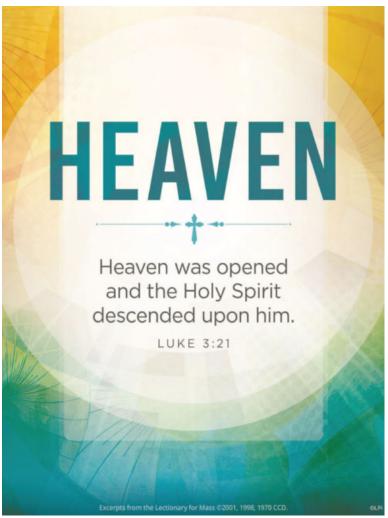


# January 9, 2021 Baptism of the Lord St. Mary Star of the Sea † Phone (218) 722-3078 †

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To join the parish of St. Mary Star of the Sea:
Registration forms are found online at
www.stmarystaroftheseaduluth.com and in the
pocket shelf in the hallway to the Sacristy.

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### **Mass Times**

St. Mary Star of the Sea 325 E. 3rd Street Duluth MN 55805

Mon - Fri 12:10 PM Saturday 4:00 PM Sunday 9:15 AM

### Confessions

Monday-Friday 11:30 - Noon Saturday 3:00 pm - 3:45 PM

Adoration and Divine Mercy: Adoration following the Friday 12:10 mass until 3pm. Call the office or sign up on our church website at <a href="https://www.stmarystaroftheseaduluth.com/">https://www.stmarystaroftheseaduluth.com/</a>.



### **MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday, 12:10 pm Tuesday, 12:10 pm Wednesday, 12:10 pm

9:15 am

Mass, January 10
Thomas Kempfer
Mass, January 11
Monica Murray
Mass, January 12
Health & Well-bein

Health & Well-being for Marshall & Marianne Fightlin **Mass, January 13** 

Thursday, 12:10 pm Gary Larson Friday, 12:10 pm Mass, January 14 † Dan Hoffman Saturday, 4:00 pm John Voss Sunday, Mass, January 15

There is a couple corrections with the flower order. I forgot to add Ron Baker and to include Mary Lowney with her husband Jerry. I apologize for the mistake.

Joseph Clark

The Wisdom of Fulton Sheen This book is a beautiful collection of 365 of Fulton Sheen's most powerful quotes. Invite others to spend next year walking and talking with Fulton Sheen! Discussion with clergy on Fulton Sheen on Tues., Jan. 18th at 7pm in the Cathedral Social Hall.

ters! Training for all Lector's, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion and Altar Servers is scheduled for Feb., 2022. This training is required for all current and new Lector's, EMHC's and Altar Servers to ensure we have standardization for all the Masses. Dates and times for St. Mary Star of the Sea are as follows: Altar Servers on Tues., 2/15 from 6pm-7pm, Lectors on Wed., 2/16 from 6pm-7pm, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion on Wed., 2/16 from 7pm-8pm If you have questions or would like to become a liturgical minister, email questions to Greg Jung at

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### PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS

Mon,10	John Paul Narog (sem) Justin Koskecka (sem)
Tue,,11	Justin Koskecka (sem)
Weď, 12	Fr. Lawrence Johnson
Thu, 13	Fr. Richard Kunst
Fri, 14	Fr. Timothy Lange
Sat,15	Fr. Timothy LangeDcn. Michael Knuth
Suń,16	Dcn. Richard Laumeyer
SAY A SPECIAL PRA	YER FOR OUR DECEASED PRIESTS



# "A Message from Fr. Anthony Wroblewski

If you had any nuns in school, or a very Catholic mother, I am sure that you heard them tell you, whenever you were experiencing any pain or difficulty, that you could "offer it up." Where did the Catholic practice of offering up suffering for a cause come from? The Bible is full of sacrifices for others, with Jesus' death for our salvation as the greatest example. St. Paul teaches us in several of his letters the usefulness of putting up with pain for our own good and the good of others. Many saints have offered themselves up, like St. Faustina or St. Thérèse of Lisieux.

Quite simply for me, it is a type of prayer. What we do is offer our pain, suffering or difficulty to the Lord, uniting it to Jesus' suffering on the cross, and ask Him to use our pain for the good of someone else. Pain without purpose is simply pain. But pain and suffering with purpose is sacrifice. And sacrifice can be used by God for the good of others. So we could offer up our suffering for those who have died but haven't made it yet to heaven. We could offer it up for our children. We could offer it up for others who may be suffering more than us. The point is that if we ourselves give it purpose, then that suffering can become sacrificial, and can even gain meaning.

In 1984, Pope John Paul II, who was no stranger to suffering, wrote his apostolic letter *Salvifici Doloris*, which eloquently describes the meaning of human pain. He pointed out that suffering is not meaningless, but in fact can be very fruitful. Suffering, the late pope wrote, is "one of those points in which man is in a certain sense 'destined' to go beyond himself, and he is called to this in a mysterious way." John Paul II described how we, the members of the church, share in Christ's redemptive death and even help complete it. We are called to "offer it up" with all our brothers and sisters for the good of others.

I have some personal experience of this. When I first contracted Covid in September, things progressed quickly, to the point that it was difficult for me even to do my normal prayer. So I began offering up my day of suffering for particular purposes. I would choose someone, or something, and then tell the Lord: "I wish I could pray Lord, but things are so overwhelming, that it's hard for me to do anything. So please accept my pain today as a prayer for ..." at that point, even my illness became a prayer. So next time your are experiencing any pain or suffering, rather than complain, offer it up, making it a powerful prayer for the good of others.

**Eucharistic Adoration** will be held at the Cathedral each Tuesday from 3 to 7 PM. Come and spend time in the love and presence of the Lord.

The St. Vincent de Paul Society: Please continue to support us especially with your prayers. Questions, call Dcn. Jim at 218-348-6258. We meet on the 1st and 3rd Thur. of the month at 6pm. 1st Thur. at SMSS; 3rd Thur. location TBD. Email svdpduluthmn@gmail.com or call Dcn. Jim for details.

### **STEWARDSHIP**

# READINGS

### **Parish Stewardship**

A Summary of our Financial Stewardship Report:

St. Mary Star of the Sea	
Weekend Collection: Dec 26	\$ 3,308.25
Electronic Giving: Dec 20-26	\$ 415.00
Christmas Collection	\$ 2,930.32
Total Week of Dec 26, 2021	\$ 6,653.57
December Goal	\$ 17,985.20
Check/Cash Contributions: Dec 01-26	\$ 14,900.08
Electronic Contributions: Dec 01-26	\$ 1,330.00
December Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)	\$ (1,755.12)
Percentage of Goal	90%
Annual Goal (Jul. 2021 - Jun. 2022)	\$ 139,000.00
Collected through Dec 26	\$ 79,425.33
Annual Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)	\$ (59,574.67)
Percentage of Goal	57%

Stella Maris Academy will be hosting three upcoming parent nights to share more about our high school opening grades 9 & 10 in 2022! Join us to learn more about academic programming, tuition, scholarships, extracurricular activities and the admissions process! Tues., 1/11, 6:00 - 7:30pm at St. James Campus, Thur., 1/13, 6:00 - 7:30pm at St. John's Campus, Tues., 1/26, 6:00 - 7:30pm at Cathedral School in Superior

Transgender Talk: On Sun., Jan. 16 at 5 PM in the Cathedral Social Hall, the Catholic Medical Association is honored to host Dr. Quentin Van Meter. Dr. Van Meter is a pediatric endocrinologist, President of the American College of Pediatricians, and an international expert on the history and "science" behind transgender medicine. He will be speaking live via ZOOM from Atlanta, GA on "Transgender Care: A Reality Check. "All are invited. RSVP at this link: <a href="https://www.eventbrite.com/e/transgender-medicine-tickets-236017664187">https://www.eventbrite.com/e/transgender-medicine-tickets-236017664187</a> so that we know how much pizza to order. Dinner is \$15, unless you're a student, then you eat for free!! Please bring a beverage to share. The evening begins with a rosary at 5, dinner at 5:30, and the presentation at 6 then discussion. If you prefer to join us via ZOOM, please contact Gordy at <a href="mailto:gordon.harvieux@gmail.com">gordon.harvieux@gmail.com</a>

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Holy Innocents Adoration Chapel is in need of adorers. Call Christine Ficken for hours 724-7713

### Readings for the Week of January 9

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10 [11b]/Acts 10:34-38/Lk 3:15-16, 21-22 or, Is 40:1-5, 9-11/Ps 104:1b-2, 3-4, 24-25, 27-28, 29-30 [1]/Ti 2:11-14; 3:4-7/ Lk 3:15-16, 21-22

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20 Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28 Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12 Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

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Faith Formation: Today we celebrate the feast of the Baptism of the Lord. In Luke's Gospel today we hear John the Baptist address the confusion of the people who thought that he might be the Messiah. John the Baptist says that he has baptized with water, but that someone will come and baptize with the Holy Spirit. We hear how the Holy Spirit descends upon Jesus during his time of prayer after his baptism and tells him that he is the Son of God.

Through our Baptism in Jesus' name, we are made children of God. Through our prayer, we too will learn what this means for our lives.

Every family is unique in their behaviors, attitudes, and expectations that shape their family's daily life. These expectations and behaviors can be shaped by a number of factors, but are unique to every family.

In today's Gospel, we learn that Jesus' behavior, attitudes, and expectations were governed by his identity as God's beloved Son. He conducted himself and lived his life in a way that would be pleasing to his Father. Just as Jesus learned what being the Son of God meant in his life through prayer, so our prayer helps us learn what it means to be a child of God.

Knowing that we are children of God, members of the family of Christ, brothers and sisters of Jesus, should shape our family's daily life. What are some of the expectations and behaviors that are unique to your family and make you a family of God? How do these behaviors set you apart from other families?

Continue to be vigilant to your prayer life, asking the Holy Spirit to help you remain ever faithful to your baptismal identity as children and families of God. Continue to have expectations that show your families identity as children of God.

God Bless,

Sonya

Faith Formation continues this week with our normal class schedule along with our First Communion sacramental prep class.

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