



## Second Sunday of Advent

December 4, 2016

### **MASSES FOR THE WEEK** December 5 - 11

Mon.	7:55 am	Dean O. + & Donna L. Mehlhaff
Tue.	7:55 am	Viola Bahl +
	2:15 pm	Maria Hoang + (Heath & Rehab)
Wed.	7:55 am	Lance Moen +
Thurs.	<b>7:00 am</b>	All members of the parish
	12:10 pm	Andrew & Lena Nikolas Family
	5:30 pm	Lorraine Meier +
Fri.	7:55 am	Matthew & Mavis Snyder +
Sat.	5:00 pm	George Braun +
	7:00 pm	Margaret & Leonard Biegler +
Sun.	8:30 am	Leo Forsting +
	10:30 am	All members of the parish



### **Lectors**

Sat.	5:00 pm	Terry Moffenbier
	7:00 pm	Kenny Awe
Sun.	8:30 am	Marilyn Lahr
	10:30 am	Jeff Simmons

### **December 10 - 11**

### **Mass Servers**

Sat.	5:00 pm	L. Dosch, V. & Z. Eschenbaum
	7:00 pm	Neil Schaunaman
Sun.	8:30 am	Katelin & Dillon Stobener, Spencer Titus
	10:30 am	Hanson Family

### **December 10 - 11**

### **Music Ministry**

Sat.	5:00 pm	Carda Family
	7:00 pm	Sierra Kokales/Abby Berry
Sun.	8:30 am	Susan Appl
	10:30 am	Latin Choir

### **December 10 - 11**

### **Extraordinary Ministers**

<b>Sat. 5:00 pm</b>	<b>Sun. 8:30 am</b>
Linda DeWalt	Steve Kohles
Michael Duch	Linda Lipp
Rosemary Duch	Marlene Loebes
Lance Kallas	Mary Schwab
Donna Mehlhaff	Pam Smid
Marilyn Stone	Dan Vetter
Russ Stone	Vivian Vetter

### **December**

<b>Sun. 10:30 am</b>
Paddy Mehlhaff
Dana Randall
Rebecca Randall
Kelsie Sather
Isabel Litzen
Colton Cox

### **Sat. 7:00 pm**

Jeff Hanson  
Sue Hanson  
Jonathan Hanson



### LIFE AT ST. MARY'S:

**Breakfast** will be served by the KC's on December 4 from 8:30—12; and our parish breakfast will be served after the 8:30 Mass on Sunday, Dec. 11. Egg bake, caramel rolls, muffins & fruit will be served.

**Immaculate Conception Holy Day of Obligation** is Thurs., Dec. 8. Masses at 7 am, 12:10 pm & 5:30 pm.

**St Marcella's Circle** will be having their annual Christmas dinner hosted by the City gals on Dec. 7th at 5:30 pm at the parish hall. There will be a white elephant gift exchange.

**Pre-marriage class** will be held next Sunday, Dec. 11 at 1:30 pm in the parish hall.

**Lectors:** If you have not picked up your workbook, please stop in the parish office; just four are left.

**Remember the annual Holiday cookie Sale** on Sat., Dec. 10 from 8-10 am. Bring your cookies to the parish hall on Fri., Dec. 9. We look forward to seeing you at the sale on Saturday. Please stop by and do a little shopping & enjoy a cup of coffee and roll with friends.

**Roncalli Nearly New** Looking for winter coats, Christmas clothes, decorations, and trees. We are open on Tue., Wed., Thurs. & Sat. from 12-4 pm. We appreciate your donations & your business.

**December Blood Drive** St. Mary's Dec. 4th Blood Drive has been canceled. Please make arrangements to give sometime in Dec. at the Blood Center or at the Eagles on the 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> during the Battle of the Badges.



**Please share hope** with others by participating in the 24th Annual Advent Baby Shower, which continues through Christmas. Please bring **NEW** gifts, including clothing sizes newborn to 12 months, and place them in the crib in the gathering area.

**The Catholic Daughters** will be selling raffle tickets for an Angel of Peace figurine during the parish cookie sales at St. Mary's on Sat., Dec. 10, 8-10 am. Another opportunity to purchase raffle tickets will be at our next meeting on Thur., Dec. 15, 6:30 pm at Davis Court.

**Sacred Heart Holiday Luncheon** will be on Sat., Dec. 10 at noon at Sacred Heart parish hall. Price is \$12. There will be door prizes, candy & bars for sale. Reservations are required and can be made by calling Helen at 225-7088.

**Sympathy:** We pray for the repose of the souls of Carrie Lang and Karen Thomas buried in Christ. May those who mourn them be filled with comfort and peace.



*News from your  
Aberdeen Catholic  
School System*



Instilling  
Catholic values  
and promoting  
academic  
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and soul

- Mon., Dec. 5 - JH Girls Basketball vs. Warner - RES 4 pm
- Tues., Dec. 6 - Spirit Store Open - 3:30-5:00pm  
- Girls Basketball vs. Northwestern @ RHS  
JH - 4pm  
JV - 6:30 pm  
Varsity - 8 pm
- Wed., Dec. 7 - MathCounts at Roncalli Elementary - 12:30
- Thurs., Dec. 8 - RPS, JH & HS Mass - 12:10 pm - St. Mary's  
- RES Mass - 12:10 pm - Sacred Heart  
- Wrestling at Rapid City Central Tournament
- Fri., Dec. 9 - K-12 Take a Child to School No Uniform  
(\$1.00 if participating)  
- Wrestling at Rapid City Central Tournament
- Sat., Dec. 10 - Wrestling at Rapid City Central Tournament  
- Gymnastics at Aberdeen Central

**RETIREMENT OPEN HOUSE** for Laurie Campbell: Tue., Dec. 13 from 1-4 pm in the Central Office at Roncalli High School. Please stop in to wish Laurie well and fulfill her fondest dream, by purchasing a gift card from her on your visit.

**The Aberdeen Catholic School System** is now enrolling Pre-school 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](http://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.

**If you would like to help** our church, check out the new cards on the minisTREE in the parish hall. Turn in completed cards to the parish office.

**FAITH FORMATION NEWS**

**Monday, Dec. 5** - The youth group will be attending the Reason Christmas Concert at the Civic Arena.

**Wednesday, Dec. 14** - 7 pm Confirmation family potluck

**Sunday, Dec. 18** - 9:30 am Family Ed



**Advent Memorial Gifts** - We invite those who wish to make a donation in memory of loved ones during the Advent season to help defray the cost of decorating for Christmas. Please enclose the following with your gift & return to the parish.

Name of deceased:

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Name of donor:

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**Fr. Michael's Musings**



Two candles burning brightly. The light of Christ is growing, subtly, powerfully, around us.

The Season of Advent is all about the interplay between darkness and light, as is the Season of Christmas. The days are so short and the nights so long. In a few days we will celebrate the Winter Solstice and have the longest night of the year.

But then...the days slowly begin to grow longer. It will barely be noticed at first, but it will be happening. Although it is just the beginning of Winter, and we have a lot of snow and ice and wind and cold to come, we can face it, because the days grow longer and the light slowly returns.

What a great gift for us to enjoy this holy Season. Let the Christmas lights around town remind you of this fact, and the Advent candles in Church as well. Take the time this season to stop and ponder; these are beautiful days to pause in the quiet darkness and look back on our lives. What needs to change? What darkness needs to be banished? What do I need to let go of so I might embrace the light of Christ growing around me?

Advent questions...Advent time of preparation and joyful hope; these days are a gift...as are you.



"ADVENT CALENDAR? NO JUST MY PILL ORGANISER!"

*Just a  
Thought...*

Wintry mix is just downright weird

**Church Support:** November 26-27, 2016

Envelopes: \$ 9,554.50  
Loose: \$ 910.00  
Children's: \$ 71.50

**CFSA**  
Pledged: \$ 107,881.00  
Paid: \$ 104,863.50

