

WEEKLY CALENDAR OF EVENTS

<p>Monday 12/10 Advent Weekday</p> <p>7:00am Adoration</p> <p>8:00am Mass Int: † Lester Koester</p> <p>9:15am Soulcore</p> <p>Tuesday 12/11 Advent Weekday</p> <p>12:00am Adoration</p> <p>8:00am Mass Int: † Danielle Dick</p> <p>Wednesday 12/12 Our Lady of Guadalupe</p> <p>9:15am Soulcore</p> <p>6:00pm NO Walking With Purpose</p> <p>7:00pm 6th-12th Grade RE</p> <p>8:30pm Mass Int: † Nicole Church</p> <p>Thursday 12/13 Saint Lucy, Virgin & Martyr</p> <p>8:00am Mass Int: † Delmer Gorges</p> <p>8:00pm K of C Meeting</p> <p>Friday 12/14 Saint John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church</p> <p>8:00am Mass Int: † Cara Thomas</p> <p>9:15am Soulcore</p>	<p>Saturday 12/15 Advent Weekday</p> <p>6:00am Kapaun's Men</p> <p>4:30pm Confessions</p> <p>5:30pm Mass Int: † Alice Mertens</p> <p><i>EMHC:</i> Albert Hubl, Linda Rausch, Don Klausmeyer</p> <p><i>Lector:</i> Norma Jean Vap, Jean Thome</p> <p><i>Rosary:</i> Larry Gorges</p> <p><i>Servers:</i> Luke Hubl, Tommy Norman, Parker Vap</p> <p><i>Ushers:</i> Steven Ochsner, Bruce Berntsen, Jason Martin, Wyatt Berntsen</p> <p><i>Gift Bearers:</i> Ruth Castle</p> <p>7:00pm Parish Movie Night "White Christmas"</p> <p>Sunday 12/16 Third Sunday in Advent</p> <p>8:00am Mass Int: Genevieve Oberley</p> <p><i>EMHC:</i> Jacob Belton, Wayne Youngers, Daniel Oberley</p> <p><i>Lector:</i> Connie Armour, Madison Lange</p> <p><i>Rosary:</i> Martin Maus</p> <p><i>Servers:</i> Josh Youngers, Caleb Papsdorf, Elias Belton</p> <p><i>Ushers:</i> Edward Lange, Keith Jones, Brian Pauly, Mark Pelz</p> <p><i>Gift Bearers:</i> JP Brunke Family</p> <p>9:15am K-5th Grade RE / RCIA / Adult ED</p> <p>10:30am Mass Int: People of the Parish</p> <p><i>EMHC:</i> Matt Allmond, Krista Allmond, Emily Thome</p> <p><i>Lector:</i> Drake Beatty, Geri Beatty</p> <p><i>Rosary:</i> Randy Blasi</p> <p><i>Servers:</i> Austin Hastings, Trenton Hastings, Christian Hastings</p> <p><i>Ushers:</i> Daniel Becker, Dustin Goetz, Kevin Pauly, Richard Pelz</p> <p><i>Gift Bearers:</i> Darren Beatty Family</p>	<p>COMING UP NEXT WEEK</p> <p>12/19 7:00pm NO 6th-12th RE</p> <p>12/19 7:00pm Parish Penance Service</p> <p>12/20 2:00pm Homeschool Group</p> <p>12/23 9:15am NO K-5th RE / RCIA / Adult Ed</p> <p>12/23 2:00pm NO Marian Movement of Priests</p>
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December 9, 2018

SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT

December is dedicated to the Nativity.

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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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DECEMBER 9: ST. JUAN DIEGO



Juan Diego loved God very much and he spent as much time in prayer as he could. He attended Mass everyday, walking 15 miles to Church. On December 9th, 1531, on his walk to church he passed Tepeyac Hill and heard music and saw a glowing cloud with a rainbow around it. He heard a woman calling him to go up the hill and he saw a beautiful woman dressed like an Aztec Princess. She explained that she was Mary, Jesus' Mother, and had come to give Juan a message for the Bishop. She wanted the Bishop to build a Church in that spot so that she could be with the people that come to the Church and let them

know how much she loves them because she is their Mother. When Juan told the Bishop he didn't believe Juan and asked for a sign that what he was saying was true.

Juan was on his way to meet with Mary again when he heard his uncle was dying. Instead of going to meet with Mary, Juan went to look for a priest to visit his uncle. On his way to get the priest, Mary appeared to him on the side of the road and said not to worry about his uncle, because his uncle was healed. Then she told Juan to climb to the top of Tepeyac Hill again and, when he got there, he was amazed at what he saw. There were beautiful roses that do not grow in Mexico, growing all over the hilltop in the frozen ground. He gathered up the flowers in his cloak and brought them to the Bishop as a sign. When he opened up his cloak to show the Bishop the roses, Mary had left her picture on Juan's cloak. The Bishop believed Juan and built a Church on the hill. Many people have come to know Jesus through this miracle.

THIS WEEK'S MASS READINGS

Monday - Isaiah 35:1-10 / Luke 5:17-26
Tuesday - Isaiah 40:1-11 / Matthew 18:12-14
Wednesday - Zechariah 2:14-17 / Luke 1:26-38
Thursday - Isaiah 41:13-20 / Matthew 11:11-15
Friday - Isaiah 48:17-19 / Matthew 11:16-19
Saturday - Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11 / Matthew 17:9A, 10-13
Sunday - Zephaniah 3:14-18A / Philippians 4:4-7 / Luke 3:10-18

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.

JESUS' COUSIN, JOHN THE BAPTIST, ...

...was a bit of a rogue character. He embraced life in the wilderness and preached a challenging message of change and repentance. John the Baptist was living as a missionary disciple before Jesus ever called His first disciples! Consider the wilderness that exists within you, within your own heart. How does the message of John the Baptist stir that wilderness into action? There is no need to fear or tame your wild heart -- instead, explore that place within you and allow the Holy Spirit to draw you deeper into your own commitment to being a disciple. A life of stewardship is not always easy or popular. Use this holy season to make a transition from the comfortable to the uncomfortable ... from the calm to the wilderness.

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 - TODAY!!!

Our next Donut Sunday here at St. John's will be TODAY, 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 in the parish center!

PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Join us for a Parish Movie Night to watch "White Christmas" on Saturday, December 15th. The movie will start at 7:00 p.m. on the big screen in the Parish Center! Bring your favorite Christmas snack to share, a pillow and blanket to cozy up in, and wear your Christmas comfy jammies if you wish! We'll be providing hot cocoa. Bring your families, bring your kiddos, bring yourself, and we'll see you there!

EPIPHANY HOUSE BLESSING

Fr. Tatro will be offering House Blessings on Sunday, January 6th on the Feast of the Epiphany. You can sign up to have your house blessed in the church gathering place. Fr. Tatro will be making short 5-10 minute stops at each house to do the blessing. You do not need to be home to have him bless your house. If you are not home at the time he comes to visit he will do the blessing outside of the front door. Make sure to sign up by Christmas to get on the list!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE (TITHE)

Dec 2, 2018\$6,974.50

Year to Date (July 1 - Dec 2)

YTD Actuals\$200,417.44

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

CHURCH CLEANING SCHEDULE

12/15	Jill Papsdorf	620-584-4764
	Ashley Lange	620-584-2020
12/22	Jessica Armour	316-200-6562
	Shelly McCosh	316-617-3243

SUNDAY NURSERY SCHEDULE

Dec 9th	Megan Klausmeyer
Dec 16th	Donna Parker

WEDNESDAY MEAL SCHEDULE

Dec 12th Ed & Ashley Lange

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

Dec 13th Meeting at Clonmel
Dec 15th Stuff bags for breakfast with Santa
Dec 16th Breakfast at Schulte
Dec 16th Free throw contest at Schulte

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, Jacob Woods

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 10th	Grant Mellen, Jessica Wile
Dec 11th	Rebecca Allender, Caleb Papsdorf
Dec 12th	Daniel Youngers
Dec 13th	Elaine Garner, Josh Light
Dec 15th	Angie Atkinson

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY!

Dec 13th Blake & Lindsay McLemore

THE TWO PARTS OF ADVENT**Part 1: up until December 16**

While most liturgical seasons have the gospel as their main focus, during the first weeks of Advent, the Church gives us daily readings from the prophet Isaiah. With the eyes of faith, these foretell the coming of the Messiah. Rather than a continuous gospel narrative familiar to us for most of the year, this part of Advent offers a wide variety of gospel readings that support the first reading of the day. After almost two weeks of Isaiah readings, we hear the foretelling of a Messiah from other prophets from the Hebrew scriptures - in Sirach, Numbers, Zephaniah and returning to Isaiah. With each passing week, the prophets speak more clearly of the coming of a Savior. So, in reading the first reading, for the first part of Advent, we listen to the anticipation, expectation, hope and promise. In listening to the second reading, we listen for the fulfillment or connection with the gospel.

Part 2: December 17 - 24

In these last eight days before Christmas, the relationship between the readings changes. Now the gospel brings us to our celebration of Christmas. The gospels are taken from the infancy narratives of Matthew and Luke. Each of these days, the first reading is taken from the Hebrew scriptures, and chosen to match the gospel. In many cases we can imagine Matthew or Luke having the first reading open on their desks while they wrote the gospel. So, we can read the gospel first and then read the first reading. The sense of anticipation and fulfillment builds as we read the story of the preparation for Jesus' first coming into this world for us.

RELIGIOUS ED - CHRISTMAS BREAK

The last Wednesday evening class of 2018 for 6th-12th grades will be December 12th. Wednesday classes will resume on January 2nd, 2019.

The last Sunday morning class of 2018 for K-5th grades, RCIA, and Adult Ed classes will be December 16th. Sunday classes will resume on January 6th, 2019

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. We will be having Eucharistic Adoration and the Sacrament of Reconciliation that evening. There will be multiple priests here to help hear confessions.

OTHER PARISH PENANCE SERVICES IN THE AREA

December 9th at 2:00pm at St. Cecilia
December 9th at 4:00pm at St. Peter
December 9th at 4:00pm at St. Elizabeth Ann Seton
December 23rd at 7:00pm at Holy Spirit

CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING

We can't fully practice our Catholic faith without the life and ministry of priests. Recently you should have received an invitation from the Diocese to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing—a gift of gratitude to support retired priests and the education of seminarians. God has blessed us this year with 37 men in the seminary and continues to bless us with so many retired priests who serve the Church in many ways. We ask you to prayerfully consider what your family will be able to give as we strive to be as generous as we possibly can be at this most holy time of the year.

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.

A BETTER CHOICE

At A Better Choice we announce to new mothers, in their fear and uncertainty, the miracle of new life and the hope of the promises of Jesus Christ. We invite you to support our mission this holiday giving season as we resurrect a culture of life in our society and lead mothers to choose life. Please consider supporting our mission with a financial donation, a material donation, or the gift of your time. A list of our most urgent needs (baby formula, diapers, baby wipes and wash, etc.) can be found at pregnancywichita.com. Your prayers and generosity truly save lives. May God's light fill your heart and home in 2019.

SAINT VINCENT DEPAUL—BACKPACK 4 KIDS

Nearly 400 Catholic school kids now go to bed on the weekends with food in their tummies through the generous donors of the St. Vincent DePaul Backpack 4 Kids Program. Approximately \$35,000 still needs to be raised to continue feeding these hungry children in the Wichita Diocese each weekend. Will you help these children too? Just \$5.50 will feed a Kansas child for the weekend. It doesn't sound like much but it makes all the difference in the world. If you would like to contribute please send your donation to St. Peter's Catholic Church, c/o St. Vincent DePaul Backpack 4 Kids Program, 11000 Southwest Blvd, Wichita KS, 67215.