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MASS SCHEDULE

TUESDAY (1st & 3rd of the month)

3:30 p.m..... Meadow Lane, Bad Axe

WEDNESDAY

11:30 a.m. Parish Center Chapel

THURSDAY

7:00 p.m..... St. Columbkille

FRIDAY

9:00 a.m.... St. John Adoration following Mass

SATURDAY

4:00 p.m.... St. John

SUNDAY

8:30 a.m.... St. Joseph 10:30 a.m. St. Columbkille

RECONCILIATION

WEDNESDAY

11:00 a.m. - 11:20 a.m. Father's Office

THURSDAY

After 7:00 p.m. Mass St. Columbkille

FRIDAY

After 9:00 a.m. Mass St. John

SATURDAY

3:30 p.m..... (Ask Fr. at door) St. John

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December 10, 2023Second Sunday of Advent



7pm Mass at St. Columbkille is canceled on 12/21 & 12/28

Mass Readings for the Week

Dec 11 Mon: Advent Weekday/ Damasus I, pp

Is 35: 1-10/ Ps 85: 9ab and 10. 11-12. 13-14/ Lk 5: 17-26

Dec 12 Tue: Our Lady of Guadalupe F

Zec 2: 14-17 or Rv 11: 19a; 12: 1-6a, 10ab/ Jdt 13: 18bcde, 19/ Lk 1: 26-38 or Lk 1: 39-47 (these are the proper readings given in the Lectionary for Mass at 690A), or any readings from the Lectionary for Mass, the Common of the Blessed Virgin Mary, at 707-712

Dec 13 Wed: Lucy, v, mt M

Is 40: 25-31/ Ps 103: 1-2. 3-4. 8 and 10/ Mt 11: 28-30

Dec 14 Thu: John of the Cross, p, dr M

Is 41: 13-20/ Ps 145: 1 and 9. 10-11. 12-13ab/ Mt 11: 11-15

Dec 15 Fri: Advent Weekday

Is 48: 17-19/ Ps 1: 1-2. 3. 4 and 6/ Mt 11: 16-19

Dec 16 Sat: Advent Weekday

Sir 48: 1-4. 9-11/ Ps 80: 2ac and 3b. 15-16. 18-19/ Mt 17: 9a.

10-13

Dec 17 SUN: THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT (O Sapientia)

Is 61: 1-2a. 10-11/ Lk 1: 46-48. 49-50. 53-54/ 1 Thes 5: 16-24/ Jn 1: 6-8. 19-28

In This Sunday's Readings

"Prepare the way of the Lord..." - Mark 1:3
How are you preparing the way of the Lord? Are others seeing you give of your time and treasures and talents to others? Are you setting an example of a good and holy life for others to see? Are your actions and words things to be emulated? Living the type of life that God calls us to live means that we are not just responsible for our own lives, but for the lives of others as well.

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Let Us Give Thanks!

Total Weekend Sacrificial Giving –\$4,463.05 Includes Loose of \$579.05 650 Parish Families – 113 Envelopes Used

Mass Intentions for December 9 & 10, 2023

Saturday, St. John: + Douglas Grekowicz Sunday, St. Joseph: Good Shepherd Parishioners Sunday, St. Columbkille: Natalie Morgan

Mass Intentions for December 16 & 17, 2023

Saturday, St. John: Cletus & Shirley Guza Sunday, St. Joseph: +Willard Kroetsch Sunday, St. Columbkille: Good Shepherd Parishioners

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Counters of Sacrificial Offerings:

December 11: Carol Beaudin, Kathy Beaver, Ann Ypma **December 18:** Diana Briolat, Marge Briolat, Rose Maikrzek **December 27:** Carol Beaudin, Ann Ypma, Barb Roggenbuck

4:00pm Saturday, December 16th - St John

Lector: Carol Beaudin EMHC: Cathy Stacer Altar Server: Utah Gusa Sacristan: Dave Eilers

Ushers: Corey Kubacki, Whitey Pawlosky, Allen Peruski

8:30am Sunday, December 17th - St Joseph

Lector: Shirley Catalano EMHC: Lynn Talaski Altar Server: Paul Guza Greeter: Lisa Briolat

Sacristan: Steve & Lisa Briolat Ushers: Steve Briolat, Bruce Uhl

10:30am Sunday, December 17th - St Columbkille

Lector: Debbie Powell

EMHC: Jerry & Valerie Fischer, Karen Pichla, Dana Irion, Dawn

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Altar Servers: Broden Peruski, Laura Romzek

Greeters: Maria & Clare Roth

Gift Bearers: Courtney & Ryan Kempisty

Ushers: Jeff Sweeney, Brayden Sweeney, Marv Osentoski

Donations

In Memory of Lillian Kubacki By Charles & MaryJo Mantey

May God grant her resurrection to eternal life.

Faith Formation for All Ages

The Faith Formation program of Good Shepherd Parish:
St. John Ubly: Wednesdays 3:15-5pm
St. Columbkille: Wednesdays 6-7:30pm
Youth Group Sundays 5-8pm at the Parish Center
Family Nights- January 3rd dinner at 5:30pm. Program begins

Next Youth Mass: Christmas Eve Mass at St. Columbkille- 6pm Adult Bible Study- contact Valerie Fischer 989-553-3088

Good Shepherd Christian Mothers & Women

We will be having our Christmas Party and Anniversary Celebration on Tuesday, December 12, 2023 starting at 5:30 at the Parish Center.

Dinner will be served at 6:00 pm. We will have a catered meal. The cost is \$6.00 each to be paid at the door. (RSVP required please)

Optional \$10.00 Gift Exchange for those who wish to participate.

Please RSVP by Dec 3 by calling Cathy Stacer at 989-551-3877 or Diane Smalley 989-551-1727

Huron County Right to Life

The Huron County Right to Life is sponsoring a pro-life t-shirt design contest for teens. The winning designer will receive \$200 cash. The winning entry will be given out to all attendees of the 2024 Pro-life Teen Rally in March. Entry deadline is January 5, 2024. Please submit your pro-life t-shirt design with slogan to HURONRTL@gmail.com.

Giving Tree

The giving tree starts this week and will run the four weeks of Advent. Please take an envelope, place a monetary donation in the envelope and return it to the Sunday collection basket. We look forward to helping local agencies with your support.

Knights of Columbus Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

All meetings are at 7:00pm at the Parish Center on the Second Wednesday of the month. We are always looking for New Members – call Jeff Maurer @989-553-4224. Our <u>food</u> <u>pantry</u> is available for anyone in need, located in Ubly. This is confidential and anonymous – Call Jerry @989-550-9664. Jeff Maurer - Grand Knight - Ubly/Sheridan Council #12850

Adult Christmas Choir Practice

Anyone interested in singing in the Adult Choir for Christmas Mass at 4pm St. John service please contact Carmen Messing at 989-551-2167 or the parish office by December 13th.

Christ's Mission Appeal Update

We would like to thank everyone that has already made their pledge to CMA. Below is a summary of our donations as of December 1, 2023. To date, we have received pledges/donations in the amount of

\$28,433.07

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13	\$ 101.00 - \$ 150.00			
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01	\$ 251.00 - \$ 300.00			
05	\$ 301.00 - \$ 400.00			
07	\$ 401.00 - \$ 500.00			
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We are on our way to meeting our goal but as you can see, we need the support from our entire parish family!! WE ARE STILL \$31,738.38 SHORT OF OUR GOAL of \$60,171.45.



Christmas Choir "The First Noel"

Good Shepherd Parish and Deckerville Area Community Choir invite you to "The First Noel" Christmas choir concert, celebrating the birthday of the King! (This is the same concert they're giving at Deckerville MacGregor church)
This free concert will be Friday, December 15th, 2023, 6:30pm, at St. John Church (Good Shepherd Parish) in Ubly. Everyone is invited!



Our Youth Pilgrimage to Detroit 12/2 was a gift: we visited St. Joseph Chaldean Catholic Church in Troy for Mass, St. Joseph Shrine in Detroit (photo), Sacred Heart Seminary, the Solanus Casey Center, the zoo, and Buddy's Pizza!

Dear Saint-in-the-Making, Blessed Advent! In the latest issue of Great Lakes Bay Catholic, Bishop Gruss used the phrase, "the enemy is the enemy." Fr. John Riccardo in the Rescue Project teaches the meaning of this phrase, which I've tried to capture in my latest poem:

The Enemy Is The Enemy
The only true enemy is that of our souls
He ruthlessly, brilliantly, sleeplessly pulls
Our minds from the truths that give life
never-ending (Jn. 14:6)

With lies, sly deceits, which he's endlessly sending

This "Father of lies" loves to fib 'bout our foe (Jn. 8:44)

He hints, "It's THAT person! They're evil, you know!"

Paul parries, it's not "flesh and blood, but... dark forces" (Eph. 5)

"The enemy is the enemy", not "chariots" or "horses" (Ex. 15:19)

Not Hezbollah, Isis, or Boko Haram Nor Israel, Hamas, or whoever lobs bombs Nor Xi Jinping, Putin, Ashfaq, or Kim Jong Nor any world leader, no matter how wrong Besides making victims, such figures distressing...are victims themselves! of dark powers oppressing

"The enemy is the enemy", not Elephant or Donkey

Nor president, governor, senator wonky Nor pope, bishop, pastor, no matter their crimes

Nor Fox, NBC, QAnon, or the Times Not "Roe" or "Wade"; NRA, or gun controllers Not this group or cause, or their secret bankrollers

"The enemy is the enemy", as Scripture oft teaches

Sin, Death, and the devil! All life-sucking leeches

His damnable goal is to "steal, kill, destroy" (Jn. 10:10)

Attacking, a volley of "darts" he'll employ (1 Pet. 5:8)

There's heart-tearing Hatred, and crippling Resentment

Grave Gossip, Greed gripping, Wrath, Envy, "Revengement"

There's dev'lish Discour'gement, Division, Lust deadly

And Doubt, dread Despair, all thereof a fierce medley

This "Bad News" show Jesus to be more than "Good News"

But the BEST News! In Him, we the battle canNOT lose

The Lion-Lamb's Cross crushed the prowling "lion" (1 Pet. 5)

But rivals they're not! one's of hell, One's of Zion

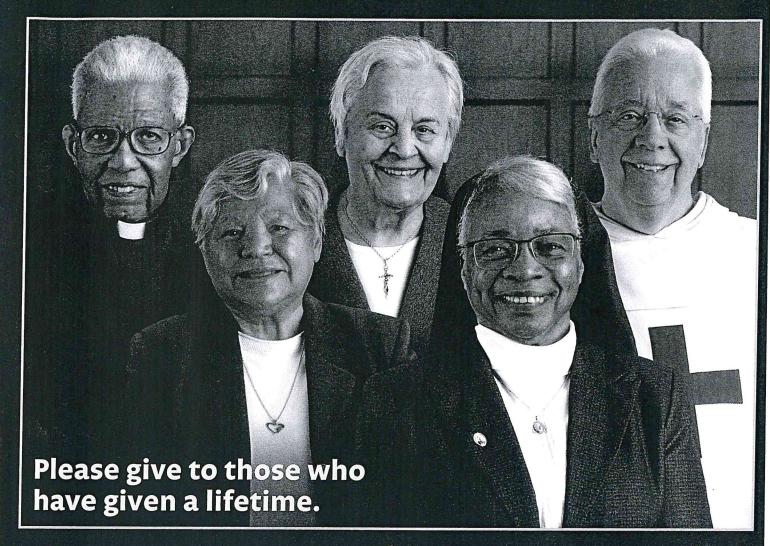
The enemy "prince" will be soon forced to cease (Jn. 12:31)

When rides "on the clouds" the unbowed Prince of Peace (Mk. 14:62)

Questions from the THE RESCUE PROJECT Right now: Where is the enemy accusing me? What lie is crippling me? Where is the enemy causing division in my life? Where is the enemy flattering my ego? What temptation is strongest in my life? Where am I most discouraged?

Love, Fr. Nate





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