



Parish Business

Mass Schedule

Sunday, December 4, 2022

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Bill Howes

Tuesday, December 6, 2022

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Dave Phillips

Tuesday, December 8, 2022

5:30 p.m. ☩ + Msgr. James McCauley

Sunday, December 11, 2022

8:00 a.m. ☩ + Pat and + George Stuber

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, December 4

Announcer/Lector: Vincent Colsch

Ushers: Ralph & Janice Konkel

Eucharistic Minister: Choir: Ann Fitzpatrick

Gift Bearers: Nicole & Brent Carlon Family

Servers: Adeline Colsch & John Carlon

Rosary: Joe Blahnik

Children's Lectionary: Jenny Riederer

Counters: Dave Ammann & Aleigha Burg

Liturgical Roles - Sunday, December 11

Announcer/Lector: Mary Mell

Ushers: Cary & Kathy Koel

Eucharistic Minister: Choir: Bill Fitzpatrick

Gift Bearers: Teresa & Steve Colsch Family

Servers: Walker Kohlmeyer & Sabrina TenKley

Rosary: Frank Dvorak

Children's Lectionary: Heidi Grams

Counters: Angie TenKley & Cindy Dvorak

Church Support: November 27, 2022

Adults: \$ 1,163.00

Adult Online Giving: \$ 375.00

AcenTek Refund: \$ 103.19

Votives: \$ 14.00

TOTAL \$ 1,783.19

Servant Leadership

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Second Sunday of Advent

Announcements

☩ Collections for Poinsettias following Mass on December 4, 11, and 18.

☩ Roll Sunday following Mass on December 4th

☩ Mass for The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary will be at St. Patrick's on Thursday, December 8 at 5:30 pm. St. Mary's will have Mass on Wednesday, Dec. 7 at 5:10 pm and Dec. 8 at 8:30 am.

☩ Second collection on December 11, for Retirement Fund for Religious/Catholic University

PASTOR'S MESSAGE



St. John the Baptist Preaching by Mattie Preti (1613-1699)

"Advent is the spiritual season of hope par excellence, and in this season the whole Church is called to be hope, for itself and for the world."

- Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

Congratulations to our two students who will receive their first reconciliation this week! I'm very proud of all of our young ones for showing us such a beautiful example of trusting in the mercy and love of God! Just a reminder that we have *many* times for Confessions throughout Advent where all are welcome to celebrate the Sacrament. Please know of my continued prayers for you all during this holy season!

In Christ

-Fr. Matt Wagner

Christmas Youth Choir

All youth in the Parish are invited to join in singing before Christmas Mass. Rehearsals will be in the Choir Loft on the following Sundays after Mass:



December 4, 11, and 18

Also Friday **December 23 at 4:30 p.m.**



Please come and help us make a joyful noise as we welcome our Lord and Savior!

St. Patrick's Christmas Party

Saturday, December 17, 2022



2:00 p.m. Cookie Decorating

3:00 p.m. Christmas Caroling and delivering cookies to the homebound and various friends and neighbors

4:00 p.m. Back to the Church for lunch, games and prizes

If you would like to join us for all, or part of the party, and help spread some Christmas cheer in our community, please call or text Debi at 507-459-0563.



The party is for both adults and children. Bring a friend - everyone is welcome!

If you know someone who would like a visit from the Carolers, please contact Debi.

SAINT OF THE WEEK: Mary, the Immaculate Conception Thursday, December 8

This Solemnity is in honor of our Blessed Mother Mary. This feast is often misunderstood. It is a celebration of the day Mary was conceived in her mother Anna's womb. God had granted from all eternity that Mary would be conceived without the stain of original sin. She would be immaculate from her very conception so that she would be a worthy Mother of God. Mary was thoroughly human and only human. She too needed to be redeemed by her son Jesus and his death on the Cross, but she was granted that one and only grace ever to be given to a human being at her conception to benefit from the grace won by her son on the Cross. So, today, we celebrate Mary and God's wonderful graces. Thanks be to God!



Liturgical Roles - Thursday, December 8

Announcer/Lector: Karen Colsch

Ushers: Nick Serres & John Reining

Eucharistic Minister: Choir: Bill Fitzpatrick

Counters: Carmen Barthel & Marilyn Rose

Second Sunday of Advent

The second candle, lit on the **second Sunday of Advent** along with the first candle, is the Bethlehem candle, reminding us that Jesus was born in Bethlehem. It too is purple, reminding us that it was a King Who was born in the manger.



Advent

We read, pray, and reflect on the hope God's plan gives us (foretold by the prophets and fulfilled by the life and death of Christ), and we meditate on the promise of Christ's coming glory-filled return. Comfort, comfort my people, says your God.

Baby Bottle Campaign

Thank you for your generous donations to the Baby Bottle Campaign! **Our Parish raised a total of \$893.77!**

The gifts you provided during the month of October will continue to impact the lives of new and expectant parents throughout the coming year. Each donation supports a confident pregnancy and a stable beginning for a new little one. Thank you for supporting the gift of life!

We are grateful to Dan Hurley for organizing the campaign and for offering to bake a pie for the Parish for each \$100 donated! They are going to taste great!

Christmas Décor



Each year we ask for donations for the purchase of our Christmas plants. Your donation allows us to adorn the altar and entrance with holiday arrangements. Parishioners can make a donation in the collection baskets at each door following Mass on December 4, 11, and 18. *Thank you!*

Smcac Food Shelf

Please consider donating canned and package food. Donations can be dropped off during the month in the shopping cart located in the Parish Hall. Thank you so much for your generosity and continued support!

Mass Intentions & Offerings envelopes can be dropped in offertory on Sunday or mailed to St. Patrick's Parish at the address below. Please indicate for whom the Mass intention is for, the preferred date(s) for the intention and who the donor is. Please note that specific dates may not be available, we will do all we can to honor your date on or as close to as possible. Also available is online giving at www.stpatrickschurchbrownsvillemn.org and click on the 'Online Giving' link or set up automatic payment plan by calling the Office.

Donations to St. Patrick's Cemetery can be sent to St. Patrick's Parish Office at 604 Adams Street, P.O. Box 155, Brownsville, MN 55919 **OR** placed in the collection basket during Mass. Mark "St. Patrick's Cemetery" on the outside of envelope and on the check.

Requests for the Prayer Network may be emailed to stpatricks@acegroup.cc or leave a message at the Parish Office at 507-482-6818. Make sure to provide your name, to whom the request is for and any other details you wish.

Reconciliation is available at **7:30 to 7:45 am on Sunday**. Confessions are taken in the confessional located at the back of the church.