

Our Lady of the Plains December 1, 2024

Churches of St. Mary (Lake City), St. Thomas (Manson), St. Francis (Rockwell City)

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Prepare for Mass

with the daily Mass readings; also available by audio at www.usccb.org/bible/readings.

Confession

30 minutes prior to Mass

Prayer Chain:

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Father Feller's Corner:

In Advent, we focus on three occasions of "coming to." The word Advent comes from the Latin *ad* (to) – *venio* (come). First, we are preparing for the Christmas celebration of his first coming as a baby. Second, we are preparing for Christ's Second Coming. Third, we are mindful that he comes to us in our daily lives through the Bible, prayer, sacraments and those we are called to love – especially the poor. How we receive Christ in these three scenarios depends a great deal on how we prepare.

The commercial world skips the preparatory time of Advent and 'starts' Christmas even before Thanksgiving begins. This makes sense if purchases become the goal, and Jesus is scarce to be mentioned. For us Christians, Advent allows us time to take stock of our need for a Savior. During Advent, we can increase our desire for Christ by participating in Advent prayers, quieting our electronics, and spending time helping the hungry, lost, despairing, and sick. Advent allows us the time to join Mary in pondering how God is working in our lives.

Here is a prayer to help you prepare:

O Wisdom of our God Most High, guiding creation with power and love: come to teach us the path of knowledge! **O Leader of the House of Israel, giver of the Law to Moses on Sinai:** come to rescue us with your mighty power! **O Root of Jesse's stem, sign of God's love for all his people:** come to save us without delay!

O Key of David, opening the gates of God's eternal Kingdom: come and free the prisoners of darkness! **O Radiant Dawn, splendor of eternal light, sun of justice:** come and shine on those who dwell in darkness and in the shadow of death.

O King of all nations and keystone of the Church: come and save man, whom you formed from the dust! **O Emmanuel, our King and Giver of Law:** come to save us, Lord our God!

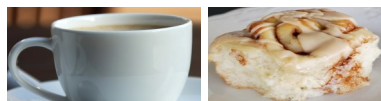
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Upcoming Coffee & Rolls

Sunday, Dec. 1, after the 10:30 am

Mass at St. Mary in Lake City

Hosted by 12th grade religious ed class



AND ON Sunday, Dec. 8, after the

8:30 am Mass, St. Thomas in Manson.

Hosted by the Knights of Columbus.

St. Mary Annual God's Harvest Sale

Saturday, December 7th,

at the parish center in Lake City.

Start time for the sale is 12:30 pm. Items for the sale can be dropped off at the church office.

Holy Day of Obligation

Immaculate Conception



Sunday, Dec. 8: 4:30 pm - Lohrville

Monday, Dec. 9: 7:00 am - Lake City

Monday, Dec. 9: 7:30 am - Manson

Monday, Dec. 9: 8:00 am - Rockwell City

Monday, Dec. 9: 5:00 pm - Auburn

WinGS Christmas Party



Tuesday, Dec. 3, after

5:30 pm Mass, St. Mary, Lake City

Sign-up sheets are in the entrance of the church. Cost: \$10. Please bring a canned/boxed food item to be donated to the local food pantry.

St. Mary in Lake City is starting a new grief support group that will meet on the 3rd Tuesday of every month at noon in the Parish Hall.

MASS INTENTIONS

	DATE	TIME	PLACE	
Monday	Dec. 2	NO MASS		
Tuesday	Dec. 3	7:30 am	Manson	All Souls Intentions for the Faithfully Departed
		8:00 am	Rockwell City	All Souls Intentions for the Faithfully Departed
		5:30 pm	Lake City	Mary Conrad
Wednesday	Dec. 4	7:30 am	Manson	Alan "Butch" Markert
		8:00 am	Rockwell City	Ed & Phyllis Bird
		6:00 pm	Manson	Father Bob Aubrey
Thursday	Dec. 5	7:30 am	Manson	In Gratitude & Thanksgiving
		8:00 am	Rockwell City	Jeff Hammen
		5:30 pm	Prison	Priests & Religious
Friday	Dec. 6	7:30 am	Manson	Teresa Sexton & Dale Fitzgerald
		8:00 am	Lake City	Boeckman & Wiederin Family
		10:30 am	Accura Care	Dale & Janice Tasler
Saturday	Dec. 7	5:30 pm	Rockwell City	Mary Fouts Metzger
Sunday	Dec. 8	8:30 am	Manson	Tom Stumpf & People of the Parish
		10:30 am	Lake City	Living & Deceased Members of Ed & Monica Kavanaugh Family
		4:30 pm	Lohrville	Holy Day: Immaculate Conception: Special Intention

ADORATION & CONFESSION:



ADORATION
***St. Mary Church,**
 Lake City, **every**
Tuesday (unless no
Mass) from
 4:30-5:30 pm.

—CONFESSION

(Fr. Feller) **when adoration: 4:45-5:15pm**

***ADORATION: St. Francis Church,**
 Rockwell City, **every Monday: 5-6pm**

***ADORATION: St. Thomas Church,**
 Manson, **every Wednesday, 9-10:30 am.**
—CONFESSION (Fr. Jim or Fr. Feller) from
9:15-9:45am. (Another adoration time at
St. Thomas, every Monday: 5-7 pm.)

Sign-up sheet in the entrance of the church
 (two guardians are needed.)

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

	Lector	EMHC	Altar Servers	Ushers	Gifts	Greeters	Money Counters
Rockwell City Sat., Dec. 7 5:30 pm	Merle Wuebker	Ron Hammen Loren Wuebker Merle Wuebker Maureen Hobart	Kaylee Hicks Emmersyn Hildreth	Kevin Monahan Joel Wuebker	Michelle Dischler	Kevin Monahan Joel Wuebker	Linda Rokes Merle Wuebker
Manson Sun., Dec. 8 8:30 am	Randall Besch	Kent & Jennifer Nolting Mackenzie Ramthun Mark & Janine Lynch Betty Sweet	Christian Lamphier Leo Ollinger	Tony Bradley Michael Waller	Sheila Bradley	Tony Bradley Michael Waller	Betty Sweet Michael Waller
Lake City Sun., Dec. 8 10:30 am	Sherry Vogel	Deb Daniel Angie Richardson Sherry Vogel Diane Wernimont	Jacey Greve Need Volunteer	Dean Heim Andrew Lauver Norm Wernimont	Gene Gutshall	Brianna Greve	Dee Blair Chris Heim




TOGETHER AS ONE: Thank you for your generous response to make a pledge to Together as One. See below the shortfalls of each parish. For those who have NOT returned their pledge card, I am asking, as your pastor, to do so by next week. We will meet our goal quickly when you respond sooner rather than later. **Mark envelope TAO** if you did not receive in mail.


St. Francis: Contributions \$5,813; shortfall \$7,286 | **St. Thomas:** Contributions \$3,804; shortfall \$8,538 | **St. Mary:** Contributions \$6,885; shortfall \$4,360

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Date	Manson	M Snack M Meal	Lake City	LC Snack LC Meal	LC Bus Duty
Dec. 4	Mass K-7, Conf/HS	Lenz Family Aquino Family	K- 5th, 6th -12th	Redenius Family Christy Hardy & Jill Higgins	XX
Dec. 11	K-7, Conf/HS Reconciliation	XX Need Volunteers	K-5th, 6th -12th Reconciliation	Laura Gulbranson Holly Wuebker	XX
Dec. 18	K-7, Conf/HS	XX Ramthun/Ollinger	Mass K- 5th, 6th -12th	Melissa Kinney Knights of Columbus	XX



Wilbur Wiederin
of St. Mary in
Lake City



Donna Hammen, formerly of
St. Thomas in Manson



Stewardship

It's all about gratitude.
 It's all about giving back.
 It's all about God.

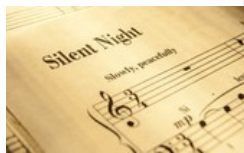
	Weekend of Nov. 23/24	Adult	Loose	Grain	Special Collection	St. Joe Lohrville	St. Mary Pomeroy	St. Mary Auburn
Rockwell City		1250.00	119.00		403.00			
Manson		1425.00	178.50		416.00			
Lake City		2557.00	232.00		10.00			375.00

Parish Events



Knights of Columbus #13507 meets Tuesday, Dec. 3rd, after 5:30pm Mass at St. Mary, Lake City parish hall.

Kids' Christmas Choir will sing during the Christmas Eve Mass, 5:30 p.m., St. Mary. **K-5th grades will practice Dec. 4, 11 & 18 at 5 pm.** During Christmas Eve Mass, the kids will sit with their families. When Offertory begins, please have choir kids go to choir loft. **If questions:** Diane, 712-830-9974.



Brew & Brotherhood will meet at 6:30am, at St. Thomas Parish Hall on Dec. 12 & 26th. All are welcome to join.

St. Mary Holy Name will meet Thursday, Dec. 12th. Social hour at 6pm, supper served at 7pm. **All men of the parish are welcome to attend.** Cooks will be Paul Stumpf, Henry Otto, Doug Brincks, and Dean Heim.



Knights of Columbus #14494 will meet on Tues., Dec. 17th, after the 6:15 pm Mass at St. Thomas in Manson.

Pastoral Council meeting: St. Francis, Rockwell City, on Tues., Dec. 17, 7pm.

Poinsettia Sign-Up sheets are in the entrance of all three churches. **Deadline to place your order is Sunday, Dec. 15. Cost is \$20.**



Fr. Lynn Bruch's address for those asking is 20635 150th St., Carroll, IA 51401

Scholarship Opportunity at St. Mary in Lake City: Applicant must be: (1) currently enrolled in college who (2) attended religious education classes in Lake City throughout their high school years and (3) whose family is a registered member of St. Mary. Those attending a Catholic college may apply for a \$500 each year they attend (maximum of 4 years); a one-time \$250 scholarship is available to each eligible student attending any college. Application packets are in church office.

The Church is seeking your help with Adult Formation. Please scan QR code to fill out a quick survey to help our team serve our parish.



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Kuemper's Important Upcoming Date:

Wed, Dec. 4

- Sophomore Retreat in Willey
- 7-12 Mass (2:15 pm)

Community News

Lake City Capri Theatre Upcoming Showing
Nov. 29-Dec. 1: Bonhoeffer



Hours: Fridays & Saturdays at 7pm & Sundays at 2pm.
ADMISSION is \$2.00.

Manson Ministerial Food Pantry is open **Fridays from 9 am to 12 pm.**

Donations may be sent to: Max Dodds, 1401 Main St., Manson IA 50563.

Checks need to be made out to the Manson Ministerial Association.

Donations can be also dropped off at St. Thomas Catholic Church.

Boxes are located in the entrance of the Church.

LAKE CITY LOCAL FOOD PANTRY INFORMATION

Food donations are welcome. Monetary donations are appreciated.

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Pantry Hours: Tues. 9:30-11:30 am & Thurs. 2-4 pm.

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This week's pantry needs: Cream of mushroom soup and assorted pastas (in coordination with Lake City Food Center sale items to meet the needs of the Food Pantry).

OPEN AA MEETINGS—St. Thomas Catholic Church, Manson holds

AA/Al-Anon meetings on **Mondays at 7 p.m.**

MIRACLES & SAINTS

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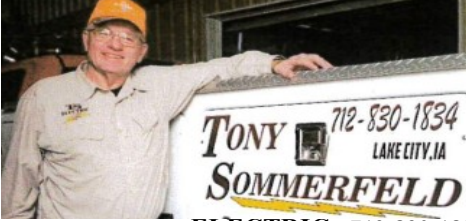
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