

## WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<b>Monday 12/3</b>	<b>Saint Francis Xavier, Priest</b>	<b>Saturday 12/8</b>	<b>The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary</b>
7:00am	Adoration	8:00am	Holy Day Mass Int: People of the Parish
8:00am	Mass Int: † Ted Toon	9:00am	Patriotic Rosary
9:15am	Soulcore	4:30pm	Confessions
6:30pm	Altar Society Christmas Party	<b>5:30pm</b>	<b>Mass Int: † Anna Vignone</b>
<b>Tuesday 12/4</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>	<i>EMHC:</i>	<i>Lyle Berntsen, Vickie Berntsen, Don Klausmeyer</i>
12:00am	Adoration	<i>Lector:</i>	<i>Lynn Robertson, Grayce Berntsen</i>
8:00am	Mass Int: † Jerome Metzen	<i>Rosary:</i>	<i>Deborah Pelz</i>
		<i>Servers:</i>	<i>Peter Gorges, Samuel Gorges, Aaron Gorges</i>
		<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Bruce Berntsen, Ella Berntsen, Tommy Norman, Vickie Berntsen</i>
		<i>Gift Bearers:</i>	<i>Bruce Berntsen Family</i>
<b>Wednesday 12/5</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>	<b>Sunday 12/9</b>	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>
9:15am	Soulcore	7:30am	CYM Donuts
6:00pm	Walking With Purpose	<b>8:00am</b>	<b>Mass Int: People of the Parish</b>
7:00pm	6th-12th Grade RE	<i>EMHC:</i>	<i>Cris Schroeder, Agnes Metzen, Odilio Alvarez</i>
8:30pm	Mass Int: Ethan Lange	<i>Lector:</i>	<i>Jack Armour, James Leibold</i>
<b>Thursday 12/6</b>	<b>Advent Weekday</b>	<i>Rosary:</i>	<i>James Leibold</i>
8:00am	Mass Int: Deceased Members of the Lauer Family	<i>Servers:</i>	<i>Ezekiel Oberley, Samuel Oberley, John Isaac Brunke</i>
		<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Mark Smith, Mark Pelz, Jordan Pauly, Jerry Beyrle</i>
		<i>Gift Bearers:</i>	<i>Wayne Youngers Family</i>
<b>Friday 12/7</b>	<b>Saint Ambrose, Bishop and Doctor of the Church</b>	9:15am	K-5th Grade RE / RCIA / Adult ED
8:00am	Mass Int: † Marlene Storer	<b>10:30am</b>	<b>Mass Int: † Melvin &amp; Annie Rausch</b>
9:15am	Soulcore	<i>EMHC:</i>	<i>Elizabeth Riddel-Kindle, Rennae Schroeder, Brian Schroeder</i>
7:00pm	Holy Day Vigil Mass Int: † David Oberley Sr	<i>Lector:</i>	<i>Art Gentry, Randy Blasi</i>
		<i>Rosary:</i>	<i>Dan Thimesch</i>
		<i>Servers:</i>	<i>Emery Beatty, Cole Schulte, Aidan Schroeder</i>
		<i>Ushers:</i>	<i>Darren Beatty, Aaron Schroeder, Dale Zogleman, Donnie Leis Jr</i>
		<i>Gift Bearers:</i>	<i>Elizabeth Riddel-Kindle</i>

### COMING UP NEXT WEEK

12/8	8:00pm	K of C Meeting
12/15	6:00am	Kaupan's Men Group

### DECEMBER 2: ST. BIBIANA



Bibiana was born into a Christian family during the early times of the Church. Her father was a Roman knight who was kicked out of Rome after Apronianus was made Governor. Governor Apronianus did not like Christians and he wanted to get rid of all the Christians in Rome. He then killed Bibiana's mother, leaving Bibiana and her sister Demetria to take care of themselves. The Governor took everything that Bibiana and Demetria had so that they would have to suffer as poor people. Instead of being sad about their situation and panicking, Bibiana and her sister spent their time praying and fasting (not eating very much) so that they would become closer to Jesus and be strengthened by Him. This made the Governor mad and he had the two

sisters brought to him. Demetria told the Governor that she believed in God and she died right after. Bibiana also told the Governor she believed in God and, as punishment, he gave her to a mean woman who tried to make her sin against God. No matter how mean the woman was to Bibiana she never gave up her faith in God. This made the Governor so mad that he had Bibiana put to death. As she was being killed, she praised God and was joyful because she knew she would be going to heaven to be with Jesus. She died a martyr for her faith in Jesus.

### THIS WEEK'S MASS READINGS

<b>Monday</b> - Isaiah 2:1-5 / Matthew 8:5-11
<b>Tuesday</b> - Isaiah 11:1-10 / Luke 10:21-24
<b>Wednesday</b> - Isaiah 25:6-10A / Matthew 15:29-37
<b>Thursday</b> - Isaiah 26:1-6 / Matthew 7:21, 24-27
<b>Friday</b> - Isaiah 29:17-24 / Matthew 9:27-31
<b>Saturday</b> - Genesis 3:9-15, 20 / Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12 / Luke 1:26-38
<b>Sunday</b> - Baruch 5:1-9 / Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11 / Luke 3:1-6

### MASS SCHEDULE

**WEEKEND** • Saturday 5:30 pm  
Sunday 8:00 am & 10:30 am

**WEEKDAYS** • Monday-Tuesday 8:00 am  
Wednesday 8:30 pm  
Thursday-Friday 8:00 am

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE

**WEEKDAYS** • 20 minutes before Mass  
**WEEKEND** • Saturday 4:30 pm  
1st Sunday of the month before/after Mass

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*St. John the Evangelist Parish,*  
INSPIRED BY THE HOLY SPIRIT, STRIVES TO  
SOW THE WORD OF GOD THROUGH LOVING  
SERVICE OF GOD AND NEIGHBOR.

**December 2, 2018**

**FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

*December is dedicated to the Nativity.*

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**HOLY FATHER'S NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTION**

In the Service of the Transmission of Faith - That people, who are involved in the service and transmission of faith, may find, in their dialogue with culture, a language suited to the conditions of the present time.

**BEING "FULLY ALIVE" MEANS...**

...being fully aware. Today's gospel reminds us of the need to be aware and prepared for the return of the Lord. Jesus says, "Beware that your hearts do not become drowsy from carousing and drunkenness and the anxieties of daily life..." How easily we can get caught up in all of those things during this very busy time of year. SLOW DOWN. Practice being fully alive during this Advent season by creating quiet time for prayer and study, by reflecting on the gifts of being a disciple, or by practicing gratitude for all the blessings that exist in your life. Be watchful as we anticipate the birth of Jesus Christ. Let us "Be vigilant at all times" and prepare the way of the Lord.

**ADVENT ANGEL TREE**

We have the great joy of hosting our Advent Angel Tree again this season to purchase gifts for many children and families in our community who need our assistance. Our ability to do this as a parish relies greatly on your generosity. Please look over the angels on the tree in the back of church that have various gifts that you are able to purchase. If you take an angel please make sure to return that gift unwrapped to the parish office or under the angel tree with the angel tag attached by December 18th.

**STEWARDSHIP FORMS**

It's not too late to turn your Stewardship Forms in! We'd love to keep collecting them over the next couple of weeks to have them before Christmas. You can hand it in during the offertory collection at Sunday Mass, turn them in to the office, drop it in our mail box, or mail them in! There will be blank stewardship forms in the back of church for those who have misplaced theirs.

**CYM DONUT SUNDAY - DECEMBER 9TH**

Our next Donut Sunday here at St. John's will be next Sunday, December 9th. Donuts are offered by the High School Youth Ministry free will donation and all proceeds raised are donated to charity. See you next Sunday!

**ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Altar Society will be having its annual Christmas party on Monday evening, December 3rd, 2018 in the parish center from 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm. It will be a potluck supper followed by an optional gift exchange (\$10 to \$15 limit). Also, if you would like, you may bring a baby item that will be donated to Birthline. (For example, diapers, formula, onesies, sleepers, blankets, cash, etc.) All ladies of the parish are invited.

**DAUGHTERS OF ISABELLA CHRISTMAS PARTY**

The Daughters of Isabella Christmas party will be on Saturday, December 8th at 11:00am. Lunch will be catered by Sils at 12:00pm. There will be a Christmas raffle and gift exchange. Also, if you would like, you may bring a baby item that will be donated to Birthline. (For example, diapers, formula, onesies, sleepers, blankets, cash, etc.)

**STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE (TITHE)**

Nov 25, 2018 .....\$7,343.45

Year to Date (July 1 - Nov 25)

YTD Actuals ..... \$193,442.94

Thank you for your gift to St. John's Parish!

**CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE**

12/8	Lisa Champa	620-584-3450
	Paula Komp	620-545-7010
12/15	Jill Papsdorf	620-584-4764
	Ashley Lange	620-584-2020

**SUNDAY NURSERY SCHEDULE**

Dec 2nd	Grayce Berntsen
Dec 9th	Megan Klausmeyer

**WEDNESDAY MEAL SCHEDULE**

Dec 5th	Dustin & Emily Goetz
Dec 12th	Ed & Ashley Lange

**PRAYER REQUESTS**

**Please pray for all those listed below:**

Colton Smith, Shane Armour, Anna Mueller, Gary Klausmeyer, Ross Klausmeyer, Colton Horsch, Frances Johnson, Josh Buller, Marilyn Lies, Al Montanez, Joanne Flippin, David Oberley, Stephanie Faber, Donald Love, Jolene Schauf, Doris Albaugh, Barbara Flax

**Pray for those in the military:**

John Ihrig, Matthew Youngers, Austin Peak, Travis Winningham, Brian A Thimesch, Megan Darke, Brandon Darke, Wyatt Curry, Grant Martin

**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Dec 2nd	Lanie Bradshaw, Leigh Jones
Dec 4th	Elijah Oberley
Dec 5th	Nicole Heppler, Sandee Yost
Dec 6th	Jennifer Gentry
Dec 7th	Adam Pracht, Derek Thome
Dec 8th	Theresa Mertens, Theresa Rausch, Luke Wilson

**BAPTISIMAL CONGRATULATIONS!!**

Eloise Colleen  
Daughter of Caleb & Juliana Handy  
Baptized on November 17th

**10 ADVENT TRADITIONS WITH VERY LITTLE PREP WORK**

Growing up my family didn't do a lot to acknowledge the season of Advent so I don't have many of my own traditions to pass on to you, so I took to the internet to gather some of the easiest ways that you can celebrate Advent in your homes this year!

**1. Have an Advent wreath.** 4 candles, done. Don't overcomplicate this.

**2. Stuff shoes for St. Nicholas day (Dec. 6)**

Have the kids put their shoes out (adults you can do this too!), tell them the story of St. Nicholas, and fill the shoes with goodies!

**3. Immaculate Conception Mass (Dec. 8)**

Actually, this is not optional since it's a holy day of obligation, but if you have kids, talk to them about the Immaculate Conception.

**4. Sing Christmas Songs (or Advent songs if you're an Advent purist).**

Choose your favorite religious Advent/Christmas songs and go for it! Sing in your car, snuggled in the living room, with your kids, or in the shower!

**5. St. Lucy's feast day (Dec. 13)** drive around and look at Christmas lights. The name Lucy means "light". A fun and easy way to celebrate this great feast day!

**6. Our Lady of Guadalupe (Dec. 12)** Treat yourself to some Mexican food for supper! Everybody loves tacos right?

**7. Put out a Nativity set.** Put it front & center in your home to send a message of what's most important this season. Just don't put baby Jesus in there yet! See #10 below.

**8. Attend confession as a family.** We will be having our parish penance service on Wednesday, December 19th at 7:00 p.m.

**9. Pray the St. Andrew Christmas Novena.** Google it, look in last week's bulletin for it, add it to your daily prayers, and make it part of your Advent/Christmas tradition.

**10. Put baby Jesus in the manger.** Before you leave for Christmas Mass hide baby Jesus. When you return from Mass, have your kids (or grandkids) search until they find him. Then you can sing "Away in a Manger" while your family adds Jesus to the nativity.

**PARISH ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE**

Save the Date! Our Advent Penance Service here at St. John the Evangelist is Wednesday, December 19th at 7:00 p.m. There will be multiple priests here to help hear confessions that evening.

**CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING**

Priests play an essential role of sanctifying, teaching and leading. They are servants to all. Very soon, you will be receiving an invitation from Bishop Kemme asking you to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing. Your gift is used to benefit the 37 men currently studying for the priesthood in the Wichita Diocese and the 19 priests in retirement. Please prayerfully consider a special gift to support our priests.

**THE LORD'S DINER**

The Lord's Diner is collecting new hats, gloves, socks and scarfs to distribute to our guests on Christmas Eve! Please drop off donations at 520 N Broadway before December 11th. Questions? Contact us at 316-266-4699. Thank you for your generosity and support.

**'TIS (ALMOST) THE SEASON - BEST ADVENT EVER**

We prepare for everything we consider important in life. And that includes Christmas. We visit family and friends, bake cookies, decorate our trees, and shop for gifts until we're ready to drop. This year, prepare for Christmas in a different way. Join our parish for BEST ADVENT EVER, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day you'll receive an email with:

- Short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt, Matthew Kelly, and the Dynamic Catholic team.
- Practical tips for your everyday life
- Real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey

Every Sunday during the program, you'll receive a thought-provoking video reflection that will help you understand how the Gospel relates to your own life.

Sign up here: <https://dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever>

**CARD SHOWER FOR FR. FRANCIS**

While Fr. Francis continues with dialysis, please keep him in your thoughts and prayers. If you wish to mail him get well wishes or a monetary gift to help with medical expenses, please mail it to the address below.

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St. Patrick Basilica  
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**FATIMA STATUE TO VISIT THE WICHITA DIOCESE**

The Fatima Pilgrimage statue is set to arrive in the Diocese of Wichita on December 7. This pilgrimage is an extension of the pilgrimage of six statues blessed by Pope Francis and sent around the world in 2017 to celebrate the 100th anniversary of the Fatima apparitions. Below is the schedule for the visit:

- Friday-Saturday, December 7-8: Immaculate Heart of Mary Convent, South of Colwich
- Sunday, December 9: Church of the Blessed Sacrament, Wichita; Mass at 1 pm with Bishop Carl Kemme