

Dec. 1, 2024 – First Sunday of Advent

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SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION: Approximately 15 minutes before the Saturday & Sunday Masses when possible.

MASSES FOR THE WEEK

Monday, Dec. 2	7:45 AM	SJ	- Twila Brown
Tuesday, Dec. 3	7:45 AM	MHT	- Prudence Rulli, requested by son, Joe
Wednesday, Dec. 4	7:45 AM	IC	- Lucy Krug
Thursday, Dec. 5	7:45 AM	SB	- Nancy Scheller, requested by Barbara
	3 to 8 PM	SJ	- Exposition & Adoration
Friday, Dec. 6		No Mass	
Saturday, Dec. 7	4:00 PM	MHT	- Thelma Robinson, requested by Paul
	4:00 PM	IC	- Jim & Ruth Henry
	5:30 PM	SB	- John Nicholson, request by Jim & Barbara Lamison & Parishioners of Most Holy Trinity & St. Bartholomew
	5:30 PM	SJ	- Tom & Marge Gallardy
Sunday, Dec. 8	7:00 AM	IC	- Louise Bodenschatz & For the Parish
	8:30 AM	SJ	- Craig Wirfel & For the Parish
	9:00 AM	SB	- Mary Jane Knisel, requested by Jennifer Bopp
	10:30 AM	MHT	-Helen Cordek, requested by Pat Petrun

FEASTS & MEMORIALS

<i>St. Francis Xavier</i>
<i>St. John Damascene</i>
<i>St. Nicholas</i>
<i>St. Ambrose</i>
<i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>

Sanctuary Candles	St. Bart	MHT	St. John	Immaculate C.
Dec. 1-7	Walt Dutkosky	Angela Smay	Larry & Margaret McCormick	Sick of IC Parish

Liturgical Minister Schedule

Dec. 7/8	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers
IC - 4:00 PM	Cody McCoy	Doris Knisel	Connor & Aiden McCoy
MHT- 4:00 PM	Volunteer	D Yonkoski	
St. J - 5:30PM	Bruce Wise	John Salamon	
St. B - 5:30PM	C Zaramba	C Zaramba	
IC – 7:00AM	Ron Kulback	Linus Smith	
St. J – 8:30 AM	Jared Cronauer	Carissa Penatzer	
St. B 9:00 AM	V Herman	K Miller	
MHT – 10:30 AM	E Richardson	R Gramling	E Gramling
M/B Count- 12/2	D Fox, B Rosmus	StB-Dec.Church cleaning	Judy Fleegle, Dianne Fox

Offertory Collections

Nov. 24	Regular	Flowers	Special	Xmas	Votives	Diocese	Cem	Build	Total
MHT	\$1764	\$65				\$20	\$	\$	\$1849
St. B	\$1859	\$50	\$		\$12	\$80	\$	\$55	\$2056
IC	\$2699								\$2699
SJ	\$1920								\$1920

DEC. PRAYER INTENTIONS FOR SICK Patty Hammond, Eddie Werfel, Harry Templeton, Mary & David Lambert, Nancy Kruic, Jean Dunmire, Diane Dodson, Lowell Seabolt, Trinity and Rose, Marlene Rummel, Katelynn Reighard, Mike Rosmus, Linda Debias, Sandy Georg, Francis Girard, James Sobel, Seth Georg, Mary Giallonardo, George Fetsko, Elio Lucci, Leroy Smith, Jason Kirchner, Maria Felix, Jim Benschhoff, Mary Ann Penatzer, Karen Y, Donna Moyer, shut-ins, special intentions.

SECOND COLLECTION: Next weekend is the diocesan collection for the Retired Priests Medical Fund.

IC & SJ WEBSITE: This week at www.stjic.org. Learn how the waiting of Advent can be a time filled with great family activities and memories. Fr. Mike Schmitz reminds us that Advent is not just about preparing for Christmas. Also, discover the history and legend of Saint Nicholas.

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF BVM: is a holy day of obligation, on Monday, Dec. 9, despite what our calendar published. Because the holy day is on a Monday during Advent, there cannot be a Mass for the holy day on Sunday evening. Please check the bulletin next weekend for times of the Masses and locations.

MASS CANCELLATION (for during the week): If Forest Hills School District cancels or delays school because of weather, morning Mass (Monday-Friday) and Adoration will be cancelled. The Mass intention will be rescheduled ASAP.

ADVENT PRAYER DEVOTIONALS: in vestibules of all our Churches. You are invited to take one for daily home devotion.

MHT CHOIR PRACTICE: Thursday, Dec. 5 at 6PM. New members are welcome.

SJ – Finance/Parish Council will meet to discuss Comedy Night, Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 6:30 PM in the rectory basement.

ST. MARY'S CEMETERY ASSOC. Meeting on Tuesday, Dec. 3 at 6 PM in Marian Hall. The public is invited to attend.

IC ROSARY ALTAR Society Christmas Party will be held on Sunday, Dec. 8 at 1 PM with Rosary in the Church and dinner will follow in Marian Hall. Cost is \$5 a person. Choose either Chicken or Roast Beef. RSVP to Canice 814-696-7391 or Margie (text 814-955-2529) or sign-up sheet in the back of the IC Church by Dec. 1.

ST. ANNE CHRISTMAS PARTY: Sun., Dec. 8 at 1PM in St. Bartholomew Hall in the form of a covered dish. Members & spouse or significant other are invited to attend. Please indicate covered dish to bring on the sign-up sheet in vestibule.

SJ ROSARY ALTAR SOCIETY CHRISTMAS PARTY is Sunday, Dec. 8 with Rosary at 12:00 PM with Chicken Dinner and entertainment to follow. RSVP to Vivian 814-421-8387 or Pam at the church 814-495-5241 by Monday, Dec. 2. Cost is \$5. All members & those non-members that help with our activities are welcome. Collection for Retired Religious too.

SJ Rosary Altar Society would like to do a **CHRISTMAS CARD SHOWER** for all the Shut-ins of our parish. A basket will be in the gathering space of the church for the cards. Please bring the cards by December 15. Our shut-ins are: Lewis Brown, Catherine Podrasky, Irene Shrift, Caroline Moss, Peggy Cann, Elio Lucci, Fran White, Ray Shrift, Dick Wilkinson, Mary Lou Penatzer, Helen Wilson, Barb Toth, Jay Bimle, Yvonne Kruper, Theresa Beyer, Betty McCall, Larry Malesky.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS: from Forest Hills School District are in the vestibule at Most Holy Trinity. Please sign the sheet.

More tags will be available next weekend. Please return tags with gifts by Dec. 15.

SJ: GABRIEL PROJECT BABIES and **IC – BIRTHRIGHT CHRISTMAS ANGELS** – Please return the gifts (tags attached) by Wednesday, December 4.

SJ CHURCH DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS will be Sunday, Dec. 15 after the 9:30 AM Mass. Help is greatly appreciated.

SJ & IC CCD CLASSES are scheduled for December 8 and 22; January 12 and 26; February 9 and 23.

BIRTHRIGHT ANGELS: are in St. Bartholomew vestibule. Gifts are due Dec. 15- please attach tags to gift.

ST. B CHRISTMAS STOCKINGS: in the vestibule. Take one and fill it for a shut-in of the Parish or Nursing Home resident.

PREPARE FOR ADVENT, COME BE FILLED WITH HIS PEACE prayer service, reconciliation, wreath-making, friendship, and refreshments women of all ages are welcome Tuesday, December 3 at 6:30 PM St. John Church, Summerhill.

SUMMERHILL BASEBALL AND NEW GERMANY ATHLETIC ASSOCIATION will have sign-ups on December 8 after CCD in the back of Immaculate Conception Church from 10:45 AM to 12 PM. Baseball contact Cody McCoy 814-999-4257.

Softball contact Matt Dombrosky 814-322-5673. Visit us @ <https://sites.google.com/view/fhlittleleague>.

REST IN PEACE: Janet Kick was buried from St Bartholomew Church this week.

ST. B LOTTERY CALENDARS: Please return all calendar money and stubs

WREATHS ACROSS AMERICA at ST. BARTHOLOMEW CEMETERY: \$17 Donation placed in envelope labeled Wreaths Across America. In collection by Dec. 3 or online at

<https://wreathsacrossamerica.org/pages/169262/Overview/?relatedId=0>. Wreath Day is Dec 14 at noon in the hall then cemetery. Please note if wreath is for a specific grave.

A VETERAN'S REMEMBRANCE WREATH – The St. Michael American Legion lay one large Wreath at St. Mary's Cemetery in New Germany honoring all veterans. The ceremony will be on Dec. 14 at noon replacing the Wreaths Across American program. All are invited to participate. Donations are being accepted. Put in collection marked "Wreath". Any excess funds will be donated to the Veteran's Home in Hollidaysburg to provide Christmas presents to those veterans.

IC: Our JEWELRY RAFFLE is **Sat, Jan. 18**, at New Germany Grove Hall. The tickets are available to buy or sell, please call Becky 724-357-8384 or Janet Krug 814-254-9997 or Pam at the parish office 814-495-5241. Tickets will cost \$30 each.

PEROGIES FOR CHRISTMAS: Thursday, Dec. 5 in church hall at 8am. Help would be greatly appreciated. Orders may be placed on the sheet in the vestibule. St. Anne Society.

CHRISTMAS NUT ROLL: Pick up Friday, Dec. 6 from 9-noon or after weekend masses at MHT.

Help is Needed: If you are available, we will bake at 9am on Tues, Dec. 3 and Wed. Dec. 4. All volunteers are welcome.

MHT HOLIDAY TICKET SALE: Return money and stubs no later than **Dec. 8**. Your support is greatly appreciated

MHT FESTIVAL BASKET RAFFLE: All Parishioners are asked to donate a basket for our raffle. Baskets can be placed on the stage in the hall. Benefits our Religious Education Program. Christmas Festival will be Dec. 15- Save the Date.

MHT BLANKET CHANCES: for a fleece blanket are attached to the bulletin. Chances are \$1 each. Extra tickets available in the vestibule. The Blanket is on display in the vestibule this weekend. Will be chanced off at festival, Dec. 15.

LIGHT UP NIGHT: South Fork, Dec. 7 at 5:30-Caroling with "Dynamic Pressure" (FH acapella chorus) at Historical Soc. Museum: 6pm caroling and tree lighting in the park; followed by refreshments at First Evangelical Church.

RED CROSS BLOOD DRIVE, Tuesday, December 3 at New Germany Grove Hall from 1 to 6 PM. Volunteers and donors (please give) are needed. Call Twila Flynn 814-244-0714 if you can help.

FRANCISCAN LIVING NATIVITY: 100th Year Jubilee- St. Bernardine Monastery (768 Monastery Rd, Hollidaysburg) on Sat, Dec. 14 at 4PM: a Nativity service followed by refreshments and visit and photo with Santa! Friar's Nook open until 6PM

Jumpstarting Jubilee 2025 – Advent Hope The first Advent candle symbolizes hope. Every 25 years the Church celebrates a special Holy Year called the Jubilee Year. This Jubilee will begin with the opening of the Holy Door of Saint Peter's Basilica in Rome on Christmas Eve, 2024. The theme of the Jubilee Year is HOPE. It is a time for us to realize that "hope does not disappoint" when it is rooted in the knowledge that God has committed himself to us in *Emmanuel*, "God with us."

