



WEST FORK CATHOLIC COMMUNITY

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ACTIVITIES CALENDAR

MONDAY—DECEMBER 18

Third Monday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Merville
10:30 a.m. Funeral (McDermott) - Kingsley

TUESDAY—DECEMBER 19

Third Tuesday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Merville
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Jim & Fauniel Cox] - Merville

WEDNESDAY—DECEMBER 20

Third Wednesday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Merville
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [All Fathers] - Anthon
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Kingsley
4:00 p.m. Faith Formation [PS-4] - Merville
4:00 p.m. Advent Program/Cookie Decorating - Merville
6:30-7:45 p.m. Faith Formation - Anthon
6:30-7:45 p.m. Reconciliation - Anthon
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-12] - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. SMC Love Tree Delivery - Kingsley
7:00 p.m. Faith Formation [5-8] - Merville

THURSDAY—DECEMBER 21

Third Thursday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Merville
8:00 a.m. Eucharist [Shirley Roder+] - Kingsley

FRIDAY—DECEMBER 22

Third Friday of Advent

7:30 a.m. Rosary - Merville
11:00 a.m. Eucharist [Marcella Thomas] - CharMac

SATURDAY—DECEMBER 23

Third Saturday of Advent

4:30-4:45 p.m. Reconciliation - Anthon
4:30 p.m. Rosary - Anthon
5:00 p.m. Eucharist [All Mothers] - Anthon

SUNDAY—DECEMBER 24

Fourth Sunday of Advent

8:00-8:15 a.m. Reconciliation - Merville
8:00 a.m. Rosary - Merville
8:30 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Merville
9:30 a.m. Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) - Merville
9:30-9:45 a.m. Reconciliation - Kingsley
10:00 a.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Kingsley
11:15 a.m. Baptism (Siemers) - Merville
4:00 p.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Anthon
5:30 p.m. Eucharist [People of WFCC] - Merville
7:00 p.m. Eucharist [Joseph & Virginia Otterpohl+] - Kingsley

Please visit the WFCC website to find more information about our parishes, to read and/or download this weekly bulletin, to read the latest news, and to learn more about our faith.

<http://www.westforkcatholiccommunity.org>

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Third Sunday of Advent

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE FOR ADVENT:

- St. Joseph-Anthon is on Wednesday, December 20 at 6:30 p.m.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE:

- December 24, 4:00 p.m. at St. Joseph-Anthon
- December 24, 5:30 p.m. at Immaculate Conception-Moville
- December 24, 7:00 p.m. at St. Michael-Kingsley
- December 25, 9:00 a.m. at Immaculate Conception-Moville

MERRY CHRISTMAS FROM YOUR PAR-

ISH! Located in the back of the churches, a book entitled "Perfectly Yourself - Discovering God's Dream For You", by Matthew Kelly. This book, is provided by your parish, is given to each registered parish family this Christmas. Please take your copy home, read it, and enjoy!

DINNERS/BREAKFAST:

- KCAC Dwelling Breakfast Fundraiser**, Sunday, January 21 from 8:00 a.m.-12:30 p.m. at the Kingsley-Pierson High School. Will be serving omelets, scrambled eggs, sausage, french toast, pancakes, biscuits and gravy. Free will donation, all donations will go to the dwelling.

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THE SHRINE OF THE

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OF THE REDEMPTION
Presents

Fr. Donald Calloway


The Rosary: The Spiritual Sword of Our Lady

Thursday, January 25, 2018, 7:00 PM

Ss. Peter & Paul Catholic Church
206 N Broadway Ave
West Bend, IA 50597



Fr. Donald Calloway, MIC, a prominent Marian priest, exhibits an unmistakable zeal for the priesthood and devotion to Our Lady. He is a well-known conference speaker on Divine Mercy and the Blessed Virgin Mary. He speaks passionately about these topics in his moving conversion story.





Christmas Ministers



St. Joseph-Anthon

SATURDAY DECEMBER 24 4:00 P.M.

Altar Servers: Cameron O'Connell, Hannah O'Connell
Reader(s): Barb Utesch
Organist: Kathy Clarkson
Guitarist: Jim Rusch
Gifts: Kevin Clausen Family
Communion: Lori Berning, Randy Boyer, Charlene Boyer

St. Michael-Kingsley

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24 7:00 P.M.

Altar Servers: Liam Dunne, Jordyn Sitzmann, Shayley Haggin
Reader(s): Madison Wurth, Jamie Sitzmann
Cantor: Julie Leekley
Organist: Jolene Spooner
Gifts: Rickie Ahlquist Family
Communion: John Galles, Lois Galles, Barb Sitzmann
Greeters: Charlene Nafe, Shelly Bohlke
Ushers: Tim Carlson, Lois Galles, Barb Sitzmann

Immaculate Conception-Moville

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24 5:30 P.M.

Altar Servers: Paige Glackin, Charlee Petersen, Zach Steffen
Reader(s): Carol Glackin
Cantor: Kristen Peters
Organist: Laura Krajccek
Gifts: David Dietrich Family
Communion: Chuck Hoelker, Mike Byers, Shelly Byers, Chris Hoelker, Cindy Hesse
Ushers: Doug Glackin, Sean Glackin

MONDAY DECEMBER 25 9:00 A.M.

Altar Servers: Brand Beaver, Carly Meister, Volunteer
Reader(s): Melissa Nelson
Cantor: Angie Williams
Organist: Jolene Spooner
Gifts: Craig Davis Family
Communion: Carol Nelson, Eric Nelson, Becky Moodie
Ushers: Butch Grell, Volunteer

Immaculate Conception Church - Moville (Est. 1892)

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes..... \$2,163.00 (40 Envelopes)
 Youth Envelopes*..... \$31.50 (7 Envelopes)
 Loose.....\$437.00
 Flower Fund\$90.00 (3 Envelopes)
Total Income.....\$2,721.5
 Needed Each Week \$3,163.62
Total Parish Expenses \$4,156.41

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: "I cleaned the basement"

BUDGET REPORT 2017-2018

Income needed by 30 June 2017: \$164,508.01
Income needed each week: \$3,163.62
Income received since 1 July 2016: \$78,302.27



You are Invited!
Youth Advent Program
December 20, 2017
4:30 p.m.

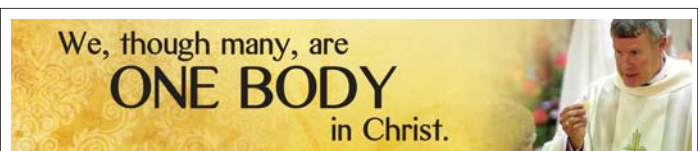
In preparation for the coming of the Baby Jesus the Faith Formation students in PK-4th grade will be presenting an Advent Program on Wednesday, December 20 at 4:30 p.m. The youth are to attend Faith Formation at the regular time of 4:00 p.m. in order to prepare. Cookie decorating will follow the Advent Program. The cookie decorating is open to the whole family. A free will offering will be collected for the volunteer who donated the cookies and decorations for the event. Your generosity would be greatly appreciated. Please mark this date in your calendars. We would love to have you join us for this fun festival.

ICC SANCTUARY LIGHT [DECEMBER 17-23] burns for
Penny Thomas+ at the request of **Art & Sally Seidel.**
Weeks available until December 17, 2017.

LOST/FOUND please pick up your salad bowls or cake pans from the last couple of months. All are available on the cart in the gathering area of the building. After January 1, 2018 all left over will be donated.

FROM THE DESK OF ANGIE DUFFY, DFF:

- December 20** 4:30 p.m. Faith Formation Advent Program. Students are to attend Faith Formation at 4:00 p.m. in order to prepare for the program. The program will begin at 4:30 p.m. with family cookie decorating to follow. There will be a free will donation for the volunteer who donated her time and talent of providing the wonderful cookies for the exciting event. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated.
- January 3** Faith Formation classes resume
- January 10** CICC class will be having a guest speaker, Fr. Shane Deman (Vocations Director for the Diocese, Steubenville Coordinator, and Chaplain for Heelan High School). Parents are invited to listen to the talk beginning at 7:00 p.m. Students are asked to arrive before 7:00 p.m. out of respect for the guest speaker.
- January 11** First Reconciliation Learning Stations at IC from 6:30-8:00 p.m. This is a mandatory event for both the parents and the 2nd grade Faith Formation student. It is a come and go event, arrive when you like and leave when you are finished. I strongly encourage you to take advantage of this special time with your child to help strengthen his/her understanding of the importance of the Sacrament of Reconciliation.
- January 14** First Reconciliation Service for the 2nd grade Faith Formation student and family at 4:00 p.m. at IC Church.
- January 17** Mandatory Parent meeting for First Holy Communion at 7:00 p.m.



	2016	2017
\$ Goal:	\$11,153.00	\$11,500.00
\$ Pledged:	\$10,780.00	\$9,910.00
\$ Given:	\$10,230.00	\$8,360.00
Pledges Goal:	171	166
Participants:	91	91
Participant Rate:	53%	55%

St. Joseph Church - Anthon

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes \$1,669.00
 Loose \$58.00
 Bulletin Revenue \$92.74
Total Income \$1,819.74

*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none

BUDGET REPORT 2017-2018

Income needed by 30 June 2018: \$107,800.12
Income needed each week: \$2,073.08
Income received since 1 July 2017: \$35,467.50
 12/15/2017



	2016	2017
\$ Goal:	\$7,116.00	\$7,045.00
\$ Pledged:	\$2,527.50	\$2,915.00
\$ Given:	\$1,926.50	\$1,905.00
Pledges Goal:	102	95
Participants:	30	30
Participant Rate:	29%	32%

CHRISTMAS FLOWER COLLECTION Today, there will be a second collection taken for Christmas flowers.

LENDING LIBRARY Please notice, in the back of the church, our newly opened "**St. Joseph's Lending Library**". You are most welcome to borrow any of the items. Our hope is that, once you have read your selected book, listened to a CD, or watched the DVD, you will return it to the library for others to enjoy! At this time, we would like to thank the Diocesan Council of Catholic Women and the Dawn & Adam Henderson family for their donations to our lending library. If you have any items that you would like to donate to our library, we would love to add them to our selections. Please contact either Cec Karhoff, 373-5042, or Charlene Boyer, 373-5302. We hope that you enjoy this added source of spiritual enrichment!

PARISH HALL RENTAL, please contact either Dottie Maguire (373-5075) or Pat Roark (373-5776) for date availability.

COFFEE/MUFFINS St. Joseph's will be having coffee and muffins every third Wednesday after Mass. Everyone is invited!

SJC SANCTUARY LIGHT [DECEMBER 17-23]
 burns for **Judy Welte+** at the request of **Skip Welte**.
Weeks available after March 10, 2018.

St. Michael Church - Kingsley (Est. 1888)

INCOME/EXPENSES LAST WEEK

Adult Envelopes \$3,222.00 (37 Envelopes)
 Youth Envelopes* \$22.00 (18 Envelopes)
 Loose \$175.75
 Flower Fund..... \$150.00 (6 Envelopes)
Total Income \$3,569.75

Needed Each Week.....\$3,117.47

Total Expenses \$187.55

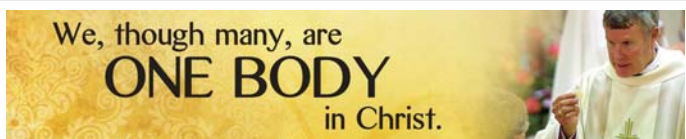
*Time/Talent quotes from youth envelopes: none

BUDGET REPORT 2017-2018

Income needed by 30 June 2018: \$162,108.48
Income needed each week: \$3,117.47
Income received since 1 July 2017: \$52,971.85

SMC SANCTUARY LIGHT [DECEMBER 17-23] burns for
Glen Schlotman+ at the request of **Lois Schlotman**.

Weeks available until January 2018.



	2016	2017
\$ Goal:	\$12,319.00	\$13,500.00
\$ Pledged:	\$9,145.00	\$8,120.00
\$ Given:	\$8,945.00	\$7,675.00
Pledges Goal:	171	179
Participants:	97	79
Participant Rate:	57%	44%

CHRISTMAS DECORATING if you are able to help with the Christmas Decorating please stay after Mass on December 24 to help out!

FROM THE DESK OF BARB SITZMANN, DRE:

- Wednesday, December 20th- 11th and 12th graders delivering Love Tree gifts to the nursing home.
- WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 27TH- CHRISTMAS BREAK- NO FAITH FORMATION CLASSES.
- Wednesday, January 3rd- FF classes resume. 11th and 12th graders to Food Bank of Siouxland in Sioux City for service project. They will need to leave the FF building by 5:30 pm and have a permission slip on file.
- Wednesday, January 10th- 9th and 10th graders to the nursing home for bingo. KP-CSD early out but still having FF classes.
- Thursday, January 11th 4-7 pm- Penance Learning Stations at the FF building. ALL 2ND GRADE STUDENTS AND THEIR PARENT/PARENTS ARE REQUIRED TO ATTEND! This is a come and go event this evening- but required.
- Sunday, January 14th 1:30 pm- FIRST PENANCE SERVICES FOR ALL 2ND GRADERS AND THEIR PARENTS AT THE CHURCH.
- Wednesday, January 17th 7 pm at St. Michael Church- 1st Eucharist parent meeting. THIS MEETING IS REQUIRED FOR PARENTS OF ALL 2ND GRADERS!
- Thursday, January 25th time TBA- Fr. Don Calloway will be a guest speaker at the Grotto in West Bend. He is a dynamic speaker and has several popular books out! I would like to take a group to this event- if you are interested in going, please let me know ASAP!
- Wednesday, January 31st 4 pm- Blessing of Throats service in the church.
- PLEASE PLAN AHEAD!!!! OUR ANNUAL DAD'S BELGIAN WAFFLE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER WILL BE HELD SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 11TH FROM 8:30-12:30 PM. PLEASE LET ME KNOW ASAP IF YOUR CHILD WOULD LIKE TO WORK THIS EVENT TO EARN MONEY TOWARD CHURCH CAMP, RETREATS, STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCES ETC... WE WILL START SELLING TICKETS FOR THIS EVENT BEGINNING IN JANUARY!!!
- Contact info: St. Michael FF Center 378-2021, Barb's cell 712-251-8567 Emails- FF stmikedre@gmail.com, home barbsitzmann@yahoo.com.



MINISTERS' ASSIGNMENTS

St. Joseph-Anthon

SATURDAY DECEMBER 23 5:00 P.M.

Altar Servers: Victoria Fillipi, Brylei Clausen
Reader(s): Donna Cunningham
Organist: Kathy Clarkson
Guitarist: Jim Rusch
Gifts: Luke Dixon Family
Communion: Skip Welte, Bernie Ketelsen, Lori Schroeder
Rosary Leader: Linda Dixon

Immaculate Conception-Moville

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24 8:30 A.M.

Altar Servers: Mary Putze, Ryan Putze, Suzanne Putze
Reader(s): Nick Hytrek
Cantor: Sally Schultz
Organist: Laura Krajicek
Gifts: Jacquelyn Dashner Family
Communion: Becky Moodie, Kay Sands, Mary Schultz
CharMac: Kay Sands
Ushers: Jim Gries, Volunteer
Collection Counters: Pam Cooper, JoAnne Jenness

St. Michael-Kingsley

SUNDAY DECEMBER 24 10:00 A.M.

Altar Servers: Emerson Ploeger, Allison Haggin, Sean Cronin
Reader(s): Kylie Beelner, Karen Malm
Cantor: Amanda Seuntjens
Organist: Jolene Spooner
Gifts: Jeremy Eickholt Family
Communion: Jerry Seuntjens, Shari Seuntjens, Sheryl Koch
KNH: Karen Malm
Greeters: Bill & Lisa Langel
Ushers: Corey Sitzmann, Dan Mockler
Collection Counters: Becky Sitzmann, Barb Sitzmann

PLEASE REMEMBER IN YOUR PRAYERS: Clarice Bainbridge, Leonard Beaver, Juanita Beaubien, Tom/Donna Clark, Pauline Dugan, Kara Funk, Charlotte Honkomp, Virginia & Walt Kabisch, Millie Kisting, Harold Kloewer, Patricia McConnell, Stanley Nilles, Beverly Petekavich, Patricia Rogers, Jim Roger, Judy Schroeder, Ener Seuntjens, Sylvesta Slota, Harlan/Fairy Steffe, Marcella Thomas, Jeune Vondrak, Gerry Weinriech, Emmet Woltman, and the men and women serving in the military and police.

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IMPORTANT DATES

- December 25: NATIVITY OF THE LORD
- December 25: OFFICES CLOSED
- December 25, 9:00 a.m.: Eucharist [M]
- December 27: No Faith Formation Class [A/K/M]
- December 31, 10:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m.: Hall Rental [K]
- January 1: SOLEMNITY OF MARY
- January 1: OFFICES CLOSED
- January 9, 7:00 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]
- January 10, 7:00 p.m.: Speaker (Shane Deman) [M]
- January 11, 4:00-7:00 p.m.: SMC First Reconciliation Learning Stations [K]
- January 11, 6:30-8:00 p.m.: ICC First Reconciliation Learning Stations [M]
- January 12, 11:00 a.m.: Eucharist [CharMac]
- January 13, 3:30 p.m.: SJC First Reconciliation [A]
- January 14, 9:30 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) [M]
- January 14, 1:30 p.m.: SMC First Reconciliation [K]
- January 14, 4:00 p.m.: ICC First Reconciliation [M]
- January 15-26: Msgr. Duchaine out of town
- January 17, 7:00 p.m.: WFCC First Eucharist Parent Meeting [K]
- January 24, 6:30 p.m.: SJC First Communion Parent Meeting [A]
- January 28, 9:30 a.m.: Full Breakfast (KC8232) [M]
- February 6, 6:30 p.m.: SMC Parish/Finance Council Meeting [K]
- February 7, 6:00 p.m.: CDA Meeting [A]
- February 7, 7:00 p.m.: ICC Reader Training [M]
- February 11, TBA: Waffle Breakfast [K]
- February 11, 9:30 a.m.: Coffee/Juice/Rolls (KC8232) [M]
- February 13, 7:00 p.m.: KC8232 Meeting [M]

PRAY ESPECIALLY FOR:

Hilda Dragoo, parishioner, passed away December 8; **Marvin McDermott**, son to Arlene McDermott, who passed away December 14.

Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen