

READINGS FOR THIS WEEK

8 SUN Bar 5:1-9/Phil 1:4-6, 8-11/Lk 3:1-6
SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT
9 Mon Gn 3:9-15, 20/Eph 1:3-6, 11-12/
Lk 1:26-38

THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY

10 Tue Is 40:1-11/Mt 18:12-14
Our Lady of Loreto

11 Wed Is 40:25-31/Mt 11:28-30
Saint Damasus I, Pope

12 Thu Zec 2:14-17/Lk 1:26-38 or Lk 1:39-47
USA: Our Lady of Guadalupe

13 Fri Is 48:17-19/Mt 11:16-19
Saint Lucy, Virgin and Martyr

14 Sat Sir 48:1-4, 9-11/Mt 17:9a, 10-13
Saint John of the Cross, Priest

15 SUN Zep 3:14-18a/Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18
THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT

STEWARDSHIP REPORT

LENOX

Collection - Tithing - \$1,845.00
October - Income - 10,509.33
Expenses - \$9,132.16

CORNING

Collection - \$ 1,405.00
October Income - \$ 7,371.57
Expenses - \$18,586.97

LITURGICAL ASSIGNMENTS

CORNING - SATURDAY, December 14

Rosary: John & Karma G.
Lector: Linda Schafroth
Ushers: Marg R. & Anne G.

CORNING - SUNDAY, December 15

Rosary: Kris Richey
Servers: Brinkley, Ellie & Emma
Lector: Lisa Allison
EM: Doug Allison
Sacristan: Stacy Venteicher
Ushers: Barb. F. & Mark R.
Gift Bearers: Patrick Hogan Family
Musician:
Cantor: Nancy Amdor
Money Counters Dec. 10: Margaret V. & Nancy A.

LENOX - SUNDAY, December 15

Sacristan: Kathy
Lector: Ray & Linda N.
Servers: Reagan & Chase
Ushers: Juan Martinez Family
EM: Judy, Kathy, Brian
Money Counters: Steve & Rick
Power Point: Ariel

COFFEE & ROLLS

Dec. 15 – Ann Moore, Steven & Melissa Saltzman
Dec. 22 – Ag & Ben Casey



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December 7-8, 2024

SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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Visitation of the Sick - Please call parish office in Corning - 641-322-3363 or Lenox - 641-333-2565 to arrange for Communion in your home.

Confessions:

Lenox - Sunday, 8:00 - 8:30 a.m.
Corning - Saturday, 5:00p.m.-5:30 p.m.
Available anytime upon request

ROSARY

Corning, Rosary Recitation every Tuesday at 11:00 a.m., before, NOON Mass
Lenox, Rosary recitation every Wednesday and Friday after mass at 9:00 a.m.

Mass Schedule

C, Sat., Dec. 7 5:30 p.m. Ed & Jinx Amdor
L, Sun., Dec.8 8:30 a.m. Dan Sweeney & Larry Sweeney
C, Sun., Dec. 8 10:30 a.m. Tim Ennis
L, Mon., Dec.9 8:30 a.m. Helen Juelsgaard
C, Mon., Dec.9 5:30 p.m. Kate Glasgo
C, Tues., Dec. 10 12:00(Noon) Ed Larson
L, Wed., Dec. 11 8:30 a.m. Tom Lynam
C, Thur. Dec. 12 12:00(Noon)Robin Mulligan
L, Fri. Dec. 13 8:30 a.m. Jeff Wood
C, Sat., Dec. 14 5:30 p.m. Richard & Irene Weis
L, Sun., Dec.15 8:30 a.m. Delbert Heim All Souls in Purgatory
C, Sun., Dec. 15 10:30 a.m. Geronimo Reyna

EXPOSITION OF BLESSED SACRAMENT

Corning, First Thurs: 5:30 p.m.-6:30 p.m.
Lenox, First Friday: 9.00.m.-10.00 a.m.

SACRAMENTS

Marriage - Arrangements should be made ASAP and at least six months before the wedding.
Baptism - Baptisms are held on the 3rd Sunday within mass.

LENOX BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 9 Judy Wurster
Dec. 11 Rick Schmitz
Dec. 11 Brenda Rainforth
Dec. 11 Rachael Reed
Dec. 11 Astrid Martinez
Dec. 14 Jeanine Lynam
Dec. 14 Linos Padilla
Dec. 15 Karleen Stephens

LENOX ANNIVERSARIES

CORNING BIRTHDAYS

Dec. 8 Vicente Butcher
Dec. 10 Bill Morrison
Dec. 11 Ryder Ramsey
Dec. 12 Megan Ramsey
Dec. 15 Fr. Michael Peters
Dec. 15 Pat Venteicher

CORNING ANNIVERSARIES

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Second Sunday of Advent

On this second week of Advent, we continue our journey of hope and waiting for the coming of Christ. Today, the church invites us to celebrate the marvels that God is about to work for us in a couple of weeks from now. This season, we wait in joyful hope for that "Day of the Lord" when his work will be complete in us.

All the readings of this Sunday are wake-up calls for us to prepare for the great encounter with the Lord, who is coming soon. So, while our first reading announces that God wishes to show the splendor of Christ to all nations, the second reading reminds us of "The Lord's Day," which obviously will initiate our salvation. This wake-up call is summed up and reflected in the prophecy of John the Baptist in today's gospel.

Christ comes in his glory this season, but his coming will be of no use to us unless we encounter him and share in the joy that he will bring at Christmas. We are to genuinely prepare for him this season, and our hearts will overflow with joy like a river overflows its bank when filled. Hence, the first reading of today tells us: "...take off your dress of sorrow and distress and put on the beauty of the glory of God forever..." (Bar 5, 1-9). This is rightly so because soon and very soon, we shall joyfully welcome the Lord.

On his part, Paul encourages us to remain steadfast in good works and continue improving our ways of life until the "Day of the Lord" comes. This calls for a readiness to make some sacrifices to encounter Jesus Christ and share in the joy that he brings. Concretely, we are invited to prepare and purify ourselves through prayer, charity, love, and reconciliation. Hence, Paul says: "...This will help you to become pure and blameless and prepare you for the day of Christ..." (Phil 1, 8).

Furthermore, whatever will constitute an obstacle to encountering Jesus Christ this season must be entirely removed as the voice of John the Baptist re-echoes clearly to us: "Prepare a way for

the Lord, make his path straight. Every valley will be filled, and every mountain and hill be laid low" (Luke 3, 5-6). This means that we must sacrifice something this season for Christ to have his place in us and for us to experience his joy when he finally comes in glory and splendor. Therefore, this season of Advent, let us humbly join the psalmist in to implore the Lord: "Restore unto me the joy of my salvation, O Lord my God (Ps 51:12).

COMBINED ANNOUNCEMENTS

MONDAY, DECEMBER 9 MASS

Feast of Immaculate Conception Mass Times

A Holy Day of Obligation

Lenox 8:30 a.m.

Corning 5:30 p.m.

ADVENT CONFESSIONS

Fr. Livinus will be available to hear confessions on Saturdays 5:00 – 5:30 p.m. in Corning and Sundays 8:00 to 8:30 a.m. in Lenox during the Advent season.

CHRISTMAS MASS TIMES

Tues., Dec. 24	Lenox – 5:30 p.m.
	Corning – 7:30 p.m.
Wed., Dec. 25	Lenox – 8:30 a.m.
	Corning – 10:30 a.m.

NEW YEAR'S VIGIL MASSES

Lenox – 5:30 p.m.

Corning 7:30 pm.

CORNING ANNOUNCEMENTS

TRIVIA NIGHT

Wednesday December 11th is Advent Trivia Night! Starting at 6:30pm at the Parish Center we will have drinks and snacks, as we form Trivia Teams to test our knowledge about all things Advent! We invite everyone to come join in the fellowship fun! This event will only take about an hour, no late night we promise!

CHILDREN'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

The kids Christmas Program is scheduled for Wednesday, Dec. 18th at 7:00 p.m. here in the church. Plan to come support our Religious Education program and our youth.

CHRISTMAS ANGELS

Please consider being one of our Christmas Angels: Adopt a Family or donate money toward food or for gifts if families are not adopted. Call Beth at 712-621-7133 to adopt or if wanting to know options on a cash donation. Gifts are needed by December 17th.

20TH ORDINATION ANNIVERSARY

A "Raise the Roof" celebration is being planned on Sunday, Dec. 22 with Mass at the Parish Center and a celebration to follow in honor of Father's 20th anniversary.

POINSETTIAS

If you wish to donate to Christmas flowers in memory or in honor of a loved one, place an envelope marked Christmas flowers in the basket.

YOUTH MASS Thanks to all the parents who had your children here today

HELP FOR CHRISTMAS

Sign up sheets are on the back table to help with Christmas liturgies. Please do what you can to fill in all the blanks. Thanks in Advance.

CORNING PRAYER LIST

Liam Morstorf	Mary Moore	Mike Cruise
Catie Hunter	Casey McKee	Kristin Ledvina
Doug Hardisty	Ben Schweers	

LENOX ANNOUNCEMENTS

COOKIE CARNIVAL - Thank you to everyone who made cookies and candies for our cookie carnival.

NEIGHBORHOOD CENTER

We need your help. The food bank in Des Moines is running extremely low and we are getting more families. We are needing green beans, carrots, pancake mix, syrup, noodles or rice, side dishes, cookie mix, and spaghetti Sauce. No Soup please! Area grocery store gift cards are acceptable also. We will have a basket in the entry of the church for you to put your donations in. Thank you!

BASEMENT RESTROOMS - We are asking that parishioners please use the restrooms in the parish center. The basement bathrooms are not checked on a regular basis.

ANGEL TREE - Thank you to everyone who has taken a name off the Angel Tree. Thank you for monetary donations, as the CYO group was able to shop for 11 children. Please have gifts returned by Friday, December 20th.

FATHER LIVINUS ANNIVERSARY - Please mark your calendars for Friday, December 20th to help celebrate Father's 20th anniversary as a priest. Mass will be at 5:30 p.m. and supper will be at 6:30 p.m. Meat, dessert and drinks will be furnished by the Parish Council. We are asking people to bring a side dish of their choice to add to the meal.

NIGHT IN BETHLEHEM - Wednesday, December 11th. All are invited to this parish celebration. Meal will be served at 6:00 p.m. Activities to follow.

LENOX PRAYER LIST

Irene Ripperger	Kenny Heim	Alex Stephens
Ann Votava	Brian Heim	Camilla Perez
Sergio Dozier	Brandon Larimer	Elvira Meny
Stacy Callahan Brown	Leslie Cerda	Ben Schweers
Lois Thompson		