



THE CATHOLIC CHURCHES OF
ST. ANTHONY *and*
SEVEN DOLORS



ALBANY • MINNESOTA

Cycle's of Faith

1st Sunday of Advent

One of my favorite sayings is, "Be the kind of person your dog thinks you are!" Our family has a history of saving dogs from shelters and other certain fates; every single one of them has been the most loyal, friendly, and loving pet. Our latest, Oreo, was found in a barn on a freezing January morning. Only a pup and suffering from frostbite and injuries from other animals, she wasn't given much chance of survival. But twelve years later, she sits and waits by the front door every afternoon for her master to come home.

"Be watchful! Be alert! You do not know when the time will come." Jesus' seemingly stern warning in today's Gospel reading from Mark is really some very prudent advice. Remember that this was not a sermon to a mass of people; Jesus was speaking privately to Peter, James, John, and Andrew and had just finished describing how humankind will recognize the beginning of the end of times. But his final words tell us not to wait until such signs are apparent; today, and every day, we are to live our lives in great expectation. Be the kind of person our heavenly Father thinks we are!

This is the first Sunday of the season of Advent. During this season, we remember God's first covenant, the centuries of time in which he promised a Messiah, a Savior for the world. And despite the centuries and passing of time, those who believed and waited never lost faith. The Catechism of the Catholic Church teaches us that in Advent we share the expectations of those who first waited, and renew our expectation for his second coming (CCC 524). Today and for the rest of our lives, let us live forever in a season of Advent, awaiting the coming of Jesus Christ.

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Readings for the Week

Week of November 30, 2008

- Sun: Is 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7/1 Cor 1:3-9/Mk 13:33-37
- Mon: Is 2:1-5/Mt 8:5-11
- Tues: Is 11:1-10/Lk 10:21-24
- Wed: Is 25:6-10a/Mt 15:29-37
- Thurs: Is 26:1-6/Mt 7:21, 24-27
- Fri: Is 29:17-24/Mt 9:27-31
- Sat: Is 30:19-21, 23-26/Mt 9:35--10:1, 5a, 6-8
- Sun: Is 40:1-5, 9-11/2 Pt 3:8-14/Mk 1:1-8



Events Calendar

December

- Tues. Dec. 2nd: Christian Mothers Christmas Party/Meeting (SD)
- Tues. Dec. 2nd: No St. Anthony Parish Council Meeting; rescheduled date TBD
- Wed. Dec. 3rd: School Board Meeting, Albany Area Schools
- Sun. Dec. 7th: Holy Family School Fundraiser Breakfast.
- Mon. Dec. 8th: Immaculate Conception Mass, 7:30 & 10am (SD) 8pm (SA)
- Mon. Dec. 8th: St. Joseph & St. Ann's Society. 8pm Holy Family School
- Tues. Dec. 9th: Holy Family School Board of Education Meeting 7:00pm
- Wed. Dec. 10th: Communal Penance Service 6:30pm (SD) 5 Priests Available
- Thurs. Dec. 11th: Seven Dolors Liturgy Committee 7:00pm
- Sat. Dec 13th: First Reconciliation 1:30pm (SD)
- Wed. Dec. 24th: Christmas Eve Mass 5pm (SD) 8pm (SA)
- Thurs. Dec 25th: Christmas Day Mass 8:30am (SA) 10:30am (SD)



"Watch, therefore; you do not know when the Lord of the house is coming, whether in the evening, or at midnight, or at

cockcrow, or in the morning. May he not come suddenly and find you sleeping." - Mk 13:35-36

Mass Schedule

Monday, December 1

7:30 am Living & †† Deceased of Roman & Dora Jesh Family (SD)

Tuesday, December 2

7:30 am † Brenda Goebel
 † Patricia Zimmerman (SD)

Wednesday, December 3

7:30 am † Rose Mergen
 9:00 am Holy Family School Mass (SD)
 (Prepared by Grade 1)

Thursday, December 4

8:30 am † Marvin Mareck (SA)

Friday, December 5

7:30 am † Bryce Barrett (SD)

Saturday, December 6

7:30 am In Thanksgiving
 Klaphake & Worms Wedding (SD)
 5:00 pm For the Parishes of St. Anthony &
 Seven Dolors
 † Alfred Groetsch (SD)

Sunday, December 7

8:30 am † Amy Mareck (SA)
 10:30 am Living & †† Deceased of
 Stephen Fleischhacker Family
 † Dorothy Ohman (SD)



Wedding Banns
 III Stephanie Klaphake
 & Joshua Worms

Christian Mother's Christmas Party & Meeting

The Albany Christian Mothers/Women meeting and Christmas & Bingo Party will be Tuesday, December 2nd at 7:30pm at Holy Family School. Please bring non-perishable food items or personal hygiene items for our local food shelf.

Important Agenda Item: Discussion on the possibility of changing the wording of our By-Laws concerning outstanding dues and/or longtime-nonpaying inactive members.

Lunch Committee: JoAnn Tamm, Mildred Kulzer—Co-chairs.

Ruth Kortenbusch, Staci Kalthoff, Dorothy Dufner and Mary Sauerer.

Bake Sale will be December 13-14

Albany Christian Mothers/Women will hold a Christmas Bake Sale on Saturday & Sunday, Dec. 13-14. All Christian Mothers are asked to bring baked items for the sale.

Immaculate Conception

Immaculate Conception—Holy Day of Obligation is Monday, December 8. Mass Schedule: 7:30am, 10:00am (Holy Family School Mass) at Seven Dolers and 8:30pm at St. Anthony

Communal Penance Service: Wed, Dec. 10

Father Jonathan has scheduled 5 priests for Communal Penance at Seven Dolers Church on Wednesday, December 10 at 6:30pm. December will be a extremely busy month; please prayerfully consider attending this Communal Penance Service. Please keep in mind that here will be other very limited opportunities, before Christmas, for those unable to come December 10th.

Confessions

St. Anthony: Sunday before 8:30 am Mass

Seven Dolers: Saturday 4:00 pm

Thursday, December 4th (before 1st Friday) 4:00 pm

Christmas Flowers

If you would like to make a donation for Christmas flowers in memory of a loved one please mail or drop an envelope in the collection basket with the donation, your name and the name of your loved one. An envelope is also available in your Sunday donation boxed set (dated Nov. 30).

Fellowship Coordinator Needed

We would like to thank Mary Greeley & Rita Gasperlin for volunteering their time in coordinating Fellowship — however they both have decided to step down as of January 1. If you would be interested in being the new Fellowship Coordinator, please call the parish office at 845-2705.

Quilting

"I think SEW."

QUILTING will be Tuesday & Wednesday, Dec. 2 and 3 beginning about 8:30am and continuing into the afternoon and Wednesday evening from 6:30-9pm. St. Ann's Society and Funeral Group #8 will be quilting.

Thanksgiving Food Shelf:

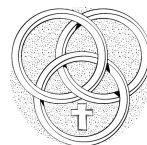
We would like to thank everyone for their donations of items for our local Food Shelf. We would also like to sincerely THANK YOU for the donations of money for the Food Shelf — it is all very appreciated and much needed.

LIGHT OF LOVE:

You are invited to light a Light of Love in Honor of someone who is living or in memory of someone who has passed away. Forms can be found on our bulletin boards or call Albany Area Hospice for a form. Lights cost \$5 each. Everyone is invited to the tree lighting ceremony on Sunday, December 7 at 6:30pm. Donations are used to provide Hospice services.

Congratulations

Congratulations to Sally Popowski & Ryan Nett who were married at St. Francis Xavier Church in Sartell on Saturday. May God's Blessing be upon them as they begin their new life together



Breakfast with St. Nick

The families of Holy Family School are sponsoring a breakfast with St. Nick on Sunday, December 7th from 8:30am-12:30pm in our parish center. The delicious menu includes: sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes with toppings, hash browns, rolls and beverages. \$7. K-6 \$4 and pre-K-0 free.

Wanted:

The Environment Committee is looking for artificial Christmas Trees; they plan to use the boughs only, so the trunk or stand is not needed. Please call Joan at 845-2705 or Anna at 2608.

Advent Booklets

"Five Minutes with the Word" Advent 2008 meditation/prayer booklets are available on the back table of church.

Bulletin Deadline for the Holidays

See page two for posting of deadline dates.

Choir Mass Schedule

Nov. 29 Youth Choir will sing @ 5:00pm

Nov. 30 Cantor will sing @ 10:30am

Dec. 6 Adult Choir @ 5pm

Dec. 7 Contemporary Choir @ 10:30am

Dec. 13 Cantor @ 5pm

Dec. 14 Adult Choir @ 10:30

Dec. 20 Cantor @ 5pm

Dec. 21 Youth Choir will sing @ 5:00pm

Dec. 22 Christmas Concert & Pageant

Rehearsal: Contemporary Choir 6pm Tuesdays; Traditional Choir 7:15pm Tuesdays and Youth Choir practices @ 8pm Wednesdays.

Fatima Pilgrim Statue of our Blessed Mother

The traveling statue of our Blessed Mother is at the home of Ralph & Marie Lauer. To reserve the statue please call 845-4092.



Rosary Leaders

December

1-6: Tony & Geri Lenneman

8-13: Lloyd & Tillie Ebnet

15-20: Tillie Gilk & Theresa Roerick

22-27: Roman Meitz

11/29-12/3: Linus & Jenny Kalthoff

If anyone is willing to lead a rosary for January, February or March please call Renee at 845-4996.

Eucharistic Adoration

Friday 8:00am—6:00pm

Come let us worship the Lord, the King who is to come. We can not leave Jesus unattended and alone. You are also welcome any time Friday from 8am-6pm

Friday during the morning mass Father Jonathan will add your adoration intentions to the Petitions. He will pray collectively for every intention listed on the sheets from the week before.



Current Funeral Group: #12

Faith Formation Classes

Wed. Dec. 3: Grades 1, 2, & 6A
from 2:30–5:00pm

Wed. Dec. 3: Grades 6B, 7, 8, and 11 from
6:30–8:00pm

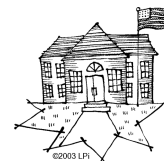
Holy Family School Bookfair

Holy Family School "Bookfair Safari" Dec. 3-10 in the school Resource Room. It will also be open on Sun., Dec. 7 during the Home & School Breakfast with St. Nick. Do your shopping and support the school library at the same time!

Holy Family School

Please remember that gift cards purchased through Holy Family School make great Christmas gifts. Cards are sold to you for face value and can be picked up at the school office. The school receives a percentage of the value of the card for selling them. You choose how the profit is generated; 100% to the school, or 50% of the profit donated to a family's tuition fees and 50% donation to the school. Find a complete list of cards at (www.holyfamilyalbany.com), bulletin board outside of church or call the school at 845 –2011. This is a great way to support the school with no cost to you!

Bonnie Massmann, Principal, H. F. S.



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Saint Anthony Liturgical Roles

Sunday, December 7 & Monday, December 8
(Immaculate Conception)

Servers

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Ashley Goebel & Brittany
Wenning

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Stacy Luethmers & Emily
Ramacher

Lector

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Dean Goebel

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Maxine Goebel

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Matt Jensen, Kathy Kramer,
Joyce Ostendorf & Mary Stich

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Ralph Stich

Sacristan

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Sandy Wielenberg

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Kim Karki

Gift Bearers

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Melvin & Delores Vos

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Ken & Linda Wenning

Ushers

Dec. 7, 8:30 am Adam Goebel & Linus Goebel

Dec 8, 8:00 pm Vern Goebel & Jeff Goebel

Ushers, please assist in seating parishioners.

Please Pray For...

...all who are sick in our parish especially Irene Breth, Joe Gerads, Sylvester Luethmers and Theresa Urbashich.

Religious Education Grades 1—6

Wednesday, December 3, Class 3:30 to 4:30pm.

Family Advent Party is on Saturday, Dec. 6 St. Anthony church basement. (This is the party for religious education students and their families.)

Religious Education Grades 7—11

Wednesday, December 3, Class 7:30 to 8:30pm.

St. Anthony Christian Mother's & Women and Men's Society Meeting

Meeting, Advent Party and \$5 gift exchange after the 8:00pm Mass on Monday, December 8.

Bulletin Deadline for the Holidays

Due to Christmas & New Year's holidays, bulletin announcement deadlines will be at **8:00am on the following dates:**

December 21st bulletin announcements due **Tuesday, December 16**

December 28th bulletin announcements due **Monday, December 22nd**

January 4th bulletin announcements due **Tuesday, December 30th**

These early deadlines may delay stewardship postings in the bulletin.

Parish Council Meeting

The St. Anthony Parish Council Meeting scheduled for December 2 has been cancelled. A rescheduled date has yet to be determined.

Layette for Baby Jesus

Layette for baby Jesus will be set up in back of church; sponsored by the Christian Mothers, proceeds to go to Birthline. New or gentle used baby items; such as sleepers, blankets, diapers, bibs, etc.

St. Anthony Christian Mothers & Women

Reminder: Please pay your \$3 dues as soon as possible.

C O M M U N I T Y N E W S & I N T E R E S T S

Breakfast with St. Nick

The families of Holy Family School are sponsoring a breakfast with St. Nick on Sunday, December 7 from 8:30am-12:30pm in our parish center. The delicious menu includes: sausage, ham, eggs, pancakes with toppings, hash browns, rolls and beverages. Adults \$7. Children K-6 \$4 and pre-K & under are free.

"In Bethlehem Inn"

Avon Community Church Dec. 5-7 at 7pm at Reservations required, Please call Pam 248-3058.

30th Anniversary Celebration

TEC's 30th Anniversary Celebration and Fr. Ken's 30 years of service and retirement celebration. Saturday, December 6th at the TEC center starting with mass at 4:00pm and dinner and entertainment to follow.

Make God's Love Visible

Gift request for Catholic Charities continues through November. For 28 cents a day you can make a big difference in our ability to serve those less fortunate.

Christmas Concert

St. Francis Music Center, Little Falls on Dec. 5 at 7pm. Featuring "Hallelujah Chorus" by the Sforzando Orchestra and Community Chorale.

Seven Dolors Liturgical Roles

Saturday, December 6 & Sunday, December 7

Advent Candles

5:00 pm Kayla Fischer & Abby Baggenstoss
10:30 am Brandon Wieling & Anna Rausch

Servers

5:00 pm Nick & Chris Budde
10:30 am Leo & Cody Kerfeld

Lectors

5:00 pm Rhonda Anderson
10:30 am Nick Gersch

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

5:00 pm Fr. Jonathan OSB, Sharon Weyer,
Sheela Arceneau, Doris Budde, Laurie Blackmore,
Carol Bloch, Joanne Ricker, Sue Shay,
Monetta Watry, Greg Smoley
10:30 am Fr. Jonathan OSB, Rita Gasperlin
Thomas & Laurel Enneking, Jan & Lauren Herzog,
Bev Lieser, Diane Noll,
Linda Hauschild, Shannon Olson

Sacristans

5:00 pm Sharon Weyer
8:00 am Candles: Lora Fourre
10:30 am Ami Ohmann

Gift Bearers

5:00 pm Kayla Fischer, Gavin Atkinson, Phoenix Bauer &
Mercedes Hanauer
10:30 am Amanda Rausch, Brandon Wieling,
Jeremy Krebs & Mitchell Overman

Ushers

5:00 pm Abby Baggenstoss, Samantha Stangler,
Jeff & Jaylyn Arceneau
10:30 am Zachary Meer, Matthew Groetsch,
Jeremy Hartmann, Kristen Loecken

Seven Dolors Shut-in Eucharistic Ministers

Carol Bloch Carol Schwinghammer Roman Meitz
Rita Gasperlin - Hospital and Virgil Gruenke - Mercy Manor

Monday, December 8

Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Servers

7:30 am Cole & Bryce Eiyneck
10:00 am Holy Family School / Grade 5

Lectors

7:30 am Bertha Schiller
10:00 am Holy Family School / Grade 5

Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion

7:30 am Fr. Jonathan OSB, Angie Stangler,
Rollie & Tillie Gilk
10:00 am Fr. Jonathan OSB, Bonnie Massman,
Connie Havard, Jack Petermeier

Gift Bearers

7:30 am
10:00 am Holy Family School / Grade 5

Ushers

7:30 am Dan Weber, Virgil Gruenke,
Tony & Geri Lennemann
10:00 am Jack & Char Petermeier, Ansie & Sal Sperl

Seven Dolors Stewardship

Due to the early bulletin deadline, stewardship for November 22-23 will be posted next Sunday.

Pastor Fr. Jonathan Licari, OSB

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Parish Secretary,

Kim Fish (M, T, W) 8:15-10:15 am

Bookkeeper

Janice Wuebkers Monday 7:30-10:30 am

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Sister Alice Imdieke, OSB 845-4335

Bookkeeper/Parish Secretary,

Joan Sand 845-2705

Shut-In Eucharistic Ministry Coordinator

Joan Gruenke 845-2802

Parish Nurse,

Cindy Nienaber 845-4046

Parish Accompanist/

Director of Music Ministries,

Karen Heitzman 845-2755

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Rosary Schedule

Seven Dolors: Monday-Saturday (prior to 7:30 am Mass);

Tuesday 10:00 am (Scripture)

St. Anthony: Thursday (prior to 8:30 am Mass)

Confessions

St. Anthony: Sunday before 8:30 am Mass

Seven Dolors: Saturday 4:00 pm

Thursday (before 1st Friday) 4:00 pm

Baptism

St. Anthony: Contact the Parish Office

Seven Dolors: 1st & 3rd Sunday; contact the Parish Office

Marriage

Six months preparation required; contact the Pastor.

Anointing of the Sick

Please have a family member contact the Pastor or Parish Office.

Shut-Ins

Communion, Sacrament of the Sick, Pastoral Visitation:

We want to know your pastoral needs. Please have a family member contact the parish office.

Bulletin Deadline

Wednesday 8:00 am. Please send your announcement

to the St. Anthony office 845-2416, (fax) 845-2414 or

stanthony1874@yahoo.com. *Thank you!*

New Parishioners

If you would like to become a member of one of our parishes please call the Parish Office at 320-845-2416 or 320-845-2705.

St. Anthony Stewardship

November 23

Adult	\$489.00
Children	\$13.00
Loose	\$90.83
All Souls	\$15.00
Thanksgiving	\$35.00
TOTAL	\$642.83