

Saint Andrew Parish

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS...December 14 ~21, 2014

Sunday	9:00am	Intentions of Parishioners
Wednesday	8:00am	Charles Helfrich
Thursday	8:00am	Barbara Lutz
Friday	9:00am	Special Intention [Halsey Hall ~ Fort Dodge]
Sunday	9:00am	Intentions of Parishioners

MANNA HOUSE...basket is in the vestibule by the east bulletin board. We may place non-perishable food items and other useful items such as toiletries in the basket. Manna House, dedicated to Christian service, proclaims the dignity and worth of each person and responds to their needs, striving to show them the compassion of Christ.

CALENDARS FOR 2015...were the First Sunday of Advent. 2015 Calendars are available in the vestibule of church by the west bulletin board. We are grateful to our anonymous benefactor who makes these calendars available to us each new year.

ADVENT CONTINUES...as we begin the third week of Advent. We begin each Advent Sunday Eucharist by processing with an Advent Candle to our advent wreath. If you would want to be part of next week's procession, please let Fr. Bob know.

FINANCE COUNCIL...meets Tuesday, December 16th, 6pm, Rectory Meeting Room.

PASTORAL COUNCIL...meets Tuesday, December 16th, 7pm, Rectory Meeting Room

PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE...is this Wednesday, December 17th, 7pm. We will have four confessors available: Fr. John Strasser (Kinsley/Offerle); Fr. Rene Labrador (Spearville); Fr. Maurice Cummings (Jetmore/Hanston), and Fr. Bob.

THE CHOIR...will rehearse for a brief time Wednesday, December 17th following the Advent Reconciliation Service. The Choir will practice again on Sunday, December 21st, 7 pm. If you are interested in being part of the Choir for the Christmas holidays, please come to the practices. For further information visit with Hattie Stein, 227-2607, or Sister Janice, 227-1527.

FRIDAY'S MASS...is at Halsey Hall, Fort Dodge, 9am. All are welcome to join us for mass and refreshment and visiting that follows. Halsey Hall is at the center of the campus. Enter the north door. You'll need to sign in. We celebrate mass in the northwest corner of the Activity Room.

COFFEE AND ROLLS...will be served next Sunday following mass. Please plan to stop by the Parish Center after mass for visiting and light refreshment. It has been reported that St. Nick plans on stopping by as well.

OUR CHRISTMAS DÉCOR...will move into church next Sunday following mass/coffee and rolls. All help will be greatly appreciated!

RELIGIOUS FORMATION... will resume in 2015 on Wednesday, January 14th! We will again gather with all ages at 7pm, in the Parish Center. We will begin with a meal and then gather in age groups. We will conclude at 8:30pm. Child care will continue to be provided. Remember this is for all ages. We all have something to learn and something to share. You are invited! The High School/Adult group will journey through the Bible as we consider twelve key Bible stories. If you ever wanted to know more about the Bible and what the Bible has to say to you, this is your chance!

THE WORD AMONG US...for January – February 17th is now available on the shelf in the southeast corner of the vestibule. There are still some copies of the December issue. The Word Among Us provides the daily readings and meditations and more. Help yourself.

THE YOUTH ANGEL TREE PROJECT...was a huge success and everyone really liked the whole experience of picking out the gifts. We were able to provide gifts for six kids from the angel tree!

THANK YOU...to the Property Commission and all who helped them put up the snow fences last Sunday.

JOIN THE DODGE CITY DIOCESE PRO-LIFE PILGRIMAGE...to Topeka on January 22nd. Join Bishop Brungardt and other pro-life leaders from the Diocese for a day of prayer, activity and public witness to the value of every human life. Cost is \$35 and is open to High School and College-age youth and sponsors. For more details or to register: Gayla Kirmer, 620-227-1525, gkirmer@dcdioocese.org.

JOB OPENING...for the Parish Center Cleaner: Sister Jan has been cleaning the Parish Center and is now resigning. We thank Sr. Jan for her service to the Parish in this position. If you are interested in this position or know of someone who is, please visit with Father Bob for job description and remuneration information. We are taking applications until the position is filled.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT...for December 7th: \$3, 721.00 in envelopes; \$65.00 in loose; \$1,083.00 electronically. \$20.00 was received in the annual Thanksgiving Offering and \$170 for Saint Bonaventure Mission and School. Blessings on our stewards who provide for the support of Parish, Diocese and the world-wide Church.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for 9:00am, Fourth Sunday of Advent, December 21, 2014

Music Ministry: Sr. Janice Grochowsky & Sr. Jan Roberts

Lectors: John Askew & Maurice Bleumer

Servers: Elise Helfrich & Maddie Davis

Gifts: Denise Simon

Communion: Jean Downey, Greg Lix, Ray Theis, Mindy Stegman, & Sheila McCarty

Greeters: Mary Tenbrink & Betty Burkhart

Collection: Dave Strecker & Bob Durler (*for December*)

Rosary: Greg Lix

ADVENT RECONCILIATION...

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CHRISTMAS MASSES...

6:30pm, Christmas Eve, December 24th

9:00am, Christmas Day, December 25th