



Bulletin

January 23, 2022

3rd Sunday Ordinary Time

Pax Christi Catholic Community

Encountering, becoming and sharing the Presence, Love and Peace of Christ

A Note from Our Pastor

This week I will be on vacation. Fr. Shawn will cover our regularly scheduled Masses and be available for funerals or anointing. I appreciate his generous willingness to cover for me.

Next Sunday, Fr. John Fischer from Cross Catholic will be celebrating the Masses next weekend. Cross Catholic does some amazing work with people in need. Thank you in advance for your welcome and generous response.

We continue our preparations for the Synod listening sessions on February 6. MJ Jones is doing great work with the organization. This week the Pastoral Council and other facilitators had their training. Now it is just up to all of you to be part of the process. Although no one will be turned away, pre-registration will help us in the planning. A link to sign up will be in each Flocknote. If you do not receive our Flocknotes please call the office and share your email address with us. We try to keep emails to a minimum but it is a great way for us to communicate important information and upcoming events with you.

A couple of the daily Scripture readings over the last couple of weeks have me reflecting on why we sometimes resist God's will. It comes down to, in part, thinking that we sometimes have to be the best, handsomest, strongest in order to be chosen by God. But our second readings these Sundays contain St. Paul's reflection on the many gifts that the Spirit brings forth in a community.

This week, reflecting on the fact that there are many gifts but the same Spirit, he writes, *"If a foot should say, 'Because I am not a hand I do not belong to the body. . . Or if an ear should say, 'Because I am not an eye I do not belong to the body, it does not for this reason belong any less to the body' . . . But as it is, God placed the parts, each one of them, in the body as he intended."* I encourage you to take some time this week and reflect on 1 Corinthians 12:12-30. It is a glorious reminder of the diversity of gifts, talents and aptitudes that God has brought together in our parish for the building up of God's Kingdom. We are blessed to have each of you here. Have a great week.

Fr. John Sauer

MASS

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday: 7:30† 9:00, 10:45 am

LIVESTREAM MASS †

Watch live or view later.

[www.youtube.com/c/](http://www.youtube.com/c/PaxChristiChurch)

PaxChristiChurch

Please note: Livestream with be changing to the 9:00 am Mass on 1/30/22

DAILY

Tues - 9 am

Wed - 9 am & 5:30 pm

Thur - 9 am

Fri - 9 am

RECONCILIATION

Sat. 4-5pm or by appointment

Eucharistic Adoration & Exposition

Every Tuesday from 4 am-11 pm in the Chapel
All are welcome any time!

For the door code or to sign up for an hour:
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paxchristichurch.org

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Father John Sauer
Pastor



Father Shawn Haremza

Parish Life

EXPLORING THE MYSTERIES OF LIFE

The Search explores life's biggest questions, assists in finding or reigniting meaning and purpose, and strengthens one's faith. While *The Search* is video based, it is not meant just to be watched . . . and it is certainly not meant to be watched alone.



For seven weeks in January and February, Pax Christi will be hosting *The Search* Parties, video presentations and small group discussion.

Join our Search Party team. Discussion leaders, hospitality, and prayer intercessors are needed. Contact the parish office. (507) 282-8542.

**Watch all episodes and learn more!
www.paxchristchurch.org/the-search**

Landscapes of the Sacred

"Living Faithfully on God's Beloved Earth"

The social justice committees of Holy Spirit and Pax Christi invite you to a morning of reflection on Saturday, **February 5**, 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM by ZOOM.

Our presenter will be Colleen Carpenter, PhD, a Professor of Theology at St Catherine's University in St Paul, Mn.

She has written extensively on theology issues related to the Earth and our Christian relationship to the world around us.

For questions or to register,
email hspaxsocialjustice@gmail.com.



*Encounters
with
Mary*

*Our Lady
of the Flowers*

The Men of Pax

The ***Men of Pax*** Planning meeting will be at 6:30 pm in Dining Hall of Pax Christi on Thursday Jan. 27th .

Please let Mark know if you can attend. Email is marreel@charter.net or call 507-279-3214

February 1st, We will have our regular meeting. Dan Fifield from **The Landing** will be our program. The 1st pizza comes out of the oven at 6:15.

The program will start at 7:00 pm.

Hope to see you there.

Pax Christi Church • January 24, 7:00 pm (artwork and sacred arias at 6:45pm)

Live streaming at: <https://youtu.be/CyJLKPrfnWo>

Christmas miracles do happen. One took place during the 12 days of Christmas 682 years ago — a miracle that has repeated every year since. The miracle took place on the evening of Dec. 29, 1336, on the outskirts of Bra, Italy, which is on the road to Turin.

A young wife named Egidia Mathis, who was expecting the couple's first child, was walking home that winter evening. As she approached one of the pillars on the road on which was frescoed a picture of the Blessed Virgin Mary with the Christ Child, she spotted two mercenaries nearby. Egidia was frightened by their threatening glares She ran to Our Lady pictured on the pillar and pleaded for help.

A light shone from the pillar, as Our Lady appeared. The mercenaries quickly ran away, frightened. Our Lady smiled at Egidia and comforted her. However, the stress and emotional intensity of the encounter caused the young woman to give birth to her baby immediately. In addition to the apparition and birth, the nearby hedgerow of leafless blackthorn bushes circling the area around the pillar, which had been covered in ice, burst into bloom, covered in thousands of white flowers. Every year since, the blackthorns- which usually bloom between March and April- flower between Dec. 25 and Jan. 15.

Prayer & Liturgy

<i>Readings for the Week</i>		<i>Mass Intentions</i> † Deceased	
Monday January 24	1 Samuel 5:1-7, 10 Psalm 89:20, 21-22, 25-26 Mark 3:22-30	Monday January 24	No Masses
Tuesday January 25	Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22 Psalm 117: 1bc, 2 Mark 16:15-18	Tuesday January 25	9:00 am Nathan Holtegaard †
Wednesday January 26	2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5 Psalm 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30 Mark 4:1-20	Wednesday January 26	9:00 am Kathy Nolan† 5:30 pm Mean Chim† Nen Nguyen †
Thursday January 27	2 Samuel 7:18-19, 24-29 Psalm 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12, 13-14 Mark 4:21-25	Thursday January 27	9:00 am Le Huynh †
Friday January 28	2 Samuel 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17 Psalm 51:3-4, 5-6a, 6bcd-7, 10-11 Mark 4:26-34	Friday January 28	9:00 am Mary Durben †
Saturday January 29	2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17 Psalm 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17 Mark 4:35-41	Saturday January 29	5:15 pm In thanksgiving from all members of the Bossou family
Sunday January 30	Jeremiah 1:4-5, 1:17-19 Psalm 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab] 1 Corinthians 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/ Lk 4:21-30	Sunday January 30	7:30 am Pax Parishioners 9:00 am Marjorie Tulus L 10:45 am Serra Club asking the Lord for Vocations



Elizabeth Marie
the daughter of Ethan and Hailey Heinzen was baptized on Jan. 15, 2022

Luke Wayne
the son of Jason and Katrina Viet was baptized on Jan. 16, 2022

“You are sealed by the Holy Spirit in baptism and marked as Christ’s own forever.”



3rd
Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

*“The Spirit of the Lord is upon me,
because he has anointed me
to bring glad tidings to the poor...
and to proclaim a year
acceptable to the Lord”
~ Luke 4:18a, 19*

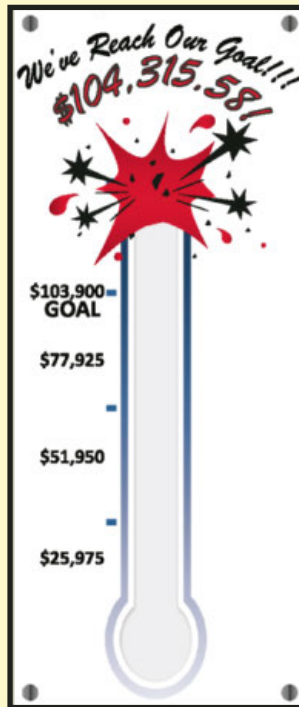
Time, Talent & Treasure

Thank you to everyone who donated to our Catholic Ministries Appeal! Thousands of people will have the opportunity to draw closer to Christ because of your generosity.

Pax Christi Catholic Community surpassed its goal of \$103,900 by \$415.00 when we reached \$104,315.58 in donations for the Catholic Ministries Appeal Funds, a diocesan-led ministry that covers all 20 counties of Southern Minnesota.

If you would still like to contribute to the CMA, you can do so by returning your CMA pledge card or make a donation online at www.catholicismn.org.

Goal: \$103,900
Received: \$104,315.58
Donors: 253



In the Gospel of Luke 4:21-30, Jesus shows us we are called to place Gospel values before any other values and to be willing to put our lives on the line for them. Taking care of God's poor is indeed living Gospel values. In the same Gospel, Jesus is teaching us about the need to always not discriminate against a person regardless of their external looks.

At the **Society of St. Vincent de Paul (SVdP)**, we value our volunteers and Friends in Need as individuals with unique contributions to make our mission of helping the marginalized in our community.

Pax Christi's Conference of SVdP is continuing to provide services to individuals and RECRUIT VOLUNTEERS without regard to race, gender, color, marital status, age, or disability.

Is God calling you to join the Society of St. Vincent de Paul??

Any questions please call Tom/Linda Stenzel
507-280-0765

Rochester Catholic Schools



Join Us for the *RCS Winter Showcase of Schools and Apply by Feb. 4!*



Prospective families with rising preschool-grade 12 students are invited to the RCS Winter Showcase of Schools on Jan. 24, 25, and 27, where they'll have the chance to explore our five campuses!

Priority application deadline for the 2022-2023 school year is Feb. 4.

Visit rcsmn.org, or use this QR code to register for the showcase or apply!



Celebrate Catholic Schools Week With RCS Jan. 30-Feb5!

There's a lot to celebrate at Rochester Catholic Schools! Join us during National Catholic Schools Week from Jan. 30-Feb. 5, 2022, as we rejoice together. To begin our celebration, families are invited to attend Mass at our RCS parishes on Jan. 30. School and system events will follow throughout the week, including the President's Reception on Feb. 4 where we will honor five members of the RCS community. Also watch for prize giveaways throughout the week! We look forward to celebrating our schools, faith, mission, and YOU - our community!

Learn more about Catholic Schools Week and RSVP for the President's Reception at rcsmn.org/catholicsschoolsweek.

Showcase of Schools Jan. 24-27 & Priority Application Deadline for 2022-2023 Feb. 4

The RCS Winter Showcase of Schools is right around the corner! Prospective families with rising preschool-grade 12 students are invited to explore the five campuses and exceptional learning communities of RCS on January 24, 25, and 27 between 4:30-7:00 p.m. Priority application deadline for the 2022-2023 school year is Friday, Feb. 4. Tell your friends and family! Register for the showcase or apply for the fall of 2022 at rcsmn.org/admissions.

Catholic Community

THE CALL

All young adults aged 18-39 are invited to attend the upcoming silent retreat. Take some time to rest, relax, and enjoy a break from your daily routine. This retreat is an excellent way to escape the noise of our everyday life and listen more closely to the voice of God.

Registration can be found at <https://giving.parishsoft.com/App/Form/1754129c-05d5-4146-9284-32c41699b257>

Please direct any questions to klattm0597@my.uwstout.edu.

CO-ED SILENT RETREAT | FEB. 25TH -FEB. 27TH

7th Annual Married Couples Retreat "Merciful Love" February 18-19

Couples will reflect on the importance of Divine Mercy in marriage, enjoy a wine and cheese social Friday night, lunch and dinner on Saturday, and the beautiful scenery of the Lanesboro countryside.

Register now:

www.dowr.org/offices/life-marriage-family/index.html

Please note - lodging is not included, but Lanesboro is the Bed & Breakfast Capitol of MN.

*Sponsored by the Diocese of Winona-Rochester,
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St. James Coffee Events & Ministry Opportunities

Did you know St. James has been serving our community for over 8 years! They offer some great events as well as volunteer ministry opportunities.

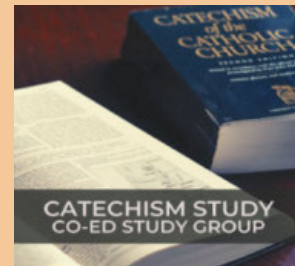
St. James is a great way to get involved in the greater community.



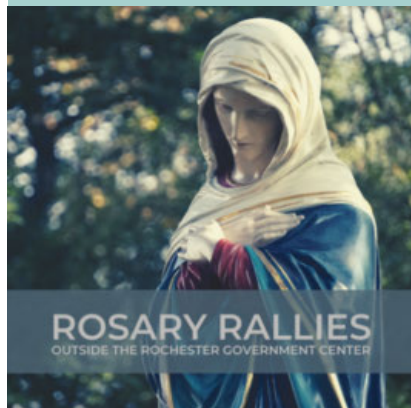
Check out their website: <http://stjamescoffee.com>

Co-ed Catechism Study

Join other young adults for a co-ed study on the Catechism of the Catholic Church every Tuesday night at St. James Coffee from 6:00-7:30 pm.



Contact Abby for more information:
abbyteslater@gmail.com



Rochester Rosary Rallies

Every Sunday at 3:00 pm at the Government Center in Rochester

We pray in front of the Government Center at the corner of 4th Street SE and 3rd Ave. SE. Bring your families and friends and spread the word! If unable to join us physically, consider joining spiritually by praying a Rosary and Divine Mercy Chaplet from anywhere.

For more information please contact:

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