

Prince of Peace Catholic Church

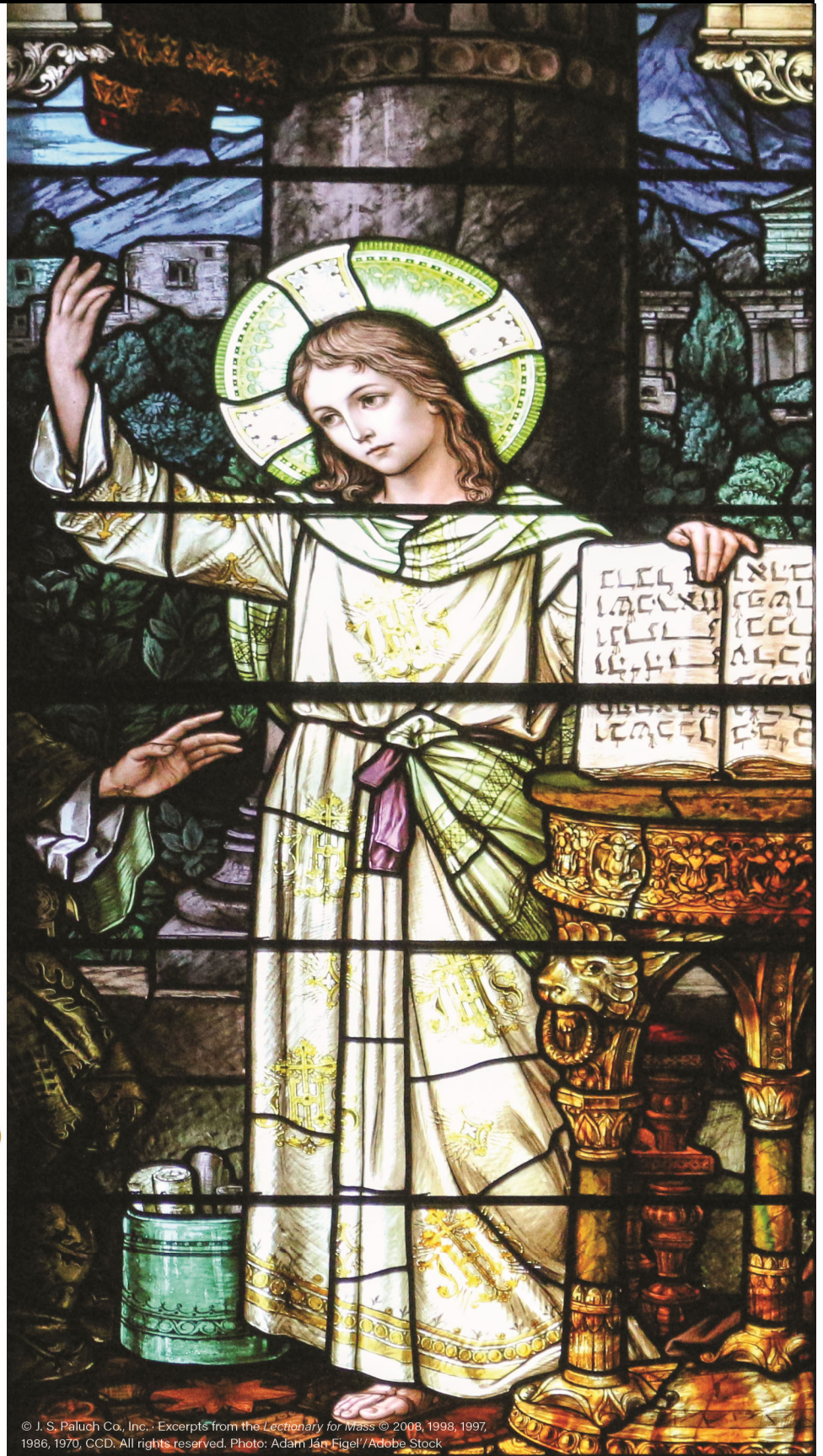
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JESUS SAID
TO HIS PARENTS,
“WHY WERE YOU
LOOKING FOR ME?
DID YOU
NOT KNOW
THAT I MUST BE
IN MY FATHER’S
HOUSE?”

LUKE 2:49

THE HOLY
FAMILY
of JESUS,
MARY AND
JOSEPH

DECEMBER 26, 2021



Mass/Service Schedule and Intentions

<u>Day/Date</u>	<u>Time</u>	<u>Intention</u>
Mon., Dec 27	No Mass	Please Pray On Your Own
Tue., Dec 28	No Mass	Please Pray On Your Own
Wed., Dec 29	No Mass	Please Pray On Your Own
Thu., Dec 30	12:05PM	Thelma Gale †
Fri., Dec 31	5:30PM	Francis & Mary Colling †
Sat. Jan 1	9:00AM	Ed & Isabel Gruntorad †
	5:00PM	Prince of Peace Parishioners
Sun., Jan 2	8:00AM	Andrew & Esther Wilhelm †
	10:30AM	Alexander Kaduthodiyil †



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***Masses in red are Holy Day of Obligation**

****The weekday Mass will be cancelled whenever there is a morning funeral.
Please watch the TV stations & the app for possible cancellations.
When the weather is bad Masses may be cancelled for safety purposes.**

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PARISH REGISTRATION

Welcome Packets are available at each church entrance. To register, please fill out the green form inside the packet and return it to the parish office. You may also sign up for ministries on the Stewardship form found in the packet.

CONTACT INFORMATION

Office hours: 9:00am—4:00pm Monday—Friday
Church phone: 308-236-9171
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SACRAMENTS & STEWARDSHIP

RECONCILIATION: Saturday 4-4:30 PM. Extra times are listed on the back page or contact the parish office: 236-9171.

MARRIAGE: See Fr. Paul or Kelsey Cooper about marriage and allow at least 6-12 months for preparation.

BAPTISM: Baptism Preparation is offered at 10:00am on the 2nd Saturday of each month. Please call the church office to register.

PASTORAL VISITS: Contact the church office for pastoral visits at home or in the hospital. The hospital may not have called the church.

HELPING HANDS: Helping with our parishioners' needs. Contact the parish office at 236-9171.

PRINCE OF PEACE CATHOLIC CHURCH MISSION STATEMENT

United in the sacraments as the Body of Christ, we the members of Prince of Peace Catholic Parish extend the welcoming arms of Jesus, opening the world to God's presence through works of love, hospitality, mercy and prayer.

Meetings and Activities

- Sun. Dec. 26: No Life Teen
- Mon. Dec. 27: Office Closed
- Wed. Dec. 29: No Faith Formation
No Edge
- Thurs. Dec. 30: No Adoration
- Fri. Dec. 31: No Adoration
Office Closes at 12pm
- Sun. Jan. 2: No Life Teen
- Mon. Jan 3: Office Closed

*Holy Day of Obligation
Mary, the Mother of God*

Mass Schedule

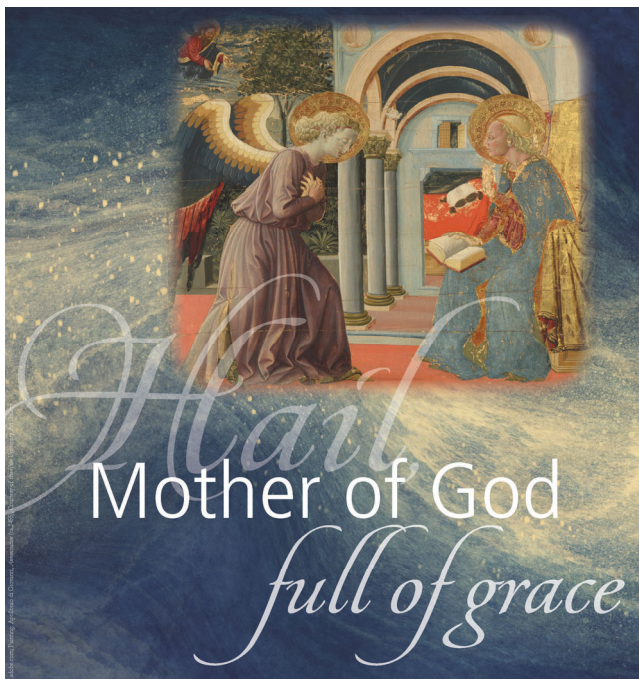
- December 31
5:30pm
- January 1
9:00am



Year-End Donations & Statements

The final day we will record donations for 2021 will be January 10, 2022 so statements may be completed and mailed before January 31, 2022. Checks must be dated December 31, 2021 or earlier to be included in these 2021 year-end statements.

**Thank you for supporting
Prince of Peace Parish!**



Saturday, February 12, 2022: Spirit Catholic Radio invites you to our 17th annual Spirit Celebration Dinner, where we will enjoy a meal together and honor keynote speaker and Spirit Award Recipient, **Steve Ray**. Steve has hosted many pilgrimages for Spirit Catholic Radio and is a frequent guest on Spirit Mornings and EWTN Radio. Social hour begins at 6 p.m. with the dinner and program beginning at 7 p.m. Only \$50 per seat. Please make your reservation at spiritcatholicradio.com/dinner by February 5, 2022.



READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC 27-JAN 2

- Monday: 1 Jn 1:1-4; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12; Jn 20:1a, 2-8
- Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:5 — 2:2; Ps 124:2-5, 7b-8; Mt 2:13-18
- Wednesday: 1 Jn 2:3-11; Ps 96:1-3, 5b-6; Lk 2:22-35
- Thursday: 1 Jn 2:12-17; Ps 96:7-10; Lk 2:36-40
- Friday: 1 Jn 2:18-21; Ps 96:1-2, 11-13; Jn 1:1-18
- Saturday: Nm 6:22-27; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Gal 4:4-7; Lk 2:16-21
- Sunday: Is 60:1-6; Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6; Mt 2:1-12



Prayer Concern

Marge Gardener, Katie Pecha, Linda Reyes, Jim Bendfelt, Jim Ryan (Amy Prochaska's father), Bill Burns, Delwin Beck (brother-in-law of Lillian Kowalski), Maddie Anderson (Neva Richter's granddaughter) Rick Unrein (Tim Unrein's cousin), Elmer and Rosie Unrein (Tim Unrein's aunt and uncle), Bob & Joyce Ballard (Rose Wathen's brother and sister-in-law), Sr. Mary Kay McKenzie (sister of Jim McKenzie) Shirley Drey and family (Mother of Donna Beam and Merl Drey), Dan Kelley, Rief Family, Ellie Rockey (Mike and Cathy Labun's sister) Marilyn Schachta, Anne DelBene (Jim and Kathleen McKenzie's niece), Marlene Rasmussen, Jason Rowenhorst, Merle Lessig (Mandy Mueeting's father), Craig Worm, Linda Giesler, Pat Morse, Mitch O'Neill, Patrick Unrein (Tim Unrein's nephew), Don Davis (Adell Ryan's cousin), Georgia Vak, Karen Warford (Albert Martenson's sister-in-law), Gary Peace (Cal Kelly's nephew), Mary Sahli (Brian Vinton's aunt), Helen Unrein (Tim Unrein's aunt), MaryAnn Wieduwilt, Lorraine Buller (Carolyn Menke's sister), Ann Sucha, Mike Polzin (Dan Kelley's cousin), Carol Torpey (Cathleen Abels' sister-in-law), Alexis Pacheco & Blakely Pacheco, Bob Farquhar, Don Emrick, and all others in need of prayer.



Matrimony: A calling to forgive!

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

Retrouvaille offers a welcoming and loving space to couples who have been living with the misery of a failing marriage. Retrouvaille offers hope: hope that it is not too late, hope of a different and better marriage. Retrouvaille helps couples to show each other mercy through the opportunities it provides to listen, to forgive, to be reconciled and to move into their futures believing that God loves them and with His help and their efforts, their marriages can be healed and restored. Retrouvaille provides help for marriage problems/difficulties/crises. For more information about a Weekend program. February 11-13 2022 to register call 1-800-470-2230 or www.helpourmarriage.com, www.retrouvaille.org last day to sign up January 30th 2022



Our Sacrificial Giving

Fiscal Year 2020-2021 Giving

November 2021 Budget	\$63,000.00
November 7, 2021 Collections	\$19,642.55
November 14, 2021 Collections	\$11,409.10
November 21, 2021 Collections	\$18,251.72
November 28, 2021 Collections	\$10,812.53
November to Date	\$60,115.90
Fiscal Year Under Budget	\$12,423.12
December 2021 Budget	\$63,000.00
December 5, 2021	\$20,578.85
Immaculate Conception	\$ 1,087.36
December 12, 2021	\$22,515.66

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Prince of Peace Parish!*

Please Note:

Due to an early transmission, the Liturgical Minister Schedule is not included in this bulletin. Please check your texts and email reminders for the schedule.
Thank you!!

Men's Retreat:

"This is My Beloved Son, Listen to Him!" (Mark 9:7)

January 21 – 23, 2022 retreat at Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler, with Benedictines Brother August Schaefer and Father Thomas Leitner. "The only real sadness, the only real failure, the only great tragedy in life is not to be a saint" (Leon Bloy). We are surrounded by so many voices telling us that our happiness consists in wealth, in pleasure, in power and in worldly honor. Jesus, however, calls upon us to rid ourselves of those attachments, to anchor ourselves in God's steadfast love, and to will the good of the other person. This retreat will help us listen to Christ throughout this year. The schedule includes brief conferences, silence, Mass, Confession, fellowship, and spiritual direction. Open to all ages. Scholarships are available. – Social distancing and wearing a mask is recommended. Friday, 7:30 p.m. to Sunday after lunch. Register now at www.StBenedictCenter.com or call (402) 352-8819.

Pastor's Notes

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Greetings to you all! I hope you had a wonderful Christmas! The Masses were wonderful! Liturgy means, "the work of the people." There are so many involved in assisting us in having such holy beautiful Masses; greeters, lectors, servers, music ministers, extra-ordinary ministers of the Eucharist, Deacon Tom, the staff, and of course the priests. During the Christmas season the Art and Environment Committee work hard to make our church shine in a special way. Thank you one and all!

On Christmas, December 25th, we celebrated Jesus' birth. Since Christmas is Saturday, the Feast of the Holy Family is Sunday, December 26th. As there is only one priest at Prince of Peace there was no Saturday, 5 pm Mass. During the Christmas, season we can have romantic ideas of what life was like for the Holy Family; Jesus, Holy Mary, and St. Joseph. They indeed received special graces to raise their unique child. Nevertheless, they still lived in our world and without the modern conveniences of today. St. Joseph had to work to sustain his family and I imagine that sometimes it might have been challenging. Mary had to cook, clean, haul the water for drinking, bathing, and washing. It wasn't easy. Jesus had to help his stepfather, learn the trade of carpentry, and attend school. They experienced the joys of life such as weddings and birthdays, as well as the sorrows such as the death of loved one. In fact, if it wasn't for Jesus, the family of Holy Mary and St. Joseph would not have been remembered. It is Jesus that took that ordinary family and made it extraordinary. On the Feast of the Holy Family I encourage you to make Jesus the center of your family life. Pray together, attend Mass together, read the Holy Bible together and your family can become extraordinary! When we invite Jesus into our day-to-day lives, our families can be a Holy Family.

A personal note: Thank you to all who were so kind to remember me at Christmas with Christmas goodies, cards and gifts. I also want to thank all who made my birthday so special with cards, notes and gifts. God bless you one and all!

Use the link below to find 15 scholarships that Nebraska students are eligible to apply for with deadlines ranging from December 31st - March 1st.

Note that many of the scholarships have deadlines within the first week of January, which means students will need to get started on their applications during Christmas break.



scholarshipguidance.com

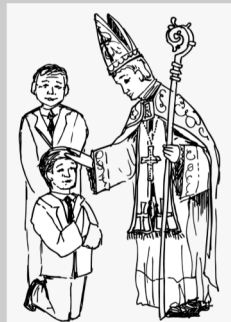
FORMED: like Netflix for Catholics

It's **FREE** for everyone in our parish! In the midst of a busy culture, people everywhere are turning to formed.org and finding the peace and joy that can only come from God.

You can stream hundreds of Catholic films, life-changing talks, and dramatic stories of the saints. The parish pays for this account and all you have to do is follow the link below and set up your own free profile:

princeofpeacekearney.formed.org

We are looking for 2 couples to facilitate the confirmation program here at Prince of Peace. If you are interested, please contact the office at 236-9171.

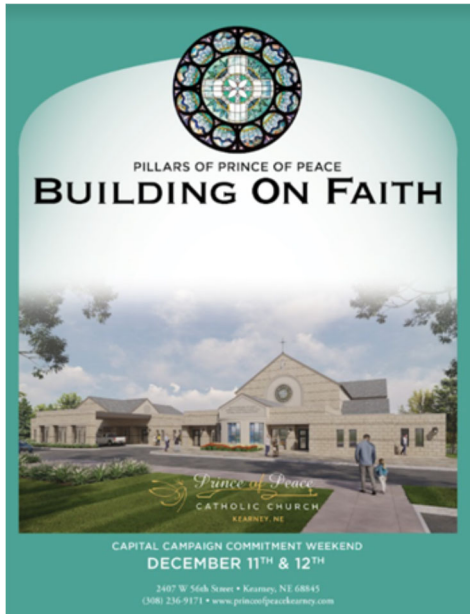


BULLETIN DEADLINE:

Information for the January 9 bulletin is due in the parish office by **10AM on Monday, Jan. 3**. Information for the January 16 bulletin is due by **10am on Jan. 6**. Please email information to: popoffice@kearneyprinceofpeace.org or drop off/mail to the church office.

Thank you!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN UPDATE



Good News

Many of our parishioners have already sent their pledge cards for the capital campaign. Over 150 families have made a pledge already, and we have raised over \$1,400,000. It would be great if all members returned their pledge cards with a pledge of any size to the capital campaign. Please join our early bird donors with a pledge. Pledge cards are in of all pews. Even if you choose not to make a pledge, we would love to have a returned card so we can update our contact information.



Christmas Tree Ornament

Thanks to two anonymous donors, **everyone who makes a pledge of any amount** to the capital campaign will receive a "Prince of Peace" Christmas Tree ornament. We would like to have 100% participation in the campaign. You may pick up your ornament by the church entrances or in the parish office.

Year-end gift tax benefits, make a gift of appreciated assets!

As you consider how God has blessed you in the past year, please consider a gift of appreciated assets to the parish. Giving an appreciated asset will help you avoid capital gains tax, it will reduce your income tax burden, and it will be a blessing to the parish. Contact the parish office to make a transfer of stock, commodities or other asset.

Prayer and Discernment from Fr. Paul

Fr. Paul says, "Please pray your way through your decision. It is between you and God." There is a "14 Days of Prayer" guide in your pledge packet. Click [here](#) or go to the parish YouTube Channel to see the video from Fr. Paul on discernment.



***Our Beautiful Poinsettias Were Given in Honor
of or in Memory of the Following Lored Ones:***



Lawrence Wozniak	Caroline Bosersma	Len Pallas
Duane K. Rohde	Floyd Lux	Marie Elsie O'Dea
Vergle Bonney	Mary Lux	Leonard F. O'Dea
Glen & Artist Stengel	Ruth Cisneros	Marv Houser
Jim & Maxine Thatcher	Edgar & Pauline Macke	Dorothy Devine
Linda Badura	Paul Little	Rynie & Pat Cimfel
Judy T. Wiles	Laddie Bicak	Jack & Adeline Freeling
R & S Vak	Jackson James Stott	Agnes Finley
Elaine Gehert	Father James Novakowski	Jim Hamik
Larry Flanagan	Charlotte V. Bakken	Anne Sullivan
Jim Johnson	Michael Heater	Loren & Catherine Bals
Kyle Karschner	Francis & Leona Hershiser	Harold & Alice Nelson
Paul & Bette Conroy	Lyvere Lyman	Joseph & Eva Beran
Isadore & Nellie Schachta	Judy Holz	Dennis & Martine Ballard
Leonard & Elinore Warner	Gene & Agnes Smedra	Charles & Pauline Wathen
Patricia Saylor	Bill & Rose Pohlmeier	Henry & Ida Wathen
Henry Boersma	Al & Clara Menke	Kathleen Fick

Some of the Prince of Peace Life Teen youth spent their Ugly Sweater Christmas Social decorating Christmas cookies and writing Christmas cards for our homebound parishioners. They took time for snacks, 'Name that Christmas Tune,' and a couple games of pool.

