

**MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOHN
ORTONVILLE**

Monday - November 30 - Andrew

No Mass

Wednesday - December 2 - Advent Weekday

No Mass

First Friday - December 4 - Advent Weekday

7:45 a.m. Mass - For the Parish

**Saturday - December 5 - Vigil Second Sunday
Of Advent**

5:00 p.m. Mass- Kristi Melcher

Reader: John Eustice

Comm: Julie Johnson

Servers: Nate, Hannah, & MaryKate Treinen

Ushers: Roger Johnson, Steve Stern, Vince Kvidera

**Sunday - December 6 - Second Sunday of
Advent** - Coffee & Rolls following Mass

8:30 a.m. Mass - (d) Irvin Adelman

Reader: Roman Taffe

Communion: Sara Mathes

Servers: Daniel, Natalie, & Paul Sitter

Ushers: Gary Carlson, Bill Dorry, Greg Peterson

Offering Adult-2164.00, Student-7.25, looseplate-173.00
Thanksgiving-1.00, Energy Needs-5.00, Human Dev.-
70.00, Votives-3.33

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOSEPH'S ROSEN

Tuesday - December 1 - Advent Weekday

8:00 Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - (d) Loretta Schmieg

Thursday - December 3 - Francis Xavier

8:00 Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - Spec. Int. Jim Croatt

First Friday - December 4 - Advent Weekday

9:00 a.m. Mass - Matt/Theresa Drobny

Sunday - December 6 - Second Sunday of Advent

10:30 a.m. Mass - (d) Kathryn Stolpman

Readers: Jason Karels, Carolyn Adelman

Communion: Jeanette Abramowski

Servers: Micheala Hooser, Vanessa Kirchberg

Ushers: Paul Volkenant, Gerald Adelman, Stan Adelman,
Richard Borgerson

Greeters: Adam Henrich & Jonathon Hoffman

Offering: Adult-864.00, Student- 20.00, loose plate-
123.00, Thanksgiving-20.00

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JAMES - NASSAU

Thursday - December 3 - Francis Xavier

7:00 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday - December 5 - Vigil Second Sunday
Of Advent**

7:30 p.m. Mass - (d) Matt Unzen

Readers: Cindy Schuelke, Tom Schuelke

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Mark Wollschlager, Ray Beutler

Offering: Adult-91.00, Loose Plate-58.00, Thanksgiving-
50.00, Campaign for Human Development-5.00

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CHURCH COMMUNITY EVENTS

~ **St. John's Choir members old and new:** Wed. 5:45 pm

~ **St. Joseph's Choir:** Due to the busy harvest we will not have practice until Dec. 2nd at 6:45 p.m.

~ **Bloodmobile in Bellingham** Monday Dec. 7th from 2-7 p.m. at the Bellingham city hall. Double red cells will also be collected that day from type "O", "A", & "B" negative donors who have not donated double red cells in the last 16 weeks. For more info you can contact Audrey at (320) 568-2385.

~ **Breakfast at Rosen:** Sun. Nov. 29th following Mass, St. Mary's Circle will serve.

~ **St. Charles cookie walk:** Sat. Dec. 5th at 9:00 a.m. at the Parish hall, Big Stone City.

~ **Coffee & Rolls:** at St. John's Sun. Dec. 6th following 8:30 a.m. Mass. Group 6 will serve, Dorothy Gmterko caller.

FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOHN'S DRE

RE Class Schedule: Wed. Dec. 2nd - 7-8 p.m. 7th-12th grades, Youth Group meeting

Sun. Dec. 6th - 9:45-10:30 am preK- 6th grades

Youth Group: Member meeting Dec. 2nd 7-8 p.m. Community Christmas play on Sunday, Dec. 13th at 5:30 p.m. Signup during class, parent help is welcomed.

Reconciliation Meeting: Students and parents will meet on Thur. Dec. 3rd at 6:30 p.m. in the social hall to discuss details of first Reconciliation. Details have been mailed.

CCD Christmas Program: We will be presenting "Sound of the Bells" on Wed. Dec. 16th at 6 p.m. in the Social Hall. Practice will be after school until 4:30 on Dec. 2nd & 9th.

Nativity Gospel on Christmas Eve: Children ages 4-12 are invited to help reenact the Gospel story, and participate with our candlelight song after Communion as well. Children visiting for the holidays also welcomed. Practice on Wed. Dec. 23rd at 11 a.m. Please sign up by Fri. Dec. 18th to ensure enough costumes.

FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOSEPH'S DRE

Adult Education: Tues. Dec. 1st after 8:30 a.m. Mass

RE Classes: Wed. Dec. 2nd - 4-5:15 p.m. 7th - 9th grade

Sun. Dec. 6th - 9-10:10 a.m. Ps - 6th grade

Confessions at 10:00 a.m. for 3rd - 6th graders

~ **St. Joseph's Youth Group:** will be serving at the Community Christmas play Sun. Dec. 13th. We will need to be at the Big Stone School by 12:45 p.m. and each family should bring a dessert. If you cannot attend please call Tim & Cindy ASAP.

CONFIRMATION

Service Opportunities: Kids Against Hunger will be at First English on Dec. 2nd, details available upon request. Help with Christmas programs coming up. Help with our Preschool and Kindergarten is always welcomed.

Upcoming Retreats: SEARCH Jan. 8-10 in Aberdeen & TEC January 16-18 in New Ulm.

Holy Day of Obligation: Dec. 8th is the celebration of the Immaculate Conception. Attendance to Mass is required.

SACRAMENT OF PENANCE

Before all weekday Masses. Sat. at 4:15 p.m. at St. John Ortonville. Saturday Evening at St. James before the 7:30 p.m. Mass. Sunday before Mass where time and place permits.

PRAYER REQUESTS FOR

James Croatt Larry Walsh, John Kanthak, Lori Cloos, John Martin, Oscar Streed, Amanda Wollschlager, John Enechoe, Alfred Volkenant, Al Vedder, Les Iverson, Edwin Kuefler, Alan Roggenbuck, Rose Christianson, Virginia Karels, Mary Lawrence, Diane Helmer, Dan Amberg, Mildred Yatchoske, Cortless Tracy, Barb Kelzer, Grace Koppen, Irene Christy, Mary Lou Byrne, Jim & Colleen, Donna Dittes, Bea Homan, Greta Botker, Ed Karels, Dori Hoffman. Sister M. Bertille Goblirsch OSB.

PRAYERS FOR OUR MILITARY

Eric Kloster, Palmer Peterson, Ross Karels, Brian Pillatzke, Sean Callahan, Joshua Beutler, Joe Nelson, Jamie Karels, Dan Kirchberg, Chad Lorenzen, Jeremy Stuckey, Matt Koval. Blayn Ronglien, Dawn (Suckow) Broesder, Todd Karels, Jesse Folk. To be listed in this section, someone must inform us.

DIOCESAN CATHOLIC CHARITIES

Of New Ulm at 1-866-670-5163 is now available for counseling including pregnancy counseling, marriage counseling, adoptive services, depression, abuse, anger, substance abuse, anxiety etc. Call now. .

AUCTION

Basket Auction Fundraiser sponsored by St. John CAA #349. Anyone wishing to donate a basket to this event can contact the CAA Council, at 839 6166. Viewing of baskets and bidding to begin after Masses, Nov. 28th and Nov. 29th. Final sale will be held after coffee and rolls, on Sunday, Dec. 6th.

HOLIDAY SERVICE

Larson Funeral Home's annual holiday service, "A time to Remember" will be held, Dec. 6, 2009 at 7 p.m. at the funeral home in Graceville. This memorial service is centered on keeping memories of loved ones alive to help endure the pain that the holiday's can bring following a death. The service includes scripture, music, & the reading of all the names of those who have died in this area within the last Year. It is open to everyone, even if your family hasn't experienced a death within the last year. Rev. Richard Larson will lead the service.

EIDSKOG LUTHERAN CHURCH

is again sponsoring their Church Hymn Sing, Sunday, Dec. 6, at 7 p.m. Come and welcome the season of Advent and Christmas via song and music.

KIDS AGAINST HUNGER

First English Lutheran of Ortonville, is hosting their yearly Kids against hunger campaign. You are invited to participate. It will be held on Wednesday, Dec. 2nd from 1:30 to 6:30 p.m. Your help is needed. It is also a good opportunity for our Confirmation kids to complete their work hours.

OFC OF ORTONVILLE, INC

Formerly Ortonville Area Jaycees, are again running their Project Christmas in which funds are needed to purchase Christmas gifts for needy children of our County. Your support would be appreciated. Please send donations to *Project Christmas, P.O. Box 53, Ortonville, MN 56278*

If people would like to purchase gifts themselves for the children, they will also accept "NEW" gift donations. These can be dropped off at Blair Johnson, C.P.A., P.A. at 233 NW Second Street, Ortonville.

CHRISTMAS CONFESSION

Dec. 9 – St. John, Ortonville. 4:30 and 7 p.m.

Dec. 16 – St. Joseph, Rosen, 4 p.m. until closing time.

ST. JOSEPH BREAKFAST SCHEDULE

St. Mary's circle is in charge of serving the Sunday breakfast, this coming Sunday, Nov. 29, at Rosen, after the 8:30 a.m. Mass.

DMA APPEAL ENVELOPES

were handed out last Sunday. The Diocese is asking \$4,952.33 from Rosen, \$730.67 from Nassau & \$6,860.20 from Ortonville. Please be generous.

BLOOD DRIVE

Monday, Dec. 7, Senior Center, Marietta, MN. from 2 p.m. to 7 p.m. Walk-Ins are welcome. For appointments call Kathy Harstad at 320 668 2168.

DEATH

We regret to inform you of the death of Jerry Meyer, 34 of St. Lawrence Parish, Milbank, SD. Jerry was killed in a 2 vehicle accident near Castlewood, on Friday, Nov. 20, and was returned to the Lord on Tuesday, Nov. 24, with Mass of Christian Burial at St. Lawrence. He is the son of Pat & Vincent Meyer and a grandson of Agnes Pillatzke of St. James Parish Nassau, MN. Please pray for the repose of his soul and for the family members he left behind. May he rest in peace.

STILL SEARCHING

We are still having difficulty in finding homes for the St. John Fall Dinner Raffle gifts winners. Presently we have the following names as winners, and would appreciate some response from the winners. They are: Don Cornelison, Don Johnson, Ed Kiernat & Jerry's Carpet Installation.

CANTATA

Trinity Lutheran Church of Ortonville, is presenting a Cantata, entitled "*God Himself Will Provide.*" Friday, Dec. 4 and Saturday, Dec. 5, 7 p.m. Luncheon will follow. Freewill offering with proceeds going to the OFC "Project Christmas" program, providing gifts for the underprivileged children of Big Stone County.

THANKS

My sincere thanks to all those who remembered me on my birthday, with cards, gifts and good wishes. My thanks also to the staff for the special breakfast. It was not only generous on your part, but also very thoughtful. May God reward all of you.

MASS CHANGES

Please note the changes in Mass schedules this coming week, due to First Friday, and other complications. I shall not be having Mass on Monday, Nov. 30, 2009 nor on Wednesday, Dec. 2, 2009 at Northridge. Please inform others who may not receive this bulletin.

CHRISTMAS EVE PAGEANT

Once again I would like to replace the Gospel reading for the Christmas Eve Mass at St. John and the Christmas day Mass at St. Joseph. with a pageant presentation, as I have been doing the past few years. I shall need volunteer students in lower grades however to carry out this presentation. If you are planning to stay home for Christmas Mass this year, and you have young children willing to participate, please inform us as soon as possible. There are no speaking parts. You may contact our DRE's for further information.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights will be setting up their *Giving Tree*, on Friday, Dec. 4th. The tree will be decorated with envelopes describing special individuals who would appreciate a Christmas gift, & maybe denied one. The