

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH P.O. Box 366 Grey Eagle
December 20, 2015 Fourth Sunday of Advent

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MASS INTENTIONS:

Tues.	22	8:30 am	People of the Parish (confessions after)
Wed.	23	8:30 am	Communion Service (JS)
Thurs.	24	4:30 pm	† Jack Rieland (Christmas Eve)
Friday	25	8:30 am	† Dorothy Berscheit (Christmas Day)
Sat.	26	4:30 pm	† Tony Meyer
Sun.	27	8:30 am	† Eugene Brinkman

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 St. Cloud Diocese Web Site
www.stjosephgreyeagle.org
 St. Joseph Parish Website

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



Fellowship will be held on Sunday, Dec. 20 after Mass.

Confessions will be available after Mass on Tuesday, Dec. 22.

Singers needed to celebrate Christ's Birth!!!! - The Spirit Choir is looking for additional people to join in singing for the 4:30 Christmas Eve Mass. ALL AGES WELCOME. Rehearsals will be Sunday Mornings following 8:30 Mass December 20th. We will also be joining the religion classes Caroling around Grey Eagle on Wed., Dec. 23 at 6:30 pm.

Fr. Ron went to Nashville to join the Janson's and other musicians to record and cut a CD with old time, country, religious and other tunes. A great buy at only \$10.00. Proceeds go to the Poor Clare Sisters of Sauk Rapids, MN. Talk to Fr. Ron or come to the office for your purchase, or call 320-285-2545. If you want one mailed to someone, I will be glad to do it, the postage is \$4.03, Cindy. They are also available at Grey Eagle Gas & Grocery.

Christian Women are again sponsoring a baby Jesus shower project. Needed are baby clothes, infant toys, warm mittens & scarves, crib sheets & mattress pads, diapers & baby wipes & any other baby items. Please leave them in the crib in the main entrance by Jan. 1. Checks can be placed in the collection basket marked for baby Jesus.

Natural Family Planning cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. It is effective, healthy, and marriage building. The Billings Ovulation Method is a natural, highly effective method for postponing or achieving pregnancy without the use of drugs or devices. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in:

Long Prairie on Monday, January 25 at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church. For more information, or to register, contact Victoria Bulcher at vbulcher@stmmaryslp.org or 320-360-5193. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

Sauk Centre by appointment at CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Lola or Mark Welle at marlo@mainstreetcom.com or 320-352-6014. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

2016 Envelopes are in the hall, please pick yours up.

Religious give thanks. "We cannot begin to repay all who contribute," write a Catholic sister. "So we pray to God, who is never outdone in generosity, to reward you." Heartfelt thanks for your donation to last week's collection for the Retirement Fund for Religious. May God bless you for your goodness! (\$458 was collected)

Mass Time for Christmas & New Year's:

St. Joseph, Grey Eagle

4:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve.
 8:30 am Friday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day
 5:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 31, New Year's Eve

St. John the Baptist, Swanville

4:30 pm Thursday, Dec. 24, Christmas Eve
 10:30 am Friday, Dec. 25, Christmas Day
 9:30 am Friday, Jan. 1, New Year's Day

Faith Formation News

For our Faith Formation service project, we will be caroling on Wednesday, December 23. Please meet in the Church Hall at 6:30 pm and dress warmly! We will have hot cocoa and cookies upon our return to the church. If you have students in second grade or younger, we request that they are accompanied by an adult.

All are welcome, please join us! Thank you. Carissa

No Class on Dec. 23 or 30.

Mass Server Training on Monday, Dec. 28 at 1 pm. Anyone in 4th grade or older is eligible.

COLLECTION: Dec. 12 & 13, Mass Attendance 4:30 pm 188, 8:30 am 224 (Dec. 8, att. 79) Adult \$3,733. Youth \$8.25
 Loose Collection \$484. Christmas Flowers \$420=\$505 Immaculate Conception \$247=\$267 Religious Retirement \$458.
 Total \$5,350.25 **Thank you for your generosity!**

I want to extend best wishes and a Merry and Blessed Christmas season to everyone as we celebrate these wonderful days of our Lord's birth. God bless all of you and your families. Fr. Ron