



Holy Family Parish, Alma Sacred Heart Parish, Paxico



Weekend Masses:

Sunday: 8:15 am, Holy Family, Alma
10:30am, Sacred Heart, Paxico

Daily Masses:

Mon, Tues, Wed, Fri, Sat, 8am, Sacred Heart, Paxico;
Thurs, 8am, Holy Family, Alma

Reconciliation:

Before Masses on Sunday
HF—7:30 SH—9:45,
SH—1st Sat of Month 7:15am

December 18, 2022

4th Sunday of Advent

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Sacrament of Marriage: Must notify pastor at least 6 months in advance.

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Hall Rental-Joyce Pimple 620-803-2570

Calendar:

**Today - Sunday, Dec. 18th,
Nativity play immediately following
Mass at Sacred Heart.**

Dec. 21-Adoration at Holy Family

Christmas Eve Mass-

Holy Family, 5pm

Sacred Heart, 7pm

Christmas Day Mass-

Sacred Heart, 8am

New Years Day (Jan 1) Masses-

**The Solemnity of Mary,
the Holy Mother of God!**

Holy Family, 8:15am

Sacred Heart, 10:30am

REVIVAL: EUCHARISTIC AMAZEMENT

HERKENRODE-HASSELT BELGIUM, 1317

In the Cathedral of St. Quintinus in Hasselt is exposed the relic of the Eucharistic miracle that took place in Herkenrode in 1317. During the course of the centuries, many tests were done to ascertain the miraculous preservation of the consecrated Host from which blood came forth. We recall the one done in the 18th century by the Apostolic Nuncio Carafa and the Bishop of Liège or the one done by the Archbishop of Malines during a visit of the Archduchess Isabel. In the cathedral we also find numerous paintings depicting the miracle, done by a pupil of Jordaens, Jan.

For more info: www.miracolieucaaristici.org

**Eucharistic Heart of Jesus, we greatly trust in You, but
increase our faith!**

**If you are new to our parishes, there are Registration forms in
the back of SH Church and guest cards in the pews at HF
Church. Please contact the office with questions.
Welcome and Thank you for joining us!!**

Week of December 18-25, 2022

Sun, Dec 18	HF Mass	8:15am	HF & SH Parishioners
	SH Mass	10:30am	Evelyn Desch, death anniv (+)
Mon, Dec 19	SH Mass	8:00am	Fr. Swamy's intentions
Tues, Dec 20	SH Mass	8:00am	Leo & Helen DeDonder(+)
Wed, Dec 21	SH Mass	8:00am	Joe (Merle) Glotzbach (+)
Thurs, Dec 22	HF Mass	8:00am	Mary Jane Clark (+)
Fri, Dec 23	SH Mass	8:00am	Gary Diffley (+)
Sat, Dec 24	SH Mass	8:00am	For the poor souls in Purgatory (+)
	Christmas Masses-		
	HF Mass	5:00pm	Glen Herbic (+)
	SH Mass	7:00pm	Don Zeller (+)
Sun, Dec 25	SH Mass	8:00am	HF & SH Parishioners

Please pray for the members of our Parishes who suffer illness ...

Showamma Nannam (Father Swamy's mother), Barbara Flach, Bill and Virginia Glotzbach, Carolyn Wurtz, Don Deiter, Marilyn Poovey, Merle Glotzbach, Billy Layton, Dwayne Seematter, Sheila Walton, Virginia Schmidt, Jim Zeller, Louise Glotzbach, Marty Hiebert, Elizabeth Adams, Bob Michaelis, Elizabeth King, Teresa Anderson, Steve McConnell, Bruce & Linda Bond, Mona Roth, Fr. Earl Dekat, Greg Anderson, Sue Flach, Duane & Diane Hund, Carmen Hiebert, Shirley Degenhardt, Shana Bird and any others you may be aware of.

Also, pray for their caregivers as well.

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Search using St Bernards in Wamego as the parish name.

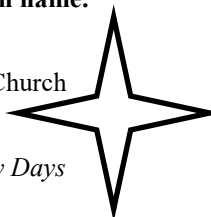
SAINTS & HOLY DAYS THIS WEEK...

Dec 21, St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church

Dec 23, St. John of Kanty, Priest

Dec 25, Nativity of our Lord

Google or research Info about these Saints & Holy Days we celebrate!



Remember our Soldiers in your prayers, and always pray for peace.

Grant Boucher, Amanda Spetter, Marjie Durkes, Adam Koss, Chad Koss, Michael Hintz, Kyle Glotzbach, Chris Seematter, Douglas Darnall-Austin, Eric Hill, Blaine Tharman, Bryce Tharman, Braden Tharman, Joshua Daigler, Brandon Grant, Evan Rohleder, Emily Daigler, Thomas Daigler, Nicholas Daigler, Dustin Smith, Benjamin Pimple, Joe Hund, Trey Wilson, Kyle Savage, Brock Richter, Charles Constantino, Craig Posch, and Christian Glotzbach.

A Message From Father: **“CELEBRATE THE HEART OF CHRISTMAS”**

Today we are celebrating the last Sunday of Advent prior to the Feast of Christmas Day. We may be getting busy with the festivities, gifts, parties and family get-togethers which accompany our celebration of Christmas. Yet our faith tells us to prepare ourselves for HIM.

You can't only exchange things at Christmas but, if you can give yourself, if you can give the gift of love to each other, then that is the heart of Christmas.

God so loved the world He gave His only Son, who came as a naked little baby — no power, no glory, no money, nothing, just laying in the manger of animals. And the angels came to sing. And the shepherds came to worship. And they left with great joy in their hearts because they knew Emmanuel, God is with us, and we don't need anything else.

To have God with you, to be one with God and one with each other and gathered wherever it is, whether it's a fancy place or whether it's a humble stable, Christmas means God is teaching us how to love. And to teach us how to love means to teach us how to give. And to teach us how to give is to become Emmanuel, God is with us, among all peoples.

I hope you all have a wonderful Christmas and a happy Christmas!!!

And remember, it's not what you give, if you give your whole self, your whole heart and your whole soul to those around you, and then you will understand why the angels sing, why the shepherds dance, and why the world, for all its pain and sorrows and difficulties, is a wondrous, marvelous and great place to be.

Because we indeed have become Emmanuel, God with us and God with each other.

MAY GOD'S PEACE AND JOY BE WITH YOU!

Father Swamy Nannam, MSFS

For Both Parishes-

Reconciliation Advent Services...On December 18th, Immaculate Conception, St. Marys, 3pm, St. Stansilaus, Rossville, 7pm

4th Sunday of Advent... *"When Joseph awoke, he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him and took his wife into his home."* Matthew 1:24

Putting our complete trust in the Lord without expecting anything in return. Striving to put God first in all things and follow Him wherever He may lead us. Joseph was a model of these pillars of our faith. As we prepare for the birth of our Lord, pray for the strength and courage to be a model of discipleship, just as Joseph was.

Website...We are working on getting it up and running again. Thank you for your patience!

Christmas collection...The Christmas collection is dedicated to Catholic Charities, please be as generous as possible!

Holy Family

Collection-December 11, 2022

Mailed: Envelopes \$175, Flowers \$140, Rent \$500
Envelopes \$1210, Plate \$77, Candles \$20,
Fr's Kids (mailed and collection) \$705.50, Holy Day \$25,
Religious Retirement \$635, Leaven \$22
Total \$3509.95 Thank You!

Tuesdays: Book Study meets at 7pm in the basement of the Schieber Parish Hall. All are welcome!

Wednesdays: HF & SH Religion Classes Post-Confirmation Teen Youth Group, 6:15pm at HF Schieber Hall, Meal provided. All are welcome! Bring a friend!

Thursdays: Breakfast following morning mass at Schieber Hall . Bible Study following breakfast in the library Of the Hall

Thursdays: Choir practice, 7pm

Holy Family Liturgy Assignments-

Today-December 18

Greeters/Gifts: Paul & Jenny Schutter family
Cantors: Choir
Musician: Choir
Lector: Norma Conrad
Communion: Joyce Pimple & Greg Frederick
Servers: Zachary Frank, Zeke Gomez
Collection Counters: Glen Seiler, Phillip Schutter

Christmas Eve, December 24, 5pm

Greeters/Gifts: Glen Seiler, Keith Siebert
Cantors: Choir
Musician: Choir
Lector: Pam Anderson
Communion: Steve Lira, Craig Mehrohf
Servers: Wyatt Gehrt, Enzo Gomez
Collection Counters: Glen Seiler, Phillip Schutter

No Religious Education classes on Dec 21,25, 28th and Jan 1, due to Christmas vacation. We are in need of a RE substitute Teacher!

Coffee and desserts...Today, join us in Schieber Parish hall following Mass.

Community Health volunteers needed...December 30th will be the next Alma mobile and it will be Holy Family Church's turn to help. Volunteers need to be ready to help by 9:30am. Thanks in advance for your help.

Volunteers are needed following Mass **today**, December 18th to help decorate the church for Christmas. Thank you!

Adoration ~ Please join us on Wednesday, December 21st from 3 to 9 pm for Adoration. There is a sign up in the gathering space where you may sign up for a time convenient for you to spend quality time with Jesus. Please remember to include the following Adoration families from our church roster in your prayers: Elizabeth Frank & Family, Jeff and Jennifer Frank & Family, Justin and Annie Frank & Family, Greg and Janine Frederick & Family, Marsha Furman & Family, and Mary and James Gehrt & Family

Join us for Christmas Caroling on Thursday, December 22nd. We will visit the Alma Manor at 9:30 am (following Mass and Breakfast) and share the Spirit of Christmas with the residents.

Advent ~ The Holy Family Parish Council has voted to help with the Education Expenses for the poor children in Fr. Swamy's Community. If you would like to participate in this project, please include your money (checks payable to Holy Family) in an envelope, marked with "Advent Project – Fr. Swamy's Kids" and drop in the collection basket or mail to: Holy Family; PO Box 128; Alma, KS 66401

Christmas Flowers ~ If you would like to remember deceased loved ones at Christmas time by donating towards flowers to decorate the altar, please include their names and your donation in an envelope that you can find in the pews and place it in the collection basket **ASAP (today at the latest).**

Sacred Heart

Collection-December 10 and 11, 2022

Saturday -Envelopes \$100, Plate \$128
Sunday-Envelopes \$3881.50, Plate \$240, Masses
\$20, Flowers \$115, Holy Day \$114, Religious
Retirement \$1170

Total \$5768.50 Thank You!

Sacred Heart Contacts:

Finance Council members: Joe Hund, Chair-
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-3594, David Stuhlsatz, 785-456-3222; Richard
Flach, 785-506-3419

Sacred Heart Liturgy Assignments-

Sunday, Dec 18, Next Sunday

Greeters-	Joe & Connie Hund
Cantors-	Jerry & Marilyn Hund, LuAnn Roth
Musician-	Diane Gros
Gifts-	Vincent & Annette Glotzbach
Lector-	Steve Tharman
Communion-	Ginger Flach, David Stuhlsatz, John Malone
Servers-	Mathew Vanstory, Dalvin Magette, Declan Rush
Ushers-	Beth Glotzbach, Dave & Will Glotzbach,
	Charles Lannan
Rosary-	Gertrude Garcia

Christmas Eve, December 24, 7pm

Greeters-	Steve & Stephanie Tharman family
Cantors-	Choir
Musician-	Choir
Gifts-	Mike and Linda Gorman
Lector-	Carrie Magette
Communion-	Vincent Glotzbach, Joe Hund, Beth Glotzbach
Servers-	Austin Spellman, Isabelle and Rebekah Stuhlsatz
Ushers-	KofC Members
Rosary-	JoAnn Vopata

Christmas Day Mass... Anyone willing to help with liturgy this day at 8am (lector, communion ministers, servers), please call Theresa Flach, 785-617-0228.

Mowing job.. Sacred Heart Church needs someone to mow and trim at Sacred Heart Cemetery. Pay is \$14/hr. Applicant must be at least 14 years old. If interested, call 785-617-0920.

KofC Food Drive... A donation box is in the church foyer for canned goods and non-perishable food items to be delivered to community health ministries. Please be as generous as you can!

Also, there will be a pack'n play in the foyer for donations of baby items for birthright, etc. Items such as diapers, wipes, bottles, toys, new clothing and blankets are welcome.

The Keep Christ in Christmas poster contest has begun and are due 12/18/22. Entry forms can be located in the foyer of the Church. A \$20 prize will be awarded for each of the 3 age groups. Contact Wes for more information.

Explaining the banners hanging from the Choir Loft... The 6th Antiphon is the crown symbolizing Christ as King of the World: O King of all nations and Keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom You formed from the dust! The 7th Antiphon are the sounding trumpets, announcing Christ's birth at Christmas: O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law: come to save us, Lord our God!

RE News... On December 18, **today**, there will be a Nativity play immediately following Mass. And there will be NO classes on Dec. 21st or 28th, for Christmas break.

Envelopes... If anyone wants a box of envelopes and you didn't get them, we have extra, so please just let Carol know at the office, and we'd be glad to get them to you.

Caroling... Fr. Swamy and some parishioners are going Caroling to a few homes on Tuesday morning of this week, after Mass. If you would like to join them (and they would love to have your voices), meet at the hall at 8:30am.

Donations for Fr's Indian Education fund for the children... If anyone would like to contribute to this fund, it would be very much appreciated by Fr. Swamy and the children. He has said he was able to help **40 students last year with donations from both parishes!** Just put them in an envelope in the collection marked Education Fund and we will get it to Fr.

Our Parish Heritage - Did You Know?

Part 9 - During his fourteen years as pastor of Sacred Heart at Newbury, Father Florian Reichert was a caring pastor. "His quiet, kind and devout way" left a great imprint upon the souls of his devoted flock as the number of Holy Communion distributed greatly increased during these years. "Father Reichert left on the church property a very definite mark, which will always remain as evidence of his technical knowledge as well as of his skill in his hobby of woodwork."* He built an incredibly detailed Nativity scene, standing about six feet tall including the village of Bethlehem, stable and night sky beyond. His creation was made of wood and papier mache, rich in details in every part of the scene. He hand painted every detail including the starry sky backdrop. It is still in use every Advent and Christmas Season in the St. Joseph altar side of the sanctuary. The Holy Family is in place, awaiting the birth of Jesus. Traditionally the Child is brought forth at Christmas Eve Mass by the second grade class and Father places the Child Jesus in the manger. A plaque is on the roof of the stable telling of its origins. As always, visitors are most welcome to our parish, but we especially welcome you to view this incredible work of art. *information from the 1949 Diamond Jubilee booklet. There are many detailed photos of the Nativity Scene posted on our Sacred Heart Parish Facebook page.

Next week - Father Weitharn arrives, decorative interior work is completed.