

For the Week 12/14 to 12/21:

12/14	Sunday	3:00 PM	Sidney St. Patrick's	Communal Penance Service
	Sunday	3:00 PM	Bridgeport	Religious Education Caroling (meet at Center)
12/15	Monday	No Service Today		
12/16	Tuesday	9:00 AM	Bridgeport	Demas Vasquez
	Tuesday	7:00 PM	Dalton	RCIA Class
12/17	Wednesday	8:30 AM	Dalton	Deceased of Hopkins Family
	Wednesday	7:00 PM	Bayard	Communal Penance Service
12/18	Thursday	9:00 AM	Bayard	Jane Kiesel
12/19	Friday	No Service Today		
12/20	Saturday	6:00 PM	Bayard	Dec. of Wright & Grandstaff Families
12/21	Sunday	8:00 AM	Dalton	For the People of the Parish
	Sunday	10:30 AM	Bridgeport	Ann Clouse-Loxterkamp
	Sunday	3:00 PM	Scottsbluff St. Agnes	Communal Penance Service
	Sunday	6:00 PM	Gering Christ the King	Communal Penance Service

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK - - -

If you have not already gone to the Sacrament of Reconciliation for Christmas, there is still time. Check the schedule above for the services in Gering and Scottsbluff. There will be a communal service this Wednesday at 7:00 PM at Bayard Sacred Heart. Father Harr and I will be there. I will also be available during the week and weekend for the traditional confession. Take time to prepare yourself spiritually for our Lord's birthday.

Those parishioners at Dalton making special donations towards the new lights should make their checks out to St. Mary's with the memo at the bottom marked for the new lights. Just put your check or envelope into the regular collection at Mass, or give it directly to Father Dave. We need to raise \$25,000.

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 special donations to the parish this Christmas will be very much appreciated. You may mark the memo "for insurance".

THIS WEEKEND - RETIREMENT FUND FOR RELIGIOUS COLLECTION - Your gift to today's collection provides vital support for the retirement needs of our retired sisters, brothers and religious order priests. Share your gratitude for these men and women who made a positive difference in so many lives.

UPCOMING ADVENT COMMUNAL RECONCILIATION SERVICE - Bayard Sacred Heart will celebrate the Sacrament on Wednesday, Dec. 17th at 7:00 PM. Please mark your calendars.

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

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE - Christmas Eve Masses are at 6:00 PM at Sacred Heart and 9:00 PM at All Souls. The Christmas Day Mass will be at 9:00 AM at St. Mary's.

following the 10:00 AM cleaning and decorating for Christmas. Please sign up in the gathering area at church or RSVP to Berna O'Neal at 308-262-9990. There is no charge for the meal. It is compliments of the Association.

SACRED HEART CHRISTMAS EVE MASS - Those able to help with singing, contact Mary Mau as soon as possible.

TOYS FOR TOTS IN SCOTTSBLUFF - The Knights of Columbus invite you to help with this program in picking out the toys and wrapping them. See the schedule on the bulletin board at church in Bridgeport and Bayard. Student volunteers can help as well.

CONFIRMATION CLASSES - The student reports on their Confirmation names is due before Christmas. Get them to your teacher. Also, a reminder for the candidates who have not yet made a retreat experience this year, there is the **TEENS ENCOUNTER CHRIST** weekend coming up in North Platte on Jan. 17th-19th. It begins at 9:30 AM on Saturday and ends at 4:00 PM on Monday. Go to youth.gidiocese.org to register.

BRIDGEPORT STUDENTS CLOTHING DRIVES - Students are asking for donations of lightly used clothing of any kind, such as t-shirts, pants, gloves, hats, etc. There will be a box in the entry of All Souls Church where you can place the items until the end of December. The clothes will be taken to the clothes closet operated by Mimi Linch at the Presbyterian Church. Thank You.

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. 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.

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.

Saint Mary's:

- The rosary is prayed one-half hour before Mass. Please come early and pray.
- Prayer line requests may be made to Margaret - 377-2420.

Our Gift to God: Last Weekend's Collection:

Accounts	All Souls	St. Mary's	Sacred Heart
Adult	\$1,142.00	\$900.00	\$375.00
Youth	\$27.00	\$8.00	\$0.00
Plate	\$463.00	\$61.00	\$374.00
SUB-TOTAL	\$1,632.00	\$969.00	\$749.00
Insurance	\$3,200.00		
Immaculate Conception	\$32.00	\$20.00	
Lighting Project		\$3,300.00	
Stole/Stipend		\$50.00	\$60.00
Retired Religious Fund	\$15.00		
Christmas Flowers	\$15.00		
Christmas Offering			
Appeal			
Building Fund	\$157.00		\$10.00
TOTALS	\$4,894.00	\$4,339.00	\$809.00



SACRED HEART DECORATING & LUNCHEON - SUNDAY, DEC. 21st - You are invited to a catered luncheon