

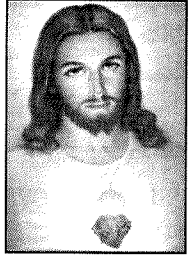


**St. Stanislaus Parish**  
Warsaw, ND  
Est. 1900

**November 28, 2021**

**First Sunday of Advent**

**Sacred Heart Parish**  
Minto, ND  
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**Heads Up: Dr. Scott Hahn Reflects on the First Sunday of Advent**

Every Advent, the Liturgy of the Word gives our sense of time a reorientation. There's a deliberate tension in the next four weeks' readings—between promise and fulfillment, expectation and deliverance, between looking forward and looking back.

In today's First Reading, the prophet Jeremiah focuses our gaze on the promise God made to David, some 1,000 years before Christ. God says through the prophet that He will fulfill this promise by raising up a "just shoot," a righteous offspring of David, who will rule Israel in justice.

Today's Psalm, too, sounds the theme of Israel's ancient expectation: "Guide me in your truth and teach me. For you are God my savior and for you I will wait all day."

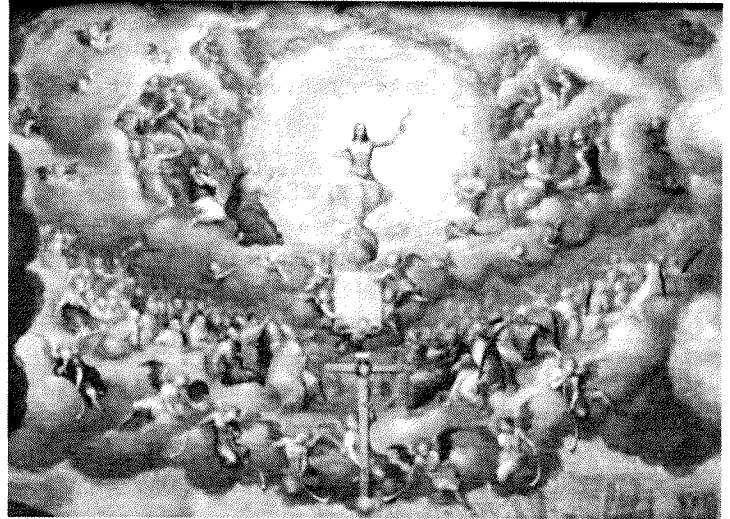
We look back on Israel's desire and anticipation knowing that God has already made good on those promises by sending His only Son into the world. Jesus is the "just shoot," the God and Savior for Whom Israel was waiting.

Knowing that He is a God who keeps His promises lends grave urgency to the words of Jesus in today's Gospel.

Urging us to keep watch for His return in glory, He draws on Old Testament images of chaos and instability—turmoil in the heavens; roaring seas; distress among the nations and terrified people. He evokes the prophet Daniel's image of the Son of Man coming on a cloud of glory to describe His return as a "theophany," a manifestation of God.

Many will cower and be literally scared to death. But Jesus says we should greet the end-times with heads raised high, confident that God keeps His promises, that our "redemption is at hand," that "the kingdom of God is near".

<https://stpaulcenter.com/audio/sunday-bible-reflections/heads-up-scott-hahn-reflects-on-the-first-sunday-of-advent/>



**MASS SCHEDULE**

Saturday	Nov. 27	5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Paul Lunski by Henry & Karen Duray.	
Sunday	Nov. 28	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	<b>First Sunday of Advent</b>
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ John Ebertowski by Sandy Neil.	
Monday	Nov. 29	_____	No Monday morning Masses in Minto.	
Tuesday	Nov. 30	8:00 am (Minto)	+ For the souls in Purgatory by Mark & Sheila Vandal.	<i>St. Andrew, Apostle</i>
Wednesday	Dec. 1	8:00 am (Minto)	Special Intention by Kenny & Evelyn Kilichowski.	
Thursday	Dec. 2	8:00 am (Minto)	+ Rita Rudnik by Edwin & Judy Kowalski.	
Friday	Dec. 3	7:30 am (Minto)	+ Elmer Altendorf by Jim Costello.	<i>St. Francis Xavier, Priest</i> <b>First Friday of the Month</b>
Saturday	Dec. 4	8:30 am (Minto)	+ Hilary Greevers by Ray Greevers. <b>First Saturday Devotions 7:15 to 8:15 a.m. in Minto.</b>	<i>St. John Damascene, Priest &amp; Doctor of the Church</i> <b>First Saturday of the Month</b>
		5:00 pm (Minto)	+ Ambrose H. Wysocki by Carol Anne Walski.	
Sunday	Dec. 5	8:30 am (Minto)	For all parishioners of Minto & Warsaw.	<b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>
		10:30 am (Warsaw)	+ John & Johanna Paschke by Dorothy Plutowski.	

**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 21, 2021: Minto = \$1,811 Warsaw = \$2,235

## LITURGICAL MINISTERS

**MINTO: Saturday, December 4:** Altar Servers: Jack Lane, Jacob Hefta, Kole Kittelson. Lector: Ann Mondry.

**Sunday, December 5:** Altar Servers: Adin Kilichowski. Lector: Keith Zikmund.

**WARSAW: Sun., Nov. 28:** Altar Servers: Ben Gudajtes, Andrew Riske, Dominic Bushaw, Braydon Lizakowski. Lector: Sandy Schuster.

**Sun., Dec. 5:** Altar Servers: Joseph Vandal, Jaxon Sands, Simon Plutowski, Ben Gudajtes. Lector: Trevor Slominski.

## ALL PARISH ANNOUNCEMENTS

**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!

**THANK YOU** to everyone who helped with the annual church cleaning in November. Your time and hard work are truly appreciated!

**ST. NICHOLAS DAY** is on Sun., Dec. 5, in both parishes. St. Nick will be visiting at the end of Mass and will be handing out treats to children of all ages.

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

**ADVENT RECONCILIATION SERVICE** will be on Sun., Dec. 12, 4:00 p.m. at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, for both parishes together.

Other area Reconciliation Services are Sun., Dec. 5, at 7:00 pm at St. Edward's in Drayton. Sun., Dec. 12, at 12 noon at St. John Nepomucene in Pisek. Sun., Dec. 19, at 4:00 pm at St. John's in Grafton.

**BLACK AND INDIAN COLLECTION:** Thank you to everyone who participated in the 137th annual Black and Indian Mission Collection last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American, and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support! If you have not already made a donation, you may still do so. Envelopes are in your boxed set of envelopes or use your own envelope marked Black & Indian Collection with your name on the envelope if you so wish. Thank you for your support.

**RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES** for grades K-8 on Wed., Dec. 1, 6:30-7:45pm in Minto with parents meeting in the church.

**HIGH SCHOOL RELIGIOUS ED. CLASSES** for grades 9-12 on Wed., Dec. 1, at St. Gianna's Maternity Home, Warsaw, from 6:45-8:00pm with supper for the students from 6:15-6:45pm.

**THE WORD AMONG US BOOKLETS FOR ADVENT AND THE 2022 CALENDARS** have been set out in back of our churches. Please pick up a copy.

**THE ADVENT GIVING TREE** will be up in Minto and in Warsaw from Nov. 13 through Dec. 12. 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 Nov. 29 and the final batch of gifts will be taken on Dec. 13.

**FOR THOSE OF YOU** who are able to make a weekly contribution to the church, please mail it to the parish office, PO Box 316, Minto ND 58261; drop it off at the parish office, or put it in the weekend collection basket.

**GOD'S GIFT APPEAL UPDATE:** The 2021 God's Gift Appeal is still on-going until the end of this year. Sacred Heart has had 42.35% of our registered families participate so far. Minto's parish goal is \$27,947.42 and is currently at 97.05% of the goal. St. Stanislaus has had 48.91% of registered families participate. Warsaw's parish goal is \$19,658.78 and is currently at 87.86% of the goal. If you haven't participated in this year's appeal, there is still time to join. Please consider donating to the God's Gift Appeal if you haven't already done so. You may donate online at [fargodiocese.org/godsgiftappeal](http://fargodiocese.org/godsgiftappeal) or mail your gift to **God's Gift Appeal**, Diocese of Fargo, 5201 Bishops Blvd S, Suite A, Fargo ND 58104-7605.

**HOLIDAY FOOD BASKETS** are being prepared and are available for pickup from Nov. 15 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.** You will need to bring a photo ID and proof of residency to get the Food Basket. The Food Pantry does not deliver baskets. Questions? Please call 352-1648.

**FAMILY ADVENT CALENDAR CHALLENGE** for the Walsh County Food Pantry. For every day from Dec 1 to Dec. 24, add an item to a box or bag for the Food Pantry. A list was attached to last weekend's bulletins. Substitute items as you see fit. On Jan. 3-6, donate the contents to the Walsh County Food Pantry. Monetary donations are welcome also. Mail them to Walsh County Food Pantry, 344 West 15th St., Grafton ND 58237.

**CHRISTMAS EXTRAVAGANZA** at St. John's Catholic Church, Grafton, on Sat., Dec. 4, 1:00-6:30pm, Country Store, Silent Auction, Mini-Raffle, Parish Cookbooks, Lunch. Kids' Activities from 2:00-4:00pm—Santa, Ice Cream Sundaes, Cookie Decorating, Ornament Decorating—Free will offering. Sun., Dec. 5, 9:00am-noon, Country Store, Silent Auction, Mini-Raffle, Parish Cookbooks.

**COMMUNITY CHRISTMAS EVE PARTY:** St. John the Evangelist Church, Grafton, is hosting the 35th Community Christmas Eve Party on Friday, Dec. 24 from 6:00pm to 7:30pm. This celebration of the birth of Jesus is for people of all faiths. Many hands are needed to help make this event happen. Volunteers are needed and appreciated in all areas before and during the party. To volunteer your time and talents, please contact St. John's 352-1648.

## MINTO

**THANK YOU** for the following donations: **St. John the Baptist Cemetery:** In memory of **Dick & Mae Korynta** by Anonymous. In memory of **Bernard & Evelyn Korynta** by Anonymous. In memory of **Theresa Mozinski** by Sam & Mary Mondry and by Liz Larson.

**ROLLS AFTER MASS ON DEC. 5:** Refreshments for everyone will be served in the church basement after the 8:30 a.m. Mass on Sun., Dec. 5. Menu includes caramel rolls, pastries, fruit, juice, and coffee. 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.**

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

## WARSAW

**ST. STANISLAUS PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** Monday, Nov. 29, 7:00 p.m., in the church basement.

**ST. STANISLAUS:** We are ready to invite additional singers to join the cantors and organists in singing for the Sunday Masses. You will need to be there for the rehearsals beginning at 9:30am each Sunday.

**TRADITIONAL LATIN MASS ON FIRST FRIDAYS:** Fr. Robert Wapenski, the pastor of St. Edward's Catholic Church in Drayton, will be offering the Traditional Latin Mass at St. Stanislaus Catholic Church on the First Friday of every month at 11:00am. Everyone is welcome to attend these Masses.

**ADULT PRAYER GROUP** at St. Stanislaus Church, Warsaw, meets usually every Monday at 8:00pm. Join us when you can. Questions, call Bethany Plutowski 701-520-1935. Also info is on Facebook page <https://www.facebook.com/Adult-Prayer-Group-St-Stanislaus>

## DIVINE MERCY ADORATION CHAPEL

**WELCOME** to the Adoration Chapel sub list: BJ Nice at 701-360-0701; Sylvia Cortez at 956-775-2620! Both prefer evenings and weekends to substitute.