



Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate



DECEMBER 15, 2024
THE THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

| SAINT LUKE PARISH

| SAINT JOHN THE
EVANGELIST PARISH

WITH PASTORAL CARE OF:

SAINT BONIFACE

SAINT PATRICK
LORETO

SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST
MILL CREEK

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Dear Friends in Christ,

Joy is a sure sign of the Holy Spirit! Joy radiates from a person when they have decided to live for Christ. Setbacks, disappointments and even great suffering cannot steal away the joy given by the

Holy Spirit. Joy is more than an emotion, it is a stable disposition of the soul. It takes root when someone knows that they possess something good. The roots of joy go down deep when we know that this good is God's love which we can only lose by a mortal sin...and can easily regain by going to confession.

This Sunday we are joyful because we have passed the halfway point of Advent--the great feast of Christmas draws near. We can imagine Mary's joy at knowing soon the child will arrive! Let us each make a good confession before Christmas so we are filled with the peace and joy of Christ. No amount of egg-nog or Christmas cookies can compare to the joy of having been cleansed of our sins in that holy sacrament! In the back of Church this week you will find some examinations of conscience to help you prepare your confession. I will say a Rosary that your experience of confession will be healing, uplifting and joyful.

in Joy,

Fr. Luke

Other Notes:

We have added a penance service to our Advent Calendar, We will have one outside priest coming to St. John's on Saturday, December 21st. The service will begin at 10 AM with a short reading from Scripture and examination of conscience. Confessions will be heard from 10 a.m.-11 a.m. (Confessions will also be heard from 1:00 p.m.-4:00 p.m. on Dec. 19th at St. Luke and Dec. 20th at St. John.)

Important update on upcoming St. John's Church closure:

Sunday January 5th will be the last mass in St. John's church for roughly 6-7 weeks for our renovation project. Please say a prayer that all goes well!

I have decided to move the 8:30 AM Sunday Mass to St. John the Baptist Mill Creek during the closure. We have a sizable group of parishioners who live near Arena - this mass will be more convenient for them to attend. The nearest mass within our pastorate for them would have been 17 miles. During the closure of St. Luke Church we had a church 7 miles north (Loreto) and 7 miles south (SJE) that were open for parishioners who lived in Plain. We will continue to have daily mass on Wednesday and Friday (school mass) at St. John's in the parish hall at 8:30 AM. Fr. Kumud will have Prink after daily mass on Wednesdays.

St. John parishioners may put their offertory envelopes in any collection basket during the closure. During the closure period there will be only one Saturday vigil mass - 4:00 PM at St. Luke.

SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE WEEKLY CALENDAR

- Sun: Advent Hour of Reflection at St. John the Baptist, **1:00 PM**
- Mon: St. Luke School Christmas Program, 1:30 & 6:30 PM
- Tues: OCIA at St. John the Evangelist hall, 5:30 PM
Choir Rehearsal at St. John, 6:00 PM
- Wed: Men's Group Meet at St. John, 5:30 AM
Adoration at St. John, 7:00 AM
PRINK the Word at St. John, 9:15 AM
St. John School Christmas Program, 1:30 & 6:30 PM
- Thurs: Advent Day of Prayer at St. Luke, 9:15 AM
- Fri: Advent Day of Prayer at St. John, 9:15 AM
- Sat: Penance Service at St. John, 10:00 AM
- Sun: Advent Hour of Reflection at St. John the Baptist, 5:00 PM

LOOKING AHEAD ...

- ✠ Catholic Schools Week, January 26 to February 1, 2025
- ✠ St. Luke Fish Fry, Friday, February 7

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Confessions will be heard 30 minutes before each Weekend Mass
St. John ~ 5:00 PM Saturday & 8:00 AM Sunday
St. Luke ~ 3:30 PM Saturday & 9:30 AM Sunday
St. Patrick ~ 7:00 AM Sunday

Decorating for Christmas

We will be decorating on December 22nd at St. Pat, St. Luke and St. John the Evangelist after Masses.

Clean Up will be at noon on January 5th at St. John the Evangelist and on January 12th after Mass at St. Pat and St. Luke.

Volunteers are welcome and appreciated!



THE LIGHTS THIS WEEK BURN FOR ...



**Marlene Palan
(SJE)**

**Lorraine Meister
(SL)**



PRAY FOR THE SICK & SUFFERING

Marlene Dischler, Joann Schanke, Jim Hansen, Aloysius Bauer, Christina Litviak, Peggy Sprecher, Marie Neider, Greg Rieder, Kelly Feiner, Jacob Emerson, Harvey Rieder, Shelly Alt, Michael Whitcomb, and Doug Schmitz.

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MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS FOR SAINTS JOACHIM & ANNE PASTORATE

MONDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. Luke for Joseph Schmitz †

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024

7:00 AM Mass at St. John

5:15 PM Mass at St. Luke for Andrew & Terre McLendon †

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. Luke for Dixie Schweiss †

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Mary Gust †

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2024 ~ *St. Peter Canisius,
Priest & Doctor of the Church*

4:00 PM Mass at St. Luke for Ralph & Anne Ruhland †

5:30 PM Mass at St. John for The People of Saints
Joachim & Anne Pastorate

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024 ~ *FOURTH SUNDAY
OF ADVENT*

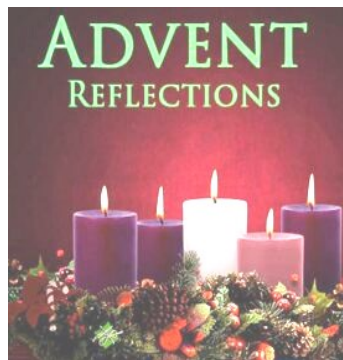
7:30 AM Mass at St. Patrick for Kenneth Schutz †

8:30 AM Mass at St. John for Bill, Virginia and
Kevin Hackl †

10:00 AM Mass at St. Luke for Sara Caldwell †

READINGS FOR THE FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Micah 5:1-4a Hebrews 10:5-10
Luke 1:39-45



**"This Will Be A Sign For You":
Advent Hour of Reflection at St.
John the Baptist of Mill Creek.**
Come join in a time of meditation and
reflection on Sunday evenings during
Advent from 5:00 - 6:00 PM, with the
exception of December 15th when it
will be from 1:00 - 2:00 PM instead.
Featuring a recording of "Advent At
Ephesus", a beautiful album by the
Benedictine Sisters of Mary, Queen of
Apostles."

Advent Day of Prayer & Adoration

Thursday, December 19th at St. Luke
Adoration from 9:15 AM until 4:00 PM.

Friday, December 20th at St. John the Evangelist
Adoration from 9:15 AM until 4:00 PM.

Confessions will be heard both days from 1:00 - 4:00 PM.
(You will be able to sign up to pray for an hour soon.)

LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

SAT., DEC. 21	4:00 PM ST. LUKE	5:30 PM ST. JOHN
Sacristan	Lori Ederer	Robert Baird
Lector	Lauri Meixelsperger	Diane Baryenbruch
EM	Donna Ochsner	Diane Baryenbruch
Ushers	Donna Ochsner Gary Mueller	Pat Slaney Donna Slaney
Servers	OPEN OPEN	OPEN OPEN

SUN., DEC. 22	7:30 AM ST. PAT	8:30 AM ST. JOHN	10:00 AM ST. LUKE
Sacristan	Sheila Drea	Terri Larson	Nicole Bell
Lector	Lucas Faber	Nancy Maxwell	Jim Moody
EM		Nancy Maxwell	Bob Gates
Ushers	Dan Brickl Cindy Brickl	Keith Maxwell Todd Hogan	Ken Bindl Susan Bindl
Greeter			Doug Schmitz
Servers	Caleb Klingaman Jadyn Boland	Brianna McCall Charles McCall	Jacob Faber Isaac Faber



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*Mass Schedule for
Upcoming Holy Days*

Christmas Eve - Tues., December 24

St. Luke: 4:00 p.m. (Choir at 3:30)
& 10:00 p.m. (music at 9:45)
St. John: 4:00 p.m. (Program at 3:45)

Christmas Day - Wed. December 25

St. Patrick: 8:00 a.m.
St. John 10:00 a.m. (Choir begins at 9:30).

Vigil of Mary Mother of God - Tuesday, December 31

St. Luke: 4:00 p.m.
St. Patrick: 7:00 p.m.

Mary Mother of God - Wednesday, January 1

St. John: 8:30 a.m.
St. Luke: 10:00 a.m.

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ST. JOHN SCHOOL NEWS

DECEMBER 18: Christmas Program, 1:30 & 6:30 pm

DECEMBER 24: 3:45 PM Christmas Eve Pageant before 4:00 PM Mass.

DECEMBER 23-JANUARY 1: No School; Christmas Vacation



ST. JOHN THE EVANGELIST SCHOOL ENDOWMENT FUND "LIGHT OF THE FUTURE" TREE ~ St. John's School is having a "Light of the Future" tree to benefit the school's Endowment Fund. Lights for the tree may be purchased for \$2.00 each in remembrance of family and friends, living and deceased. The tree will be set up in the church greeting area and will be lit on Christmas Eve. The deadline for turning in names is Sunday, December 22. Please find forms on the table in the back of church to list names and return it with \$2.00 per name to the school office or the collection basket at church. Please mark the envelope "St. John's School ~ Light of the Future Tree."

CHRISTMAS CONCERT ~ The students and Mrs. Voegeli have been working hard on this year's Christmas Program. It will be performed this year in the church with performances at 1:30 pm and 6:30 pm on Wednesday, December 18th. Please keep in mind that the afternoon program will probably offer better seating with fewer people in attendance.

HOME & SCHOOL BAKE SALE ~ There will be a Home & School Bake Sale after both performances of this year's Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 18th. Donations would be greatly appreciated and may be dropped off at church that morning.

CHRISTMAS EVE MASS ~ St. John's students will be participating in reenacting the Christmas Story at 3:45 PM before the 4:00 PM Christmas Eve Mass at St. John's.



MERRY CHRISTMAS! All of us at St. John's School would like to wish you and your family a Very Merry Christmas and a Blessed New Year!

LIKE AND FOLLOW US ON FACEBOOK! See for yourself all the great things that are happening at St. John's School by visiting our website at www.stjohnspringgreen.org or by liking our Facebook page – St. John the Evangelist School Spring Green, WI.



Deepen Your Faith with the Catholic Herald Issue on December 19, 2024

In every issue, Bishop Donald J. Hying connects with his flock through his "From the Bishop's Desk" column. This week also includes Christmas greetings and content.

It is easy to get the Catholic Herald print or e-Edition in your home - just contact the parish office!

ST. LUKE SCHOOL NEWS

DECEMBER 16: Christmas Program, 1:30 & 6:30 PM

DECEMBER 19: School Mass

DECEMBER 20: Last day of school before break

WREATH & PORCH POT FAMILY ACTIVITY ~ Thank you Van Ert Christmas Tree Farm and everyone who came to make a wreath or porch pot. It was a wonderful family activity during this Advent season.

THANK YOU ST. JOHN SCHOOL ~ It was great celebrating the Feast of the Immaculate Conception Mass with the students and teachers from St. John School. Following Mass, St. John students joined us for milk and snack and had some outdoor recess time together.

CHRISTMAS SPIRIT DAYS ~ St. Luke Students will be showing their holiday spirit the last week of school before Christmas vacation by dressing up for Christmas:

Monday, December 16: **"Christmas Colors"** ~ dress up in a Christmas sweater or colors; (Christmas program day)

Tuesday, December 17: **"Christmas Hat Day"** ~ wear your favorite Santa/Reindeer/Christmas hat.

Wednesday, December 18: **"Merry Pajamas"** ~ wear your holiday pajamas (caroling in the morning and watching a movie in the afternoon).

Thursday, December 19: **"Mass Attire"** ~ Wear your Mass attire with Christmas socks.

Friday, December 20: **"Ugly Sweater Day"** ~ wear your ugly sweater (classroom Christmas parties).



BRIGHT LIGHTS

Reserve a light for yourself or a special person, living or deceased, to shine bright on the Christmas trees surrounding the Nativity scene in front of St. Luke Church during the holiday season. Each light purchased is \$2.00 and will go toward the St. Luke School Endowment. Thank you for your continuous support!

CHRISTMAS PROGRAM ~ St. Luke School's Christmas program is on Monday, December 16. There will be an afternoon performance at 1:30 PM and an evening performance at 6:30 PM. Everyone is welcome to come and enjoy some wonderful music and hear the Christmas story as told by St. Luke School students. Punch and cookies will be served following the evening performance.



CHRISTMAS VACATION begins December 21 and School resumes on Thursday, January 2, 2025.

KEEP UP ON THE LATEST SCHOOL HAPPENINGS AND "LIKE US" ON FACEBOOK! Visit our Facebook page at St. Luke's Catholic School, Plain, WI. Check out our website at www.stlukes-plain.org.



LUCKY LUKE CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS:

December 2 - 8: Randall Brey, Thia Faber, Audrey Brickl, C & N Feiner, Casey Owen, Brad Miller and Scott Eberle (**\$200**). All others were **\$50 Winners**. **Congratulations!**

FAITH FORMATION/ RELIGIOUS ED

Christmas Fun Night Middle School Faith Formation

Wednesday December 18th
6:45-8:00 pm
St. Lukes Church Basement

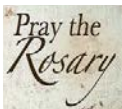


St. John's Bake Sale: St. John's will host a bake sale on December 21/22. Those with last names A-K are asked to make a donation. All donations are welcome! Let's all get some Christmas treats!!



♦ Christ gave us a great gift of Himself on Christmas. He calls us to give of ourselves to everyone, especially our spouse.
♦ Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and learn how to be the best gift you can be for your spouse.

The next Worldwide Marriage Encounter Experiences are on December 6-8 or February 14-16 in Brookfield, WI. For more info go to: alifetimeoflove.org or call (888) 574-5653.



"Parish Rosary Program" (Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorale)

Combined Weekly Total: 151
Running Grand Total: 17,905

We would like to ask parishioners of ALL five churches to put your rosary counts into the collection baskets at the weekend Masses!

ADVENT HOLY HOUR



SAINTS
JOACHIM
& ANNE
PASTORATE

1240 Nachreiner Ave, Plain, WI 53577

NEED A MOMENT OF PEACE AND STILLNESS DURING THE DAYS LEADING UP TO CHRISTMAS?
ALL ARE WELCOME TO JOIN US FOR AN HOUR OF EUCHARISTIC ADORATION WITH PRAYER, PEACE, AND REFLECTION

ST. LUKE, PLAIN
THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024
&
ST. JOHN, SPRING GREEN
FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024
FROM 9:30 AM TO 4:30 PM

ADORATION BEGINS WITH A SCHOOL MASS AT 8:30AM ON BOTH THE DAYS FOLLOWED BY EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT.

THE HOLY HOUR CONCLUDES WITH BENEDICTION AT 4:30 PM.

THE SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION IS AVAILABLE FROM 1:00 PM TO 4:00 PM.

PLEASE COME & SPEND AN HOUR IN PRAYER WITH THE EUCHARISTIC LORD.

<https://japastorate.flocknote.com/signup/191927>

YEAR END GIVING

As we come to the end of the calendar year, December 31, **THANK YOU** for your contributions and your support of St. John, St. Luke and St. Patrick churches, schools and ministries! A reminder that if a donor (parishioner) wishes to claim a contribution as a charitable deduction for income tax purposes, then the donor must relinquish control of the funds before it is technically a contribution. If you wish to have your donations counted in 2024, please make sure they reach the parish offices by DECEMBER 31. God bless you!

A reminder that we have "Online Giving" available on our website! Please visit www.saintsja.org and click on the ONLINE GIVING box! Follow the prompts...it is very simple!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

St. John's (Week 23)

Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 7,153.00
Dec 7/8 Actual	\$ 6,276.00
ACH Weekly Average	\$ 2,485.00

Difference: +\$ 1,608.00

Envelope Goal YTD	\$ 164,517.00
YTD Total to Dec 8	\$ 147,511.00

Difference -\$ 17,008.00

Give Your "First Fruits" Back to God!

To Parish	5-8%
To Diocese.....	1%
To Charities.....	1-4%

Would you prayerfully consider treating St. Luke/St. John Parish as one of your children in your will/estate planning?

Call your Parish Office for details.

St. Luke's (Week 23)

Weekly Offertory Goal	\$ 7,507.00
Dec 7/8 Actual	\$ 13,658.00
ACH Weekly Average	\$ 2,500.00

Difference: +\$ 8,651.00

Total Goal YTD	\$ 172,661.00
YTD Actual to Dec 8	\$ 135,732.00

Difference - \$ 36,929.00

Saints Joachim & Anne Pastorate

Saint John the Evangelist Parish

253 N. Washington Street
P.O. Box 628
Spring Green, WI 53588

ST. JOHN MASS: Saturday 5:30pm & Sunday 8:30am

ST. JOHN OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 588-2028
Parish Fax..... 588-2648
Parish Email..... barb.ferguson@saintsja.org
Website..... www.saintsja.org
Parish Center/Kitchen..... 588-2229
Pastoral Council President: Dave Mack..... 459-0680
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference 546-2482

ST. JOHN SCHOOL

School Office..... 588-2021
School Website..... <http://stjohns-springgreen.org>
School Principal: Allison Stroud..... 588-2021

ST. JOHN CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Roger Kolan..... 588-2103

Saint Luke Parish

1240 Nachreiner Avenue
Plain, WI 53577

ST. LUKE MASS: Saturday 4:00pm & Sunday 10:00am

ST. LUKE OFFICES

Rectory/Parish Office..... 546-2482
Parish Fax..... 546-2616
Parish Email..... heather.faber@saintsja.org
Website..... www.saintsja.org
Church Kitchen..... 546-2800
Pastoral Council President: Bruce Culver 544-5813
St. Vincent de Paul River Valley Conference 546-2482
Little Luke Daycare 546-2963, ext. 316

ST. LUKE SCHOOL

School..... 546-2963
School Website..... <http://stlukes-plain.org>
School Principal: Diane Mueller..... 546-2963

ST. LUKE CEMETERY

Cemetery Sexton: Bob Schweiss..... Cell: 608-963-8163

Saint Boniface

105 Church Street
Lime Ridge, WI 53942

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

(November-April)

Saint Patrick Loreto

S8280 County Road G
Plain, WI 53577

MASS: Sunday 7:30am

St. Patrick's and Our Lady of the Fields
Shrine Cemetery Sexton: Doug Faber

Saint John the Baptist Mill Creek

6494 County Highway H
Arena, WI 53503

MASS: First Saturday Mass 9:00am

(May-October)

JOINT STAFF & OFFICE INFORMATION

PASTOR: Fr. Luke Syse

546-2482 / 588-2028 / Cell: 636-4337

fr.luke.syse@saintsja.org

1270 Nachreiner Avenue, Plain, WI 53577

PAROCHIAL VICAR: Fr. Kumud Chandra Nayak

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MUSIC DIRECTOR

Michael Davidson

588-2028 / 546-2482

michaeldavidson84@gmail.com

SCHEDULING EVENTS

All parish activities or meetings need to be scheduled on the parish calendar. Please call the parish office.

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Wednesday - Noon

MINISTERIO HISPANO / HISPANIC MINISTRY

Padre Luke Syse se habla español

Puedes llamarlo a 608-636-4337

HOMEBOUND VISITS

Deacon Tom Fogarty - 414-530-0868

tjohnf52480@gmail.com

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you to our parish family. Please stop by or call the parish office for information about registering as parish members.

SACRAMENTS

PENANCE/RECONCILIATION

Reconciliation is offered 30 minutes before every scheduled mass.

MARRIAGE

To schedule a wedding date, call the parish office. The common policy of the Diocese of Madison requires a 6-month minimum notice. We strongly recommend at least one year in advance.

BAPTISM

Baptism dates are arranged through an intake form at our website www.saintsja.org. First time parents and godparents are required to attend a baptism preparation program before the baptism of their child. These classes are held the second Saturday of each month at 9:00 a.m. at St. Luke.

COMMUNION FOR THE SICK

We are happy to bring Holy Communion to those confined to their homes. Please notify the parish office.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK

Individual celebrations can be arranged by calling the parish office.

OCIA (FORMERLY RCIA)

ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

OCIA is the process for adults who desire to join the Catholic faith and for those seeking more information on the Catholic Church. Please contact Marie Lins at 608-469-3982 or marie.lins@madisondiocese.org.