

# SEVEN DOLORS & ST. PATRICK'S PARISHES

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**New Office Hours: Mon. - Thurs. 9AM - 1PM & 1:30PM - 4PM, & Fri. 9AM - 12PM**

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SUNDAY, DECEMBER 25, 2022 + THE NATIVITY OF THE LORD (CHRISTMAS) +

## FR. RYAN'S CHRISTMAS MESSAGE

In November of 1992 Jon Bon Jovi released an album called Keep the Faith. As a young fan I bought the single and on the B side was a song called, "I Wish Everyday Could Be Like Christmas". Funnily, I can't remember what the song "Keep the Faith" sounds like, but this Christmas song usually plays out in my head during the Christmas season. It was an instant classic, in my book. It's not a religious song, yet it speaks to this reality of the season's power to evoke peace and holiday cheer. I want to highlight an important verse for you from it.

"I saw a child sit with old Mr. Claus looked him in the eye and he asked old Santa what peace on earth was. Now the old man grew cautious on how he would say, that it's the greatest gift, what you could give every day."

Look again at it. A child looks an old man in the eye and asks a question. This is what God comes to do for us: He looks us in the eye. Simultaneously, he asks us through the eyes of a baby boy, "What is peace on earth?"

This year Christmas falls on a Sunday and the specialness of that is the overwhelming reality that every Sunday we get to celebrate Jesus' Resurrection. Every Sunday is a mini-Easter Sunday. This Sunday, we have the Mass of Christ's Nativity: His birth superimposed onto his Resurrection. For this is why Jesus was born, to bring us to new life in God, his Father, Our Father. This plan included a beginning and an end. Here we are in the in-between, living our everyday, trying to answer what peace on earth is. The life that we have been given really is only a fraction of what the eternal Father has to offer to us as his sons and daughters, but it's a fraction that matters the most. May we be cautious in answering the Christ child his question this Christmas, may we really look him in the eye and answer. Have a blessed Christmas Season filled with peace and harmony and most of all, JOY!

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

### 12/25 Sunday Christmas 1st day of Christmas

8:00 AM Mass +R.J. Robel

10:00 AM Mass +Bella Haynie

### Monday 12/26 2nd Day of Christmas

**\*Office Closed\***

5:20 PM Mass +Gary Reinert

### Tuesday 12/27 3rd Day of Christmas

7:00 AM Mass +Julia Irvine

Noon Reconciliation

### Wednesday 12/28 4th Day of Christmas

7:00 AM Mass +Patty Stokely

### Thursday 12/29 5th Day of Christmas

7:00 AM Mass SI Craig & Stephanie Roberts

9:00 AM Food Pantry

5:00 PM Reconciliation

### Friday 12/30 6th Day of Christmas

**\*Office Closes at noon\***

7:00 AM Mass +Cecelia Sexton

### Saturday 12/31 7th Day of Christmas

**New Year's Eve**

4:15 PM Mass @ St. Pat's

+John Linenberger

4:30 PM Mass +Marvin Sharp

6:00 PM Spanish Choir

### Sunday 1/1 Mary, Mother of God

**& 8th Day of Christmas**

8:00 AM Mass For the Parish

10:00 AM Mass +Raymond Brown

12:30 PM Spanish Mass

+Jovita Y Felipe Trevizo

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1:30 PM - 4 PM

Friday: 9 AM - 12 PM

**Parish Bulletin:** Jenn Hinnen at  
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For other items, please contact the  
parish office during office hours.

*For the greater glory of God, we will do as Christ tells us.*

## VESPERS & DESSERT RECEPTION

While much of the world celebrates Christmas the entire month of December, the Catholic Church is preparing for the coming of Our Lord. Which is Advent. According to the Church the Christmas season begins at the Christmas Eve Vigil Mass and concludes with the celebration of the Epiphany of Our Lord.

The Manhattan Catholic Community (MC3) invites you to A Real Catholic Christmas, on Saturday, January 7, 2023 at 7 PM at Seven Dolors. They will be doing Vespers followed by a dessert reception. Please join us for this wonderful celebration.



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## CATHOLIC CHARITIES

A huge thank you to the generous donors who provided gifts for 54 families through Catholic Charities Adopt-A- Family program!

Every week, the Manhattan Catholic Charities office outreach programs serve Manhattan and eight other communities in our region. Qualifying families receive a large box of items they need, which is one of the ways we can remind them of their dignity.

Please help us replenish our supply of newborn and size 1 diapers, diaper rash cream, baby shampoo, lotion and bottles, and liquid hand soap. We also need clean plastic grocery sized bags and boxes of saltines. Please drop these items off at the Catholic Charities office at 212 S. 4<sup>th</sup> St., Suite 120, MHK. Thank you for your generous support.

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## WELCOME OUR NEW FAMILIES TO THE PARISH

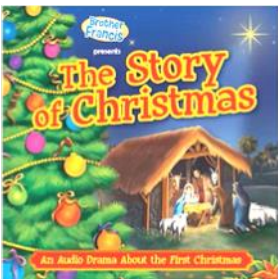
Welcome our 2022 new families; Jaime Luke, Alex & Abby King, Dane and Anna Harris, Jesusa Reyes, Elizabeth "Betty" Stevens, Oscar & Amythis Rodriguez, Margaret Pendleton, Thu Le, Judah Solini, Daniel & Tiffany Cutting, Anna Hixon, Chris & Jenna Weber, Frank & Sara Kirby, Kareem Gray & Alexandria Gray, Brian & Erin Baptist, Joshua & Jillian Sprunk, Beau & Stephanie Tatro, Stephen & Monica Becker, Luke & Kimberly Sauber, Joshua & Lynette Bayless, Beau & Sarah Deacon, Vincente Rodriguez & Nora Ornelas, Felicai Dierksen, Luke & Jennie Neville, Brandon & Christina Thoma, Steve & Margaret Haug, Patricia Storms, Teresa Duncan, Bryan Willis, Delfino Cruz & Martina Rodriguez, Florentino & Brenda Sosa-Esparza, Alejandra Encarnación, Charles & Stephanie Weber, Patrick & Jennifer Howlett, Jeong & Jody Moon, Zosimo Castañeda & Martha Casimiro, Alejandra Encarnación, Maggie Brakeville, Richard & Tami Jagels, Daniel & Julie Garza, Cliff & Stephanie Kramer, Kord & Amber Albers, Luke & Heather Sloan, John & Shauna Amarello, Gabriel & Jessica Sampson, John & Laura Price, Angelo Madriz, Christina Martinez, Bryan & Jenn Hinnen, Sterling Lewis & Keesha Garcia, David & Debra Bisnette, Jim & Judy VonFeldt, Anthony & Stacey Kaminsky

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## FUN FORMED IDEAS

Do you have your free FORMED account? If not sign up for FREE at [formed.org/signup](https://formed.org/signup). After registering you can download the app on your phone for FORMED on the go!

How about something fun for the kids to listen to? Give this audio drama about the first Christmas a try! Use the QR Code or open FORMED and search The Story of Christmas!



Did you know the 12 Days of Christmas song was used to teach the Faith? Use the QR code or open FORMED & search 12 Things You Might Not Know About Christmas !



## RCIA & SMALL GROUPS

RCIA will not meet on Sunday, December 25th or Sunday, January 1st. Our next meeting will be Sunday, January 8th. Small Groups will not meet Monday, December 26th. Our next meeting will be Monday, January 2nd.

## ADULT EDUCATION

Next meeting is Tuesday, January 10th at 6:30 PM. Adult Education meets on the 2nd and 3rd week of the month, unless otherwise indicated.

## ALTAR SERVER TRAINING

For 4th graders and above interested in becoming an altar server, we encourage you to save the date for 10 AM on Saturday, January 21, 2023. Keep an eye out for more information.

## SDCCW WORKSHOP

The SDCCW January Workshop will be Sunday, January 22, 2023 at Sacred Heart Church in Park, Kansas. Mass is at 10 AM and lunch afterwards is catered by Merna. The service project and presentation about Hope's Place in Goodland will take place from 1 - 4PM. For more info call Kathy Martin 785-463-5463 or Merna Zerr 785-938-4461.

## WOMEN'S SPIRITUALITY CONFERENCE

The 17<sup>th</sup> Annual Women's Spirituality Conference, featuring Sarah Hart, is January 28 from 8:30 AM to 3:30 PM in the St. Thomas More Utopia Room. The cost is: \$45 (early bird by December 31), \$50 (January 1-20), \$55 (after January 20) and \$30 for high school & college students. Registration with this QR code or by calling the STM parish office (785-776-5151).



## ADVANCEMENT DIRECTOR VACANCY

Manhattan Catholic School is looking for an Advancement Director. The position is responsible for creating, implementing, and executing the fundraising events and to manage all donor activities. The job includes managing social media/website. To request a full job description or additional information, contact Kim Hoelting, HR Director, 785-342-0819 or email [kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org](mailto:kim.hoelting@salinadiocese.org)



## FOOD PANTRY

The following items are high volume choices, which are currently not available from Breadbasket, such as cereal, canned mandarin oranges, canned pinto beans, chicken broth and beef broth. A blessed and Merry Christmas to all.

## ASSISTED LIVING, HOSPITAL, OR HOMEBOUND PARISHONER UPDATE REQUEST

If you have a loved one who has recently moved to assisted living, is in the hospital, or is homebound; please notify the parish with their updated contact information (including address and phone number). This helps us bring them the Sacraments and keep them connected to Seven Dolores Parish. Thank you for your help.

## ADORATION CHAPEL

The St. Joseph Eucharistic Adoration Chapel has the following open hours: **Monday 3 AM, Monday 4 AM, Saturday 5 AM, Saturday 11 PM, and Sunday 2 AM.** Please consider pairing up with a friend to cover an hour or signing up to fill in as a sub when needed. The Chapel provides a beautiful atmosphere to pray and develop a more intimate relationship with Our Lord! Please text or call Mary Lou Hoss at 785-317-2639 to sign up! God bless you!

## BUDGET SHOP

The Budget Shop is currently closed. We will re-open on Tuesday, January 3, 2023. Please watch for the half off Christmas sale!

## STEWARDSHIP REPORT

Last Sunday's Collection	\$ 9,914.00
Average Needed Weekly	\$ 10,807.69



## ST. PATRICK'S CORNER

### MASS CHANGE

There is no Mass Christmas Day Mass at St. Patrick's

### PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

January 14 after Mass

### ST. PATRICK'S STEWARDSHIPS REPORT

Ogden Envelopes \$115.00

# NEXT WEEK'S MINISTRY AND MASS SCHEDULE

	<b>EMOC</b>	<b>Hospitality</b>	<b>Altar Server</b>	<b>Lector</b>
<b>Sat. 4:30pm</b> 12/24	Kathy Buyle Ken Buyle Tom Church Tony Parker Craig Ronnebaum	Cindy Donohoue Tim Donohoue Toni Murphy <b>VOLUNTEER</b>	Jilliann Gray Emma O'Haver Cole Parker	Ann Chaffee( 1) Zachary O'Haver (2)
<b>Sun. 8 am</b> 12/25	Karen Buyle Dan Wright <b>VOLUNTEER</b> <b>VOLUNTEER</b> <b>VOLUNTEER</b>	Marlene Irvine Jerry Shivley Isabel Wright Shelia Wright	Gabriel McKinley Thad McKinley Zoey McKinley	Ray Buyle (1) Mary Siegle (2)
<b>Sun. 10 am</b> 12/25	Jana McKinley Dan Richards Mitzi Richards Frank Rottinghaus David Zecha	Robert Gray Christopher Storms Tamra Storms <b>VOLUNTEER</b>	Bailey Curtis Wade Rottinghaus <b>VOLUNTEER</b>	Stacy Kohlmeier (1) Amanda Rottinghaus (2)

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