Holy Trinity Parish

Third Sunday of Advent

December 11, 2022

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Building use request: Call the office.

Confession: Sat. 4:45-5:20pm at Holy Trinity, Sun. 8:15am at St. Mary, or by appointment.

Baptism: Contact the office at least 3 months before the birth to attend a class and set a date.

First Penance/Eucharist: Register for 1st grade catechism classes in preparation.

Confirmation: Register for 9th and 10th grade catechism classes in preparation.

Marriage: Please call Father McCabe at least nine months prior to tentative date.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact the office especially if in serious illness, near death or upcoming major surgery.

Pastoral Care of the Sick: If you move to a nursing home/care facility, would like a priest to visit, or are unable to attend Mass and would like Communion at home, contact the office.

Funerals: Contact the office.

Mass Intentions: Mail to the office or place in collection. (\$7/Mass suggested.)

Bulletin Items: Email to <u>holytrinitygood-hue@gmail.com</u> by Wednesday. The business office reserves the right to edit.

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Jesus said, "Amen, I say to you, among those born of women there has been none greater than John the Baptist; yet the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he." *Matt 11:11*

		HOLY	READINGS		
Sat.	5:30PM	ΗT	Dec. 10	Brent Hokanson	Sir 48:1-4,9-11 / Ps 80 / Matt 17:9a, 10-13
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Dec. 11	+LaWanda Keller and deceased family members	ls 35:1-6a, 10 / Ps 146 / Jas 5:7-10 / Matt 11:2-11
	10:30AM	SC		Parishioners	
Mon.	8:00AM	SM	Dec. 12	+David Rusch	Zec 2:14-17 / Ps Jdt 13 / Lk 1:26-38
Tue.	8:00 AM	ΗT	Dec. 13	+Therese Bien	Zep 3:1-2, 9-13 / Ps 34 / Matt 21:28- 32
Wed.	8:00AM	HT	Dec. 14	+Mass for those listed in the Red Memorial Book	ls 45:6c-8, 18, 21c-25 / Ps 85 / Lk 7:18b-23
Thu.	9:00 AM	SC	Dec. 15	Leo & Maxine Ryan	ls 54:1-10 / Ps 30 / Lk 7:24-30
Fri.			Dec. 16		ls 56:1-3a, 6-8 / Ps 67 / Jn 5:33-36
Sat.	5:30PM	HT	Dec. 17	+Trudy Zorn	Gen 49:2, 8-10 / Ps 72 / Matt 1:1-17
Sun.	8:45AM	SM	Dec. 18	Parishioners	ls 7:10-14 / Ps 24 / Rom 1:1-7 / Matt
	10:30AM	SC		+Father Bruce Peterson	1:18-24

Mission: We grow together in Christ.

Welcome to our Parish Churches!



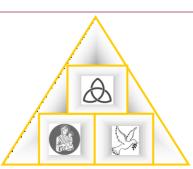
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St. Columbkill Church (SC) 36483 County 47 Boulevard Goodhue, MN 55027



St. Mary Church (SM) 221 Chester Avenue Bellechester, MN 55027



From Father McCabe

John the Baptist was sent by God to give witness to Jesus Christ, the light of the world. John knew that he himself was not the light. He knew he was called to show the world that Jesus Christ is the light of divine truth, and those who unite themselves to Jesus Christ and live by that divine truth will be saved.

Through our baptism we are called to unite our prayers, actions and thoughts to Jesus Christ. Because Jesus is God and man, he is the source of all saving truth and divine grace, and by accepting this in faith we can grow in holiness through his Church.

John the Baptist is one of the greatest saints because he fearlessly spoke the truth, even telling King Herod that he had a sinful relationship with the wife of another man. John spoke these words to the King from a loving heart, that he might convert and be saved. He was fulfilling one of the spiritual works of mercy: Admonish the sinner with, for and out of true love.

However, King Herod rejected that true love and jailed John the Baptist, and then decapitated him. John is a martyr for Jesus Christ, and the Greek word "martyr" means to be a "witness."

Jesus Christ continues to inspire other witnesses like Carlo Acutis who was beatified by Pope Francis, October 10, 2020. He was born in London, 1991, but then his family moved back to Milan, Italy.

Carlo was baptized and was an energetic child who loved God. His mother was given advice to learn more about the Catholic faith so that she could understand Carlo's love for God.

Antonia learned more and was able to have Carlo receive Holy Communion and Confirmation at age seven. Carlo wrote, "To be always united with Jesus, this is my life program."

To be always united to God, this is the first step to being a witness to the light of Jesus Christ. Carlo became a witness to Jesus Christ by receiving Jesus in the Holy Eucharist daily, going to confession almost weekly and by praying the Rosary daily.

He was so in love with Jesus Christ, our Eucharistic Lord, that he used his talent as a computer web designer to gather many of the Eucharistic miracle stories so that people can easily learn about them through the internet. He started this project at age 11 and continued to add to it until age 14.

On October 10, 2020, Pope Francis beatified Carlo Acutis who died of leukemia in 2006 at the age of 15. When he was diagnosed with leukemia, a blood cancer, his faith grew and Carlo said, "I offer all the suffering I will have to suffer for the Lord, for the Pope, and the Church."

His mother, Antonia, recalls how he liked computer games, but limited himself to only one hour a week so that he could stay free to serve God and others. She recalls that: "As a little boy, especially after his First Communion, he never missed his daily appointment with the Holy Mass and the Rosary, followed by a moment of Eucharistic Adoration."

Carlo would often say that the Eucharist is his highway to heaven. He would also say, "The more often we receive the Eucharist, the more we will become like Jesus, so that on this earth we will have a foretaste of heaven."

Before the celebration of his beatification in Asissi,

Italy, October 10, 2020, Pope Francis had gathered all the evidence, and approved a miracle that was attributed to the intercession of Carlo. This miracle occurred in Brazil where a boy Mattheus was healed of a birth defect called an annular pancreas. This birth defect profoundly limited his diet to vitamins and protein shakes.



The boy's mother, Luciana Vianna, spent years praying for her child who was only 20 pounds at age 4 and thought to be near death. But then a priest friend of the family learned about Carlo Acutis through the internet and obtained a relic from the mother of Carlo.

Padre Marcelo invited Catholics to a healing Mass and encouraged them to ask Carlo to intercede for whatever healing they might need. On October 12, 2013, exactly seven years after Carlo's death, Mattheus and his mother went to that Mass and he touched the picture of Carlo with a prayer to be healed.

Healing began immediately to the point that his pancreas changed physiologically. On the way home from Mass, Mattheus told his mother that he was already healed. At home, he asked for French fries, rice, beans and a steak – the favorite foods of his brothers that he could only imagine eating.

He ate everything on his plate and did not vomit. This occurred for several days and when his mother brought him to the physicians they were mystified by the healing Mattheus had experienced.

Many people gave witness to how Jesus Christ shined through this boy Carlo, who grew into a young man whose mission was to bring as many people to Jesus Christ as possible. During the seventeen-day event that occurred during his beatification approximately 41,000 people passed by the tomb of Carlo to see him lying there in peace in his tennis shoes, jeans, a sweater, and holding his Rosary.

Even after his death, much like St. John the Baptist and other Saints, Blessed Carlo Acutis is still giving witness to Jesus Christ. For Jesus Christ is the source of saving truth and healing grace of which the human family desperately needs before the glorious second coming of Christ. Amen.

Peace in Christ, Fr. Thomas McCabe

<u>Holy Trinity Parish Census Update:</u> As of December 7 the Responses/Potential number of households from the last census are: Holy Trinity - 18 /88; St. Columbkill - 38/119 and St. Mary's - 31/85. Please return census form <u>ASAP</u> to Holy Trinity Parish office. Extra forms can be found near church entrances. Thank you.

Please pray for: Marcy Dilworth, Susan Brown, Margaret Wagner, Leo & Maxine Ryan, Mary Heppelmann, Ed Heppelmann, Anne Merry, Ray Poncelet, Dave Buck, Scott Cyert, Jerry Joe Majerus, Leo & Louise Heppelmann, Brent Hokanson, Anne Skalicky, Mark Ryan, Pat Mann, Kellie Peterson, Neil Stehr, Barb Smalley, Jen Berg, Mary Ellen Reding, Richard Heppelmann, Peggy Keller, Greg Poncelet, Ann Austreng, Marge Majerus and Connie Havrilla. (Lucas Nordrum is now free from cancer-thank you.) **<u>Retired Religious Collection:</u>** A collection to support elderly religious sisters, brothers, and priests will be taken this weekend. Please prayerfully consider assisting those who have given their lives to Christ.

<u>St. Columbkill Church Decorating</u>: Your help is needed after Mass on Sunday, December 11 at St. Columbkill to set up the nativity scene.

<u>Christmas Choir:</u> A choir will be singing on Christmas morning at the 10:30 Mass at St. Columbkill. All are welcome to join. Contact Shannon Dicke for details.

<u>**Congratulations:**</u> Nolan Ryan Paukert, son of Ryan and Alyssa Ryan, who was baptized on November 27.

Fletcher Lee Rothmeier, son of Bryan and Allison Rothmeier, who was baptized on December 3.

St. Mary's of Bellechester Goodhue County

<u>Christmas Families:</u> The donation box will be in the back of Church starting Thanksgiving weekend. If you wish to help these families please leave cash or check made to St. Mary's CCW or send to Gayle Strauss 28632 County 16 Blvd., Goodhue, MN 55027. The final Sunday will be Dec. 11. This money is used to purchase clothes, food and other necessities for the families and given to them before Christmas. Thank you - any questions please call Gayle at 651-923-4826.

<u>Christmas Play at St. Columbkill:</u> All parishioners' children, including those who don't attend faith formation at Holy Trinity, are invited to partake in the program. Familiar songs will be sung. The Christmas Play will be December 18 after the 10:30AM Holy Mass, followed by refreshments (light lunch). Contact Sharon Dicke for more information.

<u>Communal Penance Service</u>: All are encouraged to attend a Communal Penance Service with multiple priests on Tuesday, December 20, from 7:00-8:30pm at Holy Trinity. Parents, please attend this service with your faith formation students, leading by example as primary educators of your children. The service begins at 7:00pm in the church, and then after a short reflection the penitents go to one of the confession areas where one of the priests assisting will hear individual confessions. People can stay for the final prayer as a community if they wish, or leave quietly after they complete their penance.

Knights of Columbus Council #2751 meeting: The KC's will hold their next meeting at Sts. Peter and Paul, Mazeppa, on Monday, December 12 beginning at 6:30pm.

Food Shelf Thank You: The Zumbrota Area Food Shelf extends their thanks to Fr. McCabe, Eric Han-

son and their congregations for the financial donation to the food shelf. They greatly appreciate our generosity.

St. Joseph's Parish in Miesville: Will hold a Live Nativity on Sunday, December 11th. Beginning around 4:30pm with farm animals and visits with St. Nicholas. The Nativity pageant and carols begin at 5pm, followed by a light dinner, warm drinks and Christmas cookies.

<u>St. Joseph's Parish in Miesville also</u> invites you to a Christmas Tea Sun., Dec. 18th from 11:30am–1:30pm; sandwiches, savories & traditional Christmas music. Proceeds for the Little Flowers Girls Club.

Calendar/Events							
SatSun., Dec. 10-11	HT/SM/SC	Mass Times	Second Collection for Retired Religious				
Mon., Dec. 12	SM	6:30-9:00PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Wed., Dec. 14	HT	9:00AM-2PM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament				
Wed., Dec. 14	HT	2:15-3:15PM	Faith Formation Classes Grades 1-6				
	(SC)	(3:15-4:30PM)	(Christmas Pageant Rehearsal)				
Wed., Dec. 14	HT	7:25-8:35PM	Faith Formation Classes Grades 7-10				
Thur., Dec. 15	SC	8:00-8:50AM	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament/ Confession				
Sun., Dec. 18 SC		After Mass	Christmas Play followed by light lunch				
Sun., Dec. 18	HT	6:30-9:30PM	CYA Potluck/Christmas caroling				
Tue., Dec. 20	HT	7:00-8:30PM	Communal Penance Service with multiple priests				
Holy Trinity (HT) Colle	ction:	St. Columbkill Church (SC) Collection:		St. Mary Church (SM) Collection:			
12/3: \$ 2,9	983.32	12/4: \$ 6,035.50		12/4: \$1,143.00			

Behold the Lamb of God!

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament: Mondays at St. Mary from 6:30-9:00PM, Wednesdays at Holy Trinity from 9:00AM-2:00PM, and Thursdays at St. Columbkill from 8:00AM-9:00AM (unless otherwise noted). Come and spend some time with Jesus!

Weekend Ministry Schedule								
Church	Role	December 10/11	December 17/18					
HT: Sat.	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer					
5:30pm Dec. 10 &	Cantor	Denise Voth						
Dec. 10 & Dec. 17	Lector	Taylor Buck	Karen Albers					
	Servers	Corbin Jaeger & William Peter- son	Brenna Buck					
SM:	Musician	Wanda Schafer	Wanda Schafer					
Sunday 8:45am	Cantor	Allison Keller	Allison Keller					
0.45am Dec. 11 &	Lector	Taylor & Samantha Dowden	Jeremy Keller					
Dec. 18	Servers	Addy and Will Poncelet	Henry, Noah and Maya Keller					
SC:	Musician	Cindy Eppen	Kathryn Peterson					
Sunday 10:30am	Cantor	Tom Schulte	Shelly Jacobson					
Dec.11 &	Lector	Charlie Dicke	Ann Buck					
Dec. 18	Servers	Luke, Owen, and Jay Roschen	JJ and Jenna O'Reilly					





I am very proud of the people from our area. Thank you from the bottom of my heart. Have a Blessed Christmas and when you kneel at Church this year, may you know in your heart that you helped God serve his Poorest of the Poor.

May God Bless all of you and your families. Olive Hupf, Appalachian Coordinator, Archdiocese Council Catholic Women



Catholic Young Adults will be going Christmas caroling on Sunday, December 18, 2022. Potluck 6:30-7:30PM at Holy Trinity and caroling until 9:00PM with hot drinks afterwards.

Photo from December 2021