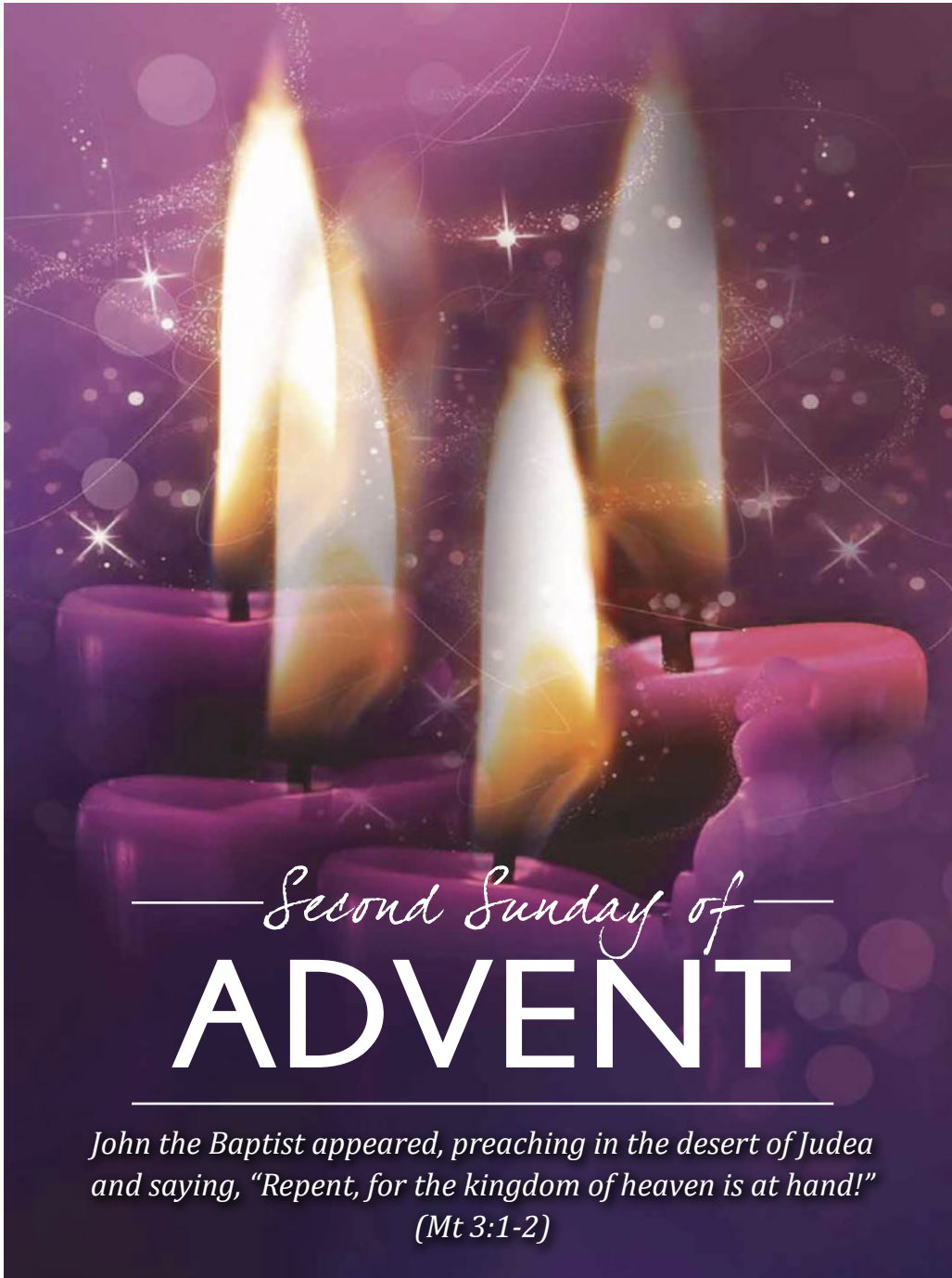




*At St. Charles, all are invited to
meet Christ, know Christ,
love Christ and serve Christ.*

**December 4, 2022
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**




Second Sunday of
ADVENT

*John the Baptist appeared, preaching in the desert of Judea
and saying, "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand!"
(Mt 3:1-2)*

**IMMACULATE
CONCEPTION**
(Holy Day of Obligation)

Wednesday, December 7
6:00 pm Vigil Mass

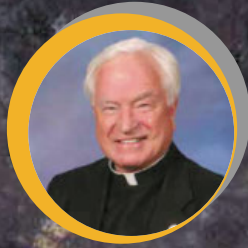
Thursday, December 8
6:30 am Mass,
8:30 am All School Mass,
and noon Mass



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WELCOME TO ST. CHARLES - WE ARE HERE FOR YOU

SATURDAY MASS OF ANTICIPATION: 5:00pm

SUNDAY MASS TIMES: 7:00am, 9:00am, 11:00am & 6:00pm

WEEKDAY MASS: Monday - Friday: 8:30am & Saturday: 8:30am
Monday - Friday: 6:30am (during Advent)

TUESDAY TRADITIONAL MASS

Monthly on the fourth Tuesday at 5:30 pm

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Mondays: 5:00-7:00pm with closing prayer (includes music)

Tuesdays: 6:30-8:00pm with 7:30pm Rosary and closing prayer

Wednesday & Thursday: 7:00am - 8:20am (during Advent)

Fridays: 9:00am-3:00pm with the Divine Mercy Chaplet at 3:00pm followed by Benediction

RECONCILIATION

Saturdays: 3:30pm - 4:30pm & Thursdays: 5:00pm - 6:00pm or by appointment (schedule by calling the Parish Office).

SACRAMENT OF THE SICK

By appointment with Fr. Ken or Fr. Ariel (schedule by calling the Parish Office).

ANOINTING MASSES: 2nd & 4th Fridays every month at 8:30 am

WE ARE HERE TO HELP YOU WITH:

- JOINING OUR PARISH
- PLANNING A WEDDING
- PLANNING A FUNERAL
- PLANNING A BAPTISM
- BECOMING FULLY CATHOLIC
- JOINING A SMALL GROUP
- CHILD FORMATION

For help with any of these areas please contact the Parish Office at 262-367-0800 or parish@stcharleshartland.org.

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TO ASK FOR PRAYERS or to be added to the email list, please email: prayernetwork@stcharleshartland.org

FOR EMERGENCY PRAYERS, please email: emergencyprayers@stcharleshartland.org

Printed weekly prayer sheets are available on the information wall.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL: if you need food, shelter or assistance call 262-367-0800 (Parish Office)

NEED HOME COMMUNION:

For information call 262-367-0800 (Parish Office)

Mass Intentions for the Week of December 4



Sunday, December 4 ~ Second Sunday of Advent

7:00 am † James Klauser
9:00 am † Randy Czeszynski
11:00 am Living and Deceased Members of St. Charles
6:00 pm † Joan Mack

Monday, December 5

6:30 am † Jim Klauser
8:30 am † Greg Blattner

Tuesday, December 6

6:30 am † Richard Carmichael
8:30 am † Krystina Finn

Wednesday, December 7

6:30 am † Norbert & Joseph Seipel
8:30 am † Ed Cibula
6:00 pm † James & Audrey Wagner

Thursday, December 8 ~ Immaculate Conception

6:30 am † Edward & Terry Kraemer
8:30 am Living and Deceased Members of St. Charles
12:00 pm † Barbara Cramlet

Friday, December 9

6:30 am Special Intention
8:30 am † Dr. Peter T. Hansen

Saturday, December 10

8:30 am † Ronald Bethia
5:00 pm † Ken Horwath

Sunday, December 11 ~ Third Sunday of Advent

7:00 am † Dorothy Ott
9:00 am † Louis Enderlin
11:00 am † Jim McLoone
6:00 pm Living and Deceased Members of St. Charles



WEDDING BANNERS

1st Bann ~ Meghan Woodson & Curry Perkins

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Margaret Gavahan

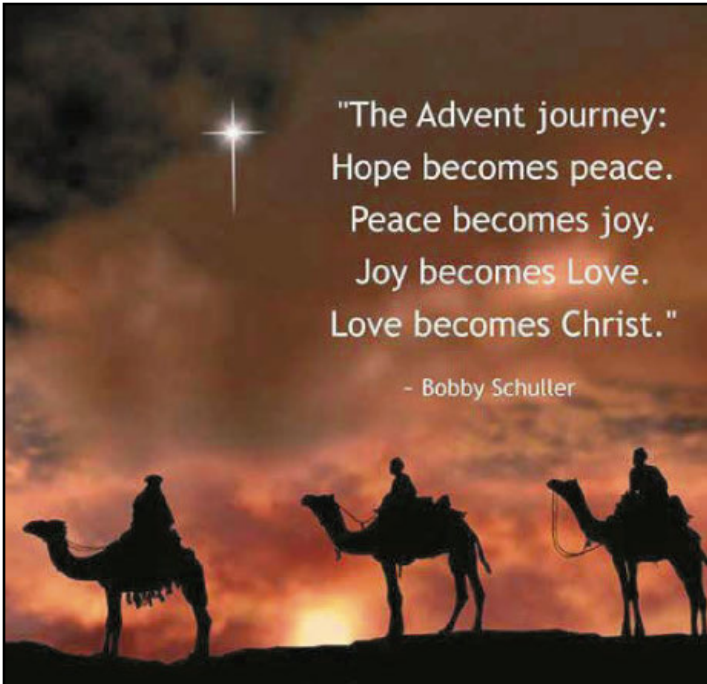
May her soul and the souls of all the faithfully departed
REST IN CHRIST'S PEACE.

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"The Advent journey:
Hope becomes peace.
Peace becomes joy.
Joy becomes Love.
Love becomes Christ."

- Bobby Schuller

WHAT ARE YOU WEARING?

By Marianne Giovingo
Discipleship Team Lead

In the Gospel, we hear what John the Baptist 'wore' to clothe himself as he proclaimed the coming of Jesus. We might read this list and wonder how did camel's hair, a leather belt, locusts, and wild honey aid John to be in a disposition of heart to hear and be the Voice of the Savior? All indicate a simplicity of lifestyle that permitted John to not be distracted with his figure or his food and rather to focus on Whom was before him.

Friends, as we journey through this Advent Season, I pray you are carving out time to be in communion with Your Savior. Choosing a relationship by definition invites coming to know the other. Knowing Jesus is different from knowing about Jesus. Be honest. What are you 'wearing' that is causing some complications in your life? Money is necessary to live, we need to buy food to eat, clothes bring warmth and safety; do you think about these (or even worry about them) instead of turning and responding in love to Love Himself? There is no judgment here: I realize there are many factors in play. I hope and urge you to bring this to God in prayer and see what He wants to say to your heart!

When you look back at the end of a day, can you, like John the Baptist, say that your life choices permitted a disposition of simplicity or did you find yourself distracted by focusing on the less important things? I am the first to admit that I desire to grow in the virtue of simplicity. Our faith allows us to begin again. Start today and shift in small ways to permit your life to witness the simplicity of living a life for God. You will be surprised at Our Father's Providence!

PRAY WITH SCRIPTURE

Lectio Divina

15 minutes each day spent in God's presence – reading, reflecting, responding and resting with his Word – adds up to 90 hours in one year. That is time well spent and a testimony to how a little at a time turns into something remarkable!

Sunday, December 11th Readings

Sunday: Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/Jas 5:7-10/
Mt 11:2-11

To find readings for the weekdays and/or Feast Days, please visit
<https://bible.usccb.org/bible/readings>.

Reflection questions for Sunday, December 11th

- Isaiah encouraged his community to "be strong, do not fear!" since God has planned a future restoration of both the land and the people. Who in your life needs to hear words of encouragement and support right now?
- James urges his community to be patient and non-judgmental with each other as we wait for the coming of the Lord. In what ways is this a challenge for you this Advent season?
- In today's reading, Matthew offers a glimpse into the personal relationship between Jesus and John the Baptist. Jesus has great respect for John yet counts him "least" in the kingdom of heaven. What do you think this tells us about those in the kingdom of heaven?

✂️ **READ. REFLECT. RESPOND. REST.**

Cut out and keep in your Bible for reference!

LIVE THE LITURGY INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

The God in whom we believe is "the God of endurance and encouragement." Have you ever thought about God in those terms? Our sight can become limited by the concerns of the world and our individual lives. We can look to the past and see what is happening in the present, but the future is primarily left to our imaginations. God has a clear vision for the future. It is one where the "wolf shall be a guest of the lamb and the leopard shall lie down with the kid." It is a vision of harmony and gentleness where all will live as one. We can see the complete picture of life in God. We see what we may be, what may come, and who we can become. Preparing the way for the Lord means moving beyond the limitations of ideology, time, space, preference, and self-focused concern so that we can see as God sees. God will give us what we need to endure whatever comes and the encouragement we need to get where we can be. © LPI



TESTIMONIAL BY PARISHIONER JOHN ROBERTSTAD


Over the last eighteen months, my professional life has had a lot of leadership training, and my prayer life has grown to a pretty high level. The Reach More process has provided some aha moments and has shown me there is always more to learn. The video presenters show me I have a lot further to go in my faith. I love small groups. I love the different thoughts and ideas that come from them. Our small group takes the summer off, so walking through Reach More with others filled that void. My small group at St. Charles is special, and I want to continue with it. Reach More has provided ways that I will be able to help (the group leader) Larry out more and stand in for him when he is unavailable. I am always humbled by the spiritual strength of people I meet. If you are in a season of thirsting for formation and spiritual food to nourish your faith, I invite you to sign up for Reach More.



INTO THE DEEP OF FAITH
REACH MORE DISCIPLESHIP FORMATION

You are invited to dive into your relationship with Christ this Winter by receiving tools on how to more effectively serve as Jesus' disciples with those whom you impact most in your life.

We will meet for 12 consecutive weeks on Tuesday nights from 6:30-8pm (January 3rd - March 21st). Each week we will pray, dive deep into scripture, watch videos that will teach us how to speak about/for our Faith, and discern how the Lord is calling us to serve with Him today. John witnesses how this process has been an incredibly powerful journey for his Faith story. We truly hope you'll join us! Please contact Marianne Giovingo with any questions and/or to **sign up by December 28th** for the Winter session at mgiovingo@stcharleshartland.org.



ST. CHARLES NIGHT AT CULVER'S IN HARTLAND

Monday, December 5th from 5:00-8:00 pm

Mention that you are with St. Charles, and the School receives 10% of the evening's sales! Thanks for your support!



MUSIC MINISTRY

There's a beautiful hymn called "Servant Song" that begins with the following lyrics: "What do you want of me Lord? Where do you want me to serve you? Where can I sing your praises? I am your song....sing your songs in me....Jesus, you are the way." As people of faith, we are invited to discern the areas in which we can share our time, talent, and treasure. Perhaps one of those areas is through your gift of music.

All of us are called to lift up our voices and instruments in praise to our God whether we are in the pew or in a musical ensemble. Accordingly, the music ministry at St. Charles seeks to enrich our liturgies and our lives through sacred songs and sounds. For those who participate in weekly ensemble rehearsals and fellowship, we build community with one another as we strive to "do something beautiful for God."

A unique aspect of St. Charles' Music Ministry is the availability of many ensembles in which one could serve, be it weekly or even bi-monthly. Each opportunity involves varying degrees of commitment. We offer something for every schedule, and we invite you to consider ways in which you may participate. Further, membership in our ensembles is open throughout the year.

Opportunities for service include: Adult Choir, Women's Choir, Men's Choir, Children's Choir (3rd - 8th grade), Hand Bell Choir, Resurrection Choir (Funeral choir), Praise Group (6 p.m. LifeTeen Mass), Cantors/Psalmsists, Instrumentalists (Strings, Brass, Woodwinds, Percussion, Keyboard)

Thank you in advance for prayerfully considering joining an ensemble. For more information, please contact Dr. Aaron Mathews or Mrs. Peg Kasun at (262) 367-0800 x225.



SCHOLA SINGERS ON TV

St. Charles' Junior High Ensemble, Schola Cantorum, was invited to participate in the Heart of the Nation: My Sunday Mass, which is the most widely distributed televised Mass in the country, reaching tens of millions of

homes coast to coast on broadcast, cable, and satellite channels. The Heart of the Nation TV Mass serves the faithful who cannot attend church in person. They filmed two Masses, and the first one was with nationally-recognized Catholic composer Sarah Hart. The girls really enjoyed meeting and working with Sarah, and Sarah loved working with our talented youth!

We filmed the Masses for Advent II and IV, which will air on December 11 and 18, respectively, on Channel 6 at 5:30 a.m. and Channel 24 at 7:00 a.m. and 9:00 a.m. Additionally, they will be available on the Heart of the Nation website, Facebook page, and YouTube channel: www.youtube.com/heartofthenation.

STEWARDSHIP: GIVING OF YOUR TIME, TALENTS & TREASURES

CIRCLE OF LOVE

ALL CIRCLE OF LOVE GIFTS ARE DUE TODAY, SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4TH ON OR BEFORE NOON IN THE BORROMEO ROOM. We will have a Check-in Table when you walk in.



SPONSORS: Please pick up the gifts you requested TODAY, Sunday, December 4th between 12:30 pm - 2:00 pm in the Borromeo Room.

If you have any questions or concerns, call/text Kathy Gillstrom at 262-370-3306.

ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY



FOOD PANTRY NEEDS: Jelly (not Grape), Ketchup, Assorted Pasta (Spaghetti, Lasagna, etc), Mac & Cheese

On this second Sunday of Advent in today's Gospel, John the Baptist urges us to "prepare the way of the Lord." This is what Advent is all about, for we are called to help prepare the way of the Lord by making the real meaning of Christmas come alive in our own hearts, in our family and to reach out to those in need. Is there a family you know who needs assistance? Please call the St. Charles Society of St. Vincent de Paul at 262-367-0800 so that together we can help the suffering and poor to celebrate Christmas.

The St. Charles SVDP Food Pantry is located at 229 Lawn Street, Hartland. It is open Tuesday mornings between 10am and noon. It is also open on the second and fourth Tuesday of the month in the evening between 5:30pm and 7pm. If you are in need of assistance, please contact St. Charles SVDP at 262-367-0800.



THANK YOU FOR YOUR PLEDGE COMMITMENT!

It's not too late to turn in your Pledge Commitment Card!

This information helps to budget for parish operations and ministries. Thank you to those who already handed in their card. Feel free to drop it in the collection basket at Mass or drop off/mail to the parish office. There is also an online option available to make your commitment. Please visit our website. Reminder: If you are giving via E-Giving, our secure online portal, you will need to change your giving information manually. Every gift is a blessing, so thank you!



ST. CHARLES DINING OUT!

**Endter's Sports Grill in Hartland
Sunday, December 18th - 4 pm to 10 pm**

Mention St. Charles and Endter's will donate \$5 for each large pizza or \$3 for each small pizza to St. Charles School. Offer good for dine in or carry out. For carry out call 262-369-0079. Remember to buy SCRIP for Endter's in the Parish Office and then spend it on Dec. 18th.

LAKE COUNTRY BREAD OF LIFE COMMUNITY MEAL AT ST. CHARLES

**Thursday, Dec. 15th
Doors open at 4:30 pm
Dinner is served at 5:30 pm**

This month the Modern Woodmen organization will provide and serve the food for the meal. The meal will be Marty's pizza, salad, breadsticks and Christmas Cookies.

St. Charles Outreach Services Team will oversee the event. Please park in the north east parking lot due to school's Advent concert. If you would like to volunteer or have any questions, please contact the Parish Office or humanconcerns@stcharleshartland.org.



One of the easiest ways to support St. Charles Parish and School is through the secured online e-giving system.



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FOR THE WEEKEND OF
OCTOBER 23RD

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JULY 1 THRU JUNE 30

2022 - 2023

Envelopes.....	\$20,413.00
Offertory.....	\$2,116.93
Weekend Total	\$22,529.93
E-Giving	\$9,272.25
YTD	\$623,548.57

2021-2022

Envelopes.....	\$16,733.50
Offertory.....	\$1,828.01
Weekend Total	\$18,561.51
E-Giving	\$8,838.00
YTD	\$564,346.07

OUR PARISH COMMUNITY

OPEN PAID POSITIONS AT ST. CHARLES



Due to schedules changing and upcoming maternity leaves, St. Charles Parish School is hiring for the below positions:

- After-school care Assistant (part-time, Tuesdays-Thursdays from 3:15-5:45 p.m.)
- 4K Teaching Aide (full-time)
- Long-term substitutes for Spanish and Library

If you are interested, please contact the School Office at 262-367-2040! We would love to have you join our staff!

2022 CHRISTMAS PARTY FOR USHERS

Wednesday, Dec. 14th at 6:30pm in the Borromeo Room

Everyone who helps to usher at church including full-time, part-time and sometimes.

Come for food, refreshments & camaraderie.

THE PERFECT GIFT!

Purchasing a cookbook is a great way to support the St. Charles Outreach Services Team ministry and is the perfect gift for all the chefs in your life. They are \$10 and can be purchased in the Parish Office. For more information please contact Terri at 262-367-7608.

Year End
GIVING

YOUR SUPPORT MEANS EVERYTHING!

We thank you for keeping St. Charles at the forefront in this season of giving and for your generous financial support to help St. Charles be the light of Christ in our community! **Please drop off year-end donations to the Parish Office no later than Wednesday, December 28 to allow adequate time to record contributions for 2022.** For information or questions about contributing an end-of-year donation to St. Charles Parish and School, please contact parish@stcharleshartland.org or 262-367-0800.

FESTIVAL OF THE LORD OFFERING

The beautiful decorations in our Church during the Christmas season lift our spirits closer to the Lord Jesus as we celebrate His birth. They help us to pray more deeply and feel closer to one another. We invite you to donate toward our decorations by making an offering in memory of a loved one, in thanksgiving for a blessing in your life, for a special intention or simply as a free-will offering. We will list the names of the people remembered, the blessings recalled or the intentions held in your hearts in the bulletin on January 1st, Solemnity of the Blessed Virgin Mary. However, we will not print the donor's name nor the amount given.

If you wish to make this offering, please fill out this form and return it with your donation to the Parish Office by Wednesday, Dec. 14th. Offerings received after this date will not show in the bulletin (one-time list in the January 1st bulletin - earlier date due to the holiday publication schedule).

Name of Donor _____ Phone _____

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PLEASE PRINT -THANK YOU



YOUR JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

DECEMBER 8TH

December 8th is a Holy Day of Obligation, celebrating the Immaculate Conception. This dogma emphasizes the teaching that Mary was conceived without original sin in Her Mother St. Anne's womb. Theologically this makes sense: Jesus as God is without sin, so it is right that the womb through which He was given life [Mary] should also be protected from any stain of sin. Holy Mother Church made this teaching infallible (free of error) in 1854. Four years later, our Blessed Mother appeared to St. Bernadette at Lourdes, France stating, "I am the Immaculate Conception." There was no need to confirm what the Church already proclaimed as truth, but we can take comfort in knowing that Our Blessed Mother is always looking out for our purity and sanctity!

As a Holy Day of Obligation, we are invited to come to Mass, to celebrate with the highest prayer we can – the gift of Mary's conception, free of original sin. **At St. Charles, a Vigil Mass will be celebrated on December 7 at 6:00 pm, and the Holy Day Mass schedule is December 8 at 6:30 am, 8:30 am, and noon.** Join us and pray with and through Mary, inviting Her purity to dwell within us.



ADVENT
God with us



ADVENT ADORATION

Advent is a time of waiting; of preparing our hearts for a King. One way to grow closer in relationship to Christ during Advent is through the devotion of Adoration. As St. Charles moves closer to our long term goal of Perpetual

Adoration, we have extended our hours for Adoration during the season of Advent. The added times are on Wednesdays and Thursdays from 7:00am to 8:20am. Please visit the St. Charles website to access the Sign-Up Genius and sign up for a slot. It is important that we have at least two adorers per session. For more information on our upcoming ministry of Perpetual Adoration, you may contact Ray Feller (rdfelleriii@gmail.com) or Peg Kasun (pkasun@stcharleshartland.org).

For other Adoration Opportunities see page 3 of the bulletin.



ADVENT PRAYER OPPORTUNITIES

During the Season of Advent, St. Charles Parish provides many opportunities for parishioners to pray. Please come and join us.

DAILY MASS

- 6:30 am, Monday through Friday (Nov. 28 - Dec. 23)
- 8:30 am, Monday through Saturday (Nov. 28 - Dec. 23; resumes on Dec. 26)

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (a Holy Day of Obligation)

- Wednesday, Dec. 7 - 6:00 pm (Vigil Mass with Incense)
- Thursday, Dec. 8 - 6:30 am, 8:30 am & noon

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

- Every Thursday, from 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm & Every Saturday, from 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm (No Reconciliation on Christmas Eve)
- Communal Penance Service: Tuesday, Dec. 6 at 6:30 pm
- Communal Penance Service: Saturday, Dec. 17 at 10:30 am
- By appointment with either Father Ken or Father Ariel (262-367-0800)

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

- Every Monday, 5:00 pm to 7:00 pm (except Dec. 26 & Jan. 2)
- Every Tuesday, 6:30 pm to 8:00 pm (except Dec. 6 due to the Penance Service)
- Wednesday & Thursday mornings, 7:00 am to 8:20 am
- Every Friday, 9:15 am to 3:00 pm ; Adoration on Friday, Dec. 2 will begin at 12:30 pm due to the School Reconciliation Service

MORNING PRAYER

- Monday through Friday, 7:30 am
- Saturdays, 8:00 am (Except Dec. 24)

ROSARY

- Monday through Friday, 8:00 am
- Tuesday, 7:30 pm
- First Saturday of the month (Dec. 3) after 8:30 am Mass

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday, Dec. 24

- 3:00 pm Children's Mass
- 5:00 pm
- 9:00 pm
- 11:00 pm (Incense used)

Sunday, Dec. 25

- 7:00 am
- 9:00 am (Incense used)
- No 11:00 am or 6:00 pm Mass

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY MASS SCHEDULE

(One weekend Mass fulfills the Sunday and Holy Day Obligation)

Saturday, Dec. 31

- 5:00 pm (Vigil Mass)

Sunday, Jan. 1, 2023

- 7:00 am
- 9:00 am
- 11:00 am (Incense used)
- No 6:00 pm Mass

Visit <https://www.usccb.org/resources/advent-calendar-2022> for interactive pdf

<h1>ADVENT CALENDAR 2022</h1>						
SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
<p>November 27</p> <p>The First Sunday of Advent Begin your Advent journey by BLESSING your Advent wreath. Light the first violet candle and sing, "O Come, O Come, Emmanuel."</p>	<p>28</p> <p>What can you do this Advent to prepare your heart and life for the coming of Christ?</p>	<p>29</p> <p>"The salvation offered in the Life, Death, and Resurrection of Christ is nothing less than shining in the very life of God, in the communion of love among the Father, the Son, and the Holy Spirit. There is no greater gift that God could possibly give us." (<i>The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church</i>, no. 9.)</p>	<p>30</p> <p>Saint Andrew, Apostle, spent his life bringing people to Christ. Follow his example by inviting someone to come to Mass with you.</p>	<p>December 1</p> <p>Today is World AIDS Day. Pray for those who suffer from this disease, their caregivers, and their healthcare workers.</p>	<p>2</p> <p>"Wait for the LORD with courage; be steadfast, and wait for the LORD." —Psalm 27:14</p>	<p>3</p> <p>Saint Francis Xavier is a patron saint of missionaries. Spend some time today reflecting on how you can support the Church's mission by living as a missionary disciple.</p>
<p>4</p> <p>The Second Sunday of Advent On this Second Sunday of Advent, light two violet candles on your Advent wreath and ask God for the strength to be like John the Baptist, preparing the way of the Lord.</p>	<p>5</p> <p>"The grace of God, the gift freely given, inspires us to give thanks and worship in Him. His gift of transformation into the likeness of Christ, helps us to seek pardon and to receive it when we fall into sin, and impels us to go forth and bear witness to Christ in the world." (<i>The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church</i>, no. 28)</p>	<p>6</p> <p>Today is the Memorial of Saint Nicholas. Saint Nicholas of Myra (in modern-day Turkey) was noted for his generosity to the poor. Consider how you can offer your time, treasure, or talent to assist those in need this holiday season.</p>	<p>7</p> <p>"They that hope in the LORD will renew their strength, they will soar as with eagles' wings; They will run and not grow weary, walk and not grow faint." —Isaiah 40:31</p>	<p>8</p> <p>Today is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception, patroness of the United States of America. It is a holy day of obligation. After attending Mass, pray a decade of the Rosary for peace and justice.</p>	<p>9</p> <p>Today is the Memorial of Saint Juan Diego. Ask for his intercession for migrants and those suffering from human trafficking.</p>	<p>10</p> <p>In the busyness and noise of holiday preparations, it is easy to lose sight of the true meaning of Christmas, the birth of Christ. Spend some quiet time today alone or as a family, giving thanks for God's great gift of a Savior.</p>
<p>11</p> <p>The Third Sunday of Advent Today is the Third Sunday of Advent, Gaudete Sunday. At this halfway point in Advent, light two violet and the rose candles on your Advent wreath and Rejoice! For the Lord is near!</p>	<p>12</p> <p>Our Lady of Guadalupe appeared to Juan Diego wearing the traditional garb of a pregnant woman. On this her feast day, ask for her intercession for all unborn children and their parents.</p>	<p>13</p> <p>In gratitude for the gift of God's mercy, plan to receive the Sacrament of Penance before Christmas.</p>	<p>14</p> <p>"Having been sanctified by the gift of the Eucharist and filled with faith, hope, and charity, the faithful are called to respond to this gift. Indeed, it is only natural that we give thanks to the Lord for all that he has given to us." <i>The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church</i>, no. 30.</p>	<p>15</p> <p>According to custom, the Christmas tree is set up before Christmas and remains in place until the Solemnity of Epiphany. Share this blessing with your family and friends.</p>	<p>16</p> <p>Las Posadas, a reenactment of Mary and Joseph seeking shelter before the birth of Jesus, traditionally begins today. Pray for migrants seeking shelter around the world.</p>	<p>17</p> <p>Today marks the beginning of the "O Antiphons". This tradition, which comes from Evening Prayer, has been around since at least the eighth century.</p>
<p>18</p> <p>The Fourth Sunday of Advent On this Fourth Sunday of Advent, light all three violet and the rose candles on your Advent wreath and pray that the light of Christ will enter your heart so that you may share the warmth of God's love with those you meet.</p>	<p>19</p> <p>"The nativity scene is 'like a living Gospel' (<i>Apostolic Letter Admirabile Signum</i>, n. 1). It brings the Gospel to the places where people live. ... And in those places where we live, it reminds us of an essential thing: that God did not remain invisible in Heaven, but rather came to earth, became man, a child.</p>	<p>20</p> <p>We need to be conscious of the gift we have received, a gift that is none other than the Lord himself in his act of self-giving. We become conscious of this gift when we actively engage in every part of the liturgy. <i>The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church</i>, no. 31.</p>	<p>21</p> <p>"Blessed are you who believed that what was spoken to you by the Lord would be fulfilled." —Luke 1:45</p>	<p>22</p> <p>Spend a family evening eating cookies and drinking hot chocolate while you read the Christmas cards you have received. Before bed, pray an Our Father and a Hail Mary for all your beloved family and friends.</p>	<p>23</p> <p>Reach out to those in your community who may be alone this Christmas and invite them to Mass and to share part of your celebration.</p>	<p>24</p> <p>[Prayer] in adoration before the Blessed Sacrament... helps all of us to be formed by the self-giving love we behold in the Lord's gift of himself in the Eucharist. —<i>The Mystery of the Eucharist in the Life of the Church</i>, no. 33</p>
<p>25</p> <p>"And the Word became flesh and made his dwelling among us, and we saw his glory." —John 1:14</p>	<p>Copyright © 2022, United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, Washington, DC. All rights reserved. Quote from Pope Francis, copyright © 2022, Libreria Editrice Vaticana, Vatican City State. All rights reserved. Quotes from the <i>Lectionary for Mass for Use in the Dioceses of the United States of America</i>, second typical edition © 2001, 1998, 1997, 1986, 1970 Confraternity of Christian Doctrine, Inc., Washington, DC. Used with permission. All rights reserved.</p>					



**NOTICE OF NOMINATION/ELECTION
PASTORAL COUNCIL TRUSTEE-SECRETARY**

Nominations for the Pastoral Council Trustee-Secretary position are now being accepted. Michael Berendes' term as Pastoral Council Trustee-Secretary has ended, and he is nominated for re-election by Fr. Ken Omernick. If you or someone you know would like to be considered for nomination to this position, you are required to be at least 25 years of age, a practicing Catholic, and a current registered parish member. Nomination forms and information are available in the Parish Office. All nomination forms must include 10 parishioner endorsement signatures and must be returned to the Parish Office no later than Wednesday, December 21, 2022. Voting for the Pastoral Council Trustee-Secretary position will take place on January 15 & 16, 2023 after the Saturday evening Mass and all Sunday Masses in the Borromeo Room. If no additional nominations are received, Michael Berendes will be reinstated as Parish Council Trustee-Secretary for another two-year term.

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- Dec. 18th Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 5th
- Dec. 25th Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 12th
- Jan. 1st Bulletin information is due Monday, Dec. 19th
- Jan. 8th Bulletin information is due Wednesday, Dec. 21st

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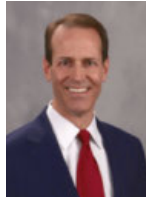
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