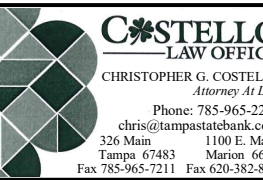


Parish Family Prayer List

Robert Konarik	Carole Sklenar	Deanna Saba, Lou & Anna Voelker's daughter
Larry Schwart	Melissa Whiteside, Cy Garcia's daughter	Betty Mintener, Gertrude Weber's niece
Joe G. & JoAnn Nowak	Jimmy Rudolph	Corey Burton, Collette Haslett's brother
Cecilia Gayle	Amy Raleigh, Bob Raleigh's daughter	Tony Gilbert, Rose Davidson's friend
Amy Vogel	Patty McLinden	Julie & Lloyd Anderson, Bob & Marlene Herzet's friends
John Griffith	Terry Holt	Violet Richmond
Ron Makovec	Joan Winter, Vickie Kraus' friend	Ben Klenda, Mark Klenda's brother
Mark & Pam Jones	Dee Duggan	Dwayne Stroda, LaVada Holub's brother
Frances Bezdek	Monty & Sarah Stuchlik	Pam Suenram, niece of LaVada Holub & Faye Makovec
Susan Ross	Beryl Steiner	Robert Hulett, Madonna Schafers' son-in-law
Jim Brennan	Andrea Klenda	Vince Truax, Jim & Rita Brennan's brother-in-law
Bob Grochowsky, Don & Jeannie Vinduska's brother-in-law	Mark Jirak, brother of Francis, Ron & Steve Jirak, Rita Brunner & Flo Rahn	Benjamin Zorn, Denice Bina's friend deployed to Kuwait
Shannon Tajchman, Mark & Lori Tajchman's daughter		Josh Wetzel, Dennis & Terry Klenda's grandson
Pat Smith	Freddie Burnett	Beth Bouflog & family, Susan Ross's daughter

HOME BOUND & NURSING HOME: Juanita Silhan, Patrick Tajchman, Jane Makovec, Marie Navrat, Vernie Konecny, Frances Bezdek, Gertrude Weber, Glennis Monares, Pat Cooper

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2nd Sunday of Advent
December 8, 2019

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THIS WEEK'S HOLY MASSES & INTENTIONS:

Mon 12/9	Marion 8:00am	Tim Baxa Knight of the Month
Wed 12/11	Marion 8:00am	Richard & Phyllis Hein Family of the Month
Thur 12/12	Pilsen 8:00am	† Mary Silhan
Fri 12/13	Marion 8:00am	† Martinus Kohler
Sat 12/14	Florence 5:00pm	† Bob Gayle, Sr.
Sun 12/15	Marion 8:30am	† Frances Stuchlik
	Pilsen 10:30am	For the Parish

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: Pilsen Tues. 5:00pm - Wed. 1:00am; Tampa Weds. 8:00am - noon; Marion Thurs. 6:00am – Fri. 8:00am.

CONFESSIONS ARE HEARD: By appointment, Saturday in Florence 4:30-4:50pm, Sunday in Marion 8-8:20am, Pilsen 10-10:20am, 20 minutes before daily Mass.

ROSARY: 20 minutes before every Mass.

BAPTISM: Parents contact Fr. Bebak for appointment.

MARRIAGE: Contact Fr. Bebak at least nine months before wedding date. Fr. Bebak will not set a date without first meeting with the couple.

PSR & RCIA: Contact the church office for information.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Thurs. noon, church office.

CAN'T ATTEND MASS DUE TO HEALTH REASONS?

Holy Communion can be brought to you by contacting the church office.

Your Contribution for Nov 30 & Dec 1	\$4,112.85
Weekly Operating Budget	\$4,900.00
Overage (Shortfall)	(\$787.15)
Special Needs	\$125.00

Feast days for the week of Dec. 8th: Mon., Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary Tues., Advent Weekday Wed., St. Damasus I, Pope: Damasus, died 384; preserved papal archives; devoted to the relics & resting places of the martyrs; combated the anti-pope Ursinus, as well as Arian & Donatist heresies; 1st pope to speak of Rome as the "Apostolic See"; encouraged St. Jerome to produce a new translation of the Latin Bible, later to form the main part of the Vulgate. Thur., Our Lady of Guadalupe: Today's feast recalls the apparitions of Mary at the hill of Tepeyac from Dec 9-12, 1531 to the native convert, St. Juan Diego; known to the Aztecs as *Tecoatlaxope* (or *de Guadalupe* in Spanish), meaning "she will crush the serpent of stone"; declared patroness of the Americas by Pope Pius XII & raised to the rank of Feast for all the countries of the Americas in 1999. Fri., St. Lucy, virgin, martyr: Lucy, died in Sicily c. 304 under Diocletian; because of her name, she is the patroness of those afflicted with diseases of the eye & associated with festivals of light, especially in Scandinavia; mentioned in the Roman Canon; patroness of Syracuse & all Sicily. Sat., St. John of the Cross, Priest, Doctor of the Church: John of the Cross, died 1591; born in Spain c. 1542; mystic & poet; ally of Teresa of Jesus of Avila in founding the reformed ("Disalced") Carmelite friars; suffered cruel imprisonment & privations by the unreformed Carmelites; authored *The Dark Night of the Soul*, and other books; known as the "Mystical Doctor"; Disalced Carmelites today number over 4,000 religious. 3rd Sunday of Advent: Is 35:1-6a, 10 Jas 5:7-10 Mt 11:2-11

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS FOR 3RD SUNDAY OF ADVENT, DECEMBER 14 & 15

Readings: Red 483, Blue 884

Holy Communion to Homebound: Marion - Doris Winkler Pilsen - Laverne Bina	Hillsboro - Tena Waner Tampa - Francis & Mary Jirak
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Lector: Bob Gayle, Jr.

Church Cleaning: Dale & Tootsie Snelling

FLORENCE – Saturday, 5:00 p.m.

Gift Bearers: Duane & Lori Kirkpatrick

Ushers: Jim Cyr, Nick Kraus

MARION – Sunday, 8:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Dusty Schoenthaler

Ushers: Mark Jones, Alvin Kroupa, Mitch Guetterman, Doug Marler

Servers: Addison Cooper, Makenna Fenske, Emily Hake

Coffee & Rolls: Richard & Phyllis Hein

Church Cleaning: Chris Stuchlik family

PILSEN – Sunday, 10:30 a.m.

Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion: Jeanne Rziha

Ushers: Ray Bina, Leonard Bina, Randy Svitak, Doug Svitak

Servers: Eli Klenda, Elias Jirak, Daniel & Anthony Rziha, Nicholas Krch

Children Bulletins: Kaitlynn & Adison Bina

Lector: Rose Davidson

Rosary: Pauline Holub

Greeters: Kenneth & Delores Johnson

Gift Bearers: Charles & Kay Tajchman

Lector: David Oborny

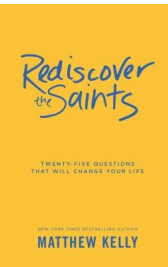
Rosary: Myrna Hamm

Gift Bearers: Greg Holub family

CHOOSE LIFE!

Please pray for marriage & family.

One thing is certain: When the time has come, nothing which is man-made will subsist. One day, all human accomplishments will be reduced to a pile of ashes. But every single child a woman has conceived will live forever, for he has been given an immortal soul made to God's image & likeness.



REDISCOVER THE SAINTS

Fr. Bebak has a Christmas gift for parishioners—a book by Matthew Kelly, “Rediscover the Saints.” This is not just another book about the saints. Both personal and practical, this book proves the saints are not long gone, but alive and well—and

ready to join you on your journey! Discover how inviting the saints into your everyday life will open your eyes to the amazing possibilities God has in store for you! **Discover** how **saints** are not long gone -- but ready to join you on your life journey. Inviting the **saints** into your life will open your eyes to what God has in store for you! Copies are in the back of our churches.

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Would you like to spend an hour with Our Lord? Please stop by to visit Our Lord in -

- **Pilsen:** Tues. 5pm till Wed. 1am,
- **Tampa:** Wed. 8am till noon,
- **Marion:** Thurs. 6am till Fri. 8am.

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Imitating MARY

Looking at the humble Virgin of Nazareth and the glowing splendor of her virtues, we see her as the new Eve, as the lofty daughter of Sion, as the crown of the old Covenant and the dawn light of the New. In her the "fullness of time" came to maturity and God the Father sent His only begotten Son into the world. More than all the prophets and patriarchs, more than the "just and devout" Simeon, it was she who prayed longingly for the "consolation of Israel" and then celebrated His arrival in her womb with the *Magnificat*.

It is with good reason, then, that Christ's Church proposes Mary as a model to be imitated. Following her example, we shall be more worthy to receive the Word of God into our hearts. For as St. Augustine wisely points out: "Mary was more blessed in receiving the faith of Christ than in conceiving the body of Christ. Her motherly closeness to Christ would have meant nothing if she had not carried Christ more happily in her heart than in her womb."

Following Mary's example, the faithful will also be able to fulfill their God-given role in this life with humility and generosity; they will be able to further their own salvation and the salvation of others. The Mother of the Church has even more right than St. Paul to direct this invitation to believing Christians: "Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ." Throughout the centuries, men of faith and love have called her blessed, and we do well to accept her invitation.

She who was free from original sin and possessed outstanding holiness, who was her Son's associate in restoring supernatural life to souls, appears to have a particularly vital message for today's Christians.

Reverently contemplating Mary, they are spurred on to confident prayer, to doing penance, and to cultivating fear of the Lord. Hopefully, this will help them to remember the message Christ preached when He announced the coming of God's kingdom: "Repent and believe in the Gospel" for "unless you repent, you will all perish in the same manner."

~ Pope Paul VI

FROM THE Pastor's Desk

JEST KIDDING

What happens if you get scared half to death...twice?

THANK YOU to Yazel-Megli-Zeiner Funeral Home for the 2020 calendars, found in the back of our churches. Everyone is invited to take one for your home. Be sure to say “thanks” to Brad!

Coming Up in Our Parish Family

Dec 8 - Sun - PL choir practices for Christmas Midnight Mass, 9am.

Dec 9 - Mon - MN Choir DOES NOT practice tonight.

Dec 13 - Fri - Harvest House. Lord's Diner Ministry.

Dec 14 - Sat - St. Pat's A.S. decorates church after FL Mass.

Dec 15 - Sun - PL choir practices for Christmas Midnight Mass, 9am.

Dec 16 - Mon - MN Choir practices for Christmas Mass in MN church, 6:30pm.

Dec 18 - Wed - Knights of Columbus meets, MAC 7pm.

Dec 20 - Fri - CYM hosts parish-wide Christmas caroling at PL 6pm, followed by potluck, games, movie afterwards in church basement. Drinks provided, bring table service.

CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Tuesday, December 24th	5:00 pm, <i>Florence</i> Midnight, <i>Pilsen</i>
Wednesday, December 25th	10:30 am, <i>Marion</i>

MARY, MOTHER OF GOD

HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION MASS SCHEDULE	
Wednesday, January 1st	9:00 am, <i>Marion</i> 7:00 pm, <i>Pilsen</i>

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

This holy day of obligation is usually celebrated on December 8th. However this year it is not a holy day of obligation. The USCCB [United States Conference of Catholic Bishops] explains, “*Since December 8, 2019, is the Second Sunday of Advent, the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is transferred to Monday, December 9, 2019. The obligation to attend Mass, however, does not transfer.*”

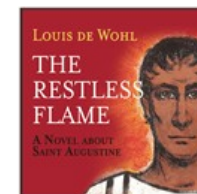
CHRISTMAS CAROLING: HFP CYM would like to invite the parish to go Christmas Caroling at Pilsen, Fri., Dec. 20th at 6pm. Potluck, games & movie to follow caroling. Drinks provided, please bring a dish to share and table service.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS NEWS: Congratulations to:

- Knight of the Month: Tim Baxa, for raising money for the Tootsie Roll Drive, and
- Family of the Month: Richard and Phyllis Hein for their work with the Red Cross blood drive.

CHRISTMAS CALL TO SHARING 2019: We can't fully practice our Catholic faith without the life and ministry of priests. You should have received an invitation to consider a gift to the Christmas Call to Sharing—a gift of gratitude to support retired priests & the education of seminarians. God has blessed us this year with 36 men in the seminary & continues to bless us with so many retired priests who serve the Church in many ways. I would ask that you be as generous as you possibly can be at this most holy time of year.

FORMED.ORG: The Christmas rush is on, but FORMED can keep us vigilant and guide us through Advent in a spirit of awe at the birth of Christ. Opt in to receiving children's reflections with new Brother Francis episodes to include the whole family. Register at signup.formed.org, type "Holy Family, Marion, KS" in the box, type in your email and name; then click "sign up". This will prompt you to open your email to authenticate. Start watching! For questions, contact Mary Jirak (mrsjirak@gmail.com) or Vickie Jirak (vickie_jirak@hotmail.com).



WATCH: “St. Nicholas: The Real Story”

~December 6—St. Nicholas~

AUDIOBOOK: “The Restless Flame”

~December 7—St. Ambrose~



PARISH CHOIRS PRACTICING CHRISTMAS MUSIC AT ~~

PILSEN: The Pilsen Choir invites parishioners to join them in singing at the Christmas Midnight Mass. Practices will be held every Sunday morning at 9am before the Pilsen 10:30am Mass.

MARION: The Marion Choir invites parishioners to join the choir as they sing at the Christmas Day Mass at Marion at 10:30am. Practice will be held on Monday, Dec 16th at 6:30pm. If you'd like to be part of the choir, contact Julie Carlson at 316.833.2455.

YEAR END CHARITABLE CONTRIBUTION RECEIPTING: Please note the procedures for charitable contribution receipts of parishioners who give at year-end. For IRS purposes, a charitable contribution made by cash or check is effective when the cash/check is unconditionally delivered or mailed. Therefore, any donations delivered to the church office by **Tues., Dec. 31st** would be considered a contribution in **2019** while the offertory collection received at the Holy Day Mass on **Wed., Jan. 1st**, would be considered a contribution in **2020**.

