

First Sunday of Advent

November 27, 2022



ALL SAINTS



AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

ST. ANDREW'S
FAIRFAX, MN



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GIBBON, MN



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MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Please contact Fr. Bruno at least six months ahead of time to plan and prepare for your wedding. No wedding date is final until approved by Fr. Bruno.

BAPTISMS: Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Father Bruno anywhere from one to two months prior to the date of the baptism of a child.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of New Ulm:

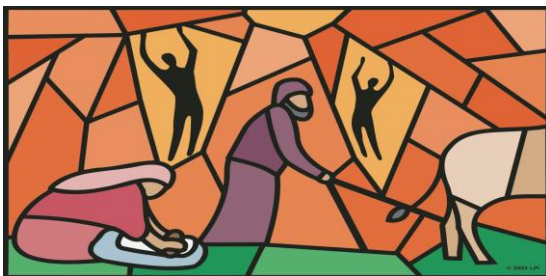
1-866-670-5163
(Confidential Counseling Services and Referral Information)

LITURGY SCHEDULE: In case of a funeral a regular scheduled morning Mass will be canceled that day.

Monday, November 28	NO MASS	Private	+Arnold Nelson
Tuesday, November 29	5:30 PM	Fairfax (Time Change)	+Leroy Schreiner
Wednesday, November 30	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Mike Hartmann
Thursday, December 1	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Christian Mothers
Friday, December 2	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Jim Essler
	7:00 PM	<i>Winthrop Eucharistic Adoration</i>	
Saturday, December 3	4:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	5:00 PM	Gibbon	+Stan Forst
Sunday, December 4	8:00 AM	Winthrop	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
	10:00 AM	Fairfax	+Buddy Gerardy
	12:30 PM	Fairfax-Spanish Mass	

Reflection Question for First Sunday of Advent

How can I walk in the Lord's paths in my own community and with my own family?



Readings for the Week of November 27, 2022

Sunday: Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/
Rom 13:11-14/Mt 24:37-44
Monday: Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11
Tuesday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24
Wednesday: Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22
Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/
Mt 7:21, 24-27
Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31
Saturday: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/
Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
Next Sunday: Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

We anticipate Christ's birth and his coming on the last day. Catholics around the world light candles in an Advent wreath to signal **the coming of the light of Christ.** Like the men plowing in the field or the women grinding grain, we are all concerned about the cares and concerns of everyday life. Added on top of that is the hassle that so many experience in these last days of the year. **Jesus asks us to turn our attention to the last days of our lives.** None of us knows when our own time will come. As we go about making preparations to celebrate Christmas, it wouldn't hurt to take a moment each day to prepare for the coming of Christ.

“Learn to abide with attention in loving waiting upon God in a state of quiet. Contemplation is nothing else but a secret, peaceful, and loving infusion of God, which, if admitted, will set the soul on fire with the Spirit of love.”

~St. John of the Cross

This Advent, **I encourage you to go to confession and recommend it to family and friends.** As Pope Francis has reminded us, when speaking about God's mercy, “In the confessional...it is an encounter with Jesus, who donates to us the peace that only he gives.” Pope Francis also explained that being ashamed of sins is “not only natural; it's a virtue that helps prepare us for God's forgiveness.”

Fr. Bruno OSB

PLEASE NOTE: We have had some issues with our old email so we have set up a new email. Please use this new email immediately. It is allsaints7739@gmail.com. I have set up the group emails for sending out the bulletin each week. If you don't receive one, please let me know. If you get these bulletins by email and don't want to be sent one, also, please let me know. You can always go on our website at allsaintsaqc.org to look at the bulletin. Sorry for the inconvenience.

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 27 Maurice & Mary Bless Anniv. Connor Rieke, Leon Stadtherr

Nov 28 Barbara Beranek, Bernardo Davila, Bill Rademacher, Steve & Gail Hershman Anniv., Brian & Betty Grewe Anniv.

Nov 29 Allen Schweiss, Gerald & Chris Jandl Anniv., Carol Haas

Nov 30 Matthew McCue

Dec 1 Gayle Clobes, Jose Salvatierra, Suzanne Pichotta

Dec 2 Mona Forst, Jesse Forstner, Donald & Connie Haas Anniv., Halley Busse, Kay Hoffmann

Dec 3 Trevor Hanson, Tom Langhoff, Joel & Lynn Majeski Anniv., Dave & Lorie Schauer Anniv.

Liturgy Matters #4

In imagining our ideal celebration, we should also include the bishop as the one who presides at the liturgy. Even though our usual experience is with a priest presiding, we must understand that behind every priest is the bishop who ordained him and sent him to a particular community to lead the Eucharistic celebration. In what God has arranged for His people, there is really only one priest, Christ himself. Those whom we call bishops and priests represent the one and only priest, Christ himself. They are mysteries or sacraments; that is, concrete people in whom a divine reality is hidden. In the case of mass, they are the reality of Christ as priest. The bishop is head of a diocesan church; he is its leader and its chief authority. But he is not this as an individual person, the lucky guy who gets to be in charge. He represents Christ as head, Christ the leader, Christ the community's only authority. Likewise then, a priest is not a free-floating agent, the lucky guy who gets to be in charge in a parish setting. He represents the bishop, who represents Christ as head of the community. It is important to remember, however, that Christ shares his priesthood with all the baptized. If the bishop or priest at the head of the Eucharistic assembly is meant to be a sign of the one priesthood of Christ, all his words and actions during the rite are geared toward uniting the people with him in what he is doing. Precisely in the Mass Christ wishes to unite all his people with himself in his priestly act of offering himself to the Father for the sake of the world. In this sense all of Christ's people are priests, not because they represent his one and only priesthood as bishops and priests do, but because they are united with him in his priestly act.

JOIN US EACH WEEK ON WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 PM as we pray the Rosary live on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page!

Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program – Week 9 – From Protestant Pastor to Catholic Professor. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT last week for the collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development! As a parish, we raised money to support those on the margins who live in poverty in the United States. If you missed the collection, it's not too late to give! Visit www.usccb.org/nationalcollections and click “How to Give” under “Resources.”



Please Remember in Prayer

Frank Ziegler

St. Andrew's

Casey O'Brien

St. Francis de Sales

Arvina Schweiss

St. Andrew's

Judy Farrell

St. Andrew's

Elsie Linsmeier

St. Andrew

Mary Schweiss

St. Andrew's

Millie Forst

St. Willibrord's

Lorraine Ravnaas

St. Francis de Sales

Adeline Roiger

St. Andrew

Pat Fahey

St. Andrew's

Dory Schreiner

St. Andrew's

THANK YOU TO ALL WHO HAVE GIVEN TO THE DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL. Your contributions to the DMA reach individuals and families across the diocese, providing family and crisis counseling, emergence assistance, religious and spiritual formation, and supporting our seminarians. If you have not had the opportunity to make your pledge or gift yet, envelopes are available in the pews or in the back of church. You may return your pledge in the collection basket or simply drop it in the mail. You may also make your pledge or gift online at <https://www.dune.org/dma/>. Either way, your gift will be counted toward our parish goal. Be assured that your gift will only be used to support those ministries designated in the DMA brochure – ministries that are vital to our diocesan church.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR – Sunday, December 3rd, at St. Willibrord's, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.. Holy Hour will include praying the rosary, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

BAKESALE (YOUTH BENEFIT) will be held on Saturday, December 3rd, from 9 a.m. to 1 p.m., downtown Gibbon at "Mary Jane's", 1024 First Avenue, in conjunction with the annual *Santa Claus Day* activities. Donations of bake sale items will be very much appreciated! In Fairfax, please contact Anita Wier (call or text 507-441-1309) to drop off bake sale items before Thursday afternoon, December 2nd. In Winthrop, contact Susie Steele (507-766-1348), or in Gibbon, contact Berny Berger (320-583-7975) by Wednesday, November 30th, to make arrangements to drop off bake sale items. Please support our youth fundraising for the 2023 Steubenville Youth Conference!

THE AREA FAITH COMMUNITY HAS PURCHASED A SUBSCRIPTION TO FORMED, providing the very best Catholic content from more than 60 organizations to help parishes, families and individuals explore their faith anywhere to our parishioners for FREE! Get access to podcasts, bible studies, audio books, movies, cartoons, live Mass and faith formation opportunities. There is content for all ages. To learn more about FORMED, join us on December 3, 2022, after the 5:00 mass at St. Willibrord's in Gibbon. We will be going over how to log in, find your way around & make FORMED your 31 Catholic Faith resource. A light supper will be served.

FREE MAGNIFICATS - Courtesy of the St. Willibrord's CCW members who attended the National CCW convention in Minneapolis in early November, they received an offer of free MAGNIFICAT monthly prayer books for our Area Faith Community. We have the December issue available for anyone who wants them, to pick up in the church entryways – please take one home, and use it for daily prayers, scripture, mass readings, meditations and inspiring stories of the saints! If interested, Magnificat is currently offering special 3-month trial subscriptions to Magnificat for just \$10. This *and* other great offers are available at www.magnificat.com/trial. Orders processed during *November* will begin with the *January* issue—perfect to follow the December copies we have received. There are also bulk subscription offers with as few as 10 subscriptions, if a group wishes to order them.

ALL PARISHIONERS AND FAMILIES, ESPECIALLY THOSE WITH CHILDREN, are invited to attend an Advent Prayer Service with Bishop Chad W. Zielinski on Sunday, December 18. The service is at 1:30 p.m. at the Church of St. Philip, Litchfield. This service is designed to help us focus on Advent and prepare for the true meaning of Christmas, centered on the birth of Jesus. Families are encouraged to bring the Baby Jesus figure from their home nativity set. The figure will be blessed by Bishop Zielinski individually as families come forward in procession. There will be a blessing on families and expectant mothers as they prepare for Jesus' birth in their hearts. A "swaddling clothes" collection (blankets, sleepers, layette items, etc.) and cash donations will be taken for babies in need. For more information, contact the diocesan Office of Schools at 507-233-5302.

FRIENDS OF SAN LUCAS: Support our friends of the San Lucas Mission in Guatemala with your monetary gifts, or thru active missionary work or thru the purchase of the new products in varieties of coffee. These new varieties of coffee are available at St. Willibrord's church (table in the entry) or Chuck Spaeth Ford in New Ulm and Sleepy Eye or order directly from juananacoffee.org. The coffee sales alone support 150 families in the mission with housing, and a quality lifestyle. STOP and take a look at the quarterly Newsletters available or lookup online sanlucasmission.org. Monetary donations can be sent to: Friends of San Lucas, 3459 Washington Dr., #207, Eagan, Mn. 55122

T-BIRD COMMUNITY ARTS WILL BE HOLDING THEIR CHRISTMAS CANTATA "Let There Be Christmas" by Joseph M. Martin on December 3rd, at St. Andrew's in Fairfax at 7:00 pm and December 4th at Peace Lutheran Church in Winthrop at 4:00 pm.

SIBLEY COUNTY CHORAL SOCIETY will be singing at St. Francis de Sales on Sunday, December 11th at 2:00 pm.

SIBLEY COUNTY SANTA'S WORKSHOP 2022 will again be taking donations for families in need of a little help over Christmas. Items needed for Santa's Workshop are ages 1-3 boys and girls, 4-7 just girls, 8-12 boys and girls, 13-18 boys and girls, socks, coats, PJ's, basketballs, soccer balls, volleyballs, mittens, hats, scarves, quilts. Personal care items for Veterans. Cash donations are welcome also. Please call 507-299-0073 or email: santashelpersibleycounty@gmail.com with questions about donations, how to get an application to receive gifts or if you are interested in volunteering at the Workshop.

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: Please continue to pray for the following military personnel who are members of our parish families and are serving full time or active duty in the military: MSG William R. Schmidt, SSG Jeff Ziegler, Ryan E Lawrenz, SGT, Sgt. Chris Levinske, Amber Lindberg, Sgt Kenneth Coleman, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Lt. Col. Steven Weber, Jackie Rieke and Pvt Jordan Lindmeyer, SGT Colin Jackson, CSM Rebecca (Zitzmann) Booker

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,078.00	1,375.00	910.00
Loose/Youth Plate	117.00	65.00	77.00
Fuel Collection	155.00		
Maintenance/Building	700.00	20.00	236.00
Christmas Flowers	100.00		
Food Shelf	100.00		
Fall Collection	150.00		
Light Rebate	246.15		
Campaign for Human Dev	190.00	210.00	156.00
Military		20.00	
All Saints			10.00
Votive Lights			3.00
TOTAL	\$2,836.15	\$1,690.00	\$1,392.00

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday, Nov 30, 2022: Class

Wednesday, Dec 7, 2022: Class

Wednesday, Dec 14, 2022: Class

Wednesday, Dec 21, 2022: No Class

Wednesday, Dec 28, 2022: No Class

Student Christmas Programs: Sunday, Dec 11, 2022 at St. Andrew's/St. Francis, Wednesday, Dec 14, 2022 at St. Willibrord

STEBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE & FUNDRAISING – Registration is now open for the Steubenville Youth Conference being held next summer in Rochester (July 14-16). Steubenville is an *extraordinary*, and affordable youth conference opportunity! Come and experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is always faithful and will never abandon us! Flyers are being sent home with 8th Grade and older students at religion classes. Early Bird registration is due by January 15th but sign up should be sooner. Contact Kellie Slood, Anita Wier or Berny Berger for more information. If interested in participating in a Bake Sale at Gibbon Santa Claus Day on Saturday morning, December 3rd, to fundraise for this trip, please contact Anita Wier (507-441-1309, aweirk2@gmail.com) or Berny Berger (507-834-6321, jbberger1972@gmail.com) by November 23rd, or the bake sale will NOT be held.

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Saturday, **December 3rd**-5:00 PM

Lector: Alan Neyers **Dist:** Grace Rubischko **Servers:** Christopher Ruiz, Gabriel Ruiz, Regie Mattes **Ushers:** Ron Bastian, Joey Bastian, Jim Dingles **Gifts:** Julie Ahlbrecht, Leyla Ahlbrecht **Sacristan:** Kathy Bruns

Saturday, **December 10th**-5:00 PM

Lector: Gail Herschman **Dist:** Jeannine Grosam **Servers:** Kitzelin Morales, Silvana Ruiz, Briana Roche, Jose Ruiz **Ushers:** Ron Bastian, Joey Bastian, Jim Dingles **Gifts:** Joey & Patty Bastian **Sacristan:** Connie Tautges

Saturday, **December 17th**-5:00 PM

Lector: Melvin Neyers **Dist:** Rose Forst **Servers:** Jennifer Guzman, Melody Exum, Taylor Haas **Ushers:** Ron Bastian, Joey Bastian, Jim Dingles **Gifts:** Bruce Bastian, Lorraine Bastian **Sacristan:** Charlene Forst

St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial "Calendar Raffle Winner" of \$100 for Week #35, goes to **Linda Legaspi**, of Gilbert, AZ. Congratulations, and thank you for your support!

CHOIR will sing for the Feast of Christ the King, Saturday, November 19th, at the 5 p.m. Mass, meeting to practice at 4:30 p.m. New members welcome and needed!

DO YOU LIKE THE IDEA OF A LIGHT LUNCH AFTER SATURDAY MASS? Gathering together is such a blessing. Would you take a turn serving? Sign nu sheet is in the kitchen. Thank you!!

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2022, FROM 9:00 AM TO 7:00 PM, ST. WILLIBRORD'S WILL BE HAVING ADORATION. There should always be someone present in the church during adoration. If you would be willing to come and stay for an hour, please sign up on the sheet on the table at the entrance by **Saturday, December 17**. This is a wonderful opportunity for men, women, and families to spend time before the Blessed Sacrament to pray, read scripture, and reflect in silence during this Advent season. Individual confessions will be offered from 5:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Thank you to those who are willing to sign up to help and stay for an hour!

ST. WILLIBRORD'S CCW will hold our winter meeting on Saturday morning, November 26th, at 9 a.m. in the social hall. Coffee and rolls will be provided. Agenda items will include our bazaar report, donations, winter activities, and National CCW convention report. All women of the parish are included in Council of Catholic Women (CCW). Please join us!

FOOD SHARE MONTH: November is the time of year our local **County Food Share** program needs our help with donations of non-perishable food items (ex: tuna, chicken, ham, stew, chili, vegetable, etc) baking items, soups, pasta, papers supplies, cleaning and laundry soaps, toiletries and monetary donations. A box is provided in the back of church. Monetary donations can be put in an envelope marked "Food Share" {checks can be made out to Sibley County Food share}. The county food share gives families and individuals in need an opportunity to shop once a month as well as access to other support services. Any questions, call 829.4416. Thank you for your support and prayers helping neighbors.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Giving July 1st, 2022-November 23rd, 2022	
Income	\$40,459.83
Expenses	\$36,726.51
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 3,733.32

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, **December 4th**-8:00 AM

Lector: Jason & Carly Tupy **Eucharistic Ministers:** Che May **Servers:** Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Brynn Busse **Gifts:** Gary & Vicki Neid **Ushers:** Bill & Che May, Gary & Vicki Neid **Money Counters:** Gary Neid, Bill May **Sacristan:** Sue Lauwagie

Sunday, **December 11th**-8:00 AM

Lector: Pete Machaiek **Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Renner **Servers:** Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer **Gifts:** Andrew & Megan Schmidt Family **Ushers:** Bill & Che May, Gary & Vicki Neid **Money Counters:** Gary Neid, Bill May **Sacristan:** Sue Lauwagie

Sunday, **December 18th**-8:00 AM

Lector: Mary Nelson **Eucharistic Ministers:** Dennis Dording **Servers:** Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda **Gifts:** Donovan & Susi Steele Family **Ushers:** Bill & Che May, Gary & Vicki Neid **Money Counters:** Gary Neid, Bill May **Sacristan:** Sue Lauwagie

SUNDAY MORNING TREATS FOR DECEMBER: The signup sheet is in the church kitchen. If you weren't able to sign up for Sep/Oct, now is your chance to sign up for Nov/Dec! Gathering together is such a blessing! Thank you one and all for sharing your talents, conversation, and working hands.

THE SIBLEY COUNTY FOODSHARE is a non-profit organization committed to providing a source of food and other necessities to the citizens of our county during times of need. The Sibley County FoodShare is able to provide this service thanks to the generous support and donations of area citizens, businesses, and churches. There will be a donation box in the entryway of St. Francis De Sales Church through November 20th. Please consider making a donation of food or other items. You may place items in the box at church.

THANK YOU so much for your consideration. Following are ideas of needed items....Meats, fish and protein – canned tuna, ham or chicken, beef stew, chili, peanut butter, canned/dried beans. Fruits and vegetables – 100% fruit juice, canned fruits and vegetables, instant potatoes. Complete meals – pasta & canned sauce, boxed meals, hearty soups. Grains – cereal, rice. Special diet foods – gluten-free, low-sugar, low-sodium. Personal care products – shampoo, deodorant, soap, diapers, toilet paper, feminine hygiene, toothpaste. Cleaning supplies – laundry detergent, paper towels, kitchen and bathroom cleaners

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **December 4th**-10:00 AM

Lector: Cindy Rieke **Dist:** Mary Ann Dummer **Servers:** Maddy, Lydia, Kellen & Sylvia Nachreiner **Ushers:** Dennis Weinzetl, Jason Weinzetl, George Wendinger, Jim Prax **Gifts:** Frank & Desiree Ziegler **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, **December 11th**-10:00 AM

Lector: Mike Beranek **Dist:** Myron Schweiss **Servers:** Luke & William Bastian, Kaden Weir **Ushers:** Tom Nachreiner, Dave Borth, Randy Boehm, Kevin Schweiss **Gifts:** Dennis & Jean Weinzetl **Sacristan:** Mary Ann Dummer/Kathy Schroeder

Sunday, **December 18th**-10:00 AM

Lector: Jody Busch **Dist:** Agnes Wendinger **Servers:** Ashley, Isabelle, Isaac & Alex Vos **Ushers:** Frank Ziegler, Kevin Roiger, David Runck, Leander Nachreiner **Gifts:** Jason & Kelly Weinzetl **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

ROOF PROJECT Please consider donating for this project. You can either use the maintenance envelope in your contribution box or just put in an envelope and state it is to be used for the roof fund. We need everybody's help. Thank you.

CCW MEETING on December 6th @ 6:30 p.m. in the social hall! Join us for a meeting and some Christmas cheer!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS December 12th-16th and December 26th-30th. Please call Barb Freitag at 426-7759 if you can help. Please leave a message.

NOVEMBER FOOD DRIVE starting now thru November 30th, 2022, we will be taking non-perishable food donations or cash donations for the Renville County Food Shelf. The donation boxes will be at both entries of church be generous. Thank you for all donations for all that need our help. Any questions call Sandy W at 426-7480 or Agnes Wendinger at 426-7675.

FREE 3 TV'S ON TALL METAL STANDS (one with VCR) that were used for religious ed. If anyone is interested in taking one, please call Karen Guggisberg at (507) 426-7348.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 5: Denine Hellendrung, Desiree Ziegler

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Giving July 1st, 2022 – November 23rd, 2022

Income	\$ 84,470.90
Expenses	\$ 58,839.10
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 25,631.80

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$17,190.00/(\$93,578.75) = (\$76,388.75)



Bake Sale!
Also Caramel & Cinnamon Rolls
Downtown At "Mary Jane's"
1024 First Avenue, Gibbon
In conjunction with
Santa Claus Day
Activities
Youth Benefit
9 a.m. to 1 p.m.
Saturday,
December 4th!
Benefit Fundraiser for All Saints Area Faith Community
Youth Conferences



Christmas Flower Donation Form


If you wish to make a donation for Christmas flowers, you may use this form. Fill out the form, place in an envelope and drop in the collection basket or Parish office by Wednesday, December 21st. Names will be printed in the December 25th bulletin. Thanks!

Donor Name: _____

Parish: _____

In Memory of: _____

Advent 2022

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p>Nov 27 "Walk in God's light!" Is. 2:1-5 Do some act today that leads to love and kindness for another.</p>	<p>Nov 28 "Seek God's favor." Is. 4:2-6 Bring a message of hope to someone in need!</p>	<p>Nov 29 "Come, Spirit of God!" Is. 11:1-10 Ask for some gift of the Spirit you most need right now.</p>	<p>Nov 30 "Come, follow me." Matt. 4:18-22 Recommit yourself as Christ's disciple – act he would.</p>	<p>Dec 1 "God, be my rock." Is. 26:1-6 Take time to pray – ask Christ to be your source of strength.</p>	<p>2 "Give me sight!" Matt. 9:27-31 In what way are you blind? Be open – ask to see with new eyes.</p>	<p>3 "Go to those in need." Matt. 9:38 Give to some worthy cause which helps others.</p>
<p>4 "Welcome another!" Rm. 15:7 Reach out – receive someone with whom you differ.</p>	<p>5 "Trust God's power." Is. 35:1-9 Be God's helper by doing something good for another.</p>	<p>6 "Comfort me, God." Is. 40:1-11 Like St. Nick do some small act of kindness today.</p>	<p>7 "God, renew me." Is. 40:25-31 Help someone who is carrying a burden in his/her life.</p>	<p>8 "Praise God for wonderful things." Lk.:1 Show God's love like Mary through the gifts you have.</p>	<p>9 "Take to heart my words." Is. 48:17-19 The words we speak matter. Use words that respect others!</p>	<p>10 "See Christ among you." Matt. 17:13 God sends prophets. To whom do you listen/not listen?</p>
<p>11 "Wait for the Lord." James 5:7-10 Christ is near all the time. Be patient and open – receive him.</p>	<p>12 "Fear not – say yes!" Lk. 1:26-38 Christ comes for... to all people. Rejoice in this feast of Mary.</p>	<p>13 "Be open to change!" Matt. 21:28-32 Review your life. Where is an open door needed?</p>	<p>14 "See - Listen - Speak" Is. 35:4-6, 10 Receive Christ in someone with whom you may be at odds.</p>	<p>15 "Trust God who forgives always." Is. 54:1-10 Just as Christ gives us many chances, do the same for another.</p>	<p>16 "Do what is right and just." Is. 56:1-3, 6-8 God's justice comes through us. Do right – love justice!</p>	<p>17 "Stand up for the weak." Ps. 72 No one wants to be left out. Reach out to a forgotten one.</p>
<p>18 "Look – God is with us." Matt. 1:18-24 God comes! Today look/name a sign of Christ's presence.</p>	<p>19 "Trust...have faith!" Lk. 1:5-25 Christ can't be walled out. Pray for a deeper faith!</p>	<p>20 "Expect great things with God." Is. 7:10-14 Make God the center of your life – the impossible happens.</p>	<p>21 "Be open to love." Song of Songs 2:8-14 Love changes us! Show your love for someone today.</p>	<p>22 "Give yourself to God." Lk. 1:46-56 Two women bear new life. How will you give life today?</p>	<p>23 "Announce Christ's coming." Lk. 1:57-66 Jesus is for everyone. Be Christ's presence and love today!</p>	<p>24 "Open your heart." Lk. 1:67-79 Have you changed from a year ago? Let Christ free you!</p>
<p>25 "Rejoice! Love is born anew." Lk. 2:1-14 Look all around you! See God's love – share it with others.</p>						

Advent/Christmas 2022

ADVENT COMMUNAL Penance SERVICES

St. Willibrord's, Gibbon
Sunday, December 18, 2 pm
(This will be an area joint penance service)

EUCCHARIST ADORATION (SILENT)

St. Francis de Sales, Winthrop
Tuesday, December 20, 10:00 am to 7:00 pm
Individual Confession 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

St. Willibrord's, Gibbon
Wednesday, December 21, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Individual confession 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

St. Andrew's, Fairfax
Thursday, December 22, 9:00 am to 7:00 pm
Individual confession 5:30 pm to 7:00 pm

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

St. Andrew's, Fairfax
Thursday, December 8, 8:30 am

St. Willibrord's, Gibbon
Thursday, December 8, 5:30 pm

SPANISH MASSES DURING ADVENT

St. Andrew's, Fairfax
Sunday, December 4, 12:30 pm
Sunday, December 18, 12:30 pm
Sunday, December 25, 12:30 pm

OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

St. Andrew's Church, Fairfax
Sunday, December 11, 4:00 pm

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Christmas Eve, December 24
3:00 pm, St. Francis de Sales, Winthrop
4:30 pm, St. Willibrord's, Gibbon
6:30 pm, St. Andrew's, Fairfax
Sunday, Christmas Day, December 25
10:00 am -St. Andrew's, Fairfax

NEW YEAR'S MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, December 31
5:00 pm, St. Francis de Sales, Winthrop
Sunday, January
8:00 am, St. Andrew's, Fairfax
10:00 am, St. Willibrord's, Gibbon

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAMS

Sunday, December 11, St. Francis de Sales (after mass)
Sunday, December 11, St. Andrew's (after mass)
Wednesday, December 14, St. Willibrord's, Gibbon, 7:00 pm



SANTA'S HELPERS OF SIBLEY COUNTY

Please consider giving a donation of new toys, games, mittens, hats, quilts, stocking stuffers, cash or other appropriate gifts for children are greatly appreciated. All donations should be given by Monday, November 28. You can also drop off donations until December 5th at American Lutheran Church in Gaylord.

Drop-off sites are:

D's Pit Stop, Gibbon Lumber, MinnWest Bank, Ogren's Insurance or Code 3 in Gibbon
Perennial & Mid County Bank in Winthrop
There will also be jars for money donations at area businesses.

SANTA'S CLOSET EXPRESS OF RENVILLE COUNTY

Santa's Closet will be done like last year. We will be making and delivering "care boxes" to the towns for pickup. You can drop off donations at listed places. Monetary donations are appreciated. Deadline for pickup will be December 10th.

Drop off sites are:

Frandsen Bank – Fairfax or mail to
Santa's Closet Express, PO Box 115,
Olivia MN 56270

Gifts can be dropped off at our church as well.