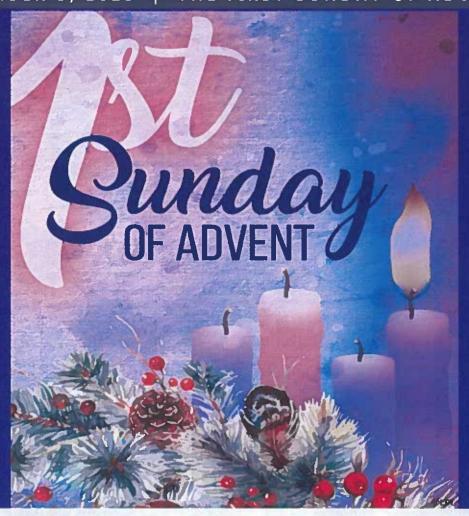


DECEMBER 3, 2023 | THE FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Pastor Fr. Ryan Krueger Pastoral Associate

Deacon Mark Hibbs

# MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday Masses Wednesday | 8:20am Friday | 8:20am

Weekend Masses
Saturday | 4:30pm
Sunday | 7:30am, 10:30am

## Confession

Saturday | 3:30pm-4:00pm First Friday | 7:50am Other | By Appointment Adoration

Adoration
Saturday's 3:30-4pm
1st Thurs.of the Month 7-4pm

# Welcome!

It is our mission to continue the work of Jesus through the building of a vibrant Catholic Community of Word, Worship and Service.

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# **Corpus Christi Catholic Church**

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Monday - Thursday 8:00am - 4:30pm Office Closed 1:30pm - 2:00pm Friday 9:00am - 1:00pm

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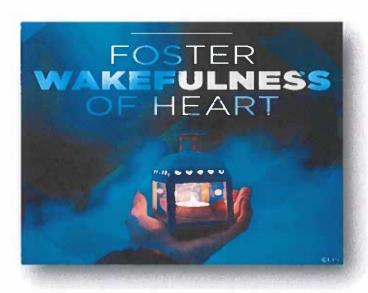
# The First Sunday of Advent December 3, 2023



Lately I've been listening to a science-based podcast on healthy daily living. The host frequently discusses the wide range of health benefits of sleep. So, each night I'm trying to get more, and better, slumber, and it's helping me feel energized. So, why in the world should we follow Christ's advice this week? "Watch therefore, for you do not know when the master of the house will come ... lest he find you asleep." Isn't sleep, especially at midnight and cockcrow, a good thing?

Of course, it is. But the wakefulness the Lord calls us to is a deep, personal orientation to Him. A nightly vigil is therefore a metaphor for this, but it's not just that. We should give up real sleep in order to pray, too. This difficult practice is a time-tested way to foster wakefulness of heart. When we give up sleep to pray, it focuses us. We learn that life is not an endless series of days. You and I belong to the Lord — awake or asleep, in life and in death. Sooner or later, even our need for our physical sleep will pass away. And our attentiveness to God — that is, whether we are awaiting Him to meet us — will be all that matters.

May I challenge us this week and this Advent to intentionally give up at least one hour of sleep each week for prayer? Stay up later, wake up in the middle of the night, or an hour earlier, and pray. Will we be a bit more tired the next day? Yes. But we'll be amazed at the spiritual wakefulness that results, too.— Father John



# MASS INTENTIONS

# Saturday, December 2 |

03:30-04:00 pm. † Adoration & Confessions

04:30 pm. † The Homebound

# Sunday, December 3 | First Sunday of Advent

07:30 am. † People of Corpus Christi 09:00 am. † Mass at Holy Name of Mary 10:30 am. † Daw Schmelzer (deceased)

Tues., Dec. 5 | Advent Penance Serv. 6:30-7:30pm

09:00 am. † Mass at Holy Name of Mary

# Wednesday, December 6 |

07:45 am. † Rosary

08:20 am. † Adeline K. Engdahl (deceased)

# Thursday, December 7 | Vigil; Adoration 7-4pm

06:30 pm. † Ian Isley (deceased)

06:30 pm. † Mass at Holy Name of Mary

# Friday, December 8 | Holy Day of Obligation

07:50 am. † Rosary & Confessions

08:20 am. † Christ Child Society Members

# Saturday, December 9 | Retirement Collection

03:30-04:00 pm. † Adoration & Confessions

04:30 pm. † Fran & Joan Froelich (both deceased)

## Sun., December 10 | Second Sunday of Advent

07:30 am. † Louise & Walter Nault (both deceased)

09:00 am. † Mass at Holy Name of Mary

10:30 am. † People of Corpus Christi

# **STEWARDSHIP**

## **FOR THE WEEK OF NOV. 17-23. 2023**

Parish Support	. \$3,899.00
Online Giving	\$837.00
Offertory	\$730.00
Total Deposit	\$5,466.00
Budgeted Weekly Expenses	\$6,262.11
Weekly St. John Bosco School Subsidy	. \$3,461.54
Weekly Shortage	(\$4,257.65)

## **GIVE ONLINE TODAY! WWW.CCPARISH.NET**

Don't forget to purchase scrip before doing your shopping!

Corpus Christi Catholic Parish Support			
Parish Support	Jan.1—Nov. 23, 23	Jan. 1—Nov. 23, 22	
Support Envelopes	\$243,131	\$258,424	
Loose Collections	\$47,690	\$42,682	
Online Giving	\$57,685	\$55,345	
Total	\$348,506	\$356,451	

# **READINGS FOR THE WEEK**

December 3, 2023 | 1st Sunday of Advent

Sunday: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4)/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37

Mon.: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11 Tue.: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24 Wed. Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37 Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25:27a/Mt

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Friday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38

Saturday: ls 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

# **EDGE LIFE TEEN**

# Middle & High School Religious Education And Youth Ministry News

Reminder: all gifts from the Christmas Wish Program are due by December 17<sup>th</sup> at NOON to the parish you took a heart from. If you are donating money, please write checks and send/drop off to Corpus Christi.

If you are donating gift cards, you can drop off at the parish office (any of them).

Schedule this week (December 6th)

Edge at Holy Name of Mary: 6-7:30pm

Edge at St. Joseph: 5:30-6:45pm Life Teen at St. Joseph: 6:30-7:45pm

Confirmation: 7:30-9pm

Since the 6<sup>th</sup> is St. Nick's Day, we have a special celebration for our middle and high school students! Parents/guardians, please see your email for what we are asking you to bring!

# THE HAPPENINGS IN GENESIS

## Children's Ministry

Facebook: GENESIS/Tri Parish Elementary Religious Education Program

Genesis: Class on Wed. Dec. 6th at 5:30-6:45pm at

St. Joe's Faith Formation Center.

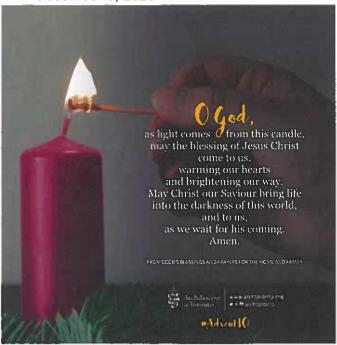
Our second Genesis Service Project!

We are collecting hats and mittens for our local school children starting Wednesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>. The Faith Formation Center will have a Christmas Tree where you can place hats and mittens on. Thank you for your donations.

Liturgy of the Word Sunday 10am Mass: Dec. 10th. All children ages 4 through 3rd grade are invited to participate in the Liturgy of the Word for Children. This will be held at St. Joseph Parish at the 10am Mass the second Sunday of every month.

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# **PARISH & OTHER NEWS**

The Retirement Collection: Dec. 9 & 10

Next weekend we will have the Retirement Collection. Please use the envelope provided in this bulletin or take one from the entrances at church. Please fill it out completely, place your check (payable to our parish) or cash in the envelope and place in the regular collection basket. There are more than 25,000 sister, brothers, and priest religious past age 70 living in the United States. In our diocese about 90 senior priests are receiving retirement benefits. The average retired priest receives \$1500 per month and help is needed to supplement the fund over the next 20 years.

# <u>Drive-Thru Senior (55+) Mobile Food Pantry</u> <u>At Holy Name of Mary</u>

Open to all seniors 55+ on Wed. Dec. 6th 10-noon. Please stay in your vehicle, follow the signage and make a spot in your trunk or back seat for the box of food. Quantities are limited and will be given away on a first come, first serve basis, no charge. Limit one box per vehicle.

# D.C. Toy Drive Along with US Marine Corps Reserve

There is still time for you to donate a new unwrapped toy! Please place it in the labelled box in the main church entrance prior to Thurs. Dec. 7th. Helping the children/families of Door County. Thank you!

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# **PARISH & OTHER NEWS**



Holy Day of Obligation Mass Times:

Vigil Thurs. Dec. 7th 6:30pm at Corpus Christi
Vigil Thurs. Dec. 7th 6:30pm at Holy Name of Mary
Friday Dec. 8th 8:20am at Corpus Christi
Friday Dec. 8th 9am at Holy Name of Mary
Fri. Dec. 8th 8:30am at SS Peter & Paul in Institute
Fri. Dec. 8th 6pm at St. Joseph



# **Services**

An evening of prayer, scripture readings, reflection, examination of conscience, adoration and reconciliation.

Tues. Dec. 5th and Tues. Dec. 19th at Corpus Christi 6:30-7:30pm Wed. Dec. 13th at Holy Name of Mary 6-7:30pm

# **Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament**

Join us for Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament on **Thursday Dec. 7th 7-4pm**. Come spend some quiet time with our Lord.

# Rosary: Tuesday's

Don't forget that on Tuesday's in the main church entrance at 10am that we will pray the rosary! You are invited to join us.

#### Free Hallow App

Corpus Christi Parish has partnered with Hallow to encourage all parishioners to surrender it all this Advent season and prepare your heart for Jesus like never before with



readings from the works of C.S. Lewis, voiced by award-winning actor and the voice of Aslan in the Narnia movies, Liam Neeson. Jonathan Roumie and Sr. Miriam James Heidland, SOLT, will guide us through prayer and reflection on these powerful writings to prepare our hearts for Christmas and rediscover the wonder of Christ's coming into this world and into our hearts. Hallow is the #1 Catholic app worldwide. Check out the insert for more information on this app and for the QR code to scan.



# Hallow

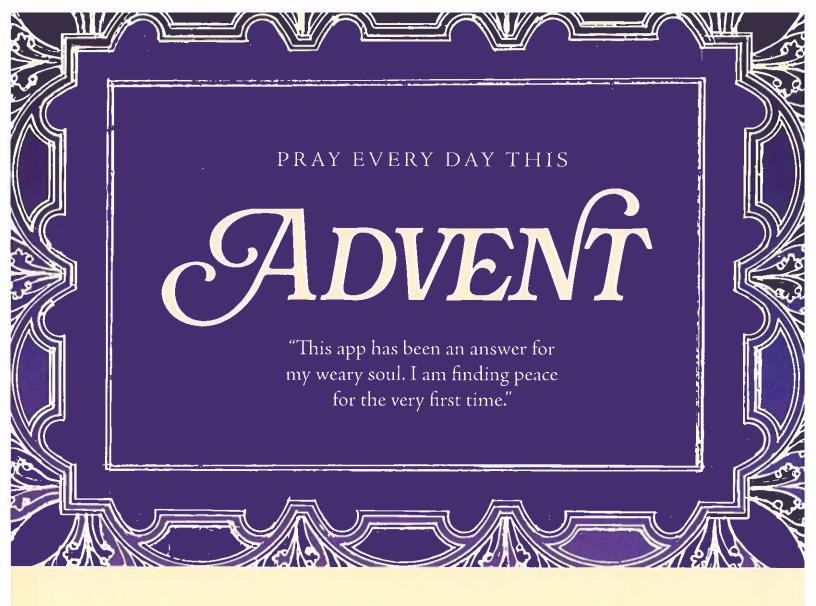
# GIND PEACE IN GOD THIS ADVENT

LIZZIE VELASQUEZ MOTIVATIONAL SPEAKER

"The Hallow app helped me open up my front door to Jesus and reminded me I have never and will never be ALONE thanks to Him." FR. JOSH JOHNSON AUTHOR & PODCAST HOST

"The resources on this app draw me to reorient my attention to the face of God and the voice of Christ."





# Find Peace in Prayer this Advent with Hallow

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# **Daily Prayers**

Start your day with the Daily Gospel, Rosary, Examen, or one of over 10,000 sessions, including daily meditations, homilies, reflections, and Bible studies.





# Family Content

Pray as a family with weekly Mass Prep, or guide your little ones with introductory prayer sessions for ages 3 and up as well as sacrament prep.





# Bible Stories & Sleep Content

Close your day with Christ with an Examen, Night Prayer, or a Rosary with guests like Bishop Barron, Mark Wahlberg, and Jonathan Roumie.







St. John Bosco Catholic School is shaping future leaders by providing academic excellence in a caring 4K-8 Catholic environment where God's gifts are nurtured and where faith is put into action.

St. John Bosco Catholic School

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## From the Principal

As Advent approaches, our hearts are tuned to the whispers of hope. In this season of anticipating Christ's arrival, let us prepare a dwelling for Him in the quiet chambers of our souls. Joining in the spiritual journey of Advent, reflect, repent, and rejoice in the promise of salvation. May the coming weeks bring a renewed sense of faith, love, and compassion. As we eagerly await Christ's birth, may our lives testify to the enduring grace of our Savior.

I want to acknowledge the departure of several long-time staff members. We wish them well and thank them for their service to St. John Bosco Catholic School. Embracing change with a positive mindset is not about losing memories but a gateway to growth and innovation. It involves letting go of fear, cultivating adaptability, and seizing opportunities for learning. Like in Advent, let us initiate a new beginning. God Bless.

Dr. Robey

# Reconciliation

Grades 3-8 will be celebrating the sacrament of Reconciliation on Wednesday, December 20. Thank you to Fr. Anthony Birdsall, Fr. Tom Farrell, Fr. Ryan Krueger and Fr. Matthew Rappl for celebrating this important sacrament with our students. What a wonderful way to celebrate the anticipation of Christ's birth.

#### Advent Calendars

Each school family received an Advent calendar to bring home and share with their family.

#### Advent Prayer Services



Preparing for Jesus' birth is an important time of the year especially for Catholics.

We will gather as a school family every Monday for a weekly Advent Prayer Service at 8:10am throughout Advent.

## Honor Roll Students

Congratulations to these students for making honor roll for first quarter.

#### 6th Grade

Giselle Binard	High Honors
Elliott Brown	High Honors
Benjamin Dixner Young	High Honors
Mason Fisher	High Honors
Penelope Kiedrowski	High Honors
Zofia Michalski	High Honors
Destiny Romero	High Honors
Tristan Smith	High Honors

# 7<sup>th</sup> Grade

High Honors
High Honors

# 8th Grade

Gabrielle Binard	High Honors
Adam Kurek	High Honors
Amelia Michalski	High Honors
Raymond Paye	High Honors
Patrick Shefchik	High Honors
Ruby Ullman	High Honors

# **Veterans Day Letters**

4K and Kindergarten colored flags and grades 1-8 wrote letters to send to our local Veterans. This is an important project that the students look forward to every year. We sent over 200 letters and have been blessed to receive several correspondences back. One veteran even stopped in to visit the 4K class. Thank you Veterans!

#### Annual School Fund Drive

The Annual School Fund Drive is still going on and please consider donating today. We seem to have stalled at just over \$45,000 raised; our annual goal is \$100,000! The ASFD supports the vital and daily expenses our school incurs to continue to provide a quality education to our students. While our school has had some turbulent weeks, commitment to our students, both present and future, remains steadfast.

Thank you to those that donated thus far. If you haven't already, donations can be made by check to St. John Bosco, 730 W Maple Street, Sturgeon Bay, WI 54235 or online at johnboscoschool.org/annual-fund-

drive/ or by scanning:

Thank you for your support!

#### Breakfast Program

SJB will be participating in a before school breakfast program for all students. Students can arrive between 7:25-7:35 to enjoy a quick breakfast treat. Thanks to Jenny Spude and Colleen Geurts from the Sturgeon Bay Schools Food Services for implementing the breakfast program at our school!

#### Holy Day Mass

We invite you to join us for the Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass on Friday, December 8 at 8:20 at Corpus Christi Parish.

# Order Scrip Early

If you plan on buying Scrip gift cards as Christmas presents this



year, which is a wonderful idea by the way, please purchase early. The last day that SJB can accept orders is Monday, December 11 at 9:00am. Orders placed after this time will not arrive in time for Christmas.

# Care & Share and Christ Child Society Donations

Thank you to everyone that has



donated items for the local food pantry at Holy Name of Mary Church in Maplewood.

Each week has a different theme – canned foods and condiments, breakfast foods, baking items, and personal hygiene items. For our final week, students and staff are collecting toys for ages infant to grade 3 for the Christ Child Society through December 12. The toys will be presented to the organization at the Christ Child Mass on December 13<sup>th</sup> at 8:20am at Corpus Christi. Any and all donations are greatly appreciated. Please join us for mass!

#### Holiday Parade



St. John
Bosco
School was
extremely
excited to
be part of
the Holiday

Parade festivities this year! Our float's theme was "Santa and his Little

Helpers". Our parents and students had fun spreading Christmas cheer far and near.



Thanks to our parents who helped with the float and walked in the parade, especially our 4K and 5K room parents, Ashley Thornton and Nicole Peterson, who coordinated the float this year!

#### Good Byes

SJB said goodbye to a few staff members in late November. We wish the very best to Ms. Briana Schwartz, Mrs. Haley Lemke, and Mrs. Tracy Glasheen. Thank you for your years of teaching at our school. We also say goodbye to the following Board of Trustees Members: Gelana Davis, Morgan Kiedrowski, and Brian Matysiak. We appreciate your dedication to our school!

#### DARE Graduation

The 5<sup>th</sup> grade DARE classes have ended. The students learned important lessons on various topics: bullying, internet safety, as well as the risks of drug and alcohol use. They will celebrate their DARE graduation on Tuesday, December 5. Thank you to Investigator Chris Neuville from the Door County Sheriff's Department for providing this service to the SJB students!

#### Christmas Program

We are so excited for our Christmas Program! All students have been practicing and it will be a delightful evening of music and good cheer. The program will be at Corpus Christi Church on Thursday, December 21 at 6:30pm. All are welcome to attend! Hopefully, you can join us.

## Band Concert

Our 7<sup>th</sup> and 8<sup>th</sup> graders will be participating in a Band Winter Concert on December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm in the Sturgeon Bay High School Auditorium.

## Parent Mass

SJB will have its first Parent Mass on Wednesday, January 3 at 8:20. Instead of the students leading the mass, parents will be doing the parts. Plan on joining us.

## Jimmy John's Fundraiser

Enjoy a Jimmy John's sub and benefit SJB's DC Trip fundraising efforts. On Wednesday, December 13, treat yourself to a delicious sub, mention St. John Bosco and proceeds will go towards the Class of 2025!

# Pinecrest Resident Project

Grades 3 and 6 made beautiful turkey suncatchers for the residents of Pinecrest to enjoy this Thanksgiving.



#### Welcome to SJB!

SJB welcomes new staff members, Mrs. Tina Van Meer (5K teacher), Mrs. Vicki Gulan (5-8 Math teacher), Mrs. Cathi Hunt (5-8 Social Studies teacher), and Ms. Kay Smith (PM Administrative Assistant). A formal introduction will be in our next Parish Connection. We are excited for them to join our school family!

## Altar Server Training

Grades 5-7 had altar server training on October 20. Thank you to Deacon Mark Hibbs and his wife Christine for providing this training to our students.

## Elephant Toothpaste



Our 6<sup>th</sup> graders made elephant



toothpaste during science class, with Mr. Evenson.

# Dictionaries for Grade 3

Ken Glasheen from the Sturgeon Bay Breakfast Rotary Group presented our



third graders with new dictionaries yesterday morning. Thank you so much to

the Rotary Members. Our students are so excited to learn new words!

#### Christmas Break



Christmas break begins on December 23 for SJB. We will be welcoming students

back into the building on Tuesday, January 2. Wishing you all a very Blessed Christmas!

