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Second Sunday of Advent December 8, 2024

Sunday December 8, 2024
Second Sunday of Advent
Baruch 5:1-9; Philippians 1:4-6, 8-11;
Luke 3:1-6

Monday December 9, 2024
The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin
Mary
Genesis 3:9-15, 20; Ephesians 1:3-6, 11-12;
Luke 1:26-38
12:00 PM – Mass at Noon St. Philip Neri
1:00 PM – Al-anon – Parish Room
Office Closing at 2:30

Tuesday, December 10, 2024
Our Lady of Loreto
Isaiah 40:1-11; Matthew 18:12-14
1:00 PM - The Great Adventure Bible
Study – by Jeff Cavins – Parish Room

Wednesday, December 11, 2024
St. Damasus I
Isaiah 40:25-31; Matthew 11:28-30
6:00 PM – Faith Formation K-6
Office Closed

Thursday, December 12, 2024
Our Lady of Guadalupe
Zechariah 2:14-1; Judith 13:18-19; Luke 1:26-38
Office Closing at 2:30

Friday, December 13, 2024
St. Lucy
Isaiah 48:17-19; Matthew 11:16-19
No Daily Mass

Saturday, December 14, 2024
St. John of the Cross
Sirach 48:1-4, 9-11; Matthew 17:9a, 10-13
3:00 – 3:30 PM Reconciliation – St. Philip Neri
4:00 PM Mass at St. Philip Neri
†Ray Hutchinson by Nancy Hutchinson
Coffee and Treats after Mass – Parish Life
Committee

Collection Report November 30, 2024

St. Philip Neri

Envelopes (28)	\$1,730.00
Loose	\$280.00
Wkly. Budget	\$3,000.00
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YTD Budget	\$63,000.00
YTD Collections	\$60,083.00
	(\$2,917.00)

Schedule of Ministers

St. Philip Neri

December 14, 2024, 4:00 PM

Eucharist:	Tom Fabus
Eucharist:	Cecile Slywka
Eucharist:	Dawn Montague
Word:	Susan Fabus
Hospitality:	Amy Shank
Hospitality:	Dick Hurst
Hospitality:	Steve Leporowski
Hospitality:	Larry Wisniewski

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary – December 9th, 2024

10:00 AM – Sacred Heart
12:00 PM - St. Philip Neri

Christmas Eve/Christmas Day Mass

4:00 PM – December 24th – Sacred Heart
6:00 PM – December 24th – St. Agnes
9:00 AM – December 25th – St. Philip Neri

New Years Eve/ New Years Day

6:00 PM – December 31st – St. Philip Neri
9:00 AM – January 1st – St. Agnes
12:00 PM – January 1st – Sacred Heart

The 2024 Giving Tree Project

You will find in the entrance of St. Philip Neri Church numerous tags available on the Giving Tree for you to take. The intention is for a person to take a tag or as many tags as he or she wishes, purchase the item(s), and then bring it back unwrapped with the tag attached.



Please bring the gift(s) to St. Philip Neri no later than Wednesday, December 11. These items will be distributed to those in need on December 14. Our parish works with the Skilled Care/Rehab Nursing Center of Corewell Health—Reed City Campus and Gifts for Kids. *The tags for the Skilled Care/Rehab Nursing Center include items like large-size shower gel, large-size body lotion, slippers, diabetic socks, etc.* The Gifts for Kids section, for which we are responsible, is "Children Ages 4-7." Since the children are only allowed **one** gift, please make this gift a value of \$25. **No clothing or stuffed animals please.** When you bring your gift, take an ornament off the tree as a small token of appreciation.

Persons interested in making a monetary donation to "GFK" may forward checks made payable to **GFK 2024:**

**Mecosta Osceola County DHHS
800 Watertower Road
Big Rapids, MI 49307**

Annual Coat Drive

The Reed City Ministerial Association (RMAMA) 'Coat Drive' is going on. Please bring gently used coats, hats, mittens/gloves and boots to the donation box that is in the entryway to the church. The coat drive is open every Wednesday from 12:00 PM to 3:00 PM at Reed City Methodist Church, if any one knows someone in need. Also if you would like, you can make a monetary donation that would be greatly appreciated.

In Sympathy

Please remember Herbert Wayne (Herbie) Cornell husband to Barbara. Herbert passed away on November 20, 2024.

Please remember Albert Rohe father of Ruth Ridderman (Scott). Carrie Buss (Mark) Amy Keyes (Bruce). Albert passed away of December 2, 2024.

*"Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord
and let perpetual light shine upon them."*

Faith Formation

On this Second Sunday of Advent, we hear about a loving forgiving God. A God of mercy and justice. In the Gospel John the Baptist calls all of us to repentance. Advent has a penitential side to it. We are called to reflect on how we are living out our faith lives as we anticipate the Second Coming of Christ. However, our death may come before Christ second coming, so we need to be ready.

I encourage all of you to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during this Advent season. This **Tuesday December 10 from 6-8 pm** there is a Penance Service at St Mary Church in Big Rapids. There will be 7 priests available to hear your confession. During this time there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament. So, you can adore the Eucharist, Jesus Christ himself, while you wait to go to confession. There will also be praise music during this time. I have been to this service several times it is a holy time.

I pray your Advent season is off to a good start. May you encounter a loving God during your times of prayer and the God of surprise throughout your day. I know this time of year can be busy, but take the time to rest, to sit in silence and be open to where the Holy Spirit is leading you.

In hope, Beth Dake Director of Faith Formation

Collection Envelopes

There was not an envelope in your box for the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. The mass is Monday, December 9th at noon. I have put some white envelopes in the back of the church, or just put in an envelope of your choice with your name on it.

