



TRI-PARISH CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF CASHTON-NORWALK

DECEMBER 1ST, 2024 | FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Baptism:

Because we believe in the ordinary necessity of Baptism for salvation, it is customary that newborns be baptized as soon as is practical, usually within a month after birth. Parents need to attend baptism preparation with Deacon Sam prior to scheduling a baptism. Please contact the parish office for details or to register.

Marriage:

Couples should contact the Pastor at the time of formal engagement or at least eight months prior to the desired date of the wedding. In the case of a mixed marriage, the non-Catholic party must arrange to receive instructions about the Catholic faith prior to the celebration of the sacrament.

Penance:

- Sacred Heart Saturday at 3:00-3:45 p.m.
Tuesday at 4:45 -5:30 p.m.
- St. Augustine Saturday at 7:00 p.m. (after Mass)
- St. Mary Sunday at 7:15-7:45 a.m.

Anointing of the Sick:

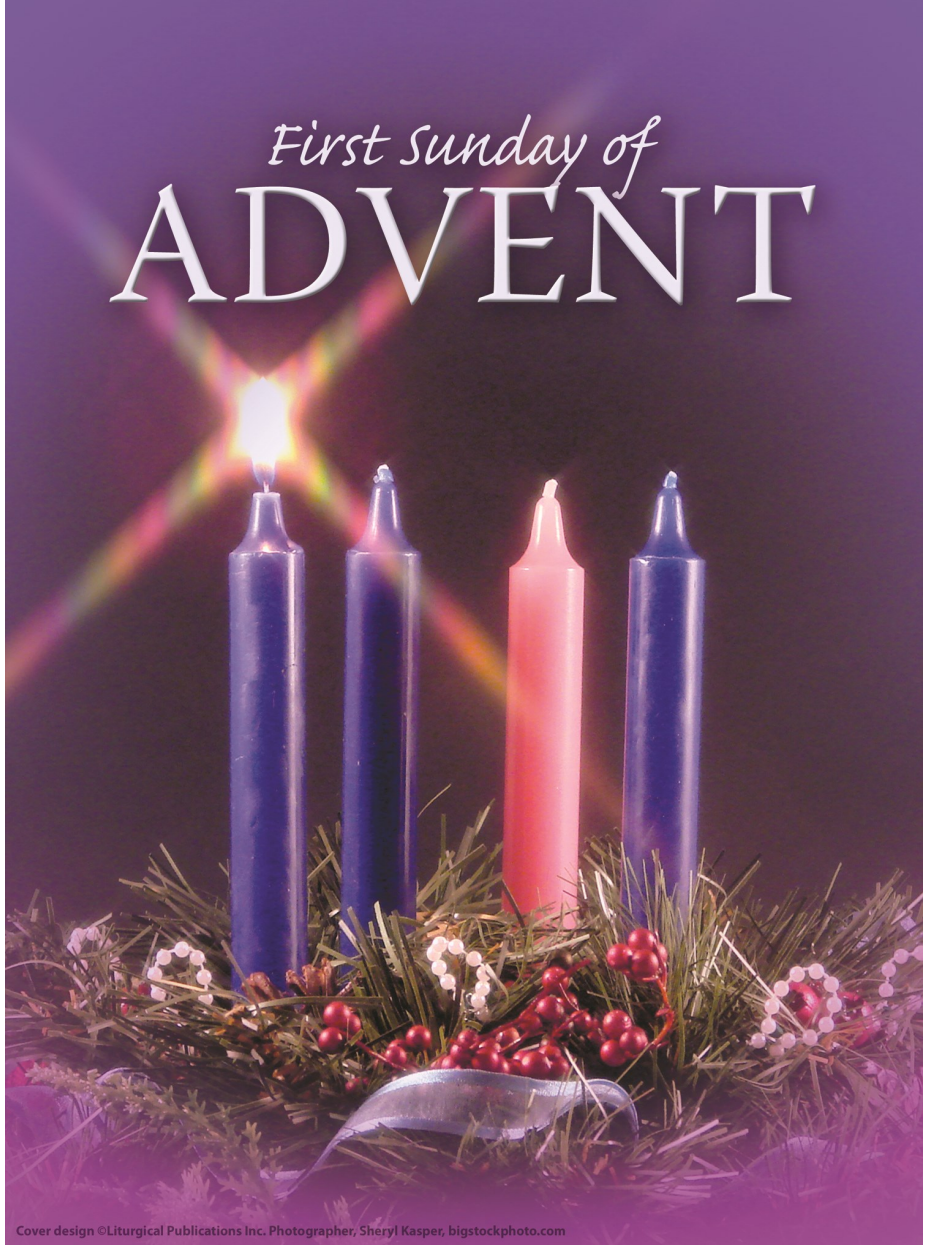
Those who are seriously sick, have been ill for a long period or are to undergo surgery should receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick and Holy Communion. Please contact the Pastor or the parish office.

Visitation of the Sick:

If you become hospitalized, institutionalized or homebound because of illness and would like communion brought to your home or just to be visited, please call the parish office.

Catholic Education:

Sacred Heart School offers Christian formation to children in grades 4K through 8. Call the school, 608-654-7733, to visit or request an application.



WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:00 p.m. – Sacred Heart
6:00 p.m. – St. Augustine

Sunday

8:00 a.m. – St. Mary
10:00 a.m. – Sacred Heart

WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday

8:00 a.m. – Sacred Heart

Wednesday

5:30 p.m. – St. Mary

Thursday

10:30 a.m. – St. Augustine

Friday

8:00 a.m. – Sacred Heart

ADORATION SCHEDULE

Tuesday

4:30-5:45 p.m. (Sacred Heart)

Friday

8:30 a.m.-noon (Sacred Heart)
5:30-6:30 p.m. (St. Augustine)

Welcome

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Tri-Parish Office & SCHOOL

710 Kenyon Street
Cashton, WI 54619
(608) 654-5654 (Parish Office)
(608) 654-7733 (School)

Office Hours

Monday, Wednesday & Thursday 8am-3pm
Tuesday & Friday Closed

Connect!

Website: www.smash3p.org

New Parishioners

Welcome to the Tri-Parish! In the back of all three churches are registration forms. Please take one home, fill it out and drop it in the collection plate. We will get you registered and within one

Parish Staff

Administrator

Father Matthew Bowe | mbowe@diolclergy.org
715-933-2404 or 608-823-7906 (In case of emergency)

Deacon

Deacon Sam Schmirler | deacon@smash3p.org

Director of Religious Education

Lisa Steger | dre@smash3p.org

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Kari Passe | secretary@smash3p.org

Finance Secretary

Kay Brown | finance@smash3p.org

Sacred Heart School Staff

Administrator

Father Matthew Bowe | Principal@smash3p.org

Lead Teacher

Jayne Klinge | teacher4k-5k@smash3p.org

School Secretary

Doreen Brueggeman | School@smash3p.org

Bulletin Deadline

Please submit items for publication in the weekly bulletin before **12pm Mondays**. Notices should be sent to: bulletins@smash3p.org



IN OUR PRAYERS

Pope Francis
Bishop Battersby
Drew Von Ruden
John Brueggeman
John Lindeen
Tressa Klinkner
Florentine Geier
Louis Zanon

Ed Schreier
Matt & Christine Allen
Hope Waite
Matthew Sueppel
Carol Leuck
Sheila Vukovich
Jeanna Allen
Jerome Leuck

HAVE A PRAYER REQUEST OR NEED A PASTORAL VISIT?

Please contact the parish office by phone (608-654-5654) or email (secretary@smash3p.org) and we will be happy to assist you.



You're Invited!

HEALING SERVICE

As we begin the season of Advent, a time to prepare, we encourage you to join us for the Healing Mass that is taking place December 2nd at Sacred Heart. Adoration and Confessions begin at 4:30pm with Mass beginning at 5:30pm. At 6:00pm we will begin the Corporate Prayer for Healing followed by an opportunity for Individual Healing Ministry for those seeking additional prayers. If you are looking for a way to leave the stress, and hurt behind in 2024, this is a wonderful opportunity. Consider it setting up your own personal manger in preparation for Our Lord.

STEWARDSHIP

NOVEMBER 17TH-18TH

Sacred Heart Parish	\$3,766.00
St. Mary Parish	\$2,285.00
St. Augustine's Parish	\$305.00

WEEKLY READINGS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 1, 2024

Sunday

Jer 33:14-16/Ps 25:4-5, 8-9, 10, 14 (1b)/1 Thes 3:12—4:2/Lk 21:25-28, 34-36

Monday

Is 2:1-5/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4b, 4cd-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 8:5-11

Tuesday

Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/Lk 10:21-24

Wednesday

Is 25:6-10a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6/Mt 15:29-37

Thursday

Is 26:1-6/Ps 118:1 and 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a/Mt 7:21, 24-27

Friday

Is 29:17-24/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Mt 9:27-31

Saturday

Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday

Bar 5:1-9/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 (3)/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6

Prayer for the first week of Advent

Dear God,

As we prepare for Your arrival, align our hearts and homes to Your will. Pour into us Your grace, as we wait in joyful expectation. Amen



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE

Dec. 9th, 8:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

Dec. 9th, 7:30 p.m. at St. Mary

*Although the Immaculate Conception is not a Holy Day of Obligation this year, we encourage you to join us and spend some time with Our Lord.

MASS INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 30, 2024

4:00pm Sacred Heart † David A. Leis & Ricky Janick

6:00pm Saint Augustine For the People

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 1, 2024

8:00am Saint Mary † Rita Hemmersbach

10:00am Sacred Heart † Sandy Von Ruden

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 3, 2024

8:00am Sacred Heart † Debra Eichsteadt

Adoration (SH) 4:30-5:45p.m.

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 4, 2024

5:30pm Saint Mary † Joe Flock

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 5, 2024

10:30am Saint Augustine † Alrita Ornes

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 6, 2024

8:00am Sacred Heart † Rosie Dahl

Adoration (SH) 8:30-12:00 p.m.

Adoration (SA) 5:30-6:30 p.m.

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2024

4:00pm Sacred Heart † Andrea Mullenberg

6:00pm Saint Augustine † Robert Walker

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 8, 2024

8:00am Saint Mary † For The People

10:00am Sacred Heart † Jim Neubauer

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

There will be a different Mass schedule for Christmas this year than in years past. My brother priests have been having a Christmas Mass during the night to great success. To help you prepare to celebrate Christmas with Mass and with your family gatherings, here will be the schedule for Christmas Masses:

Dec. 24, 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart

Dec. 24, 10:00 p.m. at St. Mary

Dec. 25, 8:00 a.m. at St. Augustine

Dec. 25, 10:00 a.m. at Sacred Heart

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Another Advent and Another New Year

Well, here it is! No, I am not referring to our new look for the bulletin. It is the First Sunday of Advent, the start of a new liturgical year. This year we will be listening to the Gospel of Luke, who wrote many very memorable parables for us to learn more about how to live more like disciples of Jesus.

The word "advent" is a Latin word meaning "to come to." It refers to the first coming of Jesus to us as an infant. God-made-man left Heaven and took our human nature and flesh to dwell among us. It also refers to our coming to Him. We come to Jesus in our prayer, when we come to church, and when we serve Him in the poor. In all things, we should come to Jesus just as He is always there for us.

As this is a new year, it is appropriate to make new year's resolutions. I suggest making spiritual resolutions to help prepare one's heart for receiving our Lord at His birth on Christmas Day. If the habit of praying daily is not a thing for you, start with that. Pray for five minutes every morning, evening, and night, and increase the amount of time by one minute every week until you form the habit.

If you regularly pray daily, then this Advent might be a time to do some form of penance. Advent is known as a mini-Lent, and not so long ago there was a fast for it. Pick something to abstain from like coffee or sweets (something I should do). Christmas is about making room for our Lord Jesus so that our hearts are not like the inn right before His birth, full with no room for Him.

Do not let this Advent season go to waste! It is such a spiritually beautiful season! My opinion is that we should not rush ahead to the very end, meaning Christmas. Advent is a season of preparation for Christmas, and so let us prepare by first focusing on His Second Coming (the first two weeks) and then focus on how God worked in history that set the stage for the coming of His Son. In preparation for this, we should set aside the "Christmas spirit" and first have an "Advent spirit." Remain joyful this Advent season, but remember that to feast well we must first fast and prepare well.

In joyful and eager anticipation,

Fr. Matthew L. Bowe

AROUND AND ABOUT

SACRED HEART SCHOOL CHRISTMAS PLAY

All are invited to Sacred Heart School's Christmas Program on Wednesday, December 18th. We will have a Dress Rehearsal at 1:30 p.m. with performance at 6:30 p.m. that evening. Join us as we allow the children to help put us in the Christmas spirit!

ADVENT PENANCE SERVICE

An important step in getting our hearts ready for the Lord is making a good confession. An Advent Penance Service is scheduled for December 19th at Sacred Heart. We will begin at 6:30pm and have several priests on hand. Please save the date!



K OF C PANCAKE/FRENCH TOAST BREAKFAST

Let the K of C's make breakfast for you and your family on Sunday, December 15th from 8am-until noon at the Cashton Community Hall. On the menu is pancakes, French toast, sausage, eggs, applesauce, milk, coffee and juice, all for a free will donation. This is an easy way to support the men of our parishes and their efforts. See you there!

ST. MARY'S ANNUAL CRAFT SHOW

Saturday, December 7th, 2024. Come join the fun and find that one of a kind gift for the Holiday Season from several local vendors and crafters. Open from 8am-2pm at the Coon Valley Village Hall at 108 Roosevelt St. Concessions available. Free admission!

RETIREMENT FOR THE RELIGIOUS FUND

Many aging religious spent decades ministering for little pay. Now, their communities do not have enough retirement savings to care for them. You can help meet their needs by donating to the Retirement Fund for Religious at Mass next weekend. Please take the attached envelope and bring it back for next weekend's collection. Thank you in advance for your generosity!

SACRED HEART FINANCE COUNCIL TO MEET

Sacred Finance Council will meet on December 3rd at 6 p.m.

BINGO

Join us for BINGO the first and third Tuesday of each month at the Cashton Community Hall for BINGO sponsored by the Cashton Lions Club & Knights of Columbus. Doors open at 5:30 p.m. with BINGO starting at 6:30 p.m. Food and beverages will be available for purchase.

ST. MARY'S CHRISTMAS POT LUCK

Everyone is invited to a Christmas potluck Sunday after the 8 a.m. Mass at Saint Mary's on December 8th. Bring your family and favorite dish to join us for some Christmas fellowship!

ONGOING FUNDRAISERS FOR SACRED HEART SCHOOL SCRIP

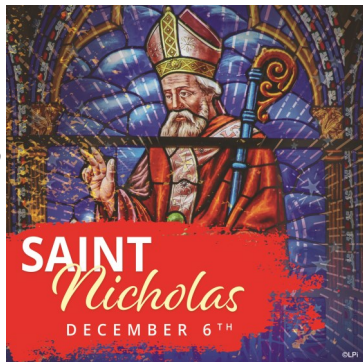
It's time to place your Christmas scrip orders! Do you need to buy for teens or want a gift that will get used? Or maybe you're preparing for all your holiday shopping. Consider ordering gift cards for your own purchases or as gifts! We have a variety on hand but can order from a huge list of vendors as well.

MYSTIC MONK COFFEE

Sacred Heart school is still selling Mystic Monk Coffee. Simply get in touch with Doreen at the school by phone (654-7733) or email (school@smash3p.org) and let her know what you would like to purchase. We do carry some popular flavors on hand, but if we don't have it in stock we will be happy to order it for you.

"LEND YOUR EAR THIS WAY"

Saint Nicholas is known as a great miracle worker and the patron saint of children, mariners, orphans, sailors, captives, and many others! He is also known as the protector of those in trouble or in need. His popularity spread widely throughout Eastern and Western Europe and is venerated by Catholics, Orthodox, and Protestants. Through his love, compassion, and generosity, Saint Nicholas has won his place in the hearts of many



On the feast day of Saint Nicholas it is customary for children to place their shoes by the fireplace, windowsill, or bedroom door for Saint Nicholas to fill with toys, fruit, chocolate, candy, and coins. In Holland, it is said that children leave carrots and hay by their shoes for Saint Nicholas' horse in the hopes that these will be exchanged for small gifts. Giving gifts on this feast day can re-center the focus of Christmas on the birth of Christ instead of on presents.

Every December 6, Saint Nicholas should remind us that true joy lies not in receiving, but in giving!

Article from LPI

WE ASKED THE STUDENTS OF SACRED HEART SCHOOL "WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO TO PREPARE FOR THE BIRTH OF OUR LORD?"

You can go to confession often and make up for your sins.

Start a daily devotional.

Find a program on Formed.

Say a daily rosary or chaplet of divine mercy

Do a daily Examen of Conscience

Make a giant Jesus out of paper!

Get rid of all of our old toys and give them to kids who might not get anything.

Clean our rooms and house!

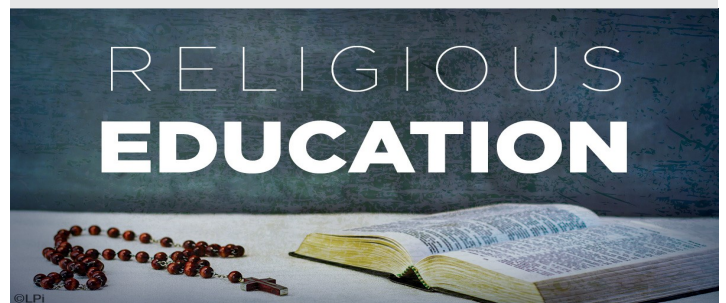
Dress up in a princess gown or as a saint.

Forgive people who have hurt you so you won't be mad when Jesus comes.

Be thankful for what you have instead of dwelling on what you want.

Visit family or friends in a nursing home.

Start an Advent calendar.



Reminder that Religious Ed classes will NOT be held December 18th–January 1st. We will resume classes on January 8th. Enjoy the break!

Break is a great time to work on service hours! Maybe you could spend time with an elderly relative or neighbor, or even rings bells for the Salvation Army. Plenty of Corporal Works of Mercy to choose from.