS

Saturday, Dec 24; 6:30 pm: Raelyn Rueth, Kim & Mike Walter
Sunday, Dec 25: 10:30 am: Payten &Wyatt Wolf, Lennox Morrow

ST. MARY LITURGICAL ROLES

Sunday, December 25 at 8:30 AM
Lector: Monica Ruzic
Eucharistic Ministers: Joyce Rondorf & Florence Briski
Greeter: Dick Schmitz

The 6:30 P.M. Saturday Mass at St. Anthony Church is also livestreamed and can be viewed on our website, https://stanthonyloyal.org or our YouTube channel: Life in Light SASMHF

WEEKLY READINGS

Readings for the week of December 18, 2022

Sunday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [7c, 10b]/Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24
Monday:	Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17/Lk 1:5-25
Tuesday:	Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
Wednesday:	Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
Thursday:	1 Sm 1:24-28/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Lk 1:46-56
Friday:	Mal 3:1-4, 23-24/Ps 25:4-5ab, 8-9, 10 and 14/Lk 1:57-66
Saturday:	*Morning*: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16/Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27 and 29/Lk 1:67-79
Next Sunday:	*Vigil*: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 *Night*: Is 9:1-6/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14 *Dawn:* Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 *Day*: Is 52:7-10/ Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

ST MARY'S CHOIR: Time to join our voices again for the Christmas season. Choir practices will be held at 7pm on Sunday, Dec 18. Come join us!

Glory and Praise Missals. You may give a donation in memory of, or sponsor a book in someone's honor for $25.00. A sticker with the appropriate information will be inserted into a book. These books stay in church to be used year to year. You may put the money and the information into an envelope and leave in the collection basket with the name of the parish on the outside of the envelope. Thank you!

Mass Intentions. You are encouraged to ask for Mass intentions for your loved ones. The Mass Stipend is $10.00 per Mass. Please remember, you can request a Mass for anyone, regardless of religion.

Early Bulletin Deadlines.
For the January 1, 2023 bulletin, deadline is Tuesday, December 27. Please have items to rectory office by Friday, December 23.

Rectory Office. Father Emmanuel will not be in the office December 26-29. The office will be closed to the public these days.

Support aging religious by giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious. Many senior Catholic sisters, brothers and religious order priests served for years for small stipends. Today, many religious communities do not have enough savings to meet retirement needs. Your gift helps pay for medications, nursing care and other needs for tens of thousands of elderly religious. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the good works of their elders. Please be generous.

50th Jubilee Wedding Anniversaries. We are updating the timing of when we send Jubilee couples their certificates. Our goal is to send the certificates out to each couple during their anniversary month. Please submit the names of those couples celebrating 50th Jubilee Wedding Anniversaries in the year 2023 by December 31, 2022 by filling out this form and email to crogers@diolc.org.

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WARM HEARTS lead to WARM HANDS & WARM HEADS

The Joint Social Concerns Committee of St. Anthony, St. Mary, and Holy Family Parishes is sponsoring an **Advent project** to help keep members of our communities warm and cozy during the long, cold winter. If you would like to participate, please bring **new** hats, mittens, and gloves for children and adults to church and hang them on the tree designated for that purpose. Once the tree begins to fill with donations, members of the Social Concerns Committee will remove items and place them in a gift-wrapped box near the tree. Then, if you need hats, mittens, or gloves, you are welcome to take what you need either from the box at the church, or at the House of Mercy. **Thank you in advance for helping to spread the warmth!**

REVERSE ADVENT CALENDAR PROJECT

From the time we are children we become familiar with Advent calendars where we open a little "window" each day to **receive** a gift. This Advent, however, the **Joint Parish Social Concerns Committee** and **St. Anthony School** invite you to participate in our **Reverse Advent Calendar Project.** To participate, just pick out a sturdy box or bag at home and fill it with one designated item per day each day from November 27th through December 16th. (**The list of items to be added daily can be found on the November 20th bulletin insert and on the parish website at stanthonyloyal.org).** Then, return your box or bag of items to your church on or before December 18th. The items will then be **given** to either the Loyal or Greenwood Food Pantry. Together we can help make Christmas a little more joyful for those in need in our community!

Greenwood Blood Drive, K & S Logistics, 111 East Miller St, Greenwood. Tuesday, Jan.10, 2023 11:30 to 4:30. For appointments call 1-800-733-2767 or visit RedCrossBlood.org.

STP Pork Sale. St. Anthony's STP Pork Sale is back!! Sale starts now and runs through January 15, 2023. All proceeds from the sale of this pork will be put toward educational and operation funds for the school. Hogs are purchased locally and processed by Pinter's Packing Plant in Dorchester, WI. Prices include slaughter, curing, smoking hams and bacon, slicing, seasoning sausage, sharp freezing and wrapping. All pork will be delivered to St. Anthony in a refrigerated truck, so customers will have to pick it up. You do not pay for it until delivery in February. Pork sausage is very high quality. Pork can make excellent Christmas gifts as well. Forms may be picked up at St. Anthony School, St. Anthony Rectory, in the back of St. Anthony Church and at the following businesses: Fourmen's Farm Home and House of Spirits. Order forms need to be returned by January 15th to any of the above locations. Pork will need to be picked up at St. Anthony School and paid for on:
*Saturday, February 11, 2023 from 3 pm to 6 pm. OR
*Sunday, February 12, 2023 from 10 am to noon. If any questions, please call/text Tami Lomax at 715-207-7630.

Morgan Raese, from St. Mary's Church, will be giving her Senior Piano Recital at Greenwood High School, Sunday, Dec. 18th at 1:00 p.m. Everyone is welcome to attend and enjoy her Christmas performance.

Christmas Vocalists at St. Anthony's needed! Plans are being made for traditional Christmas selections to be sung by St. Anthony parishioners for our Christmas Choir at Christmas Eve and Christmas Day Masses. All ages (especially children) are welcome to become part of either choir. Please contact Peggy Jackson at 715-797-9217 or gregpegjackson@gmail.com. if you or any children are interested in spreading joy!

Christmas Flower and Decoration Memorial contributions have been a great tradition with donations given in memory of a loved one. The donations should be placed in an envelope indicating who the donation is in memory of, who the donation is from and for which parish the donation is intended. Envelopes may be placed in collection plates or sent to the rectory.

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