WELCOME TO PAX CHRISTI WE ARE GLAD YOU'RE HERE! WEEKLY BULLETIN FOR DECEMBER 23, 2018

NEW HERE?

MASS TIMES:

Saturday ~ 5:00pm Sunday ~ 9:00am, 11:00am, 5:00pm Mondays ~ 8:30am Tuesdays ~ 8:30am with Rosary to follow Wednesdays ~ 6:00pm Thursdays ~ 8:30am Fridays ~ 8:30am

THE FOURTH WEEK OF ADVENT

Sacrament of Reconciliation (Private) ~ Saturdays 3:30-4:30pm

Interpreter for hearing impaired at 11:00am Mass. Nursery provided for infants through age 4 during Sunday Mass times.

SACRAMENTS:

Baptism ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/baptism **Confirmation** ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration First Eucharist ~ registration and info at www.paxchristi.com/ffregistration First Reconciliation ~ registration / info at www.paxchristi.com / ffregistration Marriage and Wedding Prep ~ www.paxchristi.com/marriage

Questions? Contact Andrea in the parish office, 952-405-7207

MONTHLY MAGAZINE:

The PaxChristiNews is mailed each month to all registered members. If you are visiting this weekend, feel free to pick up a complimentary copy from the front desk receptionist.

BECOME A REGISTERED MEMBER:

New Member registration takes place on the second Sunday of each month after every Mass or any time by visiting the parish office. Additional information at www.paxchristi.com/joinpax.

RESOURCES:

Written resources on prayer, grief, relationships, illness, aging, and education/support opportunities are available in the racks at the rear of the worship space and at the kiosk inside the main entrance. Offerings include Living Faith, a booklet of Catholic devotions, and CareNotes, informative and inspirational pamphlets on a wide variety of topics.

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A NOTE FROM FR BILL MURTAUGH



December Reflection...

The late Cardinal Basil Hume of Westminster (1923-1999) was preaching one Christmas morning in a small parish in North London. To the surprise of many, he didn't mention the birth of Jesus. Instead, he told the congregation the true story of what happened in a concentration camp during World War II. The people had to line up, waiting for their turn to enter the death chamber. When the doors closed, the cut-off point came as a young Jewish girl was standing alone crying, naked, and shivering with fear. The next time the doors opened she would be the first to go in. She was clutching her only worldly possession, a small rag doll.

Everyone around her was understandably preoccupied with their own worries. No one even noticed her shaking and shivering. No one, that is, except the German guard whose job it was to mercilessly move those unfortunate people to their death. The guard was so moved by her crying that he immediately took off his own clothes, took her by the hand, and stood next to her without saying a word.

Instantly the girl's face lit up. She stopped crying and when the doors of the chamber reopened they both entered together hand in hand.

The cardinal made the point that this is exactly what Christ did some two thousand years ago: "He has taken our hands and removed our sinful condition."

Lather Bell



Merry Christmas from Fr. Mike, Fr. Bill, and the entire Pax Christi staff!



UPCOMING EVENTS

THE SOLEMNITY OF MARY: HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION January 1, 9:00am in the Sanctuary

FIRST FRIDAY COFFEE AND CONVERSATION Friday, January 4, beginning with Mass at 8:30am

CAST INTO THE DEEP: BLESSED JOHN HENRY NEWMAN Monday, January 7, beginning with a meal at 6:00pm RSVP

SOUTHWEST GRIEF COALITION WINTER GRIEF SERIES Mondays beginning January 7, 5:30–7:30pm, St. Andrew Lutheran Church

SENIOR HIGH SERVICE/JUSTICE TRIP INFO MEETING INFO MTG: Wednesday, January 9, 5:00–6:00pm; John XXIII Room

ADULT FAITH FORMATION: THE CATHOLIC CHURCH AND SCIENCE Answering the Questions, Exposing the Myths THURSDAYS, 6:30–8:00pm, 5 weeks Beginning January 10 RSVP

COMPASSIONATE CARE LISTENING CIRCLE THURSDAY, JANUARY 17, 3:00–4:30pm RSVP

SOCIAL JUSTICE SPEAKERS SERIES: ON IMMIGRATION RIGHTS Emilia Gonzalez Avalos, Executive Director, Navigate MN Sunday, January 20, 12:30–2:00pm RSVP

SOULCOLLAGE[®] – OPEN CARD-MAKING SESSION

Tuesday, January 22, 6:00–8:00pm, Room 212 RSVP

MINNESOTA MARDI GRAS: A SHARED MINISTRY CELEBRATION Saturday, January 26, 6:00–8:00pm

THE TRANSFORMATIVE POWER OF WORD AND WITNESS The Life and Legacy of St. Oscar Romero Tuesday, February 5, 6:30-7:30pm, Thomas Merton Chapel

ANNUAL CANA DINNER: EARLY LOVEBIRD RATE! Saturday, February 23, 2019, 6:00–10:00pm: \$70 per couple RSVP

PRAYER CORNER PLEASE PRAY FOR THESE LOVED ONES:

Ed, Joe, Patricia, Bill, Trisha, Katie, Barb, Ken, Eric, Jackie, Gail, Rod, Brent, Tammie, Michelle, Carol, Jim, and Pam.

Pax Christi offers, as a community, the gift of prayer. If you would like to have your name listed in this Prayer Corner during a time of need, contact Care and Support, 952-941-3150.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR

CHRISTMAS EVE Monday, December 24 See schedule below

CHRISTMAS DAY TUESDAY, DECEMBER 25 See schedule below

Wednesday, December 26 6:00pm MASS

THURSDAY, December 278:30amMASS6:00pmPax Christi Basketball7:00pmAlanon7:00pmAlcoholics Anonymous

Friday, December 28 8:30am MASS

Saturbay, December 299:00amWomen's AA Group9:00amOvereater's Anonymous4:00pmPrivate Reconciliation5:00pmMASS - FR. MURTAUGH

Sunday, December 30

HOSPITALITY FOLLOWING MORNING MASSES 9:00am MASS - FR. BYRON with Deacon Charles Preaching 11:00am MASS - FR. BYRON with Deacon Charles Preaching 5:00pm MASS - FR. MURTAUGH

New Year's Eve Monday, December 31 PARISH OFFICE WILL BE OPEN 8:00AM-4:30PM 5:00pm HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS

New Year's Day - Mary, Mother of God Tuesday, January 1 9:00am HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS PARISH OFFICE CLOSED BUILDING WILL CLOSE FOLLOWING MASS

ADDITIONAL DETAILS AND EVENT REGISTRATION AT WWW.PAXCHRISTI.COM

2019 CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

PLEASE NOTE NEW CHRISTMAS EVE MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve	December 24	
Children's Christmas Eve Mass	Fr. Murtaugh	2:00pm
Christmas Mass	Fr. Byron	4:00pm
Christmas Mass	Fr. McMichael	7:00pm
Lessons and Carols, followed by		9:30pm
Solemn Celebration of Christmas	Fr. Byron	10:00pm

Christmas Day	December 25	
Christmas Mass	Fr. Murtaugh	9:00am
Christmas Mass	Fr. Byron	11:00am

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph December 29/30 Regular Weekend Mass and Reconciliation Schedule

Feast of Mary, Mother of God	January 1
Holy Day of Obligation Mass	9:00am
Feast of the Epiphany	January 5/6
Regular Weekend Mass and Reconciliation Sc	hedule

Baptism of the Lord January 12/13 Regular Weekend Mass and Reconciliation Schedule

www.paxchristi.com/advent

	This Year Actual	This Year Budget	Variance from Budget	Last Year Actual	Variance from Last Year
Week #24 Contributions	58,228	55,000	3,228	59,034	(806)
YTD through Week #24	1,148,719	1,238,000	(89,281)	1,276,321	(127,602)
18–19 Contributions Goal – \$2,835,000	eCheck and credit card giving available at www.paxchristi.com.				