



Third Sunday of Advent - Gaudette Sunday December 14, 2025



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Confessions begin at 10 AM before Sunday Mass

Mass Times and Intentions

Sunday, December 14	SCM	10:30 AM	Family of God Parishioners
Tuesday, December 16	SJN	10:15 AM	+Ernest and +Marguerite Brodecky
Thursday, December 18	SJN	10:15 AM	+The Souls of the Faithful Departed
Sunday, December 21	SCM	10:30 AM	+Robert and +Mariann Polodna

Liturgical Assignments: Sunday, Dec. 21 - 10:30 AM at SCM

Lector	EMHCs	Gift Bearers	Servers
Trina Brabec	(9:30 Sun. AM- Nursing Home) Aaron Fehringer Jan Vrbicky	Steven & Lauren Stoklasa Family	Cash Fehringer Cooper Fehringer Coy Fehringer

Gift Bearers: Dec. 7 - Jeff & Taylor Stoklasa & Fam. Dec. 14 - Jared & Kelsey Svehla Family
 Dec. 21 - Steven & Lauren Stoklasa Fam. Dec. 28 - Jeremy & Marissa Stoklasa Family Jan. 4 - Randy & Lisa Svehla

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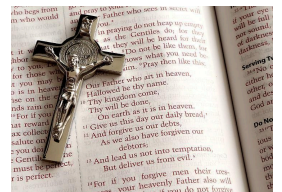
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*** Share the Warmth of Jesus this Advent - SCM is collecting cold weather apparel thru Sun., Dec. 21st.**

We are seeking NEW hats, gloves, socks, and new or "gently used" coats and hoodies in both adult and children's sizes. A box for your donations is located in the vestibule. We will distribute items to those in need in our community/area. If you know of anyone in our community who may be in need of these items, please contact the church office.

*** Sun., Dec. 14th - Retirement Fund for the Religious:** For decades, women and men religious have cared for others, teaching, praying, and serving those in need. Many now face retirement without sufficient savings. Your support ensures they receive the care they deserve. Let us now offer them the dignity they have so selflessly granted to others. Your generosity today is not just a donation - it's a way of thanking them for their lifelong service.



* **PRE News:** Wed., Dec. 17 - PRE Gr. 1-6 (4 - 5 PM) Gr. 7-8 (6:45 - 8:00 PM) at the Parish Center

* **Christmas Masses at SCM:** Christmas Eve (Dec. 24) @ 4:00 PM;
Christmas Day (Dec. 25) @ 10:30 AM; **St. Mary's in Leigh:** Christmas Day (Dec. 25) @ 8:30 AM



* **THANK YOU** to the Clarkson Bank for providing the beautiful 2026 SCM Church calendars.

* **2026 SCM Church Calendars & Contribution Envelopes** are on the tables in back of church.
Please take your box of envelopes and a church calendar home for your family.

* **Parish Jesse Tree:** The Parish Family Jesse Tree has been set up in the church vestibule. If your family isn't already represented, please bring an ornament with your family's name on it and add it to our tree.



* **Christmas Flowers:** Poinsettias have been ordered from Stitches & Petals to enhance the beauty of our church for the Christmas Season. If you would like to donate one in memory of a family member/loved one, please contact the church office or place your donation with the name/s of your loved ones in the Sunday collection basket. Plants are priced at \$22 and \$28.50.

* **Prize - A - Day Calendar** - SJN School is continuing the calendar fundraiser for 2026. With these calendars you have the opportunity to win all 365 days of the year, along with special days throughout the year. Daily winners will receive \$25, and on the special days you can win from \$50-\$150!! These calendars would make great Christmas gifts to family, employees, business partners, etc. Calendars can be purchased for \$50 each. Get your order in soon! Order forms are in the back of the church. Fill out and put in the collection or bring it to school. We will be selling up to December 31, with winners starting on January 1st.

How exciting to get a winning letter with a check in the mail!

Please call one of these representatives or the school office to order yours now:

School Office - 402 892-3474; Camille Steffensmeier - 402-366-5608;

Mary Cinfel - 402 649-5007; JD Koehn - 402 750-2182; Tim Prokopec - 402-640-5396

Leslie Urbanek - 402 615-3123; Joe Brabec - 420- 649-6417

* **The Archbishop's Annual Appeal is underway.** Thank you to those who have faithfully supported the Appeal through prayer and meaningful gifts. SCM parishioners have donated \$2700 toward our parish goal of \$10,914.45. Every gift no matter how large or small makes a difference!

* **Attention All Parishioners:** Just a reminder about renting the SJN Social Hall or the Parish Center. Please contact the office **at least 2 weeks prior** to the event to fill out the rental form. We need time to contact Catholic Mutual in order to obtain Liability Insurance for your event.

* **Winners of the Ss. Cyril & Methodius Catholic Church Prize-A-Day Calendar Fundraiser:**

(Dec. 8 - Dec. 14) Susan Nemec - \$75 Amelia Doernemann - \$25 Rick Podany - \$25

Lori Gall - \$25 Marlene Kabes - \$25 Ivan Petersen - \$25 Robin Fuhr - \$25 Marilyn Stoklasa - \$50

Ss. Cyril & Methodius Collection: December 14, 2025

Adults - \$2065 Plate - \$292 Children's Collect - \$15 Votive Candles - \$32 All Saints - \$15 All Souls - \$15
Campaign Human Dev - \$50 Fuel for Church - \$80 Fuel for School - \$50 Immaculate Conception - \$80
Thanksgiving - \$720

SCM Collection Total - \$3414

2nd Collection - \$191

November Automatic Contributions - \$1830

Contribution Counters for Dec. 21: Kevin & Trina Brabec, Bob & Ann Prokopec

Upcoming Events:

* **Pints With A Priest:** The next informal get-together with Fr. Taylor will be held Tuesday, Dec. 16th at 6:30 PM in Leigh at the Lazy Arrow. All adults in our Family of God cluster are welcome! (BYOB)

* Check out the fliers on the church vestibule bulletin board for upcoming retreats at the St. Benedict Center

Prayer For the Sick

**Dear God, we place our worries in your hands. We place our sick under your care and humbly ask that you restore your servant (Pope Francis) to health again. Above all, grant us the grace to acknowledge your holy will and know that whatsoever you do, you do for the love of us. Amen*

**Father of goodness and love, hear our prayers for the sick members of our community and for all who are in need (especially the Holy Father, Pope Francis). Amid mental and physical suffering may they find consolation in your healing presence. Show your mercy as you close wounds, cure illness, make broken bodies whole and free downcast spirits. May these people close to your heart find lasting health and deliverance, and so join us in thanking you for all your gifts. We ask this through the Lord Jesus who healed those who believed. Amen.*

Prayer for the Sick = last 2 paragraphs of prayer included above

**Dear Jesus, Divine Physician and Healer of the sick, we turn to you in this time of illness. O dearest comforter of the troubled, alleviate our worry and sorrow with your gentle love, and grant us the grace and strength to accept this burden.*