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OSHKOSH, WISCONSIN



PARISH ADMINISTRATOR
FR. LOUIS GOLAMARI

MASS SCHEDULE
SATURDAY, 4:30 PM AT
ST. VINCENT CHURCH

SUNDAY, 7:30 AM AT
SACRED HEART CHURCH

SUNDAY, 9:30 AM AT
ST. VINCENT CHURCH

SUNDAY, 11:00 AM AT
SACRED HEART CHURCH

CONFESSIONS
FIRST FRIDAY OF THE MONTH
AFTER 7:30 AM MASS-SH
SATURDAY, 3:30 PM-SV

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December 10, 2023

*Live the Gospel, Share the Good News,
Bring others to Christ - all for the glory and honor of God.*

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ST. JUDE MASS SCHEDULE

Weekday
Wednesday & Friday.....7:30 am (SH)
Tuesday7:30 am (SV)
With rosary starting at 7:00 am
*If Oshkosh schools are closed due to the
weather, we will not have morning Mass.*

PK-Children's Liturgy of the Word
During Mass.....9:30 am (SV)

Spanish Mass (MBS, St. Peter Church, Oshkosh)
1st and 3rd Sunday.....12:30 pm

AREA PARISHES WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Most Blessed Sacrament:
St. Peter's Site
Monday—Saturday7:30 am
St. Raphael's
Monday, Tuesday & Wednesday...8:00 am
Thursday & Friday.....7:15 am
Confessions
Saturday.....8:30 am (MBS-St. Peter)

Mercy Hospital Mass
1st and 3rd Wednesdays.....2:00 pm

CITY-WIDE EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION



Please join us at the
Divine Mercy Adoration
Chapel located at
Most Blessed Sacrament-St.
Mary Site
605 Merritt Avenue
from 1 to 6 pm
Sunday thru Friday

**Don't forget to set your
hearing aid to "T Coil"
setting.**



SACRAMENT OF MARRIAGE

Couples planning marriage should contact the parish office at least six months to one year prior to their wedding date.

BAPTISM

Baptisms are celebrated at the
Saturday, 4:30 pm Mass and the
Sunday, 11:00 am Mass, most weekends.
(We do not have Baptisms during the
season of Lent.)

A pre-baptismal class is required for all
parents. Baptism preparation classes are
held on the second Tuesday of the month
for 1st time parents and on the third
Tuesday of the month for parents
baptizing their second, third...child. Class
must be completed 4-6 weeks before the
date of the baptism.

Parents are welcome to take the class
before their baby is born also.
Call the parish office for available dates
and to register.

MINISTRY OF THE SICK

Please notify the parish office if family
members are seriously ill, confined
or hospitalized. Anointing of the Sick will
be administered on request.
Communion will be brought to those
who cannot attend Mass.

RCIA- RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION

The RCIA is a formational process that
helps lead people to explore the Catholic
faith through prayer, study and discussion.
Please call the parish office.

PARISH REGISTRATION

New members are invited to join by
contacting the parish office.

PASTORAL VISITS

Care Ministers are available for
Pastoral Visits, if you or a loved one are in
need of a listening presence or spiritual
companionship. We can also bring Holy
Communion to anyone who cannot get to
Mass. Please let us know if you are home-
bound or have recently moved into a care
facility so that we may continue to meet
your ministerial needs.

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS

Call Jim or Paulette at:688-3237

Jesus is Coming - Prepare your Hearts

At this time of year, we certainly do a lot to prepare our homes and families for Christmas. The question we need to ask ourselves is: what are we doing to prepare our hearts? After all, that is why we celebrate Christmas - energy going to parties, shopping for gifts and traveling, that we are too worn out to focus our hearts on the true meaning of Christmas. By the time Christmas rolls around, we have become mentally and physically exhausted, to the point that we lose sight of the real meaning of the season.

However, if you pay close attention to the readings of Advent, you will be reminded to prepare your hearts for the coming of Jesus. Mark, wastes no time in his Gospel telling us for whom we are to prepare our hearts. The beginning of Mark's Gospel says, Jesus, God's Son, is coming. What a confession of faith! This is not a mere celebrity or royal dignitary. This is not even a dearly loved family member or a lost friend. This is God himself, The Father's Son, coming to dwell among his people, to save his people and eventually take his people home to eternal life.

God had promised, through the prophet Isaiah, that a messenger would come to prepare the way for the Messiah. This was John the Baptist. He came to make roads ready and paths straight. But, it wasn't John's clothing or what he ate that was to get people ready for Jesus. John was there preparing hearts for the coming Savior. John appeared, baptizing in the wilderness and preaching a baptism of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.

John did baptize with water, but Jesus will baptize you with the Holy Spirit.

Christmas is coming, let the church bells ring!
People celebratin' the birth of a king.
Shoutin' hosanna till the heavens ring.
Christmas is comin', let the church bells ring!

Christmas is comin', Mary's baby boy
bringin' us a message of comfort and joy.
Glory hallelujah, what a wonderful thing.
Christmas is comin', let the church bells ring!

Glory filled the heavens.
Music filled the night.
Shepherds heard the angels sing.
Wise men saw the light.

Christmas is coming let the church bells ring!
People celebratin' the birth of a king.
Shoutin' hosanna till the heavens ring.
Christmas is comin', let the church bells ring!

As you continue to prepare your hearts during the Advent season, stay focused on your Savior and the blessings he provides. Your sins are forgiven by the one who was promised and has come. Keep your focus on him and then alone is your heart truly prepared. Jesus is coming, let the church bells RING!

Musically Yours,

Come sing with us!

It's not too late to join the *angelic voices* of the St. Jude Choir! We will be rehearsing on the following Wednesdays at 6:00 pm in the Sacred Heart Balcony:

~~December 6~~ **December 13** **December 20**

The Choir will be singing at the *Choir & Brass Preludes* starting at 9:30 pm and then singing at the 10:00 pm (Midnight) Mass on Christmas Eve.



OUR PARISHIONERS

Baptism



*Our Community joyfully welcomes to
St. Jude Parish
through the living waters of baptism:*

Ivy Munson, daughter of Samuel & Sarah

Welcome New Parishioners



*Please join us in welcoming the
following new members to our
St. Jude's parish family*

Kyn & Jodi Anthony

*Thank you for choosing St. Jude
in your journey of faith!*

As the end of the year approaches, we begin to reflect upon the many blessings bestowed upon us. It also provides a great opportunity to thank God for those blessings. This time of year, when people consider giving charitable contributions to their favorite charities, we hope that you consider St. Jude the Apostle Parish as one of your favorites!

Your year-end gift can significantly reduce your income taxes while providing meaningful support to St. Jude!

In order for your contribution to be considered a charitable tax deduction:

***Contributions must be postmarked
before December 31**

***Contributions CAN BE placed in the
collection basket that weekend**

YEAR- END GIVING

PREPARING THE WAY: RECONCILIATION IN ADVENT

OSHKOSH CITY-WIDE RECONCILIATIONS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 19 AT ST. RAPHAEL—2:00 PM

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 14 AT ST. PETER—6:30 PM

"There are people who are afraid to go to confession, forgetting that they will not encounter a severe judge there, but the immensely merciful Father"

POPE FRANCIS



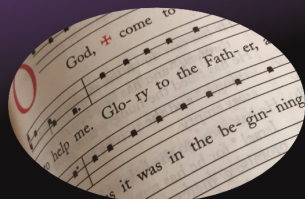
Advent Evening Prayer With Adoration and Benediction

**FIRST THREE
SUNDAYS OF ADVENT
(DECEMBER 3, 10, 17)**

6:00-6:30 PM

SACRED HEART CHURCH

Join us on the First, Second, and Third Sundays of Advent for a simple and beautiful sung evening prayer service with adoration and benediction.



Join us in person, live on Facebook, or afterward on the St. Jude Youtube channel.



Senior Young-at-Heart Monthly Potluck

Wednesday, December 13

11:30 am

Leannah Hall

 **Live music from the
TNT Band!**

***Sing-a-long**

***Wear your favorite
Christmas Attire**

***Bring your favorite
Christmas Dish to pass**

*Let
IT
SNOW*

Giving Tree Wrapping Party

Saturday, December 16

9:00 am–12:00 pm • Leannah Hall

Christmas card coloring and crafts for kids

Pizza and cookies for all the helpers at noon

*If you plan to attend, RSVP to Bertie:
balbright@stjudeoshkosh.org • (920) 235-7412*

O' Come let us adore Him!

Choir & Brass Preludes

9:30 pm Christmas Eve—

Sacred Heart

Performing traditional songs of the season and sing-a-longs

St. Jude the Apostle Parish Christmas Mass Times

Christmas Eve

4 pm w/ Kids' Choir—St. Vincent

4 pm — Sacred Heart

10 pm w/ Adult Choir — Sacred Heart

Christmas Day

8 am—Sacred Heart

10 am—St. Vincent



St. Vincent—1225 Oregon St.
Sacred Heart 519 Knapp St.

Please note:

**There is NO
11:00 am Mass
on Dec 24!**



Gift Bearers



If you would like to be gift bearers at any of the weekend liturgies please go to the back of Church before Mass and see an usher. When you are already scheduled for being gift bearers please be sure to check in upon arrival so the ushers know you are there.

Thank you!



PARISH MOVIE NIGHT

Christmas with *The Chosen*: Holy Night

Friday, December 15 • 12:00 pm
Marcus Oshkosh Cinema
\$13 • 2 hours, 5 minutes



A young mother labeled impure. A shepherd boy considered "unclean." Experience Jesus' birth through their eyes as *Christmas with The Chosen: Holy Night* blends *The Chosen* specials "The Messengers" and "The Shepherd" into one remastered and re-scored story.

For more information or to purchase tickets, contact Rob Saley at the Parish Office:

rsaley@stjudeoshkosh.org • (920) 235-7412

Fourth Sunday of Advent Mass Times

Saturday, Dec. 23
4:30 pm St. Vincent

Sunday, Dec. 24
7:30 am Sacred Heart
9:30 am St. Vincent



Why Do We Do That?

Ever wonder what the words, gestures, and rituals of Mass are all about? Keep an eye on this space each week! This week's question:

Q. Why do we have to go to Mass twice on December 23-25?

A. This year, December 24 is a Sunday, meaning that we will celebrate **the Fourth Sunday of Advent and the Christmas Eve vigil Masses on the same day.** As Catholics, we are **obliged to attend Mass every Sunday and holy day of obligation**, unless there is some grave reason preventing us (such as illness). (If you've missed Mass any Sunday or holy day, be sure to mention it the next time you go to confession!) When a holy day of obligation—such as All Saints' Day or the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception—falls on a Saturday or Monday, the bishops of the United States generally lift the obligation. **The obligation to attend Mass on Sunday, however, is never lifted. The same goes for the obligation to attend Mass on Christmas.** That means that, whether you attend the Saturday vigil Mass and a Monday Christmas Mass, or attend Mass twice on Sunday, or go to Mass on Sunday and Monday mornings, this Christmas we will all be going to church a little more frequently than we're used to.

The Church urges us to consider this obligation not as a nuisance but as an invitation: In his letter on the Sunday obligation, *Dies Domini*, Pope St. John Paul II beautifully wrote, **"Do not be afraid to give your time to Christ! ... Time given to Christ is never time lost, but is rather time gained,** so that our relationships and indeed our whole life may become more profoundly human."

Got a question about the Mass or liturgical year? Send it to the parish office, drop it in the collection basket, or email it to rsaley@stjudeoshkosh.org.



Grief Support Group

Grief is something we all face at some point in our life. No one grieves exactly like the next person, or for a set amount of time. We will be offering two different times and locations to assist as many people as possible that wish to attend.

November 16 thru March 28

2nd & 4th Thursdays of the Month

Session:

12:30 to 2:30 pm—Living Room

Parish Center (1025 W. 5th Ave)

You do not have to be present at each of the 10 sessions, and there will be no pressure to do more than you desire.

Please contact Bertie Albright to register—(920) 235-7412



Are you grieving and overwhelmed by the chaos and unrest in our world?



Come join us in prayers of reparation for the sins of our country and world.

Friday evenings 6pm-7pm
Bring your rosary

Father Carr's Chapel
1062 N. Koeller St, Oshkosh
(enter through the back Chapel door)

Remember a loved one this Holiday Season with Christmas Flowers



Help to decorate the churches for the Christmas Season. Memorial donations will be recognized in a roll of names during the holidays. All forms need to be turned in by December 16 to the parish office or in the collection basket.



From: _____

In memory of: _____

Donation enclosed: _____

Home Health Aide Jobs available!

Medical background is not required.

In-home (Oshkosh), part-time, full-time, weekday and weekend, day and/or night hours are available and negotiable.

Contact Info:

Please call Chiara DiFrancesco at (920) 233-2347 or email at chiaradifrancescophd@gmail.com

Competitive Pay!



COUNCIL 614— OUR LADY OF LOURDES



**What Does the Second Week of Advent
Candle stand for?**

Second Week of Advent

The second advent candle ("The Bethlehem Candle") is purple and represents peace. In some traditions, the second candle and the fourth one ("The Angel's Candle," representing love) may be interchanged. Peace is a central theme of the Advent season but the main focus of the second week of Advent.

One of the prophecies about Jesus calls him "the Prince of Peace" ([Isaiah 9:6-7](#)). When the angels appeared to the shepherds, they ended their message by saying, "Glory to God in the highest heaven, and on earth peace to those on whom his favor rests" ([Luke 2:14](#)). When Simeon saw baby Jesus in the temple, he thanked God that he could now die in peace for he had seen the Messiah ([Luke 2:29-33](#)). On a broader level, the Bible talks in various places about a spiritual war going on between goodness and evil (or "powers and principalities" [[Ephesians 6:12](#)]). The combination of Satan fighting against goodness and humans fighting against God has made the earth a battleground in an ongoing fight.

God Loves you!

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**SAME DAY
APPOINTMENTS
AVAILABLE**

How wonderful to see more children at Mass!

To offer better accommodations we have updated the Parent/Child Room at Sacred Heart!

To get to the room go through the door to the **LEFT** of the Ambo



Proceed through the door and **down the stairs**



There is now
AUDIO & VISUAL
in the Parent/Child Room!
Along with pews,
comfortable seating.
and a bathroom!

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 9

4:30 pm (SV)†Karen Suess

Sunday, December 10

7:30 am (SH) St. Jude Parish

9:30 am (SV)†John Kasuboski Sr.

†Martha Quick

†Jan Cieszynski

11:00 am (SH)†Lucille Nowicki

Monday, December 11

No Mass

Tuesday, December 12

7:30 am (SV)†Donald Ruark

Wednesday, December 13

7:30 am (SH)†Carol Paulick

Thursday, December 14

No Mass

Friday, December 15

7:30 am (SH)†Robert Schuster

Saturday, December 16

4:30 pm (SV)†Becky Baehman

Sunday, December 17

7:30 am (SH)†Jim & Mary Hopp

9:30 am (SV) St. Jude Parish

11:00 am (SH)†Ralph & Lucille Nowicki

†Rick Steiner

†Sally Stueber

†Leah Verstagen

†James Jang

(SV)-St. Jude Parish, St Vincent Church

(SH)-St. Jude Parish, Sacred Heart Church

IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

The Sanctuary Candle Memorial

The Sanctuary Candle is burning this week in memory of

Gen & Gerhard Krueger

LITURGICAL ROLES FOR DECEMBER 16 & 17

Lectors

4:30 pm (SV)L. Kroll, B. Campbell

7:30 am (SH)M. Marx, R. Lepianka

9:30 am (SV)K. Ritschke, P. Schaefer

11:00 am (SH)L. Jungwirth, S. Sullivan

Eucharistic Ministers

4:30 pm (SV)T. McEnroe, M. Baehman,
P. Baier, B. Knobloch

7:30 am (SH)K. McHugh, T. Moen,
B. Poliak

9:30 am (SV)P. Benz, G. Benz, J. Potratz

11:00 am (SH)C. Alt, S. Sullivan,
Sr. Grace

Servers

4:30 pm (SV)A. Tostenson, B. Schneidwened

7:30 am (SH)**2 NEEDED**

9:30 am (SV)H. Dettlaff, N. Dettlaff

11:00 am (SH)B. Krebs, A. Warncke

Ushers

4:30 pm (SV)C. Baier, A. Sedlachek,
S. Sturm, **1 NEEDED**

7:30 am (SH)B. Fenrich, C. Fenrich,
M. Flanigan, J. Ratchman

9:30 am (SV)J. Boyce, J. Boyce,
W. Potratz, **1 NEEDED**

11:00 am (SH)B. Vajgrt, **3 NEEDED**

Musicians

4:30 pm (SV)M. Gallenberg, L. Gustke

7:30 am (SH)K. Zellner, M. Potter

9:30 am (SV)P. Rudolph, M. Potter

11:00 am (SH)St. Jude Choir, M. Potter

Sacristans

4:30 pm (SV) Tim McEnroe

7:30 am (SH) Mike Marx

9:30 am (SV) Amy Schneider

11:00 am (SH) Sue Sullivan

Greeters

4:30 pm (SV)J. Kroll, J. Meyer

7:30 am (SH)C. Fenrich, J. Fendt

9:30 am (SV)A. Nitz, F. Gospodarek

11:00 am (SH)**2 NEEDED**

Church Openers

4:30 pm (SV) Clarice Warnke

7:30 am (SH) Jay Ratchman

9:30 am (SV) Mary Putzer

WEEKLY COLLECTION FOR DECEMBER 2 & 3

Envelopes	\$13,993.22
Loose	\$1,095.94
WeShare	\$564.33
Direct	\$323.00
Other	\$300.00
Total	\$16,276.49
Budget	\$13,461.54

WEEKLY CALENDAR

Sunday, December 10

6:00 pm Evening Prayer (SH)

Monday, December 11

8:30 am Bible Study (LH)

Tuesday, December 12

8:00 am Perpetual Help Devotion (SV)

1:30 pm Legion of Mary (PC)

Wednesday, December 13

11:30 am SYAH Potluck (LH)

6:00 pm High School RE (SVS)

6:00 pm Symbolon (HR)

Thursday, December 14

9:00 am Book Discussion (HR)

12:30 pm GriefShare (PC)

1:00 pm Marian Prayer (SH)

Sunday, December 17

6:00 pm Sung Evening Prayer (SH)

HR—Heritage Room (St. Vincent site)

BH—Bastian Hall (St. Vincent site)

SV—St. Vincent Church

SH—Sacred Heart Church

LH—Leannah Hall (Sacred Heart site)

PC—Parish Center (Office Building)

SVS—St. Vincent School Building

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

December 10 Don Bruex

December 17 Judy Bannow

December 24 Clarice Warnke

December 31 Sue Knobloch

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Sunday, December 10

Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14
(8)/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8

Monday, December 11

Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/Lk 5:17-26

Tuesday, December 12

Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a,
10ab/Jdt 13:18bcde, 19/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47

Wednesday, December 13

Is 40:25-31/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8 and 10/Mt 11:28-30

Thursday, December 14

Is 41:13-20/Ps 145:1 and 9, 10-11, 12-13ab/Mt 11:11-15

Friday, December 15

Is 48:17-19/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Mt 11:16-19

Saturday, December 16

Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16, 18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13

Sunday, December 17

Is 61:1-2a, 10-11/Lk 1:46-48, 49-50, 53-54 (Is 61:10b)/ 1 Thes 5:16-24/Jn 1:6-8, 19-28