November 26, 2023 - Solemnity of Our Lord Jesus Christ-King of the Universe

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First Sunday of Advent

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Approximately 15 minutes before the Saturday & Sunday Masses when possible.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

Monday, Nov. 27 7:45 AM SJ – All Souls Intentions

Tuesday, Nov. 28 7:45 AM MHT- George Colton, requested by Don & Val Hudson

Wednesday, Nov 29 7:45 AM IC – Agnes Henry

9:00 AM

Thursday, Nov. 30 7:45 AM SB- Irene Minor, requested by Kurt & Lori Dell St. Andrew

3 to 8 PM SJ – Exposition & Adoration – Chaplet & Rosary at 3 PM

Friday, Dec. 1

Saturday, Dec. 2 4:00 PM MHT -Paul Krug, requested by Ed & Jean/Jim & Eleanor Krug

4:00 PM IC - Wilbur Shrift

5:30 PM SB –Shirley Costlow, requested by family

5:30 PM SJ - Bill Lawton

Sunday, Dec. 3 7:00 AM IC – Pattie Smith & For the Parish

8:30 AM SJ – Craig Werfel & For the Parish

10:30 AM MHT – Dave Gruss, requested by Jane & Kay Gruss

Sanctuary Candles	St. Bart	MHT	St. John	Immaculate C.
Nov 26-Dec. 2	Joe & Veronica Fox	Florence Sivec	Bill Lawton	Evelyn Wilson

SB – Parishioners of Most Holy Trinity/ St. Bartholomew

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Dec. 2/3	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers
IC - 4:00 PM	Cody McCoy	Doris Knisel	Aiden & Connor McCoy
MHT- 4:00 PM	A Richardson	D Yonkoski	
St. J - 5:30PM	Ruth Ferchalk	Ruth Ferchalk	
St. B - 5:30PM	C Zaramba	C Zaramba	
IC- 7:00AM	Linus Smith	Bernie Smith	
St. J 8:30 AM	Pat Kirby	Carissa Penatzer	Daniel Yunetz
St. B 9:00AM	V Herman	M Ringler	
MHT 10:30AM	B Kessler	R Gramling	E Gramling
M/B Count- 11/27	D Fox, B Rosmus	St. BDec. Church cleaning	Judy Fleegle/Dianne Fox

Offertory Collections

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Nov. 19	Regular	Votive	Christmas	Specials	Flowers	Diocese	Cem	Building	Total
MHT	\$1602		\$60	\$80	\$	\$237	\$30	\$100	\$2109
St. B	\$1929			\$50	\$60	\$618		\$60	\$2717
IC	\$1991								\$1991
SJ	\$2832								\$2832

Catholic Ministry Drive

M-goal	M-pledge	B-goal	B-pledge	SJ-goal	SJ-pledge	IC-goal	IC-pledge
\$11,443	\$2795	\$11,683	\$2190	\$11,923	\$4065	\$15,430	\$9280

NOVEMBER PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SICK: Alan Zajdel, George Mehall, Karissa (Wess) Angleson, Sharon Goughenour, Audrey Wirfel, Keith Smith, David J, Trinity McCall, Jerri Phillips, Maria Felix, Carol Carden, Jennifer Shrift, Leroy Smith, Dave Wyland, Angie Smay, Karen Y, Donna Moyer, Mary Ann Penatzer, shut-ins and special intentions.

2024 OFFERTORY ENVELOPES: All four parishes will have offertory envelopes mailed bi-monthly to your home instead of a yearly box distributed in the Church. The envelopes will come in a white envelope **please do not throw them away** as junk mail. The first mailing should be in mid-December. If you do not receive a packet by Dec. 31, please call the office. **LECTOR WORKBOOKS:** Lectors, please pick up your 2024 workbooks in the vestibules.

(B/M)LAY MINISTERS: Dec. schedules were email and are in the vestibules.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend the second collection will be for our utilities.

<u>PREPARE FOR ADVENT, COME BE FILLED WITH HIS PEACE</u> prayer service, reconciliation, wreath-making, friendship, and refreshments women of all ages are welcome Tuesday, November 28 at 6:30 PM St. John Church, Summerhill.

(M/B) OPLATKI: Christmas wafers are available in the vestibule for \$2- drop envelope with donation in the collection.

<u>ADVENT BOOKS</u> – Special *Word Among Us* magazines with Advent prayers, projects and daily meditations will be in the back of both SJ/IC churches this weekend. Free while supplies last!

REST IN PEACE: William Miller, Jr was buried from St. Bartholomew Church on Nov. 10.

ST. BARTHOLOMEW FINANCE COUNCIL MEMBER NEEDED: The finance council of St. Bartholomew is in need a new member. If interested, put your name in an envelope marked "Finance Council" and place in the collection by Dec. 10. **ST ANNE CHRISTMAS PARTY:** Dec. 3 at 1PM. Sign up in vestibule-mark what dish you are bringing. Sign up by Nov. 26. **SJ & IC CCD CLASSES** are scheduled for December 3 & 17; January 7 & 21; February 4 & 25.

<u>IC ROSARY ALTAR Society</u> Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 10 at 12:30 PM with rosary in the Church and the dinner will be at 1:30 PM in Marian Hall. Cost is \$5 a person. Choose either Chicken or Roast Beef. Please call Mary Sue at 814-495-9426 (leave message) to RSVP and choice meat by December 2.

<u>ST. JOHN'S ROSARY ALTAR</u> Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, December 10 at noon in the church and the dinner will be at 12:30 PM in the social hall. Cost is \$5 a person. Meals can be delivered to our shut-in members. Please call Vivian at 814-421-8387 (leave message) to RSVP by Dec. 3. All members & those non-members that help with our activities are welcome to attend. Donations will be given to Retired Religious instead of an exchange gift.

MHT CHOIR PRACTICE: This Monday, Nov. 27 at 6PM. New members are always welcome.

<u>SJ Rosary Altar Society</u> would like to do a *CHRISTMAS CARD SHOWER* for all the Shut-ins of our parish. A basket will be in the gathering space of the church for the cards. Please bring the cards by December 10. Our shut-ins are: Lewis Brown, Catherine Podrasky, JoAnn Bodenschatz, Irene Shrift, Caroline Moss, Peggy Cann, Elio Lucci, Fran White, Ray Shrift, Dick Wilkinson, Dolores Skrout, Mary Lou Penatzer, Helen Wilson, Barb Toth, Jay Bimle, Yvonne Kruper.

<u>IC: GABRIEL PROJECT BABIES</u> and <u>SJ – BIRTHRIGHT CHRISTMAS Angels</u> Christmas gifts - Please return the wrapped gifts (tags attached) by Sunday, December 3.

MHT CHRISTMAS ANGELS: Names of children from Forest Hills School District are on the tree in the vestibule. Please mark your name beside the child you will provide a Christmas gift for. Please return gifts and tags by Dec. 10.
SB CHRISTMAS PROJECTS: Christmas stockings for the nursing homes are in the vestibule for parishioners to fill.
Angel Birthright Tree: sponsored by the Youth Group is in the vestibule, please take a tag. Both stockings and Birthright gifts must be returned by Dec. 17. Christmas CCD Day: December 17 at 2:00 with the packing of Fruit baskets, delivering baskets, pizza party, Play, a visit from Santa and a cookie social.

<u>IC: Our JEWELRY RAFFLE</u> is Sat, Jan 20, at New Germany Grove Hall. For tickets, call Becky/Dave 244-8243, or Pam at parish office 495-5241. All proceeds benefit repairs and upgrades to our parish and Grove Hall. Tickets are \$25 each. Only 500 tickets sold. Doors will open at 5 PM. Ticket includes admission, meal, dessert, and drinks. Many volunteers are needed to make this event successful. If you are willing to help, please call the rectory.

STB PIEROGIES: Help is needed on **Nov. 27** to make Pierogies starting at 8AM in the hall. All help is welcome. Place your orders for potato, sauerkraut, or prune in the vestibule. Cost is \$6/doz. Pick up before or after the Masses Dec. 2/3. **MHT THANKSGIVING NUT ROLLS:** order in the vestibules for Nut, Nut/Raisin, Apricot, Poppy, or Poppy/Raisin rolls @ \$12 by **Dec. 1** or call Rita 495-5169- leave a message. Pick up Friday, Dec. 8 from 9-noon or after weekend Masses at MHT. **Baking:** Tues, Dec 5 & Wed, Dec. 6 starting at 9AM if you are available to help please join us.

<u>MHT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:</u> *Christmas Festival:* Sunday, Dec. 17 with Soups and Sandwiches, baked goods, a visit from Santa, and a Basket Raffle. Come support our children and enjoy an afternoon of food, fun, and fellowship.

Basket Raffle: CCD families and parishioners are asked to donate a basket for the raffle. Baskets can be dropped off on the stage in the Church Hall by **Dec. 7.** Baskets will be available to purchase tickets after the Masses on Dec. 9,10,16,17. **Blanket Chances:** on a fleece winter blanket donated by Sis Johnson are attached to today's MHT bulletins and are in the vestibule. Chances are \$1 each. The blanket will be on display in the vestibule next weekend.

Christmas Pageant: Parents are asked to text Alissa at 814-659-1305 if your child is interested in participating.

MHT HOLIDAY TICKET SALE: Tickets are \$5 with chances to win \$500 on Christmas Eve and \$500 on Christmas Day. Return money & stubs by Dec. 9.

St. Mary's Cemetery, New Germany & St. Bartolomew, Wilmore WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA-donations due by **Nov 28**. in envelope in the collection or donate online at www.wreathsacrossamerica.org with the code for St. B- *PASTBC* and St. Mary's *PASTMY*. Wreath Day-Dec. 16. Sponsored by Forest Hills Wreath Across America Group ID is: PA0640.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE will be Tuesday, December 5 at New Germany Grove Hall from 1:30 PM to 6 PM. Volunteers and donors (*please give*) are needed. Call Twila Flynn at 814-495-5247 if you can help.

<u>COMMUNITY BOOK</u> Club Monday, November 27 at 3:30 PM in Marian Hall on the book *"The Seven Husbands of Evelyn Hugo"* by Taylor Jenkins Reid.

<u>PINOCHLE CARD PARTY</u> at Holy Family Parish, 509 Caldwell Ave., Portage on Sunday, December 10 from 1 to 4 PM. Admission is \$5. Light refreshments. No registration is necessary but would be appreciated. Call Pam at 814-736-4279 Extension 102. This is a fun social and open to anyone who likes to play pinochle!

SOUTH FORK "LIGHT UP THE NIGHT": Dec. 2. Christmas viewing of SF Historical Society Building from 4-4:45; Caroling at the museum with Dynamic Pressure (FH Acapella Chorus) at 5PM; Caroling at the park 5:45; tree lighting at 6PM; followed by light refreshments at SF First Evangelical Church.

<u>CHRISTMAS CENTERPIECE CLASS:</u> Nov. 28-6PM SF Library Cost \$20 bring your own evergreen, other supplies provided. <u>THE MIRACLE OF JESUS:</u> Family Christmas program at Holy Rosary Church, Altoona on Dec. 3. Explore "Bethlehem, visit the shops and engage in fun and meaningful activities. Please pre-register by calling Barb 814-944-6676.