

**CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH P.O. Box 366 Grey Eagle  
November 27, 2016 First Sunday of Advent**

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**MASS INTENTIONS:**

Tues	29	8:30 am	Jim Gohman
Wed.	30	8:30 am	Communion Service (JK)
Thurs	1	8:30 am	† Dorothy Berscheit
Sat.	3	4:30 pm	Tony & Christine Finken & Family
Sun.	4	8:30 am	People of the Parish



[www.stclouddiocese.org](http://www.stclouddiocese.org)  
St. Cloud Diocese Web Site  
[www.stjosephgreyeagle.org](http://www.stjosephgreyeagle.org)  
St. Joseph Parish Website

**RECONCILIATION**  
Sat. 3:30 – 4:00 pm in G.E.

**Pastoral Council and Faith Formation Election Results** Sherry Larson and Bob Zollar were elected to the Pastoral Council and Mandy VanHavermaet was elected to the Faith Formation Board. THANK YOU to everyone who participated by running and everyone who voted in the election.

**Pastoral Council Meeting** on Monday, December 5 at 7:30 pm.

**Mass for Immaculate Conception** will be here on Thursday, December 8 at **7:30 pm**.

**The Book of Remembrance** is in the Sanctuary for you to list your deceased loved ones. They will be remembered in all of our November Masses.

**Parish Census:** Thank you to the 225 people/families who have returned their census. It is nice to get our records updated. If you haven't returned yours yet, please do so. Don't hesitate to contact the office if you have any questions on it 285-2545.

**The Catholic Women/Christian Mothers** have purchased Advent Devotionals. Please feel free to pick one up at the entrances of the Church, starting November 23rd. Starting the weekend of November 26, we will be collecting items for the Baby Jesus baby shower. All items collected will be donated to Options for Women in Sauk Centre, and the Pregnancy Resource Center in Long Prairie. Items will be collected until January 8, 2017.

**Catholic Women/Christian Mothers** will be meeting on December 8th at 6:30 pm for a brief meeting. The meeting will be over by 7:00 pm, so we can attend Mass at 7:30 pm for the Feast Day of the Immaculate Conception. Please bring any donations for the Christmas pails or the Poor Claire's.

**Catholic Women/Christian Mothers** will be meeting on Saturday, December 10th from 9-11 am for our Christmas Party. At this time we will have pot-luck brunch and fill the Christmas pails with goodies for those in need of some good cheer. Please come join us for an enjoyable morning.

**Blood Drive here** on Friday, Dec. 9 from 1-7 pm. Call Linda or Jim 285-2670 for an appointment or info. Bring photo ID.

**Spirit Choir Schedule: SATURDAY** December 17<sup>th</sup> - 3:30 Rehearsal in Backroom; 4:30 pm Mass, Caroling around town after Mass with Religious Education Children.

Optional times to sing are for Religious Education Penance Services and Masses on Wednesday Nights:

December 21	- 6:30 Warm up on Choir --Advent Penance Service at 7:00 pm
January 11	- 6:30 Warm up on Choir – Mass at 7:00 pm
February 8	6:30 Warm up on Choir – Mass at 7:00 pm
March 8	6:30 Warm up on Choir –Mass at 7:00 pm
April 12	6:30 Warm up on Choir –Lenten Penance Service at 7:00 pm

Any questions contact Julie Berscheit 320-285-2845.

**Faith Formation News**

Wed. Nov. 30, Service project – Christmas pails and cards for service men and women (for volunteers in 3<sup>rd</sup> grade and up)

**Change of date for December: Class will be on December 14<sup>th</sup> and the Penance Service will be held on December 21<sup>st</sup>.**

The full Faith Formation Schedule can be found on our website [www.stjosephgreyeagle.org](http://www.stjosephgreyeagle.org)

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**COLLECTION:** Nov. 19 and 20, 4:30 P.M. 233 8:30 A.M. 172 Adult \$ 2747 Youth \$3.50 Loose Collections \$492.60  
Total \$ 3263.10  
**Thank you for your generosity!**

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**The Grey Eagle Community Chorus** will present a concert of Advent and Christmas music at 4 pm on Sunday, November 27, 2016, at St. Joseph's Catholic Church in Grey Eagle. The concert is free and followed by a reception in the parish hall.

**Area Penance Services:** Wed. Nov. 30 at 6:30 pm in Swanville; Monday, Dec. 12 at 7:30 pm here in Grey Eagle; Wednesday, Dec. 14 at Meire Grove at 4:30 pm and 7:30 pm.