

Second Sunday of Advent – Sunday, December 6, 2020

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, December 7

6:00 p.m.

5:00-5:50 p.m.

5:00-5:30 p.m.

Oconee – Steven Schmitz

Adoration

Confession

Tuesday, December 8

The Immaculate Conception

8:00 a.m.

7:00 p.m.

6:00-6:50

6:00-6:30 p.m.

Claire Kuhn

By Charlie Holthaus

Pana – Joanne Morrison

By Dave & Carol Rayhill

Adoration

Confession

Wednesday, December 9

8:00 a.m.

Louis Corso

By Ron & Ev Lesko

Thursday, December 10

8:00 a.m.

John & Bernadine Fitzpatrick

By Rosemary Horsthemke

Saturday, December 12

2:45-3:25 p.m. Confession

4:00 p.m.

Jean Schmitz

By Family

Sunday, December 13

7:30 a.m.

9:00 a.m.

10:30 a.m.

Oconee – Gloria Kuhn

Ann & Ray Spriggs

By Fr. Rodney

Parishioners

Ministry Schedule

SERVERS

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Tynlee Lehn
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Dillon Elledge
	10:30 a.m.	Brayden Carlson

Extraordinary Ministers

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Bob Zueck
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Ann Cottrell
	10:30 a.m.	Emma McFarland
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Rod Carls

Lectors

Saturday	4:00 p.m.	Addie Deere
Sunday	9:00 a.m.	Boone Elledge
	10:30 a.m.	Secily Phillip
Tuesday	7:00 p.m.	Nikki Carls

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

TCCU PANA

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.

SANCTUARY CANDLE

The Sanctuary Candle, *the Eternal Light*, will be lit the week of December 6, 2020 for Pete Pollman by Family.

Weekly Contributions
November 28 – November 29, 2020
We Need \$6,500 Each Week

Regular	\$5,432.50
Needy	\$55.00
Major Repairs	\$50.00
School	\$535.00
Building & Grounds	\$55.00
Immaculate Conception	\$25.00
Solemnity of Mary	\$40.00
Justice & Hope	\$80.00
Christmas Offering	\$35.00
Christmas Flowers	\$107.50
Retirement Fund	\$25.00
World Mission Sunday	\$5.00
Peter's Pence	\$10.00
Mission Co-op	\$10.00
Insurance	\$5.00
Catholic Children's Home	\$20.00
Loose	\$169.81

What sort of Persons? In this Advent time of looking to the future while living in the now, Saint Peter's question is the right one: "What sort of person ought you to be?" Saint John the Baptist offers a good response and better example. He is not full of himself. He knows his minor place. He points to the One who is both with us now and is also coming.

- How will my waiting on the Lord make me more humble?
- What full-of-myself behaviors can I change, can I let go?
- Works of Mercy take the focus off me for the benefit of another. What will I do?

CONFESSIONS

Fr. Rodney is continuing to hold the regularly scheduled Sacrament of Reconciliation on Saturday afternoons from 2:45-3:25 p.m. Please continue to practice social distancing. In addition, private confessions may be scheduled with Fr. Rodney by appointment by calling the rectory at 562-9221

“SHAMROCK SWEEPS” RAFFLE

This is the last opportunity to buy tickets through SHS parents or the church office for the **\$50,000 Grand Prize** drawing held on December 18, 2020. Last day to turn in tickets is December 10.

MEETINGS

RCIA: Mon., Dec. 7 – 10:00 a.m. – Rectory Basement

PSR: Wed., Dec. 9 – K-5th grades 3:30-4:30 p.m. and 6-8th grades 7-8:00 p.m. –
Parish Hall

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, December 7, 2020.

Reminders

- **Please Remember** that a mask is required upon entering and exiting the Church, as well as upon receiving Communion. Once in the pews and following the social distancing rule of 6 feet, masks may be taken off at each individual's discretion.
- **Please Remember** THAT THE DISPENSATION FROM THE OBLIGATION TO ATTEND MASS ON SUNDAYS AND HOLY DAYS OF OBLIGATION remains in effect until further notice.
- For those unable to attend Mass, replace that time with devotion, studying scripture readings, viewing Mass on-line, or a Spiritual Communion by praying the Rosary or other suitable prayer.

Be Not Afraid to PRAY BIG! We currently have 16 seminarians, which is great! But wouldn't 40 be better?? YES!!! We invite you to pray a Hail Mary **EVERY DAY** at 4:40 for our diocese to have 40 seminarians. **4:40 for 40 Seminarians!**

HOLIDAY GIFT CARDS

Put your order in now for Holiday Gifts, Holiday Travel, and Holiday Activities!! A whole range of cards and denominations are available from \$5-\$100 (certain retailers offer \$5-\$10 denomination gift cards during the Christmas season). They make great gifts or stocking stuffers! For the full list of cards offered and denominations, contact Amanda Lehn at 217-412-8767 or stop by the church office for a complete list and order form. Deadline to place orders in time for Christmas is Wednesday, December 16.

KIDS' CHRISTMAS STORE

SHOP will host their annual Kids' Christmas Store on December 11. The Christmas Store provides a fun and inexpensive way for SHS students to shop for Christmas gifts for family members and other special people in their lives. They are asking for donations of new or gently used items suitable to be given as gifts. Christmas gift bags and tissue wrap (new) would also be appreciated. Donations will be accepted through December 10 at the church office or in boxes available in the church vestibule.

IN MEMORIUM

Please remember in your Prayers, Rita Roth, Mother of Delores (Bob) Schafer and Alice Wilderman; and Donna Rakers, Mother of Coleen Rakers, Mollie (Jeff) Beyers, and Patra (Craig) Deere, all parishioners of St. Patrick's Church. May their souls and all the souls of the faithful departed by the mercy of God rest in peace.

WORD AMONG US

St. Patrick's has free Word Among Us pamphlets available for the Advent Season. Feel free to take a copy, located on the table in the church vestibule.

SESQUICENTENNIAL AWARD

St. Patrick Church is honored to receive the Illinois State Historical Society's Sesquicentennial House of Worship Award, recognizing our incredible milestone of 150 years of worship. We were presented a certificate commemorating this great achievement in late fall and will soon place the award in the church vestibule as its permanent home.

CHURCH NOTICES

Lectors may pick up their 2021 workbooks. Come through the Church Sacristy and then enter the Server's Sacristy. Books are sitting on a table, each one labeled with lector's names.

DIVE DEEP

The 11 things Catholics need to stop doing. No, this isn't a list to condemn you, but a friendly reminder to stop doing these 11 things and do the opposite because we want you to grow in your relationship with Christ! Go to dio.org/podcast to listen. Make sure to subscribe to the podcast so you never miss an episode!

RETIREMENT FUND

During these unprecedented times, many are hurting and need our assistance, including elderly religious. Today, hundreds of religious communities do not have enough retirement savings and struggle to provide for a growing number of elder members. Covid-19 has only increased the challenge to provide adequate care. In these difficult days, you may feel as though your generosity has been exhausted. We ask your support for the Retirement Fund as you are able. Donations provide vital funding for medications, nursing care, and more.

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION

Tuesday, December 8 is a **Holy Day of Obligation** for **The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary**. Mass times are as follows:

Ocone: Mass (Dec. 7)..... 6:00 p.m.
Adoration5:00-5:50 p.m.
Confession ...5:50-6:30 p.m.

Pana: Mass (Dec. 8)..... 8:00 a.m.
Mass 7:00 p.m.
Adoration6:00-6:50 p.m.
Confession6:00-6:30 p.m.

PENANCE SERVICES

Penance Services will not be scheduled this year. Regularly scheduled confession times are offered at Oconee on Monday evenings at 6:00 p.m. and Pana on Saturday afternoons from 2:45-3:25 p.m. Added opportunities may be scheduled, such as this week's Holy Day on Tuesday evening at 6:00 p.m.