Holy Family Sunday of Advent, December 29, 2019

COLLECTIONS

What is God asking of me? Our response to the Lord last week Adult:\$7484.00 Plate:\$244.00 Youth: \$62.45 Guardian Angel: \$1350.00 E-Tithing: .00 Other: \$ 340.00

Check out http://formed.org

Parish Access Code: XGWYOP

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

UPCOMING PARISH & SCHOOL ACTIVITIES January

- Mass at Green Place—2 p.m. 1
- 4-5 Blest Art Wood Carving
- 6 RCIA-6:30 p.m. 7
- Strategic & Planning Mtg-6:30 p.m. 13
- Spirituality Mtg-7:30 p.m.
- 14 PTO Mtg-7 p.m.
- 20 RCIA-6:30 p.m. Facilities Mtg-7 p.m. 21
- Unity Praver Service—6:30 p.m. 23
- 25 PTO Soup Supper

FOOD FOR THOUGHT

Poco A Poco "Little By Little"

This week's Challenge:

Visit Jesus present in the Eucharist before or after work.

Boxtops for Education

St. Vincent de Paul School is continuing to accept Box Tops for Education during the academic school year. Labels from cereals, etc can be clipped and dropped into a labeled teal box that is on the table in the narthex for easy drop off. Thank you!!!

A LETTER FROM MONSIGOR

Dear Parishioners,

Again, Merry Christmas! Remember to celebrate the Christmas season until January 5. We have the feast days of the Holy Family and the Solemnity of Mary the mother of God during this time frame and they are excellent times to celebrate the birth of our Savior.

As we approach the end of the year, I have been thinking about mission and purpose. This has be stirred up by our strategic planning efforts. As we have reviewed plans that were developed in 2017, we have thought about mission and purpose, yet those thoughts need to be more clearly defined. I will be thinking and speaking about this in coming weeks. Please plan on attending our strategic planning meeting on January 7.

Last week I decided to look through our sacramental records to see what we did during 2019. We have a parish of roughly 650 families, which is small parish compared to cities around the country, yet it is bigger than most of the parishes in the Diocese. Our parish is about the size of St. Teresa's in Lincoln, and we are bigger than Sacred Heart and St. Mary's in Lincoln. During 2019, there were 19 infants baptized, 3 adult converts, 10 marriages, 13 funerals, 23 First communions, and 23 children Confirmed. I found it interesting that we had nearly as many marriages and converts as St. Joseph's in Lincoln (10 and 5), which is a parish of 1500 families.

The children being baptized, couples being married and adults coming in the Church are signs of growth and a living faith. This is the first and primary mission and purpose of every parish. Jesus commanded the apostles to go out and teach, and to baptize in the name of the Trinity. We too are given that commission and with His help we form families with living faith. As I said, this is what I have been thinking about, and praying about lately, and there will be more to come. Happy New Year, and God's blessings to all.

Msgr. Tucker

SPECIAL THANKS

Gratitude goes to all of those who made this Advent/ Christmas season so special. From all who spent endless hours decorating the church inside AND out! Pulling into the parking lot and seeing the outside to entering the beautifully decorated church.....everything was nicely done!

Special thanks to all of the singers and musicians who made each Mass a true time of worship. The music was outstanding.

Also, thanks to all of the lay ministers who helped with the Masses. Your sharing of your time and talent does not go unappreciated!

SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 31st-4 p.m. Wednesday, January 1st-8 a.m. & 10 a.m.

4-Square

With a new year comes a new session of 4-square! Sign up sheets are in the narthex for the January through April session! This has been a fun social event for parishioners of St. Vincent's to get better acquainted! All ages and family sizes are welcome. Many new friendships have started as a result of 4-Square! Call or text Mary Miner at (402) 643-0605 if you have any questions!

MONDAY ADORATION

Exposition for Monday Adoration will begin January 6! Please double check the Adoration check in book for the time you are signed up for

Year End Giving

Your generosity helps St Vincent's to keep operating and we as the parish, are so thankful for all that is given. 2019 Donations must be received in the church office by Sunday, December 29th, 2019. All tithing given at Mass on December 31st for the Solemnity of Mary will be processed for the 2020 tax year. Please plan now for your yearend giving. Thank you once again for your generosity.

Guardian Angel Tree

The Guardian Angel Tree Fund that provides tuition assistance for families who wish to have a Catholic education for their children, have raised \$8700.00

CAN YOU HELP?

If you could make an occasional evening meal for Monsignor and Fr. Phan please put your name on the calendar near the entrance at church! Meals are provided by volunteers on Monday's and Wednesday's only at 5:00 pm. Call Mary Miner (402) 643-0605 if you have any questions. Thank you for your help!!

CCD-GP CHRISTMAS VACATION

CCD-GP Classes resume January 8, 2020

SOLEMINTY OF MARY LAY MINISTERS

| TUESDAY | December 31 4:00 рм |
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| ACOLYTE | Brandon Lindau, Rich Bollwitt |
| SERVERS | Kohltyn & Deklan Lindau, VOLUNTEERS |
| LECTOR | Ellen Jirovsky |
| GREETERS | VOLUNTEERS |
| WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 1 8:00 AM |
| ACOLYTE | Ron Sorensen, CJ Novak |
| Servers | VOLUNTEERS |
| LECTOR | Ken Reinsch |
| Greeters | Rich Novak, VOLUNTEER |
| WEDNESDAY | JANUARY 1 10:00 AM |
| ACOLYTE | Tim Masek, VOLUNTEER |
| Servers | Thomas Belleau, VOLUNTEERS |
| LECTOR | Mark Peery |
| GREETERS | VOLUNTEERS |
| CANTOR | Janelle Smith |

Helping Hands Ministry

Cold weather and snow keeping you off the roads? Let the Helping Hands drive for you. Volunteers can pick up your household necessities, meds and food and drop it off right to your door. Contact Mary Henley (402)968-9091 or Sandy Shaw (402 643-0681

E-Tithing

Would you like to give e-tithing a try or update your tithing amounts for the new year? Simply pick up a form in the Narthex or download the form from the church website, www.stvincentserad.org. If you are updating your amounts just put the words *Update* at the top of the form. Be sure to sign it and return it to the church office, attention: Tausha Dybdal. It is the safe secure way to tithe even the smallest amount on a regular bases. Because it is the most efficient process for the church to collect your gift, it helps the church get the most of every dollar you give. Thank you for your continued support of the church and school. May you be blessed for all that you give.

Encounter Jesus



MASS INTENTIONS:

MONDAY, DECEMBER 30 7:00 AM : †Suzanne Kolterman/ Family 8:10 AM: Tausha Dybdal/ Jon Dybdal Family

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 31 7:00 AM : †Krystal Nefferdorf/ Paul Hughes 4:00 pm: †Don "Red" Schernikau/ Fran Gill

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 1 8:00 AM : †Raphel Novak/ Bernadine Schmidt 10:00 AM: For All Parishioners

THURSDAY, JANUARY 2 7:00 AM : NO MASS 8:10 AM : †Edith Sisel/ Family

FRIDAY, JANUARY 3 7:00 AM : NO MASS 8:10 AM: Arlene Kastl/ Greg & Dixie Zabka

SATURDAY, JANUARY 4 8:00 AM : TLibbie Policky/ Alan Policky 5:30 PM : †Lorene Kallenbach/ Carmen Brown

SUNDAY, JANUARY 5 8:00 AM : For All Parishioners 10:00 AM : †Randy Skoda/ Family

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MASS TIMES:

FOR DAILY MASS TIMES PLEASE CALL (402) 643-3421 Saturday 5:30 pm | Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

CONFESSION TIMES:

Monday thru Friday 20 minutes before 7:00 am Daily Mass Saturday 20 minutes before 8:00 AM Mass & 4:30 to 5:20 PM Sunday 7:30 to 7:50 am & 9:30 to 9:50 am

LAY MINISTER SCHEDULE:

| SATURDAY | JANUARY 4 5:30 pm |
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| Acolyte | Chris Greisen, Roger Grunke |
| Servers | B Weisen, Cale Greisen, Hunter Hartmann, G. Erickson |
| Lector | Ann Dobesh |
| Greeters | Scott Erickson Family |
| CANTOR | Jenny Policky |
| SUNDAY | JANUARY 5 8:00 AM |
| Acolyte | Ron Sorensen, Brent Daehling |
| Servers | Brendan Crane, Bostyn Happ, Gavin Hamling |
| Lector | Ken Meyer |
| Greeters | Lyle Hamling Family |
| CANTOR | Janelle Smith |
| SUNDAY | JANUARY 5 10:00 AM |
| Acolyte | Ryne Seaman, Tim Dworak |
| Servers | Cabe Schluckebier, Aidan/Max Summa |
| Lector | Michele Kontor |
| GREETERS | Tony Schaben, Bill Sleight |
| CANTOR | Jake Marshall |