# **DECEMBER 8, 2024**

# 2<sup>nd</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

# ST. PATRICK'S & ST. LUKE'S

# **PARISHES**

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# ST. PATRICK'S CHURCH HINCKLEY, MN

Office Hours: Wednesday 9 am - Noon





# ST. LUKE'S CHURCH SANDSTONE, MN

Office Hours Tuesday 9am - Noon

# **WELCOME**

Welcome to St. Patrick's and St. Luke's Parishes, and thank you for coming today! Whether you're a familiar face, or from another part of our Diocese or state, we're happy to have you with us. If you would like to join our parish family, or if you have any questions about what we have to offer here at St. Patrick's or St. Luke's, please don't hesitate to call us.

## **PARISH STAFF**

Fr. Joseph Sirba Pastor fathersirba@outlook.com

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# **MASS SCHEDULE** (12/9 – 12/15)

8:30am SP Monday + Bob Pope

Tuesday 8:30 am SL Celebrant Intentions

Wednesday 8:30 am SP

+ George & Bessie Hornik

SL

SL

8:30 am Thursday

+ George & Marie Watrin Friday SP

6:30 pm + Helen & Harold Reiser

Saturday 5:00 pm SP

+ Nora Hogan

8:30 am Sunday SP

+ Deceased of Sellner Family 10:30 am

**Parishioners** 

# ADORATION/EXPOSITION

Thursday SL 9 am - 8 pm 7am - 6:15 pm SP Friday

# **SACRAMENT OF PENANCE**

Friday	5-6:15 pm	SP
Saturday	10-11 am	SL
Saturday	4-4:45 pm	SP
Sunday	8-8:20 am	SP

## **Communion Antiphon:**

Jerusalem, arise and stand upon the heights, and behold the joy which comes to you from God.

Baruch 5:5, 4:36

#### FROM THE PASTOR

#### SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

This Monday, December 9th, is the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception. All Catholics must attend Mass on that day. Our Blessed Lady under her title of the Immaculate Conception is patroness of the United States. This great feast reminds us that Mary was conceived free from Original Sin. She was given this special grace from God in advance of Christ's great redemptive act on the cross. This was both necessary and appropriate in order that she could be a pure and holy vessel for God's Son. Other than Adam and Eve, Mary is the only human being to receive this great gift from God. Our Lady's purity and freedom from all sin is what inspired the poet William Wordsworth to write of her, "Woman! Above all women glorified, our tainted nature's solitary boast ..." Masses for the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception will be at Saint Patrick's at 8:30am Monday morning and at Saint Luke's at 6:30pm Monday evening.

#### SOME WAYS YOU CAN PROMOTE CHRISTMAS

Send Christmas cards with a clear reference to the Nativity of our Lord. Use religious Christmas stamps for your mail. Wish people a "blessed Christmas" instead of "happy holidays." Put an outdoor nativity scene in front of your home instead of reindeer. Get a nativity scene and set it up in your home or in your place of work (many beautiful sets are available online). Remember, Jesus is the reason for the season. Remind others of this by what you say and do and by the decorations you set up.

#### **CHRISTMAS MASSES**

Our Christmas Mass schedule will be the same as our regular weekend schedule. There will be 5pm Mass on Tuesday, Christmas Eve at Saint Patrick's and 8:30am Mass on Wednesday, Christmas Day at Saint Patrick's and 10:30am on Wednesday, Christmas Day at Saint Luke's.

## **ADVENT CONFESSIONS**

The Sacrament of Penance is a gift from Jesus to us. In this Sacrament, we have both an opportunity and obligation to receive God's forgiveness and mercy. Make sure you receive this Sacrament and go to Confession before Christmas. Besides the regularly scheduled times, there will be extra times at Saint Patrick's on Wednesday, December 18th from 4:30 to 6:00pm and at Saint Luke's on Tuesday, December 17th from 9:00 to 10:00am and from 4:30 to 5:30pm and on Christmas Eve from 9:00 to 9:30am. There will also be a Communal Penance service at Saint Patrick's on Monday, December 23rd from 6:00 to 7:00pm and a Communal Penance service at Immaculate Conception in Pine City on Sunday, December 22nd, from 4 to 5pm.

#### SAINT LUKE'S FAMILY FAITH FORMATION

Family Faith Formation for Saint Luke's meets this coming Wednesday. Dinner begins at 5:30pm. Power Point presentations for Parents are on the Parish Website.

# **ARE YOU REGISTERED IN THE PARISH?**

If you are new to our area, please join us and become part of our parish family. Contact the parish office to get a

parish census form. It will be helpful if you could do this week as we are updating our parish records in preparation for the coming year.

## Adoration Intentions:

# Holy Father' monthly intention:

For those who have lost a child, that they find peace and consolation from the Holy Spirit and support in their community.

#### Parish monthly intention:

For the repose of the souls of all our departed parishioners and for the deceased priests and deacons who have served our parish over the years.

#### PARISH ARK SMALL GROUPS

#### St Patrick's

#### MILITIA OF THE IMMACULATA (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 1<sup>st</sup> Friday from 3:40–5:00pm. Contact: Janice Gustafson 320-245-2566

# LAY CARMELITES (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup>Monday at 9am. Contact: Gail Von Rueden 320-384-7305 or Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929

# **BOOK CLUB (women of all ages)**

Book Club will be gathering at Donna Sutton's home on Saturday, December 21<sup>st</sup> @ 10 a.m. for prayer, conversation, & discussion of the book "This is My Body: A Call to Eucharistic Revival" by Bishop Robert Baron. If you are interested in joining us and would like a copy of the book, please contact Kelly Lenzen at 320-267-5526.

WEDNESDAY MORNING PEACE & PRAYER GROUP (open to all) Meets in the Parish Hall every Wednesday after Mass Contact: Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929

**YOUNG ADULTS GROUP** (single high school graduates) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Fridays at 7pm. Contact: Father Sirba 320-384-6313

**SATURDAY MORNING BREAKFAST GROUP** (open to all) The group will meet in the Parish Hall on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Saturdays from 7:30 to 8:30am. Contact: Barb Rabe 612-390-8532

# **SUNDAY EVENING GROUP** (open to all)

Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 2<sup>nd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> Sundays from 6 – 7pm. Contact: Chuck Dillenburg 320-629-3105

**MOMS GROUP** (moms with young children) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on 1<sup>st</sup> Friday at 7pm. Contact: TBD.

**PATERFAMILIAS CATHOLICA GROUP** (dads with young children) Meets in the Faith Sharing Room on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday at 7pm. Contact: Father Sirba

#### St Luke's

**MENS CLUB** (men of all ages from both parishes)

Meets in the Rectory on the 2<sup>nd</sup> Tuesday at 5pm. Contact: Deacon Jim Mostek 952-221-1183

#### **TUESDAY MORNING GROUP** (open to all)

Meets in Church hall every Tuesday morning after mass.

Contact: Mike Swegle 218-343-5640

**SUNDAY EVENING GROUP** (open to all) Meets in the Rectory on the 1<sup>st</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> Sundays from 6 to 7pm.

Contact: Tim McClain 320-207-8370

# SPANISH LANGUAGE GROUP (open to all)

Meets in the Rectory on the last Saturday from 9 – 10am.

Contact: Deacon Jim Mostek 952-221-1183

**ST. MONICA CLUB** – OPEN TO ALL (focused on families who are away from the Catholic Church) This new Ark group will meet on the last Saturday of the month at 9:00am in the basement of St Lukes. Please contact Nancy Mostek @ 763-226-5103.

YOUTH CHOIR (open to students grades 4 to 12) St. Luke's Youth Choir will resume this fall. The first rehearsal will be Sept 25 at 5pm. We will meet at 5:00-5:30 each night that St. Luke's Family Faith Formation is in session. Let's encourage all our youth to "sing with all their skill to the Lord serving Him with gladness" as the Psalms tell us.

## **GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS**

# **FOOD SHELF NEEDS**

The Food Shelf in Sandstone serves a significant number of people. Let's fill up our parish bins before Thanksgiving & Christmas with non-perishables! One suggestion for food would be **baking & cooking staples** such as: oils, sugar, flour, salt, etc. God Bless you for your generosity!

<u>BULLETIN ITEMS</u> are due for the coming bulletin on Wednesdays by 10am. Please call your parish secretary, or email us at: <u>saintlukesmn@gmail.com</u> or <u>saintpatricksmn@gmail.com</u>. (Saint Patrick's MINISTRY SCHEDULE INFO is due by the 15<sup>th</sup> for the next month.)

#### ST PATRICK'S

#### **COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER**

A big thank you to everyone that contributed or helped to make the Community Dinner a success!

# **CHRISTMAS CAROLING**

We will leave to carol right after pizza, approximately 4:45pm. We will take a wagon, weather permitting & be caroling both inside & outside, so dress appropriately. We will be back for hot chocolate by 6:30pm. Hope may can join in the fun!! Young & Old welcome.

# **IN NEED OF MONEY COUNTERS**

We are in need of someone to stay after Sunday mass to help count the church offerings about once a month. Contact the office with questions or if interested.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

The stipend for a Mass is **\$10** per Mass. If a check is written, it should be made out to Father Sirba. Please give the name of the person, whether 'deceased' or 'living', and your name, and put in an envelope marked 'Attention M Bramer'. You can drop this in collection or mail it to St. Patrick's, PO Box 490, Hinckley, MN 55037.

#### ST LUKE'S

#### ST LUKE'S ADULT AND YOUTH CHOIR

All men & women are invited to sing with the youth choir at St. Luke's 10:30 Mass on Christmas Day. We will also sing Christmas carols for 15 minutes before Mass begins. There will be one rehearsal, December 18<sup>th</sup>, from 5:00-6:00pm. If more information is needed, contact Nancy 612-390-8769. Youth choir will not be rehearsing December 11<sup>th</sup>.

#### **MASS INTENTIONS**

The stipend for a Mass is **\$10** per Mass. If a check is written, it should be made out to Father Sirba. Please give the name of the person, whether 'deceased' or 'living', and your name, and put in an envelope marked 'Attention NMostek'. You can drop this in the collection or mail it to St Luke's, P.O. Box 644, Sandstone, MN 55072.



Jen Kordiak, Youth Director 320-385-0503 or jen11kordiak@gmail.com

MORE INFORMATION ON OUR WEBSITE UNDER "YOUTH" TAB "WHAT'S HAPPENING"

Christmas Nativity Performance at St. Luke's after mass on December 15<sup>th</sup>!

Where: St. Luke's @11:30pm downstairs

**TOBIT RETREAT WEEKEND** - JANUARY '25 registration is now OPEN! @Camp Sandy. Calling all 9th-12th graders.

COST \$175- includes lodging and meals!
Join us for a winter weekend retreat as we delve
deep into Pope St. John Paul II's teaching on
Theology of the Body. We will delve into some of the
deepest questions of human existence, Discover
God's plan for LIFE and LOVE.

Mass - Talks - Adoration - Praise & Worship - Fun-Confession - Games - Sledding - Bonfire - Friends -Scholarships available if needed! Just ask Jen K.

# **DONATIONS NEEDED!**

Our Annual cookie drive is approaching fast. (Wedn, Dec 18th) To make this event successful, we need your help!

NEEDED:\* Baked traditional Christmas cookies{for our community cookie trays}\*Christmas candy, \*Candy canes(red and white) And \*Christmas cards w/envelopes!

Any questions? direct them to Jen 320-385-0503

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Dec 14 - 15

ST.PATRICK'S ST LUKE'S

LECTORLECTOR5:00 PMDan CabakDave Auchter

8:30 AM Michelle Kelash

MHC 5:00 PM Deacon Jim MHC Deacon Jim

8:30 AM Deacon Jim

SERVERSSERVERS5:00 PMBrackenburysJack Gaede

Natalie Christopherson

8:30 AM Daniel Dutcher USHERS

Josef Justen Dan Watrin Family

# ST PATRICK'S & ST. LUKE'S PARISH CONTACTS

# ST. PATRICK'S PARISH

# FINANCE COUNCIL

Treasurer Trustee:

Barb Rabe 320-384-6168

Secretary Trustee:

**Dick Prenovost** 320-384-0207

Chuck Dillenburg Janice Gustafson Ed Hattenberger Father Sirba

Women's Group

Lana Nolan 320-322-5164

Knights of Columbus Michael Bramer 715-558-1084

Ed Hattenberger 320-384-7785

Militia of the Immaculata

Janice Gustafson 320-245-2566

Lay Carmelites

Kathy Worlickey 320-775-5929 Gail Von Rueden 320-384-7305

# ST. LUKE'S PARISH

#### FINANCE COUNCIL

Treasurer Trustee

Mike Bennett 320-245-2370

Trustee

Matt Watrin 320-245-2090

Nancy Liebelt Matt Ludwig Chad Johnson CarieOlstead

**WOMEN'S GUILD** 

Deb Ludwig 320-245-2487

**MEN'S CLUB** 

Deacon Jim 952-221-1183

St. Joseph Cemetery, Finlayson

 Nancy Liebelt
 320-216-5166

 Dave Auchter
 612-390-6640

 Dennis Liebelt
 320-216-5166

 Pete Miller
 320-279-3808

# **ATTENDANCE AND STEWARDSHIP**

#### St. Patrick's

11/30 - 12/1 [85 - 131]

Adult \$2,280.00 Plate \$507.95
Ministry Appeals \$120.00 Special \$
Auto Giving \$1,880.00

St. Luke's 12/1 [ 105 ]

Adult \$1,555.00 Ministry Appeals \$145.00 Auto Giving \$380.00 Plate \$165.35 Special \$179.00

# **MEETING NOTICES**

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS(5101) 7 pm, 2nd MondaySP orSLCHOIR PRACTICEWednesdays 5-6pmSPFAMILY CHOIR PRACTICEWednesdays 4:45-5:15pmSP

ALCOHOLICS ANONYMOUS: HINCKLEY Saturdays, 8 pm, at First Lutheran

**Church.**Bron, 384-0770; or Annette, 320-336-9177.

**SANDSTONE** Saturdays, 10:30am & Sundays 7 pm **at city hall**. Bonnie 320-216-5475;

GRIEF SUPPORT GROUP 7 pm on last Monday of the month, North Pine Government Center. (CHANGE OF LOCATION) Julie 320-279-2707

"Let us love the cross very much, for it is there that we discover our life, our true love, and our strength in our greatest difficulties."

- St. Maria de Mattias

#### PRAYER LIST

NAMES WILL BE ON PRAYER LIST FOR ONE MONTH (You may resubmit if need be)

St. Patrick's: Amber-Rose Kordiak, Steve Marudas, Archbishop Dennis Schnurr, Kieran Kloss, Susan Rynearson, Carey Rossow, Teresa Kalb, Jeanne Holmes, Pat Lee, Deb Prenovost, Isaiah Masek, Logan Hovanetz, George Watrin, Natasha Starr, Joan Scharf, Patti Roberts, Hayden Erickson & family

St. Luke's: Alaina Becker, Bonnie Vander Schaegan, Dennis Liebelt, Darlene Merimonte, Josephine Voldrich, Mag Sebald, Ruth Ann Ecklund, Dennis Pinoitt, Roy Sebald, Alison Judd, Alice Watrin

Pray for the home-bound and for all those in nursing homes and continue to pray for those who have been on the prayer list in the past.

Please pray for all those in the military & their families. Pray for all those whose job it is to serve and protect us.

Please pray for our diocesan priests and our parish deacons:

December 8 - Fr Daniel Hammer

9 - Fr Joel Hastings

10 - Fr Dennis Hoffman

11 - Fr Lawrence Johnson

12 - Fr Francis Kabiru

13 - Fr Alfred Kaster

14 - Fr Andy Knop, OMI

For our pastor, Fr. Sirba; Deacon Jim Mostek; Sr. Maria Semper Virgo (Ellie) Dutcher; our Prayer Advocate Sister Donna Schroeder. Seminarians: Blake Ducharme, Michael Fitzpatrick, Zavior Franck, Charles Gibeau, Isaac Golen, Hunter Messner, John Paul Narog, David Ringhand, Benjamin Sundie, Nolan Thiesse, Jacob Tschida and all priests, deacons & religious of our diocese.

To add a name to the prayer list call 384-6313 ext. 3 or send email. Please give me your name and phone number so I can call you if I have questions. If the person is other than a close family member, ask the person's permission to add them to the prayer list before you submit their name.

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