

### Masses

**Sunday, December 24.....8:30 AM**  
*The Parishioners of Sacred Heart and St. Hildegard*  
**Monday, December 25.....8:30 AM**  
**The Nativity of the Lord – Holy Day of Obligation**  
*Colleen Murrey*  
**Sunday, December 31.....8:30 AM**  
*Leonard Schafer*

### Confessions

30 minutes prior to Mass or by appointment

### Rosary

8:05 a.m. on Sundays

### PARISH CONTACTS

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**Note: Office will be closed on Tuesday, Dec. 26 and open on Thursday, Dec. 28**

### PARISH EVENTS/NEWS



#### HOPE FOR THE HOLIDAYS

Thank you to all those who have brought items for the silent auction and bid on the items to raise money for the “**Hope for the Holidays**” program. Over \$630 was raised thanks to you! Sacred Heart made a donation of \$650 in gift cards to the Abused Adult Resource Center to be used for Christmas gifts for our adopted needy family and for part of the donations to another family.



### CHRISTMAS GREETINGS

Dear people of Sacred Heart, I would like to wish each and every one of you a most beautiful Christmas! Remember, the most beautiful gifts we receive are usually the smallest, the most unsuspecting and the simplest. We anticipate the arrival of a child, the most vulnerable of all gifts. By a child we will be measured, by our own capacity to love, forgive and trust. When we encounter a child, usually those gifts are given without any hesitation. Have I imitated the child that I have encountered? Have I acknowledged that I am merely a child in God’s eyes? When we truly acknowledge that we are merely children then we are free to live as a child of God. We are called in this Season of the Birth of our Savior to renew our own commitment to being the simplest of children in God’s eyes. To trust that no matter where I find myself, no matter where my heart has been, God will look after you and I in the same way that he cared for Jesus, Mary and Joseph. Knowing that we have a heavenly Father who will look after us with the same devotion that He looked after his only Son, and His earthly family should encourage us to be the child God wants us to be.

#### MERRY CHRISTMAS!

*Fr. Frank*

### CHRISTMAS FLOWERS

Thank you to those who have donated towards the beautiful Christmas flowers. **Flower offerings have been made in memory of:**



John and Martha Ackerman, Larry Lee Anderson, Rudy and Ella Berg, Bob Bergquist, Tom Bohl, Junie and Gene Eide, Charles Eversvik, Tony and Margaret Frank, Baby G., Don Herner, Marla, Elsie and Joe Hutzenbiler, Norman and Gunhild Livingston, Jack and Kenny Miller, Raymond, Clara and DiAnn Morris, Francis and Irene Monzelowsky, Colleen Murrey, Adam and Frances Reiss, Joe Schonert, and Scott Thorson.

### CHURCH CLEANERS

Dec. 25-31 (Debbie Smith’s Group)  
**January** – Virginia Emineth (group leader), Jean Hruby, Clarissa Goldsack, Sandra Murrey, Jamie Schonert, Jennifer Meyer, and Margo Usselman

### YARD WORK

**December** - Ben and Randy Schafer, Rhett Benning, Bryan Dusek and Corey Krush  
**January** – Jim Porter, Tim Kraft, Shane and Todd Morris

### LITURGICAL MINISTRY SCHEDULE

Ministry	December 31	January 7
Lector	Mary Ann Welder	Todd Morris
Altar Servers	Kaleb Benning	Avarie Greff
	Cantrel Peterson	Ruby Greff
Eucharistic Min.	Veronica Peterson	LaVern Holkup
	Aggie Bernhardt	Jim Fox
	Mary Ann Welder	Linda Uhde
Ushers	Courtney Gratton	Mike Deichert
	Joseph Heiser	Karl Arnold
Sacristan	Cindy Opp	LaVern Holkup
Gifts	Mike/Jolene Deichert	R. Hutzenbiler Family
Counters	Shane Morris	Jim Porter
	Marge Conley	Amanda Roehrich
Hospitality	Roberta Thorson	S & C Gratton

The new ministry schedule will be done soon. Please notify Pat in the office of any requests by Dec. 26.

### FINANCIAL REPORT

Time Period	Income*	Budget*
Dec. 17	\$1306.92.00*	\$1,325.19/week
YTD – 7/1 – 12/17	\$32,211.55*	\$33,129.75

\*Parish account income and budget for general operating expenses (excludes roof donations and roof expenses or diocesan collections).

12/17 Flower Donations \$90

12/17 Roof Donations \$50 Dec. Roof Donations \$600

### RAISE THE ROOF CAMPAIGN

Outstanding Pledge Payments - \$46,675  
Principal Paid on Loan \$3,515.84  
Interest Paid on Loan \$164.16

### YOUTH OFFERING ENVELOPES

A new supply of youth offering envelopes are in the gathering space. Please sign your name by the envelope number that you take.

### AREA EVENTS/NEWS

#### WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend is a private weekend away from the distractions of daily life for couples in good marriages. Give your marriage this gift. The next available weekend is Jan. 5-7 in Mandan and Feb. 2-4 in Hermantown, Minn. For more information, visit [ndwwme.org](http://ndwwme.org) or contact Rob and Angie at 701-347-1998.

#### SEARCH

Search for Christian Maturity is a weekend retreat experience sponsored by the Catholic Diocese of Bismarck. The weekends are for anyone of high school or college age (at least 15 years old). Search weekends are held at the Badlands Ministries Camp just south of Medora. Upcoming weekends for 2018 are: Jan. 19-21; March 2-4; and April 20-22. Visit [www.bismarckdiocese.com/search1](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com/search1) for information.

#### WORLD YOUTH DAY

The 34<sup>th</sup> World Youth Day (WYD) will take place in Panama City, Panama, Jan. 22-27, 2019. The event will be hosted during the winter to avoid the country’s rainy season, which occurs in July and August – the traditional dates for WYD. The Diocese’s Office of Youth and Young Adult Ministries will be coordinating a trip. Due to the timing of WYD 2019, the trip will only be offered to those who are 18 or older, so as not to compete with school-sponsored March for Life events and other activities happening during this same time. Early registration has already begun. Deadline to register is March 30, 2018. For more information go to [www.bismarckdiocese.com/wyd](http://www.bismarckdiocese.com/wyd)