

SACRED HEART

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MISSION STATEMENT

We, the community of Sacred Heart parishes, in Spring Valley and Elmwood, and St. Luke's in Boyceville, love the Lord Jesus Christ and are dedicated to His Sacred Heart. Guided by the Word of the Lord, we commit ourselves to give praise and honor to God through liturgical worship, family and private prayer, and service to one another. We strive to develop a living faith and a growing spiritual community by providing opportunities for spiritual, educational, and social enrichment. Our faith will be strengthened through active involvement of all members.

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SUNDAY DECEMBER 21, 2025



4TH SUNDAY OF ADVENT

"Joseph, son of David, do not be afraid to take Mary your wife into your home" - Mt 1:20

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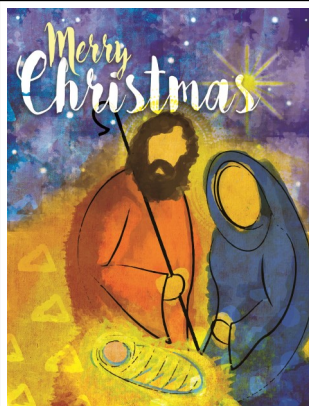
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Merry Christmas!!!!

My Dear brothers and Sisters in Jesus Christ, Merry Christmas to you!

As we are going to celebrate Christmas I wish everyone a happy Christmas. At this Juncture I would like to express my sincere gratitude to everyone for having been with me in all my ups and downs and for the blessings that our Lord showered up on me through you. You are my real joy and blessing.

Christmas is, first and foremost, about Love, God's Love. How much does God love us? God loves us so much that God gave us the most precious gift imaginable, Jesus, God's own Son. That's the heart of Christmas.

This great and wonderful love calls us to love one another. We share love in and through our human relationships. Love isn't always a warm and cozy feeling; love is a commitment and a decision to stick by others, come what may, through thick and thin, when the going is easy and when the going gets more challenging. The love that we share in our human relationships is a reflection of the love of God, calling us to give of ourselves for others.

At Christmas, we remember that Jesus was born in poverty, in a stable among the poorest people and the farm animals. What does this mean for us today? You and I are called to look for the face of Christ in the poor, those at our own door and in places far from here. Love can look like a cup of coffee offered, a hand held, a smile shared, and a story heard. I firmly believe that, in the end, we will be judged by how we care for the poor.

And Christmas is also about repentance and forgiveness. Love takes commitment and work, and sometimes we don't get it right. We're not perfect. But with God there is mercy and forgiveness, and second chances. And so must we offer those gifts to others. Christmas is a time of renewal, of fresh starts and coming together.

We often hear the phrase "Keep Christ in Christmas" and we wonder how to do that. I think that Jesus himself gave us the best insight; if you want to keep Christ in Christmas, look around you, and look for Him. He is here. Feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, forgive the guilty, welcome the stranger, care for the sick, visit the imprisoned, and love your enemies. "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these who are members of my family, you did it to me."

Merry Christmas to you!

With Love,
Fr.Anbu

Keep "Christ" in Christmas!



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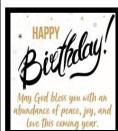
	COLLECTION ADULT ENVELOPES AND OFFERTORY			
	December 13-14, 2025			
	<u>Adult</u>	<u>Offertory</u>	<u>Retire/Religious</u>	<u>On-Line</u>
Boyceville	\$ 5380.00	\$ 145.00	\$ 225.00	
Elmwood	\$ 2720.00	\$ 207.00	\$ 125.00	
Spring Valley	\$ 1142.05	\$ 46.00	\$ 285.00	\$ 1178.80



2026 Mass times	Boyceville	Elmwood	Spring Valley
January			
February	Saturday	Sunday	Sunday
March	4:00 p.m.	8:30 a.m.	10:30
April			a.m.

INFORMATION

News For All



In 2025 we will be celebrating and praying for our parishioners, in their birthday month, who are our "Golden" members and have over 70 years of wisdom. Feel free to mail them a card!

Mary Fesenmaier	December 22
Terry Mohn	December 22
Mary Sailer	December 29
Stan Voelker	December 31



REMINDER-- Your contributions for 2025 must be received on or before December 31, 2025 in order to be used for 2025 TAX purposes.



MASS INTENTIONS ARE NEEDED for Boyceville, Elmwood and Spring Valley for 2026. By offering a Mass for a loved one, we continue to show our care for them and reinforce the bond of the communion of saints. To request a Mass intention, please contact the Central office at 715-778-5519 or email requests to Beth at admin@shsv.diolcparish.org for Elmwood and Spring Valley requests and Judy in Boyceville at 715-643-3081 or stlukeboyceville@gmail.com



Early Bulletin Deadlines

With the upcoming holidays, there will be early bulletin printing. Please submit any announcements to the central office at admin@shsv.diolcparish.org by noon on the deadline day.

Bulletin

Dec 28
January 4

News Deadline

Monday, December 22
Friday, December 26

Boyceville News



Food Pantry - in this season of giving, please consider donating food or personal hygiene products that go to help families in the area. The collection bin is in the back of the church. Thank you for your support.

Elmwood News

There are new rental forms available in the kitchen of the church basement. The Altar and Rosary society are in charge of this so please contact Kathy Shafer, treasurer, if you wish to use the church basement.



Advent call for help! Decorating the church for Christmas will be done Dec. 21 by the Altar & Rosary Society. The help of many parish women is needed for less than a half hour after Mass that Sunday. Check out the sign-up poster in the back of church for various tasks.



Save the Date! Elmwood Sacred Heart parishioners - YOU and YOUR FAMILY are invited to the Knights of Columbus Christmas Party on Sunday, January 11, 2026 beginning at Noon. A complete meal of chicken, ham, scalloped potatoes, green beans, coleslaw, cheesecake and beverages will be provided. A freewill offering will be accepted and 100% of proceeds will be given to Options for Women organization. Door prizes and fun for all! Please join us!



Spring Valley News



Help needed on Sunday, December 21st at 10:00 a.m. to decorate the church for Christmas.



There will be no Adoration in Spring Valley on December 25 and 26 AND on January 1 and 2, 2026.



Growing in Faith program: It is from 10:00-10:20 on the first and third Sunday of the Month in the Parish house! We welcome all children from infancy through Kindergarten. Our next class is on Sunday, January 4th. Please contact Anna Fesenmaier 715-554-4902-fesenmaiera@gmail.com If you have any questions.



The Sunday Children's Liturgy will be offered the 2nd and 4th Sundays of each month, starting in January. Children, ages 4K-2nd grade will attend the beginning of 10:30 a.m. Mass with their parents until the end of the Introductory Rites when Fr. Anbu will invite the children to come forward for a blessing and dismiss them from Mass with the Children's Liturgy volunteers where they will then gather in the sacristy and return to the church immediately after the Prayers of the Faithful. We strive to help the children understand the gospel more fully so they can go out and live their lives as Jesus teaches.



**FOR ALL THE FAITHFUL WHO HAVE
DIED AND FOR THE SICK, WE PRAY
IN 2025**

December 23 Tuesday Mass in Elmwood

7:00 p.m. +Judith Schmitt (Joe & Laurie Schmitt)

December 24 Christmas Eve Mass

4:00 p.m. in Spring Valley +Br. Michael Mandernach
(John & Nancy Ellingson)

7:00 p.m. in Elmwood +Charles & Juanita Bates
(Patty Hawkins)

December 25 Christmas Day Mass

8:30 a.m. in Boyceville +Bob & Jane Squillace
(Paul & Rita Zimmerman)

10:30 a.m. in Spring Valley +Darlene Raleigh
(Greg & Laura Buchal)

**December 26 Friday Mass at the Elmwood Assisted
Living**

10:00 a.m. +Daniel Crownhart (Jean Zeithaml)

December 27 Saturday vigil Mass in Spring Valley

6:00 p.m. +Keith Mark (Greg & Laura Buchal)

December 28 Sunday Mass

8:30 a.m. in Elmwood +Howard Webb (Glenn Webb)

10:30 a.m. in Boyceville +Frank Kowalczyk
(Joe & Gloria Pieters)



The Nativity of the Lord



**LITURGICAL
MINISTRIES**

Saturday December 27	Sunday December 28
Spring Valley 6:00 p.m.	Elmwood 8:30 a.m.
LECTORS	
Peter/Merrick	John
EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS	
(S) Greg/Connie/Gene/Rosalie	Steve
SERVERS	
Porter/Weston/Emmet	Jayden/Cody/Ella
USHERS/HOSPITALITY	
Gene/Matt	Joe/Steve/Aaron/Paul
MUSIC	ROSARY
Sacred Heart choir	Jeff



Rite of
Reconciliation

CONFESSIONS: Any-
time by appointment

- ◆ Elmwood– Sunday's from 8:00 - 8:20 a.m.
- ◆ Boyceville– Sunday's after 10:30 a.m. Mass
- ◆ Spring Valley– Saturday's 5:00-5:45 p.m.
Wednesday's from 5:30 – 6:10 p.m.

**CHRISTMAS
MASS SCHEDULE**

December 24– 4:00 p.m. Mass in Spring Valley

7:00 p.m. Mass in Elmwood

December 25– 8:30 a.m. Mass in Boyceville

10:30 a.m. Mass in Spring Valley

