

November 27th, 2022

1st Sunday of Advent

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

MON --No Mass--

TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Christian Mothers & Women

WED Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~

FRI Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Vocations by Catholic Aid

SAT Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Roger & Nancy Horning

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass –11:00 am Browns Valley ~

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, November 20th

Adult \$1713 Youth \$13 Loose \$50 Votive \$18.06

Bldg Maintenance \$40

Confession Schedule:

5:30pm – Tuesday in Chokio

5:30pm – Tuesday in Wheaton

****No confessions in Browns Valley this week as well as no weekday Mass at Traverse Care Center.** The Padre will be helping with a Men's Retreat out of Town.

Military Collection happens every three years. We plan to do this 2nd Collection on Sun., Nov. 27. The money collected would go towards the Military Services Archdiocese, which doesn't receive funding from the government. Money would go towards supporting Catholic Chaplains as well as catechetical programs that would be provided when a priest is unavailable. Our "182" Catholic Chaplains assist soldiers in "134" different countries, so consider giving. Thank you.

First Friday Mass will be Friday, Dec. 2nd @ 8:30 am in Chokio with adoration beginning @ 7:30 am;

First Saturday Mass will be Saturday, Dec. 3rd @ 8:30 am in Wheaton with confessions beginning @ 7:30 am.

Happy "90th" Birthday to **Gene Stueve** of Wheaton ☺

Ministry Schedule for December 4, (8:00 am)

EM: Jerry Heltemes & Ginny Heintzelman

Lector: Vivian Heltemes

Ushers: Larry Heintzelman & Mark Gibson

Servers: Andrew & Jade Marty

Sacristans: Larry & Ginny Heintzelman

***Thank You to Everyone who cleaned the church and the hall last week.** Your efforts are deeply appreciated! Everything looks great! A special thanks to Chair persons Bruce, Dean & Lynn Quackenbush, and Jeri Ritter as well as Vivian Heltemes, Guild Pres. who lined it all up!

*Pedersen Funeral Homes annual holiday service, "A Time to Remember"

will be held Sunday, Dec. 4, 2022 at 2p.m. at the Pedersen Funeral Home in Morris. This service is centered on keeping the memories of loved ones alive to help families endure the pain holidays can bring following a death. The names of those who have died in this area within the last year are read. The service is open to everyone. Fr. Todd Schneider will lead this year's ecumenical service, along with ministers from the area.

***The Bloodmobile is back at St. Mary's.** The Red Cross is resuming the bloodmobile in Chokio! They will be in St. Mary's Hall on January 27, 2023. We would like to have a good turnout so if you are able to give, please sign up on the Red Cross website: www.redcrossblood.org. They will be here again in July, 2023.

***Error on December Ministry Schedule:** Christmas Eve & New Years Eve both fall on Saturday, not Friday! Also, if you want to be on for a particular date for your ministry, please let the office know by the middle of the month before.

***Anointing of the Sick will take place Sunday, Dec. 11, 2023.** Senior Citizens, those with chronic illnesses, and anyone wishing to receive the anointing, will be invited to come forward after the homily.

***Donations for Christmas flowers, in memory of loved ones,** can be placed in the collection, in an envelope, marked as such.



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Liturgical Ministers – December 4, 2022 -11 a.m.

Lector: Joan Miller
EM: Joan Miller, Shirley Foren & Carol Hoffman
Choir & Congregation EM: Mary Nigg & Edith Foren
Servers: Abby Fryer, Hannah Gibson & Emilie Metz
Greeters/Gift Bearers: Harry & Marlys Ziemer
Ushers: Bob Appel & Dick Serocki
Sacristan: & Home Communion - Marlene Appel

The Christian Mothers are having a drive for the Sharing and Caring Hands homeless shelter in Minneapolis. They are really in need of warm clothing for the winter months. If you have new or gently used coats, hats, mittens, gloves or scarves, please bring them into church. We will be taking the stuff to the shelter the 2nd week of December. Any donation will be appreciated.

Please consider a donation for the stained glass windows. We have collected \$65,820 of the necessary \$75,000 for the windows and repair of the big window.

Good Shepherd Lutheran Church presents “The Greatest Gift” for this year’s Advent Program. Invite your family members, friends, and neighbors for a Christ-centered preparation for the holiday season on Wednesday, December 7, 2022, at 7 pm at Good Shepherd Lutheran Church, Wheaton, MN. There is no charge for this event.

Bishop’s Annual Appeal: Blessings to all of you in this season of Advent. Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of November 18, the Appeal raised \$1,250,850 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 7,509 households. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used any other Purpose.** Learn more at [stcdio.org/annual appeal](http://stcdio.org/annual%20appeal).



Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

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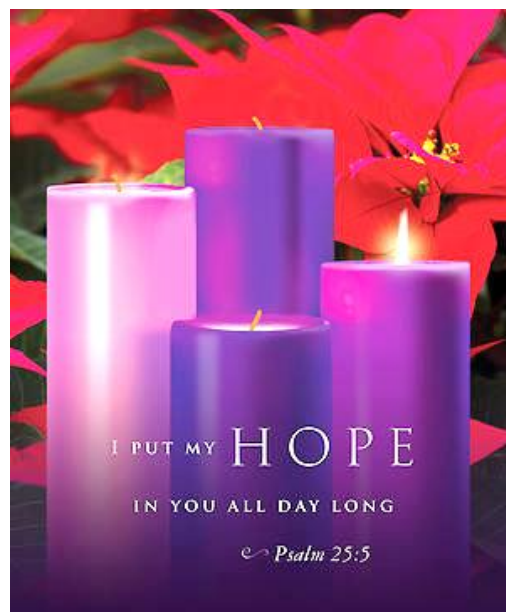
Sunday, December 4th

Lector: Linda Larson
EM: Paul Frisch, Linda Larson, Marty Lanter
Servers: Lyla Peterson & Ellie Klein
Ushers: Rich Frisch & Mark Koch
Fellowship: Dave & Jackie McClernon

SAVE THE DATE

Sun., Nov. 27th – Fellowship following the 9:30am Mass
Tue., Nov. 29th – Council Meeting 7:00pm
Wed., Nov. 30th – Faith Formation 6:30pm

The **December Mass Ministers Schedule** and the **Living Faith for October – December** are available at all entrances.



First Sunday of Advent

Anyone who would like to donate an unwrapped gift for a resident at the **Traverse Care Center** or make a donation for the local **Food Shelf**, may place your items in the boxes in the west entrance. **Thank You!!**