

Welcome to
**ST. JOHN
VIANNEY**
Church

St. John Vianney Parish

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..... Bill Donnelly (Retired)

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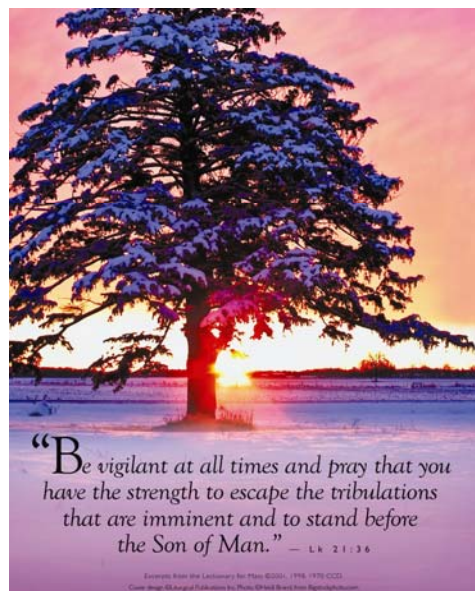
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**NOVEMBER 28 & 29, 2009
FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



WATCH
PREPARE
SHARE
BELIEVE

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Catholic Education Opportunities

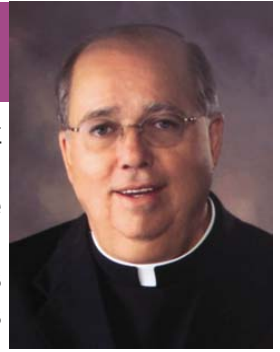
Lourdes Catholic School (K-Grade 8)

Call 359-3466

Assumption High School (Grades 9-12)

Call 326-5313

**Moving? Phone Number Change?
Please notify the church office!**



ADVENT

A Sense of the Season

December is the time for expressing the hope and strengthening the dreams that will carry us through the next year. Advent is the way we as church express our hopes. Prophetic visions, prayers and songs calling for the Lord to come do help us to hope profoundly. Advent allows us to do what most others do in December—but to see in the coming Lord the answer to our dreams. In our Catholic tradition, keeping Advent means singing the songs of expectation, of our hopes and longing, before we enter into the full-throated praise of Christmas carols.

Here are a few lines from our tradition on what Advent is about. “Advent has a twofold character: as a season to prepare us for Christmas when Christ’s first coming is remembered; as a season when that remembrance directs the mind and the heart to await Christ’s second coming at the end of time. Advent is thus a period for devout and joyful expectation.” (General Norms for the Liturgical Year and the Calendar, #39)

Thomas Merton, in his book *Seasons of Celebration*, reviewed the ways Saint Bernard of Clairvaux approached these comings of Christ. The first advent was Christ’s birth. The other will be at the end of time. Faith in these two stimulates recognition of a third, the advent of Christ in our church now, today. Viewed from this perspective, the Advent liturgy, with its scriptures, prayers and songs, is neither a romantic return to the Old Testament while we wait for the baby at Bethlehem, nor is it an exercise in expressing hope for an ever-receding end of time. The Advent liturgy is neither nostalgic nor illusory. When we take the tradition and enter it fully, we become Advent, the people in and through whom Christ comes.



NATIONAL CATHOLIC YOUTH CONFERENCE

What a wonderful experience! I was privileged as Pastor to spend two days with our 44

students and 7 adult chaperones. The behavior and respect shown by all could be measured on a “You’re Special” scale. The SJV group made us PROUD! Thank you, students and adults for representing SJV.

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR STUDENTS WHO RECEIVED FIRST RECONCILIATION ON SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 21, 2009!

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|-------------------|-----------------------|
| Roxanna Arreola | Brooke McGee |
| Dylan Ballard | Miranda Miller |
| Claire Bebow | Breanna Morley |
| Gillian Borden | Siobhan Morley |
| Haley Brown | Megan Murphy |
| Kaitlyn Brown | Sam Necker |
| Peter Brown | Natalie Noble |
| Lauren Buechel | Amy Oberhart |
| Joseph Byrne | Lauren O’Brien |
| Kyler Castro | Morgan Pruitt |
| Mya Christensen | Morgan Ramirez |
| Harrison Cockrell | Alexa Schmidt |
| Jack Donahue | Sam Schulz |
| Madison Einck | Ellie Scranton |
| Maggie Erpelding | Brady Sexson |
| Alexis Faulhaber | William Sharis |
| Madison Foht | Carter Smith |
| Riley Gau | Logan Smith |
| Anthony Haberkorn | Gabriela Smith |
| Luke Hayes | Keaton Staley |
| Griffin Hinch | Sidney Steffen |
| Sara Hoskins | Paul Thachil |
| Emma Hovey | Tyler Thomsen |
| Noah Humphries | Logan Thomsen |
| Peter Hurd | Sasha Tuczak |
| Logan Knox | Preston Vanderburg |
| Matt Leonard | Abbey VanMiddlesworth |
| Hope Leonard | Erin Vincel |
| Jennifer Little | Thomas Vlasic |
| Will Luebke | Max VonGries |
| Olivia Marchiori | Delaney Walsh |
| Nicci McCracken | Jacob Weas |

Father McAleer

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses/Church

Saturday - 4:30 pm

Sunday - 7:30, 9:00 & 11:00 am

Daily Masses/Mary Chapel

Tuesday - Friday - 7:45 am

Tuesday - Friday - 9:00 am

Sacraments

Confessions

are held in **Reconciliation Chapel** behind the Choir Area of the main church on **Saturdays** from **3:30-4:15 pm**.

Baptisms

Baptismal Instruction Class is held in the Vianney Room on a Saturday morning in the months of January, March, May, July, September & November from **9:00-11:00 am**. Please call the Parish Administrative Center (**332-7910**) for details and registration. We ask that you attend one of these classes **before** the birth of your child. Godparents are encouraged to attend. Baptisms at SJV are scheduled through Nicky Stevenson, **332-7910 x113**.

Next Class at Our Lady of Lourdes—1506 Brown St. Saturday, December 12, 9:00-11:00 am, Main Gathering Space

Counseling

Call Sister Rae Elwood at **359-7346** and leave a message. Your call will be returned.

Funerals

Families - please contact Fr. McAleer and find out his schedule before making arrangements with the Funeral Home if you plan to do the service at SJV (**940-1796**).

Grief Support & Befrienders

Nancy McBride

Contact the Parish Administrative Center (**332-7910**).

Sick and Homebound

Please call the Parish Administrative Center (**332-7910**) **by noon on Friday** if you wish to receive the Eucharist on Sunday Mornings after 9:00 am Mass.

Victim Assistance Coordinator Diocese of Davenport

PO Box 232 • Bettendorf, IA 52722-0004
(**563**) **349-5002**. vacdav@attglobal.net

WHAT'S HAPPENING

“Common Ground - What Catholics and Protestants can Learn from Each Other” will be presented in two parts on **Tuesday mornings, December 1 & 8, at 9:30am** in the **Vianney Room**. This is a remarkable interview of the Pastor of a Catholic parish by the Pastor of an evangelical church that covers a wide variety of Catholic teachings that are most misunderstood by non-Catholics. This is a must see if you have evangelical friends or family or are just interested in better understanding the issues that separate us. Discussion will follow the viewings.

The Lourdes Catholic School 2nd Graders

have been busy celebrating November. Each Monday morning, the Second Graders make and bake bread together to celebrate National Bread Month. They also talk about the Eucharist when they share this bread together and with others in the school and parish community. The breads they have made include banana bread, corn muffins/bread, pumpkin bread, and challah (braided white bread). Just this past Wednesday, the Second Graders celebrated their first class Mass with the school by reading and singing for everyone. It's always an exciting day. Please be sure to keep the class in your prayers as they prepare for their **First Reconciliation** at **Our Lady of Lourdes** in Bettendorf on **December 13th**.

St. Maria Goretti Circle As the newest circle of our parish we want to invite our new and existing members to join our circle. We are a group of young women that provide service and social activities for the parish community. We meet **once a month** and our next meeting will be on **Wednesday, December 2 at 6:30pm** at the **Coffee Hound** on **Devil's Glenn**. For more information contact **Juliana Robinson** at **332-1951** or julirobinson@hotmail.com.

Just a Note of Appreciation and Thank You to all the bakers, turkey makers and those who helped in making the turkey salad sale another successful event for the ongoing projects of the **Cure of Ars Guild**. Thanks again because we can't do it without all your help.— **St. Margaret's Circle**

Prayer Shawl Ministry will meet again **Wednesday, December 2, 1:00-3:00 pm** in the **Vianney Room**. All are welcome, including beginners. For more info call **Jeanne Kohn**, at **332-7636**.

Art and Environment will meet **Tuesday, December 1 at 6:00 pm** in the **Mary Chapel**.

Pro-Life Mass: will held **Saturday, December 5** at **St. Pius X Catholic Church**, 2502 29th Ave, Rock Island. **Mass** will be held at **8:00am** and **Rosary** will follow. After the service they will meet in front of **Planned Parenthood** in **Bettendorf**.

SJV Men's Fellowship will meet on **Thursday, December 3 at 7:00 pm** in the **Activity Center**. All men of SJV are welcome.

Knights of Columbus will meet on **Tuesday, December 1 at 7:00 pm** in the **Youth Center**.

Birthright Wish List Birthright provides layettes for newborn babies and mothers in need. Our supplies are low. Can you help? We need new or gently used 0-6 month size pajamas, onesies, outfits, bibs, socks, hats and receiving blankets. Call **324-5261** for hours. Thank you!

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, December 5, at 4:30 pm

Altar Servers: Matthew Chanez, Katie Chanez, Emily Rupiper

Cantor: Todd Weber

EM Captain: Sue Coffin

Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Adams, Keith Cavanagh, Lory Cavanagh, Marie Hermie, Karen Moldt, Debbie Morse, Ray Palczynski, Barb Pischke, Patrick Quinn, Mary Quinn

Gifts/Intentions:

Head Usher: Wayne Morse

Reader(s): Sally Ivy, Edward Pulido

Piano/Organist: Ruth Ann Freund

Sacristan(s): Debbie Morse

Ushers: Bill Cavill, Jack Hermie, Jesse Ivy, Paul Pulido

Sunday, December 6, at 7:30 am

Altar Servers: Matthew Finin, Bill Horak, Richard Werthmann

Cantor: Jessica Soko

EM Captain: Ron Stuart

Eucharistic Ministers: Randy Bickford, Louise Donnelly, Janis Johnson, Donna Wahmhoff, Al Wahmhoff

Gifts/Intentions: Ken Miller Family

Head Usher: Ron Sommers

Reader(s): Ken Miller, Emeric Solymossy

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Donna Wahmhoff

Ushers: John Dalhoff, Jim Mahoney, Tim Redington

Sunday, December 6, at 9:00 am

Altar Servers: Elizabeth Hughes, Michael Hughes, Colin Samuelson

Cantor: Mylene Hanzelka

EM Captain: Diane Foss

EMSC(s): Norma Cassidy, Benita Moore, Margaret Wilkinson, Don Wolbers

Eucharistic Ministers: Juel Boast, Bev Eckert, Ann Fisher, Mike Fisher, Ben Ford, Janae Fowler, Ellen Gerard, Marian Johnson, Matt Keck, Tia Watson

Gifts/Intentions: Dori Wauer Family

Head Usher: Steve Wauer

Reader(s): Joe Morales, Jude Steil

Palmer Hills Driver: John Kedley

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Robin Morales

Ushers: Trent Fowler, Diane Hindman, Eric Johnson, Kevin Keck

Sunday, December 6, at 11:00 am

Altar Servers: Rob Beardsley, Kendall Beardsley, Michael Gates

Cantor: Michelle Steen

EM Captain: Tom Thul

Eucharistic Ministers: Kevin Dorr, Helen Dorr, Annette Eckhardt, Dar Guffey, Jill Nedved, Martha Reicherts, Margaret Reinart, Ron Treanor, Nancy Treanor, Jean Willadsen

Gifts/Intentions: Jeff McCraw Family

Head Usher: Dennis Eckhardt

Reader(s): Barb Kendall, Joan Wysoske

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Nancy Treanor

Ushers: Steve Grimes, Mark Steen, James Watson, Don Willadsen

Weekend Money Counters

Karen Bell

Dorothy Feeney

PLEASE REMEMBER

Family Votive Candles

Through the memorial gifts of families, the votive candle boxes around the Mary Statue are lit for your special intentions. To cover the cost of candles we ask a gift of **\$5 per week** running from Sunday to the following Saturday. Please stop by the office during office hours and request a candle to be lit for your intention. Candles are lit by the office staff only.

Candles for November 29 - December 5, 2009

Jeannette Ebeling, Gloria Willett, Dick Harrison, Special Intention

Baptisms -

Addison Marie Barrett
daughter of David & Stephanie

Lucas Anthony Johnson
son of Kelcy

Isaac Thomas Kulig
son of Tyler and Carmen

Elizabeth Lauryn Moldt
daughter of Peter & Karen

*Please pray for those
in the hospitals!*

Welcome to Our Parish Family -

Tony & Stacy Foht
Madison and Sammy

Brad Cook & Kristyn Brasseur



NOTEWORTHY NEWS

CELEBRATION RINGERS will rehearse **Tuesday, December 1, 4:15-5:15pm** in the **church**.

CELESTIAL BELLS will rehearse **Tuesday, December 1, 5:30-6:30pm** in the **church**.

EXULTATE CHOIR rehearses **Tuesday, December 1, 7:00-8:30 pm** in the **church**. We will sing at the **9:00am Mass** on **Sunday, December 6**. **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!** Join us for Advent!

YOUNG SHEPHERDS will rehearse **Wednesday, December 2, 5:30-6:15pm** in the **church**.

1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT



Spider Webs!
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A Parish Family Event!
3 1/2 Stories of Christmas
Wednesday, December 9 at 6:30pm

Children and adults will be delighted as all the parts of the Christmas story are tied together for the first time: from the light of creation, to the manger in Bethlehem, to the origin of Santa and the Christmas angel himself! Runyeon is a comically imperfect angel-in-training who arrives with a crash from Brooklyn. As the story unfolds, more and more members of the audience discover themselves center stage helping to bring the Christmas story to life. **Come to the church and enjoy this evening with your entire family!**

SJV Preschool



Director
 Marcia Hamilton
 332-5308

- **December 11**
Christmas Program
6:00pm/P
- **December 17**
Christmas Party
2 - Day Program
- **December 18**
Christmas Party
3 & 5 - Day Program
- **December 21—January 4**
Christmas Break
NO PRESCHOOL

Religious Education

P3 through Grade 6
 Director - Nicky Stevenson
 332-7564 x 113

NO CLASS - November 29

Sunday RE Classes

December 6 & 13
 9-10:00am/M

Wednesday RE Classes

December 2
 4:15-5:30pm/M **or**
 6:15-7:30pm/M

NO CLASS - December 9

Jr High Alive

Director - Jan Stevenson
 332-5001 x 111

- **December 9**
Parish Christmas
Family Event!
3 1/2 Stories of Christmas
6:30/C

Youth Ministry

Director - Jan Stevenson
 332-5001 x 111

- **November 29**
NCYC "Welcome Home!" Mass
11:00am/C
- **December 2**
Youth Ministry Meeting
6:30-7:45pm/P
 (Note Time Change!)
- **December 6**
Grade 10
Confirmation Teen Mtg
6:00-7:30pm/Y
- **December 7**
Youth Ministry
Retreat Meeting
6:00-8:00pm/Y
- **December 9**
Parish Christmas
Family Event!
3 1/2 Stories of Christmas
6:30/C

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, December 1

7:45 am † Mary Ann Reinhold
 9:00 am † Ed Arndt

Wednesday, December 2

7:45 am † Alfred Johnson
 9:00 am † Jeannette Ebeling

Thursday, December 3

7:45 am † Dick Harrison
 9:00 am † Sara Mahoney

Friday, December 4

9:00 am † Mary Ann Reinhold
 † Joe Ceryanec

Saturday, December 5

4:30 pm † William Carter
 † Cindy Vens

Sunday, December 6

7:30 am † People of the Parish
 9:00 am † Marvin Konrardy
 11:00 am † Merlin & Rita Capesius

Stewardship Thoughts
For The
First Sunday of Advent

"Be on guard," Jesus warns in today's Gospel, "lest your spirits become bloated with indulgence." Let us heed His warning and follow the advice of St. Paul, conducting ourselves in a way pleasing to God, overflowing with love for one another.

See Luke 21:34

Readings for the
Week of
November 29, 2009

Mon: Rom 10:9-18 / Mt 4:18-22

Tues: Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24

Wed: Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37

Thurs: Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27

Fri: Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31

Sat: Is 30:19-21, 23-26
 Mt 9:35—10:1, 5a, 6-8

Next Sunday:

Bar 5:1-9 / Phil 1:4-6, 8-11
 Lk 3:1-6

WEEKLY
COLLECTION

"Planning for Tomorrow -
Building for Eternity."

Contributions for November 21 & 22, 2009

Envelopes.....	\$11,136.00
Children's Envelopes.....	\$2.17
Offertory.....	\$1,037.37
ADA.....	\$5,010.00
BOOF.....	\$585.00
Tithe to Humility Shelter.....	\$133.00

