

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS ACTIVITIES:

- The Knights of Columbus will have available through a free-will offering ‘Keep Christ in Christmas’ magnets **before and after this weekend (Dec. 16 and 17) Masses**. Proceeds will be used to support our Council’s faith programs.



CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE:

- Campaign Goal: \$500,000.00
- Total Amount Committed/Pledged: \$516,991.04
- Actual Amount Paid: \$513,991.04 (includes \$45,717.37 from Hommerding Grant)
- Campaign Funds Used To-Date: Approximately \$276,250.00 (includes in-kind donations)
 - Thank you** for those who continue to support and to those who have paid off their pledges. With these additional funds, we are able to receive additional funds from the Hommerding Grant at the Diocese.

RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION: **Our women and men religious offer gratitude.** A sister shares, “I thank the Lord for all who give. I don’t think we would make it without them.” Thank you for giving to the Retirement Fund for Religious last week. Your donation makes a difference in the lives of elderly women and men religious. **If you did not return your envelope last weekend**, please do so soon.

STEWARDSHIP MOMENT: *“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.

WEEKLY PRAYER OF THE FAITHFUL PETITIONS: That we realize suffering is a gift and helps us build empathy for others and build our dependence on God.

HOLY FATHER’S PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR DECEMBER:

- For persons with disabilities:** We pray that people living with disabilities may be at the center of attention in society, and that institutions may offer inclusive programs which value their active participation.

LIVE IN THE WORD OF GOD

Readings for the Week of December 18-24

- Monday: Jeremiah 23:5-8 & Matthew 1:18-25
Tuesday: Judges 13:2-7, 24-25 & Luke 1:5-25
Wednesday: Isaiah 7:10-14 & Luke 1:26-38
Thursday: Song of Songs 2:8-14 or Zephaniah 3:14-18 & Luke 1:39-45
Friday: 1 Samuel 1:24-28 & Luke 1:46-56
Saturday: 2 Samuel 7:1-5, 8-12, 14, 16; Romans 16:25-27 & Luke 1:26-38
Sunday: Isaiah 9:1-6; Titus 2:11-14 & Luke 2:1-14 (Christmas Eve)



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3rd Sunday of Advent – December 17, 2023

NEXT SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE (12/23-24):		PENANCE SCHEDULE:
Sat. Eve.:	5:00 pm	Sat. Eve.: 4:00-4:45 pm
Sat. Eve: (Sykeston)	7:00 pm	or by appointment
Sun. (Christmas Eve)	5:00 pm	Please call Fr. Dodge
Sun. (Dec. 24 - Sykeston)	7:30 pm	
Mon. (Christmas Day)	8:00 am ◀◀ Note Time	

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR MONDAY, DEC. 18 – MONDAY, DEC. 25:
ROSARY: Weekday: Henry Simons.

MASS SERVERS: Weekday: Nathan Boeshans; Sat. Eve.: Drew Matt; Christmas Eve: Kirby & Rowdy Freeman, Tristan Schroeder; Christmas Day: Brayden Odstrcil, Tristan Schroeder, Oakley Hagel.

LECTORS: Weekday: Rita Reimers; Sat. Eve.: Karen Evans; Christmas Eve: Joanna Lee; Christmas Day: Joanne Stokes.

GREETERS: Sat. Eve.: Brent & Joanna Lee; Christmas Eve: Paul & Christy Reimer; Christmas Day: Leo & Dianne Straley.

GIFT BEARERS: Sat. Eve.: Kris & Jessica Skadberg; Christmas Eve: Paul & Christy Reimer; Christmas Day: Leo & Dianne Straley.

USHERS: Sat. Eve.: Kevin Pedersen & Dave Mahutga; Christmas Eve: Paul Reimer, Casey Murphy, Brent Lee, Dave Mahutga; Christmas Day: Bob Erickson & John Odstrcil.

PRAYER CHAIN: *If you have a special prayer need in your family, please call Gemma Bachmeier (652-2129) or Renee Riedesel (652-5295) to start our parish prayer chain.*

POLICY FOR BAPTISM: For all those parents desiring Baptism for their child, they must first attend a Baptism class. Our next class is **Thursday, January 4, 2024 at 7:00 pm in the Parish Hall**. Once you have attended the Baptism class, you are then free to schedule the Baptism by calling the office at 652-2519.



ADORATION SCHEDULE: **◀ THIS WEEK**

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