

SUNDAY DECEMBER 14, 2025

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 13

5:30PM Joshua, Nicholas, Carl, Eugene & Clara

by Mary Anne Korzekwa

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 14 Third Sunday of Advent

7:30AM † George Pawelek

by Lester West

9:00AM Parish Family

by Fr. Andrzej

MONDAY, DECEMBER 15

6:30PM † Leonard & Emma Kotara

by Barbara Lyssy

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16

6:30PM † Fabian Jendrusch

by Lillian Moy

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17

7:30AM † Chester & Alice P Jendrusch

by Family

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18

No Mass

FRIDAY DECEMBER 19

7:00AM † Edmund H, Anna, Edmund P & Mark Sekula Family

by Family

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20

5:30PM † Connie Lyssy

by Rose Z Moravits

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21 Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30AM † Laurie Kotara

by Bill & Debra Nichol

9:00AM † T.D. Pawelek

by Patricia Kainer

4:00PM-5:00PM Confessions

Serving The Lord ~ December 20th, 21st, 24th & 25th

Extraordinary Ministers of the Holy Communion:		Lectors:	
Saturday	5:30PM Dianne Dziuk	Saturday	5:30PM Dianne Dziuk
Sunday	7:30AM Carter Hill	Sunday	7:30AM Kaitlyn Hill
	9:00AM Mary Jane Stulting		9:00AM Lanelle Pollok
Christmas Vigil	6:00PM Margo Dziuk	Christmas Vigil	6:00PM Choir
Christmas	7:30AM Carl Hosek	Christmas	7:30AM Kathy Zunker
	9:00AM Dickie Dziuk		9:00AM Jeannette Wiggins
Altar Servers: Saturday Cayson M & Volunteer		Sunday 7:30AM Seth L, Kenna L, Alberto G	
		9:00AM Claire L, Cameron L, Haleigh H, Keller H	
Christmas Vigil & Christmas masses ~ Volunteers			

Money Counters

Dec 14 Pat & Karissa Jarzombek & Mary Stulting	Dec 28 James & Sophie Dziuk
Dec 21 Wilfred & Dianne Dziuk	Jan 04 Shirley Palitza, Lanelle Pollok, Lillian Sekula

Sunday Church Support \$3,507. ~ Immaculate Conception Offering \$701.

2nd Collection this weekend is for the Retirement Fund for Religious. They gave their lives in service.

Now they need your help. For decades, women and men religious have cared for others, teaching, praying and serving those in need. Many now face retirement without sufficient savings. Your support ensures they receive the care they deserve. Let us now offer them the dignity they have so selflessly granted to others. Your generosity today is not just a donation. It's a way of thanking them!

Please join us in the Choir Loft to sing for Christmas Day masses. We are only a few, and your help to make this mass special with song of praise is needed. Come sing joyfully for the Lord!

Third Sunday of Advent

Written by the Faithful Disciple

GROW AS A DISCIPLE | PRAY, STUDY, ENGAGE, SERVE

One morning, I woke up feeling exhausted after a fitful night of

sleep. I was achy and generally under the weather. Despite this, I made a to-do list because the day's work still needed to be accomplished. I was determined to not let this sickness interrupt my productivity, even though I *knew* I needed to rest. It occurred to me, then, that rest – and dependence on others and God – is sacred also. In today's psalm, we hear of the many ways the Lord provides: The *Lord* gives, the *Lord* raises, the *Lord* loves, the *Lord* protects, the *Lord* saves. We cannot accomplish our own salvation, but we can rest in the promise the Lord provides, and we can hope in the salvation offered in Christ. As we wait in joyful anticipation for the coming of Jesus at Christmas, let us find time to rest in his Word and his presence, trusting that our salvation does not depend on us and has already come to fruition in Christ.

GO EVANGELIZE

PRAYER. INVITATION. WITNESS. ACCOMPANIMENT

As we saw in our psalm, God is the one who takes initiative, who provides for our salvation. In our work to share the faith

with others, sometimes our task is simply to help others become aware of the ways God is providing for them by pointing out the signs of his action in their lives. When the disciples of John came to Jesus asking if he was “the one who is to come” or whether they should “look for another,” Jesus reminds them of the evidence all around them: the blind regain their sight, the lame walk, lepers are cleansed, the deaf hear, and the dead are raised. As we help others to see God's work in their lives, we are also leading them to greater faith and trust in him.

REST

We are more able to see the signs of God's providence in our lives when we take time to reflect. Make time to rest in God's presence this week. This could mean stopping into a chapel for a couple minutes of quiet prayer, reflecting on Scripture using *Lectio Divina*, or reading the story of Christ's nativity in the Gospel. These simple practices will prepare our hearts to recognize Christ's presence and goodness at each moment of our lives.

Rosary Circle - Thank you to the captains: Darrell Lyssy, Vivian Kotara, Linda Gawlik, Karen Lyssy, Mary Stulting, and RosaLee Moczygemba. They will assign mysteries for 2026 so, it's time to submit the traditional \$2 donation to your captain OR place in the collection basket with the captains' name written on the envelope. The money is used to offer Mass when a member passes away during the year. The excess is donated to the church. RosaLee (830-583-6685)

Polish Pasterka – This year Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church in Poth will host the Polish Shepherds' Mass on December 24th at 4pm preceded by Polish Christmas Carols at 3:30pm.

LET'S DECORATE OUR CHURCH FOR CHRISTMAS - Tuesday, December 23rd after the 6:30pm mass.

We will change the altar cloths to white and gold and set out all the beautiful poinsettias. Everyone is invited to join us in making our church even more beautiful as we await the celebration of Jesus's birth. Bring your children and make it an annual tradition.

CCD – No Class Dec 24th & 31st



Office is closed Dec 24th - 26th

Find peace before Christmas by slowing down

Growing in Faith

The busyness leading up to Christmas can be exhausting, but the Advent season holds a better path. It's a time to breathe, reset, and prepare our hearts for the coming of the King. Advent is a built-in gift, a chance to slow the pace and lift our eyes to what matters most.

Renew a sense of the holy: Advent is a chance to wake up the soul. When we lean into our Faith with intention, the season stops feeling rushed and starts feeling radiant. Light the Advent Wreath and let its glow steady your heart. Go to Confession and feel the weight lift as mercy takes over. Spend a few quiet minutes before Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and let His presence ground you. Pray the Joyful Mysteries, the "Christmas mysteries" that still speak powerfully to our lives today.

Tune out the noise: Advent becomes richer when we clear space for God to speak. The world buzzes with distractions, but your soul needs room to breathe. Build small pockets of

silence into your day and let stillness sharpen your awareness of God's presence. Reach for a spiritual book instead of a scroll through your feed. Cut back on the constant stream of news that crowds the mind. When the noise quiets, the Holy Spirit has space

"Behold, a virgin will be with child and bear a son, and she will call His name Immanuel" (Isaiah 7:14).

to guide, steady, and renew you.

Streamline and prioritize: Choose what draws you closer to Christ. When your heart is ordered toward what matters, even the cooking, decorating, singing, and gift-giving gain a deeper beauty. You may decide to attend fewer events, keep the décor simple, or choose more modest gifts. Far from taking away joy, this clears space for it. You move through the season with more peace, more purpose, and a heart in step with Jesus.

ADVENT NEWS

- ❖ **Advent Confessions** –What a wonderful gift God has given to us through this sacrament to receive forgiveness and healing from our sins and give us peace. **Confessions will be on Sunday Dec 21st from 4pm-5pm.** St. Boniface will also have confessions on Sunday Dec 14th from 4pm-5pm. A complete list of surrounding parish confessions for Advent is posted on the bulletin board.
- ❖ **Advent CCD Service Project - Drop off by Monday Dec 22** – Non-perishable Food, Diapers & Wipes to support local families via INK and Karnes County Food Bank
- ❖ **Toys for Karnes County Tots-Drop off by Dec 14th – THIS WEEKEND**

Youth Choir Christmas Eve Practices:

K-2nd Grade Singing practice is from 5:30-6:00 PM on 12/17. Only students who will be at Christmas Eve mass in our church need to attend. Students will be singing and dressing the part of angels and shepherds.

3rd-12th Grade Choir practice on Sunday (12/14 & 12/21) for one hour following the 9AM mass.

ALL YOUTH CHOIR participants will have a Christmas Eve Mass Dress Rehearsal followed by a Pizza Party on Tuesday, December 23rd from 10:00-12:30pm.

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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday & Friday 8AM-2PM
Closed Thursdays

SUNDAY MASSES

Saturday 5:30PM
Sunday 7:30AM & 9:00AM

DAILY MASSES & HOLY DAYS

As scheduled.

RECITATION OF THE ROSARY

30 minutes before every Mass

DIVINE MERCY DEVOTION

Monday after Mass

SACRED HEART DEVOTIONS

First Friday: Exposition & Benediction after Mass
Except during Lent

STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Fridays of Lent at 6:30pm, followed by mass

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY

Please make arrangements with the Pastor
at least six months in advance.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM

Call Rectory to schedule at least two weeks in
in advance. **A birth certificate must be shown.**
Godparents shall request letter from their Parish.

SACRAMENT OF ANOINTING

Please call the priest when sick or before
going to the hospital, if possible.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

30 Minutes before every Mass

VISITING OF THE SICK & ELDERLY

First Fridays & upon request.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday 6:00PM.

LAMENTATIONS

Saturdays of Lent after 5:30 Mass