

# First Sunday of Advent

December 2, 2018

This Week's Mass Intentions		
Monday Dec. 3	8:10 AM	Joachim Trong Nguyen+
	12:10 PM	Adrian Blatny+
	7:00 PM	
Tuesday Dec. 4	8:10 AM	Maria Ngu Nguyen+
	12:10 PM	Tillie Buresh Machacek+
	7:00 PM	Adrian Blatny+
Wednesday Dec. 5	8:10 AM	Souls in Purgatory
	12:10 PM	
	7:00 PM	Friends & Family
Thursday Dec. 6	8:10 AM	Adrian Blatny+
	12:10 PM	Adam Miller
	7:00 PM	Deceased Members of the Schroer Family
Friday Dec. 7	8:10 AM	Jennifer Nguyen
	12:10 PM	Lisa Miller
	7:00 PM	Lorraine Drell+ HD
Saturday Dec. 8	8:00 AM	People of The Parish HD
	12:10 PM	Frances Zolvinski+ HD
	4:00 PM	Betty Kroon+ S
Sunday Dec. 9	8:00 AM	Friends & Family S
	10:00 AM	Gil Trevizo+ S
	12:30 PM	People of The Parish S
	5:00 PM	Ashley Kulwicki+ S

This Week's Scripture Readings	
Today	Jer 33:14-16; Psa 25:4-14; 1 Thess 3:12-4:2; Luke 21:25-36
Monday	Isa 2:1-5; Psa 122:1-9; Matt 8:5-11
Tuesday	Isa 11:1-10; Psa 72:1-17; Luke 10:21-24
Wednesday	Isa 25:6-10; Psa 23:1-6; Matt 15:29-37
Thursday	Isa 26:1-6; Psa 119:151-152; Matt 7:21-27
Friday	Isa 29:17-24; Psa 27:1-14; Matt 9:27-31
Saturday	Gen 3:9-20; Psa 98:1-4; Eph 1:3-12; Luke 1:26-38
Sunday	Bar 5:1-9; Psa 126:1-6; Phil 1:4-11; Luke 3:1-6

Saint Mary's Prayer List
Dianne Elsken, Louise Kulwicki, Teri Pope-Gonzalez, Zarita Hendrichs, Julie Williamsen, Ernie Polivka, Pat Bartels, Sally Williamsen, Bud Gray, Richard Brunner, Nora Kehr, Mary Dang, David Otte, Margaret Scheideler, Boyd Fulmer, Bonnie Zimmerman, Chan Nguyen, Mary Perkins, Jennifer Krupicka, Janet Jundt

Last Week's Church Support: November 25	
Weekly Envelopes	\$ 4487.60
Loose Plate	\$ 2390.86
Collection Total	\$ 6878.46

This Week's Activities			
Monday Dec. 3	6:00 pm	Legion Room	Legion of Mary
	7:00 pm	Flynn Hall	N.A.
Tuesday Dec. 4	6:30pm	Flynn Hall	Parish Council
Wednesday Dec. 5	5:30 pm	Church	Exposition & Benediction
Saturday Dec. 8	1:00 pm	Flynn Hall	Food Net
Sunday Dec. 9	9:30 am	Church	Rosary
	11:00am	Choir Loft	Children's Choir Practice
	3:00pm	Flynn Hall	RCIA

Next Week's Serving Schedule: Dec. 8/9		
Saturday 4:00 PM	Acolytes	Dave Bauer, Randy Ksionzek
	Reader	Ron Grose
Sunday 8:00 AM	Acolytes	Tom Dirkschneider
	Reader	Linda Hamik
Sunday 10:00 AM	Acolytes	Kevin Aylward, Gary Talbott
	Reader	Roxanne Talbott
Sunday 12:30 AM	Acolytes	Gerardo Martinez, Paul Edwards
	Reader	Kadi Lukesh
Sunday 5:00 PM	Acolyte	Tim King
	Reader	Mary Unegbu
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### DID YOU KNOW

Your St. Mary's Council of the Knights of Columbus keeps all Parishioners in our special Prayer Intentions

- \* The next meeting for our Council is Tuesday December 4, 2018 at 7:00 p.m.
- \* The most recent activities were the annual Parish Spaghetti Feed, and having Christmas Cards available at Masses to encourage us to "Keep Christ in Christmas."
- \* Upcoming events are the Keep Christ in Christmas Poster Contest and Free Throw Contest, helping decorate the Church for Christmas, and hosting the 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday Rosary on Sunday December 30<sup>th</sup> at 3:00 p.m.

### Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of Mary

(a Holy Day of Obligation)

Masses on Friday, December 7<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm  
(no 4 pm Vigil, to accommodate those who work later)

Saturday, December 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 am and 12:10 pm  
(Bishop Conley will celebrate the 12:10 pm Mass and, as part of the Eucharistic Rosary Crusade, lead the Consecration to Jesus through Mary after Mass)

### St. Mary's Parish News

A St. Mary's Parishioner is in need of a ride, to and from Mass on Sundays. Address is near 21<sup>st</sup> & Washington. If you are interested in helping the fellow parishioner, please call the rectory at 402-435-2125.

Save the Date - St. Mary's Winterfest is scheduled for Sat, Feb. 16. It will be a night of great food, fun and fellowship! Free will donations will be collected after all masses Dec. 1 and 2 to help cover the costs of Winterfest. Please consider making a donation.

Present and past members of Saint Mary's School Schola and Saint Mary's adult choir - and any others with good voices, who would like to sing in the 10am Christmas Mass - are invited to join us for practice Sunday mornings following the 10am Mass beginning December 2nd thru Dec. 23<sup>rd</sup>. Any questions, contact our music director, Jane Plettner-Nielson, either after Mass or you may text/call 402-440-1895.

Egg Rolls will be sold on Dec. 9, after the 8am and 10am Masses. If you would like to place an order prior, you may call in your order to the rectory at 402-435-2125. \$12/dozen

**Drop and Shop!** If you would like an evening to Christmas shop without your children, this is the event for you! Parents and high school students from St. Mary's school will be providing babysitting services for your children on Friday, Dec. 14 from 5-9p.m. at the school. The fee is \$20 per child for the 1<sup>st</sup> 2 children and \$10 for each additional child. Snacks and drinks will be provided! Please RSVP to the school by Dec. 11<sup>th</sup>. 402-476-3987.

### Area News & Events

10th Annual homemade Cookie and Candy sale sponsored by Sacred Heart Altar Society will be held Saturday, December 8th from 4:00-6:30 PM and Sunday, December 9th from 8:00 AM-12:30 PM in the Sacred Heart Rectory basement, 3128 "S" Street. Enjoy free hot cider, coffee, and cookies while you choose the cookies you would like to

buy for your holiday events, gifts, or your own sweet eaters. All proceeds go to the Parish Hall Building Fund.

Our Lady of Good Counsel Retreat House has upcoming weekend retreats of interest to all men and women. Learn more at [goodcounselretreat.com](http://goodcounselretreat.com) or call 402-786-2705. Dec. 14-16, Bishop Conley and Fr. Coulter "The Mysteries of Christmas"

Newman Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture: 2018 Reborn In Wonder Lecture Series. Please come join the Newman Institute for Catholic Thought and Culture for our final 2018 "Reborn In Wonder" lecture by Dr. David Whalen entitled: "Conscious Communion: Newman, literature and the defense of dialogue." The event will be held Wednesday, December 5<sup>th</sup> at the Newman Center (320 N. 16<sup>th</sup> St., Lincoln, NE 68508) and will begin at 7pm. It will conclude with questions and refreshments and is free and open to the public. More information can be found at [newmaninstitute.com](http://newmaninstitute.com).

The Catholic Coffee House is an adult faith formation series held at Gianna Java and Gelato, 2241 O Street, Lincoln, NE from 7-8:30pm. The theme for this year is "Navigating the Church Now." The December presentation (December 16) is entitled "Relationship, Transparency and Obedience" by Fr. Sean Kilcawley. This series is oriented towards being in the church in the current climate of scandal. Each session includes prayer, a presentation, and Q&A. There is no fee or registration. Please call 402-473-0619 for questions. [Add or delete information, when deemed appropriate]

Holy Hour Friday, December 7, 2018, at 7:15 P.M. will be held at the Pink Sisters' Chapel, 1040 S. Cotner Blvd. The Singing will be led by the North American Martyrs' Choir (led by Stacy Pfeifer.)

**Carole Fest! A Benefit for St. Gianna Women's Homes.** Sunday, Dec. 9<sup>th</sup>, 2:00 PM. Come enjoy area choirs perform at St. Thomas Aquinas Church on the UNL campus. Tickets are \$10

per person, \$25 per family. Call (402) 430-5626 or visit [www.cssisus.org](http://www.cssisus.org) for more information.

Marriage Encounter Weekend at the Lied Center in Nebraska City February 15-16, 2019. Contact couple Pat Benson 308-940-0670, Janelle Benson 308-940-1105. [pbjbben@yahoo.com](mailto:pbjbben@yahoo.com) \*\*Need to call well in advance for facility reservation.

St. Teresa's is pleased to announce an Advent scripture study taught by renowned Biblical scholar, Vern Steiner. As a professor of exegetical studies, Dr. Steiner will explore the rich and beautiful light shed by the Old Testament on the meaning and significance of each of these names. Thursday, December 6th: 7-8:30 "Christ: The Anointed Prophet, Priest, and King" Sunday, December 16th: 7-8:30 "Immanuel: With Us-God!" All classes are 7-8:30 and will be in the Church (not the basement). Suggested donation: \$15/person or \$25/couple. Free babysitting is available! Please come join for this fantastic opportunity! Click below to register. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/805054CA4A92CA46-advent>

MASS with Prayers for Healing. December 9, 2018. John XXIII Center, 37<sup>th</sup> & Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln, NE. Please join together to pray for healing for yourself, your family, friends, for our Church and our Nation. +Sacrament of Reconciliation, beginning 1:15. +Chaplet of Divine Mercy at 1:30 pm. +Praise and Worship 1:40 pm. +Blessing of salt/water/religious articles immediately before Mass begins at 2:00 pm. +Anointing of the Sick after the homily. +Eucharistic Exposition and Healing Prayer after the Mass. \*\* Future Mass dates: March 24, 2019, June 9, Sept. 29, December 8, 2019. Sponsored by St. Benedict Prayer Team. Please come join us!