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Newman Catholic Ministries

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Events held at various locations on BSU campus. All sacramental events take place at St. Philip's Church.

St. Philip's Clothing Depot

218-444-3835 Tuesday through Saturday Happy Advent,

December 10, 2017

Jesus is coming, someday, sometime and we don't know when! Are you ready? We know Christmas is coming on December 25th and we will celebrate the first coming of Jesus as a baby boy born in Bethlehem. We are decorating our homes and making cookies. We are making travel plans and buying gifts, and all of that is exciting and important. Celebrating Christmas is one of the highlights of our year as Christian Catholics. But, are we ready for the second coming?

It is more important to be ready for when Jesus comes again. It is more important for me to know that when my life here on earth ends that I will be sharing eternity in heaven with the Holy Trinity and all the Saints. What preparations am I making to insure that I will be spending eternity in heaven?

This is what Advent is about. This weekend we hear from the second Letter of Saint Peter, "But the day of the Lord will come like a thief." And, "But according to his promise we await new heavens and a new earth in which righteousness dwells. Therefore, beloved, since you await these things, be eager to be found without spot or blemish before him, at peace."

This coming Friday, Dec. 15th, is a day of grace here at St. Philip's. The Sacrament of Reconciliation will be available from 7 AM until 7 PM. Fr. Don and Fr. Chuck, along with the five other priests from our Deanery will be here, ready to celebrate the Sacrament with us. This will be a wonderful opportunity for each of us to be prepared for the coming of Christmas and even more importantly be ready for the second coming of Jesus.

My goal as a Christian is to get to heaven. My goal as a husband and father is to get my wife and children to heaven. And my goal as Deacon is to help each of you get to heaven. May we rejoice together in heaven when Jesus comes again!

Prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths: all flesh shall see the salvation of God.

Peace be with you, *Deacon Kermit*

Your Parish Representatives:

Parish Council Members: Ben Baird, Andrew Dondelinger, Kevin Erpelding, Anita Froelich, Jim Gorham, Cynthia

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December 10, 2017

Behold the Lord will come to save the nations!

MASS INTENTIONS

For the Week of December 11 to 17

Monday, Dec 11

8:30 AM Mass: +Ellen Vonasek

Tuesday, Dec 12

6:30 PM Mass: +Art & Pearl Keenan

Wednesday, Dec 13

8:40 AM Mass: +Dick Jorstad

Thursday, Dec 14

7:00 AM Mass: +Barbara Erickson

10:30 AM Mass (Neilson Place): +Don Sweeney 10:30 AM Communion Service (Goldpine)

Friday, Dec 15

8:30 AM Mass: Special Intentions for Liz Frenzel

Saturday, Dec 16

5:30 PM Mass: +Jerome Dufault

Sunday, Dec 17

7:30 AM Mass: +Kate Price 9:00 AM Mass: For the People 11:00 AM Mass: +Pearl Keenan

6:30 PM Mass: Special Intentions for Dcn. Nate Brunn

DAILY READINGS

For the Week of December 11 to 17

Monday, Dec 11

- Is 35:11-10
- Ps 85:9ab,10-14
- Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, Dec 12

- Zec 2:14-17
- Ps Jet 13:18bc,10
- Lk 1:26-38

Wednesday, Dec 13

- Is 40:25-31
- Ps 103·1-4 8 10

Friday, Dec 15

- Is 48:17-19
- Ps 1:1-4,6
- Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, Dec 16

- Sir 48:1-4,9-11
- Ps 80:2-3,15-16,18-19
- Mt 17:9a,10-13

Sunday, Dec 17

- Is 61:1-2a,10-11
- Pc I b 1.46-50 53-54



THIS WEEK IN THE PARISH

Monday, Dec 11

10:00 AM to 9:00 PM Adoration (Chapel)

3:15 PM Little Flowers (Social Hall)

6:30 PM KC Bible Study (St. Kateri Rm)

Tuesday, Dec 12

6:00 AM to 9:00 PM Adoration (Chapel)

5:00 PM Folk Group Practice (Church)

7:00 PM School Council Meeting (St. Kateri Rm)

7:00 PM Men's Basketball (Gym)

7:00 PM St. Gianna's Group (St. Elizabeth Rm)

7:30 PM Marian Devotions (Chapel)

Wednesday, Dec 13

9:40 AM Rosary (Chapel)

2:30 PM Pre-K Christmas Program (Social Hall)

3:15 PM Children's Choir Rehearsal (Church)

6:30 PM Faith Formation, grades 1-11 (Social Hall)

Thursday, Dec 14

7:30 AM Finance Council Mtg (St. Kateri Rm)

2:30 PM Pre-K Christmas Program (Social Hall)

3:15 PM Bible Study-*Follow Me* (St. Elizabeth Rm)

5:00 PM LifeTeen Band Practice (Church)

7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal (Church)

Friday, Dec 15

7:00 AM to 7:00 PM Advent Reconciliation Day (Church/ Chapel)

Saturday, Dec 16

10:00 AM Prayer Hour at Planned Parenthood

4:30 PM Reconciliation (Chapel)

Sunday, Dec 17

8:35 AM Rosary (Chapel)

9:00 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word (St. Elizabeth Rm)

9:00 AM Preschool Sunday School (Pre-K Rm)

10:15 AM Rosary (Chapel)

12:00 PM High Sch Youth Group (Cafet.)

next session will be on **January 7.** Please call the Parish Office at 444-4262 to register, or for more information.

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"Your generous contribution helps us to care for our retired sisters and enables our younger sisters to continue in active ministry," writes a religious sister. Your gift to today's collection for the *Retirement Fund for Religious* helps provide medications, nursing care, and more for thousands of senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests. It also helps ensure younger members can continue the works of their elders!

"M&M&MORE!" is Moving!

Instead of meeting at the 11:00 Mass the 2nd, 4th, & 5th Sundays of the month, the Young Adult & Catholic Campus Ministries will gather at the 6:30 PM Mass, Sunday night starting immediately. Watch your email for updates. Q's? Call Nancy 218-441-4907 or ngoodman@stphilipsbemidji.org.

"Tubs of Christmas Love"

St. Philip's Church is again filling, "Tubs of Christmas Love" during Advent. The food and gifts collected will be shared with local low-income families or those experiencing hardship.

A reminder that if you have a tub to fill, please return it to St. Philip's by December 11th. Thank you for your generosity!

Grief Support Group

For those grieving the loss of a spouse or partner.



WHEN: 1st & 3rd Thursday of each month

TIME: 4:30-6:00 PM

WHERE: Sanford Health Neilson Place

Trillium Conference Room 1000 Anne St NW, Bemidji

No registration or fee is needed.

Christmas Flowers for St. Philip's Church are supplied, in part, through the generous donations given by parishioners in memory of deceased loved ones, or in honor of the living.

If you wish to make a memorial, please use your Christmas Flower offering envelope in your packet of offertory envelopes. Or, place your donation in an envelope clearly marked *Christmas Flowers*. Please indicate the name of the

Increase for Roof/AC project (2 yrs to go): \$ 1,722.00

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Fiscal Year to Date:

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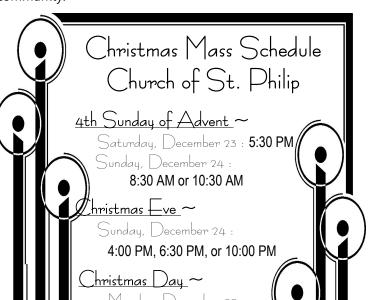
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Fat Meek's Wass Attendance

Dec 2	5:30 p.m.	206
Dec 3	7:30 a.m.	187
Dec 3	9:00 a.m.	315
Dec 3	11:00 a.m.	273
Dec 3	6:30 p.m.	129
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For Your Safety and Security...

Just a reminder to all parishioners and visitors. Please keep your valuables with you at all times. Do not leave anything important in cars, on the coat rack, or in meeting rooms. Secondly, the best strategy for safety at Church is to extend the love of Christ to all newcomers, even those who may look out of place. In general, people who want to cause mischief in a crowd will want to remain anonymous. Consider greeting newcomers or even joining them for a donut after Mass. If everyone is greeted with the love of Christ, we will create an even more welcoming parish and a safer environment for our community.



- I came to Bemidji to go to college, met my husband and never left.
- I have taught in Staples, McGregor, Walker at the Bug-O-Nay-Ge-Shig School and St. Philip's.
- I have 2 grown daughters and a cat.
- I love to travel and being outside.
- I love to learn especially about science and history.
- I have been teaching at St. Philip's School for 18 years.



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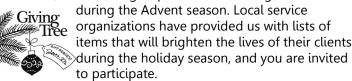
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Get ready for *the best* Christmas of your life! Sign up at DYNAMICCATHOLIC.COM/ADVENT

THE ADVENT GIVING TREE

The Giving Tree is an opportunity for adults, children, individuals, families, or groups to do something for others



To do this, choose one or more of the ornaments from the Giving Tree located in the Narthex. Purchase the item/items listed on the ornament. Do not wrap; rather, tape the ornament to the item/items. Bring the gift to St. Philip's and place it under the Giving Tree or to the Parish Office. All items need to be returned by Monday, December 18, so that

Noon to 1:30 PM Monday, December 25

Doors open at 11:45 AM

Evangelical Free Church — 115 Carr Lake Rd SW

Please Join us for a meal and fellowship. Dinners will be delivered only to those who are homebound. We have drivers who can provide transportation to/from the meal.

If you would like to...

- ♦ Have a meal delivered
- Reserve a ride to the meal
- Volunteer to deliver meals or provide transportation to/from the meal

Call Sandy at 218-308-5365 by Tuesday, December 19 at noon.

If you would like to donate any of the following items...

Dinner rolls (75 dozen) Butter (20 lbs)

Cookies or bars (100 dozen)
Wrapped candy (40 bags)

Jello (15 lg boxes of any red flavor)
Baby dill pickles (12 small jars)

Call or leave message for Janice at 218-333-3941 by Monday, December 18 at noon.

If you can volunteer for the following... Sunday, Dec 24 (Prep) 9am to noon Monday, Dec 25 (Kitchen/Dining Room/Final Cleanup)

♦ Various shifts between 8am to 4pm

Call Kathy at 218-556-3364

Monetary donations are welcome. Checks may be made to *Bemidji Community Meals*.

Mail to: Kathy Luepke 24050 County Rd 9 Bemidji, MN 56601



YOUTH MINISTRY

St. Philip's Mission Trip to Haiti Fundraiser

Enjoy a meal at Culver's! Sunday December 10, 11:00 AM-2:00 PM. A percentage of the total sales collected during this time period will help fund costs for our youth mission trip to Haiti in June 2018. Thank you for supporting St. Philip's Mission Trip to Haiti! Culver's is located at 2200 Paul Bunyan Dr NW.

Haiti Fundraiser at Sanford Center

Are you attending the Bemidji State hockey games on Dec 15 and/or 16? Visit the concession stand where St. Philip's Youth and Parents are working—A percentage of the total sales collected during both games will help fund costs for our youth mission trip to Haiti in June 2018. Thank you for supporting St. Philip's Mission Trip to Haiti!



impact that could make if every one of our parishioners saved Box Tops for St. Philip's! Simply drop them in the tub

on the shelf in the east entrance of the church. Thank you!



No Voice but Ours..

St. Philip's 3rd Saturday of the Month Prayer Hour

Planned Parenthood of Bemidji (2504 Hannah Ave. NW)

Next Saturday, December 16 from 10 – 11 AM.*

*Can't stay the full hour? Stay for any length of time.
*If weather temperature and/or wind chill value is below zero, consider the event as cancelled. Questions call 218-368-9019

Date: January 12 – 14, 2018

Presented by: King's House Preaching Team

Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person/\$100.00 per person for students (includes \$30.00 deposit to reserve a room)

MEN'S SILENT WEEKEND RETREAT

Theme: "Take Courage!" **Date:** January 19 – 21, 2018

Presented by: King's House Preaching Team

Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person/\$100.00 per person for students (includes \$30.00 deposit to reserve a room)

Attention all hospital and homebound ministers...

If you have a pyx in your possession, please return it to the Chapel at your earliest convenience. We are missing several and would appreciate their return. Thank you very much.

Red Lake to Park Rapids, Fosston to Laporte, Cass Lake to Blackduck calling all Catholics to Bemidji for an opportunity to experience God's Grace through reconciliation.

Advent Reconciliation Day

Friday, December 15 • 7:00am - 7:00pm

St. Philip's Catholic Church 702 Beltrami Avenue, Bemidji

2 priests will be available every hour in the Chapel Reconciliation Room to hear individual confessions. Reconciliation aids available in the confessional to assist.



"When was the last time you made your confession... if much time has passed, do not lose another day... Jesus receives you, he receives you with so much love. Be courageous and go to Confession!"

	Third Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent	Third Sunday of Advent
SACRISTAN	Marleen Webb	Judy Stai	Mark Studer (sub req.)	Maryhelen Chadwick	HELP NEEDED
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NOVICE ALTAR SERVER	Kolter Braunhausen	HELP NEEDED	Isabelle Reierson	Elizabeth Peterson	HELP NEEDED
CAPTAIN	Flavia Sagedahl	Brad Arel	Stephen Steele	Dotty Forrest	HELP NEEDED
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