

St. Charles Borromeo Catholic

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Confessions @ St. Charles: 4:30 PM Saturday & 8:00 AM Sunday Morning

Confessions @ St. Mary's: 10:45 AM Sunday Morning

Marriage Preparation: See Pastor no later than 6 months in advance

Baptisms: Contact Pastor

DEADLINE for Bulletin Items: 5:30 PM Wednesday

3rd Sunday of Advent

December 16 & 17, 2023

Mass will be Live-streamed on Facebook at 8:30 AM

St. Charles **5:30 PM Saturday** Mass Intention – For the People

St. Charles **8:30 AM Sunday** Mass Intention – +Walt Quandt

St. Mary's **11:00 AM Sunday** Mass Intention – +Betty Evan

Day, Date	Mass Time, Location	Intention & Donor
Mon., Dec. 18	11:00 AM – St. Mary's	+LeRoy Schmalz – D/R Wanner
Tues., Dec. 19	5:30 PM – St. Charles	+George Forward – His Family
Wed., Dec. 20	8:30 AM – Hospital 3:00 PM – St. Mary's	+Marlene Brandenburger – R/R Sell +Fr. Al Bitz – Fr. Tim
Thurs., Dec. 21	8:30 AM – St. Charles	+Mike Kelly – His Family
Fri., Dec. 22	9:00 AM – St. Mary's	Fr. Tim – L/J Andersen
Sat., Dec. 23	10:00 AM – Manor	

ST. MARY'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

SATURDAY, DEC. 23RD MASS will be held at St. Mary's at 7:30 PM to fulfil the weekend obligation. There will be no Mass on the morning of Sunday, December 24. Christmas Eve Mass, Dec. 24th is scheduled for 7:00 PM.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS will be heard on Wed. Dec. 20th from 5:30-6:30 PM.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Anyone wishing to donate toward Christmas flowers, in memory of friends or family, please give to Jean Bopp or Lisa Janes. You may also drop an envelope in the collection basket.

CHRISTMAS & SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASS SCHEDULE:

December 24: 4:30 PM – St. Charles
7:00 PM – St. Mary's

December 25: 10:30 AM – St. Charles

Solemnity of Mary Holy Day of Obligation:

December 31: 4:30 PM – St. Charles
January 1: 11:00 AM – St. Mary's

SPECIAL MINISTRY SIGN-UP: There is a sheet in the Narthex to sign up for ministries for the Christmas & Solemnity of Mary Masses.

This week's ADVENT ADVANTAGE! Dec. 17th:
"God is My Joy" Share your joy that God is coming nearer. Isaiah 61:10

"HOW CAN WE PRAY FOR YOU?" An Amazing Parish prays unceasingly, so whatever your need(s), feel free to jot them down on a prayer request card and place the card in the prayer gathering space on the narthex bulletin board. Any need. Any time. Amazing Parish Leadership Team members will be at the church at 6:00 PM on Tuesdays to pray for each of the prayer requests. Other parish members are invited and welcome to also pray at that time or at any other time, too."

BIRTHDAYS AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

Dec. 17 Dean Fiala, Avery Kapfer
Dec. 18 Larry Roney
Dec. 19 Mitch Roney, Drew Courtney
Dec. 20 Hallie Worrel
Dec. 21 Gentry Roney, Dylan Rodine
John Zetocha

Dec. 22 Fr. Tim Schroeder,
Wayne Rehovsky

ANNIVERSARIES AT ST. CHARLES THIS WEEK:

Dec. 19 Stephan & Megan Quandt ('20)

ST. CHARLES FINANCES

Envelope amount last week \$ 9,706.00

Other receipts last weekend:

Plate.....	199.00
Renewal/Building Fund.....	15,475.00
Poinsettias.....	145.00
T-Shirt Fundraiser.....	20.00
Retirement Fund for Religious...	826.00

RENEWAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

1 st Campaign Goal:	\$750,000	
Miracle Goal:	\$1,500,000	
Goal Pledged & Gifted	\$1,074,485	143%
Families who have contributed:		84%

PARISH COUNCIL ELECTIONS will take place at THIS weekend Masses, Dec 16 & 17. Please vote for 2 new members.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS: Senior Catholic Sisters, Brothers & Religious Order Priests have offered their lives in service to others – educating the young, comforting the sick, seeking justice for the oppressed. Today, many are frail, elderly, and in need of assistance. Your gift helps to furnish nursing care, medications, and other necessities. Please give generously by using the envelope provided in your offering box.

RENEWAL PROJECT MATCH: For any amount of new money given to the St. Charles Renewal Project, even if it is already pledged, we will receive a 10% match from a local source for the next \$250,000 if it is given during the Advent-Christmas season (Dec. 3rd – Jan 7th).

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

SUNDAY CLASS TIME is 9:30 –10:45

THIS WEEK, Dec 17: Advent Program

NEXT WEEK, Dec.24: NO Class

AREA ADVENT PENANCE SERVICES & CONFESSIONS:

St. Mary's Confessions: Wed., Dec. 20th from 5:30-6:30

ADVENT PROGRAM "On Our Way to Bethlehem" will be presented THIS Sunday, Dec., 17th, after the 8:30 AM Mass.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS BREAKFAST will be served after the Advent Program on December 17th. All are welcome!

MEN'S ADVENT PRAYER BREAKFAST: Fr. Tim is hosting the last of the Men's Advent Prayer Breakfast in the Rectory at 7:00 AM on Thursday December 21st. Make plans to attend!

LADIES, COME GET A "LIFT" All are welcome and invited to participate on Thursday, Dec. 21st @ 6:00 PM for our last session in the Advent series for Ladies LIFT. Treat yourself to 40 min of fellowship, learning, prayer and laughter among women of Faith!

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: December 17th

"Rejoice always. Pray without ceasing. Give thanks in all circumstances, for this is the will of God for you in Christ Jesus." – 1 THESSALONIANS 5:16 - 18

This scripture reading sums up Stewardship. "Rejoice always" means place your trust in God; He will provide all that you need. "Pray constantly" means prayer should be a running conversation with God throughout the whole day, every day. "Give thanks in all circumstances" means even in bad situations, thank God. Suffering a little bit helps build empathy for others in similar situations and shows our dependence on God.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Monday-Wednesday; From 5:00-9:00 PM

Be persuaded that you shall gain more in a quarter of an hour spent in prayer before the Holy Eucharist than in all the other spiritual exercises of the day. St. Alphonsus deliguori

POINSETTIAS: Remember a loved one this Christmas season by making a donation for poinsettias at St. Charles. You May donate in memory of loved ones, in honor of someone, or as a special intention. Fill out an envelope (available in the Narthex) and drop in the collection basket.

SECOND COLLECTION: The Bishop is asking that a second collection be taken up this weekend of **Dec. 16th-17th, 2023 for humanitarian and parish assistance in the Holy Land.** The funds raised will be sent to the Latin Catholic Patriarch of Jerusalem and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. Checks should be written to St. Charles

END OF YEAR GIVING: With Dec. 31 falling on a Sunday this year, contributions made to St. Charles will go into 2023 calendar year as listed below:

- o In-person: during normal office hours that week, or at the Saturday night, or Sunday morning Masses the weekend of Dec. 30 & 31.
- o Mail: must be postmarked on or before December 31st
- o Online: donation made at, or before 11:59pm central time on 12/31/23 (credit card must be time-stamped with 2023 date)
- o *Even if checks are dated 12/31/23 if we physically do not receive them in 2023, they will be counted toward 2024*

THE WORD AMONG US: EXTRA copies are available for Dec./Advent. Pick yours up in the Narthex!

2024 CALENDARS are available in the Narthex. All are welcome to take one home.

OLD CHURCH KITCHEN CUPS are available in boxes in the Social Center. Please help yourself to as many as you’d like!

SEARCH: Do you need a Christmas present for that young person in your life (or for yourself)? **SEARCH for Christian Maturity** is a peer-to-peer ministry, allowing youth (ages 16 and 17) along with young adults (ages 18 and older) to minister to youth and young adults. SEARCH is a way to help you on your journey to discover God, yourself, and a Christian community. This is a time to experience a loving, supportive community of young people who want to learn and experience a closer relationship with God and with others. We have a peer-lead retreat coming up **January 12-14, 2024** at Maryvale Retreat Center in Valley City. More details and the application are at www.fargodiocese.org/search4cm or call Dori at 952-210-2219 with questions. Applications are due no later than Tuesday, December 26th.

NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL: The Diocese has started filling a 2nd bus for the pilgrimage to the National Eucharistic Congress in Indianapolis, IN, on July 16-22, 2024. Discounted Congress ticket prices end Dec. 30th.

THANK YOU: Thank you very much for the donation to the ND Stat Hospital for our Christmas Gift Program. Many of our clients will benefit from your donation, and they will be excited to get such nice gifts. We truly appreciate your support and your thoughtfulness. Sincerely, ND State Hospital Volunteer Department.

TEEN LIFE PROGRAM: Grades 9-12
Wed., Dec. 20: Christmas Craft
Wed., Dec. 27: NO Class; Merry Christmas!

JR HIGH:
Wed., Dec 20: Christmas Party!
Wed., Dec. 27: NO Class; Merry Christmas

READINGS AND MASSES NEXT WEEKEND
2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 (11B)
Romans 16:25-27
Luke 1:26-38

Saturday Dec. 23RD at 5:30 PM – St. Charles
Int’n: +Terri Mann
Doner: C Heier
Greet/Ushers: Red & Cathy Iverson
Joan Orner
Proclaimer: Nancy Maddock
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers:
John Scherr, Monica Heimbuch
Altar Servers: Erin & Peyton Rodine

Saturday, Dec. 23rd at 7:30 PM – St. Mary’s
Int’n: +Don Fauss
Donor: His Family
Proclaimer: Bonnie Josewski
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers:
Mark & Jean Bopp
G/G: Brian & Jayne Pfau

Sunday, Dec. 24th at 8:30 AM – St. Charles
Int’n: For the People
Donor:
Greet/Ushers: Lloyd & Anita Gebhardt
Drew & Lindsey Courtney Family
Proclaimer: Lindsey Courtney
Extraordinary Eucharistic Ministers:
Cindy Klapperich, Tim Forward
Ron Maddock
Altar Servers: Rage & Chloe Awender

ADDRESS: For anyone interested in sending a letter to Abbey Forward, her address is: School Sisters of CTK, C/O Abbey Forward; 4100 SW 56th St.; Lincoln, NE 68522-9261
You can also follow School Sisters of Christ the King – CK Sisters on Facebook.