

Liturgy Schedule

Saturday 5pm

Parish Life Director

Sister Amy Westbrook
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Sacramental Minister

Fr. Bob Dueweke

Cantor

Inge Turner

Lector

Linda Van Ness

Gifts

Adam Barnett

Eucharistic Minister

Sr. Amy

Liturgy Notes

Breaking Bread: p.41 Fourth Sunday of Advent

Music:

Entrance: #59 “The Advent of Our King”

Offertory: #39 “O Come, O Come, Emmanuel ”

Communion: Instrumental “The Angel Gabriel From Heaven Came”

Closing: #51 “Waiting in Silence”

Psalm Response:

“Forever I will sing the goodness of the Lord.”

Announcements

- Christmas Eve we will also be celebrating as a parish a Blessing of the abiding friendship of Judy Jett and Bob Haddox’s commitment of love and devotion to each other. They are an example of selfless love and caring for another person above themselves. We are honored to witness their promises to each other!
- Merry Christmas! No Faith Formation group this week, everyone have a blessed family celebration in Christ!
- January’s Pilgrimage will take place on Epiphany Sunday so we can still see their Christmas decorations. We will be leaving Jan. 7th at 8:30am for Beattyville where we will attend Queen of All Saints Mass and have our passports stamped. Please bring lunch money so we can stop for brunch somewhere in Beattyville!
- **Christmas Schedule:**
 - 12/24 Sun. Christmas Eve Candlelight Mass 5:00 with Fr. Bob Damron
There will be a half hour prelude of classical Christmas music before Mass, come and enjoy the sounds of Christmas!
 - 12/24 Sun. Christmas Party after Mass – Bring your favorite cookies, sandwiches provided by Judy and Bob!
Bring a wrapped gift under \$10.00 for our gift exchange.
All are invited!
- Saturday Offertory 12/16/2023 \$ 20.00



Our pilgrimage to Mother of Good Counsel Church in Hazard. Thank you Dan and Lori for the tour!

Dear Holy Cross Family,

I’m happy to announce that Paul and his wife Fran, along with Sparky from our sister parish in Oshkosh, WI will be arriving the day after Christmas! They are coming to help us lay the flooring and install new lighting in the 4 guest rooms on the first floor. We are so grateful for their help, they are saving us thousands of dollars. Please welcome them and sign up to bring a meal, stay and let’s eat together at the end of a hard day’s work. They love getting to know you!

Tues. Dec. 26 dinner – Susan & Shawn

Wed. Dec. 27 dinner – Judy

Thurs. Dec. 28th dinner – Inga

If you are not bringing a meal please feel free to bring some cookies or snacks for them to eat during the day. Thank you for your hospitality. Yours in Christ, Sr. Amy (614-282-2103)



The Wisemen are in route.



The Nativity is set up and ready to be lit on Christmas Eve.

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Fourth Sunday of Advent
Vigil, December 24, 2023

Gospel Reflection:

In this week's reading from Second Samuel, David is determined to build a house for God. But the prophet Nathan tells him that instead *God* would build a royal house, a dynasty, for him. Even after the failure of David's descendants as kings, the Jews believed that the Messiah would come from the line of David. In today's passage from Luke's Gospel, we discover that the house the Lord settles on is the womb of the young woman Mary. The angel tells Mary that her child will be "Son of the Most High. The Lord God will give him the throne of David his father. He will rule over the house of Jacob forever and his reign will be without end." This announcement in the Gospel again shows that God approaches us first with love, then commissions us with action.

(Faith Sharing for Small Communities by Baranowski)

Reflection Question: Who is your prophet? How did this prophet affect your life?



Our first snow of the year! Come Lord Jesus, Come!