

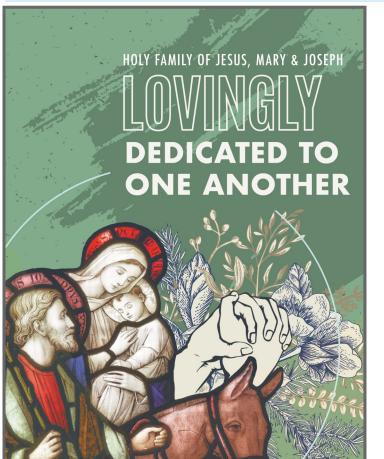
# ST. DOMINIC



## **IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

GRANTSBURG

Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph



I turn to you, dear parents, and implore you to imitate the Holy Family of Nazareth. -St. John Vianney

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## December 28th & 29th, 2024

#### Weekly Mass Times

St. Dominic:		Immaculate Conception:	
Saturday	4:30 PM	Sunday	8:30 AM
Sunday	10:30 AM	Thursday	9:00 AM
Tues & Wed	10:30 AM	Friday	5:30 PM

#### **Parish Contacts**

#### St. Dominic Parish Council

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#### **The Holy Family Prayer**

**JESUS**, Son of God and Son of Mary, bless our family. Graciously inspire in us the unity, peace, and mutual love that you found in your own family in the little town of Nazareth.

MARY, Mother of Jesus and Our Mother, nourish our family with your faith and your love. Keep us close to your Son, Jesus, in all our sorrows and joys.

**JOSEPH,** Foster-father to Jesus, guardian and spouse of Mary, keep our family safe from harm. Help us in all times of discouragement or anxiety.

HOLY FAMILY OF NAZARETH, make our family one with you. Help us to be instruments of peace. Grant that love, strengthened by grace, may prove mightier than all the weaknesses and trials through which our families sometimes pass. May we always have God at the center of our hearts and homes until we are all one family, happy and at peace in our true home with you. Amen

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#### ~~~ Encouraging a Deeper Understanding of the Gospel ~~~

As a first-time pastor in a parish, I received a phone call one afternoon from a young married couple, "Father, our 2-year-old son drowned in our pool this morning. We are at the hospital. Please help us." I sped

over. The little boy was gone, his body cold, slightly blue, laid out on a bed. His parents were distraught and in shock. For the next few years, I walked with the couple along their difficult and painful road. They openly shared with me how they were often tempted to blame and accuse each other for the loss. And yet, by God's grace, their love for each grew stronger and deeper as the years went by.

The Holy Family was not without its

pain and loss, either. Luke tells us, after losing their twelve-year-old son, Joseph and Mary "after three days found him in the temple area, sitting among the teachers..." (Luke 2:46). We don't know specifically what

those three days were like for them except for what Mary says: "Your father and I have been looking for you anxiously." The three days of his absence foreshadow his death and burial. His finding in the temple

> is a kind of resurrection for his family. They had to learn, again and again, that their family was becoming a place where death and resurrection was not only accepted but welcomed and celebrated. But surely they deeply felt the dangerous agony of their loss — just like every couple who has lost a child.

> What losses in your experience of family still cause you anxiety? In what ways has God's presence seemingly van-

ished in your family? Will you keep searching for Jesus? Remember, he will rise and be found. Your family may be suffering, but when he is found, it will be stronger than ever before. — Father John Muir

Holy Family Novena

#### **Solemnity of Mary**

The Solemnity of Mary is on Wednesday, January 1. Please <u>carefully</u> check the times of Masses for this Holy Day.



Dec. 31: SD - 4:30 pm Jan. 1: SD - 9:00 am Dec. 31: IC - 6:30 pm

#### LIVE THE LITURGY - INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

For three days, Mary and Joseph search and worry before finding Jesus in the temple. "Didn't you know where I was?" he says to them, in so many words. We, too, look for Jesus. We, too, know where to find him. Let us never forget and never despair. ©LPi

#### **SD Matching Parking Lot Grant**

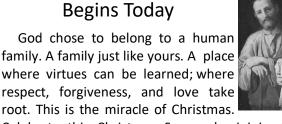
We have a \$10,000 matching parking lot grant. For funds turned in before February  $1^{st}$ , there is a donor who will match up to \$10,000. This does not include pledges, only actual funds received. This is a wonderful way to help us reach our goal for the parking lot.

For those who have IRAs that have Required Minimum Distribution (RMD) for 2025, you can also use a Qualified Charitable Distribution (QCD) to contribute toward this grant.

We currently have about half of the \$50,000 we will need to complete the project next fall.

If you are able to contribute to this matching grant, please mark your gift –Parking Lot Matching Grant.

Thank you!





Celebrate this Christmas Season by joining the Missionaries of the Holy Family in prayer to strengthen your family life. They will be celebrating Mass on each of the nine days. You are encouraged to discover the benefits of this powerful form of prayer.

Day 1: 12/29	Thanksgiving for Family Blessings
Day 2: 12/30	Engaged Couples
Day 3: 12/31	Single Parent Families
Day 4: 1/1	Families with Abuse & Addiction
Day 5: 1/2	Families Caring for the Elderly
Day 6: 1/3	Families Struggling for Unity
Day 7: 1/4	Families with Special Needs
Day 8: 1/5	<b>Religious Vocations in Families</b>
Day 9: 1/6	Your Family's Special Intentions

You are invited to join the Novena by reciting the Holy Family Prayer found on the front of the bulletin and reflecting on the Novena's daily intention listed above. You can also find more information about the novena at https://msf-america.org/holy-family-prayers/holy-familynovena SD Fellowship: January 5

St. Theresa—Mary Wallin

#### New Year's Eve Celebration at IC

Immaculate Conception will be hosting wine and cheese in the social hall after the 6:30 pm Mass on New Year's Eve.

Let us gather as a church family and celebrate the beginning of the new year!



#### Thank You

The members of St. Dominic would like to thank the very generous parishioner for the donation to purchase the beautiful new Advent Wreath in our sanctuary. It is a lovely

addition for Advent and the Christmas season. Thank you very much!

Frederic Nursing Home and CCC in Grantsburg Masses

On Friday, January 3, there will be a 1:30 pm Mass at the Frederic Nursing Home. Please join us!

On Friday, January 3 there will be a 4:00 pm Mass at CCC in Grantsburg. Please join us!

#### CATHOLIC QUESTIONS & ANSWERS?

**Question:** July 26 is the feast of Joachim and Anna. Who are they and what do we know about them?

**Answer:** Joachim and Anna are the parents of Mary, the mother of Jesus, yet there is absolutely no biblical reference to them whatsoever. So where do we get their names, and what is their story?

Their names are found in an apocryphal (hidden) gospel known as "The Infancy Gospel of James." Apocryphal, or hidden gospels, consist of accounts of Jesus' life that were ultimately not accepted as inspired works, and thus were not included in the Bible. However, they sometimes captured the Christian imagination, spilling into the devotional dimension of the community.

James' infancy gospel begins with the parents of Mary and their desire for a child. In their prayer and petitions to God, they are heard and given the blessings of a child, whom they named Mary. While we have no idea who Mary's parents really were, the fact that we celebrate the feast of Joachim and Anna indicates that the bond of family love is important in the Christian life.

Long before Grandparents' Day was established, the church had a feast that honored the presumed grandparents of Jesus. While their names are part of non-inspired apocryphal legends, the fact of the Savior's human ancestry is not. Christ, the incarnate Word, dwelt among us in the flesh in a human family. In honoring the grandparents of Jesus we really proclaim our faith in the Incarnation--God becoming human! ©LPi

#### **Mass Intentions**

We are in need of Mass intentions. If you are looking for a way to remember a deceased loved one, honor a birthday or special event, or prayer for a special need, having a Mass said may be the perfect answer. Mass Intention envelopes can be found in the back of church.

Per Diocesan policy, the stipend for a Mass Intention is \$20.00. Please specify the parish in which you would like the Mass to be celebrated. We try to honor date requests.

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENT

#### Stewardship in the Family

Do you practice good stewardship with your family? Stewardship is about more than offerings to a church or charity. It is about continually giving of ourselves in a way that gives glory to God. Sharing our gifts with those in our immediate family honors God and is evidence of your gratitude for these people in your life.

How can we effectively accomplish this? One way is to reflect on how the 6 characteristics of an Everyday Steward are present in our family relationships. Are we mindful when we are with our family members? Do we focus on them and their needs rather than our phone or TV? Do we hold up our family in prayer? Their concerns should be our concerns. Do we find ways to show how grateful we are for having them in our lives?

When we find ourselves lacking in gratitude, we should reflect on what life would be like without them. Do we help one another without being asked because we have a gracious heart? It is easy to take for granted those we see all the time. Hospitality is not just for the stranger or guest. Are we committed to a life of stewardship that not only serves as a good example, but also helps our relatives thrive? Using our gifts without wisdom might mean we have little to give to those we love. Finally, do we hold each other accountable for our decisions and shortcomings?

We are on the journey of life together, and no one exists in the Body of Christ alone. Stewardship is about the entirety of our lives. Our faith life is not reserved to Mass on a Sunday. It all begins and ends with those we love. — *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS* 

	SD	IC	
Jan. 1	NO CLASS—Happy New Year	NO CLASS—Happy New Year	
Jan. 8	CLASS	CLASS	
Jan. 15	CLASS	CLASS - MASS	

FAITH FORMATION SCHEDULE

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## MASSES AND INTENTIONS

### Saturday, December 28 The Holy Innocents

SD 4:00 pmConfessionsSD 4:30 pmJohn Stocco by Joanne Stocco

#### Sunday, December 29 Holy Family of Jesus, Mary & Joseph

IC	7:45-	8:10	Confessions
IC	8:30	am	People of the Parish
SD	10:30	am	Bev Stumpf by Joanne Stocco

#### Tuesday, December 31

SD 4:30 pm	Rayola Sparish by Ann Froehlich
IC 6:30 pm	Stan Peer by Jim & Karen Kuntz

Wednesday, January 1 Solemnity of Mary SD 9:00 am Twyla Rieck by Ronda Thompson

**Thursday, January 2** SS. Basil the Great & Gregory Nazianzen IC 9:00 am All Souls Day Intentions

#### Friday, January 3

SD 1:30 pm All Souls Day Intentions Frederic Nursing Home - All are Welcome!

IC 4:00 pm All Souls Day Intentions *Continuing Care Center - All are Welcome!* IC 5:30 pm Deceased Members of IC by The CCW

#### Saturday, January 4 St. Elizabeth Ann Seton

SD 4:00 pm	Confessions
SD 4:30 pm	Rosella Van Tassel by Joanne Stocco

#### Sunday, January 5 Epiphany of the Lord

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IC	7:45-8:10	Confessions
IC	8:30 am	Don Deye by Snookie Meier
SD	10:30 am	People of the Parish



#### **Parish Services**

#### Home Bound

Please contact the office to be placed on the communion list or if you would like a ride to Mass on the weekend.

#### **Baptism and Matrimony**

Please call the office to get all the information you need for your upcoming sacrament.

#### Anointing of the Sick

Available by appointment, please contact the office.

#### Prayer Chain

If you need a prayer said for you or your loved ones, please contact the office to begin the prayer chain.

#### Rosary

The Rosary is recited one half hour before weekend Masses.

STEWARDSHIP 12/15/24	SD	IC
Envelope Collection	\$1,070.00	\$1,205.00
Loose Collection	\$421.00	\$432.00
Children's Collection	\$2.85	\$18.50
Immaculate Conception	\$705.00	\$845.00
Parking Lot/Sound System	\$1,000	\$1,700
Outstanding CSA Pledges	\$1,154	\$1,600

#### LITURGICAL MINISTERS AND SERVERS

#### Tuesday, December 31

#### St. Dominic - 4:30 pm

Ushers: Bill Schommer, Don Supinski Greeters: N - Colleen Draxler S - Carol Schommer Lector: Ray Draxler Sacristan: Kathy Supinski Communion: Colleen Draxler Server: Hattie & Carl Antonich

#### Immaculate Conception - 6:30 pm

Lector: Ken Kutz Communion: Shari Harter Sacristan: Shari Harter Ushers: Tim & Jennifer Michel

#### Wednesday, January 1

St. Dominic - 9:00 am Ushers: John Scheidt, VOLUNTEER Greeters: N - Maria Taylor S - VOLUNTEER Lector: Ronda Thompson Sacristan: Elisabeth Franzen Communion: Maria Taylor Servers: Patrick Chenal

#### Saturday, January 4

#### St. Dominic - 4:30 pm

Ushers: Bill Schommer, Don Supinski Greeters: N - Colleen Draxler S - Carol Schommer Lector: Pam Klatt Sacristan: Maria Taylor Communion: Colleen Draxler Server: Steve Swies

#### Sunday, January 5

#### Immaculate Conception - 8:30 am

Homebound: Shari Harter Lector: Pete Lauer Communion: Joan Lauer Sacristan: Joan Lauer Ushers: Mike Cole, Bill Schoettle

#### St. Dominic - 10:30 am

Homebound: Colleen (S), Kathy (L), John (F) Ushers: John & Rosmarie Helling Greeters: N - Sue Wallin S - Mary Erickson Lector: Jo Hasse Sacristan: Dave Malinovsky Communion: Sue Wallin Server: Patrick Chenal