

The Second Sunday of Advent Jan. 13th & 14th, 2018



Regular Weekly Liturgies

Tues.: 6:00 p.m.*
Wed., Thurs., Fri.: 8:00 a.m.
Saturday: 4:30 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m.

First Saturdays: 8:00 a.m.
(and on all Saturday Marian Feasts)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday: 5:15 p.m. - 5:45 p.m.
First Saturdays: after 8:00 a.m.
Mass until 9:30 a.m.
or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration

*Tuesday: 5:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Catholic Church

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Clergy

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Office

Administrative Assistants: Shelly Butler & Jannis Pedersen

Hours: Mon, Tues & Thurs 8:30 am - 2:00 pm Wed 8:30 am - 4:00pm
Closed Friday

Parish Trustees:

Treasurer Trustee: Jennifer Woyak - 715.335.6791

Secretary Trustee: Kate Drmolka - 715.366.4743

Our Mission Statement:

*To care for each other as Jesus has taught us and to extend
that care to others beyond our community.*

St. Paul Parish is affiliated with the Diocese of Green Bay.

Contact Information

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PARISH EVENTS FOR THE WEEK

Saturday, Jan. 13th

4:30 pm: Mass
For Doris Mykisen

Sunday, Jan. 14th, Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30am: Mass
For † David Ueek

Monday, Jan. 15th

No Mass

Tuesday, Jan. 16th

No Mass (Father on Retreat w/ Bishop Ricken)

Wednesday, Jan. 17th

8:00 a.m.: Mass
For † Mary W. Kurz

Thursday, Jan. 18th

8:00 a.m.: Mass
For † Lucille Koehler

Friday, Jan. 19th

8:00 a.m.: Mass
Personal Intention

Saturday, Jan. 20th

4:30 pm: Mass
For † Rita Witkowski

Sunday, Jan 21st, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

8:30 am: Mass
For † Clara Pionke



Things to Remember:

The office will be closed on Tues., Jan. 16th, Jannis and Shelly will be attending ParishSoft training .

Parish Finance Council Meeting
Thurs., Jan 25th, 6pm

Liturgical Ministries for Jan. 20th & 21st

Altar Servers

Sat. 4:30 pm: Lilly Klisiewicz & Alya Miller
Sun. 8:30 am: Megan & Kenzy Reilley

Proclaimers

Sat. 4:30pm: Pat Bartsch
Sun. 8:30 am: Alex Aschenbrenner

Sacristans

Sat. 4:30 p.m.: Martin Pionke
Sun. 8:30 a.m.: Alex Aschenbrenner

Eucharistic Ministers

Sat. 4:30 pm: Donna & Jerry Stapleford
Sun. 8:30 am: Ken Reilley & Lucille Vezina

Ushers

Sat. 4:30 pm: Martin Pionke & Tom Hedglin
Sun. 8:30 am: Jim & Kate Drmolka

A bite of the Gospel to chew on

John the Baptist saw Jesus coming toward him and said, "Behold, the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world..." John 1:29

St. Paul Organizations

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Jim Drmolka: 715-498-6756
Meetings: First Monday of month



Parish Council of Catholic Women

President: Ann Hintz: 715-366-8802
Meetings: Second Monday of Jan., April, July, October

St. Paul Mission Team

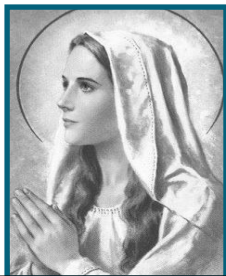
Group leader: Bernie Sherman: 715-335-6701
Work Meetings: First Wednesday of month.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

With Sincere Gratitude

It is good to have the support of the parish as I have to get a grip on the harsh reality that Mom has passed. Thanks for all the love and prayers that you have shared at this difficult moment in life. The sympathy of those who have lost those close loved ones is much appreciated and the love shared by the whole parish is a great source of strength helping me through.

Sincerely, Fr. Andrew Kurz



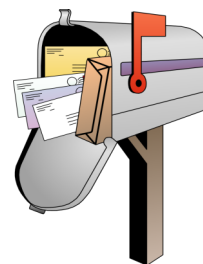
From St. Joseph's Parish

You are invited to attend the free Community Last Saturday Lunch on January 27 at St. Joseph Parish Hall, Wautoma from 11:30 to 1:00. The St. Joseph's Religious Education Students will be hosting the meal. Free Blood Pressure Checks will also be given.

SCRIP Reminder

Have you moved, changed your phone number or have a new email address? PLEASE contact our Parish Office with your new information.

Also, if you wish to register as a member of St. Paul's Parish and receive envelopes, please contact the Parish Office. Thank you!



Please welcome to our Christian faith:

Emberli Lucille Wills Phillips, the daughter of Shane Phillips and Abbigail Wills
Fr. Kurz baptized Emberli this past Sunday



Congratulations to
Shane and Abbigail
And to their
Extended families.



St. Paul Sacramental Information



Baptisms: Parents, please register to become a parish member at least three months prior to having your baby baptized. Please contact the Parish Office for baptismal preparation. The next parent and god parent class will be in February.



Marriage: Couples are asked to notify the parish office at least six months in advance. Catholics must be confirmed and active in the faith. Wedding times are to be scheduled no later than 1:00 p.m. Even if a couple plan to choose their own vocalist, they are still required to meet with Fr. Andrew Kurz at least six months in advance.

*Children of families in the parish should be registered upon turning 18 or upon high school graduation.

Violence and the Culture of Death

Like many of you, my heart broke as I heard the news of the recent shooting at the First Baptist Church in Sutherland Springs, Texas, where 26 people were killed. Sadly, because of the frequency of these tragic events, we have become rather numb to the news of these terrible acts of violence.

It was less than a week before that terrible shooting, that an individual drove a truck down a bike path in New York, killing eight people. In October, we woke to the news that a gunman had shot concert-goers in Las Vegas, killing 58 and injuring hundreds more. Even as I was preparing my thoughts for this column, another shooting was being reported. In this case, innocent children were targeted. This seemingly endless violence has wreaked havoc not only on the lives of those killed and injured, but also on the families and communities left behind. It must stop!

In his encyclical, *Evangelium Vitae* ("The Gospel of Life"), Pope St. John Paul II stated that "every threat to human dignity and life must necessarily be felt in the church's very heart." As Christians, we ought to feel these assaults on life as our own. But feeling it is not enough. We must be moved to action.

One initiative we can work on is to recapture the sense of true, respectful dialogue. In the wake of these tragedies, many people have voiced their opinion on a variety of issues, including gun control, the accessibility of mental health services and what truly constitutes an act of terror. Regrettably, too often these opinions are voiced, not so much in a spirit of productive dialogue but rather with the intent to shout louder than the other side; a style of communication that has become far too prevalent in our society today. We are losing sight of our moral obligations of common respect for each other.

As a community, we need to listen more to others and trust they have good intentions, even when we disagree, and be willing to make sacrifices and offer compromise. Issues this complex and difficult are not resolved by one side acquiring everything they want. One-sided problem-solving leads only to resentment and further challenges in the future. However, if each side is willing to compromise, real progress can be made to reduce these acts of violence and murder. I call upon all of us to engage in meaningful and respectful dialogue with a common goal of solving these problems together.

We also must identify best practices when responding to a crisis situation like this. While we pray these things never happen at our schools, our churches, or our places of work, we must also remain vigilant.

BISHOP'S CORNER

Bishop David Ricken

PCCW Minutes

Jan. 8th, 2018

The Treasurer's Report stated a checking balance of \$8,732.20 and savings of \$2,746.13. Kate talked about the SCRIP program. She said we are making an average of 5%. The current checking account is \$1,593.68. She has been restructuring and now has \$2,094 in cards on hand for those who want the cards right away. The program is doing well. It was discussed to have a bulletin insert to draw more sales. Ann said that we collected \$74.78 for Lick Domestic Violence. We sent a check for \$200. Cathy gave an update on the Bazaar and changes. Our next "Ladies Night Out" is Feb. 6th, 2018. There was a request for a donation to the Tri-County post prom. After a discussion, there was a motion to donate \$300 in gift cards. A copy of the complete meeting minutes is posted on the bulletin board.



PONCZKA SALE St. Bronislava

Pre-order by calling: Bridget 715-341-0129

Grace 715-341-1367

Last day to order: Sat., Feb. 3rd

All orders must be picked up on Sat., Feb. 10th

Between 10am and 2pm

St. Bronislava Parish



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