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Growing in the Spirit

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Mass Schedule

Weekends

Saturday - 4:30 PM

Sunday - 7:30 AM

Sunday - 10:00 AM

Sunday 10:00 AM Mass will also be
Livestreamed on Facebook and can be
viewed later on our website.

Reconciliation

Wednesday 4:30-6:30 PM

**WELCOME TO ALL SAINTS
CATHOLIC CHURCH**

No matter who you are, or where you are in your faith journey, you are welcome at All Saints Parish.

Would you like to join us as an active parishioner?

Please visit our website: allsaintsberlin.org

Find **Registration** under the **About Us** tab at the top. We are blessed to have you here.

The Sanctuary Lamp is lit to signal the True Presence of Christ in the Tabernacle and is donated this week in memory of the deceased members of the Yonke, Steckbauer, and Trochinski Families

Rest in Peace: Donald Crossman and Evelyn Neck who were buried from our church this past week. May God grant them eternal rest.

Baptism: Nolan Richard Castleberry, son of Kevin and Amanda (Vandermause) Castleberry. We welcome him and ask God to bless this child and his family.

Welcome! Alex and Michelle Blake and their son, William to our All Saints Parish Family. We are blessed to have you!



Please Note: the 4:30 Christmas Eve Mass will be livestreamed on our Facebook page and will be posted and available to view on our website after Mass is over.

MASS INTENTIONS

SAT 12/19	4:30 pm	Verlyn and Bernie Bitney
SUN 12/20	7:30 AM	Deceased Members of the Brotske and Marsh Families
	10:00 AM	All Saints Family
MON 12/21	No Mass	
TUES 12/22	5:30 PM	Joan Hodge
WED 12/23	8:00 AM	Clarence and Joe Asleson
THURS 12/24	4:30 PM	All Saints Family
	7:00 PM	Mary Klak
	9:30 PM	Deceased Members of the Clinton Ottman Family
FRI 12/25	10:00 AM	Shirley Frost
SAT 12/26	4:30 PM	Kimberly Parker
SUN 12/27	7:30 AM	All Saints Family
	10:00 AM	Paul Krause

PARISH PRESS

Blessed Christmas & Happy New Year!



Dear Parishioners of All Saints,

Do you ever find yourself wondering what the dark, narrow streets of Bethlehem really must've been like on that miraculous night, so long ago? Over time, the world has referred to that night in many ways - beautiful, enchanting - even magical. Truth is, it was very likely pretty chilly, the stable floor was the ground itself, and it probably didn't smell so good. Nonetheless, it was a night that changed the course of human history. The Almighty left the heavens to take on human flesh - born of the Virgin. By doing so, he opened doors that you and I would never be able to pass through! The birth of Christ is a sign of the Mercy of the Father. His message shines on our wounded world, consoles the afflicted, and gives hope to the oppressed. May it please God to bring about conversions of hearts in all parts of the world!

As we know, the season and celebration doesn't end with Christmas Day. This year on the Church calendar, Christmas continues until January 10! During that time we will be reminded that another year has ended, and a new one is begun. As we stand on the threshold of **2021** we are reminded that what Scripture says about the "passing of time" is true - every word of it. Three of them stand out to me:

1. Time passes more quickly than we think.
2. The time to express your love to family and friends is now. Now.
3. As mortals, our time is best spent storing up treasure that will matter in the life to come. **(Mt. 6:19-21).**

When visiting deathbeds, never does a priest hear: "Father, I wish I had spent more time at the office." ☺

Lastly, I'd like to take this opportunity to say thank you to the 30 employees of All Saints Catholic Parish and School. I get to see firsthand, how they put everything they've got into their work. It's obvious to me, that our staff have a love for Christ and his Church! A big thank you to Deacon Jim Hoegemeier (and to the Diocese for giving us his assistance). I feel Deacon is a pleasure to work with, and a blessing to us all. Good work, Deacon Jim! Finally, to all our parishioners - both adult and youth, who help in **any** way: the list is long, and the tasks are varied, but all of them are for the glory of Christ and the good of His Church. God sees your works and may he bless you for it!

~ Father D. Greenfield

EVENTS



BINGO is CANCELED
until January 3rd.

Oplatki Christmas Wafers are now available. Once again, they are \$1 per envelope. This year, due to Covid, we will not have them in the gathering space but they can be picked up in the church office during business hours, or you can call the office to make other arrangements. Thank you.

THIS WEEK AT **ALL SAINTS PARISH**

December 21 - 27, 2020

Monday:	Parish Office and Church Closed
Wednesday:	Private Confessions - 4:30-6:30 PM - church
Thursday:	Office to close at noon Masses: 4:30 PM, 7:00 PM, 9:30 PM
Friday:	Office Closed Mass: 10:00 AM
Saturday:	4:30 PM Mass
Sunday:	7:30 AM & 10:00 AM Mass

End of Year Bookkeeping and Holiday Office Hours

Our parish office will be closed for a Christmas break beginning at Noon on Christmas Eve and continuing through the week of December 28 - January 1.

There will also be NO Masses, Mon.- Wed., Dec. 28-30 and no private confessions Wednesday evening.

There will be Mass for the Holy Day, Mary Mother of God on Thursday, Dec. 31 at 4:30 PM and on Friday, Jan 1 at 9:00 AM. The weekend Mass schedule will be as usual.

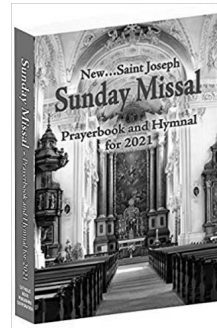
Please try to conduct any necessary year end business during the week prior to that. On a similar note, the last day to make any contributions you would like counted in the 2020 business year is the weekend of Dec. 26 & 27. We will be counting monies received in the collection basket for that weekend, but any donations received after that weekend will be counted in 2021. Thank you!

Donations for Christmas Flowers - If you are able to help defray the cost of bringing the beauty of the season into our worship space, you can place your donation in the weekend collection, drop it in the mail slot or at the office, or send it in the mail to PO Box 269. Thank you!

Knights of Columbus Charity Benefit Raffle Tickets now available. Tickets are: 1 for \$5; 3 for \$10; 9 for \$20. **All** proceeds go to charitable causes including our own church and school. Lots of great prizes including cash prizes. Contact Tom Pionke at 920-290-0984 or Jim Carriveau for more information or to get your tickets.

Calendars for 2021 - The Wiecki-Skipchak Funeral Home has been generously providing the parish with religious calendars for many years, and they continue to do so. John and Cindy Skipchak regret that for 2021, their usual, high-quality calendars will not be available due to a pandemic related disruption of the supply chain. They have, however, found a lower quality substitute for now. Calendars are now available to pick up in the gathering space of the Church. Thank you, John & Cindy!

Sunday Missals for the new liturgical year - We have had a few people ask about missalettes for the new year so they can follow along when participating in the Holy Mass at home. We have decided not to purchase a large quantity of the Breaking Bread missalettes at this time, without knowing if/when we would be able to have them in the pews again. Purchasing a small quantity without the bulk pricing is cost prohibitive. (about \$18 each) So we did not purchase any extra Breaking Bread books for people to have/purchase from us. You can purchase your own copy of Breaking Bread if you'd like; the website is ocp.org. Another option would be a less expensive missalette, which you can order from Amazon for about \$2. It is called the New St. Joseph Sunday Missal, and has all the Sunday readings for the liturgical year, as well as the other Mass parts and prayers that Father says. Here is the link to Amazon for this book. <https://www.amazon.com/Joseph-Sunday-Missal-Hymnal-American/dp/1947070711>



Box of Joy Thank You - JOY IS ON THE MOVE! Thank you to everyone who blessed a child with a Box of Joy this season. The 146 boxes were delivered to the drop off location (St. Jude's Parish, Oshkosh) and are on their way to precious children in desperate need of a Christmas blessing! Soon, the gifts will arrive at Catholic missions in Haiti, Guatemala, Nicaragua, El Salvador and the Dominican Republic, where they will bring hope and happiness to children living in the poorest communities. Thank you for sharing the love of Jesus with these children.

Ann Budde and Debra Downen

All Saints Catholic School

Building Saints, Scholars, and Children of God

What's Happening at All Saints Catholic School

Santa's Workshop



Santa's Workshop returned to All Saints Catholic School! Again this year, the Parents Network helped gather and prepare for this annual event. The All Saints Catholic School staff along with students in 7th and 8th grade assisted to help make Santa's Workshop possible. Due to Covid-19, Santa's Workshop was run a bit differently this year, but all of our students still had the opportunity to shop for their families.

Santa's Workshop provided every student the opportunity to pick out a gift for their loved ones. This year, no student or family was charged for the shopping experience. Those wanting to, could make a money donation, and throughout the year, the school has been accepting donated items, which make up the gifts used in Santa's Workshop.

This is a wonderful project, allowing students to work together to shop for their family members, while experiencing the gift of giving! It was another joyous event that brought smiles to all who were involved. Santa's Workshop is made possible by the many volunteers involved in making it reality! All Saints Catholic School is grateful for the Parent Network, Staff and the many volunteers and donations that make Santa's Workshop so special. It is an event that is looked forward to each year!



FAITH FORMATION

Our Religious Education Students have been busy this past semester studying and praying together. Our 2nd graders prepared for and received the sacrament of reconciliation for the first time, and our older students have been writing letters to some of our homebound parishioners. Now as we rapidly approach Christmas and the holiday season, our Religious Education Program will take a break for 2 weeks. There will be NO Religious Ed classes on Dec. 23 or Dec. 30. We will begin meeting again at our regular times on Wednesday, January 6. Wishing you all the joy and peace of Christ. Have a very Merry Christmas!

SEEKING CATHOLIC YOUNG ADULTS!



Are you 21-29 years old and love Christ? Do you want to share the faith with others?

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Visit: www.spiritusministries.org/beamissionary, contact Rachel at recruiter@spiritusministries.org, or (920) 722-8918 x113 for more information.

Advent Resources:

If you're looking for a way to be a bit more reflective this advent as we prepare for Christmas, here are a couple of ideas.

You can sign up for daily emails from Dynamic Catholic in their *Best Advent Ever* program. It's free and each email contains a brief video and reflection.

<https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/best-advent-ever.html>



If you haven't already, check out Bishop Hying's YouTube channel where each day he inspires the faithful with a brief *Moment with the Bishop* video:

<https://www.youtube.com/playlist?list=PL2bjxQbqE8m2Bavdf5PiB7sAy5q6jph-y>

DEEPEN YOUR FAITH WITH THE CATHOLIC HERALD



Every week the Catholic Herald keeps readers up to date with briefs and in-depth articles from Catholic News Service on events around the nation and the world. You will also find a listing of TV programs of note and movie reviews from Catholic News Service.

Learn more about your Catholic faith by reading the Catholic Herald.

If you do not subscribe but wish to receive the Catholic Herald print and/or e-Edition in your home, contact the parish office. We kindly ask for a donation of \$25 to offset the cost of the subscription. Thank you.

News and Announcements

CHRISTMAS MASS INFORMATION

With Covid-19 still in our midst, this Christmas Season will present challenges when worshipping the Christ Child and celebrating His nativity. However, using the creativity God has given us, it also gives us the opportunity to do it in new and different ways! As you know, this year there is a Christmas Mass Time Sign-Up. This is to ensure we stay within our maximum capacity limits and prevent overcrowding.

There are only 200 spots available per Mass and have been filled on a first come first serve basis. Currently, all Masses except the 9:30 PM Mass on Christmas Eve have reached capacity. You can still register for this one by clicking on the link below as long as there are still spots available.



◆ Thursday, Dec 24th 9:30PM Mass Time:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/9040448A5A923A7FE3-930pm>

For those of you who will be participating from home, the 4:30 PM Christmas Eve Mass will be livestreamed. You can watch this Mass live on our Facebook page the same way you would watch Sunday Mass. This Mass will also be recorded and posted to our website, www.allsaintsberlin.org, so that you can watch and participate in the Holy Mass at any time after the 4:30 Mass is over, at whatever time is most convenient for you.

Christmas Mass Safety Procedures

As we draw near to Christmas, we want to give people a picture of what we are planning to do to ensure social distancing and prevent overcrowding at the Christmas Masses. Most of our Masses have already reached their maximum capacity. Because of this, we will be making a seating chart with the names of those signed up for each Mass. This will help us use our space efficiently in addition to making sure that those who are on our list have a place to sit. Please understand that it will take some extra time for our ushers to seat everyone as each family will need to be escorted to their seats. We are asking that people plan to arrive early to Mass, even though you have pre-registered, to allow enough time for everyone to be seated before Mass begins. Doors will open 45 minutes before Mass, but please plan to arrive *no later* than 10 minutes before Mass begins. We are also asking that families who are sitting together plan to arrive together as well, to avoid confusion and to make everything flow as smoothly and quickly as possible.

In addition to the seating arrangements, we will be asking everyone to sanitize their hands as they enter church, and ask that everyone over the age of 5 wear a mask unless medically unable to do so.

We understand that this is not how we would normally do things, but we ask for your patience and grace as we do our best to accommodate everyone while adhering to the safety guidelines set forth by the government. We feel extremely blessed to be able to celebrate Mass in person this Holy Christmas season as we celebrate the birth of Christ and the hope that only He can give.



Stewardship & Sacraments

Stewardship: Sharing the Gifts We Have Been Given



**Online Giving
Now Available**

Online giving is a help to the parish finances especially during the summer when vacations and schedules change. Setting up your Pushpay Giving Account is rather effortless. You can find the bright red link as shown above on our website or app. Now it's easier than ever! Just scan the QR code on this page and go directly to our PushPay giving portal. Fr. David asks us all to ponder signing up. E-Giving options include your regular weekly offertory, holy day offering, school support, diocesan assessment or any other unrestricted donation. You may designate your donations to any of these funds, on your preferred schedule. If you have any questions, call the parish office for assistance 920-361-5252.



ADDITIONAL FUNDS TO SUPPORT OUR PARISH

- Little Saints Tuition Assistance Fund
- All Saints Congregation Endowment Fund
- The Berlin Catholic School Endowment Fund, Inc.

Envelopes are available in the kiosk in gathering space or contact the parish office.

Remembering the Parish in your Will

An important way for members of one generation to have a lasting impact on the parish and its institutions is to make a lump sum bequest, or estate percentage bequest, in one's Will.

Sacraments

Baptism

At All Saints Parish, Baptisms are usually celebrated on Sundays after the 10 am Mass.

All parents who wish to have a child baptized are asked to call the Parish Office 920-361-5252 to speak with Father David about scheduling the Baptism.

Baptism for adults is part of the Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA program)

Marriages

Arrangements must be made 6 months in advance. Marriage Preparation courses are required.



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Philippians 2:16



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