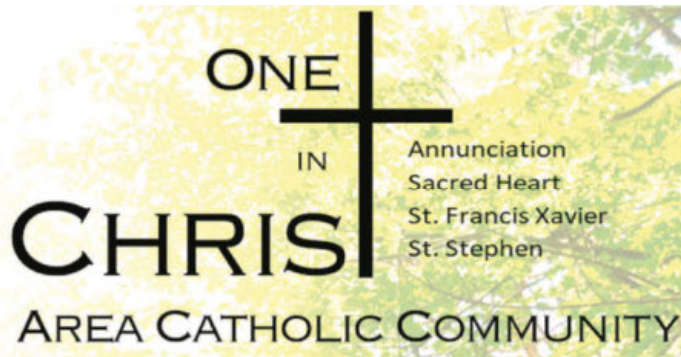
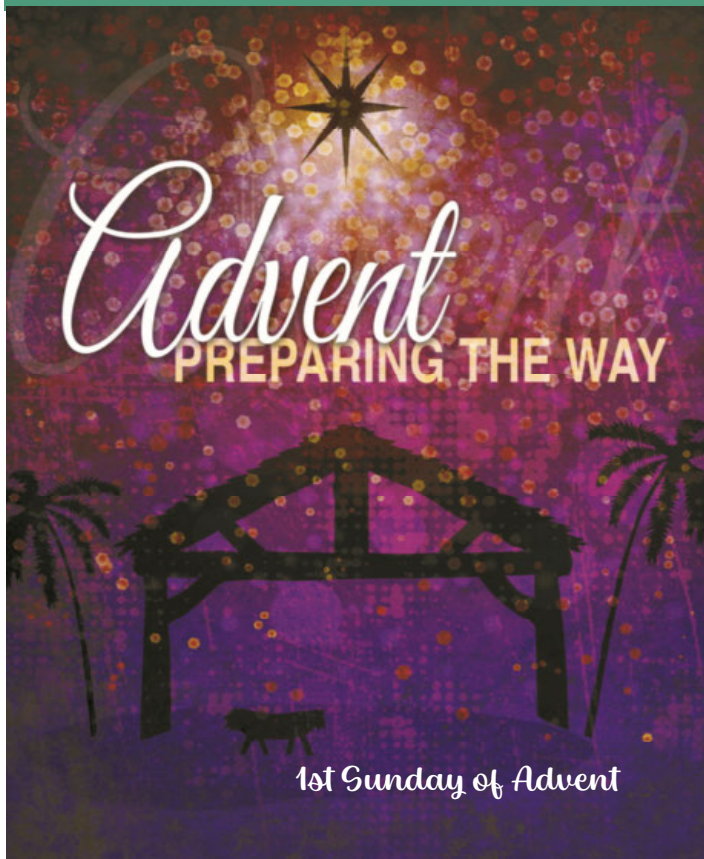


November 27, 2022  
1st Sunday of Advent



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### Annunciation

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### MASS TIMES

<b>Monday November 28</b> <i>Advent Weekday</i>	8:00 am 8:30 am 7:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier Annunciation St. Francis Xavier	Word & Communion † Yvonne & John Ferche Deceased KC members & spouses
<b>Tuesday November 29</b> <i>Advent Weekday</i>	8:00 am 5:30 pm 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen Sacred Heart	† Deceased members of the Posch & Kroll families † Mary & Pat Kroll † Todd Mastey
<b>Wednesday Nov 30</b> <i>St. Andrew</i>	8:00 am 8:00 am	Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier	† Mary Bauer † Jerry & Esther Then
<b>Thursday December 1</b> <i>Advent Weekday</i>	8:00 am 8:00 am 8:30 am	St. Stephen St. Francis Xavier Annunciation	† Jerry Blonigen † Anthony & Veronica Robotcek † Liv & Dec. Family Babcock & Kosiba
<b>Friday December 2</b> <i>Advent Weekday</i>	8:00 am 8:30 am	Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier	† JB Vouk † Ed & Marie Emslander
<b>Saturday December 3</b> <i>2nd Sunday of Advent St. Francis Xavier</i>	5:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier Sacred Heart St. Stephen	† Art Bialka † Mary Jo Bozych † Carol Cropper
<b>Sunday December 4</b> <i>2nd Sunday of Advent</i>	8:15 am 9:00 am 9:30 am	Annunciation *Sacred Heart *St. Francis Xavier	For the People † Linda Neu † Darlene Bidingier
<b>*Livestreamed Mass</b>	10:00 am 2:00 pm	St. Stephen St. Francis Xavier	† Jerry Pantzke Confirmation Mass-For the People

### PASTORAL SERVICES

**Reconciliation**  
**Saturdays** 3:30 pm Sacred Heart  
4:00 pm St. Francis Xavier  
7:50 pm St. Stephen  
**Sunday** 7:40 am Annunciation

**Anointing of the Sick**  
**Home Bound Communion**  
**Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests,**  
**Marriage and Baptism Preparation**

If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.

Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact your Parish Office for more information.

### DAILY READINGS

<b>Monday:</b>	Is 4:2-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11	<b>Thursday:</b>	Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27
<b>Tuesday:</b>	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24	<b>Friday:</b>	Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31
<b>Wednesday:</b>	Rom 10:9-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 4:18-22	<b>Saturday:</b>	Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8
		<b>Sunday:</b>	Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12

## MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



### Welcome To An Advent of Listening

Perhaps you have already received the Advent letter from your parish in our One in Christ ACC. There, we invite all to participate in an Advent of Listening this year. As noted in the letter, Advent is intended to create a space within

ourselves for joy: the joy of welcoming the Savior of the world, the Word made flesh in the glorious humility of a Child. It is a time of waiting, expectation, hope, trust. To hear and recognize that Word of salvation, come in Person, we need to quiet ourselves to listen – to listen to our loved ones, to our neighbors, to our own hearts, and to God.

Many of the songs of the season encourage us to listen. “Do You Hear What I Hear?” “Hark, the Herald Angels Sing.” “I Heard the Bells on Christmas Day.” “Fall on your knees, O hear the angels’ voices.” And of course, all of this was made visible in Bethlehem, on a “Silent Night.”

How will you use these weeks to prepare for the Birth of the Savior? It is such a busy and often frantic time; but Advent invites us to the freedom to slow down, to keep watch, to wait in silence and stillness. As we share in an Advent of Listening, consider this list of suggestions for a more spiritual Advent. No one can do all of them, of course; but again this year I ask you to consider this list and explore ways to continue or establish new and holy traditions in your home.

-- Declare a “Peace and Quiet Zone” in your home – TV, radio, cell phones, and other electronics are turned off and all spend 5 or 10 minutes in silent prayer and reflection. Use this time to appreciate the stillness and silence, to meditate prayerfully on the meaning of Advent and the promise of a Redeemer.

-- Discuss a family gift to a charitable organization. One way to give a very meaningful and truly useful gift is to agree to use the money one would spend on a gift as a donation to help the needy in our world.

-- Spend a few minutes around the dinner table talking about how you have experienced an act of mercy received or performed.

-- As you write each card or wrap each gift, offer a prayer for each person who will receive it.

-- Visit a friend or relative who is lonely for some companionship.

-- Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation before Christmas, and seek to be reconciled with others as well with a sincere apology.

-- Invite a friend to Mass with you.

-- Consider setting up the Christmas manger scene gradually – that is, as each member of the family fulfills an Advent promise of service, he/she may add a figure to the scene.

## (Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

-- Try to have the preparations of shopping, baking, cards, and so on finished a week before Christmas, so that the final days of Advent can be spent in calm and peace.

-- Go caroling with a group of families and other friends.

-- Have each member of the household set aside one gift they have received to give away in turn to the less fortunate. This is a way for the “giving” of Christmas to extend beyond the day itself.

-- Pray the Joyful Mysteries of the Rosary together.

-- Spend some quiet time in prayer alone at the manger scene, either in church or at home. Thank Jesus for coming to us as our Savior.

### Boxes of Joy

Thanks to all of you who have responded so generously to the Cross Catholic International “Boxes of Joy” project. These boxes of small gifts and life’s necessities go to thousands of children across the world. While the material things are appreciated, perhaps the greater gift is the assurance that they are cared for, prayed for, and not forgotten. That is a commitment we can make every day.

### Fr. Tom



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STEWARDSHIP AND EVANGELIZATION  
LIVING A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP



“Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come.” — Matthew 24:42

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily, and you begin to see God’s active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude each day for all that we have been given.



Listening Well.

What is the most important thing to do? Listen. Offer the good that person needs at this time.

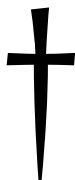
### ADVENT SCRIPTURE STUDIES FOR ADULTS

Prepare your heart for the birth of Christ by participating in a short 3 week scripture study. There will be sessions on Sundays beginning December 4th from 4:30 - 5:45 pm and Tuesdays from Noon - 1:15 pm (Feel free to bring a lunch) beginning December 6th. The material used for the study is called Advent: Season of Divine Encounter by Little Rock Scripture Study. Registration forms are due Friday, November 18th and can be found in the gathering space and on the parish website. If you have questions, contact Scott Frieler at Sacred Heart Parish 251-8115.

### FUNERAL BLESSINGS

Remember in your prayers the family of Gerald Trobec who passed away on November 16 from St. Stephen.

Eternal Rest grant unto him and let perpetual light shine upon him.



### ANOINTING OF THE SICK MASS SCHEDULE

Each fall, we offer a communal celebration of the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick in the context of Mass. This year, there are several options for receiving this Sacrament of healing:

after Masses the weekend of December 3 & 4 at St. Francis Xavier.

The Anointing of the Sick is intended for the baptized who have reached the age of reason and “begin to be in danger due to sickness or old age,” whether it is a question of a chronic condition or an episode of sickness, whether it is a physical or psychological cause. The effect of this sacrament is to unite our human sufferings with those of Christ and His Cross, and receive healing in spirit, forgiveness of sin, and, if necessary for the good of the person, healing also in body.

### BAPTISMS

We welcome the following children baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:



**Maximilian Daniel Nielsen**, son of James & Jenna.

**Mae Janice Sweeter**, daughter of Jacob & Nikki.

**Vivian Mae Voss**, daughter of Ryan & Sarah.

**August Robert Loftin**, son of Michael & Rachel, all baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

**Oliver John O’Leary**, son of Travis & Jennifer

**Isla Elizabeth Olson**, daughter of Michael & Jenna, both baptized at Sacred Heart.



*Christmas Candy & Cookie  
Bake Sale*

*Saturday, December 3, 2022*

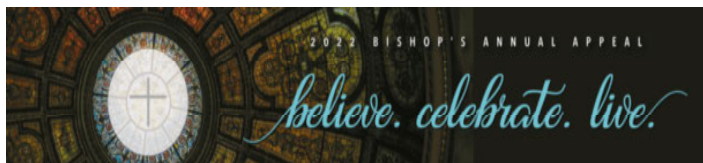
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## YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

### Young Adult Bible Study

A new series kicks-off on Thursday, December 1st at Sacred Heart in Room D. Join us for the Acts of the Apostles, we'll start with the first four chapters from 7:00 -8:30 pm. See the website or contact Jason Prigge (320.281.9486) for details.

### Theology on Draft

Due to the Holy Day of Obligation –Theology on Draft will be on the third Thursday (Thursday, December 15th.) Put it in your calendar, don't miss it! More details to come soon.

## ST CLOUD RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

St. Francis Xavier	Thursday, Dec 1-6:30 pm
St. Michael	Thursday, Dec 1-6:30 pm
Christ Church Newman Center	Tuesday, Dec 6-6:00 pm
St. Augustine	Tuesday, Dec 6-6:30 pm
St. Paul	Tuesday, Dec 6-6:30 pm
St. John Cantius	Thursday, Dec 6-6:30 pm
Sacred Heart	Friday, Dec 16-6:30 pm
St. Peter	Saturday, Dec 17-1:00 pm
Holy Spirit	Sunday, Dec 18-1:00 pm
St. Anthony	Monday, Dec 19-6:30 pm
St. Mary's Cathedral	Tuesday, Dec 20-6:30 pm

## ELECTRONIC GIVING AND YEAR END GIFTS

Please keep your parish in mind as we come to the end of the year for your charitable contribution plans. If you have RMD's (required minimum distributions) that need to be made from your IRA, there could be tax advantages if you roll those directly over to your parish. That's a great way to support your parish and also save tax dollars. Do visit with your financial advisor or accountant to confirm if that is the case for you.

Another way to support parishes is by electronic giving. Your support and commitment of regular, steady contributions is appreciated. Some parishes have opportunities set up for direct transfers to the parish or giving by credit card. That sounds funny in some ways, but many credit cards offer points for travel and other deals. Those funds are transferred directly to the parish, so it save writing a check out each week or month as well. Call your parish office to learn more. Many banks offer "bill pay". Donations to your parish are not a bill, but that is the terminology used. This is done online from your home, but if you need help, visit your bank and they can help you get set up.

Thank you for your good stewardship and continued support of the parishes in One in Christ.

## ST. STEPHEN

**Contact:** Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520  
Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

**Hours: Mon-Fri 2:00 –6:00 PM**  
ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com

**Faith Formation:** Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066  
ststephenfaith@gmail.com

### Financial Offerings - Nov 12 & 13

Adult collection .....	\$1,875.50
Plate .....	295.00
Children .....	3.00
Online Giving Nov 5-11 .....	260.00
Catholic Charities .....	700.00
	Total: \$3,133.50

Weekly Adult/Online needed for budget: \$2,740.00

**Faith Formation:** Nov. 30 Grades 1-4 and Grade 10 Confirmation. Meal will be Sloppy Joes.

### Upcoming Advent Events:

**Dec. 4:** St. Nick visits after 10:00 Mass. Hear the story of St. Nick and join the sing-a-long. Receive a goodie bag from St. Nick and have refreshments.



**Nov. 27 - Dec. 18:** The traditions of **The Giving Tree and the Parish Christmas Card** continue this year. **The Giving Tree** asks for donations of toys, clothing, toiletries, gift certificates and any other useful items. Gifts are needed for all ages, baby through adult. Place your gifts under the Giving Tree from Nov. 27 thru Dec. 18. Call Mary Lee at 251-4461 if you have questions.

To take part in the **Parish Christmas Card**, simply put your names on an envelope marked "Christmas Card" and enclose a cash donation of your choice. Drop the envelope in the collection basket from Nov. 27 thru Dec. 18. The Parish Christmas Card will be giving out at all Christmas Masses. Call Betty if you have questions at 252-6009.

**The Faith Formation & Youth Group** students are collecting donations for Pathways 4 Youth. There will be boxes at the entrances of Church until Dec. 18 for your donations. Items to donate include non-perishable food items and/or personal hygiene items, such as: toothbrushes, travel size deodorant & toothpaste, shaving cream and razors, shampoo & conditioner, combs and feminine hygiene products.

**Slovenian Sausage Cook-Off** December 10th. Sponsored by St. Stephen Lions at Trobec's Bar from 6:00 - 8:30 PM. Come out and vote for the best one! Call Rick Knettel for tickets/details, 320-267-8897.

**Well n Fit exercise classes** Wednesday & Friday mornings from 9:30-10:30 in the Parish Hall. Wednesday morning exercise class will be followed by a half hour Line Dancing class.

### Helping Hands Outreach

**Senior Dining** - Every Wednesday at **Rusty Nail** at noon followed by cards. Cost is \$6.00 per meal.

**Monthly Lunch & Learn** - In the St. Stephen Parish Hall on December 15. Social at 11:30 followed by meal, speaker and entertainment.

**Feet First Clinic** - Call Helping Hands to set up an appointment. 320-746-9960

## SACRED HEART PARISH

**Contact:** Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114  
parish@sacredheartsaukrapids.org  
Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

**Office Hours:** Monday – Friday 8:30am-4pm

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

### Income for the Week of November 13, 2022

Adult Collection.....	\$24,635.60
Children's Collection.....	\$7.00
Holy Days.....	\$30.00
Funeral Lunch Collection.....	\$1,140.00
Poor Clare Sisters Collection.....	\$1,160.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$19,673

## STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

**Advent** Would you like to carry an Advent candle in procession at one of our weekend Masses during Advent? We are looking for people of all ages to help as candle bearers. Please contact Jill K in the office to sign up. Thank you!



**Pew Cleaning** With Christmas just around the corner we would like to do a pew cleaning day in the worship space. We invite you to come on December 2nd from 1-3:30 to help clean the pews. We chose this date because it looks like all of the school districts in the area have the day off. **This would be GREAT for Confirmation students to do for an experience.** No need to RSVP, just show up and we will help you get started.



**Giving Tree** If you took a tag from the Giving Tree, please return the gift unwrapped (no gift bags please) with the tag attached by Sunday, December 4th. Thank you for your generosity.

**Funeral Lunch Support** When a loved one dies, we honor each person's life with prayer, the Church's funeral liturgy, and an outpouring of support from friends, neighbors, and the parish community. A long and beautiful tradition at Sacred Heart and many parishes is the funeral lunch. If you wish to donate to this Fund, please place your donation in an envelope marked Funeral Lunch (some are available in the Gathering Space) Donations will be collected through November.

## ADDED PICTORIAL DATES

We have added more dates to the pictorial directory photo slots. check out <https://ucdir.com/schedule/login.php> and sign up. We have times available December 27-30th and January 20-21st.

## PRAYER REQUESTS

If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the following prayer list, please call 320-251-8115: Jim Bares, Mary Mainus & Arlene Ramey.

**Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain.** Please call 320-492-9361, 320-252-3401 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

**WNL Episode 5** is on a little break! Thank you to all who've joined us for the month of November. We'll be back on Wednesday, December 21st from 6-7:30 pm for Christmas Caroling.

**Breakfast and Bible Study** returns on Friday, December 2nd at 7am for students in grades 6-12 All are welcome to join as we continue the Gospel of Mark. Don't need to be Catholic to attend!



**Where's Waldo Hunt** Save the date for Wednesday, December 28th for our second annual Waldo Hunt at Mall of America. Forms and details can be found online at: [sacredheartsaukrapids.org/eventforms](https://sacredheartsaukrapids.org/eventforms)

**Children's Liturgy of the Word** schedule for December will be the 4th and 18th. CLOW happens on Sundays at the 9am Mass.

## FAITH FORMATION

**10th Grade Confirmation Orientation Meetings** are December 12th, 13th, and 15th. The meetings are about 1 hour and are for the candidate and a parent. Meeting times are 6:15 - 7:15 pm and 7:30 - 8:30 pm each day. To sign up, go to the parish website, click on the Sacraments tab, and then click on Confirmation. A link will be on the Confirmation Page to sign up. If you have questions, contact Scott in the FF office.

**First Reconciliation Retreat** is Saturday, December 10th from 9am - Noon. The retreat is for the child and a parent and will conclude with the children receiving the Sacrament. Please pray for our children as they prepare for the special graces they will receive from the Sacrament.



## BLOOD PRESSURE SCREENING

**In Praise of SH Nurses—BP checks THIS Weekend** "Be still! Feet on the floor" you might hear a nurse tell you that as she/he begins your blood pressure check! So totally harmless! Try it each month.

Some time ago, when reporting my BP results to my doctor, he said, "That SH nurse saved your life!" Further studies indicated I have A FIB. Do you? Thank you, SH Nurses, for your dedicated nursing ministry. It is so appreciated. —Imelda Stang

The next blood pressure check weekend is December 17 & 18 after both Masses.

## UPCOMING EVENTS

- November 28; 545pm—Child & Parent Group  
6pm—KC Meeting
- November 29; 4pm—Healing from Loss-Rm D  
6:30pm—Pastoral Council
- December 1; 7pm—Young Adult Bible Study
- December 2; 7am—Breakfast & Bible Study  
8:30am—Eucharistic Adoration  
11am—Rosary & Benediction  
1pm—Pew Cleaning
- December 3; 3:30pm—Reconciliation  
6pm—St. Monica's Bake Sale
- December 4; 10am—St. Monica's Bake Sale  
4:30pm—Advent Bible Study —Room B

## ANNUNCIATION PARISH

**Contact:** Cindy Gans 320-252-1729  
annunciation@cloudnet.com  
Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

**Faith Formation:** Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941

### FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

#### Income for Sunday, November 13th, 2022

Adult Sunday	\$1,615.00
Visitor	\$116.00
Youth	\$9.50
Votive Candle	\$9.65
Catholic Charities	\$20.00
Building Fund	\$210.00
Total Income	\$1,980.15

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget 3,037.00

### Mass Schedule

#### Sun. December 4th, 2022, 8:15am Mass

**Lector:** Loren Popp

**Eucharist:** Anita Montag, Karla Koenig, Jean Bemboom

**Servers:** Noah & Cole Lentner

**Greeters:** Chuck Wocken & Mason Zwilling

**Ushers:** Jenny Zwilling, Peter Ackerman, Chuck Wocken, Lora Knafle.



**Happy Birthday:** Kevin Jarnot, Preston Mescall, Alexis Bemboom, Brynn Krajsa, Carol Sondrol, Rita Kainz, Briana Ackerman, Steven Czek.

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** November Classes 6:30pm:  
Nov. 30th. Dec. 6th, 13th, 20th, No Class Dec. 27.

**COATS FOR KIDS** The Knights of Columbus will be putting out a box in the entryway of church to collect clean and good shaped men's, women's and children's winter coats and hats/caps again. If you have any questions or if you are in need of a winter coat, you can call Tom and lone at 492-7993 & 252-0126. Thank you for your generosity. God Bless.



**A big THANK YOU** to all from the One in Christ ACC who contributed to the Cross Catholic Outreach Box of Joy project which is a project promoted by the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women. Eighty children in various countries will have the joy of opening up a box this Christmas, many who have never received a gift at Christmas

**CHRISTMAS BAKE SALE AND BREAKFAST:** On Sunday, Dec. 4th, after Mass in the Church basement. Proceeds will go to the Poor Clares and the victims of Hurricane Ian. Sponsored by our Religious Education Students. *Everyone is Welcome.*



**ADVENT/CHRISTMAS CONCERT:** Sunday, Dec. 11th at 12:00pm at Church of the Holy Spirit, St. Cloud. Music by Holy Spirit, St. Anthony and Newman Center Adult Choirs. Free and open to the public. ♪

**3 WEEK ADVENT BIBLE STUDY** "Advent: Season of Divine Encounter" by Little Rock Scripture Study. Sessions begin Sun. Dec. 4th from 4:30-5:45pm or Tues. from noon-1:14pm. RSVP to Scott at Sacred Heart.

## ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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Julie Kouba 701-721-5083

### FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

**Financial Information is not available for SFX due to early printing of this bulletin.**

### PICTORIAL DIRECTORY UPDATE

We have one more week of photos on the calendar – **December 27<sup>th</sup> to 30<sup>th</sup>** – the Tuesday thru Friday after Christmas. You get a FREE 8 x 10 photo and a FREE directory just for getting your photo taken. It's up to you if you want to buy any additional photos, but it is not required. **Photos are taken in Xavier Hall.** You can schedule your sitting at [www.ucdir.com](http://www.ucdir.com) – click on the Scheduling Appointment Button. Our church code is **MN279B** and the password is **photos**. On weekends, the online sign-up is turned OFF and there are sheets in the gathering place with dates and times available. OR, if you want, call Becky, Jane or Tom in the parish office (320-252-1363) and we'll help you get signed up.



Pro-Life Christmas Cards are available to purchase in the Parish Office. \$10 for 10 cards.

### GIVING TREE

This year our Giving Tree has needs from the following charities: Anna Maries, Place of Hope, VA, Boys and Girls Club, Pathway for Youth and Country Manor. Please take a tag or two this weekend if you are able. Any questions call Judy Pohlkamp 224-8757 or Deb Rickers 309-1073.

No wrapping needed, leave in bag with gift tag taped on the shopping bag.  
Please return all gifts by December 4.



## NO ROOM IN THE INN

**Tuesday, November 29th ~ 6:30 PM in Xavier Hall**  
 The weather is now colder and people are sleeping outside. You are invited to a panel discussion that will include representatives from District 742, Stearns County Health and Human Services and the Lincoln Center that serves as a shelter for those experiencing homelessness. Together may we find some ways to offer assistance. Sponsored by the St. Francis Social Justice Concerns Committee.

## ST. NICHOLAS AT SFX



St. Nicholas to visit St. Francis Xavier Church at Masses Saturday and Sunday, December 3rd & 4th. Stop by the Gathering Place to greet St. Nicholas and take photos.

## ANNONING MASSES AT SFX

Anointing will be after Masses the weekend of December 3 & 4 at St. Francis Xavier. Catholics, both children and adults, who are seriously ill, facing surgery, or experiencing the weakness that comes with old age should seek this sacrament. Those with serious, chronic mental or physical illness may also receive the anointing of the sick.

## ADORATION



### Eucharistic Adoration

December 13 & 27, 4-7 pm.

Come and spend some quiet time with Jesus.

## ST. ANTHONY MISSION GROUP

St. Anthony Mission group will meet November 28th in Xavier Hall at 10 am. Please join us as we make blankets for those in need.

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