



Sts. Peter & Paul Catholic Parish & School

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Parish Office Hours
Monday-Friday
9:00 AM-4:00 PM
Closed for lunch 12-1 PM

December 22, 2024

MASS TIMES

Saturday
4:00 PM Vigil

Sunday
7:00 AM, 9:00 AM,
11:00 AM

DAILY MASS

Monday
7:30 AM
Tuesday
6:00 PM
Wednesday & Friday
8:00 AM
Thursday
12:05 PM
Saturday
7:30 AM

Reconciliation

Saturday
2:30-3:30 PM
or by appointment

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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken
to you by the Lord would be fulfilled.” - Lk 1:45

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Fourth Sunday of Advent

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT – DECEMBER 22ND, 2024

Mass Intentions – December 23rd thru the 29th

Monday,	December 23rd – Saint John of Kanty
7:30 AM	Rosary
Tuesday,	December 24th – Christmas Eve
4:00 PM	L/D of the Leonard & Klinges Families
6:00 PM	Glenda Wilhelm
8:00 PM	Balaswamy Carasala
Wednesday,	December 25th – Nativity of the Lord - Christmas
8:00 AM	Marie Smith
10:00 AM	Melvin W Haverkamp Leo Hammes
Thursday,	December 26th – Saint Stephen
12:05 PM	For Friends and Family
Friday,	December 27th – Saint John
8:00 AM	Poor Souls in Purgatory
Saturday,	December 28th – The Holy Innocents
7:30 AM	For our Parishioners
4:00 PM	Joe Gudenkauf
Sunday,	December 29th – Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph
7:00 AM	For our Parish
9:00 AM	Dave Carlson
11:00 AM	Mary Bertha Haverkamp

Tuesday, December 24th at 4:00 PM

Servers.....	Emma & Sam Tangeman Ava & Will Stallbaumer
Lector	Addy Tangeman
Commentator.....	Melissa Tangeman
Communion	Carrie Young / Kate Bartkoski Lori Lueger / Todd Leonard
Cantor/Organist.....	Knights of Columbus / Terry Nordhus

Tuesday, December 24th at 6:00 PM

Servers.....	Ian Haverkamp / Grayson Frehe Morgan & Cooper Haverkamp
Lector	Sullivan Haverkamp
Commentator.....	Dean Becker
Communion.....	Dane Haverkamp / Jim Uphaus Bryce & Kristi Haverkamp
Cantor/Organist.....	Highschool Choir / Owen Zinke

Tuesday, December 24th at 8:00 PM

Servers.....	Bella & Baxter Haverkamp Kaylin Kohake / Jacoby Bergman
Lector	Nathan Deters
Commentator.....	Tami Haverkamp
Communion.....	Dana & Logan Deters Kevin Kohake / Kim Bontrager
Cantor/Organist.....	Adult Choir / Owen Zinke

Liturgical Ministers Schedule December 28th & 29th

Weekday Servers: December 27, 28 (Fri. 7:30, Sat. 7:30)

Conrad Cain / Blake Ridenour

Wednesday, December 25th at 8:00 AM

Servers.....	Mason Enneking / Callie Holthaus Isabella & Cecylia Holthaus
Lector	Cayden Holthaus
Commentator.....	Michelle Fangman
Communion.....	Rachel Haverkamp / Lucas Holthaus Tammy & Layndon Bragdon
Cantor/Organist.....	Eileen Love / Janet Kramer

Wednesday, December 25th at 10:00 AM

Servers.....	Jaci Olberding / Miriam Nordhus Korbin Schmelzle / Daniel Hemman
Lector	Megan Olberding
Commentator.....	Joe Kohake
Communion.....	Shelly Schmelzle / Leon Feldkamp Sam Nordhus / Dorothy Hammes
Cantor/Organist.....	Allison Hermesch / Deb Rethman

Saturday, December 28th at 4:00 PM

Servers.....	Knights of Columbus
Lector	
Commentator.....	
Communion.....	
Cantor/Organist.....	Greg & Ana Kohake / Deb Rethman

Sunday, December 29th at 7:00 AM

Servers.....	Logan Honeyman / Josie Steinlage Landon Fitzgerald / Emil Voracek
Lector	Cali Honeyman
Commentator.....	Nikki Honeyman
Communion.....	Tom Kramer / Doug Schmelzle Randy & Sheryl Heinen
Cantor/Organist.....	

Sunday, December 29th at 9:00 AM

Servers	Knights of Columbus
Lector	
Commentator.....	
Communion.....	
Cantor/Organist.....	Knights of Columbus

Sunday, December 29th at 11:00 AM

Servers.....	Milo & Ivy Heinen Kenly Kramer / Mason Dalinghaus
Lector	James Lueger
Commentator.....	Shannon Holthaus
Communion.....	Mike & Maryssa Stallbaumer Sharon Haverkamp / Nia Holthaus
Cantor/Organist.....	Stacy Rethman

Rosary Leaders: 4:00 PM ..Marjean Moore 9:00 AM.. Jim Strathman

Welcome to the Christian Community:



Lucy James Rottinghaus, daughter of Dalton & Cassidy (Holthaus) Rottinghaus, who was baptized Sunday, December 22nd, 2024 at Sts. Peter & Paul Church. Lucy's godparents are Carter Rottinghaus and Courtney Koch. May God's continued blessings be on Lucy, her parents and godparents.



A Christmas Prayer
Heavenly Father,

We celebrate the birth of Your Son, Jesus, remembering the words of the angels on the night of His birth, "Peace on earth to all of good will."

Today, as never before, Almighty God, we pray for Your loving peace. May peace be the guiding force in the hearts of our world leaders. May peace reign in every corner of the globe and in the hearts of every man, woman and child upon this Earth.

This Christmas and always, may we embrace Your wonderful gifts with courage and conviction. In so doing, we will also be embracing Your greatest gift to us, Your Son, the Prince of Peace!

In Memoriam – Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for



Dhanam (Gorla) Carasala on Tuesday, December 17th, 2024 at the Sacred Heart Church in Kilachery, India. Let us remember Father Arul's mother, Dhanam and her family in our prayers.

I was able to reach in time for my mother's funeral on December 17th. It was cloudy most part of the day but the weather was very pleasant in 70 degrees. I had 20 priests' friends concentrating with me at funeral. I am returning to Seneca this Sunday(22nd). I will be with you for Christmas masses. I will be traveling back to India in January to complete formalities. Thank you very much for your prayers and support - Fr Arul.

The final Penance Service for the Advent season will be today, Sunday, December 22nd at Saints Peter & Paul Church at 3:00 PM. There will be 7 priests coming to help with this beautiful sacrament.

Children's Choir Practice will be Monday, December 23rd at 6:00 PM. They will sing Sunday, January 5th at the 9:00 Mass.

High School Choir Practice will be Monday December 23rd at 7:30 PM. They will sing on Tuesday, December 24th at 6:00 PM

The SPPS PTO will be hosting its annual Christmas Wish



List event. If you would like to donate, there is an insert in last week's bulletin listing the teacher's requests for their classrooms. Please contact Celene Holthaus (785-799-6093) with any questions. Thank you for your many years of continued support of our school and have a Blessed & Merry Christmas!

Seneca K of C Free Throw Contest: Sunday, January 19th



3:30 PM @ SPPS Gym. Boys and Girls ages 9-14. Registration in the cafeteria from 3:00-3:30. Winners move on to the District Competition in Sabetha in February.

Church: The Parish Office will be closed December 24th-26th. I will be open December 27th 9-4 closed from 12-1.

School: Dec. 21st – Jan. 6th Christmas Break for Students!!!

CCD: Dec. 25th – No Class - Christmas



For Communion to the Sick and Homebound, please call Ed & Sharon Lueger at 336-1716

Sts. Peter and Paul School would like to extend our



heartfelt thanks to everyone who supported our Advent Project. Your generosity has helped bring joy and hope to several families and individuals in need. Because of your kindness, we were able to make a real difference this Advent season. We are truly grateful for the spirit of giving shown by our parishioners and school families. May God bless you all for your compassion and selflessness.

Season of Christmas Mass Schedule

Christmas Eve Masses

Tuesday December 24th – 4:00 PM, 6:00 PM & 8:00 PM

Masses for Christmas

Wednesday, December '25th – 8:00 AM & 10:00 AM

Masses for Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

Saturday, December 28th – 4:00 PM

Sunday, December 29th – 7:00, 9:00 & 11:00 AM

Masses for Solemnity of Mary Mother of God

Tuesday December 31st – 4:00 PM

Masses for New Years Day

Monday, January 1st – 8:00 & 10:00 AM

The Minister Schedule for the Christmas season is listed in this bulletin. If you cannot attend the Mass you are put down for, please try to find a substitute. Thank you for giving of your time and talent to make the Christmas season special.

Stewardship Summary

Projected Yearly Budget \$1,518,735.16 (parish & school)

Fiscal Year 7-1-24 to 6-30-25	Week of 12/15/2024	Year to Date Totals
Plate	\$ 1,184.00	\$ 56,008.63
Envelope	\$ 4,655.00	\$ 142,455.00
EFT/Church	\$ 8,983.00	\$ 129,675.00
School	\$ 745.00	\$ 47,343.00
EFT/School	\$ 3,458.34	\$ 35,818.37
Other that stays in our parish	\$ 254.00	\$ 10,255.00
Total	\$ 19,279.34	\$ 421,555.00
Weekly Budget \$21,000.00	Income over/under -1,720.66	Week # 25 over/under \$ -103,510.57
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