

The Beginning Of The Gospel of

# Jesus Christ The Son Of God

Mark 1:1



## St John's Catholic Church of Galva & Woodhull

Catholic Diocese of Peoria

Fr Ghislain Inai, SMA, Pastor  
Fr Chris Haake, Parochial Vicar  
**SECOND SUNDAY of ADVENT**  
**December 10, 2023**

### St John, the Apostle

**Mass:** Sunday 5:00 PM  
Tues & Thurs 8:00 AM

#### **Reconciliation: Sundays -4:30-4:50 PM**

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Woodhull—ZOOM Rosary  
10:15 AM—M-W-F

**Call office if interested in joining**

### St John, the Evangelist

**Mass:** Saturday 4:00 PM  
Sunday 10:00 AM  
Wednesday 8:00 AM

#### **Saturdays -3:00-3:45 PM**

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### St John Vianney

**Mass:** Sunday 8:00 AM  
Wednesday 5:30 PM

#### **Sundays—7:30-7:50 AM**

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**Adoration**—Thursdays after 8AM Mass  
**Prayer Chain**—Call Joy @ 309-629-8841  
( All requests are confidential)

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# Mass Schedule & Intentions for –December 9–December 17, 2023

Saturday 12/09	4:00 PM	<b>Galva</b> — For Patricia McKenna by <i>Dick &amp; Mary Jo Rouse</i>
Sunday 12/10 <b>Second Sunday of Advent</b>	8:00 AM	<b>Cambridge</b> -For Betty Lou Doubler by <i>Marv &amp; Mary Kay Newman</i> For Fred DeSplinter by <i>Theresa DeSplinter &amp; Fam</i>
	10:00 AM	<b>Galva</b> —For Deceased Members of the Konitzer Family by <i>Bob &amp; Lisa Lee-mans</i>
	5:00 PM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Richard Nichols by <i>Jim &amp; Kim DeSutter</i>
Monday 12/11		
Tuesday 12/12	8:00 AM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Samone Ramonez by <i>Jeff &amp; Cathy Welch</i>
Wednesday 12/13	8:00 AM	<b>Galva</b> — For Deceased Members of the VanDeVelde Family by <i>The VanDeVelde Family</i>
	5:30 PM	<b>Cambridge</b> —For Francis & Trisha Carroll by <i>Dwaine &amp; Janice VanMeenen</i>
Thursday 12/14	8:00 AM	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Joann Nelson by <i>Wayne &amp; Jean Mileham</i>
Friday 12/15		
Saturday 12/16	4:00 PM	<b>Galva</b> —For James & Lizzie Rashid by <i>Greg &amp; Debra Rashid</i>
Sunday 12/17 <b>Third Sunday of Advent</b>	8:00 AM	<b>Cambridge</b> —For Rhea Dwyer by <i>Michelle LaBelle</i> For Jim Dobbels by <i>Marv &amp; Mary Kay Newman</i>
	<b>8:00 AM</b> <i>Note Time</i>	<b>Galva</b> —For Lorraine Clucas by <i>The Clucas Family</i>

<b>LAY MINISTRY SCHEDULE—</b>	<b>WOODHULL</b>	<b>GALVA</b>
<u>Saturday Dec 16, 2023</u>	<b>Woodhull</b> —For Jeff Whitehead by <i>Mike &amp; Melanie DeSutter</i>	<b>Galva</b> —For Lorraine Clucas by <i>The Clucas Family</i>
<b>LECTOR</b>	No Mass	Greg Rashid
<b>GREETERS</b>	No Mass	Scott & Heather Dennis
<b>SERVERS</b>	No Mass	Cooper & Bella Dennis
<u>Sunday Dec 17, 2023</u>		
<b>LECTOR</b>	Chad Wood	Cheryl Holevoet
<b>GREETERS</b>		Jack & Linda Cheline
<b>SERVERS</b>	Wood Kids/Kelsey & Sarah Poppy	Gabe & Isabelle Wigant
<b>\$ COUNTERS</b>	Chuck-Deb McLaughlin/Jim DeSutter	Pat Raley & Stella Gillbreth

**ANOINTING OF THE SICK**—Please call 309-852-4549 & follow prompts if you are in need of Anointing of the Sick. If you are admitted to the hospital or nursing home prior to Fr G Inai anointing you, please tell admittance that you are Catholic & they will arrange for that hospital's assigned Chaplain to anoint you & notify Fr G Inai.

**Please pray for the sick, their loved ones and caregivers. May they never lose sight of the love of our God.**

**From Woodhull Parish:** Mary Robbins, Frances Cooper, Donna Hanson, Mike Driscoll-brother of Joy Morland, Alphonse Meirhaeghe, Donna Johnson, Mary Jo Murphy, Mark Johnson, Joy Morland, Dick Nelson

**From Galva Parish:** Melanie Rupp, Bea Clark, Don England, Terry Raley, Jim Bennison, Jim H., Paul Craig, Alma Loncka, Cynthia Kennedy, Shelley Collis, Jim Robinson, Chuck Entas, Maggie Green, Edward Pokay, Warren Werkheiser, Tobias Tingleaf, Monsignor Ernie Pizzamiglio, Gerald Rupp, Leandra Duran-Parish, Chris Woods, Anita Sherman, Bill Owens

**DATES TO REMEMBER:**

**SUN Dec 17—Woodhull** Christmas Program & Potluck following Mass—*Bring a dish to share.*

**SUN Dec 17—Galva Mass at 8:00 AM instead of 10:00 AM !!!**

**TUE Dec 19**—Remember to order your Christmas Flowers in Memory of loved ones by this date so they can be added to the list for the bulletin.

**WED Dec 20**—Reconciliation Service—**Cambridge**—6 PM

**THUR Dec 21**—Reconciliation Service—**Kewanee**—6 PM

**Woodhull Christmas Program—Sun Dec 17**

*All are welcome to join us in the Hall after Mass for our Program and Potluck Meal.*

Merry Christmas!!

Please bring a dish to share. Meat (Chicken & Ham), Rolls & Drinks will be provided.



*Thank you to all who came and celebrated at the Harvest Mass on Nov 30th. Many hands and hearts helped prepare this Mass and Celebration with food & fellowship! Special thanks to Aalter Farms—Mike & Melanie DeSutter & family for hosting this special evening for all of our St Johns Parishes. May God Bless!*



**Christmas Weekend Mass Schedule**

**Sat Dec 23 (for Sunday Obligation) -**  
**Galva—4:00 PM Woodhull—5:30 PM**  
**Sun Dec 24—Galva—10:00 AM (for Sun Obligation)**  
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**~Christmas Eve—Sun Dec 24 (for Holy Day)**  
**Cambridge—4:00 PM**  
**Woodhull—5:00 PM**  
**Galva—6:00 PM**  
**Christmas Day—Mon Dec 25 (Holy Day)**  
**Cambridge—8:00 AM**  
**Woodhull—10:00 AM**  
 No Galva Mass on Christmas Day

**2023 Annual Diocesan Appeal**

| As of 10-31-23  | Galva               | Woodhull           |
|-----------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| <b>Goal</b>     | <b>\$19,128</b>     | <b>\$15,595</b>    |
| <b>Pledged</b>  | <b>\$17,185</b>     | <b>\$11,410</b>    |
| <b>Received</b> | <b>\$ 13,412.50</b> | <b>\$ 9,076.66</b> |
| <b>Families</b> | <b>35</b>           | <b>23</b>          |

**SUNDAY COLLECTION — 12/03/23**

| GALVA      |                    | WOODHULL   |
|------------|--------------------|------------|
| \$ 2327.00 | Collection         | \$ 2005.85 |
| \$ 125.00  | Building Fund      |            |
| \$ .00     | Visitation         |            |
| \$ .00     | Visitation f/Month |            |

Results of the 40 Days for Life Campaign showed that one million prayer warriors had participated. They covered 681 cities. At least 201 lives have been saved. Attempts continue to make abortion legal through all 9 months of pregnancy by laws enacted by the states. Our country has caused law enforcement to arrest people praying outside abortion clinics. The Dept of Justice and the FBI have also been involved in these arrests. It is an important time for making witness for the pre-born and their mothers. With all the support of the pro-life community, we can save more lives, close more abortion clinics and assist abortion workers in leaving the abortion industry. Three secrets to the success of 40 Days for Life are Prayer, Fasting, and Peaceful Vigil. —Shawn Connery, President and CEO of Forty Days for Life

**Annual Presents for the Christ Child for the Galesburg Pregnancy Center**—*Needed: Size 5 & 6 diapers, baby wipes, baby bath towels, neutral crib sheets.* They have plenty of blankets & outfits. Place gifts under the tree in narthex in Woodhull until after New Years. *Thanks so much .!!*



Please pray for the safety & well-being our **Military & First Responders: LT David Alepra, Emma Bjorling, Nathan Lewis-Bresnahan, Tyler Lewis-Bresnahan, CPL Keanen Dean, TSgt Travis Jefko**

**AIWood Food Pantry** needs **Cherry Jello & boxes of Scalloped Potatoes** for the Christmas Baskets by **Dec 19....Leave items in north door vestibule-Woodhull**



## Comfort and Warning

We serve a merciful and patient God. In His kindness, He warns us that we will be called to make an account one day for the way in which we made use of the gifts He has given us. The most precious gift He has given us is His own Son, Whose birth we are preparing to celebrate.

St. Peter describes the loving kindness of the Father in our Second Reading today, saying God "is patient with you, not wishing that anyone should perish but that all should come to repentance." Yet, in the same passage we receive this warning: "The Lord will come like a thief, and then the heavens will pass away with a mighty roar... and the earth and everything on it will be found out."

How are we to assimilate these two truths — the merciful love of God and the responsibility that comes with the privilege of living as His disciple? St. Peter tells us we should conduct ourselves "in holiness and devotion." Indeed, this is the goal of our Advent "reset" — to return to living lives focused on Christ, in gratitude for all He has done for us.

In our Gospel passage from Mark, John the Baptist instructs us to "prepare the way of the Lord, make straight his paths." We must make good use of the gift of time we have been given this Advent season. Let's be sure to get to Confession, prioritize a daily reading the of Scriptures, and reach out to someone in need with a word of comfort or an act of service.

In this way, we will honor both the mercy and justice of our God, and we will be prepared to celebrate the birth of Christ and give account for all His gifts to us.