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MASS TIMES:

Mon: No Mass

Tues, Wed, Thurs, Fri: 8:30 AM

Saturday Evening: 5:30 PM (April to September)
4:00 PM (October to March)

Sunday Morning: 9:30 AM

Holidays: As announced in the bulletin



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Weston, IA



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Served from Neola

MASS TIMES:

Sunday Morning: 8:00 AM

Holidays: As announced in the bulletin
Reconciliation by appointment

Third Sunday of Advent

December 14/15, 2019

READING I Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

READING II James 5:7-10

GOSPEL Matthew 11:2-11

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 21/22, 2019

READING I Isaiah 7:10-14

READING II Romans 1:1-7

GOSPEL Matthew 1:18-24

We welcome you into God's family! If you are interested in learning more about our church, or would like to join, please pick up a registration form at one of the entrances of the church, stop by the parish office, or call Father Danso for an appointment.

SACRAMENT OF BAPTISM: To have your child baptized you must be a registered parishioner in good standing for at least three months before requesting a baptismal date. Baptismal requests must be made at least one month before the desired date. A baptismal class is required for first time parents and other parents who have not had a formal baptismal class. The class is held on the first Tuesday of every month at 7:00 pm. Pre-registration is required by calling the parish office.

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK (ANOINTING): Anointing is available upon request. It is available: in serious illness, before surgery & in emergency at anytime. Please call the parish office.

PASTORAL VISITATIONS: Please call the parish office when a parishioner is admitted to any of the hospitals or care centers. Hospitals no longer alert us to that information due to a confidentiality law. If a homebound parishioner would like a pastoral visit, or to receive the Eucharist, call the parish office. The Eucharist is taken to the homebound on Sundays by Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion.

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION (CONFESSION): Saturday 4:00 - 5:00 p.m. (April to September); 3:00 - 3:40 p.m. (October to March); or any other time by appointment.

RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION: The process of becoming a Catholic or completing the reception of the Sacraments of Initiation for adults or children is celebrated in the parish. Please call the parish office for further information.

SACRAMENT OF MATRIMONY (MARRIAGE): To be married at the parish, you or your intended spouse or your parents must be a registered parishioner in good standing for at least six months before a date can be requested, with a minimum of six months for marriage preparation. The couple therefore needs to talk with a priest or deacon six months before the anticipated wedding date. Do not rent a hall for reception before seeing & meeting with a priest or deacon AND before your wedding is placed in the parish calendar. If a prior marriage is involved; one year notice may be necessary. Please plan accordingly.

EXPOSITION OF THE BLESSED SACRAMENT: First Fridays: Mass 8:30 a.m. followed by Exposition till 10:00 a.m.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: St. Patrick's Neola has Eucharistic Adoration every Thursday from 9:00 am to 8:00 pm. Anyone is welcome to come during this time for as long as you would like. We do have a schedule, so that we make sure someone is there at all times. Please contact the parish office for more information or you can find the schedule and sub list on our website.

UPDATE OF PARISH ROSTER: A constant effort of the parish office is updating our current registered parishioners. If you are new to the parish, please call the parish office to register. If you are moving to a new location, or if parishioners know of someone who has moved, please call the parish office.

PRAYER CHAIN: To request prayers, call Bonnie Turner at 712-485-2570 or 402-672-3756 and she will start the process to get the 30+ individuals on the chain praying for your intention. There is also a prayer intention book at the entrance of church in which you can offer/write your prayer intention/request.

Weekday Masses

Dec 16 - NO MASS
Dec 17 - Harry & Lucille Ausdemore 8:30 AM
Dec 18 - Special Intention 8:30 AM
Dec 19 - Jerry Green 8:30 AM
Dec 20 - Linda Ring 8:30 AM

Weekend Masses

Dec 21 - Fritz & Vel Wellman Family 4:00 PM
Dec 22 - St. Columbanus 8:00 AM
Dec 22 - St. Patrick's 9:30 AM

DECEMBER 21, 2019 - 4:00 PM

Lector - Sue Welbourne
Servers - Ava Konz
Cauy Konz
EME's - Nate & Justin Bolte
Jesie Rosenmeyer

DECEMBER 22, 2019 - 9:30 AM

Lector - Shannon Nye
Servers - Sam Nye
Grace Denning
EME's - Roberta Morse
Katie Ausdemore
Mindy Schechinger

DECEMBER 24, 2019 - CHRISTMAS EVE - 4:00 PM

Lector - David Mann
Servers - 2 Volunteers Needed
EME's - Maureen Mann, Frieda Calhoon, Mary Baker
4 More Volunteers Needed

DECEMBER 24, 2019 - CHRISTMAS EVE - MIDNIGHT

Lector - Shannon Nye
Servers - Michael Turner & Sam Nye
EME's - Travis, Nate, & Justin Bolte

DECEMBER 25, 2019 - CHRISTMAS DAY - 9:30 AM

Lector - Volunteer Needed
Servers - 2 Volunteers Needed
EME's - Jan Divin & Roberta Morse - 1 More Volunteer Needed

DECEMBER 28, 2019 - 4:00 PM

Lector - Jesie Rosenmeyer
Servers - Walter Ausdemore
Sam Nye
EME's - Amy Ausdemore
Shannon Nye
David Mann
Jan Divin

DECEMBER 29, 2019 - 9:30 AM

Lector - Lynette Oberdorfer
Servers - Angeline Oberdorfer
Michael Turner
EME's - Frieda Calhoon
Jenny Hall
Liz Lyons

JANUARY 1, 2020 - NEW YEARS DAY - 6:00 PM

Lector - Sharon McConnell
Servers - 2 Volunteers Needed
EME's - Jenny Hall, Frieda Calhoon, & Mary Baker

JANUARY 4, 2020 - 4:00 PM

Lector - Katie Ausdemore
Servers - Michael Denning
Grace Denning
EME's - Sharon McConnell
David Mann
Jan Divin

JANUARY 5, 2020 - 9:30 AM

Lector - Amy Ausdemore
Servers - Brock Gross
Rachel Gross
EME's - Geri Bjorling
Rhea Gross
Liz Lyons

TITHE COUNTERS

Dec 15 - Anne Brummett Jan Craft Liz Lyons
Dec 22 - Mark Pogge Cecilia Powell Jeannie Disalvo
Dec 29 - Diane Rodenburg Dani Baxter Rita Heinen
Jan 5 - Anne Brummett Jeannie Disalvo Jackie Dollen

COMMUNION TO SHUT-INS

Dec 15 - Carolyn McDermott Jesie Rosenmeyer
Dec 22 - Norm Baker Frieda Calhoon
Dec 29 - Shannon Nye Andrea Mahlberg
Jan 5 - Carolyn McDermott Jesie Rosenmeyer

FATHER DANSO: Father will be traveling back to Ghana on January 13th for his mother's funeral, which is February 1st. He will be returning to Neola on February 19th. The expenses for the funeral are becoming very costly. If you would like to help Father with these expenses, please put your donation in the collection basket, but please make sure it's in an envelope entitled "Danso Funeral Expenses". Any little amount will help. And please keep Father and his family in your prayers during this difficult time.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Dec 17 - Communal Penance, St. Patrick's, 7:00 pm
Dec 18 - Communal Penance, St. Columbanus, 7:00 pm
Dec 20 - Start decorating church for Christmas, after morning Mass
Dec 22 - Fourth Sunday of Advent - No Faith Formation Classes
Dec 23 - Finish decorating church for Christmas, 9:00 am
Dec 24 - Christmas Eve Masses:
4:00 pm at St. Patrick's
9:00 pm at St. Columbanus
Midnight at St. Patrick's

Dec 25 - Christmas Day Mass, 9:30 am at St. Patrick's
Dec 26 - No Mass or Eucharistic Adoration
Dec 29 - The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph - No Faith Formation
Jan 1 - Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God, 6:00 pm Mass, St. Patrick's
Jan 5 - Confirmation Rite of Commitment, 9:30 am Mass
Faith Formation Classes, 10:45-11:45 am
NCYC Breakfast & Presentation, Parish Hall, after 9:30 Mass
High School Class, 6:30 pm
Jan 7 - Baptism Class, 7:00 pm, call the parish office to pre-register
Jan 8 - Confirmation Class, 7:00 pm
Jan 11 - Bingo Night (see next page)
Jan 12 - Baptism of the Lord
Children's Mass
Faith Formation Classes, 10:45-11:45 am

Memorial Calendar:

December 21 - Memorial of St. Peter Canisius
Winter Begins



Tithing Report

	Last Weeks	Fiscal Year to Date
Sunday Envelopes	\$ 3,030.00	\$ 39,392.00
Plate	\$ 168.00	\$ 4,462.05
Children's Collection	\$ 15.30	\$ 343.53
Religious Retirement	\$ 436.00	\$ 436.00

FR. TAN TRAN: With great sadness, I share with you that Fr. Tan Tran died unexpectedly at his St. Francis Home residence. We are grateful for this joy-filled, musically-gifted priest who ministered God's compassion to the sick and hurting. May he be enfolded in the arms of the Good Shepherd who carries him to eternal peace. (from Bishop Joensen)

POINSETTIAS: Don't forget that Poinsettias money is due in the Parish Office by Wednesday, December 18th. Please include who you would like your donation in memory of. List of names will be listed in the Christmas bulletin as well as the worship aids.

MINISTERS NEEDED FOR CHRISTMAS MASSES: Please see the sign-up sheet in the back of church or contact the Parish Office at 712-485-2124. Thank you.

REMINDER: With the end of the year fast approaching, you are reminded that your 2019 tithes need to be in the parish office or postmarked by December 31st to get posted for the current year.

DECORATING FOR CHRISTMAS: We will start decorating the church for Christmas on Friday, December 20th after morning Mass. We will finish the decorations on Monday, December 23rd at 9:00 am. Anyone that would like to help is invited.

ADVENT FOOD DRIVE: This year during Advent we will be collecting food and monetary donations to help the Local Food Pantry in Minden. Food items can be placed on the side altar by the St. Patrick statue and monetary donations can be placed in the boxes by the entrances. Donations will be collected through Christmas.

HOMILY SUMMARY

Connecting the Gospel...

...to the **First Reading**: Isaiah announces that **salvation** is revealed in such wonders as making the blind see, the deaf hear, and the lame walk. These are exactly the works Jesus does, which are revealed to John the Baptist and to us that Jesus is "the Christ," the Savior.

...to the **Second Reading**: James, writing to his fellow Christians, encouraged them whilst they anticipated the Second Coming of Christ. They were positive it would happen soon. James counseled them to look to prophets like Isaiah as an example of patience during times of keen expectations.

Focusing the Gospel

The *Gospel* begins with John questioning who Jesus is and concludes with Jesus extolling who John is. What makes John great is that he recognizes in "the work of the Christ," the person and presence of the Messiah, and "the one who is to come." This is exactly our **Advent challenge**: to see all the goodness around us in the works of Jesus and announce the presence of "the Christ." Advent calls us to look deeper and then to trust what we see. Whom we discover depends upon what we see.

...to **experience**: We learn who a person is by observing how that person lives and behaves. We learn who Jesus is by observing how *faithful believers live and behave*.



Join us for
dinner and

BINGO!

Saturday, January 11, 2020

St. Patrick's Neola Parish Hall

Dinner begins at 6:30 pm / Bingo begins at 7:00 pm

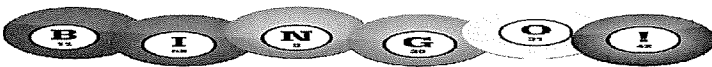
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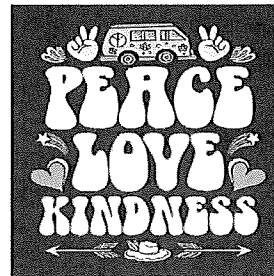


St. Patrick's Neola Annual Parish Auction

Saturday, January 25, 2020

**Staley's Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Cole Slaw,
Green Beans, Rolls & Desserts**

\$10 per person - 8 & under \$5



For Questions or Donations, please contact the
Parish Office at 712.485.2124

Please no Entertainment Centers or TV's!

Donations must be received by noon on January 25th
to be printed in the program.

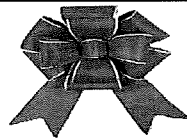
4:00... Mass
4:30... Dinner & Raffle
6:00... Live Auction

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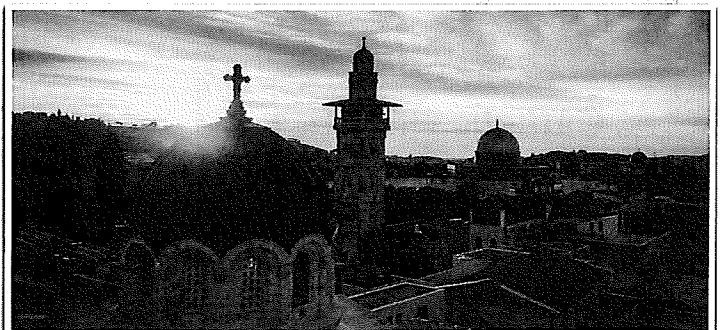


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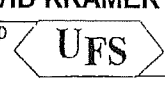
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