

# December 2020

# Holy Family

## Monthly Newsletter

St. Mary Catholic Church, Greene  
St. Mary Catholic Church, Roseville  
Holy Name Catholic Church, Rockford

The month of December is dedicated to the Immaculate Conception; the feast being celebrated on December 8. The first 24 days of December fall during the liturgical season known as of Advent and are represented by the liturgical color purple - a symbol of penance, mortification and the sorrow of a contrite heart. The remaining days of December mark the beginning of the Christmas season. The liturgical color changes to white or gold - a symbol of joy, purity and innocence.



The Holy Father's Intentions:  
For a life of prayer:

We pray that our personal relationship with Jesus Christ be  
nourished by the Word of God and a life of prayer.

**Bless and protect them Lord and use their work for the good of our nation and your glory. May they know your presence with them at this time. May the grace of the Lord Jesus Christ and the love of God and the fellowship of the Holy Spirit be with them always.**

Your prayers are requested for the active military members, especially if they have been deployed or are about to be deployed. If you wish to send care packages it is recommended that you give items or money to the parents who will send the packages. The present list that graduated from North Butler or Greene High School includes: Seth Poe, Shawn Leavens, Matt Ulrichs, David White, Tony Albrecht, Evan Godderz, Shane Schroeder, Matt Heeren, Cody Codner, Dylan Fehlberg, Randy Wildeboer, Paxton Hinders, Alan Peter, Rachelle Davis, Lloyd Davis, Dylan Dietz, Kaylie Fox & Thomas Anderson. From Roseville's parish: Colby Beek, Tyler Brunner, Lucas Parcher and Todd Dolan.

**Please remember our shut-ins and independent living residents:**

Msgr. Walter Brunkan – 110 S High St Apt. 2, Greene, IA 50636  
Gary & Donna Gerhard, 110 S. High St, Apt. 8, Greene, IA 50636  
Barbe Heine, Valley View, Greene, IA 50636  
Carol Landers, Valley View, Greene, IA 50636  
Peggy Marzen, Valley View, Greene, IA 50636  
Mary Ellen Staudt – 801 Blunt Parkway #18, Charles City, IA 50616  
Gila Jorgensen – 8 S. Summit Ave #3, Nora Springs, IA 50458  
Gladys Pfertzel, Nora Springs Care Center, 50458

We are back to printing and transitioning to a monthly bulletin for all parishes. These are to be taken on your way out of church or can be picked up at the parking lot entrance of St. Mary, Greene, along with the Magnifikids. Please start sending us your prayer requests, any calendar items, community notes, or anything you'd like to have printed. Bulletin items can be sent to [stmarysgreene641@gmail.com](mailto:stmarysgreene641@gmail.com) or call the office at 641.823.4145. Thank you for your support.

**Please see our new daily Mass schedule on the back page!**

## Archbishop Jackels Virtual Fireside Get-Together Invitation

December 9<sup>th</sup> at 6:30 pm

Pull up a chair to the virtual fireplace and join Archbishop Jackels for a family-friendly evening with warm conversation, entertainment and good cheer. Archbishop will be hosting a first ever virtual *Fireside Get-Together* on Wednesday, December 9 from 6:30-7:30 pm.

The evening will include scripture, reflections by Archbishop on this crazy year we've had, surprise musical performances and opportunity to spread Christmas cheer....and much more.

You have to register in advance at [www.dbqarch.org/fireside](http://www.dbqarch.org/fireside). You'll be emailed a special link you will use to electronically join when you sign up. "See" you there.

### Greene and Roseville Poinsettias...

To order your poinsettias please contact the office at 641.823.4145 or leave a marked envelope in the collection basket. If you would like the plant to be in memory of someone, please include the name(s). Poinsettias are \$15.00 each.

### Holy Name Poinsettias...

Please contact Kara Parcher at 641.420.5939 to order your Christmas poinsettias, in memory of your loved ones, for the altar. Please call or text and leave your name, contact number and the names of your loved ones. They will be \$20.

**Greene and Roseville...** money envelopes are being set out during the month of December, if you do not see an envelope with your name on it, please call the office and let us know you'd like a box. We have plenty of extras!

**Attention:** All contributions for 2020 must reach us or be postmarked by December 31<sup>st</sup>, 2020 in order for you to receive credit for 2020. Any donations received after the 31<sup>st</sup> will be credited to 2021, as required by the IRS.

Now can be a great time to turn bushels of corn or soybeans into a charitable contribution to your parish. Depending on your circumstances, farmers who make a gift of grain can save on taxes and still deduct the cost of production. If you are interested in donating, please call the office, or forms are located at the entrance of each parish.



The astrologers brought gold, frankincense and myrrh. What treasures do I have to give to the Lord? Is He calling me to be a priest, brother or sister?  
(Matthew 2:1-12)

## Holy Name Church Lay Minister Schedules

Saturday, December 5, 5:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Norman Schmitt

MONEY COUNTERS: Russ Lyman & Denise Jeffrey

Saturday, December 12, 5:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Barb Brown

MONEY COUNTERS: Heidi Reams & Brenda Boehmer

Saturday, December 19, 5:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Kim Heit

MONEY COUNTERS: Wayne Jansen & Paul Parcher

Thursday, December 24, 6:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Erin Lyman

MONEY COUNTERS: Dean Jones & Mike Brass

Saturday, December 26, 5:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Nicole Schrage

MONEY COUNTERS: Donna Jones & Russ Lyman

Saturday, January 2, 5:30 p.m.

LECTOR: Lisa Kapler

MONEY COUNTERS: Lisa Kapler & Heidi Reams

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\*If you are unable to volunteer on the day listed, please contact a replacement.

The priests, brothers and sisters of the new century are in the care of your family today. Tend to them well; encourage their gifts; pray for their happy response to God's call. (Ephesians 1:3-6, 15-18)





## HOLY NAME NEWS & UPDATES

We welcome, Brody Staudt, son of Eric and Serena Staudt, who was baptized November 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Holy Name Monthly Church Support Totals:

Budget: \$2,190.00

Offertory: \$492.00

### Holy Name Religious Education:

December 2 – All Classes

December 9 – Night class decorate for Christmas

December 16 – Class

December 23 – No Class

December 30 – No Class

Christmas Program is cancelled.

We will be sharing an on-line version after Dec. 16th.

WINTER FOOD DRIVE has begun. We will be collecting food, non-perishables, and paper/personal products for those less fortunate this holiday season. All donations can be put into the grocery cart in the social hall. If you'd rather give a cash donation, see Donna.

Again, this year Holy Name is adopting an area family to help through the Christmas season. This year we have a family that has been impacted by Covid-19 and could really use our help. Please contact Donna or look at our Giving Tree in the Social Hall for more information. God Bless your generosity.

Christmas poinsettias...

Please contact Kara Parcher at 641.420.5939 to order your Christmas poinsettias, in memory of your loved ones, for the altar. Please call or text and leave your name, contact number and the names of your loved ones. They will be \$20.

#### **Catholic Recipe: Speculaas or Speculatius I**

Also Called: St. Nicholas Cookies; Speculaus; Speculatius; Kris Kringle Cookies; Dutch spice cookies

This hard spice cookie is made for the feast of St. Nicholas in Holland. Traditionally, the dough was rolled into carved wooden speculaas molds.

#### **DIRECTIONS**

Cream the butter and sugar, add the egg, and continue beating. Add the grated lemon rind and the flour sifted with the baking powder, cinnamon, and salt. Let the dough rest overnight in a cool place. Roll out as thinly as possible — about the thickness of the back of a knife blade. Cut into desired shape and bake at 350° F. for fifteen to twenty minutes.

#### **INGREDIENTS**

- 1/2 cup butter
- 1 cup sugar
- 1 egg
- 1/2 lemon rind, grated
- 2-1/2 cups cake flour
- 1/2 teaspoon baking powder
- 1 teaspoon cinnamon
- 1/2 teaspoon salt

## St. Mary, Roseville Lay Minister Schedules

### Sunday, December 6, 8:30 a.m. Second Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Bill Dolan

GREETER: Jeff Staudt

### Sunday, December 13, 8:30 a.m. Third Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Patty Staudt

GREETER: Dan Staudt

### Sunday, December 20, 8:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Stena Schmitt

GREETER: Lucian Schmitt

### Sunday, December 24, 9:00 p.m. Christmas Eve

LECTOR: Dave Dolan

GREETER: Marilyn Dolan

### Sunday, December 25, 8:30 a.m. The Nativity of The Lord, Christmas

LECTOR: Dave Gabel

GREETER: Norm Kelly

### Sunday, December 27, 8:30 a.m. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

LECTOR: Pat Schmitt

GREETER: Boyd Campbell

### Sunday, January 3, 8:30 a.m. Epiphany of The Lord

LECTOR: Bill Dolan

GREETER: Joyce Dolan

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#### Upcoming Holiday Schedule

Thursday, December 24, 4:00 p.m. – Greene

Thursday, December 24, 6:30 p.m. – Rockford

Thursday, December 24, 9:00 p.m. – Roseville

Friday, December 25, 8:30 a.m. – Roseville

Friday, December 25, 10:30 a.m. – Greene

## ST. MARY, ROSEVILLE NEWS & UPDATES

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Virgil Schmitt, who was laid to rest on Nov. 18<sup>th</sup>.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### St. Mary Roseville Monthly Church Support Totals:

Budget: \$3,319.00

Offertory: \$359.00

Lift: \$1,966.53

### Roseville Sunday Morning CCD Calendar

December 6 – Classes 9:30-10:30 a.m.

December 13 – Classes 9:30-10:30 a.m.

Live Nativity 5:30 p.m.

December 20 – No Classes

December 27 – No Classes

January 3 – No Classes

January 10 – Classes 9:30-10:30 a.m.

### Greene/Roseville Wednesday RE Calendar

December 2 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>)

December 9 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>)

December 16 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>)

December 23 – No Classes

December 30 – No Classes

January 6 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (All Classes)

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### **Drive-In Live Nativity**

### **Roseville Parking Lot**

**Sunday, December 13 at 5:30 p.m.**

Enter parking lot on 240<sup>th</sup> Street. Live Production will be in the field behind the parking lot. Sit in the comfort of your vehicle and watch. If the weather is too cold for the kids and animals to be outside, we will have the performance in the church.

To order your poinsettias please contact the office at 641.823.4145 or leave a marked envelope in the collection basket. If you would like the plant to be in memory of someone, please include the name(s). Poinsettias are \$15.00 each.



A child is born for us; a son is given to us. Are we willing to proclaim the tidings of great joy to the world? (Luke 2:1-14)

## St. Mary, Greene Lay Minister Schedules

### Sunday, December 6, 10:30 a.m. Second Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Matt Nixt

GREETER: Mike Merfeld

### Sunday, December 13, 10:30 a.m. Third Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Craig Cramer

GREETER: Janis Cramer

### Sunday, December 20, 10:30 a.m. Fourth Sunday of Advent

LECTOR: Connie Poe

GREETER: Klayton Adams-Blackdeer

### Sunday, December 24, 4:00 p.m. Christmas Eve

LECTOR: Mary Lou Ott

GREETER: Sandy Rinken

### Sunday, December 25, 10:30 a.m. The Nativity of The Lord, Christmas

LECTOR: Janis Cramer

GREETER: Craig Cramer

### Sunday, December 27, 10:30 a.m. The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

LECTOR: Mary Creech

GREETER: Rhonda Pyatt

### Sunday, January 3, 10:30 a.m. Epiphany of The Lord

LECTOR: Monica Miller

GREETER: Mary Creech

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Thursday, December 24, 6:30 p.m. – Rockford

Thursday, December 24, 9:00 p.m. – Roseville

Friday, December 25, 8:30 a.m. – Roseville

Friday, December 25, 10:30 a.m. – Greene



## ST. MARY, GREENE NEWS & UPDATES

Please pray for the repose of the souls of Marcia Dickman, who was laid to rest on Nov. 21<sup>st</sup> and Tom Clark, who was laid to rest Nov. 28<sup>th</sup>.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen.

### St. Mary Greene Monthly Church Support Totals:

Budget: \$7,248.00

Offertory: \$179.00

### Greene Sunday Morning CCD Calendar

December 6 – Classes 9:15-10:15 a.m.

December 13 – No Classes

December 20 – Classes 9:15-10:15 a.m.

December 27 – No Classes

January 3 – No Classes

January 10 – Classes 9:15-10:15 a.m.

First Reconciliation After Mass

### Greene/Roseville Wednesday RE Calendar

December 2 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>)

December 9 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (5<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup>, 11<sup>th</sup>)

December 16 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (6<sup>th</sup>, 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup>, 9<sup>th</sup>, 12<sup>th</sup>)

December 23 – No Classes

December 30 – No Classes

January 6 – Classes 6:45-7:45 p.m. (All Classes)

\*Any child that was 3 years old by September 15 and wants to attend Sunday School, please contact Janice Shultz or the church office.

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**Knights of Columbus** would like to invite all male members of the Church to join *Into the Breach*. They will be meeting Sunday evenings at 5:30 pm at the Roseville gym. starting Sunday, Nov. 29<sup>th</sup>. Meal followed by program. Concludes at 7 pm.

CDA would like your help supporting our area FOOD BANK. December is CEREAL (COLD & OATMEAL), KETCHUP AND MUSTARD.

Looking for volunteer drivers to transport individuals to doctors' appointments. Please call Brenda Ballard at 641.494.8241, if you are available.

Allison Little Lambs Daycare is in need of bibs! Preferably the kind that pull over the kid's heads since they have figured out how to take the velcro and tie bibs off. If you can help us out, please drop the bibs off at Little Lambs or Trinity Reformed. Thank you so much!

*Happy new year.... Church year that is. Advent is the beginning of a new year in the Church. Ordinary Time has ended with the feast of Christ the King. Now we begin Advent, a time of reflection and preparation for the first events necessary for our salvation. The term "advent" comes from 2 Latin words: ad + ventus (means "to come from" or "to come out of"). What is coming, our Lord Jesus Christ. The Incarnation. What a wonderful thing that is coming. God Almighty, infinite, powerful, literally takes on human flesh, and everything that comes with it. God becomes limited, finite. This is the first event needed for our salvation. God takes on our own humanity, with all its weakness, so that when the time comes, it may be raised up and redeemed. During Advent, we prepare ourselves for this wonderful mystery. What are some things that we can do to prepare: spend some extra time in prayer, maybe some fasting, making an extra effort to put our spiritual lives first. God could have done anything else to redeem, but He chose to take on our human nature and send His son to us. Let's prepare for that day.*

*Fr. Davis*

### **Truth Be Told**

Fr. Davis will be doing a "class" through livestream on Greene/Roseville's Facebook page.

- "Class" will be based on the book "Truth Be Told" by Mark Hart.
- "Class" will be streamed on Tuesdays and Thursdays
- Classes are subject to cancellation, based on Fr's schedule.

# December 2020 Mass Intentions

SUN	MON	TUE	WED	THU	FRI	SAT
		01	02	03	04	05
	No Mass	John Gerhard	Jerome Schlader	David Schlader	Richard Merfeld	Parishioners
06	07	08	09	10	11	12
Richard Gabel  Lawerence & Vanda Stevens	Sue Smid	Ed Marzen  Louis Staudt	Msgr. John McClean	Laverne Rinken	Glenn Swinton	Eugene Pfertzil
13	14	15	16	17	18	19
Russell Staudt  Parishioners	No Mass	Fr. Marv Salz	Jerome Schlader	Dorothy Montag	Fr. Herb Tegler	Parishioners
20	21	22	23	24	25	26
Louis Staudt  Janet Barnes	No Mass	Fr. John Patacek	Margaret Downing	Parishioners  Jerome & Lenore Schlader  David Schlader	Russell & Louis Staudt  Marilyn Bouillon	Eugene Pfertzil
27	28	29	30	31		
Parishioners  Gisela Friend	No Mass	No Mass	Margaret Berry	Jennifer Marsh		

**Holy Name Catholic Church, Rockford, IA**

**Saturday – 5:30 p.m.**

**Wednesday – 5:15 p.m.**

Pastoral Council Chair – Brenda Boehmer, 641.420.8311

Board of Education Chair – Rick Heit, 641.395.2331

Director of Religious Education – Donna Jones, 641.395.2231

**St. Mary Catholic Church, Greene, IA**

**Sunday – 10:30 a.m.**

**Tuesday and Friday – 7:30 a.m.**

**Friday Adoration – 3:00p.m.**

Pastoral Council Chair – Dan Castle, 641.823.4853

Board of Education Chair – Mary Derdzinski, 641.823.4446

Guild President – Audrey Smith, 641.816.5531

Director of Religious Education – Janice Shultz, 641.816.4806

Parish Nurse – Mary Lou Ott, 641.823.4388

**St. Mary Catholic Church, Roseville, IA**

**Sunday – 8:30 a.m.**

**Thursday – 5:30 p.m.**

Pastoral Council Chair – Rick Willert, 641.330.4264

Board of Education Chair – Jen Schmitt, 641.430.1018

Parish Life President – Joyce Dolan, 641.330.1680

Director of Religious Education – Janice Shultz, 641.816.4806

**Deacon Matt Miller**

515.971.9707

**Father Ralph Davis**

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**New website! [butlerfloydcatholic.org](http://butlerfloydcatholic.org)**

If you would like something posted in the bulletin, please email  
or call the office before Wednesday each week.

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