

# SAINT JOSEPH & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

DECEMBER 4<sup>TH</sup>, 2022 | 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Tuesday, Thursday, Friday: 9 am  
Saturday: 5pm  
Sunday: 10:00 am



## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

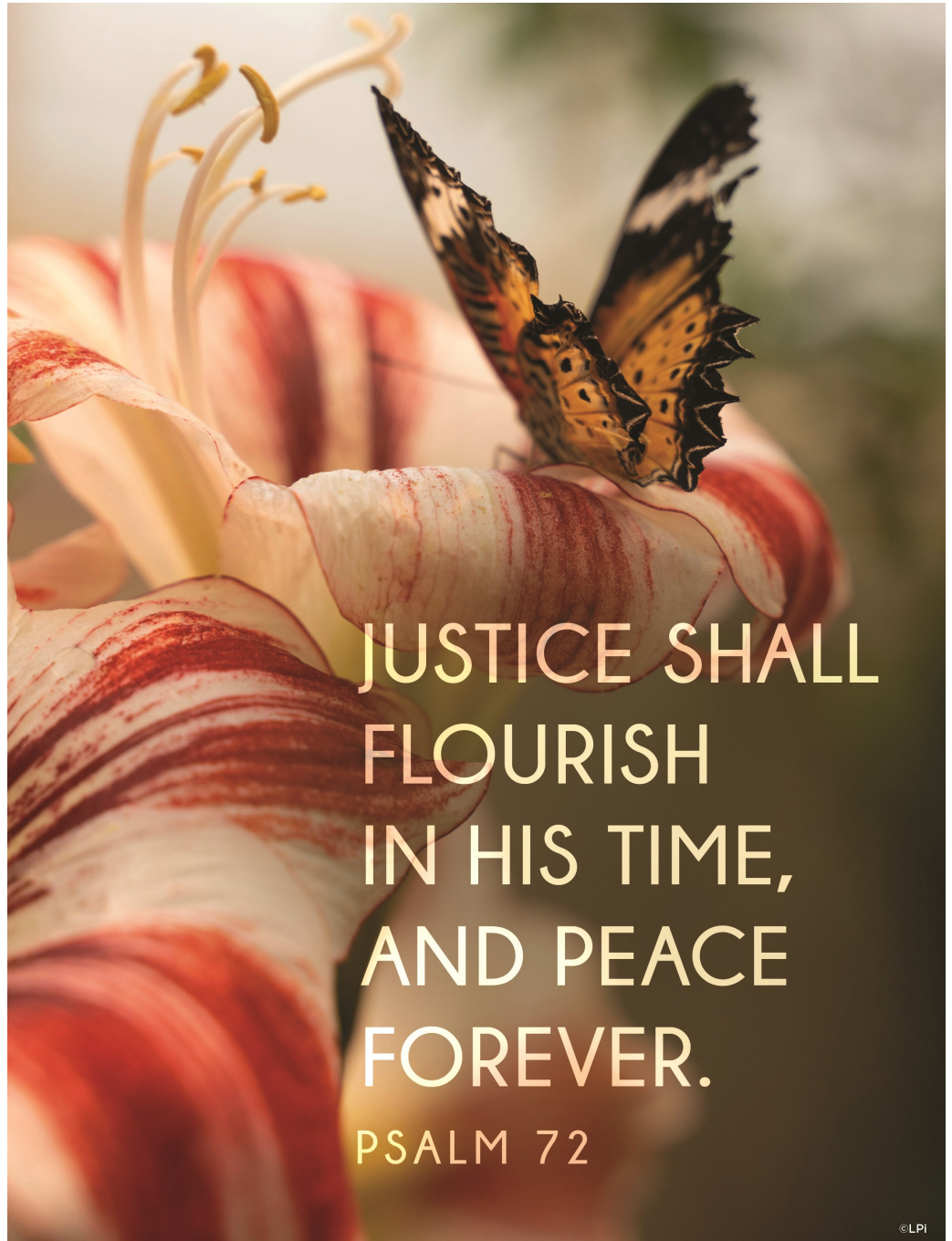
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FLOURISH  
IN HIS TIME,  
AND PEACE  
FOREVER.

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**St. Joseph:** We, the Church of Saint Joseph, are a Catholic, Benedictine faith community. Through our liturgy and faith formation, we build on a solid foundation as active witnesses of Christ, and we eagerly respond to the needs of the Parish and the global community.

**St John the Baptist:** We are a progressive Catholic Benedictine Community encountering Christ through the celebration of Word and Sacrament, one another, nature, and our thirst to create a just world.

Where the  
Community  
Comes  
Together

# Weekly Schedules

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## MASS & RECONCILIATION SCHEDULE

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

4:00 pm Reconciliation  
Church of Saint Joseph

5:00 pm Mass †James Schaefer  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Saint John the Baptist Parish

10:00 am Mass †Leo & †Theresa Gatzel  
Church of Saint Joseph

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

No Mass Today

### TUESDAY, DECEMBER 6

11:00 am Mass of Christian Burial — Phillip Janey  
Church of Saint Joseph

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

8:30 am Mass †Alvina Klocker  
Saint John the Baptist Parish

11:00 am Mass of Christian Burial — Thomas Shantz  
Church of Saint Joseph

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8 — IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

9:00 am Mass †Marvin Butkowski  
Church of Saint Joseph

6:30 pm Mass for Our Parishes  
Church of Saint Joseph

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

9:00 am Mass †Oswald Thelen  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

4:00 pm Reconciliation  
Church of Saint Joseph

5:00 pm Mass †Joe, †Magdalene &  
†Eugene Schmidt  
Church of Saint Joseph

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

8:30 am Mass for Our Parishes  
Saint John the Baptist Parish

10:00 am Mass †Jennifer Wenning  
Church of Saint Joseph

## UPCOMING EVENTS

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 3

8:00 am | Women's Prayer Group, Heritage Hall

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 4

8:00 am | KC Breakfast, Heritage Hall (until Noon)

9:15 am | Saint John the Baptist Faith Formation,  
Parish Center

9:30 am | Speaker: Therese Wallner, Parish Center

6:30 pm | Saint Joseph FF Gr. 9-11, Heritage Hall

### MONDAY, DECEMBER 5

8:00 am | Church Cleaning Volunteers,  
Church of Saint Joseph

1:00 pm | Care Partners, Parish Meeting Room

4:00 pm | Our Loss, Our Gain, Parish Meeting Rm

5:00 pm | Baptism Prep, Parish Meeting Room

### TUESDAY, NOVEMBER 6

1:30 pm | Enhanced Fitness, Heritage Hall

7:00 pm | Contemporary Choir Rehearsal, Church

### WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 7

9:00 am | Coffee & Conversation, Saint John the  
Baptist Parish Center

9:30 am | Advent Reflection Group, Saint John the  
Baptist Parish Center

10:00 am | Willing Hands, Heritage Hall

1:30 pm | Chair Yoga, Heritage Hall

6:30 pm | Faith & Fellowship Night, Heritage Hall

### THURSDAY, DECEMBER 8

1:30 pm | Enhanced Fitness, Heritage Hall

7:30 pm | IGNITE Youth Gathering, Heritage Hall

7:30 pm | Adult Choir Rehearsal, Church

### FRIDAY, DECEMBER 9

9:30 am | Friday Social, Heritage Hall

### SATURDAY, DECEMBER 10

8:00 am | Women's Prayer Group, Heritage Hall

### SUNDAY, DECEMBER 11

9:00 am | Saint Joseph FF Gr. 1-8, Heritage Hall

10:30 am | Children's Liturgy of the Word,  
Gathering Space

6:30 pm | Saint Joseph FF Gr. 9-11, Heritage Hall

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## STAFF SHARING—HANNAH

### A MENTOR IN THEOLOGY

Hello everyone! This is Hannah, your current Conversatio Intern. I am delighted to say that I've been given the opportunity to share a faith experience that has touched my life. I'd love to share with you all is about a unique lady in my life, want to tell you all about Sister Mary Elliot, my favorite nun and a dear family friend, and how having her in my life has been so immensely inspiring! Since I can remember, Sister Mary Elliot has been my favorite person in the entire world. She has been a crucial part of my spiritual growth and a steady source of wisdom for how to become a strong, self-assured woman of God.

Her words rang truer to me as I got older, and the years passed. The need of a theological education for young women, particularly in today's world, was something she stressed to me. She frequently told me, "Theology is not just for men... Theology is for women too!" Since that day, she has been the one who has inspired me to pursue my passion for theology and advance my education. I am presently pursuing my MDIV at the School of Theology, and she has always been the one who has given me the motivation to do so!

Hannah Miers, Conversatio Intern



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# Prayer & Reflection

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## GOSPEL REFLECTION—DECEMBER 4



The Gospel is about the ministry of John the Baptist, as he prepared the people for the coming of Christ. He was baptizing the people in the Jordan River as they admitted their sins. When the Pharisees and Sadducees come to him for baptism, he reminds them that they must produce good fruit as evidence of their re-

pentance. Every tree that does not produce good fruit will be cut down and thrown into the fire.

John goes on to tell them “I am baptizing you with water for repentance, but the one who is coming after me is mightier than I. ... He will baptize you in the Holy Spirit and fire. His winnowing fan is in his hand. He will clear his threshing floor and gather his wheat into his barn, but the chaff he will burn in unquenchable fire.” We too have been baptized with water and the Holy Spirit. How do we produce good fruit? How do we live out the commands of Jesus?

Believing in what we proclaim by our words and our actions challenges us to take a hard look at who we are and what God is calling us to be! What good fruit did you produce today, this week?

*S. Betty Larson, OSB, Pastoral Ministry*

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF DEC. 4

- SUNDAY:** Is 11:1-10/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17/  
Rom 15:4-9/Mt 3:1-12
- MONDAY:** Is 35:1-10/Ps 85:9ab and 10, 11-12, 13-14/  
Lk 5:17-26
- TUESDAY:** Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/  
Mt 18:12-14
- WEDNESDAY:** Is 40:1-11/Ps 96:1-2, 3 and 10ac, 11-12, 13/  
Mt 18:12-14
- THURSDAY:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- FRIDAY:** Gn 3:9-15, 20/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/  
Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/Lk 1:26-38
- SATURDAY:** Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16,  
18-19/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
- NEXT SUNDAY:** Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10/  
Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

## PLEASE PRAY FOR...

All who are lonely, grieving or estranged, military men and women and their families, all the ill or suffering, people of the Diocese of Vijayapuram, India, all farmers, all frontline healthcare workers and workers & volunteers in foreign lands.

### CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

A Special Intention, Duffy Barton, Greg Barton, Judy Bruemmer, Vince DeVargas, Carol Fries, Caroline Glatzel, Beatriz Adriana Gomez, Larry Hering, Cliff Hilsgen, Bernadette Hughes, Bernie Imholte, Anita Janey, Jack Johnson, Deanna Kasella, Karen Kiffmeyer, Amy Klaphake, Becky Klaphake, Connie Lacher, Ann Leedah, Waylon Ludvigson, Becky Maus-Nelson, Jean Nierengarten, Nic Nierengarten, Miles Oliver, Jennifer Oswald, Marjorie Pfannenstein, John Schelanka, Carol Schindler, Richard Schmidtbauer, Susan Sink, John H. Stang, Jason Thompson, Kay Tintes, Bob Valek, Eileen Walz, Bill Wasner and Sue Zimmer.

## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

George Bauer, Paul Dukowitz, Gloria Ebacher, Denis Hynes, Leo Heck, Baby Henry Lomheim, Gen Ludowese, Larry Notch, Anthony Scholz, and Nancy Wenner

*To add or remove a name for the Prayer Corner, call the parish office.*

## IN LOVING REMEMBRANCE

Remember in your prayers those who have recently died.

Arlene Thiesen, Shirley Bloch, Todd Case, Marjorie Pfannenstein, Phillip Janey, and Thomas Shantz.

*“May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.”*

## UPCOMING ACC & AREA EVENTS

### ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE

Please plan to join us for an Advent Reconciliation Service for our Benedictine Area Catholic Community of Saint Joseph and Saint John the Baptist on Saturday December 17<sup>th</sup> at 1:00 pm at St. John's Parish Center.

### BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL

In this first week of Advent, please remember the diocesan ministries that, through your generosity, continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. Please keep them thriving by making a gift at [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

### HABITAT FOR HUMANITY ADVENTURE!

The Social Justice Committee is once again offering the opportunity to get involved with Habitat For Humanity. If you have been hesitant to get started or are a veteran Habiter, now is the time to make it easy on yourself and join other parishioners in this adventure. We are joining Habitat for six Wednesday afternoons from 12:30 to 4:30 this fall/winter. If interested, please sign up by calling the Roske home at 363-8687 and leave a message. Join us!

### ADVENT/CHRISTMAS CONCERT—12/11

Please join us on Sunday, December 11, 2022 at 12:00 p.m. for a Advent/Christmas Concert with music by Holy Spirit Church, St. Anthony's Church and Newman Center Adult Choirs. There will be traditional Christmas music for the whole family. This event is free and open to the public. The will take place at Church of the Holy Spirit, 2405 Walden Way, St. Cloud.

### CELEBRATE OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE

A Special Celebration in Honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe: 7 pm Live Music, 8 pm Salsa Dancing/ tacos and more! Share in a Candlelight Vigil with Outdoor Rosary at 6 pm and Spanish Mass at 5:15 pm! All are welcome! Festivities are at All Saints/ST. HEDWIG'S in Holdingford on SATURDAY, DEC. 10. For more information contact Rachele at 320-200-8331. *Sponsored by the Frassati Outdoor Club and Knights of Columbus #16455.*

### BREAKFAST—HOLY SPIRIT CHURCH 12/11

Please join us for breakfast on Sunday, December 11, serving from 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Church of the Holy Spirit, 2405 Walden Way, St. Cloud. The menu features ham, sausage, pancakes with fruit toppings, scrambled eggs, hash browns, cinnamon and caramel rolls, fruit and beverages. Adults \$10, children ages 5-17 \$5 and ages 4 and under eat free.

### MARY BOTZ MEMORIAL BLOOD DRIVE—12/8

On Thursday, December 8th from Noon to 6:00 pm, the Mary Botz Memorial Blood Drive will take place at Resurrection Lutheran Church.

### ADVENT HEALING MASS—12/11

The Crosier Fathers and Brothers will celebrate an **Advent Healing Mass** on Sunday, Dec. 11, 2022. We would be grateful if you could help announce this liturgical celebration in your parish bulletin, community newsletter or website. Please find the text for a bulletin announcement below, as well as a PDF flyer announcement.

## Stewardship Updates

### SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

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|---|-------------|
| Adult Contributions                     | \$2,170.00  |
| Donations Fiscal Year to Date           | \$45,492.00 |
| Budgeted Donations Fiscal YTD           | \$55,335.00 |
| Catholic Charities Donations            | \$55.00     |
| Archdiocese Military Service Collection | \$359.00    |

*Thank you to those who continue to mail contributions and contribute via Electronic Bank Transfers. Your generosity is greatly appreciated.*

### SAINT JOSEPH

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|-------------------------|--------------|
| Budget 11/20            | \$9,320.99   |
| Adult 11/20             | \$11,912.00  |
| Youth 11/20             | \$55.01      |
| Holy Days & Holidays    | \$303.00     |
| Difference              | \$2,949.02   |
| Budgeted Year to Date   | \$247,240.79 |
| Received Year to Date   | \$221,900.71 |
| Year to Date Difference | -\$25,340.08 |

# Parish Updates

## SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST PARISH

### COFFEE CAKES!

Coffee Cake orders will be available for pick up on Sunday, December 11<sup>th</sup> following Mass. We would like to offer a very special thank you to the many volunteers who mix the dough, bake, package and clean up after the baking of our coffee cakes, without you all this fundraiser would not be possible!

### ADVENT REFLECTION GROUP

Join our Advent Reflection Group each Wednesday mornings during Advent. The group meets following Mass and Breakfast on Wednesdays in the parish center (approximately 9:30 am). The group's discussions focus on the book: **Advent, Season of Divine Encounter** by Amy Ekeh. Join us, as we look closely at key Scripture passages to recall, recognize, and anticipate the ways God comes into our lives and our world.

### PARISH DEATH ANNIVERSARIES

Please hold the families of the following parishioners whose death anniversaries take place during the coming week in your prayers.

- December 4, 1952: Edgar Neussendorfer
- December 4, 1955: Scholastica Quincy
- December 5, 1899: Maria Tschida
- December 6, 1940: John Sr. Eisenschenk
- December 6, 2001: Albert Kuebelbeck
- December 7, 1941: Edith Meyer
- December 8, 1920: Peter Eich
- December 10, 1932: John Kraemer

*May the souls of the faithful departed rest in peace.*

### FAITH FORMATION UPDATES

December 18:

- Faith Formation 9:15-10:30am
- Adult Session: 9:15-10:30: Kevin Kluesner, a retired financial planner and parishioner of St. Joseph will be explaining and answering questions. This is an add-on to last year's talk about IRAs, Roth IRAs, investments and how to plan for retirement whether you are 30, 40, 50, 60 years of age, or retired. Kevin will give us some sensible tips on how to maneuver financially through life. (An important life topic) Breaking Bread follows serving Tacos in a Bag and a cookie

### FOLLOW US ON SOCIAL MEDIA

We encourage you to follow the parish on social media. Daily meditation or parish updates can be found on our Facebook page at [www.facebook.com/sitbparish](http://www.facebook.com/sitbparish) or subscribe to our **Benedictine Catholic Community** YouTube channel: [https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2Sw98uxz5BJ7\\_Ders65WJw](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UC2Sw98uxz5BJ7_Ders65WJw) for notifications of Live Mass recordings.

### ADDITIONAL MASS OPTIONS

We will continue to offer LIVE radio broadcast of our Sunday Mass to vehicles in our parking lot (Communion will be distributed to the parking lot). If you are ill, please do not attend Mass. Sunday Masses will also continue to be livestreamed on YouTube and our Facebook page. There is also over-flow seating available on Sundays in Mary Chapel with televised mass Live. If you are home-bound and need Eucharist delivered, please contact Julie in the parish office to make arrangements.

BENEDICTINE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF

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SAINT JOSEPH & SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

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ADVENT  
RECONCILIATION  
SERVICE

Saturday, December 17, 2022  
1:00 p.m.  
St. John 's Parish Center



We encourage you to take some time out of your busy schedule to lift up your burdens and settle your soul with Christ in the form of reflection and the opportunity to receive the sacrament of individual reconciliation.

| DATE                 | LECTOR(S)   | EUCARIST MINISTERS   | SACRISTAN | SERVER      | GIFT BEARERS               | USHERS                 |
|----------------------|-------------|--|-----------|-------------|----------------------------|------------------------|
| Dec. 11th<br>8:30 am | Denis Hynes | Dan Ortloff (O), Linda McNair,<br>Joyce Abeln, Denis Hynes | Bob Simon | Nick Hansen | Bob Mayers<br>Alice Mayers | Lee Wolf<br>Carol Wolf |

## CHURCH OF SAINT JOSEPH

### CHRISTMAS CARD SALE—THIS WEEKEND

The Knights of Columbus have donated Christmas cards for the youth to sell, with the proceeds going to youth ministry. We plan to sell the Christmas cards the weekend of December 3-4 after the 5:00 pm and 10:00 am Masses.

### LOOKING FOR CHRISTMAS TREASURES

As you decorate for Christmas and find items that you would like to share with others please think about donating them to the 2023 Christmas Treasure Sale. Items can be left in Heritage Hall or if you need help with larger items please call 363-4588 for pick up service.

### IGNITE THURSDAY DECEMBER 8TH

Come for the 6:30pm Mass to celebrate the Feast of the Immaculate Conception. Wear blue to celebrate Mary! A group of youth will sit together for this special Mass. All youth in grades 6-12 are invited to stay for Christmas cookie decorating, games, and Christmas music in Heritage Hall from 7:30-8:30pm. Hope to see you there!

### NEED A CHRISTMAS CARD FOR A GIFT?

Looking for the perfect card to hold a gift? Willing Hands has specially designed numerous cards to hold a check, cash, or a gift card. Now available in Heritage Hall!

### LITURGICAL MINISTERS NEEDED

We need liturgical ministers for our two Holy Day Masses on Thursday of this week.

A sign-up sheet is on the counter in the East Entrance.

### WE REMEMBER...

Mary Kluesner, mother of Kevin (Amy) Kluesner who recently died. Please keep Mary and her family in your prayers.

### SAINT JOSEPH FAITH FORMATION DATES

#### Thursday, December 8

- Ignite-7:30-8:30 pm

#### Sunday, December 11

- Faith Formation: Grades 1-8: 9:00-9:50 am
- Liturgy of the Word for Children: During 10 am Mass.
- Faith Formation: Grades 9-10-11: 6:30-8:00 pm

#### Friday, December 16

- KID'S NIGHT OUT: 5:00-6:30 pm

#### Sunday, December 18

- Faith Formation: Grades 1-8: 9:00-9:50 am
- Liturgy of the Word for Children: During 10 am Mass.

#### Sunday, December 25

- Liturgy of the Word for Children: During 10 am Mass.

## Faith and Fellowship Evening

Church of Saint Joseph, St. Joseph, Minnesota

Wednesday, December 7, 2022--6:30-8:00 pm

### Advent Eucharistic Adoration

The evening will include:

#### In Church at 6:30 pm

Benediction and Holy Hour  
Reflection on the Eucharistic Revival by Fr. Brad  
Opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation  
Music by Abby Thomas

#### Refreshments

in Heritage Hall following  
Eucharistic Adoration

The Advent Season is a wonderful time to reflect, pray and "just be" in the

#### PRESENCE of GOD

This evening offers that opportunity.

All are WELCOMED!



## KID'S NIGHT OUT

Friday, December 16th, 2022

Heritage Hall--5:00-6:30 pm

Church of Saint Joseph--Saint Joseph, MN

There will be "carnival games,"  
a coloring corner, food, prizes, and surprises!

Children--Ages 4 through grade 6

Admission: \$5.00 per child and a non-perishable  
food item for the Saint Joseph Food Shelf.

Please call or email to let us know you are coming  
so, we have enough of everything!  
ffdirector@churchstjoseph.org or 320-363-7505 ext. 533

If it's a last-minute decision and you cannot  
"register" beforehand, come anyway!

Students--Grade 7 and older are invited to sign up as  
helpers by calling or emailing the Faith Formation Office.  
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