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**December 17, 2017 - Third Sunday of Advent**

**This week's Mass Schedule & Events**

Sun. 17 8:30 a.m. Mass for ☩ Sr. Monica Schneider  
Mon. 18 8:00 a.m. Mass for ☩ Myrtle Odell Piva  
Tues. 19 8:00 a.m. Mass for ☩ Gordon & Bernice Meagher  
Wed. 20 6:30 p.m. Mass for Sp. Int. for Fr. Frank Coady  
Thurs. 21 Mass at Chapman  
Fri. 22 9:30 a.m. Mass for ☩ Sharon Johnson  
Adoration at 8:30 a.m.  
Sun. 24 8:30 a.m. Mass for All the People of the Parish



Tara Bush, Wayne Kemper, Betty Bowden, Wayne Rziha, David Caldwell, Fred Klucas, Sue Raccagno, Tyran Owens, Richard Warner, John Pientka, Steven Copeland, Terry & Gary Johnson, Greg Hopper, Kayly Schoming, Brenda Gamboa, Trella Glear, Luke & Mary Yetter, Tallie Baetz, Mary Winingham, Stan Knaus, Sharon Robinson, Linus Sanchez, Kevin Watts, Steve Tiernan, Jacey (Prochazka) Yanek, Hank Sanchez, Luke Yetter, Janice Brungardt, David Zey, Eloyd Owens, & Ambre Honeywell.

**BIRTHRIGHT TREE:** The Birthright Tree reminds us of the needy mothers and babies that come to Birthright of Salina. Please remember these mothers and babies with your gift. Your prayers are appreciated for the volunteers, others and babies.

**POINSETTIAS:** Poinsettias in memory of a loved one will be sold again this year for \$15.00. You can purchase yours today right after Mass in the back of church.

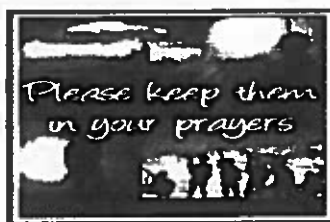
**LIVE NATIVITY:** This afternoon, December 17th, the religious education kids will be doing a live nativity in front of the church starting at 4:30 p.m. All are invited and encouraged to come and watch. Cookies & Hot Chocolate in parish hall afterwards!



**Liturgical Assignments December 24, 2017**

**Greeters:** Craig Newcomer Family  
**Servers:** Lucas Newcomer, Kyle Ryan & Haley Tiernan  
**Lectors:** Jed Smith & Caleb Smith  
**Gift Bearers:** Steve Tiernan Family  
**Eucharistic Ministers:** Dustin Dooley, Don Hellwig & Dan Winingham

Our Military Men & Women serving our country ~ Kevin Daniels, Mason Campbell, Dvon Glear, Matt Collier, Clayton & Marissa Kuhn, Matthew Lutz, & Levi Paulson.



Envelopes used: 38 out of 64 = 59%

Loose Plate: 54.35  
Envelopes: 2,403.00  
Children's: 1.10  
Special Coll.: 159.00 (Rel. Retirement)

**ICC - Sunday Offering - December 10, 2017**

**Weekly Goal: \$1,400.00**  
YTD Goal: 30,800.00  
Amt. Given: 29,506.80  
Difference: -1,293.20

*Please remember ICC in your will*

**MASS TIME FOR TRAVELERS:**

For nationwide Mass times and locations: call Mass Times (1-410-676-6000) or on the internet at [www.Masstimes.org](http://www.Masstimes.org).

**SEWING/CRAFT DAY:** If you missed the last sewing day ~ no worries ~ the next one is planned for Saturday, January 6th. Same time - 9 am to 9 pm here in the parish hall. This is open to anyone! Please bring a snack!



**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION:** The next class for Religious Education will be January 14th. Live Nativity with refreshments afterwards to-night at 4:30 p.m.

**'TIS (ALMOST) THE SEASON ~** Remember getting ready for Christmas when you were a child? From decorating the tree to baking cookies, each moment brought you excitement and joy. Preparing for Christmas can be as joyful as it was then. don't let this be just another Advent where you get distracted and busy.

Rediscover the joy in the season with Best Advent Ever, a free email program that will help you prepare for Christmas in a way that will allow you to have a Christmas as memorable and joyful as when you were a child. You'll receive.....Short inspirational videos, Practical tips and Real-life stories of hope. Sign up now at [dynamiccatholic.com/advent](http://dynamiccatholic.com/advent)

**YOGA:** Yoga classes for December will be held on the 7th, 14th & 21st at 6:30 p.m. ~ All are welcome!

**FREE CD'S AVAILABLE:** We have free cd's available in the back of church from Dynamic Catholic. This one is titled: The Most Important Word in your Marriage ~ And it's not "Love" by Dr. Allen Hunt.

Whether you're dating, engaged, or happily married, this will open your eyes to new and practical ways you can strengthen and enrich your relationship. Discover how to fill your relationship with a passion and purpose that will change your life. Pick yours up today in the back of church!

**Christmas Eve  
Mass Times**

**St. Michael's, Chapman**

**7 p.m.**

**ICC, Solomon**

**Caroling ~ 10 p.m.**

**Mass ~ 10:30 p.m.**

**Christmas Day**

**St. Michael's, Chapman**

**9 a.m.**



**Question of the Week**

*Theme: God is doing great things for us.*

**Adult Question:** If you were to write three suggestions for those who follow Jesus, to keep them strong in their faith, what would you write?

**Youth Question:** John tried to help people prepare their lives for the coming of the Messiah. What do you need to change about your life to be ready for Jesus' coming?

**Children Question:** As we get closer to Christmas, name one thing you really want for your home or the world, such as peace, friendship, or food for the poor.

**CATHOLIC CHARITIES THRIFT STORE:** is open at 1500 South Ninth Street, Salina. The store carries a variety of clothing, housewares, bedding, toys and accessories and is open to the public. Clients of Catholic Charities will receive vouchers for limited merchandise based on need. The Thrift Store will be open Thursdays 9:00am to 4:00pm, Fridays 9:00am to 2:00pm, and Saturdays 9:00am to noon.

Donations: If you would like to donate items or volunteer at the Catholic Charities Thrift Store, contact Cara Ivey, Volunteer Coordinator, at 785-825-0208 ext. 216 or [civey@ccnks.org](mailto:civey@ccnks.org). Information regarding Catholic Charities Thrift Store is also available at [www.ccnks.org](http://www.ccnks.org).

**HELP WANTED:** We need more offering counters—if you would be interested, please contact Daylene in the office! This would require one or two Sunday's, right after church for about an hour of your time. Please consider helping us out with this!

**Alcoholics Anonymous**

Meets every Sunday at 8 p.m. in parish hall & Wednesday mornings at 8 a.m. in parish hall. These are open meetings and all are welcome!

**Welcome**



We are so glad you are with us today! If you have recently moved into town and want to make this your home parish, we ask that you please fill out a slip a paper that is in the back on the two side tables with the Holy Water—feel free to drop them in the offering baskets. If you are just visiting on your way through town—we're happy to have you join us!!!!

**St. Patrick's ~ Sunday Offering ~ December 10, 2017  
Weekly Goal: \$250.00**

Envelopes:	489.00	YTD Goal:	5,750.00
Special Coll.:	00.00	Amt. Given:	<u>6,227.00</u>
		Difference:	+477.00

**PRAYER FOR NEW BISHOP:** Heavenly Father, you have blessed our diocese time and again with good and holy bishops who have led us ever closer to you. Aware of your profound love for us, we ask you to bless us once again. Send us a good and holy man to become our next bishop. Inspire us, the clergy, religious and laity of the diocese to work generously with him so that we might grow together in your love and continue the good work you have begun in us for the sake of all. We ask this through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, one God forever and ever. Amen