



# Our Parish COMMUNITY

December 17, 2017

Third Sunday of Advent (B)

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11

1 Thes 5:16-24

Jn 1:6-8, 19-28

## John's Joyful Preaching

Why go into the desert and cry out? The voice in the desert is lonesome, heard only by those who go there to listen. Let's leave our routines, go into the spiritual deserts of our hearts, and listen today.

The words of preparation John preaches are joyful. Why? First, to be told you are on the wrong path is good news. Have you ever followed your GPS to the wrong place because of an address typo? *"It would have been nice to know this before I traveled across town to the wrong place,"* you thought.

Second, it is joyful to be told what makes your beloved happy, because you then know what will please him or her.

Good news! John's preaching points us to our destination in Jesus and to what makes him happy. The rose vestments worn by our priests today symbolize that joy. Notice in the painting of Isaiah, he is wearing that color, too.

Another interesting detail is that Isaiah is holding his finger in the book while looking back at a young cherub, who in turn points to his neighbor. Isaiah's finger is in the Gospels, where he is the most quoted prophet of the Old Testament. Jesus reads from the prophet Isaiah, and John the Baptist quotes Isaiah's prophesy about "the voice crying out in the desert."

Perhaps the cherub behind Isaiah is John the Baptist. And perhaps the barely visible baby to whom the little John the Baptist is pointing represents Christ, the reason for our joy.

—Fr. Mark Haydu, LC



Piece: *Prophet Isaiah*, 1508-1512

Artist: Michelangelo

Location: Sistine Chapel

### For Reflection

*What makes you joyful? Would those same things make Jesus joyful, too? Do I point people toward the true source of joy with my words and example?*

*I will rejoice heartily in the LORD, my being exults in my God.*

*(Isaiah 61:10)*





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Parish Services
<b>Weekend Masses</b>
Saturday, 5 p.m.
Sunday, 8 a.m. and 10 a.m.
<b>Weekday Masses</b>
Monday, Wednesday-Friday
8 a.m.
Tuesday 7:30 p.m.
and PH Devotions
<b>Confessions</b>
Saturday 4:00 - 4:45 p.m.
or by appointment
<b>Baptisms and Marriages</b>
By arrangement
with Fr. Terry J Borgerding

Upcoming Events at St. Ignatius
12/18 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm
12/18 Choir practice 7pm
12/19 Basketball practice 6-7:30 pm
12/20 Scriptures & Coffee for the Men @ Ulett's coffee shed 6:30am
12/20 School Christmas Mass
12/20 Rosary & Litany to the Holy Family after Mass for parish and school
12/20 Noon Dismissal
12/20 Basketball practice 5:30-8:30pm
12/21 No School ~ Christmas Break
12/21 Scriptures & Coffee for Women in the Parish Hall 7am
12/21 Home Economics Club 8am-3pm
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
1/4 Home Economics Club 8am-3pm

Sunday Offerings			
General Fund	\$3,840	Tuition	\$1,208
Children's offering	\$1		
Loose	\$60	Votive Stand	\$15
Concord Hill Tech	\$4,500	Main. & Rep.	\$50
<b>Total Received</b>			<b><u>\$9,674</u></b>
60 general offering envelopes collected, including children.			
<i>Please remember St. Ignatius Parish &amp; School in your will.</i>			

Parish Office Holiday Hours
12/22/17 8am-12pm
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!

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<b>Places to go.....</b>
12/28 Burger Night at KC Hall 5:30-8:30pm for OLL ProLife Trip
12/31 St. Gertrude New Year's Eve Dance \$30 in advance & \$35 at door
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

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<b>Choir Practice</b>
<b>Monday, December 18<sup>th</sup> at 7pm</b>

<b>Don't forget</b> over the holidays to collect the items that can benefit St Ignatius and what each one can be worth!
<b>Box Tops for Education</b> - \$ .10 for each unexpired Box Top
<b>Tyson A+ certificates</b> - \$ .24 per certificate
<b>My Coke Rewards</b> - ATLEAST \$ .05 for each cap
<b>Best Choice labels program</b> - \$ .06 per eligible label

<b>Christmas Mass Schedule</b>
<b>December 24<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>5:00 p.m.</b> † Theodore & Rosly Meyer
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Volunteers
<u>Lector:</u> Jamie Kopmann
<u>Ushers:</u> Ken & Diane Lierman
<u>Servers:</u> Volunteer
<b>December 25<sup>th</sup></b>
<b>Midnight</b> † People of the Parish
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Volunteers
<u>Lector:</u> Larry Sanders
<u>Ushers:</u> Norm & Barb Schwoeppe
<u>Servers:</u> Volunteers
<b>10 am</b> † Elmer & Regina Hellebusch
<u>Eucharistic Ministers:</u> Volunteers
<u>Lector:</u> Shawn Polston
<u>Ushers:</u> Syd & Ellen Fees
<u>Servers:</u> Volunteers

"Freedom consists not in doing what we like, but having the right to do what we ought."
~Blessed John Paul II

# MASS SCHEDULE

## Saturday, December 16

**5:00 p.m.** † Wilbert Unnderstall

Eucharistic Ministers: Francis Hellebusch  
Betty & Rich Bruckerhoff | Geralyn Smith |  
Patty Mebruer

Lector: Geralyn Smith

Ushers: Ralph & Vikki Glosemeyer

Servers: Jacob Lierman & Austin Cooper



## Sunday, December 17

**8:00 a.m.** † Loretta Glosemeyer

Eucharistic Ministers: Paul Hecktor

Larry Sander | Elaine Glosemeyer | Sue Hecktor

Bill Schuler

Lector: Larry Sander

Ushers: Denny & Elaine Glosemeyer

Servers: Ryan & Luke Kloeppel

**10:00 a.m.** † The People of the Parish

Eucharistic Ministers: Debbie Brewe

Syd & Ellen Fees | Carl Brewe | Shari Kopmann

Lector: Ellen Fees

Ushers: Carl & Debbie Brewe

Servers: Sam Chambers & Carley Kopmann

## Monday, December 18

8:00 a.m. † Evelyn Peters

## Tuesday, December 19

7:30 p.m. † Linus Glosemeyer

## Wednesday, December 20

8:00 a.m. † Francis Liermann

## Thursday, December 21

8:00 a.m. † Sylvester Engemann

## Friday, December 22

8:00 a.m. † Donna Sue Glasster

## Saturday, December 23

**5:00 p.m.** † Herman & Rosemary Engemann

Eucharistic Ministers: Ralph Glosemeyer

Jayne & Maurice Glosemeyer | Dianne & Tom  
Meyer

Lector: Jayne Glosemeyer

Ushers: Jim & Jeanie Ginther

Servers: Maddie Hellebusch & Cole Atkins

## Sunday, December 24

**8:00 a.m.** † Merlin Kopmann

Eucharistic Ministers: 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.** † Walter Volkerding

Eucharistic Ministers: Diane Freese

Tricia Kemper | Teresa Volkerding | Becky

Schoppenhorst | Audrey Hellebusch

Lector: Shawn Polston

Ushers: Vincent & Arlesa Leopold

Servers: Adam & Jard Kopmann

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

Christmas Confession Schedule:

Tuesday, December 19<sup>th</sup> 5:30-7 pm & after 7:30 pm Mass

Thursday, December 21<sup>st</sup> 5:30-7 pm

Saturday December 23<sup>rd</sup> 3:30-4:30 pm

Christmas Mass Schedule:

4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Advent - December 23<sup>rd</sup> & 24<sup>th</sup>

Saturday 23<sup>rd</sup> 5pm and Sunday December 24<sup>th</sup> 8 am & 10 am

Christmas Mass

Sunday, December 24<sup>th</sup> 5pm

Monday, December 25<sup>th</sup> Midnight and 10 am

Saturday, December 30<sup>th</sup> Mass at 5pm

Sunday, December 31<sup>st</sup> Mass at 8 am & 10 am and 5pm

Monday, January 1<sup>st</sup> at 10am

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! Friday, December 29<sup>th</sup> 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 we  
can have enough food. Please contact the parish office or  
drop a note in the collection basket by Friday, December 22<sup>nd</sup>  
if you plan to come! Hope to see you there!

Parish office will be closed December 26<sup>th</sup> and there will be a  
communion service on December 26<sup>th</sup> at 8am.

Enjoy your week.....Fr. Terry

## **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 Lawrence 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.



## Calendar

### Monday

December 18  
Advent Weekday  
Jer 23:5-8  
Mt 1:18-25

### Tuesday

December 19  
Advent Weekday  
Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a  
Luke 1:5-25

### Wednesday

December 20  
Advent Weekday  
Is 7:10-14  
Lk 1:26-38

### Thursday

December 21  
Advent Weekday  
Sg 2:8-14  
Lk 1:39-45

### Friday

December 22  
Advent Weekday  
1 Sm 1:24-28  
1 Lk 1:46-56

### Saturday

December 23  
Advent Weekday  
Mal 3:1-4, 23-24  
Lk 1:57-66

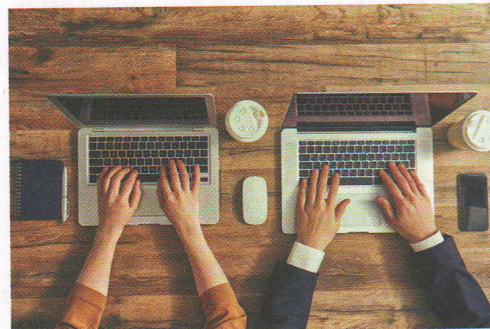
### Sunday

December 24  
Fourth Sunday of Advent  
2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12,  
14a, 16  
Rom 16:25-27  
Lk 1:26-38

# Dear Padre,

Once again I feel overwhelmed by the commercial hype of Christmas. Any suggestions for keeping a Christ-centered Christmas amid the shopping and gift expectations?

It's our Advent task to make Christ, Emmanuel, present in our lives. We do this by centering on the love and peace that is within us and offering that to others. By staying centered and at peace, we'll find the Christ Child even in the midst of the mania!



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- **Take time to pray.** In Advent, church decorations accent the sense of longing during this season. Make it a part of your schedule to stop in daily for quiet time and prayer.
- **Spend less money.** Buy fewer gifts, ones that you really enjoy buying. Let your family know that you intend to spend less money and want to enjoy your purchasing experience. Ask them to help you select gifts that have meaning.
- **Be inspiring.** Give gifts that focus more on Christ and Christmas. They could be inspirational books, a Christian music CD, or tickets to a Christmas play or concert.
- **Start a tradition.** Make it a point to find a new Christmas tradition from a different culture and adopt that tradition for this season.
- **Volunteer.** Give someone a gift of unexpected kindness, compassion, and unconditional love. Visit the sick, help in a soup kitchen, buy and wrap presents that will be given to the poor.

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## A Word From Pope Francis

To celebrate Christmas in a fruitful manner, we are called to pause in "places" of astonishment....The first place is the other, in whom we recognize a brother or sister, because since the birth of Jesus occurred, every face is marked with a semblance to the Son of God. Above all when it is the face of the poor, because God entered the world poor, and it was to the poor, in the first place, that he allowed himself to draw near.

—Angelus, December 20, 2015