



Winter Break Schedule

December 19 - January 13

MASS

SATURDAY: 5:00pm-Newman Hall

SUNDAY: 9:30am/11:00am/5:00pm-KSU Alumni Center

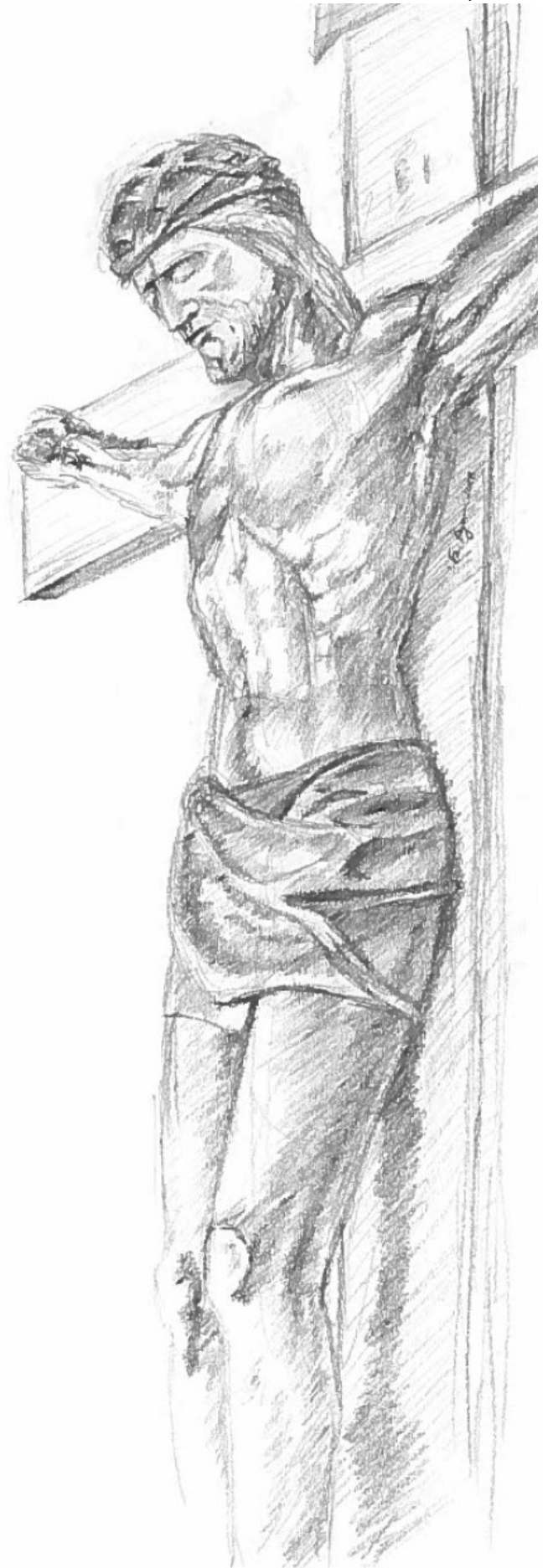
Livestream -Sunday 9:30am Mass on Facebook - St. Isidore's Catholic Student Center

TUE/WED/THURS/FRI: 12:10 PM-Newman Hall

(No Daily Masses or Confessions January 2-6)

Sacrament of Reconciliation

FRIDAYS: 11:00 am - Newman Hall



Sacrament of Baptism: An instruction class is required for the baptism of the first child. Contact Diane Mack for information at dmack@stisidores.com.

Sacrament of Marriage: Six-month preparation period is required. Contact Diane Mack at dmack@stisidores.com for information at least six months prior to your intended wedding date.

RCIA: If you, or someone you know, are interested in learning more about the Catholic faith, please contact Andy Brandt at abrandt@stisidores.com to register. Class begins in September and ends in April of each year.

St. Isidore's Staff

Fr. Gale Hammerschmidt	Pastor, Chaplain
Fr. Matt Davied	Parochial Vicar
Frank Schmeidler	Director of Worship
Robert Jennings	Director of Evangelization
Ron Ratliff	Theology Instructor
Jeanae Brungardt	Director of Stewardship
Vaughn Kohler	Director of Development
Andy Brandt	Konza Catholic/RCIA Director
Diane Mack	Sacramental Coordinator
Heather Gritton	Finance Manager
Quenten Troyer	Facilities Manager
Traci McCarthy (PT)	Administrative Assistant
Lori Harlan (PT)	Social Coordinator

Winter Break Office Hours

Monday - Friday 9:00am-12:00pm phone: 785-539-7496

email: stisidores@stisidores.com

We extend a sincere welcome to all K-State students, faculty and staff, visiting parents, alumni, and friends. It is great to have you here! Registration is available online at www.stisidores.com/contact/register for students and permanent community.

MASS INTENTIONS

Saturday, December 17

5:00 pm – † Ray Feldkamp

Sunday, December 18

9:30 am – † Ron Maneth

11:00 am – † Larry Maxwell

5:00 pm – St. Isidore's Community

Tuesday, December 20

12:10 pm – † Cecilia Denault

Wednesday, December 21

12:10 pm – † John Linenberger

Thursday, December 22

12:10 pm – † Joanna Baker

Friday, December 23

12:10 pm – † William Temaatt

Saturday, December 24

5:00 pm – † Daniel Keating

12:00 am – St. Isidore's Community

Sunday, December 25

9:30 am – † Leon Cocozzoli

MINISTRY SCHEDULE

DECEMBER 24 - JANUARY 1

Christmas Eve 5:00 pm

Altar Server: Volunteer

EMHC: Kevin and Kris Nalette

Hospitality: Volunteer / Volunteer

Lector: Volunteer

Midnight Mass

Altar Server: Volunteer

EMHC: David Cramer

Hospitality: Volunteer

Lector: Manuel Gonzalez

Christmas Day 9:30 am

Altar Server: Volunteer

EMHC: Volunteer

Hospitality: Volunteer

Lector: Volunteer

Saturday, December 31 5:00 pm

Altar Server: Danilo Tedesco

EMHC: Manuel Gonzalez

Hospitality: Galen and Linda Craghead

Lector: Volunteer

Sunday, January 1 9:30 am

Altar Server: Volunteer

EMHC: Diane Mack / Brad Starnes

Hospitality: Kurt and Pam Dillon

Lector: Justine May

Sunday, January 1 11:00 am

Altar Server: Volunteer

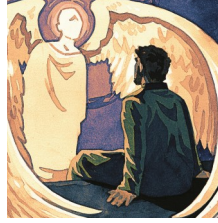
EMHC: Joe and Marie Ney

Hospitality: David Cramer / Kim Ross

Lector: Kent Hampton

Fourth Sunday of Advent

December 18, 2022



SUNDAY READINGS

Is 7:10-14 *Ps* 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6

Rom 1:1-7 *Mt* 1:18-2

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Daily Mass will be Tuesday-Friday at 12:10 in Newman Hall. Confessions will be Fridays at 11:00. We will not have Daily Mass or Confession the week of Jan. 2-6. Our office hours for Winter Break are 9:00-12:00. The office will be closed on Dec. 26 and Jan. 2.

Manhattan Catholic Community Connected

The MC3 committee invites you and our Catholic community to celebrate the "Real Catholic" Christmas season which begins Christmas Eve and concludes with the Epiphany of the Lord. Join us on **Saturday, Jan. 7** at 7:00pm for Vespers and a dessert reception at Seven Dolours Church.

2022 Contributions

Donations that appear on the 2022 Contribution Statements must be postmarked by December 31, 2022 or delivered to the office by noon on January 3, 2022. All checks must be dated December 31, 2022 or before. All contributions received after that will appear on the 2023 Contribution Statements. 2022 Statements will be sent in mid-January to those giving a \$250 or greater gift (non-cumulative), all registered parishioners, or anyone that requests one. If you have any questions or would like to request a statement, please contact Heather Gritton at hgritton@stisidores.com.

Women's Spirituality Conference

St. Thomas More is hosting the 17th Annual Women's Spirituality Conference on January 28, 2023. Sarah Hart will present a Prayer & Song Retreat. For more information or to register, visit <http://bit.ly/WomConf23>.

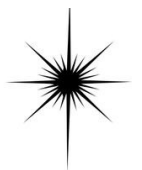
Christmas Masses

Saturday, December 24 - Christmas Eve

5:00 pm and Midnight - KSU Alumni Center

Sunday, December 25 - Christmas Day

9:30 am - KSU Alumni Center



May you be filled with God's peace, hope and love this Christmas and throughout the new year!

Fr. Gale, Fr. Matt, and the St. Isidore's Staff

SUNDAY'S READINGS

FIRST READING:

Therefore the Lord himself will give you this sign:
the virgin shall conceive, and bear a son,
and shall name him Emmanuel. (Is 7:3-4)

PSALM:

Let the Lord enter; he is king of glory. (Ps 24)

SECOND READING:

The gospel about his Son, descended from David
according to the flesh,
but established as Son of God in power. (Rom 1:15)

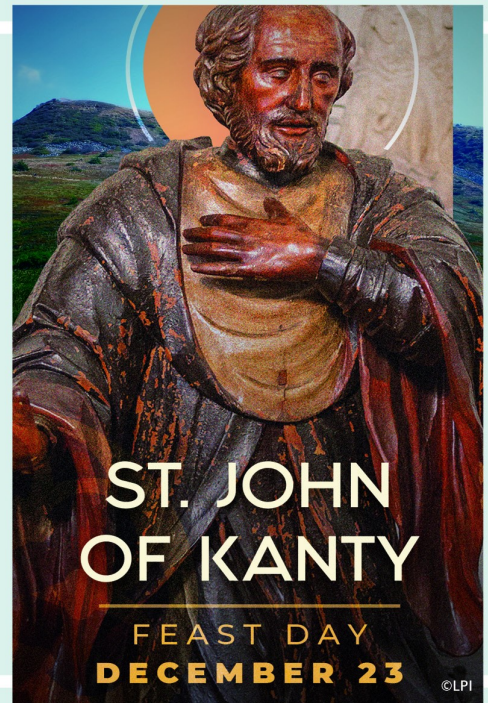
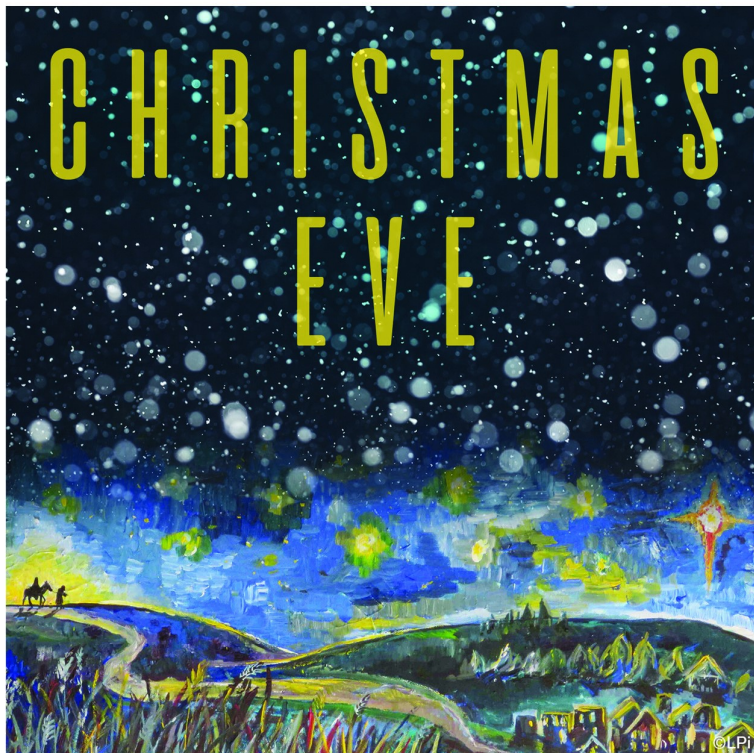
GOSPEL:

The angel of the Lord appeared to him in a dream and said,
"Joseph, son of David,
do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home.
For it is through the Holy Spirit
that this child has been conceived in her. (Mt 1:20)

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OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF DECEMBER 18, 2022

Sunday: 4th Sunday of Advent
Wednesday: St. Peter Canisius, Priest and Doctor of the Church
Friday: St. John of Kanty, Priest
Saturday: Christmas Eve
Next Sunday: The Nativity of the Lord



Saint of the Week

Saint John, sometimes called John Cantius, was born in the Polish town of Kanty in 1390. Not much is recorded about his early life, however, he was a bright young man who did well in his studies at the university in Krakow. He earned his doctorate in philosophy and went on to be ordained and earn a doctorate in theology as well.

He began teaching at the university immediately following the conferring of his doctorate in philosophy. Unfortunately, his popularity worked against him, and he was dismissed from his post on false charges. Saint John was reassigned to a post as a parish priest in the town of Olkusz, Bohemia. His parishioners did not receive him with open arms, and he was unsettled in his new position. But John did not give up, his honest care for the people of his parish eventually endeared him to them.

After a time, he was invited back to the university and he returned to teaching, filling leadership roles in the philosophy and theological areas until the end of his long life. Saint John deeply cared for the poor, giving everything but only what he needed to survive away. He lived an aesthetic life but was such an engaging man that he often dined with nobility. Saint John of Kanty died on December 24, 1473. He was canonized in 1767, by Pope Clement XIII. In 1998, a new religious community chose the saint for their patron and the Canons Regular of Saint John Cantius, was formed in Chicago, Illinois.

ST. JOSEPH THE STEWARD

St. Joseph is one of the greatest examples of stewardship we have in the Gospels. Here is a man who understands care and reverence for the property of God, a man chosen to be steward over the very life and breath of God's Son and Spouse.

Joseph was mindful. He recognized what belonged to God. When he understood that Mary was to be the mother of God, he was not jealous or bitter. He did not presume to claim ownership over her.

Joseph was prayerful. He accepted the opportunity to be in relationship with God, even if it was in a radical and unexpected way. How many of us would trust a crazy dream we have where an angel tells us our fiancée is carrying the Son of God? Well, those of us who are already profoundly connected to God through prayer. Joseph was open to receiving God, and so he was open to the truth in a way many of us would not have been.

Joseph was gracious. Even before he had full understanding of the situation, he was unwilling to expose Mary to shame. He did not give himself over to feelings of betrayal.

Joseph was committed. He persevered. The Lord had no shortage of strange and even dangerous-sounding tasks for Joseph, but he submitted to each one.

Joseph was accountable. When he awoke from his dream, "he did as the angel of the Lord had commanded him, and took his wife into his home."

Joseph was a man entrusted with many gifts, and he gave of them wisely. Let us pray that we have the grace to follow in his example.

—Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS

WHAT IS THE HISPANIC ADVENT CUSTOM OF "LAS POSADAS"?

"Posada" is the Spanish word for inn or lodging. "Las Posadas" refers to a traditional Advent custom in preparation for the birth of Jesus, beginning on December 16. For nine successive evenings, groups reenact the search of Mary and Joseph for shelter in Bethlehem.

Two children dress as Mary and Joseph, sometimes with Mary riding on an actual donkey. They are usually accompanied by children dressed as angels and shepherds along with the Wise Men. Adults accompany them as they process to designated homes where they sing Christmas songs and request lodging. Part of the group enters the home and becomes the chorus that responds to the request for lodging. In the beginning the request is rebuffed. They move to several more homes where the ritual is repeated. Eventually, at the last home, their need is recognized, and they all enter the home where a party ensues.

This is repeated in different neighborhoods and homes each of the nine days.

While this custom teaches children an important aspect of the Christmas story, it also emphasizes the need for hospitality to strangers and the continual need we all have to make room for Jesus in our "posada." As we struggle to arrive at a fair and just immigration policy, it would be good to recall the fact that Mary, Joseph, and Jesus were also immigrants looking for a hospitable place to dwell.



LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

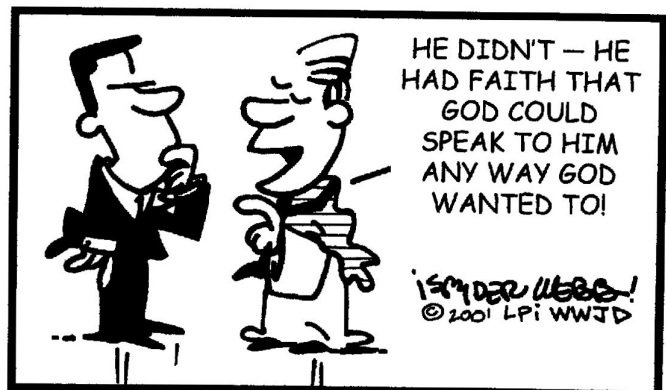
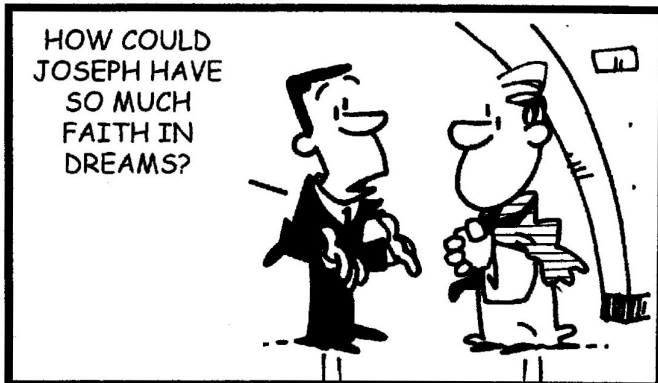
“God is with us.” This is the one constant in the unpredictability of life. The particulars of our lives can change, not only instantly but dramatically. People experiencing a time of peace can easily find themselves at war. Times of prosperity can rapidly become times of want. Our vision for the future can be destroyed, and our securities placed in jeopardy. These final days of Advent allow us to make final preparations. The true safety and security we seek can only come from God. The rest, harmony, and peacefulness we desire are found in God alone. How do we know this to be true? God Himself gave us a sign: Emmanuel, God with us. Do not be afraid, and do not be unbelieving. Hold fast to what God has done in giving us His only begotten Son. We do not have to anxiously attempt to control life’s unpredictability. All we need to do is make sure that our hearts are in the proper place and seeking the right things!



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4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



The MC3 committee invites you and our catholic community to celebrate this "Real Catholic" Christmas season.



*A Real Catholic
Christmas
Saturday,
January 7, 2023
7:00 PM*

Vespers & Desert Reception

Seven Dolors Parish

221 S. Juliette Ave

Manhattan, KS 66502

While much of the world celebrates Christmas the entire month of December, the Catholic Church recognizes the Christmas season begins with Christmas Eve Vigil Masses and concludes with the celebration of the Epiphany of the Lord.

Please join us in the celebration!