

# Third Sunday of Advent

## December 14, 2025



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### Clergy

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Mon. - Thurs. 8:00 am - 4:00 pm

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### Office

**Administrative Assistant: Heather Cichy**

**Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 8:30 am - 2:00 pm**

**Parish Trustees:**

Treasurer Trustee: Mike Salomone

Secretary Trustee: Karen Wied

### Regular Weekly Liturgies and Sacraments

(see inside for details)

#### Mass

Sunday: 8:00 am

Thursday: 4:30 pm

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Sunday: 7:30 am

Thursday: 5:15 - 6:00 pm

#### Eucharistic Adoration

Thursday: 5:15 - 6:15 pm

#### Holy Communion Outside Mass

Wednesday: 8:30 am

### Contact Information

**Finance Council Chair:  
Gary Wysocki**

**Pastoral Council Chair:  
Alice Phillips**

**Director of Religious Ed:  
Jackie Johnson**

**Care Ministry Coordinator:  
Linda Golla**

**Cemetery Coordinator:  
contact the parish office**

**Funeral Luncheon Coordinators:  
Cathy Kaminski and Betty Burns**

**Knights of Columbus  
Grand Knight: Bob Benes  
Meeting: 1st Tuesday of  
month - 6:00 pm**



**Parish Council of Catholic Women  
President: Ann Hintz  
Meetings: 2nd Monday of January,  
April, July, October**

**St Paul's Mission Team  
Bernie Sherman  
Work Meetings: 1st Wednesday of  
month**

# PARISH EVENTS THIS WEEK

## LITURGIES AND SACRAMENTS

### Sunday, Dec. 14th Third Sunday of Advent

7:30 am: Sacrament of Reconciliation and Rosary

8:00 am: Mass

(for †Richard Hatcher by Linda Golla)

### Wednesday, Dec. 17th

8:30 am: Holy Communion Outside Mass

### Thursday, Dec. 18th

4:30 pm: Mass

(for †Lisa Sevens-Tank by Linda Golla)

5:15 pm: Eucharistic Adoration

Sacrament of Reconciliation

### Saturday, Dec. 20th

4:30 pm: Mass - Fourth Sunday of Advent

(for †Jerry Callahan by Terry Callahan)

### Sunday, Dec. 21st Fourth Sunday of Advent

7:30 am: Sacrament of Reconciliation and Rosary

8:00 am: Mass

(for †Marlene Saborowicz by Frank Saborowicz)

**CHRISTMAS MASS AT ST. PAUL WILL BE AT 8:00 AM  
ON THURSDAY, DECEMBER 25TH.**

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION UPDATE

We were very blessed to hear our Religious Education students singing at the Family Mass on December 7th. If you were unable to attend, please go to the Religious Education page on our parish website and watch it.

The students are continuing their rehearsals for the Christmas Pageant on December 20th at 4:00 pm. The children have been practicing very hard on their songs for everyone. We are blessed with the beautiful sound of our children's voices bringing warmth and happiness to our Church. Please take a moment to say thank you to Jackie Johnson, Andrea Topper, Becky Gudelis, Dakotah Smiley, and Athena Dudei for all their help and dedication.

We want to remind everyone of the Gospel of Luke Challenge given to the children this December. Help encourage reading a chapter of the Gosepl of Luke each day during Advent. There is also an option on our website to listen to each chapter on YouTube.

<https://www.saintpaulplainfield.org/religious-education>



## UPCOMING EVENTS

Dec. 17th - Lectio Divina at 9:00 am

- Religious Education at 3:30 pm  
K to 5th - Christmas Pageant rehearsal  
First Sacrament of Reconciliation  
6th to 11th - Caroling Extravaganza  
at Starks & Luce

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at 6:00 pm

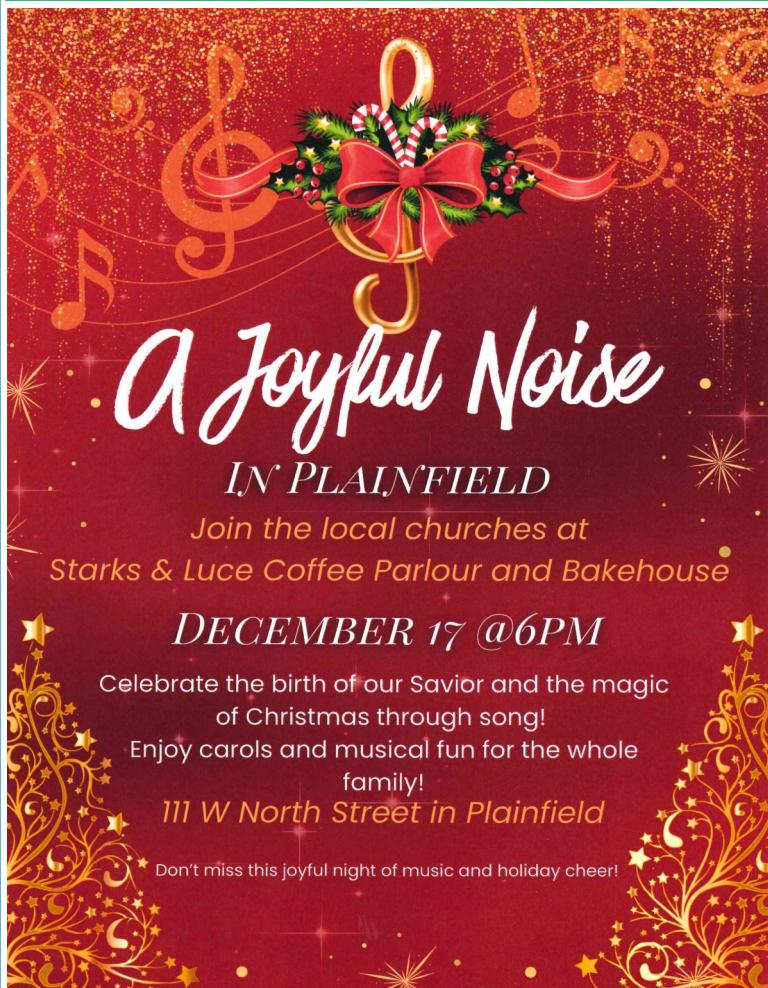
Dec. 18th - Lectio Divina at 6:15 pm

Dec. 20th - **Christmas Pageant** at 4:00 pm

## ST. PAUL PARISH MASS STATISTICS

|                                       | <u>Nov. 23rd</u> | <u>Nov. 30th</u> | <u>Dec. 7th</u> |
|---------------------------------------|------------------|------------------|-----------------|
| Mass attendance:                      | 87               | 90               | 146             |
| Parish Support:                       | \$1,177.50       | \$1,588.50       | \$2,837.50      |
| Building Fund:                        | \$60.00          | \$5.00           | \$232.00        |
| Archdiocese for<br>Military Services: | \$40.00          | \$50.00          |                 |

**Thank you for your generosity!**



## MESSAGE FROM ST. PAUL COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN



What a wonderful turnout for our 56th Annual Christmas Bazaar! We want to say THANK YOU for all your help and talent to all the donors, bakers, and volunteers who helped make this Bazaar happen. As usual, the cookies were absolutely beautiful and delicious. The Bazaar offered a great atmosphere and tons of fun. The people of St. Paul Parish are so giving and ready to help when they can.

After bills, there is almost a \$3,500 profit this year, which is significantly more than last year.

We are all very blessed!

## YEAR END GIVING OPPORTUNITY

This past week, we had all 7 of the furnaces at St. Paul (6 in the church building and 1 in the rectory) inspected. As it turns out, the 2 furnaces that provide heat in the church need to be replaced. Both are the original furnaces that were installed when the church was built. The cost to replace both furnaces will be around \$12,000. Thanks to the generosity of parishioners and solid oversight by our Finance Council members, St. Paul Parish is in solid financial condition and can cover the cost of replacing the furnaces with funds in reserve. However, we would like to replace those funds to be available when other large expenses arise.

### **How can I help with the furnace replacements without increasing my annual income?**

Do what other parishioners are doing. Make a tax-free charitable contributions from your IRA through a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) allowing you to give up to \$108,000 (for 2025) directly to charity if you're 70.5 or older, without increasing Adjusted Gross Income (AGI). This is superior to itemizing for many seniors, as it's an exclusion from income, not just a deduction, and works even if you take the standard deduction.

### **Always contact your tax preparer/financial advisor first about a QCD.**

#### **Key Requirements & Benefits**

- **Age:** Must be 70.5 or older.
- **Amount:** Up to \$108,000 per person for 2025 and \$111,000 for 2026.
- **Direct Transfer:** Funds must go *directly* from your IRA custodian to the St. Paul church.
- **No Taxable Income:** The amount isn't included in your Adjusted Gross Income (AGI).
- **Fulfils RMDs:** Can count towards your Required Minimum Distribution (RMD), reducing your taxable income even further.
- **No Itemizing Needed:** You don't need to itemize deductions to benefit.

#### **How to Make a Qualified Charitable Distribution. (QCD)**

1. **Contact Your IRA Provider:** Inform them you want to make a Qualified Charitable Distribution.
2. **Specify Charity:** Provide the charity's name and Tax ID (EIN). Contact St. Paul Office 715-335-4314 for info.
3. **Direct Transfer:** Have the IRA custodian send the funds directly to the St. Paul Church.
4. **Report on Taxes:** The distribution appears on Form 1099-R, but you'll indicate it's a QCD (often using distribution code Y) to show it's tax-free. (**Always discuss it with your tax preparer**)
5. **Notify Charity:** Inform the charity of your gift and its source.

## SHARE IN THE CARE RETIREMENT COLLECTION

Today, we have a beautiful opportunity to **Share in the Care** of those who spent their lives serving God and His people. Through the **Retirement Collection**, your gift supports:

- The **National Retirement Fund for Religious**, helping retired sisters, brothers, and religious order priests.
- The **Diocesan Priests Retirement Fund**, caring for our senior priests here in the Diocese of Green Bay.

These faithful men and women have devoted their lives to prayer, teaching, and compassionate service, often with little financial compensation. Now, many of their communities face serious challenges in providing for their retirement needs..

Your generosity helps ensure they receive the care, medicine, and daily support they deserve. Let's honor their lifetime of service with our prayers and gifts. **Contribution envelopes are available on the table in the middle of the narthex.** Thank you for your kindness and support!

## GREETING CARDS MADE BY ST. PAUL'S MISSION TEAM

A wide variety of greeting cards, including Christmas cards, are available on the card rack located on the north side of the parish hall next to the double doors leading to the portico. All proceeds are donated to support the Salvatorian Mission Warehouse. They are very thankful for all the donors who support them and contribute regularly, allowing them to continue their work.



**THANK YOU** to all who support our RaiseRight Program! When you purchase a cash card through RaiseRight, a rebate comes back to the parish. We keep an inventory of the most popular purchases and try to have those cards available each week. To place a special order, check out the list of the participating businesses which is available at the RaiseRight table. **If you would like more information or have any questions, please contact Kate Drmolka or speak with someone at the RaiseRight table after Sunday Mass.**

## St. Paul Parish Sacramental Information



**Baptisms:** Parents must be registered members of the parish for at least three months prior to setting a baptismal date, and must complete the baptismal preparation class. Classes will be held at a time that is mutually convenient for the parents and instructor. Please contact the parish office to set a baptism date and register for a class.



**Marriage:** Couples are asked to notify the parish office at least six months in advance. Catholics must be confirmed and active in the faith. Wedding times are to be scheduled no later than 1:00 pm. Even if a couple plan to choose their own vocalist, they are still required to meet with the pastoral leader at least six months in advance.



**Anointing of the Sick:** Due to medical privacy laws, family members are encouraged to notify the parish of any family members needing a visit, especially Anointing of the Sick. In addition to being available by request, this sacrament is offered after the 8:00 am Mass on the third Sunday of each month.

**Policy for Visiting Clergy at funerals and other services:** Please inquire in the office if you would like to include clergy from outside our parish. This policy can be applied to any activity here at St. Paul Parish.