

<i>Mass Intentions: 2nd week of Advent</i>		
7 December Vigil	Mon. 7:00 am Mon 7:00pm	Dec. fam. of Rod & Rosie Willmes + Women Religious DOL
8 December Feast of Immaculate Conception	Tue. 7:00 am	Sharon Cooney +
9 December	Wed. 7:00 am	Deceased priests of DOL
10 December	Thur. 7:00 am	Staff and Volunteers CSS
11 December	Fri. 7:00 am	Dick Hyde
12 December	Sat. 7:00 am Sat. 5:30 pm	Bishop Conley Special Intention
13 December	Sun. 9:00 am 11:30 am	Pat Veik People of the Parish

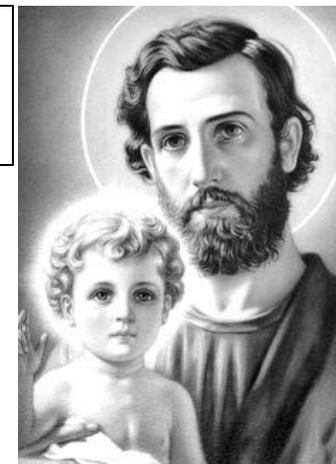
Collection 11/22/20 \$791.00
11/29/20 \$818.00

Advent: This week is the first Sunday in Advent and the beginning of the new liturgical year. Advent this year is from November 29th to December 24th and includes all four Sundays plus weekdays. The word Advent comes from the latin "ad venire" which means "to come to". As a liturgical season it has double aspect, to prepare us for the anniversary of the Lord's birth at Christmas as well as a looking forward toward Jesus' second coming at the end of time.

It is a time of remembrance, of preparation, of waiting and of confident expectation. While Advent is not a penitential season (see canon 1250) it is intended to be a period of preparation, much like lent. Prayer, penance, and fasting are especially appropriate during this season. It is also a great time to receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation and many parishes will have additional times available for confessions.

ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH

6 December 2020
2nd Sunday in Advent



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CONFESSIONS: Saturday 5:00-5:20 pm
Sunday 8:30-8:50 am, 11:00-11:20 am
By appointment

DAILY MASSES: Mon.-Sat.: 7:00 am.

SUNDAY MASSES: Saturday Vigil—5:30 pm
Sunday — 9:00 am
11:30 am (Español)

NEWS AND IMPORTANT DATES:

Altar Society News: Our condolences to the family of Pat Veik who passed away this week. We have been asked to help the American Legion Auxillary serve a dinner to the family at noon on Monday December 7th in Clay Center at the legion. Chris Cooney is going to prepare the meal but she would like some help serving. If anyone is interested in helping, please let Shelly or Chris know. We are also asking for six 9x13 size or similar desserts. Please let us know if you can make a dessert.

Feast of the Immaculate Conception: Wed. Dec. 8th. The feast of the Immaculate Conception is a Holy Day of Obligation in the U.S. There will be a vigil mass at 7pm Tuesday and at 7am Wednesday.

Decorating for Christmas: We will decorate for Christmas after the 9am Mass on Sunday December 20th.

Mass of the Holy Innocents: Monday, December 28th. All are invited to attend this Memorial Mass, especially those families who have suffered the loss of a baby through

miscarriage, stillbirth, infant death or abortion. Reading of names will begin at **6:30 p.m.** with Mass at **7:00 p.m.** This year, the Mass will take place at **Cathedral of the Risen Christ Church** due to the pandemic and social distancing measures. The Cathedral is located at 3500 Sheridan Blvd., Lincoln. If you would like your child's name to be remembered & placed on the banner, please call the Office of Family Life at 473-0620 **before 5:00 p.m. on Fri. Dec. 18th.** If you placed your child's name previously, it will remain on the list.

Seminarian of the Week: Please join us in praying for Dale Alder. He is studying at Mount St. Mary Seminary Theology 4 student.

-St. Joseph Prayer Chain:

- +For all the poor souls in Purgatory
- +For the end to abortion
- +For our Holy Fathers-Pope Francis, bishops, priests, sisters and brothers
- +For all seminarians, especially those at St. Gregory the Great Seminary
- +For our youth to accept and grow in vocations
- +For world peace, and our servicemen and women
- +For the Knights of Columbus prayer requests
- +For fallen away Catholics

For:

Edith Weber	Jack Paulus	Cecilia Meeza	Delores Leininger
Chuck Preissler +	Virginia Miller	Pat Veik +	Mary Garvin
Brad Oschner	Juan Slazar	Diane Walz	Dennis Reddick
Cesaria Gabriel	Cecilia Martel	Jeff Almond	Erica Lauinger
Bill Kerber	Cathy Kamost	Riley Lewis	Seth Lewis
Jordan Ortmeier	Fr. Allan Phan	Mike Kirwan	Kelem Fabrice
Doris Henvey +	Marlene Ostdiek	Diane Noak	Garry Veik
Kathy Rathman	Brenda Lang	Angel Valdivia	Sharon Reasland

If you have any intentions you would like to add to the prayer chain, call Elaine Almond (402-772-7381) or Ellie Clark (402-762-5008).

Harvard People's Project News: Holiday time is fast approaching and once again People's Project will be putting together Christmas boxes to be distributed on December 12th.

We will also be collecting hats, gloves and socks (all sizes) and personal care items (shampoo, toothpaste, etc) in the Christmas box marked "People's Project" in the back of church. All items will be collected on December 9th.

Healing after Abortion: If you or someone you know is suffering after abortion, confidential, compassionate help is available. Visit HopeAfterAbortion.org.

Partners on the Journey: Partners on the Journey is a marriage enrichment program meant to both inspire and equip couples to form more stable and satisfying relationships. It is designed to nourish couples spiritually, intellectually, and emotionally. This program is meant for any couple who is looking to enrich and improve or enhance their relationship. This compelling series takes both faith and science, weaves them together to help couples through the use of video presentations, exercises and prayer. This program hopes to help couples achieve a more meaningful, stable and satisfying relationship.

For more information, please visit www.immaculateheartcounseling.org There is an accompanying book to the Partners on the Journey video series, which is available for purchase through our website. Once a book is purchased a link will be provided to the video series. There is no additional charge for the 12 session video series.