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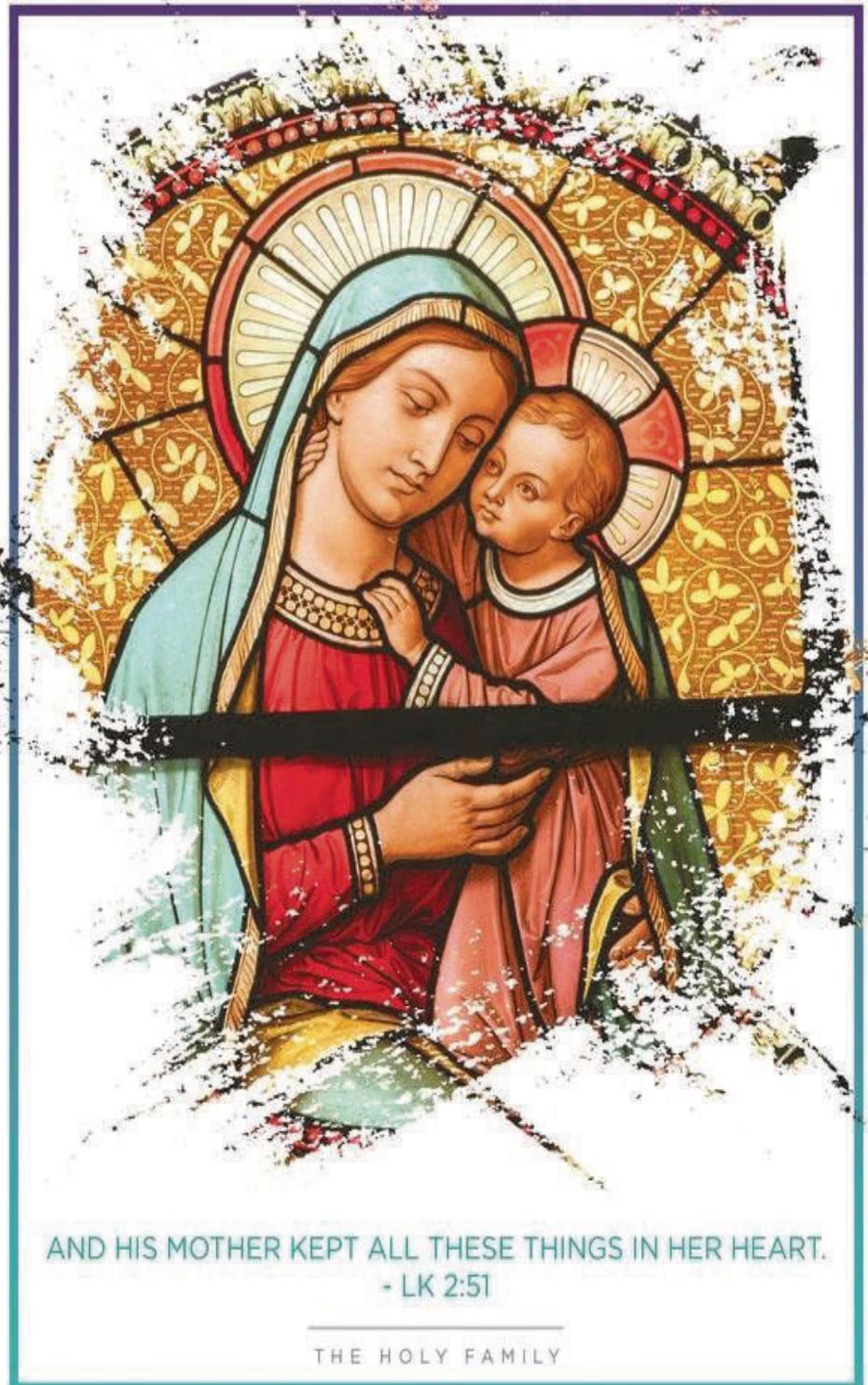
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# Testimony of Faith

## Stewardship of Treasure

August 31, 2021

Envelopes/Plate .....\$7,802.25

Online Giving/ACH....\$2,125.00

Weekly Goal.....\$9,712.00

Received to Date.....\$207,659.06

Annual Goal 21-22..\$505,000.00

## United Catholic Appeal 2021

Envelopes/Plate.....\$905.00

Goal.....\$72,352.00

Total Received.....\$39,408.00

Balance Due.....\$30,8798.00

\*\*Includes online giving\*\*

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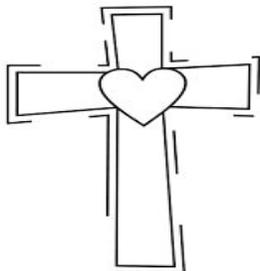
**Holy Spirit Endowment Fund  
Balance**  
*\$50,633.06*

**Marriage** Contact parish office as soon as possible and at least **6 months prior** to desired wedding date.

**Baptism** Infant baptism during Mass or privately. Call parish to arrange pre-baptism parent session or request information. Forms available on the parish website.

**Anointing of the Sick** Call the Parish office to schedule Sacrament or Communion calls for the home-bound.

**Prayer Warrior Team** Please call Donna Strumbell at 218-290-3767.



Merry Christmas and Happy New Year Holy Spirit Parish and Marquette School!

I want to begin by thanking all the people of Holy Spirit Parish and Marquette School for being such an incredible gift to our parish, our school and my life as a priest. Every year when Christmas hits I tend to get incredibly sentimental and reflective. I read the bulletins from the past year, look back at pictures and reflect on all of the joys and sufferings that the Lord has offered all of us. I am thankful for the moments of joy, growth and blessings. Yet, I am also thankful for the sufferings and struggles that have allowed all of us to hopefully lean that much more into Jesus and not ourselves. Suffering has a way of really leading us into deep relationship with the Lord if we allow it to. That has been the case for many of us here at our parish and school this past year.

I personally want to thank all of our employees at Holy Spirit and Marquette School! Each of you are a remarkable GIFT to our community. Thank you for the countless hours you put in serving our people. You do not get enough thanks for all that you do and the sacrifices you make. I ask everyone to please thank, be kind and affirm our incredible people that work at our parish and school. They sacrifice so much! THANK YOU, Holy Spirit and Marquette School staff!

I also want to welcome anyone who is visiting our parish this weekend or has been away and is back this Christmas and New Year's weekend. Please re-commit to regular Mass attendance and getting involved in our parish and school life. At times we may tend to fall away from the Faith and if that has been the case for anyone reading this – know that Christ waits with OPEN ARMS ready to welcome you back!

To anyone that is finding this time of the year very difficult. Some of you are carrying very heavy burdens and pain. Please know you are loved deeply and although you may not “feel” it. The Lord is so close to the broken hearted! We cannot escape the Lord's grace and goodness – He is with you right now in your suffering and pain. Know I am always available to listen and to pray with you. I can't always fix the struggle but I am willing to journey with you. Be at peace!

To anyone that has been hurt by me or the Church this past year, I beg your forgiveness and the opportunity to restore that relationship. Disagreements, frustrations and difficulties are part of life and the human dynamic. Yet, those things do not need to be life long sentences for any of us. I pray we can move to a place of forgiveness and reconciliation if that needs to happen in any way. Again – you are loved!

Finally, I am PUMPED for this upcoming year. There is so much to look forward to! We have some exciting “hires” to announce at the parish and school this next year. We have the potential for some new projects and growth. Our faith formation efforts continue to grow and bear fruit and the outpouring of generosity and charity continues to flow beautifully. I can only imagine the joys and the sufferings that are ahead for all of us. I pray we can embrace each of those graces from the Lord and remain united and joyful in all things. I am committed to praying for you my dear friends five times a day this next year. Every time I pray the Liturgy of the Hours I offer it for you my parish and school. This priest will never stop praying for you!

Have a blessed Christmas – Keep JESUS at the center of everything! Don't let the small stuff disrupt your life, and every day this next year be intentional in your charity and commitment to laying down your life for a friend or even an enemy. Bring JOY into the world that is in desperate need of it. Merry Christmas!

Live in Hope!  
Fr. Brandon

# Parish News



February Mercy Tour:  
Registration for the February Mercy Tour is now open. Go to [www.holyspiritvirginia.com](http://www.holyspiritvirginia.com) for more information and to register.

## **REMINDER**

There will be no daily masses the week following Christmas—Dec. 27-Jan. 30.

No 8:30am Mass Jan. 3 there will be a 5:30pm Mass that evening

Adoration hours will stay the same during this time.

## **Weekly Rosaries**

The Knights of Columbus will lead a Rosary Monday evenings following the 5:30pm Mass.

Deacon Rick and Diana Moravitz will be leading a rosary for Vocations each Thursday evening at 8pm, followed by the Benediction.



## **Bible Study**

Bible study continues to meet following 8:30 Mass on Tuesday mornings. Join us in the social hall for great discussions, coffee, and treats.

**St. Gianna Life Ministry will meet on Tuesday, Jan. 4, 2022** in the “crying room” near the gathering space. All are welcome! Join us as we plan ways to acknowledge the sanctity of all life and support the needs of the pregnancy care centers and maternity homes.

## **Holiday Sacrament Schedule**

### **Weekend Masses:**

Saturday @ 4:30pm  
Sunday @ 8am & 10am

### **Weekday Masses:**

**\*No Weekday Masses the week of Dec. 27-30 & No 8:30am Mass Jan. 3\***  
Monday & Wednesday @ 8:30am & 5:30pm  
Tuesday & Thursday @ 8:30am

### **Confessions:**

**\*No Confessions the week of Dec. 27-30\***  
Monday @ 4:45pm  
Saturday @ 3pm

### **Adoration:**

Tuesday & Thursday 9am-9pm

### **Parish Office Holiday Hours**

Parish office will be closed Dec. 23-Jan 2

**Star of the North Maternity Home Iron Range:** If you were unable to attend the Trunk Show and Festival Fundraiser but would like to support the Star of the North Maternity Home, monetary donations may be made out to "Star of the North" and sent to Cathy Timmerman, PO Box 725 Hibbing, MN 55746. No gift is too small and all are confidential.

## **RCIA**

All are welcomed to join us for RCIA now on Monday nights at 6:30pm. If you or somebody you know if interested in learning more about the Catholic faith or would like to consider becoming Catholic, then these classes are for you. It's not too late! Join us on Monday nights as we journey through the beauty and treasures of the Catholic faith!

## **Men's Basketball League**

Every Tuesday night at 8pm in the MCS gym.

Contact Ty Pollak for more information 218-421-7602 or Ross Haverkamp 218-537-0397.



## **Italia Gloriosa w/ Father Brandon Moravitz**

Plans are now officially in place for an incredible pilgrimage to Italy the week after Easter, April 18-29, 2022! Fr. Brandon is excited about how this has all come together! He has always wanted to visit some of the Holy Sites of St. John Bosco and other Saints who came from Northern Italy! We will start there, work our way to Assisi and then finish our time in Rome! This is a pilgrimage of Faith - not just a "vacation!" We go to encounter the Lord and the Universal Church together. If you feel a "stir" in your heart to join us check out the link below to see if it can practically work out for you. Trust in the Lord and His timing in all things! St John Bosco Pray for us as we prepare for this pilgrimage of Faith and that God will stir the hearts of those who are to attend!

[www.materdeitours.com](http://www.materdeitours.com)

If you have any question contact Jessica at Holy Spirit Parish 218-741-6344!

## **Welcome to our parish - Are you Registered?**

Join our parish community by registering online at

<https://engage.suran.com/holyspiritvirginiamn>

Here you can enter your information online (or update it for current parishioners!) and receive communications from our parish and sign up for online giving to Holy Spirit Church and Marquette Catholic School. We love to stay in touch with our parish community members, so please register as soon as you can! Need assistance? Contact Jessica or Stefanie in the Holy Spirit parish office. Thank you for being part of the Holy Spirit and Marquette family!

**Formed.org Feature:** January 1 is the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, a beautiful documentary to watch in her honor is **“The Woman.”** This powerful film presents the beautiful Catholic teaching about Mary, the mother of Jesus, and her important role in the Church and in the lives of Christians today. Combining many gorgeous images from classic sacred art with a lovely soundtrack, the dogmas of the Mother of God: Immaculate Conception, Perpetual Virginity, and Assumption are explained, along with other traditional beliefs and devotions to Mary.

**Augustine Institute Kiosk Feature: “Born Again, Faith Alone?”** (CD) In one of his most focused talks to date, Stephen Ray discusses salvation, the authentic biblical understanding of being “born again”, and how we are saved by faith, but not “faith alone”. With great humor and doctrinal depth, he goes all the way back to Abraham to show that we are saved by faith and obedience to all that Christ demands of us.

<b>Monday</b>	<b>December 27</b>
8:30 AM †	Ralph Harvey
<b>Tuesday</b>	<b>December 28</b>
8:30 AM †	Laverne Cremers
<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 29</b>
8:30 AM †	Teresa Mihelich
<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 30</b>
8:30 AM †	Our Parish Family
<b>Friday</b>	<b>January 1-No Mass</b>
<b>Saturday</b>	<b>January 2</b>
4:30 PM †	Toni Phelps
<b>Sunday</b>	<b>January 3</b>
8:00 AM †	Judith Lanari
10:00 AM †	Lawrence, Elizabeth, & Walter Klein

**Exodus 90-**

Calling all men of Holy Spirit church. This January we will venture into an incredible fraternal journey called Exodus 90. This program has been alive in our Church for three years and honestly, it is a program that has born incredible fruit! Are you a man who needs the challenge to get to a new level in life and faith? Are you willing and able to sacrifice elements of your daily life to become a better man? husband? father? If you feel a tug on your heart than we encourage you to consider joining us for Exodus 90 2022 starting January 17.

In the coming weeks we will have promotional materials to distribute during the weekend Masses as well as sign up/interest forms. Simply sign up on the form and talk to our exodus men and we will help get you connected.



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