

Sacred Heart Catholic Community of Wilton

November 29, 2026 • First Sunday of Advent

PARISH COMMUNITY

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Deb Heineman.....(218) 444-3287

BULLETIN INFORMATION

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CEMETERY

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Richard Anderson.....(218) 467-3275

COMMUNITY OUTREACH & HALL RENTAL

Shelly Fredriksen .....(218) 556-8023
If you would like to use the church or social hall for an event, (wedding, reunion, etc) please contact Shelly to schedule and for rental information.

FUNERALS

LeAnn Agnes.....(218) 289-2351

LITURGY

Ann Illies.....(218) 751-9254
Lois Jenkins .....(218) 444-8140
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PASTORAL COUNCIL

Joe Rucinski
Symon Schindler-Syme
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Ruth Walters .....(218) 308-1265
Theresa Wilander
Regular meetings are the third Sunday of Jan., Mar., May, Jul., Sep., and Nov. starting at 7:00 pm in the church social hall.

PARISH OUTREACH

Deb Heineman.....(218) 444-3287

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Contact Fr. John for information.

TRUSTEES

Richard Anderson
Cheryl Pauly

ADDRESS/PHONE NUMBERS

If you have changed your phone number, address or email address, please let Shelly know so the church records can be updated. It is helpful when notification about weather related announcements need to go out. Thank you for your help.

BAPTISM

Please contact Father John. When a date is set, please contact Ruth Walters.

BUSY BAGS

There are Busy Bags available for children during Mass. They are on the bulletin rack.

CALLING TREE

If church is cancelled due to weather, an email notice will be sent. If you don't have email and would like to have a phone call for cancelations, please give your phone number to Zelda or Polly. Thank you.

HEARING HELP

If you need assistance in hearing, there are hearing devices available for Mass.

KEEP US INFORMED

Please keep the priests and other church members informed of the hospitialized, sick or shut-ins or a recent family death. Contact Zelda Cartier or Deb Heineman for a visit from a Eucharistic Minister or a card.

MASS INTENTIONS

If you would like Mass to be said for someone, please contact Ruth at (218) 308-1265 or fill out a Mass Intentions envelope found in the bulletin rack and give to Ruth.

SACRED HEART COMMUNITY WELCOMES YOU

No matter what your present status is in the Catholic Church.

No matter your current family or maritial situation.

No matter your personal history, age, income, background, gender, race, ethnicity or spirituality.

No matter your own self-image of holiness or virtue -

You belong to Jesus Christ and you belong to us!

You are invited, accepted and respected here at Sacred Heart.

We want to share our Roman Catholic way of faith and life in Christ with you!

NEW PARISHIONERS

New Parishioners are always welcome! Please see Shelly Fredriksen to register.

RECONCILIATION

8:30 am prior to Mass.

SERVING CREWS

If it is your month to serve on the cleaning crew, and you are unable to help, please find a substitue to take over for you.

TRADITION

The first Sunday of the month, Potluck immediately following Mass.

Everyone Welcome!

VICTIM ASSISTANCE COORDINATOR

Diocese of Crookston
Cindy Hulst, LSW
24 hour confidential number:
(218) 281-7895

SCHOLARSHIP

Sacred Heart has established a Youth Scholarship Fund to help with tuition for our young people who choose to attend parochial school. If you would like to donate to the fund, please indicate (either on the memo line of your check, on an envelope, or by post-it note) that the donation is for youth scholarships.

Restrooms are located at the far end of the social hall, and in the nursery. The nursery is available for anyone with small children, so that all may participate in celebrating Mass.

If you are in need of a gluten free host, please let the Sacristan know

Please pray for those who have been called to leave their families in service to our country.

LIGHTS & DOORS

If you are last person in church please make sure lights are off and the doors are locked.

11/29/26
Reading I Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7
Resp. Psalm Psalm 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19
Reading II 1 Corinthians 1:3-9
Gospel Mark 13:33-37

11/30/26
Reading I Romans 10:9-18
Resp. Psalm Psalm 19:8-11
Gospel Matthew 4:18-22

12/1/26
Reading I Isaiah 11:1-10
Resp. Psalm Psalm 72:1-2, 7-8, 12-13, 17
Gospel Luke 10:21-24

12/2/26
Reading I Isaiah 25:6-10a
Resp. Psalm Psalm 23:1-6
Gospel Matthew 15:29-37

12/3/26
Reading I Isaiah 26:1-6
Resp. Psalm Psalm 118:1, 8-9, 19-21, 25-27a
Gospel Matthew 7:21, 24-27

12/4/26
Reading I Isaiah 29:17-24
Resp. Psalm Psalm 27:1, 4, 13-14
Gospel Matthew 9:27-31

12/5/26
Reading I Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26
Resp. Psalm Psalm 147:1-6
Gospel Matthew 9:35–10:1, 5a, 6-8



MARK YOUR CALENDAR

December 5 **Baby Shower for Mary & Jesus**
1 pm - 3 pm,
Sacred Heart Church, Social Hall

December 6 First Reconciliation
Coty Halstad, Gannon Thoma,
Grayson Fuller, Haddie Daniels

Second Collection
Capital Improvements

Potluck
Following Mass

December Serving Crew:
Vleck Family, Mardelle Mohs

December 6 Second Collection
Retirement Fund for Religious





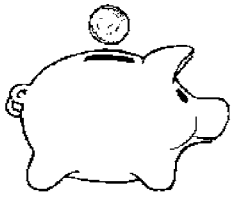
Mass Intentions

MASS INTENTIONS
In Memory Of
Kevin Jendauski
by Paul & Evonne Sumsky

PLEASE NOTE
If your birthday or anniversary did not appear in the bulletin, this is not an oversight. Anyone who did not request this information to be included in the bulletin on their parish registration form is not included. Please check with Shelly Fredriksen to make sure your information is up to date.

HOLD IN PRAYER
Please pray for the children preparing for First Reconciliation:

Coty Halstad
Gannon Thoma
Grayson Fuller
Haddie Daniels



FINANCES
November 22 2026

General Account

Children	$8.00
Adults	$1,805.93
Loose	$191.85
Doughnuts	$48.00
Mailed	$20.00
Craft Sale	$13.00

Youth Scholarship

Donation	$80.00

IT'S TIME TO SIGN-UP FOR THE 2027 KITCHEN DUTY LIST.
We need volunteers in 2027. Please sign up for a month to keep the First Sunday of the Month Potluck and Weekly Coffee and Rolls a great social event.

We also need Substitutes Please add your name to the list to help on a short-term need.

Thank you ~ The Kitchen Sheriff



NOVEMBER 29

Greeters	Lorraine Galland
Altar Server	John Carrlson
Announcers & Readers	Deb Heineman, Kathy Dreher, Molly Vollbrecht
Ushers	Karl Oestreich, Zach Thoma
Eucharistic Ministers	Evie Johnsonr, Lorraine Galland, Kathy Carrlson

DECEMBER 6

Greeters	Ann Illies
Altar Server	Joseph Smith
Announcers & Readers	Vange Anderson, Alyssa Schindler, John Carrlson
Ushers	Theresa Wilander, Carol Bjelland
Eucharistic Ministers	Karen Shafer, Theresa Wilander, Stephanie Downey

DECEMBER 13

Greeters	Lorraine Galland
Altar Server	Brenalen Fredriksen-Holm
Announcers & Readers	Josie Proulx, Megan Fuller, Elizabeth Fuller
Ushers	John Trammell, John Sorensen
Eucharistic Ministers	Carol Bjelland, Karen Shafer, John Trammell

EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS
The person who is listed first in the bulletin should bring the ciborium from the tabernacle to the altar and offer the body of Christ to those coming for communion. The other two listed should offer the cup with the Blood of Christ.

- ***Eucharistic Ministers, please remember to gather the vessels after Mass and clean them for the next week in the Sacristy.***
- ***The Eucharistic Minister who brings the eucharist from the tabernacle to the altar is responsible for returning the key for the tabernacle to the sacristy.***

DONATIONS
If you would prefer making electronic donations rather than checks or cash, please see Deb Heineman for instructions on how to set up automatic payments by your bank.

HELP NEEDED
LeAnn Agnes is no longer able to coordinate funeral luncheons, so someone is needed for this role. If you are able to help, please contact Father John.

Thank you for your service LeAnn!

REMEMBER IN PRAYER

Reminder: please notify Ruth when loved ones no longer need to be on our prayer list.

Barb Arbuckle
Sandra Brown
Kristy Christianson
Curt Connelly
Rosella Cook
Bill Downs
Alys Ann Edwards
Blake Edwards
Harriet Elsberd
Dennis Enright
Marty Fallon
Sophia Forchass
Lorraine Galland
Briggs Geisen
Dale Granrud Jr.
Brandi Green
Brandon Hart
Deb Heineman
Johanna Heineman
Harlan Johnson
Van Johnson
Whitey Kloeppner
Rosie Larson
Mike Lien
Margie Lisak
Kay Lisak-Buck
Julianne Little
Lydia
Kate Mayo
Seth & Lochlan McClusky
Brody Moen
Elizabeth Parthun
Joe Raiter
Janice Renner
Lubchek Ryzhyy
Larry Schmidt
Cathy Simenson
Kevin Smethers
Calvin Smith
John Sorensen
John Swanson
Peggy Thayer
Debbie Theis Miller
Katie Van Der Meer
Gary Vold
Mike & Rosemarie Weber
Summer Weir
Albert Werner
Madonna Welter



This year's **St. Philip's Catholic School 2027 Calendar Raffle** is extra special as we celebrate **100 Years of Faith and Learning!** Each calendar is a keepsake filled with photos from our school's history, dating from around the 1950s to today, along with important school dates and traditions.

Each calendar costs **$50** and gives buyers **219 chances to win a share of $15,050 in cash prizes!** Plus, each calendar can win more than once — up to once per month!

Proceeds from the raffle will help **enhance academics at St. Philip's Catholic School!**



Why This Calendar Matters

Proceeds from this year's Calendar Raffle will help **enhance academics at St. Philip's Catholic School**, supporting the curriculum, technology, and educational resources our teachers and students use every day. Your support helps us continue providing a strong academic education rooted in our Catholic faith.

SEE TEAGAN OR ROWYN RUCINSKI AFTER MASS TO PURCHASE YOUR 2027 ST. PHILIP'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL CALENDAR RAFFLE



WHAT'S IN YOUR HEART

What do you plan to do while you wait for the coming of the Lord? Stay awake, listen, watch, be prepared?

- Do I see myself as the work of God's hands? What changes could I make to help shape myself into one who is better prepared to receive the Lord?
- When have I been unconscious to the feelings of others or ignored their importance in my life? What were the warning signs? What can I do to stay more alert?
- When I really listen to my own heart and the deepest thoughts of others, what common refrains do I hear? How can I remember them when I begin to judge others?
- What do I see as I look ahead? Am I growing impatient? What can I do to ensure that God is in my future?

SET YOUR ALARM!

What a pleasant picture the peaceful sleep of a child is! Look at those small round faces and tousled locks of hair, arms akimbo in the trusting abandonment of repose. Oh, how we long to reach that sweet time of refreshment ourselves. In truth, we long for that same sweetness and relaxation in our waking lives as well. Contentment, security and peace - what a paradise our lives would be if we could just attain them.

BRRRIIIINGGG! Hear that alarm clanging? Now isn't the time for us to be lulled into sleep by happy secure lives. God has assigned each of us work, hard work to do. And we must be awake, hungry, alert in order to accomplish it before His return. Contentment is appealing, but it also yields a sleepy disregard to the troubles around us. Its too easy to sit back with full tummies, in warm homes with well-protected families, while the sorrows of the world continue unabated around us. And even a short nap may find us dozing when the Lord returns. Don't let it happen in your life! Set your alarm this week and wake up to the work God has for you.

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FIRST SUNDAY OF THE MONTH:

Bring your souvenirs, invitations, thank yous, clippings, photos of Sacred Heart Memories to display and/or scrapbook. Place in the bright light teal basket on the liturgy table.

Sunday, Nov 29, 2026

Renew your faith in the new year

While you probably haven't yet made plans for New Year's Eve, for Catholics and other Christians, today is new year's day. The "church year"—the annual cycle of feasts and seasons—begins today with the start of our anticipation of Christ's birth. Interestingly, the scripture readings for the First Sunday of Advent always talk about Christ's Second Coming, not his first, when he will return at the end of time to bring fulfillment to all he had begun on Earth. As we enter once again into one of the great mysteries of our faith, God becoming a human person and revealing God's self in a human being, we have an opportunity to renew what our faith in Jesus means to us. Watch for the "return" of Jesus, both as an infant and the glorious Lord, and for the signs of his presence in your life.

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

Isaiah 63:16b-17, 19b; 64:2-7; 1 Corinthians 1:3-9; Mark 13:33-37 (2). *"What I say to you, I say to all: 'Watch!'"*

Monday, Nov 30, 2026

Be part of the advance team

In celebrating Saint Andrew today, the church gives him a chance to come out from under the shadow of his more famous brother. In the Gospel of John, Andrew is the one who brings Peter to meet Jesus. He also brings forward the boy who supplies the soon-to-be-miraculous loaves and fishes, as well as the Greeks who want to see Jesus. Andrew, patron of fishermen, is one to draw people into his net and usher them toward Jesus. In the spirit of Andrew, what can you do to advance Jesus' interests and usher someone to deeper faith?

FEAST OF ANDREW, APOSTLE

Romans 10:9-18; Matthew 4:18-22 (684). *"As Jesus was walking by the Sea of Galilee, he saw two brothers, Simon who is called Peter, and his brother Andrew, casting a net into the sea."*

Tuesday, Dec 01, 2026

Rooted in faithfulness

The tradition of the Jesse Tree comes from the prophet Isaiah. A Jesse Tree helps families and church communities connect the Advent season with the faithfulness of God throughout salvation history. The tree incorporates references to God's promises of fidelity through special ornaments placed on the branches. The ornaments are usually a handmade symbol or drawing that represents one of the major stories of the Old Testament, along with a brief scripture verse from that story. On Christmas Eve, the final symbol is added to the tree—usually a Star of David. Allow the season to take root in your heart. Participating in the decoration of a Jesse Tree can help plant the seed.

ADVENT WEEKDAY

Isaiah 11:1-10; Luke 10:21-24 (176). *"A shoot shall sprout from the stump of Jesse, and from his roots a bud shall blossom."*

Wednesday, Dec 02, 2026

Something from nothing

The story of the feeding of the crowd with a few loaves of bread and a couple of fish is well known and much loved, and it's the only miracle that is told in all four gospels. It is also one reason why the fish was the first symbol of Christianity. At its heart, this story is about abundance, where seemingly there was only lack. But make no mistake: This event is not just something that happened 2,000 years ago; it reveals a reality we live in today. We can't produce a feast for thousands, but we can create peace and comfort out of thin air every time we offer a kind word or a helping hand. As Saint John Chrysostom says, "The rich man is not one who is in possession of much, but one who gives much."

ADVENT WEEKDAY

Isaiah 25:6-10a; Matthew 15:29-37 (177). *"Jesus said to them, 'How many loaves do you have?' 'Seven,' they replied, 'and a few fish.'"*

Thursday, Dec 03, 2026

Adventures in love

When Ignatius Loyola began sharing a lodging with Francis Xavier at the university of Paris, he slowly persuaded him to consider the priesthood and eventually join in the founding of the Jesuit order. In those early days, Francis couldn't have known that less than a century later they would be canonized together (along with Teresa of Avila, Philip Neri, and Isidore the Farmer). Francis also couldn't have known where the love of Christ would take him. From Paris, Rome, and the founding of the Jesuits, to India, Japan, and beyond, Francis Xavier spent his life spreading the Good News, crossing paths with people from far and wide and witnessing to the love of God that knows no bounds. In honor of Francis, be open to new ideas and adventures of the Spirit!

MEMORIAL OF FRANCIS XAVIER, PRIEST

Isaiah 26:1-6; Matthew 7:21, 24-27 (178). *"Trust in the LORD forever! For the LORD is an eternal Rock."*

Friday, Dec 04, 2026

The eyes of faith

Faith is one of those things you have to enter into for it to really open itself up to you. Once you enter into it, things begin to make sense in a new way. As Saint Augustine put it: "Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this faith is to see what you believe." Several of the healings the gospels tell of have to do with Jesus restoring sight to the blind. Christ healed blindness—and other afflictions—because people believed he could do it. They believed in him. Think of this Advent as a way to deepen your faith in Christ—and to let him do the impossible for you.

ADVENT WEEKDAY

Isaiah 29:17-24; Matthew 9:27-31 (179). *"The blind men approached him and Jesus said to them, 'Do you believe that I can do this?' 'Yes, Lord,' they said to him."*

Saturday, Dec 05, 2026

It's not about the money

In Jesus' time there was less reliance on money than now, but it was still important. Jesus wanted his disciples—and that includes us today—to give away more than just money. True charity consists of gifts that defy monetary value: loving attention, compassion, healing, forgiveness, wisdom. So go about your business, and do it well, but also remember to offer to others what is truly precious in life. In doing so, says Saint Ambrose, "you will find the glory of charity more than a match for the parade of power."

ADVENT WEEKDAY

Isaiah 30:19-21, 23-26; Matthew 9:35-10:1, 5a, 6-8 (180). *"Without cost you have received; without cost you are to give."*

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You are Invited to a Baby Shower for Mary In Anticipation of the Birth of Jesus

Saturday, December 5th
1:00 – 3:00
Sacred Heart Catholic Church
135 3rd St. NW, Wilton



This is a parent child experience, so bring your children and enjoy making Christian crafts together to decorate your home or give as gifts. We will celebrate with some songs and stories of advent as we get ready for Christmas and the birth of Jesus Christ.

There is no cost, but if you would like, bring a baby item that will be donated to the Northwoods Pregnancy Center.