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**MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOHN
ORTONVILLE**

Monday - January 11 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass - (d) Michael Pavin

Wednesday - January 13 - Hilary

9:30 a.m. Mass - Northridge - (d) Marie Volkenant

Friday - January 15 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Mass - Stan Benkowski

**Saturday - January 16 - Vigil of Second Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

5:00 p.m. Mass - (d) Clara Peters

Reader: Terry Oakes

Comm: Pauline Karels

Servers: Daniel, Natalie & Paul Sitter

Ushers: Jessica Mielitz, Marilyn Ketchum, Jo & Harvey
Kelzer

**Sunday - January 17 - Second Sunday in
Ordinary Time**

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

Reader: Chet Messmer

Communion: Joanie Hills

Servers: Hannah, MaryKate & Nate Treinen

Ushers: Tom Oakes, Gary Pflieger, Roman Karels

Offering: Adult-5569.00, Student-5.50, looseplate-166.00,
Christmas-449.00, Building Improvements-5.00, Votives-
3.02, DUF-61.00, Solemnity of Mary-411.35

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JOSEPH'S ROSEN

Tuesday - January 12 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - Sally Mueller

Thursday - January 14 - Weekday

8:00 a.m. Rosary - For Priests

8:30 a.m. Mass - Roger Schumacher

Sunday - January 17 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

Time

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

Readers: Grace Pillatzki, Ed Radermacher

Communion: Jeanette Abramowski

Servers: Sarah Anderson, Jacob Henrich

Ushers: Matt Drobny, Tim Henrich, Brian Hoffman, Keith
Hoffman

Greeters: Andrea Hoffman, Carolyn Adelman

Offering: Adult-690.00, Student- 15.00, loose plate-
41.00, Christmas-485.00, Solemnity of Mary 446.00,
DUF-22.00, School Rent-35.00

MASS SCHEDULE - ST. JAMES - NASSAU

Thursday - January 14 - Weekday

7:30 p.m. Eucharistic Adoration

**Saturday - January 16 - Vigil of Second Sunday
In Ordinary Time**

7:30 p.m. Mass - (d) Bud Krakow

Readers: Cindy Schuelke, Tom Schuelke

Servers: Volunteer

Ushers: Mark Wollschlager, Ray Beutler

Offering: Adult-123.00, Loose Plate-75.50, DUF-10.00
Christmas-1560.00, Solemnity of Mary-67.00

CHURCH COMMUNITY EVENTS

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

~ **Congratulations** to Andrew Treinen, Jeffrey Watson &
Erin Eustice who are recipients of the '09-'10 Catholic Aid
Association Post High school scholarship. CAA has awarded
over \$2,000,000. in scholarships to more than 5,000 of their
deserving young members.

~ **CAREGIVERS support group:** Monday Jan. 11th at
2:00p.m. at the Fairway View community room.

~ **K of C Meeting:** Tuesday Jan. 12th in the church library at
7:00 p.m.

~ **St. John's CAA #349:** will meet after Mass on Jan. 17th in
the church kitchen.

~ **Thank you** We would like to thank all of those who helped
with the Christmas Day community dinner. It was a great
community effort especially this year with the weather
conditions. We appreciated all the help, support and positive
attitudes. May God Bless you all for your kindness and hard
work.

~ **Holy Family Council of CAA** of Big Stone City will meet
Mon. Jan. 11 at 7:00 at St. Charles Parish Hall. All members
of Catholic Aid please join us.

~ **Parish Councils of all three parishes:** are asked to meet
at 9:30 am after Mass at St. John's on Jan. 17th. Letters have
been sent out.

FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOHN'S DRE

RE Class Schedule: Wed. Jan.13 - 3:30 - 4:30 pm, 7th - 8th
7-8 pm, 7th - 12th grades

Sun. Jan. 17th - 9:30 - 10:30 a.m. PreK-6th grade

Youth Group: Next meeting is Jan. 13th at 6:30 pm in the
social hall.

Education Board Meeting: Tues. Jan. 26th at 1 pm in the
library

First Reconciliation: Today, Jan. 10th at 1 p.m. Students
are reminded to visit with Father prior to this time to recite
their prayers. Parishioners are invited to pray for these nine
students.

FROM THE DESK OF ST. JOSEPH'S DRE

Adult Education: Tues. January 12th following Mass

RE Classes: Wed. Jan. 13th 4-5:15 pm 7th - 9th graders

7-8 pm 10th -12th grade at St. John's

Sun. Jan. 17th 9:45-10:45 am PS-6th graders

Education Committee: Meeting Mon. Jan. 11th 7:30 pm

CONFIRMATION

Mass attendance: Progress reports will be sent home for
parents to review.

Upcoming Retreats: TEC January 16-18 in New Ulm.
SEARCH Feb. 19-21 in Aberdeen.

Sponsor Books: Due Feb. 3rd.

Service Hours opportunity: Hours due Feb. 24th!! Help
may be needed to take Christmas décor down this week,
contact Beth if interested.

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, 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.

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 & 24th. 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.

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS

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

FIRST CONFESSIONS

This is the weekend for 2nd graders to make their first confessions. We still have 5 students who have not met with me concerning the memorization of prayers. You must know by heart the Act of Contrition, the Our Father, Hail Mary and the Glory Be, before we can proceed.

PLAN AHEAD

Jan. 10 – K of C Bowling party
Jan. 11 – Rosen Education board Meeting 7:30 p.m.
Jan. 12 – K C meeting at 7 p.m. Library
Jan. 21 – Catholic Aid Estate Planning 7 p.m. at St. John
Jan. 25 – Social Concerns Meeting at St. John – 6 p.m.

PERSONAL THANKS

Due to the Christmas week storm, I am still in the process of receiving Christmas Gifts. Thank you all. But special thanks needs to be given to the parish of St. James, Nassau, for gifts from the parish itself and from the St. James Council of Catholic Women. You have presented me with gifts at Christmas time each of the 12 years I have spent with you. Thanks so much.

FOOD SHELF

The Lac qui Parle Food Shelf, extends their sincere thanks to the parish of St. Joseph for their contribution of food shelf items this past year. 51 pounds of food were delivered by Dennis Rademacher along with \$25.00 in cash.

FUND RASIER

The pancake and ham breakfast of last Sunday, sponsored by the K of C members for the new Hospital chapel, netted over 800 dollars. We thank all who participated and all who volunteered their time to present it.

UNFORTUNATE

I ordered Christmas gifts for all the servers, shortly before Thanksgiving this past year. They never arrived due to the actions of my Credit Card Company. They refused to issue payment, since they felt someone else had confiscated my credit card. The items being purchased were larger than my usual monthly purchases & hence they refused payment to the store I ordered from. Sometimes you wonder if it is worth having a card.

MASS STIPENDS

Due to the many deaths this past year, I am now overwhelmed with Mass Stipends. Presently I have over 200 Mass stipend requests on hand. This will take the greater portion of the year to fulfill. Our diocese wants us to accept either nothing or at the most, \$5.00 for each Mass stipend. Most other Dioceses, and the missionaries have changed to accepting ten dollar stipends, & dispensed with the \$5.00 donation. Hence if I send them away, the person for whom it is being offered will be denied a Mass. I wanted you to know the predicament I am in!

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS MEETING

is scheduled for Tuesday, January 12, 7 p.m. in the Parish library at St. John, Ortonville

COULD SOMEONE HELP

Jennetta DiNatale, is presently confined to an apartment in Clinton, MN. 328 Lake St. Apartment one. It would aid me considerably if someone would be kind enough to bring Holy Communion to her periodically.

OBAMA HEALTH BILL

Rep. Bart Stupak, informed Greta Van Susteren of Fox News that the White House told him to keep quiet about what's in the Obama Health Bill until the Pres.speaks

a. It recognizes abortion as a benefit covered under disease prevention.(Obama treats a child as a disease)

b. It forces taxpayer to subsidize health care plans that pay for abortion. (Direct violation of the Hyde Amendment)

c. It forces every enrollee in the federal exchange to pay a monthly fee to fund “reproductive rights” (Abortion) Nancy Pelosi and Harry Reid, have publicly stated that they will make sure, adortion funding is included in the senate bill. Call your congress person to reject this portion of the bill. Save a child!

Michael Connelly a constitutional lawyer, read the entire bill. Few, if any of our Leaders in Congress have done so. It is a couple of thousand pages long. He claims that it violates our Constitution, in several different ways. It also takes away our right to privacy releasing information such as our savings, illnesses, employers, & doctors,/ ration's care to Seniors,/ may force physicians to perform abortions by refusing them subsidies from the government,/ regulate how much a doctor or a hospital can charge for services, & which ones they may use,/ impose a tax on you if you refuse to participate,/ it will give the executive branch of the government complete control over my health, / it will definitely eliminate some private insurance companies thus removing competition, /provides care to illegals, Yes we need a health bill, but one that protects our rights & the rights of the unborn.