



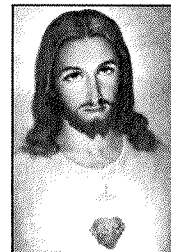
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In a Dark Hour: Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday of Advent

Jesus exaggerates in today's Gospel when He claims not to know the day or the hour when He will come again. Christ occasionally makes such overstatements to drive home a point we might otherwise miss.

His point here is that the exact "hour" is not important. What is crucial is that we not postpone our repentance, that we be ready for Him—spiritually and morally—when He comes. For He will surely come, He tells us—like a thief in the night, like the flood in the time of Noah.

In today's Epistle, Paul too compares the present age to a time of advancing darkness and night.

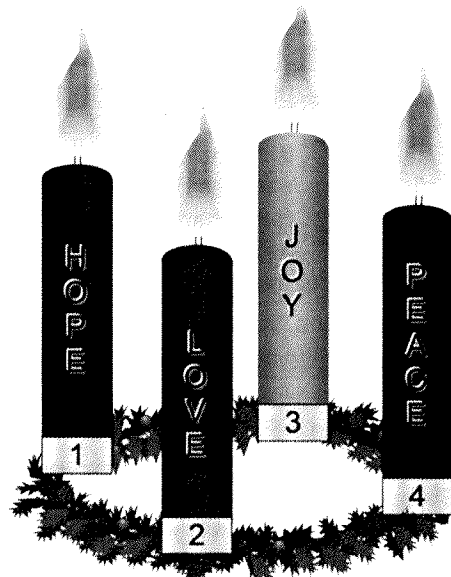
Though we sit in the darkness, overshadowed by death, we have seen arise the great light of our Lord who has come into our midst. He is the true light, the life of the world. And His light continues to shine in His Church, the new Jerusalem promised by Isaiah in today's First Reading.

In the Church, all nations stream to the God of Jacob, to worship and seek wisdom in the House of David. From the Church goes forth His word of instruction, the light of the Lord—that all might walk in His paths toward that eternal day when night will be no more.

By our Baptism we have been made children of the light and day. It is time we start living like it: throwing off the fruitless works of darkness, rejecting the desires of the flesh, and walking by the light of His grace.

The hour is late as we begin a new Advent. Let us begin again in this Eucharist.

As we sing in today's Psalm, "let us go rejoicing to the house of the Lord." Let us give thanks to His name, keeping watch for His coming, knowing that our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.



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MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday	Nov. 26	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ John H. Riske by JoAnn Riske and family. (Fr. McDermott)	
Sunday	Nov. 27	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw. (Fr. McDermott)	First Sunday of Advent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ Julian (Sonny) Kiedrowski by Sue Ellen Tibert. (Fr. McDermott)	
Monday	Nov. 28	_____	No Monday morning Masses.	
Tuesday	Nov. 29	7:30 am (Warsaw)	The Vandal family by Wendy Daninger.	
Wednesday	Nov. 30	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Rudy Rudnik by Felix Rudnik family.	<i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i>
Thursday	Dec. 1	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Boniface & Barb Zierden by Nick & Lynn Lane.	
Friday	Dec. 2	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Elmer Altendorf by Marvin & Sherrie Altendorf.	First Friday of the Month
		11:00 am (Warsaw)	First Friday Traditional Latin Mass in Warsaw. (Fr. Robert Wapenski)	
Saturday	Dec. 3	8:30 am (Minto)	Living & deceased members of the Sacred Heart Altar Society. First Saturday devotions 7:15 a.m.-8:15 a.m. in Minto.	<i>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</i> First Saturday of the Month
		5:00 pm (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	
Sunday	Dec. 4	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Paul Spoonland by Rod & Joan Schanilec.	Second Sunday of Advent
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	In Thanksgiving by Polish National Alliance Lodge 3043 of Warsaw.	

CONFESSIONS Sat. 3:45-4:55 pm (Minto), 1/2 hour before weekday Mass, & anytime... just call.
Also Confession Time: 1/2 hour before Sunday Masses.

WEEKLY OFFERING November 20, 2022: **Minto** = \$2,679. **Warsaw** = \$1,761.

LITURGICAL MINISTERS

MINTO: Saturday, December 3: Altar Servers: Jack Lane & Jacob Hefta. Lector: Ann Mondry.

Sunday, December 4: Altar Servers: Adin Kilichowski. Lector: Keith Zikmund.

WARSAW: Sun., Nov. 27: Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes, Jaxon Sands, Joseph Vandal, Damian Bushaw. Lector: Sandy Schuster.

Sun., Dec. 4: Altar Servers: Jaxon Sands, Ben Gudajtes, Gabe Gudajtes, Roman Perrault. Lector: Trevor Slominski.

ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades 9-12 Wed., **Nov. 30**, 6:45pm-8:00pm, St. Gianna Home, Warsaw. Meal at 6:15pm.

RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES for grades K-8 on Wed., **Nov. 30**, 6:30 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Church in Warsaw for parents and children.



DIocese OF FARGO SYNOD: As part of our Fargo Diocesan Synod, the bishop is asking you to take a parish self-reflection survey. The goal of this survey is three-fold: 1. To gauge where the faith of the Church is at in the Diocese of Fargo. 2. To help the faithful reflect upon where they are and where they could be. 3. To begin the discussion about what the next steps are to help get us where the Holy Spirit wants us to be. You can take the self-reflection via the paper form available by the bulletin, online at fargodiocese.org/synod, or by scanning this barcode. **We have until Sunday, November 27, to complete and return the survey.** Return the paper survey in the collection basket or mail it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261.

MASSES FOR THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY ON DECEMBER 8: Wed., **Dec. 7**, 7:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus, Warsaw. Thurs., **Dec. 8**, 7:30 a.m. at Sacred Heart, Minto. Thurs., **Dec. 8**, 7:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart, Minto.

ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE will be on Sun., **Dec. 18**, 4:00 p.m. at Sacred Heart Church, Minto, for both parishes together. Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., **Dec. 4**, at 7:00 pm at St. Edward's in Drayton. Sun., **Dec. 11**, at 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene in Pisek. Sun., **Dec. 11**, at 4:00 pm at St. John's in Grafton.

SPECIAL COLLECTION for the many weather-related disasters in recent months has been requested by the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops. In our diocese Bishop Folda has requested that the special collection be taken the weekend of **December 3 & 4**. Please be generous. Use your own envelope with your name on it if you so wish. A second collection basket will be set out the weekend of Dec. 3 & 4.

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS: Envelopes for Christmas flowers are attached to this weekend's bulletins. Please return the envelope or use your own plain white envelope clearly marked "Christmas Flowers" by putting it in the collection basket any time starting now. Donations can also be mailed to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261. Please indicate which parish your donation is for. If no parish is indicated, the donation will go to the parish (Minto or Warsaw) at which you are a registered member or to the parish at which it is received. Thank you for helping our churches look beautiful during the Christmas season!

SISTERS IN CHRIST: Class #4 will be held on **Tues., Nov. 29**, in the Sacred Heart Church dining room, Minto. **PLEASE NOTE DATE CHANGE.** This is the final class of this session. Bring a notebook. Topic - Preparation for Advent. Please contact Joan at 360-2499 if you have any questions.

THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT have been set out in back of our churches. Please pick up a copy.

THE 2023 CALENDARS have been set out in back of our churches. Please pick up them up

THE ADVENT GIVING TREE will be up in Minto and in Warsaw from **Nov. 19 through Dec. 19**. Please take a tag and return a gift in a **gift bag**. Gifts must be new. There are tags for infants, children, & adults. Suggestions: For infants - diaper sizes 2, 3, & 4; sleepers, t-shirts, blankets. For toddlers and children - mittens, gloves, caps, hats, socks, nightclothes, and toys. For teens—gift cards. For adults - gloves, slippers, caps, scarves, small throws or fleece blankets (especially for the elderly), gas cards. These items will go to **Walsh County Social Services** to be distributed to those in need. Also there are tags for non-perishable food items and for non-food items for the **Walsh County Food Pantry** at St. John's Church in Grafton. No outdated items or open packages please. Food pantry items do not have to be put into gift bags. Please help those in need during the Christmas season. In Minto, you may put your gifts and food pantry items under the tree like always or you may put your gifts and food pantry items in the green grassy area at the bottom of the ramp as you go in the silver door on the west side of the church. The first batch of gifts will be taken to Grafton on **Dec. 5** and the final batch of gifts will be taken on **Dec. 19**.

HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS are being prepared and are available for pickup from Nov. 14 through Dec. 29, 1:00pm-4:00pm, Monday through Thursday at the Walsh County Food Pantry, 344 West 15th St., Grafton. **Anyone in need is welcome to pick up a Holiday Food Basket.** Please bring a photo ID and proof of residency to get a food basket. The Food Pantry does not deliver baskets.

FAMILY ADVENT CALENDAR CHALLENGE FLYERS for the Walsh County Food Pantry were attached to last weekend's bulletins. For every day from Dec. 1 to Dec. 24, add an item to a box or bag for the Food Pantry. Substitute items as you see fit. Donate the contents to the Walsh County Food Pantry January 3-5, 2023. Monetary donations are welcome also. Mail them to Walsh County Food Pantry, 344 West 15th St., Grafton ND 58237. Your help will be greatly appreciated.

PANCAKE BREAKFAST Sun., **Dec. 4**, 9:00-1:00pm, Beaver's Café. Free will donation. Proceeds go to the Minto Boy Scouts.

GOLDEN AGE CLUB members and guests are having a Christmas Party on Sunday, **December 11**, from 1:00 to 5:30 p.m. at the Golden Age Club, Minto. There will be card-playing, Bingo, and a potluck supper.

MINTO

THANK YOU for the following donations: **Sacred Heart Cemetery:** In memory of **Jane Grzadzielewski** by Colleen Alphson, by Eugene & Mary Ellen Balek, by Arnold & Mary Ann Barclay, by Carrie Boldish & Kent Cronquist, by Dr. James & Jolene Brosseau, and by Todd Burianek.

ST. NICHOLAS DAY is on Sun., **Dec. 4**. St. Nick will be visiting at the end of Mass and will be handing out treats to children of all ages.

ROLLS AFTER MASS ON DEC. 4: **Everyone is invited** to the church basement after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sun., **Dec. 4**, for caramel rolls, fruit, coffee, and juice. Sponsored by the Sacred Heart Altar Society. **Free event. All are invited to please come downstairs after St. Nick's visit for some holiday cheer.**

CHOIR MEMBERS NEEDED: Can you help us? You may sing just for Advent and the Christmas season or for a couple of Sundays a month or all the time. If someone is able to play the piano, organ, or any other musical instrument, your help is needed. Grade 5 and up. Please call LaVerne at 218-779-6141 if you would like to become a choir member.

DECEMBER CHURCH CLEANING: Lead: **Traci Kittelson**. Jason & Jodi Hefta, Layne & Traci Kittelson, Nick & Lynn Lane, Scott & Peggy Lutovsky, Suzie Nelson, and Mark & Michele Spale.

WARSAW

THANK YOU for the following donations: **Christmas Flowers:** In memory of **Wallace & Evelyn Feltman** by the children of Wallace & Evelyn Feltman. **St. Stanislaus Cemetery:** In memory of **Felix Rudnik** by Eleanore Narloch, by Rich & Marlene Hagen, by Jan Altendorf, by Isabel Niswonger, by Steve & Mary Rudnik, by Marvin & Doris Knecht, by Danny & JoAnn Lizakowski, by David & Penny Lizakowski, and by Roger & Sandy Schuster.

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DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

ADORER IS NEEDED for **Sundays at 2:00pm**. Please contact Joan 360-2499 if you are able to take this holy hour on a part-time or full-time basis.