

BULLETIN: DECEMBER 19, 2021

FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Please pray for the ill & those in need of our continued prayer: Bob Yoder, Christopher Endicott, Luke Barden, Joe Kranz, Doug Jones, Trang & Ann Treber, Eddy Messer, Scott Weaver, Foster Sauter, Steve Wilmes, Erin Palmer, Keagan Sanders, Rylan Losh, Tara Young, Shirlev Schaffer & Tara Clawson

DAILY EVENTS & MASS INTENTIONS

Friday, December 17th

7:15 a.m. Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
8:30 a.m. Mass: + Deborah Messer
7:00 p.m. You Spanish Choir Practice

Saturday, December 18th

4:15 p.m. Confessions
5:00 p.m. Mass: + William Linnebur
7:30 p.m. Mass: Neocatechumenal Way

Sunday, December 19th

8:15 a.m. Confessions
9:00 a.m. Mass: People of Our Lady of the Plains
10:15 a.m. Winter on the Plains
11:30 a.m. Mass: + Celida S. De Perez (SI)

Monday, December 20th

8:30 a.m. Mass: + Ilene Hamling
9:30 a.m. Lectio Divina
6:00 p.m. Choir Practice (For Midnight Mass)

Tuesday, December 21ST

8:30 a.m. Mass: + Walter Olivier

Wednesday, December 22ND

NO Mass: (Office Closed)

Thursday, December 23RD

8:30 a.m. Mass: + Ramona O'Brien
6:00 p.m. Holy Hour (Adoration)
7:00 p.m. RCIA

Friday, December 24th

7:00 p.m. Mass: + Julie Packard
11:00 p.m. Christmas Carols/ Villancicos
11:59 p.m. Mass: Sainz Family (Christmas Midnight)

Saturday, December 25th

10:00 a.m. Mass: + Deborah Messer
12:00 p.m. Mass: (español): + Julie Packard

Sunday, December 26th

9:00 a.m. Mass: + Deborah Messer
11:30 a.m. Mass: People of Our lady of the Plains

OFFERTORY

December 12, 2021

\$6,029.65

Thank you for your generosity!

REFLECTION

Readings:

[Micah 5:1-4](#)
[Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19](#)
[Hebrews 5:5-10](#)
[Luke 1:39-45](#)

On this last Sunday before Christmas, the Church's Liturgy reveals the **true identity of our Redeemer**: He is, as today's First Reading says, the "ruler . . . whose origin is from . . . ancient times." He will come from Bethlehem, where David was born of Jesse the Ephrathite and anointed king. God promised that an heir of David would reign on his throne forever; Psalm 89; **Jesus is that heir**, the One the prophets promised would restore the scattered tribes of Israel into a new kingdom. He is "the shepherd of Israel" sung of in today's Psalm. **From His throne in heaven, He has "come to save us.**

Today's Epistle tells us that He is both the Son of David and the only "begotten" Son of God, come "in the flesh". He is also our "high priest," from the mold of the mysterious Melchizedek, "priest of God Most High," who blessed Abraham at the dawn of salvation history. All this is recognized by John when he leaps for joy in his mother's womb. Elizabeth, too, is filled with joy and the Holy Spirit. **She recognizes that in Mary "the mother of my Lord" has come to her.** We hear in her words another echo of the Psalm quoted in today's Epistle Elizabeth blesses Mary for her faith that God's Word would be fulfilled in her. Mary marks the fulfillment not only of the angel's promise to her, but of all God's promises down through history. Mary is the one they await in today's First Reading "she who is to give birth." She will give birth this week, at Christmas. **And the fruit of her womb should bring us joy, she is the mother of our Lord.**

[\(ONLINE SOURCE, ST. PAUL CENTER\)](#)

Jesus is THE Messiah
Wise Men Still Seek Him



PARISH UPDATES

- ❖ *****NEW*** THAT MAN IS YOU:** We had such a great turnout with the men's group, we will begin a new one in 2022. Look for updates in the coming weeks!
- ❖ *****REMINDER*** ENDOW WOMEN'S GROUP: A new women's group is starting SOON!** REGISTRATION is OPEN! Endow will run Jan 12th-April 6th EVERY WEDNESDAY evening from 6:30-8:30 pm. This study introduces women to one of the twentieth century saints John Paul II canonized during his pontificate. A young Jewish woman (Edith Stein) who suffered through the Holocaust, converted to Catholicism, and found her vocation by joining the beautiful Carmelite sisters. Registration forms can be found inside both entrances of the church. For more information online, click the link: <https://www.endowgroups.org/study-guide-st-edith-stein-seeker-of-truth/> If you have any questions, please contact *Mona Chase* at 303.918.9060 or *Jeanna Doubrava* at 720.281.5144
- ❖ *****NEW*** COMMITTEE VOLUNTEERS FOUND! THIS YEAR 2022, OUR PARISH IS CELEBRATING 50 YEARS!** Thank you to those who volunteered to help with the committee. We will have our first meeting in January.
- ❖ *****REMINDER*** SOCK BOX:** We filled the sock donation box & they are on their way to University Hospital with Michelle Earl. **The emergency room needs SOCK DONATIONS AND SWEATPANTS SIZES (M-XXL).** When the box fills up, it goes to its destination. Thank you for your generosity!

Winter On the Plains

Hosted by The Altar & Rosary Society & auctioneers' Steve & Alice Linnebur
Baked goods, arts, crafts, quilts & more!
Sunday, December 19th at 10:15 a.m.
Breakfast Casserole served at 10:00 a.m., auction to follow.



RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

- ❖ *****NEW*** NO RELIGIOUS EDUCATION DURING CHRISTMAS SEASON:** NO class Dec 19th, Dec 25th, Jan 2nd. We will resume RE Jan 9th. Merry Christmas!
- ❖ *****REMINDER*** CONFIRMATION DATE:** For all those receiving Sacraments, Confirmation will be **June 3, 2022, at 7:00 p.m. (SI)**
- ❖ *****REMINDER*** FORMED.ORG:** Our parish code is **CBTNCM**. You will need to register with an email, very easy process. <https://formed.org/>
- ❖ *****NEW*** FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK:** "Mary of Nazareth"
<https://watch.formed.org/mary-of-nazareth/videos/mary-of-nazareth>

ALTAR & ROSARY

- ❖ *****NEW*** A & R Meeting:** The next meeting will be **January 9, 2022**, at 10:10 a.m. in a **NEW LOCATION** (old preschool classroom w/ small freezer). Classroom to the far right (by K o C glass cases).

Christmas Schedule

- Christmas Eve Mass** - Fri Dec 24th at 7:00 p.m.
- Christmas Carols** - Fri Dec 24th at 11:00 p.m.
- Mass at Midnight** - Fri Dec 24th at 11:59 p.m.
- Christmas Day Mass** - Sat Dec 25th at 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. (Español)
- Mother of God (Vigil)** - Fri Dec 31st at 7:00 p.m.
- Mother of God (Day)** - Sat Jan 1st at 10:00 a.m. & 12:00 p.m. (Español)
- Epiphany** - Sun Jan 2nd at 9:00 a.m.
- Epiphany** - Sun Jan 2nd at 11:30 a.m. (Español)



YOUTH GROUP

No youth group until 2022, Merry Christmas!