

## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE: November 29 - December 6, 2009

### Sunday, November 29:

- ❖ No Coffee and Rolls - Happy Thanksgiving
- ❖ No CCD Class for PreK - 5<sup>th</sup> Grade - Happy Thanksgiving.

### Tuesday, December 1:

- ❖ St. Patrick's Finance Council will meet at 7:00 p.m. at St. Patrick's hall.

### Wednesday, December 2:

- ❖ CCD Class #6 for 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grade from 6:30-8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. There will be Reconciliation for the 6<sup>th</sup>, 10<sup>th</sup> & 11<sup>th</sup> Grades.

### Sunday, December 6:

- ❖ Join Us for Coffee, Rolls and Fellowship following the 8:00 a.m. Mass at St. Mary's. 12<sup>th</sup> grade students will help serve coffee and rolls. Please come a support our students.
- ❖ CCD Class #10 for PreK - 5<sup>th</sup> Grades is at St. Mary's. There will be Reconciliation for the 5<sup>th</sup> grade.
- ❖ St. Patrick's Parish Council will meet at 11:30 a.m.

### UPCOMING EVENTS:

- √ Immaculate Conception of the Virgin Mary is celebrated on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> & is a Holy Day. Mass is Tues., Dec. 8<sup>th</sup> at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's & 7:30 p.m. at St. Patrick's.
- √ CCD Class #7 for 6<sup>th</sup> -12<sup>th</sup> Grades is Wed., Dec. 9<sup>th</sup> from 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. at St. Mary's. There will be reconciliation for 7<sup>th</sup>, 8<sup>th</sup> & 9<sup>th</sup> grades.
- √ CCD Class #11 for PreK-5<sup>th</sup> Grade is Sun., Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 9:15-10:15 a.m. at St. Mary's. There will be Reconciliation for 3<sup>rd</sup> & 4<sup>th</sup> grades. The Children's Mass for the 3<sup>rd</sup> & 6<sup>th</sup> grades is at the 10:30 a.m. Mass.
- √ First Reconciliation for 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade is Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 4:00 p.m. A pizza party will follow.

**CONFIRMATION STUDENTS:** Please bring small gift items for our adopted seminarians to class on December 2<sup>nd</sup>. Items might include: stamps, gum, breath mints, candy, note cards, pop corn, pens, etc. We will send care packages to the seminarians for the holidays.

**AVOCA CARE CENTER** is looking for Confirmation students who need service hours to help with bingo on Sat., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:45 - 11:00 a.m. If interested call Julie Gross at 712.784.3526.

**REMINDER:** Please remember to bring your items for the local food pantry and place in the basket in the front of church.

**ST. MARY'S POINSETTIAS** order forms need to be mailed to St. Mary's or dropped in the collection basket by December 6<sup>th</sup>.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS** are selling religious Christmas cards. Contact Tony Denning at 343-6732 or Russ Sturm at 343-2205 or you can fill out an order form in the back of church.

**SHELBY LUTHERAN CHURCH WOMEN** Aebleskiver Supper, bake sale and candy sale is Wednesday, December 2<sup>nd</sup> from 4:00 - 7:00 p.m.

**UNITED CHURCH OF AVOCA** Christmas Tree Bazaar & Luncheon is Sat., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup> from 9:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Coffee & Rolls will be served from 9:00 - 11:00 a.m. and lunch will be served from 11:00 a.m.- 1:00 p.m. Adults are \$5.50 and children are \$2.50.

**AVOCA'S ANGEL TREE** will give you an opportunity to help some of the less fortunate in our community. The tree is located in the Avoca Library. Angel cutout ornaments will contain the information and need of the people in our community. Anytime the library is open you can select an ornament, shop for the items, and take unwrapped items to Walnut Communications during business hours by December 4<sup>th</sup> for delivery to the families on December 12<sup>th</sup>. This will help make someone's Christmas special this year.

**14<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CHRISTMAS AT THE CATHEDRAL** at St. Cecilia Cathedral is Fri., Dec. 11<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 p.m. & Sun, Dec. 13<sup>th</sup> at 2:00 p.m. For tickets call (402)398-1766.

**CREIGHTON UNIVERSITY RETREAT CENTER** in Griswold is hosting a retreat weekend on Dec. 18<sup>th</sup>-20<sup>th</sup> for men age 18-40 who are interested in the priesthood. This event will be on Fri., Dec. 18<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m. & ends at noon on Sun., Dec. 20<sup>th</sup>. The fee is \$25 and registration forms need to be returned by Dec. 4<sup>th</sup>. For information please call the Office of Vocations at (515)237-5050 or email [dmuenchrath@dmdiocese.org](mailto:dmuenchrath@dmdiocese.org).

**KEEP PRAYERS AND MINISTRY COMING FOR:** Angela Brisbois, Mary Kock, Mark Markam, Neal Wingert, Brenda Carroll, Mark Strong, Marie Ryck, Darla Snyder, Meaghan Hunt, Raymond (Bunny) Gubbels, Andy Molnar, Barb Hoffmann, Ethel Thomas, Gordon Gladdin, Peggy Benson, Armond Feauto, Bob Wood, Leona Bladt, Lillie Sue Mace, Nathan Hall, Nancy Blum, Louise Crivaro, Shannon Szadis, Sherman Snyder, Margaret Murphy, Carol Gubbels.

**ASSIGNMENTS** (Please find your own replacement.): **Sat., Dec. 5<sup>th</sup>, 5:30 p.m.:** *Servers:* William Gress, Michael Bertacini, Reece Holton. *Lector:* Rhonda Pauley-Holton. *Euch. Ministers:* Barb Butcher, Nancy Gress, Doug Spitznatle. *Ushers:* Greg Martin, Dave Larson. *Gifts:* Chris Martin, Michelle Pauley. **Sun., Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 8:00 a.m.** *Servers:* Anthony Cordes, Chondra Hope, Brandon Osbahr. *Lector:* Bernitta Goettsch. *Euch. Ministers:* Melody Lippold\*, Mary Pearson, Jane True. *Ushers:* Tom True, Bob Goettsch. *Gifts:* Tracy Cordes & family. **Tues. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>:** *Servers:* Nathan/Ryan Pattee, Matthew Wise. *Lector:* Rose Sternberg. *Euch. Ministers:* Barb Butcher, Dave Sternberg, Carmella Pigneri. *Ushers:* Paul Wise, Bill Pattee. *Gifts:* Kim Wise, Amy Pattee. **St. Patrick's Liturgy: Sun., Dec. 6<sup>th</sup>, 10:30 a.m.** *Servers:* Haley/Lucas Blum. *Lector:* Rick Muell. *Euch Ministers:* Theresa Holtz, Robert Stuart, Bob Wood. *Ushers:* Jim Hoffmann, Bob Gross. *Gifts:* Andy Blum Family. **Tues. Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>:** *Servers:* Grace Russmann, Eli Holtz. *Lector:* Marie Suhr. *Euch. Ministers:* Julie Gross, Cindy Gross, Lou Totilas. *Ushers:* Wayne Johnk, Dave Muell. *Gifts:* Jim Hoffmann Family. **St. Patrick's Breakfast Schedule: Dec. 13<sup>th</sup>,** Robert Stuart, Judd Gross, Maureen & Jim Hoffmann. **Dec. 27<sup>th</sup>,** Gwen & Rick Blum, Cindy & George Gross, Denny Book.