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To whom should I go and how exactly  
can we share together the renewing  
presence of the Spirit's gentle love  
"resting" upon us?

Lord, hold our troops in  
your loving hands.  
Protect them.  
Bless them and their  
families. I ask this in the  
name of Jesus, our Lord  
and Savior.  
Amen



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"Let nothing perturb you, nothing frighten you. All things pass. God does not change.

Patience achieves everything."

St. Teresa of Avila

# ST. PAUL CATHOLIC CHURCH ST. MONICA CATHOLIC CHURCH—AFTON

20811 Washington Avenue, Onaway, MI  
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November 29, 2020

Pastor : Rev. Patrick Maher

First Sunday of Advent

## Sacraments

### Baptisms

Call the Parish Office to schedule.

### Marriage

Couples are invited to call the  
Parish Office, minimally six  
months in advance, to prepare for  
and  
schedule their marriage.

### Confirmation

Adults who have not been  
confirmed are invited to call  
the Parish Office to arrange for  
classes.

### Adult Faith Formation

Anyone inquiring about the  
Catholic Faith or simply wishing to  
deepen their own understanding of  
the Catholic Faith.

### Mass Schedule

Tuesday: 4:30 p.m.  
Wednesday, Thursday and Friday:  
9:00 a.m.  
Confessions—By appointment  
Only  
Saturday Mass 4:00 p.m.  
Sunday Mass 10:00 a.m.

## The Office

Office Hours:  
Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday  
9:00 a.m.— 2:00 p.m.  
(989) 733-6053  
stpaul-onaway.com  
Fr. Patrick (989) 701-4077



### MISSION STATEMENT

We, the parishioners of St. Paul, Onaway, open to the guidance of the Holy Spirit, are dedicated to preserve, live and proclaim the Good News brought by Jesus. As a sacramental people, we are committed to welcome all into Christ's presence among us.

# From the Pastor's Desk

Dear Sisters and Brothers in Christ Jesus,  
 "In the Catholic Church, Advent is a period of preparation extending over the four Sundays before Christmas. The word *Advent* comes from the Latin *advenio*, "to come to," and refers to the coming of Christ. And the term *the coming* includes three references: first of all, to our celebration of Christ's birth at Christmas; second, to the coming of Christ in our lives through grace and the Sacrament of Holy Communion; and finally, to his second coming at the end of time.

Our preparations, therefore, should have all three comings in mind. We need to prepare our souls to receive Christ worthily.  
**First We Fast; Then We Feast**

Advent has been called a "little Lent," because it traditionally has included a period of increased prayer, fasting, and good works. Although the Western Church no longer has a set requirement for fasting during Advent, the Eastern Church (both Catholic and Orthodox) continues to observe what is known as Philip's Fast, from November 15 until Christmas. Traditionally, all great feasts have been preceded by a time of fasting, which makes the feast itself more joyful. Unfortunately, Advent today has supplanted by "the Christmas shopping season," so that by the time Christmas Day comes, many people no longer enjoy the feast or even specially mark the next 12 days of the Christmas season, which lasts until Epiphany (or, technically, the Sunday after Epiphany, being that the next season, called ordinary time, starts on the following Monday).

## The Symbols of Advent

In its symbolism, the church continues to stress the penitential and preparatory nature of Advent. As during Lent, priests wear purple vestments, and the Gloria ("Glory to God") is omitted during Mass. The only exception is on the Third Sunday of Advent, known as Gaudete Sunday, when priests can wear rose-colored vestments. As on Laetare Sunday during Lent, this exception is designed to encourage us to continue our prayer and fasting, because we can see that Advent is more than halfway over."

By Scott P. Richert 2019 [www.learnreligions.com/season-of-advent-catholic-church-542458](http://www.learnreligions.com/season-of-advent-catholic-church-542458)  
 And remember,

You are loved  
 Father Patrick

## Giving Tuesday: December 1, 2020

As you may be aware, the national day of giving — Giving Tuesday — is on December 1, 2020. Giving Tuesday was launched in 2012, and over the past eight years, has grown into a global movement that inspires hundreds of millions of people to celebrate generosity and give to causes they care about. This national day is a great reminder to reflect on our gratitude and consider making a gift of time, talent, or treasure to further our mission as the Body of Christ.

### How to Give:

Please consider a special gift to our parish this Giving Tuesday, to support the ministry work of our parish community. You can also give electronically directly to our parish, our Catholic schools, or the diocese through the diocesan webpage [www.dioceseofgaylord.org/make-a-gift-41/](http://www.dioceseofgaylord.org/make-a-gift-41/)

Thank you for all you do for our parish and those in need. May God bless you!



## MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, December 1st @ 4:30 p.m.  
 + Mary Pasella  
 Req. Sally Schaar

Wednesday, December 2nd @ 9:00 a.m.  
 + Rosa Gerl & Theresa Roach  
 Req. Shirley Cancade

Thursday, December 3rd @ 9:00 a.m.  
 + Lyle Diller  
 Req. Phyllis Braidwood

Friday, December 4th @ 9:00 a.m.  
 + Richard Dowker & Adam Cripps  
 Req. Herb & Kay Dowker

Saturday, December 5th @ 4:00 p.m.  
 + Sue Tesmer  
 Req. Greg & Mary Diller

Sunday, December 6th @ 10:00 a.m.  
 All Parishioners of St Paul and  
 St Monica



Faith Formation: Class  
 December 6th & 13th and 20th

### Readings for Week of November 30th

Mon: Rom 10:9-18 / Mt 4:18-22  
 Tues: Is 11:1-10 / Lk 10:21-24  
 Wed: Is 25:6-10a / Mt 15:29-37  
 Thurs: Is 26:1-6 / Mt 7:21, 24-27  
 Fri: Is 29:17-24 / Mt 9:27-31  
 Sat: Is 30:19-21, 23-26 / Mt 9:35—10:1, 6-8  
 Sun: Is 40:1-5, 9-11 / Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 / 2 Pt 3:8-14 / Mk 1:1-8

## WEEK AT A GLANCE

Tuesday, December 1st  
 AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1)  
 Friday, December 4th  
 AA 8 pm, Hall (Rm. 1 )  
 Friday, December 4th  
 8:00 a.m. Adoration  
 Saturday, December 5th  
 3:00 p.m. Adoration  
 Sunday, December 6th  
 9:00 a.m. Adoration

### No confession before Mass

Confessions will be heard only  
 by appointment.  
 To schedule an appointment please call the  
 Office 989-733-6053 or Father Patrick 989-  
 701-4077.

### Memorial Christmas Poinsettias

Envelopes can be found in the  
 vestibule. Poinsettias will again be  
 \$10.00. You can drop your envelope  
 in the collection basket or stop by  
 the office.



Deadline  
 December 17, 2019

### Catholic Service Appeal

Thank you to all our parishioners who have made their gift to the 2020 Catholic Services Appeal. St Paul is \$17,375.00 / 97% towards our goal of \$17,866.00 and St Monica is \$600.00 / 28% toward the goal of \$2,070.00. If you have not yet made a gift or pledge, it's not too late to help us meet and even exceed our target. Please participate in the support of our diocesan church.

### Bless you for your Stewardship

**St. Paul: 11/22/2020**  
 Reg. \$1,250.00 + Loose \$97.00 +  
 Restoration \$207.25  
 = \$1,554.25  
**St. Monica 11/22/2020**  
 Regular \$93.00 + Loose \$0.00  
 = \$93.00

### Financial Position (as of 10/31/20)

	10/31/2020	10/31/2019
St. Paul YTD		
Income	42,163.07	54,951.58
Expenses	46,928.24	52,815.33
Net Income	-4,765.17	2,136.25
St. Monica YTD 2020		YTD 2019
Income	1,676.57	4,466.52
Expenses	917.83	5,024.23
Net Income	758.74	-557.71

### Help our Elders

In good times and bad, senior Catholic sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated themselves to service and acts of mercy. Today, they pray for an aching world. Yet years of serving for little or no pay have left their religious communities without enough retirement savings. Your gift to the Retirement Fund for Religious helps provide medications nursing care, and other necessities.

Please be generous.  
 Special Collection will be held  
 The weekend of December 13, 2020

### Breaking Bread 2021

This year's Breaking Bread Hymnal is available for sale for anyone wishing to have one. Cost \$6.00. Also anyone purchasing a hymnal must remember to take it home after each Mass.

### Those in need of our prayers...

Carrie Badgero	Robert Carter Jr	Vicki Goscinski	Sharyl Leonard	Carolyn Mousseau	Brenda Turner
Ann Bandish	Louise Dorton	Don Horrocks	Butch Leonard	Patrick Mousseau	Bob Turney
Debbie Bandish	Elvin Eagleson	Shirley Horrocks	Don Libby	Ann Osantowski	Richard Witulski
Dorothy Brama	Ted Elick	Jim Hayes	Glenn Lunceford	Bev Rathbun	Dorothy Ziots
Jeannie Brewbaker	William Ellenberger	Donna Harrison	Dick Manners	Greg Renard	
Mike Butler	Brianne Giddis	Jan & Ross Nave	Brittany Maynard	Bill Shin	
Sandra Bunk	Donna Giessinger	Jim Thimmes	Kathy McConnell		
Evelyn Canales	Vicki Giessinger	Starr Ittu	Dennis McGuire		