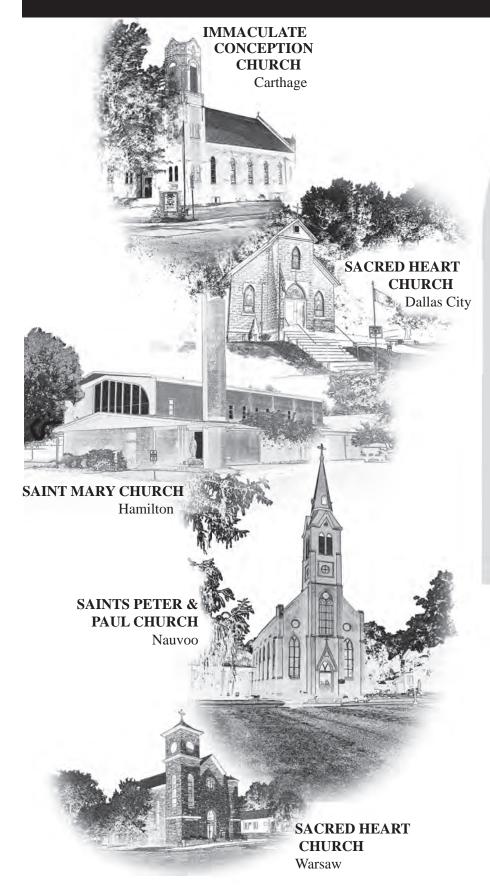
## **Hancock County Catholic Churches**



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#### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 4:00 p.m. Carthage

5:30 p.m. Hamilton

**Sunday** 8:00 a.m. Warsaw

10:00 a.m. Nauvoo Noon Dallas City

### SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

December 10, 2023

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#### **Location of Our Parishes**

#### **Immaculate Conception**

125 N. Fayette St. Carthage, IL 62321

#### Sacred Heart

90 W. Fifth St.

Dallas City, IL 62330

#### St. Mary

560 Lakeview Ave. Hamilton, IL 62341

#### Sts. Peter and Paul

190 N. Wells St. Nauvoo, IL 62354

#### Sacred Heart

8th & Webster St. Warsaw, IL 62379

#### Confession schedule: 15 minutes before daily Mass, 30 minutes <u>before</u> weekend Masses at Carthage

Warsaw Nauvoo Dallas City <u>After Mass</u> at Hamilton

Or any other time by appointment

#### Fr. Tony's Sermon Series Through December

During Advent. Unless you think about it and intentionally focus your attention on the Advent season, it's both easy to miss and hard to understand: how to prepare for the coming of Jesus Christ. Our sacred readings through the month of December relate what it was like to wait for the *first* coming of the Messiah; we're following those readings as a path upon which to prepare for our Lord's *second* coming. From the words of the Creed we pray at Mass: "I look forward to the resurrection of the dead, and the life of the world to come". Do we? Really? We have to die to get to the resurrection of the dead; and all indications from Scripture point to a rather violent end of time. Sure you want either? Both? Really?

The fact is that there is an eternal life, the culmination of living our life now. And no matter how precious our love for family, friends, and earthly life itself, there has to be taught and developed in our spiritual life a desire for the life that never ends, in a never-ending bond with others, in the mystery of union with God Himself. For this, Jesus came. For this, we wait. For this, we seek forgiveness of sins. For this, we pass the message on to children and grandchildren - because it would be a disservice to them not to.

December 9/10: "Advent: There's a John the Baptist in Every Priest and Every Deacon." December 16/17: "Advent: Who Jesus Is, and Who We Are: Are You Convinced?"

(The weekends of December 23/24/25, and December 30/31/January 1 will be specifically Christmas sermons.)

#### **Week's Mass Intentions**

Monday: December 11, (St. Damasus I Pope; Is 35:1-10, Lk 5:17-26)

8:00 a.m. Nauvoo-Jan Jacobs, by Rebecca Haas 5:30 p.m. Warsaw-Lucille Sartory, by Linda Evans

Tuesday: December 12, (Our Lady of Guadalupe; Zec 2:14-17, Lk 1:26-38)

5:30 p.m. Carthage-Tim Holt, by Frankie Maddox family

Wednesday: December 13, (St. Lucy, Virgin and Martyr; Is 40:25-31, Mt 11:28-30)

5:30 p.m. Dallas City-Ed Symmonds, by Tom and Rita Schaefer

Thursday: December 14, (St. John of the Cross, Priest and Doctor of the Church;

Is 41:13-20, Mt 11:11-15)

No Masses

Friday: December 15, (Advent Weekday; Is 48:17-19, Mt 11:16-19)

8:30 a.m. Nauvoo-Donnie Wilkens, by Doug and Mary Norvell

Saturday December 16, (Advent Weekday; Sir 48:1-4, 9-11, Mt 17:9a, 10-13)

4:00 p.m. Carthage-Denise Land, by Maggie Bolen

5:30 p.m. Hamilton-Lowell, Geraldine and Jerry Metternich, by Mary Lynne Arms Sunday: December 17, (Third Sunday of Advent, Is 61:1-2a, 10-11,

1 Thes 5:16-24, Jn 1:6-8, 19-28)

8:00 a.m. Warsaw-Patty Runge, by Joan Wood

10:00 a.m. Nauvoo-Leroy and Lavonne Krogmeier, by Craig and Sarah Krogmeier

12:00 p.m. Dallas City-For the People

#### **Rosary Intention for December: Families**

#### Prayer Contacts

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#### **Live-Streaming Schedule**

Monday, Tuesday & Friday 8:00 a.m. – Mass Wednesday-5:30 p.m. Noon - Rosary 3:00 p.m. - Chaplet of Divine Mercy

Saturday – 4 p.m. Mass Sunday – 10 a.m. Mass Our Hancock County Catholic Churches offers their prayers and congratulations to our newly baptized! Samanth Jean Hamma, daughter of Justin David Hamma and Patricia Jean (Dittmer) Hamma received the sacrament of Baptism on Friday, November 24, 2023 at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Nauvoo. God bless you, Samantha!

Confession Schedule in Preparation for Christmas and Christmas Mass schedule. The following is the schedule for the opportunity of Confession, in preparation for a meaningful reception of our Lord in the Holy Eucharist on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day.

SPPN, Sunday, December 17, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. SHW, Monday, December 18, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. SMH, Tuesday, December 19, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. SHDC, Wednesday, December 20, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m. ICC, Thursday, December 21, from 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

We are happy and honored to be available for Confessions before and after morning weekday Masses.

As for the weekend Masses December 23 and 24: the weekend Confession schedule remains, but please try not to squeeze into these "last minute" times. We have a full weekend Mass schedule, followed by a full Christmas Mass schedule. Time and schedule are stretched to the limit, as it is.

The following is the schedule for Mass on Christmas Eve and Christmas Day. Keep in mind that this is the second year of a five-year schedule of rotation, so that each of our churches has the opportunity to host the most desired Masses and Mass times for Christmas and Easter.

#### **Christmas Eve, December 24:**

4:00 p.m. Mass at Immaculate Conception Church in Carthage (with a special visitor!).
7:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Dallas City.
10:00 p.m. Mass at Sacred Heart Church in Warsaw.
Christmas Day, December 25:
8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary Church in Hamilton.
10:00 a.m. Mass at Sts. Peter and Paul Church in Nauyoo.

Looking for a way to help prepare for the coming Christmas? This Wednesday, December 13 there will be a Penitential Celebration with Adoration at ICC in Carthage and Sts. Peter and Paul in Nauvoo starting at 7:00 p.m. Please note: this is not the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Come. Quiet yourself in His Presence

There will be no Spanish Mass on Sunday, December 10, and our monthly Healing Service will not take place in December, but will resume in January.

Rosary Novena in Intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe. On Tuesday, December 12, the Feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, we will have Mass at 5:30 p.m. at ICC. Following the Mass, we will celebrate the spiritual observance of the Posada, an enactment of Mary and Joseph's search for a place for Jesus to be born. This will take place on our parish property, making use of our Parish Center. And then, food and fellowship for all who attend, beginning at 6:30 p.m.

The parishioners of St. Mary's face a significant challenge. The parish hall heating system must be replaced, at a cost of about \$10,000. The Trustees presented the challenge following Mass last Saturday evening. As expected, the response has been positive and immediate. A member of the congregation, who wishes to remain anonymous, has established a matching challenge. They will match all contributions made for the project by December 28, up to a maximum of \$5000. Everyone who would like to participate should place their contributions in the regular Mass collection (marked "St. Mary's Hall Heater Project") or send it directly to the parish office: PO Box 93, Warsaw, IL 62379 by December 28.

**St. Mary's will be having a PARISH CHRISTMAS SUPPER** on Saturday, December 16 following the 5:30 Mass. Meat & drink will be provided, just bring a side dish to share! Let's celebrate the Christmas Season together!! Hope to see you there!

**Immaculate Conception CCD Christmas Program** will be in the church immediately following the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, December 16. All are welcome!

**Upcoming Topics at the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA).** Sundays from 4:30-6:30 p.m. at the Immaculate Conception Parish Hall. Anyone who wishes to explore these subjects is welcome to attend.

December 10: The Holy Eucharist – why and how is this Jesus, how to answer protestant objections.

December 17: Holy Communion – Why this is the most important thing we can do, why can't non-Catholics receive, how we should prepare ourselves to receive.

**SSPP CHOIR** We will begin practicing for the Christmas season on Wednesday, December 13 at 7 p.m. There will be one additional practice on December 20 also at 7 p.m. All are welcome!

Please join the Alleman Knights of Columbus on Tuesday, December 12 as we resume our tradition of singing Christmas Carols at the Kensington in Fort Madison! All are invited to join us!!

Warsaw Area Christmas Friendship Basket Please bring cookies and candies to the parish hall on Tuesday, December 12, 3-4 p.m. or Wednesday, December 13, 8-9:30 a.m. Your generosity is very much appreciated!



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