

MERRY CHRIST

MASSES FOR THE WEEK Dec. 26 - Jan. 1

Bernie Moran

Marie Schumacher

Jeff Hanson

Lee Zacher

Mon. 7:55 am Tue. 7:55 am Wed. 7:55 am Thurs. 7:55 am Fri. 7:55 am 5:00 pm Sat. 7:00 pm 8:30 am Sun. 10:30 am

NO MASS (Intention moved to Jan. 11) Richard P. Schwan + Viola Bahl + Ed & June Weismantel + Mark Weigel + Philip Miller + Elenor Lapka (anniv) + Jane Hammer + All members of the parish



Dec. 31 - Jan. 1

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December 25, 2016

Sat. 5:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:30 am Sun. 10:30 am

Lectors

Mass Servers

Sat. 5:00 pm 7:00 pm Sun. 8:30 am 10:30 am

Music Ministry

5:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:30 am 10:30 am

Dec. 31 - Jan. 1 Jared Loecker, Isaac VanOrman

Ken Awe Jennifer Appl, Brianne/Brookelyn Barstad Alex & Christian Muller, Elizabeth Russell

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Sat. Sun.

Michelle Schaunaman Sydney & Sadie Raap **Bailey** Dix Terry White

Brad Andera

Sandy Andera

Craig Hartman

Marlene Loebs

Jim Uhrich

Keith Schumacher Marie Schumacher

Extraordinary Ministers Sun. 8:30 am

- Sat. 5:00 pm
- Marilyn Batch Linda DeWalt James Kraft Rose Kraft Scott Kram Donna Mehlhaff Mark Stone

Sat. 7:00 pm

Kenny Awe JoAnn Kokales Kaitlin Awe

January

Sun. 10:30 am Angie Hanson Ryan Hanson Lynn Hodny Connie Reuer Brenda Williams Randy Williams

Ushers for Jan. 7/8:

5:00 pm - Kram/Madsen 7:00 pm - Sahli/Pettigrew/Smith 8:30 am - Schumacher/Hoven 10:30 am - Jurgens/Worlie

LIFE AT ST. MARY'S:

The parish office will be closed on Monday, Dec. 26.

NO MASS on Monday, Dec. 26.

Visit us at: stmarysabr.tumblr.com

Pre-baptism class will be on Tuesday, Dec. 27 at 7 pm in the parish hall.



Paul Anderson, our custodian has had triple bypass surgery this week, please pray for his complete and speedy recovery. We are grateful to the rest of the staff and volunteers who try to keep the church looking good in his absence.

Roncalli Nearly New All clothing marked with a pink tag will be half price. We are open on Tue., Wed., Thurs. & Sat. from 12-4 pm. We appreciate your donations & your business.

Family Rosary will be at St. Mary's, Dec. 27 at 7 pm



Individuals needed for a beginners hand bells choir to begin in January. Some music reading ability desired. Contact Stephanie at sraap@stmarysabr.com

Enjoy the 20th Annual Christmas at the Cathedral on KELO TV on Christmas Day If you were unable to attend the 20th Annual Christmas at the Cathedral in person, we invite you to watch a taped rebroadcast on Christmas Day from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. on KELO TV.

If you have a family member that cannot get to Mass and would like to receive Communion, call Judy at the parish office @ 229-4422.



Sympathy: We pray for the repose of the soul of Lois Davis buried in Christ. May those who mourn her be filled with comfort and peace.



Congratulations: Our parish rejoices in the baptism of Kendall Rose Scheuffele, daughter of Joshua and Jayme.

Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration is available 24/7 at Avera St. Luke's Hospital. Open hours are: Sun. 2 am, & 11 am, Tue. 4 pm, Thurs. 4 am and Fri., 5 pm. Call Theresa at 226-0838 or Mary at 225-6001.

News from your Aberdeen Catholic School System



NO SCHOOL ALL WEEK

Thurs., Dec. 29 - Girls BB vs. STM, MVP, Webster - 3:30 pm - Boys BB vs. Elk Point-Jefferson, Sisseton, St. Thomas More - 6:30 pm

Fri., Dec. 30 - Girls BB vs. STM, MVP, Webster - 3:30 pm - Boys BB vs. Elk Point-Jefferson, Sisseton, St. Thomas More - 6:30 pm

The Aberdeen Catholic School System is now enrolling Preschool and Kindergarten students for the 2017-2018 School Year! Please fill out a registration form (located under "I want to . . . Find School Admission Forms" at aberdeenroncalli.org) and return it to the Primary School with your \$20 admission fee. Space is limited and on a first come, first serve basis, so please register early! If you have any questions contact Admissions organizer Michala Heller at 226-2100.



We are so honored to be your parish family. Please be aware that we are always happy to assist you as you journey through life, and all the great Milestones of life:

Baptism, First Communion, Confirmation, Marriage, Anointing of the Sick, Mass of Christian Burial, and of course, the Eucharist that brings us life, celebrated Sunday by Sunday.

All are welcome to find here the first, the greatest Christmas gift, Christ the Lord, in the arms of His mother who watches over our parish, and you, in love!

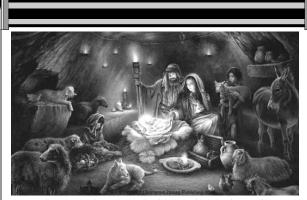
FAITH FORMATION NEWS

Wednesday, January 4 - 7:00 pm Confirmation Class

First Reconciliation:

Saturday, January 14 - 9 am for students with last names A-H - 10 am for students with last names I-Z *Workbooks are due & should be turned in on this day.

Sunday, January 15 - 9:30 am Family Ed



... and it was always said of him, that he knew how to keep Christmas well, if any man alive possessed the knowledge. May that be truly said of us, and all of us! And so, as Tiny Tim observed, God Bless Us, Every One! A Christmas Carol Charles Dickens

May the Spirit of this Season, the joy of the Coming of the Lord, be with you and those you love.

May you keep Christmas well, rejoicing in the amazing gift of God Made Flesh. You may be with family, you may be with friends, you may be alone, regardless, Christmas is for you.

We pray that the Lord bless your Holy Day, and this Holv Season with His peace. We love you and it is such an honor to be with you in this beautiful parish family of faith, hope and love.

Fr. Michael L. Griffin Fr. Mark Axtmann Deacon Peter Mehlhaff Maria Anderson Paul Anderson Sarah Barstad Stephanie Raap Patty Simon Judy Witte The staff, students and administration of the Aberdeen Catholic School System



Church Support: December 17-18, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 15,973.00 Loose: \$ 806.75 Children's: \$ 54.80

REMEMBER: We need \$18,000 a week to meet our needs!