ST. ANTHONY OF PADUA 607 N. MAIN ST. - GARDEN PLAIN, KANSAS

December 24, 2023

4th Sunday of Advent

Parish Office

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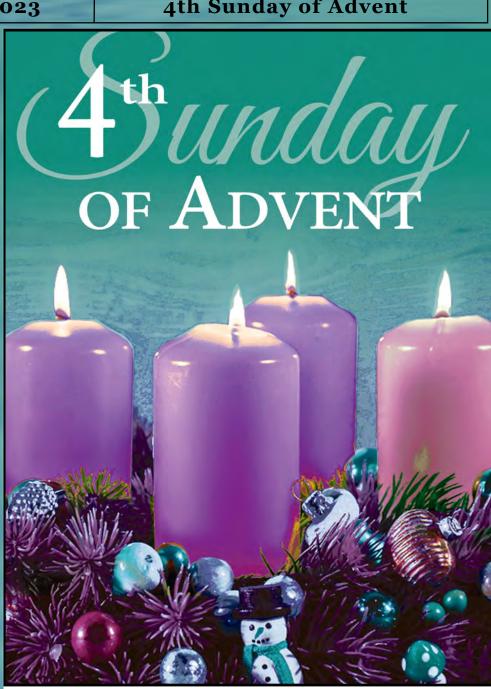
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To Register

Welcome to those who are new to our parish. If you would like to register at either St. Anthony, Garden Plain or St. Mary, Aleppo, please call St. Anthony's Parish Office at (316) 531-2252 to request a registration packet. Forms available on our website at w.stanthonygardenplain.com.



Holy Mass Sunday

Saturday (Vigil) - 4:30 p.m. Sunday - 8:00 & 10:00 a.m.

Weekdays

Mon., Tues. & Fri. - 7:30 a.m. Wed. - 6:30 p.m. (See Bulletin for Thur. Mass Time)

Confession Weekly

Wed. 5:00 to 5:45 p.m. Sat. 3:00 to 3:45 p.m.

Prayer Line

Call Janie Wells at (316) 540-9878 for Prayer Request

Adoration Weekly

Mon. 8:00 a.m. to Tue. 7:00 a.m.

Thursday before 1st Friday

8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. (See Bulletin for Any Changes)

WEEK AT A GLANCE

Sat., December 23

3:00 - 3:45 p.m. - Confessions 5:30 p.m. - CYM's Christmas Bake Sale Sun., December 24 - Fourth Sunday of Advent

5:00 p.m. - Christmas Vigil Mass

Mon., December 25 - Merry Christmas

12:00 a.m. - Midnight Mass

9:00 a.m. - Morning Mass

Tues., December 26

No Events

Wed., December 27 Christmas Break - No PSR Classes

5:00 - 5:45 p.m. - Confessions

6:30 p.m. - March for Life Mtg.

at Parish Hall

Thurs., December 28

Christmas Break - No PSR Classes

Fri., December 29

No Events

Sat., December 30

Parish Hall Reserved - All Day 3:00 - 3:45 p.m. - Confessions

Sun., December 31 - Holy Family Sunday

Parish Hall Reserved - All Day

MASS INTENTIONS

Sat., December 23 4:30 p.m. - † Jerry Hahn

Sun., December 24

8:00 a.m. - † Kathleen Panek 10:00 a.m. - People of the Parish 5:00 p.m. - (Vigil Mass for Christmas) Almeda Seiler

Mon., December 25 - Merry Christmas 12:00 a.m. (Midnight) - Special Intention 9:00 a.m. - † Donald P. Lear

Tues., December 26 No Mass

Wed., December 27 6:30 p.m. - † Albert & Gertrude Kerschen Family

Thurs., December 28 7:30 a.m. - Int. Dave Maribeth Long

Fri., December 29 7:30 a.m. - † Hugo Seidl

Sat., December 30 4:30 p.m. - † Roberta Lampe

Sun., December 31 8:00 a.m. - † Joseph & Virginia Baker 10:00 a.m. - People of the Parish

WEEKDAY ALTAR SERVERS SCHEDULE

Mon., December 25 See Monthly Minister Schedule Tues., December 26 No Mass Wed., December 27 6:30 p.m. - Christmas Break for Servers Thurs., December 28 7:30 a.m. - Christmas Break for Servers Fri., December 29 7:30 a.m. - Christmas Break for Servers

> **Sunday Collection** December 17 & 24

Will be posted in December 31st bulletin

Thank You for Your Stewardship of Treasure!

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES WEEKEND - 12/30 & 12/31

Altar Servers

EMHC's

4:30 p.m. - Braxton Randolph

8:00 a.m. - Wvatt Stuhlsatz

10:00 a.m. - Macy Stuhlsatz

4:30 p.m. - Cindi Panek

10:00 a.m. - Carla May

Ushers - December

8:00 a.m. - Ned Bergkamp

Brock Randolph

Maggie Stuhlsatz

Caroline Fck

Ed Panek

Janet Meyer

Lynn Woolf

4:30 p.m. - Derek Becker, Russ Becker

10:00 a.m. - Ryan Koester & Eddy Weber

Dale Haukap & Al Thimmesch

Dean Baker & Garrett Lampe

8:00 a.m. - Bryan Lies, James Hommertzheim,

2 Volunteers Needed

MARRIAGES

The bride or groom must be registered in the

parish for a minimum of six months before

preparation for marriage will begin. The bride

or groom registered in the parish is expected

to be actively participating in the life of the

Church by living the Stewardship Way of Life.

Please contact the Pastor to begin. Dates for

the weddings will only be scheduled AFTER

meeting with the Pastor. Do not schedule,

commit to, or make down payments for

venues, caterers, musicians, photographers,

etc. until you have met with the Pastor. There

is no guarantee to scheduling a wedding on

your preferred day.

Keaton Custer

Adlev Rau

Lucas Rau

4:30 p.m. - Jennifer Sigwing

8:00 a.m. - Heidi Becker 10:00 a.m. - Carla May

Rosary Leaders

Lectors

4:30 p.m. - Greg Rausch 8:00 a.m. - Heidi Becker

10:00 a.m. - Julie Bergkamp

Gift Bearers

4:30 p.m. - Todd Sigwing's Family

8:00 a.m. - Vincent Albert's Family

10:00 a.m. - Cletus Wells' Family

Homebound EMHC's - December

Marilyn Helten & Jean Carter

1st Time Parent Class Facilitator

December 17 at 9:00 a.m.

Facilitator - Denise Gros

BAPTISMS

Baptisms are celebrated after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on either the first or second Sunday of the month at St. Anthony Parish and St. Mary Parish respectively when Fr. H Setter is celebrating Mass. Parent(s) who plan to have their child baptized are required to be actively practicing their Catholic faith, be registered and active in the parish for no less than six months prior to the baptism. First time parent(s) need to attend a baptismal class. Baptismal forms are available at the parish office, during office hours. Forms need to be returned at least one week prior to the date of baptism.



FROM FATHER H

Merry Christmas to All - I would like to wish you and your loved ones a Merry and Blessed Christmas. I hope your holidays are filled with great joy and happiness as you gather with family, friends and loved ones during these days of celebrating God's greatest gift to us in the person of Jesus Christ. Please join me in praving for those less fortunate than ourselves who will spend these days alone or apart from loved ones, whatever the reasons may be. May God bless them abundantly these days. Know that you remain in my prayers in a most special way. I am truly blessed to be your Shepherd. Please keep me and Fr. Tom Hoisington in your prayers as well. I love you all. ~ Father H

Religious Education & Youth News

PSR Classes - We wish you and your families a Merry Christmas!

Questions for Faith Sharing - The theme for this Sunday's readings is: God's Spirit comes to us in ways we least expect. Question for Adults: Name one area of your life where God has surprised you with love, abilities or even a pregnancy. How is God's Spirit upon you in this dimension of life? Question for Youth: Gabriel's greeting to Mary was. "Hail, favored one! The Lord is with you." This is God's greeting to each of us - he loves us just as we are. What are some of your personal strengths that God rejoices in?

Let us pray that we, like Mary, may be open to God's Spirit when it comes into our lives in ways we do not expect. Lifelong Catechesis OSV

The angel said to them, "Do not be afraid; for behold, I proclaim to you good news of great joy that will be for all the people. For today in the city of David a savior has been born for you who is messiah and Lord." ~ Luke 2:10

CYM Christmas Party - All high school youth are invited to the CYM Christmas party on Thursday. January 4 at the parish hall from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. Bring a \$5 wrapped gift if you want. Bring a snack or drink to share.

Donuts - The CYM will be providing donuts, coffee and juice after the morning Masses on Sunday, January 7. Please join us!

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ALTAR SOCIETY EVENTS

Christmas Social - Please plan to attend the Christmas Social on Monday, January 8. We will start at 6:30 with the Rosary and then a gathering with heavy hors d'oeuvres and drinks and maybe a game or two!

† Marlene Loy Akers St. Anthony's Parish Stewardship is the grateful response of a Christian disciple who recognizes and receives God's gifts and shares these gifts in

nent to Putting our Faith into Action

If you have not returned your stewardship forms yet, it is not too late. Please either place them in the collection basket at Mass, mail them or simply drop them off at the parish office. There is an after hours mail slot on the west door of

Chrístmas

+ 12:00 a.m. (Midnight) 9:00 a.m.

(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this Year) New Year's Day - January 1 • 7:30 a.m. Only

December 24, Fourth Sunday of Advent 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a, 16 / Ps 89:2-3, 4-5, 27, 29 / Rom 16:25-27 / Lk 1:26-38

"For nothing will be impossible for God," those were the final words from Gabriel to Mary in today's Gospel. Gabriel was referring to the fact that Mary's cousin, Elizabeth, was now six months pregnant after being considered "barren." What was Mary's faithful response? "Sign me up for this impossible task stranger!" Those weren't her exact words, but what she said yes to was clearly only possible by the power of God. Two women, one barren, and the other a virgin, bearing fruit that would change the world forever. We must never underestimate anyone's potential to bear fruit, especially ourselves. We might feel barren, but God's ways are not our ways, and "nothing will be impossible for God.

love of God and neighbor.



Stewardship Way of Life 2023-2024

• 5:00 p.m.

the parish office. Thank you! Solemníty of Mary

Vigil Mass - December 24 **Christmas Day - December 25**

PRAY FOR **OUR RECENTLY DECEASED**



To start Online Giving at either St. Anthony or St. Mary's Parish, simply go to:



www.stanthonygardenplain.com. Select the parish you want to donate to and then choose the Online Giving tab to get started on setting up a new account.

CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING 2023

One of the greatest blessings in the Diocese of Wichita is that a young man is free to enter seminary without worrying about the cost of his private education.

Please consider a gift this year for Christmas Call to Sharing to support of our 43 seminarians and the 20 retired priests.

EVENTS AROUND THE AREA

In Christ, We Serve those in need through Catholic Charities - Each year, Catholic Charities serves thousands of children and adults in southcentral and southeast Kansas who are hungry, homeless, lonely, disabled or abused. In the Diocese of Wichita, Catholic Charities is our collective response to God's call to serve others. In Christ, We Serve one another with love and compassion. Donate to Catholic Charities before December 31 and your gift will have double the impact thanks to \$100,000 in matching funds provided by friends of Catholic Charities.

Donate at www.CatholicCharitiesWichita.org.

CORE IMPACT - January 8, 12:00 p.m. - January 10, 4:00 p.m. - Jim Beckman - What inspired you to serve the Church in a leadership role? Do you need to rekindle your original love and passion for ministry, what got you there in the first place? This retreat is designed to speak to the very core of who you are as a ministry leader. One of the biddest challenges we face in ministry is staying connected and rooted to Christ and remembering our initial calling. We spend so much time ministering to others, but often very little is done to take care of ourselves. Come join us for this time of refreshment and spiritual renewal! Retreat costs apply. Advance Registration Required. For more information and to register, visit www.slcwichita.org or call 316-744-016.

FORMED HAT CAMPAND



The 12 Days of Christmas

We are excited to announce our series of FORMED Now! Christmas and New Year special episodes. In these episodes, professors from the Augustine Institute Graduate School will lead us in reflections throughout the season.

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