

For the Week 11/30 to 12/7:

12/1	Monday	No Service Today		
12/2	Tuesday	9:00 AM	Bridgeport	George & Neola Haag
12/3	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Dalton	Rosa Devier
12/3	Wednesday	12:00 Noon	Bridgeport	Ministerial Meeting
12/3	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Oshkosh	Communal Penance Service
12/4	Thursday	6:30-7:30 AM	Bridgeport	Men's Prayer Breakfast
12/4	Thursday	9:00 AM	Bayard	Dec. of Gusman & Sanchez Families
12/4	Thursday	7:00 PM	Dalton	RCIA Class
12/5	Friday	No Service Today		
12/6	Saturday	6:00 PM	Bayard	For the People of the Parish
12/7	Sunday	8:00 AM	Dalton	Richard VanAnne & Tyler VanAnne
12/7	Sunday	10:30 AM	Bridgeport	Joe & Vera Davicco
12/7	Sunday	1:30 PM	Skyview Nursing Home	Non-Denominational Service
12/7	Sunday	3:00-4:00 PM	Bridgeport	Holy Hour for Vocations

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - - -

This Sunday marks the beginning of our Advent season. Use this time for more than shopping for Christmas. Make an effort to spiritually prepare for the celebration of our Lord's birth. We have our Little Blue Books available for your daily reading. Take one and read it. Make an effort to get your family to Mass each Sunday and on the special holy days during the Advent and Christmas seasons. Note below the dates and times for our upcoming Communal Reconciliation services. And our Food Pantry donations are a good way to remember and help the less fortunate among us. Drop your nonperishable foods off at church when you come to Mass. Let your Advent this year make a difference in your life.

Please write down and give me the names of any families with children who will have difficulty providing gifts for them this Christmas. Please get these to me this week. Thank you.

Please help us maintain the appearance of our new missals in the pews. If not properly inserted the books and their plastic covers can become bent and damaged. A recent expense was payment for these new 2015 missals in the pews. All Souls cost \$734.00, St. Mary's came to \$673.00, while Sacred Heart's cost \$459.00.

At the end of the month of December the premium for the priest's health insurance is due. Even though it is down a little this year, yet it is still a big expense for us. Sacred Heart's share is \$3,587.50, St. Mary's is \$5,022.50, and All Souls is \$5,740.00. I need especially extra help at All Souls in meeting this expense. Any extra donations this month will be a great help.

To our friends in Dalton, we have a website for St. Mary's Parish set up by Jennifer Eckhardt and Kristin Linton. It includes the weekly schedule of Masses as well as many other items of interest. Check it out at stmarysdalton.com

Sacred Heart	All Souls	Saint Mary's
PO Box 190 Box 346 Bayard NE 69334-0190 NE 69131-0346 308-586-1160 308-377-2440	PO Box 250 Bridgeport NE 69336-0250 C: 308-262-0709 R: 308-262-1332	PO Dalton
Pastor: David L. Rykwald <small>Bookkeeper/Secretary: Carolyn Gusman</small>		

NEWS ALERT! I have adopted a cat from the Humane Society. She is three years old and her name is Sophie. That was my mother's name, and when I saw her name, I thought maybe that was a sign for me to adopt her. Sophie has a good personality. She will have a good home.

Center. It is potluck, so bring your favorite dish. There is a red & green gift exchange of 5 to 7 dollars.

CHRISTMAS TEA -Ladies are invited to the Christmas Tea Messiah Lutheran Church in Broadwater on Monday, Dec. 1st at 2:00 PM. Please come and bring a friend.

SERVICE OF MEMORY - Dugan-Kramer Funeral Chapel will hold a special service to remember deceased loved ones during this special time of year. Regardless of the funeral home your family used, you are invited on Sunday, Dec. 7th at 2:00 PM. An ornament will be hung on the tree in memory of your loved one. At the conclusion of the service the ornament will be given to your family.

UPCOMING ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICES - All Souls Service will be Wednesday, Dec. 10th at 7:00 PM. St. Mary's service in Dalton will be Thursday, Dec. 11th at 7:00 PM. Bayard Sacred Heart will celebrate the Sacrament on Wednesday, Dec. 17th at 7:00 PM. Please mark your calendars.

AN UPCOMING WORKSHOP - GROWING AND CULTIVATING A STEWARDSHIP HEART - The Diocese is sponsoring this presentation at several sites around the Diocese. There is one at Alliance Holy Rosary Church on Sat., January 17th from 8:30 to 4:30 PM. There is no cost, and lunch will be provided. They are asking us to pre-register by Dec. 15th so they can plan for the numbers. I strongly encourage you to use this opportunity for spiritual enrichment. I have asked our Council members and Parish Trustees to attend. This is open to all

ST. MARY'S PARISH - A REMINDER - During snowfall season the chair family of each month is responsible in getting the help necessary in clearing the snow around the church, including the ramp and the porch at the front doors. Your diligence will be appreciated on the days we use the church for rel. ed. and for Masses. Thank you.

MARRIAGE HELP - Retrouvaille has helped tens of thousands of couples at all stages of disillusionment in their marriage. This program can help you too. For confidential information about or to register for the program being offered Feb. 20-22, 2015 in Schuyler, Ne., call 1-888-317-5654 or check the web at www.retrouvaille.org

Sacred Heart

- Cleaning for December - All Members
- Prayer chain requests may be made to Paula Contreras - 586-2992 or Berna O'Neal - 262-9990

All Souls:

- Prayer line requests may be made to JoAnn - 262-0558 or Doreen - 262-1430.
- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.

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Our Gift to God Last Weekend's Collection

Accounts	All Souls	St. Mary's	Sacred Heart
Adult	\$387.00	\$716.00	\$511.00
Youth	\$9.00	\$3.00	\$4.75
Plate	\$56.00	\$47.00	\$93.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$452.00	\$766.00	\$608.75
Campaign for Human Dev.	\$189.00	\$143.00	\$85.00
Refund	\$61.00		
Stole/Stipend			
Rent			
Appeal			
Building Fund			
TOTALS	\$702.00	\$909.00	\$693.75

ALL SOULS CCW CHRISTMAS PARTY - All ladies are invited for the annual party this Monday at 6:30 PM at the Parish