

**Third Sunday of Advent – Sunday, December 16, 2018**

**MASS INTENTIONS**

**Monday, December 17**

**6:00 p.m.**

Oconee – Mary & Louis Schwartz

**Tuesday, December 18**

**8:00 a.m.**

Gordon Duduit

By Family

**Wednesday, December 19**

**8:00 a.m.**

Linda Butterfield

By CCW

**Thursday, December 20**

**8:00 a.m.**

Margaret Havrilka

By Erica, Marc, & Monica Seigfreid

**Saturday, December 22**

**4:00 p.m.**

Donna Spinner

By Spinner Family

**Sunday, December 23**

**7:30 a.m.**

Oconee – Robert C. Kuhn

**9:00 a.m.**

John “Jack” Hrabak

By Joyce Posteher

**10:30 a.m.**

Parishioners

**SERVERS**

**Tues.-Thurs.**

**8:00 a.m.**

John Berns & Jacob Swenny

**Saturday**

**4:00 p.m.**

Bailey Kinsey & Camdyn Allen

**Sunday**

**9:00 a.m.**

Cole Nollman & Lincoln Burris

**10:30 a.m.**

Grace Fitzpatrick & Ross Glick

**GIFT BEARERS**

**Saturday**

**4:00 p.m.**

Spinner Family

**Sunday**

**9:00 a.m.**

Hrabak Family

**10:30 a.m.**

McFarland Family

## MINISTRY SCHEDULE

### **Commentators**

|                 |                   |                 |
|-----------------|-------------------|-----------------|
| <b>Saturday</b> | <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | Bob Zueck       |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | Michael Muneses |
|                 | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | Vacant          |

### **Extraordinary Ministers**

|                 |                   |  |
|-----------------|-------------------|--|
| <b>Saturday</b> | <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | Bob Zueck, Naomi Gorenz, Melvin Green        |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | Michael, Muneses, Sam Nollman, Mike Holthaus |
|                 | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | Ron Swenny, Cheryl Swenny, Lori Ade          |

### **Lectors**

|                 |                   |               |
|-----------------|-------------------|---------------|
| <b>Saturday</b> | <b>4:00 p.m.</b>  | Addie Deere   |
| <b>Sunday</b>   | <b>9:00 a.m.</b>  | Boone Elledge |
|                 | <b>10:30 a.m.</b> | Phil Begole   |

## HOMEBOUND

Bill Kook

### **NOTICE**

**IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO BE A GIFT BEARER, EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER, LECTOR, HOMEBOUND EXTRAORDINARY MINISTER OR SERVER AT YOUR ASSIGNED TIME, PLEASE FIND A REPLACEMENT.**

### **SPONSOR OF THE WEEK**

#### **BEYERS CONSTRUCTION CO.**

On the back page of our bulletin is a suggested Business Directory. Please consider these businesses for their products or services. Because of them, this bulletin is cost-free to the Parish. When you patronize one of them, tell them you saw their ad on our bulletin.

### **CALENDAR WINNERS**

|       |                         |                 |      |
|-------|-------------------------|-----------------|------|
| 12/10 | Ron Hoehn               | Springfield, IL | \$25 |
| 12/11 | Gary & Claudia Oller    | Tower Hill, IL  | \$25 |
| 12/12 | Delores Schafer         | Pana, IL        | \$25 |
| 12/13 | SHS from Deanna Penn    | Pana, IL        | \$25 |
| 12/14 | Lynn Pumphery           | Greenville, IL  | \$25 |
| 12/15 | Roger & Mary Cothorn    | Pana, IL        | \$25 |
| 12/16 | Eric & Janelle Holthaus | Pana, IL        | \$75 |

**Weekly Contributions**  
**December 8 – December 9, 2018**  
*We Need \$6,500 Each Week*

|                      |            |
|----------------------|------------|
| Regular              | \$5,665.00 |
| School               | \$675.00   |
| Building & Grounds   | \$440.00   |
| Major Repairs        | \$110.00   |
| Needy                | \$60.00    |
| Christmas Flowers    | \$250.00   |
| Children's Home      | \$10.00    |
| Christmas Offering   | \$35.00    |
| Solemnity of Mary    | \$621.00   |
| Religious Retirement | \$283.00   |
| Cemetery             | \$185.00   |
| Loose                | \$327.00   |

**SANCTUARY CANDLE**

**The Sanctuary Candle**, *the Eternal Light*, will be lit the week of December 16 for Nancy Chladny by Mark Epley.

**God comes. What shall we do?** God, indeed, is coming. Near at hand. At the door. Be busy! Be lovingly-kind, like God. Do mercy work. Being merciful does not require extraordinary behavior. It simply means, be human. That is, be holy. Prove that God is here by wrestling with conversion to Christ in ongoing ways – be genuine, be just, be fair. The gospel offers some suggestions: clean out the closet, share from the pantry, do not take what others need. Do mercy. Be mercy.

- Read Pope Francis' Apostolic Exhortation *Gaudete et Exsultate* of 2018 on the call to holiness in today's world. Here is a link:  
[http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost\\_exhortations/documents/papafrancesco\\_esortazione-ap\\_20180319\\_gaudete-et-exsultate.html](http://w2.vatican.va/content/francesco/en/apost_exhortations/documents/papafrancesco_esortazione-ap_20180319_gaudete-et-exsultate.html)
- How will I be holy, be the "saint next door"?
- What mercy work will I do to share with those in need?

**MEETINGS**

**RCIA:** Monday, Dec. 17 – No Meeting. Class will resume Jan. 7, 2019.

**SPY:** Wednesday, Dec. 19 –6:45-8:00 p.m., Parish Hall.

**PSR:** Wednesday, Dec. 19, Christmas Party from 3-8 p.m.

**SCHOOL BOARD:** No December meeting.

**FINANCE:** Wednesday, Dec. 19, 7:00 p.m., Rectory Basement.

## **CHURCH NOTICES**

We are scheduling 2019 Mass Intentions. Limit of 4 intentions per family. Call the church office at 562-5396. Sanctuary Candle dates are open as well.

## **ACSA IN-PEW COLLECTION**

This weekend our parish will be giving all parishioners an opportunity to help the mission of our Church throughout central Illinois. Those who have not yet had a chance to make a pledge to the **Annual Catholic Services Appeal** will be given the opportunity to do so during Mass. This will serve others in our diocese, as well as right here locally. Presently, St. Patrick's has donated \$7,812 towards our goal.

## **SHOP PIES**

SHOP has extra Chef Pierre pies for sale. Available are 1 Chocolate Peanut Butter Silk, 1 Apple, 2 Banana Cream, 4 Strawberry-Rhubarb, 1 Sugar--Free Apple, and 1 Sugar-Free Cherry. Contact the church office at 562-5396 or Randi Castle at 556-4457 if interested.

## **BAPTISMAL SESSIONS**

The next Pre-baptismal session is set for Sunday, January 6 immediately following the 10:30 Mass in the RECTORY BASEMENT. These sessions are required by Canon law for all parents wishing to have a child baptized. Registration is required, so please call the parish office 217-562-5396 to sign up no later than Friday, January 4. If no one registers for a class then that class will be cancelled.

## **2019 CHURCH CALENDARS**

The 2019 calendars have arrived! Enjoy the free copies located in the church vestibule. Thank you to Morrell Auto Service, Inc. for sponsoring the calendars again this year!

## **ST. PATRICK/AREA PENANCE SERVICES**

|                                   |                           |
|-----------------------------------|---------------------------|
| Pana St. Patrick's                | December 18.... 6:00 p.m. |
| Nokomis St. Louis                 | December 19.... 6:30 p.m. |
| Shelbyville Immaculate Conception | December 20.... 7:00 p.m. |

## **IN MEMORIUM**

Please remember in your Prayers, Walt Havrilka, father of Jennifer Sisk, Judi Witt, and Ron Havrilka, all parishioners of St. Patrick's Church. May his soul and all the souls of the faithful departed by the mercy of God rest in peace.

## **CHILDREN'S LITURGY OF THE WORD**

St. Pat's offers a Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 10:30 am Mass to help children hear God's message in a way that is more understandable for them. All children, preferably 4 years old -3<sup>rd</sup> grade, including visitors, are welcome. Parents or older siblings may accompany a child. Prior to the first reading, Fr. Rodney will invite children up front for a short prayer of blessing and present them with their Lectionary. They will proceed to the Sacristy for the Sunday readings, have conversation and prayer centered on the message, and pray their own General Intercessions. Afterwards, they will be escorted back into church, invited to place their own envelopes in the collection basket, and rejoin their families. Please remember this is not a religion "lesson", but a time for prayer and hearing the Word of God. For questions or interest in assisting with this ministry, contact Jamie Glick at 217-823-1561 or [jglick76@gmail.com](mailto:jglick76@gmail.com).

## **CHRISTMAS PEW RAFFLE**

Raffle tickets to win 1 reserved, front row pew at 4:00 pm Christmas Eve Mass are available for purchase through SHS parents. Purchase price is 1/\$5 or 5/\$20. Winning ticket drawn on December 21.

## **LOAVES & FISHES FOOD PANTRY**

The Loaves & Fishes Food Pantry is collecting food and nonperishable items **EVERY** Saturday and Sunday. Baskets are located in the church vestibule for your convenience. Please remember those who have very little. One canned good/item from each family one weekend a month can make a difference. Food Pantry is open on Mondays 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon and Fridays 3:00-5:30 p.m. Next working day Monday, January 21, 2018.

## **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

### **December 24**

St. Patrick's ..... 4:00 p.m.  
8:00 p.m.  
Oconee ..... 6:00 p.m.

### **December 25**

St. Patrick's ..... 9:00 a.m.

## **SOLEMNITY OF MARY**

### **December 31**

St. Patrick's ..... 4:00 p.m.

### **January 1**

Oconee ..... 8:00 a.m.

## **PARISH OFFICE CLOSURE**

The Parish office will be closed December 24-26 and December 31-January 1 for the Christmas/New Year's holiday. Wishing you a Merry Christmas and Happy New Year!

## **DIRECTORY PICTURES**

For parishioners who didn't buy pictures and opted for the free 8 x 10, they are available for pick up in the Church Office.

## **SCHOOL NEWS**

Please remember Sacred Heart School still collects the following items: Box Tops for Education, empty name brand ink jet or laser cartridges (no generic cartridges), old cell phones, Prairie Farm milk lids, and any plastic beverage rings. Also, please remember to clip out the School Spirit UPC bar codes from especially marked Aunt Millie's, Holsum, Snack Planet, Soft 'N good, and Sunbeam bakery products (some of which are available at Pana Save-A-Lot). We appreciate your donations!!

### **AUNT MILLIE'S LABELS**

SHOP received their annual check from Aunt Millie's bakery products, which are available at Pana Save-A-Lot. By clipping the School Spirit UPC bar codes, SHS and St. Patrick's Church raised \$384. Thanks to everyone for helping!!