Here is a thought from last week’s bulletin: “To gaze at a loved one through a window or to wave at a graduate from a passing car is not a remedy to isolation. It is a reminder of it. Jesus did not seek isolation. He sought solitude.”

I put up my Christmas tree yesterday. It has lights built into the branches. As I assembled the tree, my only thought was, “Please work, please work, please work!” I plugged it in and it worked! Now the debate begins…

Should I decorate it? I have the same struggle decorating a tree as I have spicing a steak for the grill: I don’t ever put enough on. Decorating is like a battle that I know going into it I will lose. So why try?

I am reminded of Serenity Prayer, where we ask God to help us accept the things we cannot change, the courage to change the things we can, and the wisdom to know the difference.

It seems so simple: If I under spice food, put more on! If I under decorate a tree, put more on!

I have talked myself into it. I am going to decorate it! There are plenty of things I cannot do and ought not do. We all need to accept the things we cannot change. When we may make a difference, we can jump in with both feet. It takes a little courage to risk failure, to chance looking like a fool. If I don’t trust myself with something utterly unimportant, like decorating a tree that is just for me, how will I gather the courage to speak up and help out when it really matters?

Do what you are not good at. If not for you, for the people you may help if you have just a little more courage.

**1122-2020 2 weeks**

**Actual Goal Difference**  
Operating Income $ 11,049.22 $10,396.00 $ 653.22 FACC $ 100.00  
Building Fund $ 160.00 $ 738.00 ($ 578.00) Children’s Project $ 6.00  
 Maintenance $ 0.00  
  
**December’s 2nd Collections:** 6th -Building Fund, 13h-Retired Religious, 20th-FACC,

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**Mass Times**Sun. 8:30 am  
 12:00 pm   
Wed. 9:00 am  
Thurs. 9:00 am  
Fri 9:00 am  
Sat. 4:00 pm   
 5:30 pm

**ADORATION:**

Tues. 9:30 am-7:00 pm

**CONFESSIONS:**Thurs. 8:15 am  
Fri. 8:15 am  
Sat. 4:50 pm  
Sun. 7:45 am

**Youth**

Sun. Dec. 6th RE for grades K-6th

Wed. Dec. 9th RE for grades 7th-11th

Wed. Dec. 16th RE for grades 7th-11th

Sun. Dec. 20th RE for grades K-6th

*“Prepare the way of the Lord…”  - Mark 1:3*

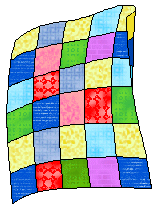
We are all called to live a holy life.  We are all called to invite others to live holy lives.  Living a stewardship lifestyle, being grateful and generous with our gifts, puts us on the path to holiness and is an example for others to be holy, too.  We are responsible not only for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

**Up Coming Events**Sun. Dec. 6th Knights of Columbus Annual Raffle drawing

Sat./Sun. Dec. 12th and 13th Christmas Bake Sale and Craft Sale

Christian Mothers would like to than everyone who donated or purchased a Silent Auction Basket the past weekend. The total raised was $946.00!! These dollars will help our Religious Education program! Thank You! Thank You! Bless You!

 Christian Mothers will be having their Annual Christmas bake sale Sat. and Sun. Dec. 12th and 13th.

Sacred Heart Stitchers will have a Christmas Craft Sale on Dec. 12th and 13th They will have tree skirts, table toppers, potholders and so much more. Come and do your Christmas shopping with them and help the RE students in the process

 There is a giving tree set up in All Saints Hall. Please take an angel off the tree, purchase the items, wrap them and place the angel on top of the wrapped package.Then bring it back to the church on or before Dec. 20th. The local families receiving these gifts have been effected by fire, loss of jobs, Covid-19, etc.

***Prepare for Advent this year with:***

2020 Advent Bible Study Dynamic Catholic:  



***Unshakeable Joy! Free 26-day Advent retreat with Cardinal Cantalamessa and Chris Stefanick at reallifecatholic.com/joy***

**Parishioners’ Prayer Requests:**

Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill. Please pray for:

**Lector Schedule**

**Morning Prayer Mon. Tues. Wed. Thurs. and Fri. @ 8:30am before Mass or Communion Service*. The Liturgy of the hours and Divine Mercy Chaplet are prayed at this time. Books are available***

Karen Nelson

Lisa Flynn

Kathy Dretsch   
Tim Riley

Jerry Below

Karen Nelson  
Virginia Thompson  
RIP Deb Bahls

Carla (Bachman) Willey  
Maureen Foley  
Rosella Sprouls  
Jean Heston

Paige Annette   
LeRoy Peichel

RIP Judy Enslin

**Saturday Dec. 5th** 4:00pm Dave Goeddertz  
 5:30pm Mary Ann Karasch  
**Sunday Dec. 6th**  8:30am Bev Roberts  
12:00pm Diane Mistelske  
  
**Saturday Dec.12th** 4:00pm Mary Flynn  
 5:30pm Russ Karasch  
**Sunday Dec. 13th**  8:30am Dani Piche  
12:00pm Trevor Pikula

**Daily Mass Schedule: November 30th – December 6th**

Mon: 9:00 am Communion Service

Tues: 9:00 am Communion Service

Tues: 5:30 pm Dalton Dornbusch

Wed: 9:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving

Thurs: 9:00 am Kay Noll

Fri: 9:00 am +Debra Larson

Sat: 4:00 pm +Nick Leone

Sat: 5:30 pm  Marie Anderson

Sun: 8:30 am  Karen Byer

Sun: 12:00 pm +Msgr. Noesen

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Sat: 9:00 am +Michael Anderson

5:30 pm The People of Sacred Heart and Assumption parishes Sun: 8:30 am +Beatrice Fedora Ulmer

(Morning Prayer Tues, Thurs & Fri @ 8:40 am before Mass)

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Sun: 8:30 am +Corinna Noeth

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**To submit a prayer request** for our prayer chain, either text 503.791.1553 or e-mail . Names will be left in the bulletin for 4 weeks. If you want the name to stay another 4 weeks, please make another prayer request.