December 24, 2017

Fourth Sunday of Advent (B) 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 Rom 16:25-27 Lk 1:26-38

Extreme Makeover: Home Edition

King David wants to build God a home! He had first built his own palace and afterward realized that he hadn't built a space for God-a place of worship and family communion.

It is admirable that David wants to give back, but do we have to take care of God or, rather, is it God who cares for us? Obviously, God doesn't need David to build him a house. The whole world is his. Didn't God build up David all along, bringing him to a place where he might consider offering God something in return? It is like children who want to give their parents a gift. First they ask a parent for money or a gift idea. On their own, they cannot give.

God turns the tables on David, saying that God



will build David a house—an everlasting lineage to rule over the people.

> bigger than anything David had ever dreamt of. He will build David a kingdom that will become a nation and give birth to a worldwide universal Church.

> > In the painting, Mary stands in front of an ornate house. She stands like us, at the entrance, welcoming God's coming. It was her yes that allowed the master builder to enter into our world to begin building this house, which became a Church.

> > Like Mary, we await Jesus. With her, let us say yes to him, celebrating the one who has established that house where we celebrate today!

> > > -Fr. Mark Haydu, LC

For Reflection God wants to give me more than I ever dreamed of. Is giving myself to him in prayer a way to let him accomplish that dream in me? How can I offer hospitality in my heart, my home, my work and my Church so that others can encounter God's love?

The LORD also declares to you that the LORD will make a house for you. (2 Samuel 7:11)



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Sunday Offerings

General Fund \$1,393 Children's offering \$180 \$3 Lunch Money Pizza Sales \$27 \$20 Votive Stand Loose \$87 Pass Assessmt \$25

Total Received

\$5.960

Parish Office Hours

Mon-Thurs

8:30am-2:30pm

Fri 8:30am-12:30pm

74 general offering envelopes collected, including children.

Please remember St. Ignatius Parish & School in your will.

Places to go.....

12/28 Burger Night at KC Hall 5:30-8:30pm for OLL Pro Life Trip

12/31 St. Gertrude New Year's Eve Dance \$30 in advance & \$35 at door

1/7 First Sunday Breakfast at St. Vincent 8-11:30am adults\$9, Children \$3 under 5 free 1/13 OLL Trivia Night Call to reserve

1/20 St. Joseph Neier Church's Trivia Night Call to reserve a table 314.808.3364 1/25-27 Radium Girls at SFBRHS 7pm

ticket info www.borgia.com/theater.html

Parish Services

Weekend Masses

Saturday, 5 p.m. Sunday, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m. **Weekday Masses**

Monday, Wednesday-Friday 8 a.m.

> Tuesday 7:30 p.m. and PH Devotions

Confessions

Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m. or by appointment

Baptisms and Marriages

By arrangement with Fr. Terry J Borgerding

Parish Office Holiday Hours











12/25/17 CLOSED MERRY CHRISTMAS! 12/26/17 CLOSED 12/27/17 9am-3pm 12/28/17 9am-3pm 12/29/17 9am-3pm 1/1/18 CLOSED Happy New Year!

Dear St. Ignatius Parishioners,

Thank you so very, much for all of your thoughtfulness and kindness in our time of difficulty. Your gifts of money and other things are greatly appreciated. May God bless all of you this Christmas season and throughout the New Year.

Thank you, again! A Family in Need

Please pick up your box set of offertory envelopes in the back of Church. Children envelopes are available, too.

Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius

12/25 Church cleaning this week for Team 4 (Leader-Linda Hellebusch)

12/27 Rosary & Litany to the Holy Family after Mass for parish

12/29 Parish Party "Adults only"

1/1 Church cleaning this week for Team 5 (Leader-Linda Hellebusch)

1/3 Students come back

1/3 Rosary & Litany to the Holy Family after Mass for parish

1/4 Home Economics Club 8am-3pm

1/4 Faculty Meeting 11:30am dismissal

1/5 Basketball games 6pm

1/8 Basketball games 6pm

1/9 Basketball practice

1/10 Scriptures & Coffee for the Men @ Ulett's coffee shed 6:30am

1/10 Rosary & Litany to the Holy Family after Mass for parish

1/10 Basketball practice

1/11 Report cards

1/15 No School Martin Luther Jr. Day

1/15 Church cleaning this week for Team 6 (Leader - Carleen Glosemeyer)

1/16 Basketball practice









Christmas & Holy Day Mass Schedule

December 24th

5:00 p.m. † Theodore & Rosaly Meyer **Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers**

Lector: Jamie Kopmann

Ushers: Ken & Diane Lierman

Servers: Jacob Lierman

December 25th

Midnight † People of the Parish Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers

Lector: Larry Sanders

Ushers: Norm & Barb Schwoeppe

Servers: Volunteers

10 am † Elmer & Regina Hellebusch

Eucharistic Ministers: Volunteers

Lector: Shawn Polston Ushers: Svd & Ellen Fees

Servers: Volunteers

December 31st

5pm † Merlin Kopmann



Saturday, December 23

5:00 p.m. † Herman & Rosemary Engemann Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph Glosemeyer

Jayne & Maurice Glosemeyer | Dianne & Tom Meyer

<u>Lector:</u> Jayne Glosemeyer Ushers: Jim & Jeanie Ginther

Servers: Maddie Hellebusch & Cole Atkins

Sunday, December 24

8:00 a.m. † William & Ottlia Kluenser <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Debbie Hawkins Jeanette Marquart | Debbie Engemann | Joan

Kletzker|Carl Brewe
Lector: Alice Kluesner
Ushers: Dave & Sheila Shortt
Servers: Allie & Alex Huddleston
10:00 a.m. † People of the Parish
Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Freese
Tricia Kemper|Teresa Volkerding|Becky
Schoppenhorst|Audrey Hellebusch

Lector: Shawn Polston

<u>Ushers:</u> Vincent & Arlesa Leopold Servers: Adam & Jard Kopmann

Monday, December 25 8:00 a.m. † Evelyn Peters

Tuesday, December 26

8:00 a.m. Communion Service

Wednesday, December 27

8:00 a.m. † Anna Kopmann Thursday, December 28

8:00 a.m. † Jim Fritschie

Friday, December 29 8:00 a.m. † Patricia Hellebusch

Saturday, December 30

5:00 p.m. † Eileen Ruether

Eucharistic Ministers: Ronal Glosemeyer

Jayne & Maurice Glosemeyer | Alice Kluesner |

Lori Huenefeld

<u>Lector:</u> Alice Glosemeyer

<u>Ushers:</u> Kevin & Christy Engemann

Servers: Macey & Estiven Levin

Sunday, December 31

8:00 am † William & Ottila Kluesner Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor

Joan Meyer|Joan & Norbert Engemann|Joan

Kletzker

<u>Ushers:</u> Denny & Elaine Glosemeyer <u>Servers:</u> Sam & Garret Glosemeyer **10:00 am** † For the People of the Parish <u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Debbie Brewe

Ellen & Syd Fees | Teresa Volkerding | Carl Brewe

Lector: Ellen Fees

Ushers: Norm & Barb Schwoeppe

Servers: Jacob Gildehaus & Kate Kopmann

Poco a Poco From the Desk of Fr. Terry...

Christmas Mass Schedule:

4th Sunday of Advent - December 23rd & 24th

Saturday $^{23}^{rd}$ 5pm and Sunday December $^{24}^{th}$ 8 am & 10 am

Christmas Mass

Sunday, December 24th 5pm

Monday, December 25th Midnight and 10 am

Saturday, December 30th Mass at 5pm

Sunday, December 31st Mass at 8 am & 10 am and 5pm

Monday, January 1st at 10am

Friday, December 29th at 7pm in the Parish Hall, we will have a Parish Party to celebrate the great year we have had! All parishioners 21 years old & older are welcome! This is not a fundraiser, nor even a potluck; the parish will provide beer, wine, soda, and food for this occasion. We do need a count of how many will come, so if you have not contacted the Parish Office please do. Call or email info@saintig.com
Thanks to all of our parishioners who worked so hard to clean and decorate our Church for the Christmas season. Also thank you for our music minster and choir in making our liturgy so prayful and joyful this Christmas season. Enjoy your week......Fr. Terry

Reminder: Parish office will reopen December 27th

Please Pray for the Sick/Ailing/Recovering

Doug Grafrath
Irene Buenemann
Duck Brinker
Karen Brinkmann
Harper Pillman
Kim Smith
Joseph V. Borgerding
Tabitha Kersey
Judy Brouk
Stephanie Lindemann
Tom Meyer

Betty Hellebusch Virginia Bean Evelyn Tucker Shelbee Mauldin Jim Grafrath Andrew Hellebusch Carol Jacquin Brad Segar Ralph Glosemeyer Fred Borges Judi Liermann
Ethel Thomas
Fr. Finbarr Dowling
Dawn Borgmann
Natalie Ulett
Audrey Wagener
Kay Wagner
Betty Schulte
Marc Wagener
Laura Tellmann

Anniversaries of Our Dearly Departed

12.2.01 Lucille Hellebusch 12.4.14 Catherine Marquart 12.5.03 Mark Voss

12.5.10 Merlin Kopmann

12.6.19 Bill Carr

12.8.14 Evelyn Peters
12.11.12 Bonnie Engemann

12.12.95 Lawerence Glosemeyer

12.17.07 Eldina Heggemann

12.18.12 Dorothy Liermann

12.19.03 Mary Rose Hellebusch

12.25.11 Don Heggemann

12.26.96 Donald Garbs

12.26.04 Bernard Heggemann

12.27.97 Elizabeth Tillmann 12.28.94 Lester Hennecke

12.28.08 Orville Gildehaus Jr.



SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION

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Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Rejoice! The weeks of Advent waiting are over, and Christ is born!

We rejoice in our Savior's birth—remembering the great gift of faith He has given us through the mystery of His incarnation and the saving power of His death and resurrection.

Each year, the people of our archdiocese have been asked to make a special gift on Christmas Day to support our seminarians at Kenrick-Glennon Seminary. The men of our seminary, who have responded to Christ's call to follow Him, are truly a gift to the Church and to the Archdiocese of St. Louis. It is these men who will bring the faith given to us by Christ 2000 years ago to future generations here in the Archdiocese of St. Louis.

I ask you, once again, to pray for vocations and for all our priests and seminarians. I also ask you to be generous in your donation to the Christmas Day collection, which helps pay the day-to-day expenses and maintenance of our seminary.

Please be assured of my prayers for you during the season of Christmas. May the Lord of life come into your hearts and homes in a special way during this holy time of year.

Sincerely yours in Christ,

Most Reverend Robert J. Carlson

Archbishop of St. Louis

NOTICE: UPCOMING SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION PERIOD Elementary & High School Scholarships 2018-19 School Year

2018-19 Scholarship Application available on January 29th, 2018!

Alive! In Christ is first-come, first-served for all new awards and younger siblings that may be eligible, so we encourage you to apply as early as possible.

Approximately 500 new awards will be available.

The application deadline for Beyond Sunday, SOAR!, Catholic Families Tuition Assistance (CFTA), and the Parish Employees Endowment Fund (PEEF) is February 28th, 2018. Any family who would like to be considered for these programs, even if you are applying for requalification, must apply between January 29th and February 28th, 2018.

Up to 60 new elementary school awards and 35 new high school awards will be available in Beyond Sunday.

Siblings attending the same school are not eligible in this program.

St. Louis City residents applying for elementary schools in the City should also apply as early as possible to be considered for Help for Today, Hope for Tomorrow.

Approximately 350 new awards will be available.

IMPORTANT ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- If you have ever applied to TTEF before or are currently on scholarship, you must use the email address we have on file for you. If you do not know what this email address is, please email our office at ttef@archstl.org or call us at 314-792-7777. If you know what your email address is but forgot your password, please visit the family login page and click Forgot Password below the family login box. To access the Family Login Page, go to www.ttef-stl.org and click Apply Here.
- Individual students may not receive more than one scholarship if awarded. However, Catholic Families Tuition Assistance and Parish Employees Endowment Fund are tuition aid programs that may be awarded in addition to another scholarship. Families may have multiple children receiving scholarships.
- Documents needed to complete applications include:
 - o Proof of Income: Adjusted gross income (taxes or W2) and any other assistance you may receive (including but not limited to Child Support, Food Stamps, and Social Security)
 - High School Students are required to submit responses to two short-answer questions and contact information for two references at the time of application to be considered for the Beyond Sunday Fellows Program. Students currently receiving a Beyond Sunday Fellows scholarship are not required to submit responses or references for requalification. For more information about the Beyond Sunday Fellows Program, please see the *Beyond Sunday Fellows FAQs*, available at www.ttef-stl.org.
 - o Proof of Residency (St. Louis City residents applying to City elementary schools only)

Please visit our website for more information on acceptable documentation and application support!

www.ttef-stl.org

Click on Info for Parents under the Scholarships section for helpful resources!







Calendar

Monday

December 25 Christmas Is 52:7-10 Heb 1:1-6 In 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Tuesday

December 26 St. Stephen, The First Martyr Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59 Mt 10:17-22

Wednesday

December 27 St. John, Apostle and Evangelist 1 In 1:1-4 In 20:1a, 2-8

Thursday

December 28 The Holy Innocents, Martyrs 1 In 1:5-2:2

Mt 2:13-18 Friday

December 29 Fifth Day in the Octave of Christmas 1 In 2:3-11 Lk 2:22-35

Saturday

December 30 Sixth Day in the Octave of Christmas 1 Jn 2:12-17 Lk 2:36-40

Sunday

December 31 The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Gn 15:1-6; 21:1-3 Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17 or Heb 11:8, 11-12, 17 - 19Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22, 39-40

Dear Padre,

An antiphon in the Christian breviary states, "The angel Gabriel was sent to the Virgin Mary, who was engaged to be married to Joseph" (December 20). Was she married or not when Jesus was conceived?

uch of the confusion is due to what constituted marriage at the time of Jesus.

Mary was betrothed to Joseph when she was found to be pregnant through the power of the Holy Spirit. During the usual betrothal period of a year, the woman remained with her family. However, the bond between the couple was already as permanent as marriage. That's why Mary was legally known



as Joseph's wife, even though they didn't yet live together or have all the rights belonging to a husband and wife. In fact, the arrangement during betrothal was so binding that it could only be terminated in

Moreover, in that patriarchal society, a betrothed woman who had sexual relations

with anyone other than her husband was accused of adultery. Had Joseph ended this betrothal in disgrace, Mary would have been deprived of marriage for the rest of her life and dependent on her extended family upon her father's death. But Joseph was an upright man who intended to divorce her quietly without publicly stating the reason, in order to spare Mary and her family's reputation. That's when an angel appeared to him in a dream and told him to have no fear about taking Mary as his wife, for the Child was conceived by the Holy Spirit (Matthew 1:20).

Fr. Byron Miller, CSsR, Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org



A Word From Pope Francis

[Joseph and Mary in Bethlehem]....were alone, in a strange land, just the three of them. Then, all of a sudden, people began to appear: shepherds, people just like them who had to leave their homes to find better opportunities for their families. Their

lives were also affected by harsh weather, but by other kinds of hardship, too. When they heard that Jesus had been born, they went to see him. They became neighbors....they became a family to Mary and Joseph, the family of Jesus. This is what happens when Jesus comes into our lives....Faith brings us closer. It makes us neighbors.

Address in Bañado Norte, a slum in Paraguay, July 12, 2015

