

Welcome to
**ST. JOHN
VIANNEY**
Church

St. John Vianney Parish

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ADVENT



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**DECEMBER 5 & 6, 2009
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**



*John went throughout the whole region
of the Jordan, proclaiming a baptism
of repentance for the forgiveness of sins.*

— Lk 3:3

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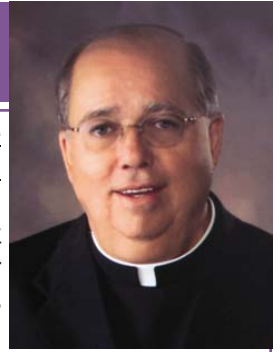
Lourdes Catholic School (K-Grade 8)

Call 359-3466

Assumption High School (Grades 9-12)

Call 326-5313

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



THANKSGIVING BASKETS 2009

Because of the generosity of St. John Vianney Parishioners we were able to provide Thanksgiving Baskets for 75 families. Our second collection for this purpose brought in \$4,450. This does not include all the packaged food that was collected. **Thank you!**

CONTRIBUTIONS FOR 2009

Due to tax regulations, contributions for your tax filing must be made **prior to the beginning of the New Year**. The last weekend of December is **December 26 & 27**. Please make all your contributions by that weekend. The Parish Administrative Center will be open December 28-30 but **closed December 31st through reopening on January 4, 2010**. As parishes we have been advised we must be very careful about these rules. Have you contributed the maximum amount to help you on your taxes? If not, please consider and plan to get your gifts in a timely fashion. Thank you!!!

FEAST OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION MASS SCHEDULE

Vigil - Monday - December 7 - 6:00 pm

Tuesday - December 8 - 6:45 & 9:00 am

SJV PRESCHOOL CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

Friday - December 11 - 6:00 pm

Parish Activity Center

ANGEL GIFTS

Our Angel Gift Program is so popular every year and this year we expect to serve at least 380 children and adults. The need is even greater than in the past with the economy and job loss the way it is so I hope you are in the spirit to make Christmas special for those who have so little. **Don't forget to return your gifts next weekend on December 12 & 13.** Please do not wrap

presents even though you are permitted to bring paper for them to be wrapped. Schools and programs that receive the gift request they not be wrapped for safety reasons or if a 'Christmas Scrooge' might want to wrap an inappropriate gift. Thank you for your consideration and for all those you will make so happy this Christmas.

COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION Monday - December 14 - 7:00 pm

We gather as a community on Monday, December 14, to discover through the gentle gift of God's mercy and forgiveness the patience and peace we search for in the season of Advent. A communal celebration gives us the time and space to place ourselves in God's presence that our hearts will be prepared and open to God's forgiving grace.

Several priests have been invited to be Confessors. May I remind everyone that since we come together as a community, this is not a time for spiritual direction or spiritual counseling. We confess our sins, we receive a penance from the priest, and then the priest prays the prayer of absolution. If you have issues that need discussion with a priest or spiritual advisor, a communal service is not the proper time. You should make an appointment with any priest of your choosing to discuss troubling issues in your life. We do that for two reasons: 1) out of respect for those who are waiting for their opportunity to confess; 2) any spiritual direction or counseling will be rushed in this encounter. As we prepare to confess and following our confessing, we are to be praying for those present that this will be a time of deep conversion of the hearts of all.

Let us make this the highlight of Advent...the act of preparing the way of the Lord." Other Communal Reconciliation Services for the week are as follows:

Monday, December 7, 7:00 PM
Our Lady of Lourdes, Bettendorf

Wednesday, December 9, 7:00 PM
St. Andrew, Blue Grass

Sunday, December 13, 2:00 PM
St. Ann, Long Grove

Sunday, December 13, 3:00 PM
St. Matthias/St. Mary, Muscatine

Fr. McAleer

Worship Schedule

Weekend Masses/Church

Saturday - 4:30 pm

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

Daily Masses/Mary Chapel

Tuesday - Thursday - 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



Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults classes will continue on **Sunday, December 6 and 13** at **10:00am**, in the **Vianney Room**. These classes will begin the Advent study: Liturgy and Liturgical Year and Scriptures.

“Common Ground - What Catholics and Protestants can Learn from Each Other” continues on **Tuesday morning, December 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.

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!

Forever Young (50+)



Jeanne Rank (332-7632) by **December 11th**. Coffee will be furnished.

CHRISTMAS PARTY

Monday, December 14

Mass begins at **5:30pm** in the **Mary Chapel**.

The cost is **\$6** per person and reservations are required by calling **Elmer & Marge Duethman (514-6007)** or

St. Monica's Circle is meeting on **Tuesday, December 8th** at **6:00pm**.

The meeting will be held at the home of **Bonnie Kaponek**, 3050 Stillwater Court, Bettendorf. We are putting together and delivering the Christmas gift bags for the Bettendorf Health Care Center. Dinner will follow at the Symposium Restaurant. Call **Bonnie** at **332-1009** for more information.

Christmas Concert The adult choir of **Our Lady of Victory Church** invites you to a Christmas concert on **Sunday, December 20** at **2:00pm** at the **church**.

Seniors invited to Holiday Concert: The City of Bettendorf will host **“Tis the Season,”** a **free** senior holiday celebration on **Thursday, December 10** at **7:00pm** at the **Quad Cities Waterfront Convention Center**, 2021 State Street, Bettendorf. Residents 60 and older are invited to enjoy holiday music, entertainment and refreshments. Mayor Mike Freemire will give opening remarks. City Administrator Decker Ploehn will host the event and members of the council and staff will serve. Entertainment includes Family Museum Dancers, Pleasant Valley High School tuba and euphonium ensemble, **Celebration Ringers**, a hand bell choir from **St. John Vianney Church**, the Quad City Wind Ensemble Brass Quintet, Stamvoja, the St. Ambrose University Vocal Jazz Ensemble and A Perfect Fifth singing group. **Call (563) 344-4000 by 5:00pm, December 7th to register.**

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, December 12, at 4:30 pm

Altar Servers: Caleb Good, Lexie Korndorf, Maria Korndorf

Cantor: Kathryn Menard

EM Captain: David Johnston

Eucharistic Ministers: John Cassidy, Janet Glessner, Millie Kelly, Nancy McBride, Carmen Minor, Karen Moldt, Denise Mueller, Melissa Pajunen, Christine Smith, Dennis Stringer

Gifts/Intentions: Bill & Mary Zinkewich

Head Usher: Ken Pottebaum

Reader(s): Jan Egger, Ron Mueller

Piano/Organist: Ruth Ann Freund

Sacristan(s): Faith Endresen

Ushers: Jim Capesius, Dorothy Lemke, Duane Lemke, Michele Smyth

Sunday, December 13, at 7:30 am

Altar Servers: Bill Horak, John McGrath, Richard Werthmann

Cantor: Jamie Blaser

EM Captain: Harlan Carley

Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Carley, Paul Del Corso, Julie Horak, Don Howard, Janis Jackson

Gifts/Intentions: Emeric Solymossy Family

Head Usher: Joe Zerbe

Reader(s): Don Eckman, Walt Powell

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Deb McGrath

Ushers: Pat Flynn, Paul Rafferty, John Swarney

Sunday, December 13, at 9:00 am

Altar Servers: Joseph Maas, Brandon Pickett, Jack Sullivan

Cantor: Paula Menke

EM Captain: Dori Wauer

EMSC(s): Greg McGee, Greg Townsend, Sally VenHorst, Jim Wadle

Eucharistic Ministers: Juel Boast, Beth Dittmann, Pat Ferchen, Carol Harrison, Bev Hetzel, Connie Jeschke, Jean Lipinski, Les Lipinski, Debbie Potts, Jennifer Preston

Gifts/Intentions: Richard Noll Family

Head Usher: Ross Ferchen

Reader(s): Brian Maas, Jennifer Maas

Palmer Hills Driver: Shirley Wadle

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Linda Immesoete

Ushers: Nathan Hernandez, Jon Jeschke, Brian Ollinger, Christine Summers

Sunday, December 13, at 11:00 am

Altar Servers: Rob Beardsley, Michael Gates, Marianna Hurd

Cantor: Stephanie Seward

EM Captain: Susan Cassatt

Eucharistic Ministers: Carrie Jo Calisesi, Paula Campione, Diane Cassatt, Katy Egger, Ann Fleege, Clara German, Ray German, Kate Grask, Bootsie Marino, Jean Willadsen

Gifts/Intentions: John Schaab Family

Head Usher: Steve Cox

Reader(s): Maureen Barry, Katie Dempsey

Piano/Organist: Becky Seward

Sacristan(s): Nancy Bisbee

Ushers: Paul Grask, Greg Hein, Spencer Schonher, Don Willadsen

Weekend Money Counters

Andy Allen
Susan Finin

PLEASE REMEMBER

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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 December 6 - 12, 2009

Gloria Willett

Baptisms -

Lola Bernice Chesney-Iijima

Daughter of Evan and Carrie

Alexander Patrick King

Son of Patrick and Michelle

Conor David Meyer

Son of David and Angela

Maximus Ryan Nachtman

Son of Matthew & Jill

Congratulations -

Kevin & Kelly Pennekamp

as you live the
Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

From Death to New Life -

Our Prayers and Sympathy to

Jane Goff and Family
on the death of her Mother,

Mary Riepe

and to

Daniel Valdivia and Family
on the death of his Mother,

Caroline Valdivia

and to

Kathy Wolfe and Family
on the death of her Husband,
and David Wolfe and Family
on the death of his Brother,

Bob Wolfe.

May They Rest In Peace

**Please pray for those
in the hospitals!**



NOTEWORTHY NEWS

CELEBRATION RINGERS will rehearse **Tuesday, December 8, 4:15-5:15pm** in the **church**.

CELESTIAL BELLS will rehearse **Tuesday, December 8, 5:30-6:30pm** in the **church**.

EXULTATE CHOIR rehearses **Tuesday, December 8, 7:00-8:30 pm** in the **church**. We will sing at the **9:00am Mass** on **Sunday, December 13**. **NEW MEMBERS ARE ALWAYS WELCOME!!** Join us for Advent!

YOUNG SHEPHERDS will rehearse **Wednesday, December 9, 5:30-6:15pm** in the **Chapel**. After rehearsal, plan to attend **"3 1/2 stories of Christmas"** at **6:30pm** in the **church**.



"3 1/2 Stories of Christmas"

This Wednesday, December 9, 6:30pm

Come to the church and enjoy this wonderful show about the Christmas Story with your entire family!

"Snowflake Central"

Wednesday, December 16 at 6 - 7:30pm

Calling all kids! Create handmade gifts for your family, friends or teachers.

Buy a **\$4** punch ticket at the door.

Contact **Nicky** with questions or to volunteer (no prep work—just help kids): re@stjohnvianneybettendorf.org or **332-7564**.

SJV Preschool



Director
Marcia Hamilton
332-5308

- **December 11**
Christmas Program
6:00pm/P

Religious Education

P3 through Grade 6

Director - Nicky Stevenson
332-7564 x 113

Sunday RE Classes

December 6 & 13

9-10:00am/M

NO CLASSES - Dec 20-Jan 3

December 9

Parish Christmas
All RE-Family Event!

3 1/2 Stories of Christmas
6:30/C

Wednesday RE Classes

NO CLASSES - Dec 9-30

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

- **December 6**
Grade 10
Confirmation Teen Mtg
6-7:30pm/Y
- **December 7**
Youth Ministry
Retreat Meeting
6-8:00pm/Y
- **December 9**
Parish Christmas
Family Event!
3 1/2 Stories of Christmas
6:30/C
- **December 10**
Serve Free Kitchen
5:20-7:00pm/P

Mass Intentions

Monday, December 7

Vigil Mass for Immaculate
Conception

6:00 pm † Gina Bernat

Tuesday, December 8

Immaculate Conception of the
Blessed Virgin Mary

6:45 am † Joann Linnberg

9:00 am † Jack Bush

Wednesday, December 9

7:45 am † Mary Ann Reinhold

9:00 am † Bill Day

Thursday, December 10

7:45 am † Walter Seran

9:00 am Special Intention -
Matthew Christopher

Friday, December 11

9:00 am † Penny Coleman

† Charlotte & William
Wahlheim

Saturday, December 12

4:30 pm † Dr. A. E. Lampe

† William Fleming

Sunday, December 13

7:30 am † Rose Marie Murray

9:00 am † Barbara Smith Grask

11:00 am † Joyce Flanders

People of the Parish

Stewardship Thoughts

For The

Second Sunday of Advent

Good stewards believe that God, who has begun this good work in them, will carry it through to completion. In words and deeds, they can sing with the psalmist, "The Lord has done great things for us; we are filled with joy!"

See Psalm 126

Readings for the Week of
December 6, 2009

Mon: Is 35:1-10 / Lk 5:17-26

Tues: Gn 3:9-15, 20
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12
Lk 1:26-38

Wed: Is 40:25-31 / Mt 11:28-30

Thurs: Is 41:13-20 / Mt 11:11-15

Fri: Is 48:17-19 / Mt 11:16-19

Sat: Zec 2:14-17 or Rv 11:19a;
12:1-6a, 10ab / Lk 1:26-38
or 1:39-47

Next Sunday:

Zep 3:14-18a / Phil 4:4-7
Lk 3:10-18

WEEKLY COLLECTION

***"Planning for Tomorrow -
Building for Eternity."***

Contributions for November 28 & 29, 2009

Envelopes	\$10,372.00
Offertory	\$1,892.95
ADA	\$3,945.00
Parish Improvement Fund	\$345.00
ADA Pledges to Date (\$125,665 goal).....	\$113,981.00
ADA Collected YTD	\$75,501.00
Families pledging to ADA	465

