

December 8, 2013

Second Sunday of Advent

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT
SALVE REGINA NEWMAN CENTER**

Sunday, December 8

11:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: For The People

Monday, December 9 Immaculate Conception

8:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: Fr. Radosevich (#2025)

Tuesday, December 10

8:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: Those Affected by Tornado (#2026)

Wednesday, December 11

8:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: Norma & Mary Clevenger (#1978)

Thursday, December 12

4:00 PM Confession & Adoration

5:30 PM Mass

Mass Intention: Norma & Mary Clevenger (#1977)

Friday, December 13

Mass Intention: Norma & Mary Clevenger (#1967)

Sunday, December 15

11:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: For The People

**SCHEDULE OF EVENTS AT
ST. LUKE'S PARISH**

Saturday, December 7 Religious Retired Collection

Pray for Fr. Gregory Nelson

9:00 AM Christmas Cookie Exchange in Church Hall

2:30 PM Confessions

4:00 PM Mass

Usher: Michael Simenc

Lector: Gladys Simenc

Servers: Volunteers

Extraordinary Ministers: Tom & Marty Eckert

Mass Intention: 8:00 AM Mass

Mass Intention: Rev. Robert Prendergast (#2024)

Sunday, December 8 Religious Retired Collection

Pray for Fr. Timothy Nolan

8:30 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Mass

Greeters: The Jones'

Usher: Don Koski

Lector: Teri Ehrenhardt

Extraordinary Ministers:

Jim Meares, Elizabeth Horning

Servers: Volunteers

Mass Intention: Robert Miller (#2015)

10:15 AM Religious Education & Adult Class

Monday, December 9 Immaculate Conception

Pray for Msgr. Rich Oberch

Tuesday, December 10

Pray for Fr. Robert D. O'Connor

9:30 AM Mom's Wrap Bible Study

6:00 PM Men's Club Dinner and Meeting at the Newman Center

Wednesday, December 11

Pray for Msgr. Robert W. O'Connor

6:30 PM - Singspiration Practice

Thursday, December 12

Pray for Capt. Fr. Edward Ohm

5:30 PM Ladies Guild Christmas Party

7:00 PM Adult Choir Practice

Friday, December 13

Pray for Fr. Francis Oman, I.C.

Saturday, December 14

Pray for Fr. John Onderko

10:00 Christmas Pageant Practice

2:30 PM Confessions

4:00 PM Mass

Usher: Jerry Bassi

Lector: Dewar Mathews

Extraordinary Ministers:

Gladys Simenc, Jim Meares

Servers: Volunteers

Mass Intention: Deceased Members of the Eckert & Poropat Families (#2017)

Sunday, December 15

Pray for Fr. Patrick O'Neal

8:30 AM Rosary

9:00 AM Mass

Greeters: The Hises'

Usher: Roger Sales

Lector: Nina Newkirk

Extraordinary Ministers:

Ann Dwyer & Marilyn Grogan

Servers: Volunteers

Mass Intention: Robert Miller (#2016)

Following Mass - Christmas Pageant and Breakfast

Future Events

December 16 - 7:00 PM Reconciliation Service at Blessed Sacrament, Morton

December 18 - 3:00 PM & 7:00 PM Reconciliation Service at St. Joseph, Chenoa

December 20 - 6:00 PM Adoration & Confession, 7:00 PM Healing Mass followed by food & fellowship

December 24 - 4:00 PM Christmas Vigil Mass

December 25 - 9:00 AM Christmas Mass - Holy Day of Obligation

December 31 - 6:00 PM Solemnity of Mary Vigil

January 1 - 9:00 AM Solemnity of Mary - Holy Day of Obligation



New Parishioners - Welcome! If you would like to register, ask the usher for a form or contact the office at 467-4855 or stluke@mtco.com.

Parish Prayer Chain - For prayer requests, call Janis Plattner 965-2406 or Dorita Bechtel 467-2188.

Bulletins - Announcements for the bulletin need to be dropped off at the church or emailed to stluke@mtco.com by noon Wednesday. Copies of the bulletin are available in the 24-hour meditation room or on line at www.stlukeeureka.com

New Address? - The 2014 collection envelopes will be available soon. If you have changed your address or phone number, please contact the office at 467-4855 or stluke@mtco.com.

Thank You - Thank you to Paula & Dave Hise and Nancy & Roger Sales for helping with coffee and donuts. Please sign up to help with this ministry. There is a sign up sheet on the office door.

Thank You - "Dear St. Luke Parish, Thank you to those who purchased popcorn from the cub scouts I hoped that you had or will enjoy the popcorn. The money goes to support my small Cub Scout pack J."

Many Thanks, Jonathan Quandt

Puzzles - The Knights of Columbus will be selling beautiful, high-quality Christmas Puzzles after Masses this weekend to raise funds to support our Pro-Life initiatives. Funds raised will be donated to the K of C State Pro-Life Fund, Women's Care Center in Peoria, Family Resources Center in Peoria, and other Pro-Life organizations in the Peoria area. Puzzles are \$20 each. Please contact Kelly Thelen at kellythelen@hotmail.com or 309-231-3929 if you would like a puzzle and were not able to get one after Mass.

Men's Club - There will be a Men's Club dinner and meeting December 10, 6:00 PM at the Newman Center.

Christmas Pageant & Breakfast - Our religious education students will be presenting the Christmas story following the 9:00 AM Mass on Sunday, December 15. Following the presentation, the St. Luke Men's Club will be serving a free breakfast to everyone. Everyone is invited to attend this parish celebration.

Christmas Pageant - I will be setting up the Christmas trees/back drop for the Christmas pageant on Wednesday, December 11 at 6:30 PM. All help would be greatly appreciated.

Ladies Guild - The Ladies Guild annual Christmas party this year will be held at Maria's in Washington. For those wishing to carpool we will meet at the Church parking lot at 5:15 p.m. on Thursday December 12, and leave around 5:30 p.m. Dinner will be at Maria's at 6:00 p.m. Please sign-up if you wish to attend. Please indicate on the sign-up sheet if you would like a salmon, chicken, or pot-roast meal. Dinner and drinks will be at the individuals expense. The ladies guild will be providing the dessert. Please bring a paper product or toiletry item to the dinner in lue of a gift exchange. All items collected will be donated to the Heart House/ Food pantry. If you have any questions please feel free to call Aria Hise at 467-4994.

Tree Of Hearts - Tree of Hearts is a program that provides Christmas gifts to children that reside in low-income households in Woodford Co.. The Ladies' Guild, with the help of our parish family, would like to support this project. Heartline is asking for new, un-wrapped gifts for ages 0-17 years. They ask that no gift is greater than \$20.00 in value. Suggestions for the teenagers are wallets, DVDs, Christian CDs, flannel (sleeper) pants, perfume/cologne, basketball, football, clothing. There will be a tote in the church foyer for collection of items from November 16th through December 8th. If you have any questions call Paula Hise @ 467-2042. Thank you for your support!

Advent Tree - Our Advent tree will be collecting paper products this year. It will be up from November 30 to December 15. Kleenex, toilet paper, paper towels and trash bags will be accepted. Come and T.P. our tree!

Tornado Relief - St. Patrick's is only accept monetary donations and gift cards at this time. Donations can be mailed to:

Gift Cards and Monetary Donations:
St. Patrick Parish Office
c/o Tornado Relief Fund
705 East Jefferson
Washington, IL 61571

Or

Monetary Donations:
Saint Patrick Church Tornado Relief Fund
Southside Bank
c/o Brad Mahony
PO Box 328
Washington, IL 61571

Loverebuilds.org - To find out specific needs for those affected by the tornado, visit www.loverebuilds.org.

2013 ANNUAL DIOCESAN APPEAL (A.D.A.) Score Card As Of 11/30/13	
GOAL(Set by Diocese)	\$19,979.00
PLEGGED	\$20,060.00
PLEGGES NEEDED	0.00
GOAL(Set by Diocese)	\$19,979.00
PAID	\$19,979.00
AMOUNT DUE	\$1,004.00
REBATE	

Advent Prayer Start:
"Dear God, when I am preparing for Christmas, please remind me..."



Behold Conference - Due to so many of the volunteers and attendees being affected by the tornado, the early registration deadline has been extended to to January 6. The 2014 Behold Women's Conference "Seek Together The Kingdom", will be March 1 at Embassy Suites in East Peoria. Highlights include: Mass celebrated by Bishop Jenky, Confession and Adoration available throughout the day, and beautiful feminine touches, reminding each of us that we are beautiful, cherished, and loved! *Early Registration is open *through our website, www.beholdconference.com, or by mailing in a registration form that is on the bulletin board. The cost is After January 6th, the price will be \$75. A limited number of need-based scholarships are available on a first come, first served basis. If you are thinking about Christmas gifts, you can even purchase extra registrations at the discounted price and assign names to each ticket at a later date!

Sing it Yourself Messiah Cathedral Concert - St. Mary's Cathedral invites you to sing or just enjoy Handel's glorious music accompanied by the special Messiah orchestra, congregational chorus and soloists. It will be held Sunday, December 8 from 2:30 PM to 5:00 PM at Cathedral of St. Mary of the Immaculate Conception 607 NE Madison Ave., Peoria, IL 61603.

St. Augustine Manor - St. Augustine Manor will host an open house on Sunday, December 8 from 1 - 4:00 PM. Join them for tasty treats, festive holiday decorations and tours of their lovely historic home. See for yourself why their residents love to call St. Augustine Manor "home". 1301 Glendale Avenue, Peoria 674-7069.

Nativity Walk - Blessed Sacrament, 225 E. Greenwood Street, Morton, will hold a Nativity Walk on December 15, 5:00 PM - 8:00 PM. Cherished nativities from their parishioners will be on display. In the spirit of the season, please donate canned food or non-perishable items to support the Blessed Sacrament food drive. For more information, contact May Katherine Smith at 321-8438.

Cancer Support Group - Blessed Sacrament in Morton has started a cancer support group for cancer patients and survivors. Their goal is to provide support and resources in a spiritual environment. They meet every other Monday at 7:00 PM in the bride's room at Blessed Sacrament. The next meeting is December 16. For more information, contact Marianne Sepich at 253-5996 or Tish Ranson at 635-0670.

IRA Donations - There is good news if you have reached age 70 ½ and you would like to help St. Luke Parish. If you have an IRA, the government requires you to take out a certain minimum amount each year and be subject to federal tax. However, the law allows you to donate this amount directly to St. Luke during 2013 and have it distributed free of federal income tax! What a wonderful opportunity for those 70 ½ to help St. Luke's. Please call your tax consultant or call Bill Engelbrecht at the Diocesan Office of Development at 309-671-1550 ext. 7093.

John Lancaster Spalding Scholarship Fund Grants - Tuition assistance scholarship grants from the endowment fund established as a result of the Diocese of Peoria ROOTED IN FAITH Campaign and named in honor of Archbishop Spalding, the first Bishop of Peoria, will be available for the 2014 - 2015 school year for students enrolled in or intending to enroll in grades kindergarten through 12 in any Catholic school located in the Diocese of Peoria whose families are members of a Catholic parish in the diocese. All grants will be based on financial need objectively assessed. Information about the grants and application materials may be obtained from any Catholic elementary or secondary school in the Diocese of Peoria or on the Diocesan website www.cdop.org: **Click on EDUCATION**; then on **OFFICE OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS**; and then on **SPALDING SCHOLARSHIPS**. Families of students currently receiving grants are reminded that all grants are for one year only, and anyone seeking to renew a grant for 2014 - 2015 must **reapply**. Deadline date for the completed application has been moved to **MARCH 15, 2014**. Notification of grant awards will be made by mid-April.

Food Pantry - Donations for the Food Pantry can be put in the baskets under the collection basket table. Cash donations are also appreciated. Checks can be made out to the Eureka Food Pantry.

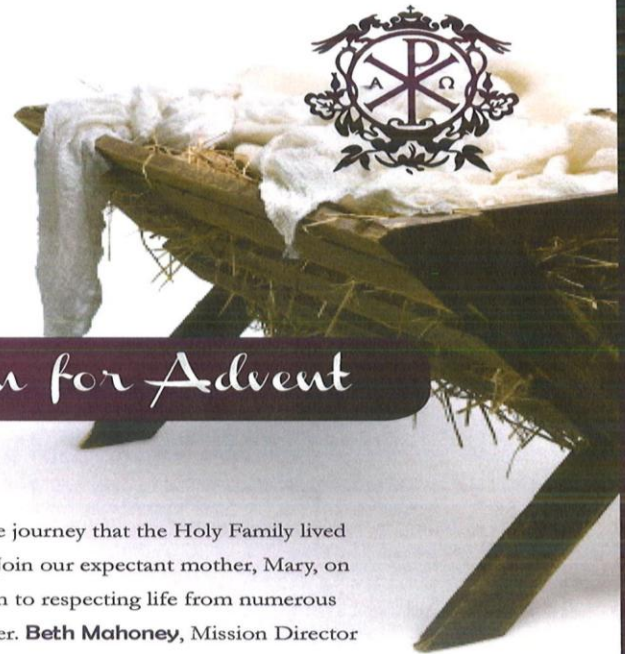
Items needed:	Sweet Potatoes	Mandarin Oranges	Chicken Broth
Box Potatoes (scalloped)	Cookie Mix	Pumpkin	Brownie Mix
Cream Soups (Chicken/Celery)	Cranberry Sauce	Stuffing Mix	Pineapple



If you need assistance with food, contact Heart House at 309-467-6101. Referrals from Heart House are needed to obtain food from the pantry. www.heartlineandhearhouse.org The food pantry is at the Methodist Church, 106 N. Callender Street, Eureka, IL 61530 Hours: Wednesday's from 9:30 AM - 11:30 AM They provide assistance to residents of Unit #140 School District - (Eureka - Goodfield - Congerville).

Poinsettia - We will again be offering the opportunity for the poinsettias that will be used to decorate the church for Christmas to be memorialized. Each poinsettia costs \$15.00 and we will be purchasing 20 of them. The first 20 donations we receive will be able to take the poinsettia home when the decorations are removed after Christmas. If there are more than 20 donations given, the addition money will be accepted but there may not be a plant for those donors to take home. Please use the special envelope attached to the bulletin with the pink stripe with checks payable to St. Luke's and fill out the information and drop them in the collection basket.

Saturday, December 14
9:00-11:30 a.m.
Spalding Pastoral Center



Morning of Reflection for Advent

Emmanuel, God is with us.

These words will be explored as we reflect on the journey that the Holy Family lived during the days leading up to the birth of Jesus. Join our expectant mother, Mary, on her journey to Bethlehem. Attention will be given to respecting life from numerous examples lived out in the life of Mary, our Mother. **Beth Mahoney**, Mission Director of Holy Cross Family Ministries, will be our presenter.

Respect Life Rally Discussion.

Being living witnesses to our faith through the eyes and hearts of our youth.
Introduction to Respect Life Campaign by **Bishop Daniel Jenky, CSC.**

Morning of Reflection for Advent

REGISTRATION DUE DECEMBER 10.

NO CHARGE TO ATTEND.

Please register early, as seating is limited. Return this registration to Roberta Gifford, Office of Catechetics, 419 NE Madison Avenue, Peoria, IL 61603.

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ADDRESS _____

CITY/STATE/ZIP _____

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