

St. Joseph Parish

Galloway

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Mission Statement

Baptized in Christ Jesus and nourished by his Word and Sacrament we strive to live our daily lives in love and service to God and neighbor.

Pastor:

Augustine K. Benti

Staff:

Sister Mary Ellen Diermeier

Deacon Timothy Betker

Crystal Bushman, DRE

Valerie Wierzba, Parish Administrator

Mass Times

St. Joseph, Galloway

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Sunday 10:10 am

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 3:30-3:50 pm

Sunday 8:00-8:20 am

Sacrament of Marriage

Please contact the Rectory to schedule a date and time. 9 months preparation is required. One or both persons should be registered with the parish for at least 1 full year.

NOVEMBER 30, 2025



1ST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Be sure of this: if the master of the house had known the hour of night when the thief was coming, he would have stayed awake." - Mt 24:43

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Mark your Calendars!



December:

Wed. 3 - Mass 8:30 am

CCD 6:15 pm w/ Divine Mercy Chaplet

Fri. 5 - Mass 8:30 am w/ Adoration & Benediction to follow

Sat. 6 - Mass 4:00 pm

Sun. 7 - Mass 8:30 am

Breakfast w/St. Nick 9:30-11:30 am

Mon. 8 - Immaculate Conception Mass 5:00 pm

Wed. 10 - Mass 8:30 am

CCD 6:15 w/ 1st Confession

Sat. 13 - Mass 4:00 pm

**THE GIVER OF
EVERY GOOD
AND PERFECT
GIFT HAS
CALLED UPON
US TO MIMIC
GODS GIVING.**

St. Nicholas of Myra



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Liturgies of the Week

Wed. Dec 3 - St Francis Xavier, Priest

8:30 am- Marvin Wierzba *by Family*

Fri. Dec 5 - Advent Weekday

8:30 am- Homebound, Departed, & Deceased

Sat. Dec 6 - 2nd Sunday of Advent Vigil

4:00 pm- Jan Lehrer *by Lee Lehrer*

Sun. Dec 7 - 2nd Sunday of Advent

8:30 am- George & Viola Konkel *by Ralph Konkel*

Rosary prayed 1/2 hour before Mass

Saturday, Mass 4:00 pm - Dec 6

Lector: **Mary Uttecht**

Eucharist: **Ron Knitter**

Blood of Christ: **Tanya Stegall**
Jeff Uttecht

Ushers: **Cindy Koszarek**
Volunteer

TV Monitors: **Madelyn Stegall**

Rosary (Joyful) & Litany: **Mary Uttecht**

Sunday, Mass 8:30 am - Dec 7

Lector: **Lisa Walder**

Eucharist: **Joe Bushman**

Blood of Christ: **Pat Kulas**
Donna Kezeske

Altar Servers: **Henry Knitter**
Oliver Knitter

Ushers: **Scott Kezeske**
Jovani Torres

TV Monitors: **Axel Segura**

Rosary (Joyful) & Litany: **Joan Brahmer**

Gifts to Our Lord: Nov 10 - Nov 16, 2025

Adult Envelopes\$1323.00

Youth Envelopes\$8.00

Offertory\$396.00

Total.....\$1727.00

2025 Donations Deadline:

All financial contributions to the church received in the office by 12/31/2025 will be credited to 2025 while those that are received on or after 1/1/2026 will be credited in 2026. This includes mailed gifts so if you're mailing a donation that you would like credited in 2025, please plan ahead. Thank you!

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

OF THE *Blessed Virgin Mary* GLPI

Because Monday, December 8 is a Holy Day of Obligation, the faithful are obliged to attend Mass for the Second Sunday of Advent and for Immaculate Conception: one Mass does not fulfill two obligations.

There will be Mass at 10 am at St Ladislaus in Bevent and at 5 pm here at St Joseph's on Monday Dec. 8.

Breakfast with St Nick

Sunday, December 7

Serving 9:30-11:30



Bring your camera to take home photos of St. Nick.

Pancakes, hashbrowns, eggs, breakfast meats, fresh fruit, desserts, coffee, juice, and milk.

We will need parishioners to help on Sunday in the kitchen with serving and clean up work. We are also asking for desserts/ cookies/ bars.



Advent Confessions - December 19

St. Joseph, Galloway

9:00-9:45 am and 6-7:00 pm

St. Ladislaus, Bevent

Dec 16: 9:00-10:00 am

Dec 22: 6:00-7:00 pm

Christmas Eve Masses - December 24

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 4:00 pm

St. Joseph, Galloway 6:00 pm

Christmas Carols will begin at 5:30 pm

Christmas Day Masses - December 25

St. Joseph, Galloway 8:30 am

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 10:10 am

Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God - January 1

****This is a Holy Day of Obligation****

St. Ladislaus, Bevent 10:10 am

Combined Mass for St Joseph & St Ladislaus

No 8:30 am Mass in Galloway

Window Candles for Christmas



Please put your offering for candles in an envelope marked "For Window Candles" and drop in the collection box. Thank you.

Lighting the Way: An Advent Journey December 2025

Greetings in the name of our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ!

As the year begins its final chapter, we enter one of the most beautiful and sacred seasons in the life of the Church: ADVENT. Advent is a time of anticipation, of preparing our hearts and homes for the coming of Christ - not just in the manger, but in our lives each day. This season calls us to slow down, light the candles of faith, and dwell in the gifts that Christ brings: Hope, Peace, Joy, and Love.

In a world that often feels rushed and restless, the Advent Season invites us to pause and breathe in HOPE. The hope of Advent is not wishful thinking; it is the firm belief that God is with us, even in the darkest of times. As we light the first candle, we remember that God's promises are always fulfilled. Let us carry that hope into our relationships, our commitments, and our prayers.

PEACE- a peace that surpasses understanding. In a season filled with busyness and noise, Advent offers us a sacred stillness. It's a reminder that Christ's peace is not fragile; it holds steady through every storm. When we celebrate this peace, we become instruments of it, bringing reconciliation and healing to a fractured world.

JOY is not the absence of struggle but the presence of Christ. The shepherd's joy on that first Christmas night reminds us that the Savior's arrival transforms ordinary lives into extraordinary testimonies. What brings you joy this season? Is it the laughter of family? The kindness of a stranger? Or the quiet assurance that Christ has come for you?

Finally, we come to LOVE. Love is the heart of Advent. It is love that compelled God to send His only Son to a broken world. As we exchange gifts this season, let us remember the greatest gift of all: GOD'S UNENDING LOVE FOR EACH OF US. This love is not to be kept but shared, especially with those who may feel unloved.

As we journey through Advent together, let's allow these themes to shape our days and our hearts. Whether you are lighting an Advent wreath at home, singing hymns in worship, or serving those in need, may you feel the profound presence of Emmanuel- God with us. May your December be filled with hope, peace, joy, and love that only Christ can bring. And may the light of Advent guide you toward the true wonder of Christmas.

Merry Christmas!
+ Pastor Gus Bentil

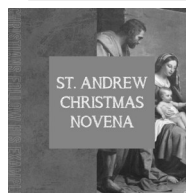
Area Events

- ◆ **Evening of Hope**, St Anne Parish, Wausau, Dec 1, 2 & 3, 6:30 pm, Advent Event, Music, Scripture, Silence
- ◆ **Cookie Walk**, St Joseph Family Center, Stevens Point, Dec 6, 9-11 am, Gift Baskets, Crafts, Cookies
- ◆ **St Agnes Sweet Shoppe**, Weston, Dec 13, 10am-2pm, Fancy Cookies & Candy by the Pound, Lunch Available, Raffles
- ◆ **Christmas Cookie Sale**, Sacred Heart Church, Custer, Dec 13 2:30-5:30pm & Dec 14 7-9:30 am, 13 Cookies/ \$13
- ◆ **New Year's Eve Retreat**, St Anthony Spirituality Center, Marathon, Dec 31-Jan 1, Prayer, Fellowship, Adoration, Celebration, \$130/ Person
- ◆ **Craft Day**, St Joseph Parish, Stevens Point, Jan 24, 8 am -9pm, Lunch & Dinner Provided, Cost \$40/Person
- ◆ **Pilgrimage to Mexico**, Feb 8-13, With Fr. Tim, Walk the steps of St Juan Diego

(see flyers on bulletin board for all events)

"Jesus Made it to School!"

Thank you to the Phillip family- Corey, Liz, Abby, and Johnny- for arranging and organizing the refurbishing of the Sacred Heart Statue in Rosholt School art class. We have the deepest gratitude to you for the undertaking of this beautiful task. *To our parishioners:* we are seeking donations to offset the costs of the paint and other supplies required for this project. If you are able to donate to this cause, please mark an envelope with "Statue" and place in the collection basket. God bless you for your generosity!



The **St. Andrew Christmas Novena** is traditionally prayed 15 times each day, beginning on the feast of St. Andrew (November 30) and concluding on Christmas Eve.

Hail and blessed be the hour and moment in which the Son of God was born of the most pure Virgin Mary, at midnight, in Bethlehem, in the piercing cold. In that hour vouchsafe, O my God, to hear my prayer and grant my desires through the merits of Our Savior Jesus Christ, and of His blessed Mother. Amen.

Prayer REQUESTS

We would like to add a section to our bulletin asking parishioners to pray for your loved one's health and healing. If you would like to add a name to our list, please call the office and we will be happy to include him/her.

We pray for the health and healing of...

Leonard Schulist

Fred Groshek



Announcements for the Dec 14 bulletin need to be submitted by 10 am on Dec 2. Announcements for the Dec 21 bulletin need to be submitted by 10 am on Dec 9.