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ST. MALACHY

CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

DECEMBER 7, 2025

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

**Holy Day of Obligation ** Monday, Dec. 8

~ People of the Parishes of 7:00am St. Gregory St. Gregory and St. Malachy

~ Priests of the Archdiocese 12:05pm St. Gregory of Kansas City in Kansas

6:30pm St. Malachy † Judy Hughes

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

Tuesday, Dec. 9

† Richard Hansel 8:15am St. Gregory

Wednesday, Dec. 10

~ Baptismal Anniversary of 12:05pm St. Gregory

Gidian Friedrichs

Thursday, Dec. 11

6:30am St. Gregory ~ Souls Most in Need in Purgatory

~ Living and deceased members of 8:30am St. Malachy Robert & Imelda Skoch family

Friday, Dec. 12

† Brian Polson 8:15am St. Gregory

Saturday, Dec. 13

~ People of the Parishes of 5:30pm St. Gregory St. Gregory and St. Malachy

Sunday, Dec. 14

7:00am St. Gregory † Randy Jones

† Anne Nordhus 8:45am St. Malachy

10:30am St. Gregory † Elaine Pfeifer

Confessions

Saturday 4:30pm - 5:15pm St. Gregory

Sunday 8:30am - 8:40am St. Malachy

Adoration

Wednesday 11am - 12pm St. Gregory Thursday 9am - 11am St. Malachy

Friday 6am - 3:30pm St. Gregory

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Christmas Eve 4:30pm St. Gregory 6:00pm St. Malachy

7:30pm St. Gregory

Christmas Day 10:00am St. Gregory

PRAYING WITH SCRIPTURE

One powerful way to pray with Scripture is to use the references in Bibles to follow the lines of one passage of Scripture to what is connected or being referenced in another Scripture. There are two lines from the first reading today that are very similar and that are connected with other parts of Scripture. The verses are from the prophet Isaiah chapter 11 verses 1 and 10. "But a shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom." "On that day, the root of Jesse, set up as a signal for the nations, The gentiles shall seek out, for his dwelling shall be glorious."

One reference is to the genealogy of Jesus in the Gospel of Luke, which goes from Jesus to Adam. "...the son of Nathan, the son of David, the son of Jesse." This passage also is connected to Samuel being sent to Bethlehem to anoint of David son of Jesse. "Fill your horn with oil, and be on your way. I am sending you to Jesse of Bethlehem, for I have chosen my king from among his sons." "Jesse sent and had the young man (David) brought to them. He was ruddy, a youth handsome to behold and making a splendid appearance. The Lord said, 'There anoint him, for this is he!""

In these initial references it is a connection to the time before Jesus. The verses can also be connected to what will happen after Jesus comes to us. There is a connection to another part of the Book of Isaiah. "Thus says the Lord God: see I will lift up my hand to the nations, and raise my signal to the peoples; they shall bring your sons in their arms, and your daughters shall be carried on their shoulders." Is 49:22 We can follow these prophesies to the Acts of the Apostles 13:46-47. "...we now turn to the Gentiles. For so the Lord commanded us, 'I have made you a light to the Gentiles, that you may be an instrument of salvation to the ends of the earth."

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ST. MALACHY

Santa Visit

Visit Santa Claus on Saturday at 1pm at the Café. Table Six will be open from 11am-1pm.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to schedule a Mass Intention in 2026, please contact Rosalie for open dates.

Parish Council Member Needed

St. Malachy Parish Council would like a gentleman to volunteer to be on Parish Council beginning in January. If interested, contact Dave Holthaus.

FINANCES

Envelope and Plate for November 30th	\$ 691.00
ACH for December 5th	\$ 485.00

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 8th

*These are correct. Last weekends bulletin was incorrect.

Sacristan: Meredith Bergmann

Eucharistic Minister: Tim Hill

Elaina, Ensley and Ella Bergmann Servers:

Lector: Lindsey Hornung Song Leader: Jody Ketter Gifts: Ushers

LITURGICAL MINISTERS FOR DECEMBER 14th

Rob Olmsted Sacristan:

Eucharistic Minister: David and Deb Dwerlkotte.

Holly Holthaus

Tighe and Vivian Olmsted, Servers:

Zellie Schmitz

Melissa Sandmann Lector: Song Leader: Veronica Olmsted

Jay and Brenda Schneider Gifts: Money Counters: Shedera Kopp and Paul Studer Ushers: Jim Sandmann and Todd Sandmann

Clean Linens: Linda Bergmann

Abby Seagren and Deb Dwerlkotte Dec. Guild Leaders:

ST. GREGORY

Christmas Party for Parish Ladies

All St. Gregory ladies are invited to a Christmas party in appreciation of the time spent working throughout the year and donations of food. Social time begins at 6pm with heavy hors d'oeuvres and refreshments to follow on Monday, December 8th in the Parish Hall. There will be a short Altar Society meeting at 5:30pm prior to the party.

FINANCES

Envelope and Plate for November 30th	\$ 5,596.65
Parish Soft Giving for November	\$ 286.80
ACH for November 25th	\$ 3,525.00
ACH for December 5th	\$ 4,145.00

BUILDING PROJECT

Loan Principal Balance (as of 11/1/25)	\$ 138,611.89
Donations (since 11/1/25)	\$ 1,995.00
Total Contributions to Date	\$7,980,004.29

REST IN PEACE

Please pray for the repose of the soul of

Lorraine Wassenberg,

mother of Loren, Leann and LuAnn. A funeral was held Wednesday at St. Gregory's.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Marion "Mike" Hogan,

father of Doug, Diane and Colleen.

A funeral was held Friday at St. Gregory's.

Please pray for the repose of the soul of Dorothy Peschel,

wife of Gene, mother of Teresa, Kate and Dan. A funeral was held Saturday at St. Gregory's.

COMMUNITY PARISH NEWS

Advent Penance Services

December 7th December 14th 3:00pm Frankfort 2:00pm Sabetha 6:00pm Baileyville 5:00pm Marysville

December 21st

3:00pm Seneca

Knights of Columbus Pork Chop BBQ

Saturday, Dec. 13th | 6-8pm | St. Gregory Hall

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Poinsettias for Christmas

If you would like to purchase a poinsettia to decorate St. Gregory or St. Malachy church this Christmas, please fill out the information on the back of your Christmas Flower Offering envelope or contact the Parish Office. The suggested donation is \$30 per plant.

Card Shower

Mary Lou (Ronnebaum) Voet will celebrate her 90th Birthday on December 18th. Cards can be mailed to her at 510 N. 16th Street, Marysville, KS 66508.

AREA NEWS

Saturday, December 13th - St. Columbkille's Church Celtic Christmas, Blaine KS. 8am - 2pm. Candy and cookies sold by the pound, several craft booths to do your holiday shopping. Serving breakfast burritos, cinnamon rolls, chili, chicken noodle, vegetable beef and potato soup, sandwiches, homemade pies.

Sunday, December 14th - 63rd Annual Ecumenical Christmas Cantata, Salem Lutheran Church. (SW of Axtell at intersection of 26th and Navajo Rd). "Nativity Suites" will be conducted by Stan Murphy and accompanied by Owen Zinke, with participants from several area churches at 7:00pm. Come enjoy the evening with us!



ST. GREGORY THE GREAT CATHOLIC SCHOOL



<u>December Virtue of the Month - Generosity</u> Saint Reflection: St. Elizabeth of Hungary

St. Elizabeth of Hungary married a young prince of Thuringia who loved her dearly. Daily Elizabeth would take extra food and clothing from the castle and deliver them to the poor. Her kind manner and generosity shocked many people, because princesses weren't usually so kind. These people reported her actions to her husband, but he supported her works. Elizabeth provided a good example to many by her continual generosity.

How did St. Elizabeth of Hungary live the virtue of Generosity?

End-of-Year Giving

As 2025 comes to a close, we are once again conducting a year-end giving campaign. This weekend, St. Gregory students will be handing out donation envelopes at the end of Mass. We ask that you prayerfully consider a year-end donation to the school and place your donation in this envelope. Then, on December 13th and 14th, you may place your envelope in the collection. For online giving, there is a QR code on the back of the envelope. Thank you for your continued support of St. Gregory Catholic School!

Christmas Program

Please join us on *Wednesday, December 10th at 10:00am* and 7:00pm for our Christmas program. We will feature a selection of Christmas music to help prepare our hearts for the birth of Jesus.

PRAYER LIST

The power of prayer is an amazing thing! Please keep the following people in your prayers.

SHORT TERM HEALTH ISSUES

Dan "Matt" Musil Rachel Frese

LONG TERM HEALTH ISSUES

Carol Howell Dan Haug Jennifer Cohorst Phil Studer Bobbie Cohorst Anthony Donna Sedlacek Jeanne Cohorst Cummings Rick Thompson Peter Jeff Sekul Alice Murray Marcella Andrews Pat Clark Emmitt Budy Steve Sawin Lacey (Jones) Stevens Torey Butler Sandy Schmitz Alan Wassenberg Christopher McCloud Tony Evans Kenny Wurtz Mary Landoll Mary Kay (Voet) Nold Debra Nietfeld Lambert Janel Weigel Joan Wacek Hudson Gartner Sami Kirkland

Please let us know when your loved one is better! If you would like to add someone to the prayer list, call Margaret Huffman at 713-9653 or the Parish Office.

Kristi Meyer

Polar Express Experience



The St. Gregory PTO invites you to ride the Polar Express on *Wednesday, December 17th* and discover the true meaning of Christmas - Wear your warm pajamas and enjoy the ride! Get your Golden Ticket and board the bus at the Historic Union Pacific Depot in Marysville, KS

with rides beginning every 15 minutes from 5:00 - 8:30 pm. While riding, listen to the Polar Express Story, enjoy hot chocolate and cookies, and make sure you don't lose

your bell! All are welcome. Tickets are \$12 each and must be purchased online. Children must be accompanied by an adult. Everyone boarding, no matter the age, must have a ticket. To purchase tickets, use the QR code or click here.



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Post Abortion Healing for women and men:

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(800) 727-2785

Mental Health Crisis: (800) 609-2002 Suicide: Dial 988 or (800) 273-8255 Unplanned/Crisis Pregnancies:

Call anytime (800) 712-4357 or (800) 848-LOVE

Veterans Crisis: Dial 988, press 1

BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 8 Steve Boehm, Brew Baker, Abigail Lauer

Dec. 9 Marj Gugenhan, Stacie Ellenbecker,

Denise Nordhus, Katelyn Schmitz, Anna Wetter

Dec. 10 Kyle Goracke

Dec. 11 Dennis Mason, Kevin Hammett, Sami Crouse,

Kortney Ellenbecker

Dec. 12 Bob Baker, Rita Throm, Carrie Halbert,

Frank Ackerman, Brooks Byers

Dec. 13 Coy Wilson

Dec. 14 Elisha Clark, Tyler Lienemann, Chase LeSage,

Colton Schmitz

No Anniversaries



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