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First Sunday of Advent—Year C

December 2, 2018

Serving the Church to make Jesus Christ known and loved

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WEDDINGS: Contact the Pastor six months before your wedding date
BAPTISMS: Contact the Pastor to arrange for class time and date
CONFESSIONS: 30 minutes before Sat. and Sun. Masses; 15 minutes before weekday Masses. Confessions also available by appointment.

WELCOME TO OUR PARISH!
 Call the Parish Office to register:
 OLMC-Tilden: 402.368.7710
 SFA-Neligh: 402.887.4521

For Holy Day Ministers
 Schedule--see page two

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tues 4 Dec ----- 9:00 am (T) Deceased members of OLMC Catholic Women
 Wed 5 Dec ----- 8:30 am (N) Kelli Fernando +
 9:30 am (NCRC) Residents
 Thur 6 Dec ----- 9:00 am (T) Sandra Clarkson +
 Fri 7 Dec ----- 8:00 am (N) Dr. Dwaine Peetz +
 Adoration to the Blessed Sacrament 8:30 am to 12:15 pm.
 Benediction 12:15 pm
**** Immaculate Conception --Holy Day of Obligation**
 Fri 7 Dec ----- 5:00 pm (N) Christina Bohr Stewart +
 7:00 pm (T) Edward & Eleanor Starman +
 Sat 8 Dec ----- 8:30 am (N) Special Intention J.M.L.
 Sat 8 Dec ----- 5:00 pm (N) Parishioners of St. Francis & OLMC
 7:00 pm (T) Mabel Corkle +
 Sun 9 Dec ----- 8:00 am (T) John & Betty Thiele +
 -- 10:00 am (N) Tom & Helena Kaczor Family +

MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Saturday 8 December, 5:00 pm Youth Mass	Sunday 9 December, 10:00 am
EMHC's	Simon Beacom, Angie Belitz, Tina Wilson, Kelly Starman, Amy Baker	Kathy Schultz, Carla Teel, Marian Shabram, Nick Strom, Dr Russ & Joan Vetick
LECTOR	Anne Hemenway, Petitions, Sara Muslik	Mark Ervin
SERVERS	Jesse Green, Mallory Belitz, Abby Kerkman, Talon Krebs	Emerson Knust, Caleb Payne Kegan Payne, Daniella Parra
GIFT BEARERS	Cambree Kimes, Kellen Charf, Bode Koinzan	Tom Parks Family
USHERS	Andrew Jacobsen, Corbin Hoefler Aiden Kuester, Jaxon Nelson	Trent Hoefler, Tim Kallhoff, Dale Kallhoff, Merle Kallhoff
GREETERS:	Evelyn Johnson, Brooke Frey, Alayna Finch, Luci Koinzan	

Dates & Time OLMC-Tilden	Ushers	EMHCs	Lectors	Servers	Gift Bearers	Money Counters
Saturday Dec 8 7:00 pm	Sam Schaecher Roger Kee	Rose Schaecher John & Doris O'Brien	Loretta Nykodym	Nate Decker Evan Decker Owen Hahne Allison Hahne	Sam & Rose Schaecher	
Sunday Dec 9 8:00 am	Stan Schapmann Keith Meyer	Jolene Schapmann Sheila Meyer Ed O'Brien	Jeannie Oelsligle	Leevi Frey Cssiday Frey Merinee Vaughn Ashton Kuchar	Stan & Jolene Schapmann	Kathy Osborn Cindy Decker

“Greetings from Fr. Pat”



Happy New Year!! Happy New “Church” Year that is. As we enter the Advent Season we also enter a new liturgical year that differs from our calendar year. Our church year or the church liturgical calendar starts with Advent. So Happy New Year!

As we begin the Advent season, it starts a season of anticipation, hope and longing for the Savior’s coming, at Christmas and his glorious second coming. It is a time of prayer, penance and preparation, like a “little” lent. A time to hold off on Christmas so as to deepen our thanks and anticipation of our Savior’s coming to bring light into darkness. To help in this preparation, in addition to the regular confession times, the following confessions times will also be available during Advent:

- Dec. 6th, Thurs. 7-8pm (T)
- Dec. 11th, Tues. 7-8pm (N)
- Dec. 16th, Sun. 7-8pm (T)
- Dec. 20, Thurs. 7-8pm (N)

Receive God’s mercy and the sacramental grace to help grow in holiness and relationship with our Lord this Advent Season in anticipation of Christmas.

Please note that **Immaculate Conception, a holy day of obligation**, is coming up. For this holy day, mass will be offered on Friday, December 7th at 5:00pm at St. Francis and 7:00pm at Our Lady of Mt. Carmel and on Saturday, December 8th at 8:30am at St. Francis.

Or under church guidelines one may also fulfill the Immaculate Conception holy day obligation by attending one of the vigil masses for the Second Sunday of Advent on Saturday, December 8th at 5:00pm at St. Francis or 7:00pm at OLMC. But if one goes to one of these vigil masses intending it for the Immaculate Conception holy day, then they would need to go to mass on Sunday as well. Can be confusing! But ultimately one needs to go to mass **twice** this weekend!! Once for the Immaculate Conception and once for the regular Sunday holy day. What’s the harm in that!!

Our Lady of Mt. Carmel pray for us!

St. Francis of Assisi pray for us!

MASS TIMES SFA-Neligh	Immaculate Conception Vigil Friday 7 December, 5:00 pm	Immaculate Conception Holy Day Saturday 8 December, 8:30 am
EMHC’s	Del & Susan Ames, Kelsey Blakcman	Dale Kallhoff, Doris Ternus, Kathy Sauser
LECTOR	Sheila Parks	Amy Baker
SERVERS	Mallory Belitz, Garret Belitz Corbin Hoefler, Josselyn Hoefler	Jaedin Wilson, Haley Kerkman Abby Kerkman, Kaylee Ramold
GIFT BEAERS	Bill Lyons Family	Nick Ramold Family
USHERS	Bill Lyons, Bill Kuester	Leroy Clarkson, Don Zegers

Archbishop’s Annual Appeal

Parish	Goal	Pledged	% Pledged	Goal - Participation	% Participating
St. Francis	\$8,695.37	\$9,367.00	107.7 %	20.4 %	14.3 %
OLMC	\$2,646.33	\$2,768.00	104.6 %	23.8 %	15.6 %

Thank You for your generosity .
 Congratulations to St. Francis and OLMC for meeting the monetary goals of the appeal! It is hoped that we can meet the participation goals as well. Please prayerfully consider this opportunity to share in supporting the Archbishop’s Annual Appeal.

St. Francis of Assisi families responsible for cleaning the church in December

- Dec 6** Jeff Krebs, Scott Svatos, Tim Baker
- Dec 13** Jim Lyons, Brian Heithoff, Terry Heithoff
- Dec 20** Mark Ervin, Tim Kallhoff, Donna Vice
- Dec 27** Leon Strong, Mike J. Seier, Jennifer Breurer

If you are unable to fulfill your assigned time, please find a substitute.

Knights of Columbus will meet Tues 4 Dec at 8 pm.

Wanted: Poinsettias for Christmas Decorations.

Anyone wishing to donate flowers may contact the Neligh Flower Shop (887-4510). They will graciously deliver the plants to the church. We are asking for white poinsettias this year. Thank you.

Advent Baby Shower will be from now till Jan 2. A play pen for gifts is in the west alcove of church. Donations go to Birthright in Norfolk.

Living Faith Booklets for Jan, Feb, Mar are available in the vestibule of church. Please pick up your copy today.

Rosary Sodality Committee for December: Mary Reuss, Melissa Kallhoff, Erin Ruterbories, Linda Wingate, Stacey Mitchell, Shirley Lichtenberg, Marian Pellatz, Nancy Evans, Erin Whitesel, Regina Finch, Angie Belitz, Vickie Kester, Dorothy Brandt, Donna Keetle, Milly Clemens.

Praying for vocations: Our **Travelling Vocation Cross** has started its journey thru our parish families again as we continue to pray for vocations to the priesthood. Jane Ruterbories is now hosting the **Vocation Cross**. Please contact Kathy Sauser for hosting arrangement. Vocation prayer cards for your use may be found at the back of church and in the vocation cross box.

The memorial sheet for **Christmas flowers** may be found in the back of the church.

OLMC Catholic Women will meet Tuesday, December 4 after Mass around 9:30 am. We will be updating the Catholic Women's booklet. **Please** if you have a cell phone number let us know what it is so it is easier for team leaders to contact you. Contact church office or 640 4698. Thanks.

The **Tilden Public Library** will be holding their 2nd annual **Jingle & Mingle Holiday Affair** on Mon Dec 3rd from 5 – 8 pm in the Library Lied Auditorium, where friends and families will enjoy hors d'oeuvres, scrumptious treats and holiday joy. Be entertained and get into the spirit with fun holiday tunes performed by Steven Reinke on the piano. And what's Christmas without Santa Claus! Bring the kids to visit Santa in the library between 5 -7 pm where they can share their secret Christmas wishes with the jolly ol' man himself! So mark your calendars for an evening of magical holiday fun at the Tilden Public Library. This event is sponsored by the Tilden Library Foundation with support by members of the Friends of the Library and Tilden Library Board

A small **library is available** in the landing of OLMC church basement for the purpose of sharing faith based books. No check-out is necessary, just borrow and return.

*Sun /Holy Day & Other Collections
November 25, 2018*

SFA-Neligh Weekly offering needed \$2,859.33 This week's collection: \$1,742.83 CCHD Collection. \$85.00	OLMC-Tilden Regular Collection: \$1,035.40 CCHD collection; \$176.75
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God bless you for your generosity



Wednesday 5 December

Grades K-6 6-7 pm Practice for the Christmas program.
Grades 7-12 7:15 to 8:30 pm Regular Class

SFA-Neligh

- Rosary** every Tue, 10 am in Church, Everyone welcome.
- The Willows:** Rosary, Sat at 10 am;
- Knights of Columbus:** 1st Tue, 8 pm
- Rosary Sodality:** 2nd Tue, 6:30 pm
- Parish Council:** Jan17, 6 pm
- Fin. Council:** Quarterly, 7 pm

OLMC-Tilden

- Knights of Columbus** (see Neligh)
- Catholic Women** meet : 1st Tue 9:30 am every 3 months, Mar, June, Sept, Dec.
- Parish Council:** TBA
- Fin. Council:** Quarterly, 7 pm

ASK FOR A PRAYER



Please call June Anderson (887-4937) Germaine Berry (887-4293) or the parish office (887-4521) to add names to the prayer list. Names will be listed for three weeks or as long as necessary. Thank you for praying for those most in need

Please remember to pray for: St. Francis-Neligh

Matt Evans, Jerry Kerkman, Dr. Dwaine Peetz, Larry Braband., Ray McNally, Nate Metschke, Robin Boschult, Sharlene Arehart, David Sackschewsky, Joan Stearns,

Please remember to pray for: OLMC-Tilden

Nate Thiele, Nancy Hecht, Matt Evans, Betty Schiltmeyer, Joel Rivera, Larry Chroetlin, Gary Inlow, Allery Klabenes, Michael McNally, Hella Bauer

Announcements

~**Special Collection December 8 & 9, Religious Retirement.** Support the Retirement Fund for Religious. Today many are elderly and need assistance. Their religious communities struggle to meet retirement needs while continuing to serve the People of God. Please consider supporting this special collection.

~**Please note,** Rosary Sodality Ladies (or any Parishioner) if you have discontinued your land line and use only a cell phone, please call Donna Vice 402-843-8209 or the parish office 402-887-4521 to update your contact numbers.. Thank you.

~**Seeking Truth Bible Study:** Building parish life through community study of God's Word. Please join us **Tues 4 Dec, 7 pm** in the St. Francis parish hall. The lesson this week will be "*Thessalonians,*" THESS 1 & 2, Acts 17. In the vestibule of church there is a poster with a pocket with the lesson for the upcoming week for you to fill out if you are interested in joining us. All are welcome!

~**"GIVE THE GIFT OF A RETREAT** Immaculee Ilibagiza Retreat: This Christmas season, give yourself or someone you love tickets to a weekend retreat to be held at St. Mary's Catholic Church in West Point, March 22-23, 2019. Immaculee Ilibagiza, a survivor of the 1994 Rwandan Genocide and author of the book "Left to Tell", will bring her message of forgiveness, healing, and hope to all who attend. Give the gift of experiencing her powerful journey and remarkable message. Cost is \$57 for one, or \$76 for two. For details, tickets, and registration visit www.immaculee.com, or contact RaNae O'Brien at ranaeobrien1@gmail.com."

POPE JOHN XXIII SCHOOL NEWS

Pope John Senior Breakfast will be held Sunday, December 9 at the St. Boniface Gym from 9 am-Noon. Serving Pancakes, French Toast, Sausage, Fruit and Rolls. Free will donation. Everyone is welcome

We want to thank the owners of our area grocery stores and our generous patrons and donors for supporting our annual Grocery Sales Project. You have helped us exceed our goal once again. In gratitude, we ask God to bless each one of you! The Pope John Student Body.

As another season rolls around and "**Christmastime is Here Again,**" the St. Boniface and Pope John music students will present their annual Christmas concert on Tues 18 DEc at 7:00 p.m. All are welcome in the St. Boniface Gym as the students, preschool through high school, vocal and instrumental, spread Christmas joy through song!

Visit parish website: www.olmctilden.org or www.stfranciscc.org for weekly bulletins, Mass times, liturgical ministers' and religious education schedules, Parish & Finance Council news, parish women's organizations, Knights of Columbus events, web links, events & announcements, and more. For SFA parish hall rentals and events call the parish office. For OLMC call Mary Rautenberg at 402-368-2231 & Loretta Nykodym 402-368-2182. For OLMC maintenance call Stan Schapmann 402-368-5906. SFA call Del Ames 402-887-5017.

Advent Season : Additional Confession Times:

(T) Dec 6 Thurs, 7 to 8 pm & Dec 16 Sun, 7 to 8 pm

(N) Dec 11 Tues, 7 to 8 pm & Dec 20 Thurs, 7 to 8 pm.

First Sunday
of Advent.



