

**MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOHN ORTONVILLE**

**Monday - December 28 - Holy Innocents**

8:00 a.m. Mass - (d) Loretta Schmieg

**Wednesday - December 30 - Octave of**

**Christmas**

9:30 a.m. Mass - Northridge - (d) Gertrude Guse

**Thursday - Dec. 31 - Vigil of Mother of God**

5:30 p.m. Mass - (d) Michael Pavin

**Reader:** Taylor Jones

**Comm:** Julie Treinen

**Servers:** Morgan Messmer, Chris Parker, Mackenzie Spaulding

**Ushers:** Volunteers

**Friday - January 1 - Mother of God**

No Mass

**Saturday - January 2 - Vigil of Epiphany**

5:00 p.m. Mass - (d) Glen Ketchum

**Reader:** Pat Sester

**Comm:** Tom Henrich

**Servers:** Samantha Diekmann, Colin & Kaitlyn Hartman

**Ushers:** Roger Johnson, Steve Stern, Vince Kvidera

**Sunday - January 3 - Epiphany**

8:30 a.m. Mass - For the Parish

**Reader:** Chet Messmer

**Communion:** Paul Strong

**Servers:** Ben, Joseph & Mariana Eustice

**Ushers:** Gary Carlson, Bill Dorry, Greg Peterson

**Offering** Adult-2421.00, Student-8.75, looseplate-126.32  
Immaculate Conception-45.00, Christmas-260.00,  
Christmas Flowers-45.00, Retirement fund for Religious-  
20.00, Christmas dinner donation-440.00, Church  
Improvements-42.00

**MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOSEPH'S ROSEN**

**Tuesday - December 29 - Octave of Christmas**

8:00 a.m. Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - (d) Wenzel/Barbara Sellner

**Thursday - December 31 - Octave of Christmas**

8:00 a.m. Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - For the Parish

**Friday - January 1 - Mother of God**

9:00 a.m. Mass - (d) Alphonse Schmieg

**Readers:** Hannah Pillatzki, Jason Karels

**Comm:** Tom Pillatzki

**Servers:** Isaac Adelman, Philip Adelman

**Sunday - January 3 - Epiphany**

10:30 a.m. Mass - Spec. Int. of C.S.

**Readers:** Carolyn Adelman, Tom Pillatzki

**Communion:** Linda Sis

**Servers:** Devin Anderson, Jake Anderson

**Ushers:** Matt Drobny, Tim Herich, Brian Hoffman, Keith Hoffman

**Greeters:** Tristan Adelman, Adam Henrich

**Offering:** Adult-2585.00, Student- 15.00, loose plate-  
26.44, School Rent-40.00, Thanksgiving-500.00,  
Immaculate Conception-10.00, Christmas-100.00

**MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JAMES - NASSAU**

**Thursday - December 31 - Vigil of Mother of God**

7:30 p.m. Mass - (d) Frank Goblirsch

**Readers:** Dennis Stoick, Dorothy Stoick

**Servers:** Volunteer

**Ushers:** Ray Beutler, Alan Roggenbuck

**Saturday - January 2 - Vigil of the Epiphany**

7:30 p.m. Mass - (d) Gust Stoick

**Readers:** Julie Trojahn, Ted Trojahn

**Servers:** Michelle Harstad

**Ushers:** Alan Roggenbuck, Tom Schuelke

**Offering:** Adult-63.00, Loose Plate-17.00, Christmas-  
20.00

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**CHURCH COMMUNITY EVENTS**

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

~ **St. Joseph's Choir:** Wed. 6:45 p.m.

~ **St. Joseph Breakfast:** Sun. Dec. 27<sup>th</sup> after 8:30 Mass.  
Parish Council & Education committee will serve.

~ **Natural Family Planning:** A three-part course in Natural  
Family Planning begins Sat. Jan. 9<sup>th</sup> in Silver Lake. For more  
info or to register, call Steven or Kathleen Jacobs at (320)  
327-2702 or email: [NFamilyP@gmail.com](mailto:NFamilyP@gmail.com)

**FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOHN'S DRE**

**RE Class Schedule:** Wed. Dec. 30 - No Class

Sun. Jan. 3 - 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. PreK-6<sup>th</sup> grade

**Elementary Classes:** We will be having classes during the  
KC pancake breakfast on Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Since this event will go on  
until 12:00, there will be plenty of time for students to eat  
with their family afterwards if they wish.

**Youth Group:** Next youth group meeting is Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> at 9:45  
a.m. in the choir loft

**Children's Envelopes:** A few envelope boxes are left for  
students to pickup in the church lobby.

**Epiphany Kings:** We're looking for gentlemen to participate  
in our annual Magi tradition for Epiphany weekend (Jan. 2<sup>nd</sup>  
& 3<sup>rd</sup>). Three men are needed yet for Saturday evening Mass.  
Contact Beth by Dec. 30<sup>th</sup> if interested.

**Storage requested:** Since storage space at St. John's is  
limited, we are looking to store our stable prop from our last  
CCD Christmas program for future productions. Contact  
Beth for more details.

**FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOSEPH'S DRE**

**Adult Education:** Tues. Dec. 29<sup>th</sup> 9:00 a.m.

**RE Classes:** No Classes Wed. night Dec. 30

PS - 6<sup>th</sup> grade classes Jan. 3<sup>rd</sup> 9:00 -10:10  
a.m.

**CONFIRMATION**

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

**Sponsor Books:** Due Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup>. Good time to get it done if  
you see your sponsor over the Holidays.

**Holy Day of Obligation:** Mass attendance is required for  
Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>, Feast of Mary.

## 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

Mary Beling, James Croatt Larry Walsh, John Kanthak, Lori Cloos, John Martin, Oscar Streed, Amanda Wollschlager, John Eneboe, 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. .

## K C – UPCOMING EVENTS.

K C members have set aside Sunday, Jan. 3, 2010, for their hospital Chapel fund raiser. In place of coffee and rolls, they will be serving pan cakes and ham from 9 a.m. to noon.

The K C family Christmas party is set for Sunday, Jan. 10 at the bowling alley beginning at 2 p.m. Kindly reserve that date on your calendar.

## KOINONIA

Holy Rosary Parish of Graceville, MN. is planning a Koinonia Retreat Jan. 22,23 & 24<sup>th</sup>. Participants must be at least 18 years or older. (18-80). The weekend begins on Friday, Jan. 22 at 5 p.m. with supper & ends on Sunday, January 25 at 6 p.m. Lodging will be provided. Cost is \$30.00 per person. Applications may be obtained at the parish office.

## DIVORCED/WIDOWED/SEPARATED

A ministry to the above individuals, meets every Tuesday, from 7 to 9 p.m. at The Immaculate Conception school in Watertown, 109 3<sup>rd</sup> St. SE. The next session begins on January 5, 2010. Cost is \$45.00, per 10 week session. Confidentiality is a must. The program is non-denominational and sponsored by Catholic Family Services.

## NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

St. John, Ortonville – 5:30 p.m. Dec. 31

St. James, Nassau – 7:30 p.m. Dec. 31

St. Joseph, Rosen – 9 a.m. January 1, 2010

## CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

Upcoming Retreats – Search Retreat, Jan. 8 – 10 in Aberdeen SD, and Tec Retreat in New Ulm, Jan. 16 - 18.

Sponsor Books – Due Feb. 3<sup>rd</sup> The holidays are an excellent time to complete this project, in case you are seeing your sponsor over the holidays.

## WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER

Need the perfect gift for your spouse on Christmas? Consider participating in a Worldwide Marriage Encounter, scheduled for Feb. 12-14, 2010, at Shalom Hill Retreat Center, Windom, MN.

This will be repeated on March 19-21, 2010 at Ironwood Springs Ranch, Stewartville, MN. For information and or registration, contact: Jeff & Rondi Kodet, at 507 644 3523 or [jrek@redred.com](mailto:jrek@redred.com) or visit the Web at [www.wvmeSection8.org](http://www.wvmeSection8.org).

## PLAN AHEAD

Dec. 27 – Parish Breakfast, Rosen – served by Parish Council and Education Committee.

Jan. 3 – Hospital Fund Raiser – by K of C.

Jan. 8 – Home School Mass at 11 a.m.

Jan. 10 – K of C Bowling party

Jan. 11 – Rosen Education board Meeting 7:30 p.m.

Jan. 21 – Catholic Aid Estate Planning 7 p.m. at St. John

Jan. 25 – Social Concerns Meeting at St. John – 6 p.m.

## POTPOURRI

1. May I also extend my sincere thanks to the many people who have sent cards, letters and gifts to my home. May God reward you for your generosity?

2. Those members who wish to add to their church contributions for the year, are reminded that you have only a few days left to accomplish it.

3. My wishes to each and every one of you, for a Happy New Year, and grace filled 2010. It will take time to get accustomed to writing 2010.

4. Special thanks to the following organization for your Christmas gifts. Bowl of Love, & St. Joseph Youth Group,

## CHURCH CALENDARS

Once again, all three parishes are indebted to the Zahrbock funeral Home of Madison, MN., for supplying all three parishes with Church calendars for the coming year. As I mentioned before, calendars are expensive, so it is only right that we thank Lorwin and Paul Zahrbock for their generosity. Should you come in contact with them, please express your thanks, or call them at 320 598 3339.

## SPECIAL THANKS

A special word of thanks to the Joe Euctice family for taking on the responsibility of supervising the Community Christmas dinner. It was especially difficult this year due to the impending storm, and wondering how much food to prepare. However they and the community did an excellent job.

## A PERSONAL WORD OF THANKS

Thank you to everyone who attended our Anniversary Mass. Also an extended word of thanks to all who greeted us, & to all who sent cards. We were overwhelmed. To all of you “God bless and thanks” Sincerely *Matt and Theresa Drobny*.

## WE NEED A FEW GOOD MEN

Each year we have called for men to stand in for the “Wise Men” at the Epiphany Sunday Mass. I believe it is very effective. We have 3 for Sunday at St. John, but none for Saturday night. Please give it some thought!