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1st Sunday **OF ADVENT**

“Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory.” - Lk 21:27

December 2, 2018 First Sunday of Advent



Weekly Words from The Rock

Advent

As we embark on the Season of Advent, I would like to offer a few thoughts on Advent.

The A of Advent means Anticipate. Advent anticipates Christmas and for many, we can't wait for Christmas to arrive. This Advent do not wish the days away. Do one thing each day of Advent which makes you grow closer to Jesus Christ.

The D of Advent means Don't. Don't forget the state of your soul. Celebrate the gift of God's forgiveness in the Sacrament of Penance.

The V of Advent means Volume. This is a difficult time of the year for many people. Reach out to them (volume) and let them know you are keeping them in prayer.

The E of Advent means Emulate. If we claim to be believers of Jesus Christ, let us show people that we believe by the life we live.

The N of Advent means Never. Never forget what makes this time of the year special. It isn't the food, gifts or parties. It is Jesus Christ.

The T of Advent means Time. As Jesus Christ came to us in the Christmas story which Advent anticipates, God has given us a precious gift in our time on this earth. We must never forget the way we live our time on this earth will determine our journey in eternity.

Pop Quiz

On February 20, 1997, *The Catholic Spirit* came up with a religious competency test. This test encompasses all

articles of the Catholic faith. Here are two questions I posed for you last week and I now provide the answers.

1. Write out the Ten Commandments (The first three deal with God and the last seven deal with man).

- A. I am the Lord thy God, thou shall not have other gods besides me.
- B. Do not take the name of the Lord in vain.
- C. Keep Holy the Sabbath Day.
- D. Honor your father and mother.
- E. Thou shall not kill.
- F. Thou shall not commit adultery.
- G. Thou shall not steal.
- H. Thou shall not bear false witness against thy neighbor.
- I. Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's wife.
- J. Thou shall not covet thy neighbor's goods.

2. Write out the Great Commandment of Jesus Christ which is a summary of the Old Testament Commandments but in a positive way (2 parts: first deals with God and the second deals with neighbor and self).

Part 1: You shall love the Lord your God with all your mind, heart, soul and strength.

Part 2: You shall love your neighbor as yourself.

Here are two more questions for the coming week.

- 1. Name three of the seven duties of a Catholic Christian.
- 2. Name two of the eight Beatitudes from the Gospels of Matthew and Luke. These are the attitudes we should have in our life according to Jesus.

Good luck with these questions. I'll provide the answers next week along with the next series of questions.

God's blessings! Father Peter Schuster, Pastor
pastor@rescathroch.org

Sunday Homilies are posted on our website:
wwwrescathroch.org



Christmas Flower Offering In Memory of/Honor of



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Memory/Honor (circle one)

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Parish News and Events



Cookie Saturday, Donut Sunday following all Masses this weekend in Zenk Hall. A great opportunity to get to know parishioners by sharing conversation over a cookie/donut and a cup of coffee or juice. Free will offering.

Elder Care Ministry will be hosting a fellowship on Thursday, December 6th following the 8:30 am Mass. All are invited to stop in Zenk North Hall for coffee and donuts.

Holy Day of Obligation, The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. A Vigil Mass will be offered on Friday, December 7th at 5:30 pm and Mass on Saturday is 8:30 am. See the sign up sheet outside the sacristy for Liturgical ministers.



Marian Opportunities On December 7th and 8th at the Masses for the Feast of the Immaculate Conception, there will be an opportunity for those who have made a **Consecration to Jesus through Mary** to join with others for a re-consecration during Mass. We will use the 33 Days to Morning Glory version of the consecration prayer and copies will be provided.

On Wednesday, December 12th, feast of Our Lady of Guadalupe, the movie **"Power in my Hands"** will be shown at 7pm in Room C. This new movie is about the story of hope and the **power of prayer**, particularly the rosary. Come for snacks and conversation at 6:30 pm if you wish. Please bring your own beverage.

46th Annual Holiday Bazaar Big Ticket Raffle



Please stop by the display table in the Gathering Space to get your envelope with the Big Ticket Cash raffle tickets. Your \$5 ticket could win you 1 of 33 cash prizes ranging from \$50 to \$500. Only 4,500 tickets were printed so your chances of winning are good. We have extra tickets in the office to purchase.



Holiday Bazaar 2018 Sunday, December 9th 9:30 am—2:30 pm

Food, games, cash raffle, craft sale, children's gift shop, bake sale with specialty cookie boxes, cake walk, silent auction, rolls and coffee, luncheon, entertainment and more.

*We Need your Help. The time is now.
Please consider being a volunteer.
See the sign up board in the Gathering Space.*

Seeking Donations for:

Crafts: Homemade/handmade items such as jewelry, knitted or crocheted items (dishcloths, scarfs), kids' hair clips/headbands, ornaments, painted items, cookie ingredients in a jar, blankets and afghans.

Silent Auction Items: Family or individual baskets, child or adult, holiday or everyday items are welcome and appreciated. We are also in need of empty baskets or containers. Please consider putting together a basket! Baskets can be put together by individuals, neighborhood groups, ministry groups, etc.

Bingo Prizes: Unwrapped small toys, candy, gift cards, etc.



Children's Gift Shop: Small items-candles, mugs, soaps, picture frames, ornaments, jewelry, other unused items you have on hand.

*Any of the above items can be
dropped off at the church office
starting the week of
November 26th.*



For more information, contact the church office at 507-288-5528 or call Randy Stocker, chair, 507-722-6999.

Parish Office Hours

Monday-Friday 9:00 am– 5:00pm

Mass Schedule

Saturday 8:00 pm

Sunday 8:30, 10:00 & 11:30 am

Daily Mass Mon-Fri 8:30 am

Rosary Mon-Fri 8:10 am; Sat. 7:30 pm

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 6:45-7:45 pm

Marriage Please call the office at 288-5528 to make arrangements with the parish at least six months prior.

Baptism

Pre-Jordan class is held the second Tuesday of the month. Contact the Parish Office to register for the class or schedule a baptism.

Communion for Homebound Call the office for assistance.

Hospital/Homebound Please call the parish office for a visit from a priest.

Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults

For those considering becoming Catholic, contact Sheila Pelowski, 288-5528, or spelowski@rescathroch.org.

Calvary Cemetery

Steve Flynn, 507-273-0140, or email director@gmail.com.

St. Francis Catholic School

Grades Pre-K-8th Grade

Lourdes High School

Contact RCS 507-289-1702 or go to their website rcsmn.org. to learn more about the Catholic schools.

Scrip

Teresa Goodrich, 507 280-0349 or email tgoodrich@rcsmn.org

St. Francis School News

The regular monthly meeting of the Home and School Association will be held on Monday, December 3rd at 6:30 pm in the school library.

The weekly all school Mass will be celebrated on Tuesday, December 4th at 9:15 am.

Friday, December 7th is mid-quarter. It is also the first Friday of the month and will be a non-uniform day.

Community News

Weekly Bulletin deadline is Friday, 5pm; email correspondence to officemgr@rescathroch.org.

The Cathedral of the Sacred Heart invites you and your friends and family to attend Cor Jesu, on Friday, December 7th, 7:00-9:00PM. Cor Jesu is an evening of Eucharistic Adoration, Confessions, and music in honor of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. All are welcome to attend! For more details, search for Winona Cor Jesu on Facebook, go to cascwinona.org/prayer/corjesu, or call Kristopher Kaufman at (859) 760-1619 or Steven Lehn at (507) 312-9041.

Lourdes High School Christmas Concert Center Street Singers, Lourdes Hi-Lighters & Jazz Band, Tuesday, December 4th, 7 pm; Pax Christi Catholic Church, 4135 -18 AVE NW, Rochester. A free will offering for the Lourdes Music Department will be accepted.

Michael Russell O'Brien Christmas Show, will be held at Christ the King Catholic Church on Saturday, December 15th at 7:00 pm. Doors open at 6:30pm. This is a free family event, public welcome. You may reserve your free ticket by contacting Pam by email at kuisle.pam@gmail.com. or call 507-272-0924. Free will offering. Stay after the concert for cookies, cider and coffee. There will be door prizes and time for autographs, photos and CD sales. Christ the King Church is located at 202 4th St NW, Byron. For more information on Michael, go to his website michaelrussellobrien.com.

Advent seminar: Palestine and Israel: A Land Twice

Promised. Join us on Dec 8th at Sacred Heart in Waseca, 111 4th St. NW, 9am Mass; 9:45 Welcome coffee-n-pastry; 10-12:15 presentation and discussion: World's Bishops declare: "50 years of Occupation Demands Action." Gifts of olive wood and olive oil available for purchase. RSVP appreciated: rdebona@ccsomm.org

DIVORCE Care Surviving the Holidays

DivorceCare—Surviving the Holidays Separation or divorce during the holidays can be a lonely, stressful and depressing time. But there's hope! The DivorceCare

Ministry at Pax Christi Church, Rochester, is offering a Surviving the Holidays seminar on December 6th, 6:30 p.m. at Pax Christi Church. This one-night seminar covers how to deal with the many emotions faced during the holidays, tips for surviving social events, ways to help your children cope, and finding hope for the future. The cost is \$5. Registration deadline is December 2nd. To register visit <http://paxchristchurch.org/divorcecare-surviving-the-holidays> or contact Jane Meyer at 507-269-1200 or LESAMJ@yahoo.com.

Liturgical Ministries

NOTE: Please remember to find a substitute if you are unable to fulfill your ministry as scheduled. Thank you.

Dec 8th/9th

Altar Servers

- 8:00 pm Fred Noser, Adam Sellner
- 8:30 am Chris Simonson, Avery Washnieski
- 10:00 am Avery Davis, Lilly Davis
- 11:30 am Gavin Balderes, McKaid Schotzko

Eucharistic Ministers

- 8:00 pm Bread: Patricia & Walter Max, Cup: Debbie Olson, Jane Haeflinger, Theresa Root, Patricia Schoenfelder, Steven Gronseth, Kim Shimak-Hansen
- 8:30 am Bread: Jerry Krantz, Charlotte Robinet, Kevin Sutter, Julie Galkowski, Donna Weber, Cup: Michael & Mary Lose, Diane Doty, Joan Miller, Kathryn Fitzgerald, Patrice Steier
- 10:00 am Bread: Mary & Richard Streit, Robert Techentin, Brenda & Gary Tschann, Cup: Char Stocker, Douglas & Melody Hudson, Esther Connelly, Lynn Gaber, Regina Boehmke
- 11:30 am Bread: Marianne Aksamit, Marylu Nemgar, Cup: Rebecca Woodcock, Jackie O'Connell, John & Arlys Leitzen, Lynette Leno, **NOT FILLED**

Lectors

- 8:00 pm Therese Schoenfelder
- 8:30am Denise Koster, Richard Miller
- 10:00 am Jerome & Elaine Garry
- 11:30 am Allen Aksamit

Greeters

- 8:00 pm Judith Pelowski, Eileen King
- 8:30 am Elaine Doherty, David & Marlys Gathje
- 10:00 am Shannon & Tom Knoepke, Darci & Peter Kopischke
- 11:30 am Jennifer Gehling, **NOT FILLED**

Ushers

- 8:00 pm Greg Hansen, Reilyn Schoenfelder, John Schoenfelder
- 8:30 am Eric Ladin, Chuck Radloff, Clara Radloff, Albert Weber
- 10:00 am Aaron Davis, Jacob Maronde, Jim Sinn, Bob Voss
- 11:30 am Karen Reopelle, Jeffrey Schotzko, Lee Witter
- 7:30 pm Rosary

Weekly Calendar

Monday, December 3rd

3rd Grade Learning Centers 4-7:00 pm
 Faith Formation Classes Gr 1,2,4 & 5,
 4:30pm/6:00 pm
 Stewardship Committee Meeting
 4:30 pm
 Heart of Trinity Prayer Group
 7:00pm

Tuesday, December 4th

Confirmation Centers 3:00-8:00 pm
 Family Promise Training 6:30 pm

Wednesday, December 5th

Scripture Study 9:15 am
 Confirmation Centers 3:00-8:00 pm
 Food for Friends 4:30 pm
 Faith Formation Classes Gr 6-9
 6:30 pm
 St. Cecelia Singers Practice 7:00 pm

Thursday, December 6th

Elder Care Ministry Fellowship
 9:00 am

Children Choir 6:00 pm
 Scripture Study 6:30 pm
 Adult Choir 7:00 pm

Friday, December 7th

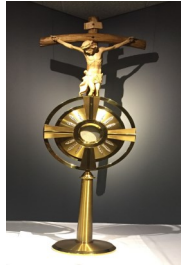
Holiday Bazaar Set up
 Holy Day Vigil Mass 5:30 pm

Saturday, December 8th

Holy Day Mass 8:30 am

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel

"When you look at the Crucifix, you understand how much Jesus loved you then. When you look at the Sacred Host you understand how much Jesus loves you now." Mother Teresa



Hours of Need call Tim Fague at 507-288-6578 to sign up. * 2nd adorer hours.

Sun	Mon	Tues	Wed	Thurs	Fri	Sat
1 am*	12 am*	12 am*	12 am*	11 am	3 am*	12 am*
3 pm*	3 am*	1 am*	7 am*	1 pm	10 am	5 am*
	4 am	3 am	10 am	3 pm*	12 pm*	11 am*
	10 am*	4 am	11 am*	7 pm*	1 pm*	1 pm*
	10 pm*	5 am*	1 pm	11 pm*	2 pm*	3 pm
		6 am*	3 pm*		11 pm*	4 pm*
						9 pm*

Adoration Team is in need of an Hourly Coordinator for the 4:00 pm hour. Responsibilities include completing the monthly/daily log in to verify that hour was covered by the end of each month; also the hourly coordinator is the first contact if that hour adorer needs help to get a substitute. The hourly coordinator can also ask the division coordinator to help find a sub if needed. When a new adorer starts, they receive the names and contact phone number of both the hourly and division coordinator. Once a year, usually in October, there is a meeting that all coordinators are asked to attend. If you are interested or have questions, please contact Tim Fague at 507-288-6578.

The 29th Annual National Night of Prayer for Life will be observed at Resurrection on Saturday, December 10th following the 8:00 pm Mass in the Perpetual Adoration Chapel from 9:00pm-12 midnight. All are invited to come before our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament in unity with thousands across our country and ask, through the intercession of our Blessed Mother, to re-establish a Culture of Life, return America to being One Nation Under God, restore Religious Liberty and make us worthy of Christ's peace. Included will be the Patriotic Rosary, Divine Mercy Chaplet, pro-life prayers, hymns and silent adoration. All are invited.



Thank you to the businesses that support our parish through advertising on the back of our bulletin. This week we feature **Maday Chiropractic**, Dr. Brent Maday, parishioner. At your first visit to Maday Chiropractic, Dr. Brent T. Maday will explain how chiropractic care works and give you a full evaluation to see if our chiropractic solutions are a good fit to address your needs. If there is a good fit, they can customize a plan of chiropractic care for your condition and health goals.



Adult Scripture Study being held on Wednesdays at 9:15 am and Thursdays 6:30 pm. There is no cost.

Come and spend about 90 minutes to prepare for the upcoming Sunday readings through discussion and a short video with insight on the readings. The video presentation is by Dr. Brant Pitre.

All materials will be available in the classroom. Any questions, call the office at 507 288 5528. All are invited—no sign up is required. (No childcare available on site).

Dr. Brant Pitre, a scripture scholar and bestselling author uses biblical and historical evidence to bring the Sunday readings to life. He has several youtube videos on Catholic topics. Check them out and join a class to really get an understanding of the Sunday readings before you attend Mass.

Resurrection's Giving Tree is in the Gathering Space featuring items needed for Family Promise and Elder Care Ministry. Please stop by the tree, pick out a tag and return the item unwrapped with the tag attached. Monetary gifts can be dropped off in the office or in the drop box located by the office door. Thank you for your continuous generous support.



Musings from Joy

Music and Choral Director &
Coordinator of Liturgy
choirdirector@rescathroch.org.

Happy (Liturgical) New Year, and welcome to Advent!

It's no secret that Advent is my favorite liturgical season of them all, though it is one of the shortest. (My colleagues and friends in liturgy and music like to joke that we need to make it twice as long to get all of the "good" music in!)

You'll notice a few changes this season after the long stretch of Ordinary Time we've just come out of:

(1) **No Gloria in excelsis** – In order to help the *Gloria* have its full effect on Christmas, we refrain from using it in Advent. Liturgically speaking, we do not have the Christ-child yet, and therefore no "praises" to sing! (We get the *Gloria* directly from the accounts of Jesus' birth; the angels sang it to praise the newborn.)

(2) **The Kyrie** – Technically speaking, we could always sing the *Kyrie* if we wanted to. However, especially during Ordinary Time, it can become a bit too much in addition to singing the *Gloria*. In order to mark the penitential nature of this season, we will sing the *Kyrie* throughout Lent.

(3) **Father wearing purple** – In fact, the correct name for the liturgical color is *violet*. This is often the color associated with kings and royalty. As we prepare to welcome our newborn King, the baby Jesus, we mark this coming with violet *chasubles* and *décor*.

(4) **The Advent Wreath** – We help to mark the passage of time during advent by lighting the candles of the Advent Wreath. Next week, I will delve more deeply into the rich tradition of the Advent Wreath.

Christmas Children's Choir The Children's Choir invites any young parishioner in Grades 2-7 to join us for the **4pm Christmas Eve Mass in the Church**.

There are four rehearsals for Christmas Eve Mass. We have already had our first one. If your child can make all three of these rehearsals, they are still welcome to participate!

Thursday, December 6th – 6pm-7pm (Church)

Thursday, December 13th – 6pm-7pm (Church)

Thursday, December 20th – 6pm-7pm (Church)

If your child would like to participate for this special liturgy, **please fill out the Children's Choir Registration form on the parish website**. Current Children's Choir members need not fill out a form again. If you have any questions or concerns, please do not hesitate to reach out to me.

New Song Sunday For this week's New Song Sunday, I'd like to share with you *Dust and Ashes*, a Lenten piece by David Haas. This call-and-response style piece will appear in Lent this year, creating a wonderful welcoming for all of the Masses. Listen to it here: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=ZIMhplOLFZQ>



Mass Intentions

Mon.,	Dec. 3rd	8:30 am	†Lee Johnson
Tues.,	Dec. 4th	8:30 am	†Rob Frisby
Wed.,	Dec. 5th	8:30 am	†Dick Christenson
Thurs.,	Dec. 6th	8:30 am	†John Neylon
Fri.,	Dec. 7th	8:30 am 5:00 pm	Priests in the Diocese †Lori Sue Norris
Sat.,	Dec. 8th	8:30 am 8:00 pm	†Bob Kosloski †Maureen Lutgen
Sun.,	Dec. 9th	8:30 am 10:00 am 11:30 am	For the Parish †Tom & Marlene Motley †Roger Herrick

Dedication Candles December 1st-December 8th

1. †Earl Wampach
2. †Andrea Alexander



Resurrection's Community Food Response Volunteers

Needed Every first Monday Resurrection parish volunteers help CFR by driving to pick up donated food from restaurants, grocery stores, and hospital cafeterias around Rochester and then sorting and distributing the food to our neighbors in need. We have a dedicated group of volunteers at Resurrection, but we could use a few more.

You would not be expected to help every month, just as much as you are able. The driving and sorting shifts are during the early to mid afternoon and the distributing shift starts at 4:30 pm. We also have a driving shift on every other Wednesday afternoon. Drivers need to be able to carry at least 8 full size coolers in their vehicles.

Please prayerfully consider helping out. Contact Eileen Kennedy-Warrington at 507-884-9837 or call the parish office.

Readings for the week of December 2, 2018

Sunday: Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 [1b]/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday: Is 2:1-5/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 [cf. 7]/
Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday: Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [6cd]/
Mt 15:29-37

Thursday: Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a [26a]/
Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday: Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday: Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [1]/Eph 1:3-6,
11-12/Lk 1:26-38

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Faith Formation



News from Sheila, Birth-KG, Children's Ministry, RCIA, dresscm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 101
Today, we begin our preparation to celebrate the birthday of our savior, Jesus Christ. During Advent we think about the past, our lives today, and what will be in the future. Students are also preparing for their Christmas social on **Sunday, December 16th** following each Sunday School Class. Dress your children in their Christmas best for this special occasion and remember to mark your calendars! St. Monica, help us be patient this month as we await for the birth of our savior, Jesus Christ. Help us to honor him above all else. St. Monica, pray for us. Amen.



News from Stacey, Grades 1-5, Family Ministry, dre1to5fm@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 108
Grades 1-5: We have Faith Formation classes for grades 1, 2, 4, and 5 on Monday, December 3rd at 4:30 and 6:00pm. The **3rd graders** will have Parent/child learning centers on the Poor and Homeless Among Us. The learning centers will be available from 4:00-7:00pm in South Fr. Zenk Hall and usually take about an hour.

First Reconciliation: The children and families preparing for their First Reconciliation will be receiving the sacrament during our parish Communal Penance Service on Tuesday, December 11th at 6:30pm. Families will need to arrive by 6:15-6:20 to check in.

Virtues in Practice: Our December virtue is patience, which means waiting without complaining and our saint for grades 1-2 is St. Monica. She grew up believing in Jesus. Her husband did not believe in Jesus, and that made her sad. Her son did not believe in Jesus either and lived a bad life. That made her even more sad, and she prayed every day that her husband and son would believe in God. Finally, they did believe in God, and St. Monica's son loved God so much that he became a saint, too! He is St. Augustine! St. Monica, help us to be patient while we wait like you did. St. Monica, pray for us. Amen.



News from Ryan, Grades 6-12, Youth Ministry, youth@rescathroch.org or 288-5528 x 104
Youth Adoration

Come join us in the adoration chapel every Sunday from 5:00 pm to 6:00 pm to sit and pray in the presence of our Lord. There will be quiet music and some structured prayer along with time for quiet contemplation. We invite all youth in our parish to join us. *Families are welcome to join.*

Youth Adoration Musicians

We are also currently looking for more musicians for Youth Adoration Hour. If interested, E-mail me at youth@rescathroch.org with your contact information and what instruments you play. We'd love to have you!

Sheila's Corner: Children's Ministry and RCIA families:



Please join us on **Friday, December 7th** at 5:30pm for the Immaculate Conception Vigil Mass.

Lord Jesus help us to prepare to greet you at Christmas and at the end of time. Amen.

Stacey Shares: **BEST ADVENT EVER**, a free email program from Dynamic Catholic that will help you slow down and focus on what matters most during the busy holiday season. Each day of Advent, you'll receive an email with:
Short inspirational videos from Allen Hunt, Matthew Kelly, and the Dynamic Catholic team.
•Practical tips for your everyday life
•Real-life stories to encourage you in your faith journey
To sign up, visit BestAdventEver.com/Christmas18

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THE SEASON

