

Saint Andrew Parish

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SCHEDULE OF MASSES AND INTENTIONS...December 4 - 11, 2016

Today	9:00am	Bob Slattery
Wednesday	10:30am	Funeral Mass for Flora Ricke
	7:00pm	Special Intention (Theis) [<i>Immaculate Conception Holy Day Mass</i>]
Friday	8:00am	Charles Helfrich
Sunday	9:00am	Flora Ricke

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.

WE BEGIN EACH ADVENT SUNDAY MASS...as in the past, by processing with an Advent Candle to our advent wreath. If you would want to be part of one of these processions, please let Fr. Bob know.

WE WILL CELEBRATE THE ANOINTING OF THE SICK...following mass this morning. If you wish to be anointed or pray with those who do, please gather at the entrance on the sanctuary after mass.

ALTAR SOCIETY MEETS...Monday, December 5th, 7pm, in the Parish Center. The hostesses are Barbara Durler and Julie Durler. The Altar Society will be collecting a donation to be given to the Fort Dodge Residents Fund rather than having a gift exchange. All ladies of the Parish are members of the Altar Society and are invited and welcome to participate in this monthly meeting.

FUNERAL LITURGIES FOR FLORA RICKE...are the Parish Vigil, Tuesday at 7:30pm, Funeral Mass, Wednesday at 10:30am, burial in Saint Andrew Cemetery following mass. We offer our sympathy to Flora's family and hold them and Flora in our prayer.

ST ANDREW SERVES FRIENDSHIP FEAST...Wednesday, December 7th. There is a sign-up sheet on the shelf in the southeast corner of the church vestibule. Friendship Feast provides a noon meal Monday – Friday at the 1st Presbyterian Church, Dodge City. St. Andrew serves the prepared meal on the first Wednesday of each month. More information: Blaine Venters: 225-5520, blainerson@live.com.

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION...is a holy day of obligation. Mass will be 7pm, Wednesday, December 7th. Our Blessed Mother is the Patroness of the USA under the title of the Immaculate Conception. This would be a good time to join the Blessed Mother in praying for our nation.

VIBRANT MINISTRIES PARISH TEAM ...will meet in the Rectory after mass on December 7th.

CHOIR...will practice following mass on Wednesday, December 7th.

RELIGIOUS FORMATION...resumes Wednesday, January 4th, 6:30pm, Parish Center. During December, please gather for the Immaculate Conception Mass on Wednesday, December 7th, 7pm; the Parish Advent Reconciliation Service with first confession on Wednesday, December 14th, 7pm; preparation of our church with our Christmas Season décor on Wednesday, December 21st, 5:30pm.

PARISH ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE...will be Wednesday, December 14th, 7pm, with four confessors: Fr. John (Kinsley), Fr. John (Spearville), Fr. Aneesh (Cathedral), and Fr. Bob. The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also available throughout Advent: 8:30am Sunday; following weekday masses; upon request whenever possible; and always by appointment by calling Fr. Bob, 227-3363.

STEWARDSHIP REPORT...for November 27th: \$3,505.36 in envelopes; \$97.00 in loose; \$120.00 in electronic giving; \$989.00 for the Annual Thanksgiving Collection. Thank you!

VIBRANT MINISTRIES APPEAL...thermometer continues to raise. We are at the 80% mark of reaching our goal of \$221,745. **Thank you** to all who are making pledges and donations. Parish Team members are making visits and phone calls. If you did not receive a pledge card or misplaced yours, cards are available in the pews. You may place completed cards in the brown box in the vestibule. If you wish to include a contribution with your completed pledge card, you may mail that to Vibrant Ministries, PO Box 137, Dodge City, KS 67801. Thanks goes to our Parish Team members and all who are helping them for their time and effort. Need help completing your pledge card? Go to www.dcdiocese.org/vibrant-ministries and follow along with the tutorial.

LOOKING AHEAD...

Advent Parish Reconciliation Service with 4 confessors – 7pm, Wednesday, December 14th
Coffee and Rolls with St. Nick's Visit – December 18th, in the Parish Center following Mass
Prepare church for Christmas – 5:30pm, Wednesday, December 21st
Christmas Eve Mass – 5pm, Saturday, December 24th.
Christmas Day Mass – 9am, Sunday, December 25th.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for 7:00pm, Immaculate Conception, December 7, 2016

Music Ministry: Sr. Janice Grochowsky & Allen Morton

Lectors: John Askew & Alan Vogel

Servers: Taige Kliesen & Jarrett Kliesen

Gifts: Lana Dirks

Communion: Ken Stein, Lynn Buehne, Maurice Bleumer, Josie Lix, & Hattie Stein

Greeters: Ruth Morton & Josie Lix

Collection: Frank Morton & Doug Trombley (*for December*)

LITURGICAL MINISTERS for 9:00am, Third Sunday of Advent, December 11, 2016

Music Ministry: Jane Stein & Choir

Lectors: Rochele Weil & Jean Downey

Servers: Couy Weil & Brenna Strecker

Gifts: Delbert Downey

Communion: Sheila McCarty, Elaine Slattery, Sr. Jan Roberts, Jim Burke, & Diane Lix

Greeters: Shannon & Mark Davis

Collection: Frank Morton & Doug Trombley (*for December*)

Rosary: Gary Stein

Fort Dodge Transportation: Rick & Joan Schafer

Prayer -- Second Week of Advent

Eternal life is in him, and this life gives light to all people. His life is the light that shines through the darkness and the darkness can never extinguish it. [John 1:4-5]



Lord, make us instruments of your peace.
Where there is hatred, let us bring the light of your love;
where there is injury, pardon;
where there is doubt, faith.

Light two candles on the wreath.

I am giving to Vibrant Ministries because...

...I want to be part of the solution to turning this Diocese into a vibrant, radically faith-filled community of believers!" - Mary Beth Helfrich, St. Andrew, Wright