

THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT December 17, 2023

COFFEE HOUR AND FAITH FORMATION

Please join our faith formation community for a Christmas pageant this Sunday, December 17th at St. John the Baptist in Walton, following the coffee hour. Contact Katherine for additional details stpetersdelhiny@gmail.com, 607-746-2503.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION

Every Thursday, from 5:00 am until 6:00 pm, Our Lord is exposed for Adoration in the Eucharistic Chapel at St. John's in Walton. All parishes are welcome to come adore during any of these hours, alongside our regularly scheduled adorers. Come, let us adore Him!

MONEY MATTERS

The collections of the Immaculate Conception are" Holy Family \$47.00, St. John's \$578.00, St. Peter's \$461.00.

The general collection amounts for December 9th & 10th are: Holy Family \$337.00, St. John's \$2,164.00, St. Peter's \$1,842.00. Thank you for your continued support.

THIS WEEK'S DAILY SCRIPTURES

Monday: Jer 23:5-8; Mt 1:18-25

Tuesday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a; Lk 1:5-25

Wednesday: Is 7:10-14; Lk 1:26-38

Thursday: Sg 2:8-14; Lk 1:39-45

St. Peter Canisius, Priest & Doctor of the Church

Friday: 1 Sm 1:24-28; Lk 1:46-56

Saturday: Mal 3:1-423-24; Lk 1:57:66

St. John of Kanty, Priest

Sunday: 2 Sm 7:1-5, 8b-12, 14a-16; Rom 16:25-27; Lk 1:26-38

PRAY FOR THE FOLLOWING SOULS ON THE ANNIVERSARY OF THEIR PASSING

Dec 19 - Bernard Gagen

Dec 20 – Diana Mathison

Dec 21 - Joseph Tubridy

Dec 22 - Herbert Kuppens, Joseph Tomao,

Anna Trinca, Eleanor Brooks,

Richard Howard

Dec 23 - Thomas McNally

Dec 24 - Elizabeth Mills, Francis P. Morello,

Rose Schwinn

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR SICK

Agnes, Mary Jane Mehegen, Peggy Robbin, Val Vavarone, James O'Dell, Jerry Hanley, John Meinke, Jeremy Pickens, Dale Hart, Charles Kazarian, Linda, Nancy, Patricia Fletcher, Linda Barr, Mike, Leslie McGraw, Matt McNally, Patricia Stark, Ron McAnaney, Shirley Froehlich, Linda Grauer, Joe Augustine, Rose, Connie Cucciarre Ruff

NURSING CENTER MASS

Father Golding celebrates Mass at the Delhi Rehabilitation & Nursing Center on the 3rd Wednesday of each month at 11:00 am. For more information, contact Lynn Oles, 607-743-4772

USCCB WORD OF LIFE

"O St. Bakhita, assist all those who are trapped in a state of slavery; Intercede with God on their behalf so that they will be released from their chains of captivity. Those whom man enslaves, let God set free." USCCB, "Prayer to St. Josephine Bakhita"

COMMUNION TO THE SICK

If you have a family member who is sick, hospitalized or homebound and would like Communion taken to them, in Delhi, please call St. Peter's parish office at 607-746-2503 in Walton and Downsville, please call St. John's parish office at 607-865-7394 ext. 1

RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

Dec 18th – 7:00 pm, individual reconciliation at St. Peter's

Dec 19th – 7:00 pm, communal reconciliation at St. Peter's

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

December 24th - 4:00 pm at St. John's

6:00 pm at St. Peter's

December 25th - 9:30 am at St. Peter's

11:15 am at St. John's

LIVING NATIVITY SCENE

The First Presbyterian Church of Delhi, 4 Clinton Street, will again present an outdoor Living Nativity as a gift to the community and as a reminder of the true meaning of Christmas, complete with music and live animals. The community is invited to attend and even participate.

For more information, to take part in the scene, or to assist with the preparations, please contact Tom Leo at 607-434-4872 or the church office at 607-746-2155.

MARRIAGE MOMENTS by Susan Vogt

As we get closer to Christmas it may be hard to continue to wait. OR, you may be feeling that there's just not enough time to do all the shopping, cooking, decorating, etc. Let go of the non-essentials and focus on unconditionally loving each other. If necessary, forgive.

GRIEF MINISTRY

Mission Statement: To provide a listening ear, compassion and possible recommendations and/or direction for a positive life journey moving forward with the help of our Faith! For more information contact Kathy Scribani at 607-376-1633

KNOWING YOUR FAITH

What are the main parts of the "Liturgy of the Eucharist" at Mass?

The "Liturgy of the Eucharist" is the second major part of Mass. It includes:

- a) **The Preparation of the Gifts and their presentation;**
- b) **The Eucharistic Prayer with its enactment at the Consecration and the offering of it to the Father;**
- c) **And the Communion Rite by partaking of the sacrificial meal of Holy Communion.**

d)
At the Last Supper Christ instituted the Paschal Sacrifice and Meal. In this unique meal the Sacrifice of the Cross is continually made present in the Church when the priest, representing Christ, carries out precisely what the Lord did and handed over to His disciples to continually perform in His memory.

a) **In the Preparation of the Gifts**, the bread, wine, and water are brought to the altar, employing the very same elements which Christ used.

b) **The Eucharistic Prayer** is our hymn of thanksgiving to God for the whole work of salvation with the offerings becoming the very Body and Blood of our Savior.

c) **The Breaking of Bread together** is a sign of the unity of the faithful who in Holy Communion receive the very Body and Blood, soul and divinity of Christ just as the Apostles did from the hands of their Master. *Knowing Your Faith*, Rev. Raymond B. Fullham, S.J.