

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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December 2, 2018 ~ 1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

MINISTRY SCHEDULE FOR:

Immaculate Conception, Friday, Dec. 7 (5:30 p.m.)

EM's: Anita Marty
Lector: Nancy Leuthard
Ushers: Jeramee Van Eps & Mark Lampert
Servers: Makarian Schott, Caryn & Jade Marty
Sacristans: Rachel Schott
Music: Amy Blackwelder

Sunday, December 9 (8:30 a.m.)

Ginny Heintzelman
Jace Kleindl, Katlin & Sydney Gibson
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Berdine & Xavier Kleindl
Larry & Ginny Heintzelman
Tom & Pearl Horning

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Monday, December 3 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

-For Vocations (by CUF)

Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 5 - 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)
Mass on Thursday, Dec. 6 – 9:00 a.m. (Traverse Care Center)
NO Mass on Friday, Dec. 7 (Wheaton)

Friday, December 7 – 5:30 p.m. (Chokio)

+ Ellie & Sam Logan

Saturday, Dec. 8 – 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)
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Sunday, December 9 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

+ Doreen Wade

Sunday, Dec. 9 – 10:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

RECONCILIATION: Half an hour before Mass

Please remember in prayer: Lil Ritter, Harold Sivertson, Mary Marlow, Burnys Koch, Jeanne Hofland, Rita Schuster, DeLores Eul, Chelsie Leuthardt, and all who are ill. Please call when a name should be added or removed from the prayer list.

Thank you to those who cleaned the Sacristy. It was a job well done!

Confirmation Class will meet on Wednesday, December 5th.

Faith Formation Classes will meet next Sunday, December 9th.

A Faith Formation Fellowship Sign-up Sheet is in the back of Church for you to sign up to bring a snack or serve.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS:

Anointing of the Sick: At the December 9th Mass, Fr. John Paul will invite those wishing to receive the blessing to come forward.

Penance Services: Ave Maria- Wed., Dec. 5 at 6:30 p.m.; St. Mary's- Wednesday, December 12th at 6:30 p.m.

Faith Formation Christmas Celebration: Sunday, December 16th following Mass.

Christmas Eve: Monday, December 24th at 4:00 p.m.

Mary, Mother of God (New Year's Eve): Monday, December 31st at 5:00 p.m.

Christmas craft items are on display in the Hall. If you wish to purchase anything, checks can be written out to St. Mary's and given to Deb. Please write "Crafts" on memo line.

Opportunity to support: Mary Asfeld, daughter of David and Michele Asfeld, is currently serving as a missionary on the college campuses in Moorhead, MN through St. Joseph's Catholic Church. She is in search of support both prayerfully and financially, as her only income is from her supporters. She is raising \$3,500, and has raised \$1,800 of that so far. She is hoping you would consider being her prayer warrior and/or partnering with her financially. Checks can be made out to St. Joseph's Church, memo: For Mary Asfeld, and sent to: 218 – 10th Street S., Moorhead, MN 56560. Or you may give online at <https://mccampusministries.com/donate/> (let her know how much you give, so they can track it). If you would like to receive an occasional mission update or have a prayer request, please let her know at 320-287-3558 or maryasfeld@gmail.com. Please keep Mary in your prayers! Thank you so much!

Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. Do you remember the sisters, brothers, or religious order priests who made a positive difference in your life? Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please give to next week's collection.

Gatherings for Widows and Widowers will meet for lunch at noon on Sunday, December 9th in the basement of Old #1 in Morris. Order lunch off the menu and enjoy an opportunity to visit. For questions, call Rose at Pedersen Funeral Home (589-3220).

Christmas Sing Along lead by Cross-Eyed: Sunday, December 9th at 3:00 p.m. at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, Chokio. Cider and snacks will be provided after the music. All are welcome!

Need Knows No Season: Money raised in Stevens County through The Salvation Army Christmas Kettle Campaign is used year round to provide temporary emergency assistance to those in need. If you, your family, or organization would be willing to help out this holiday season by being a bellringer, please call 589-0483.

