

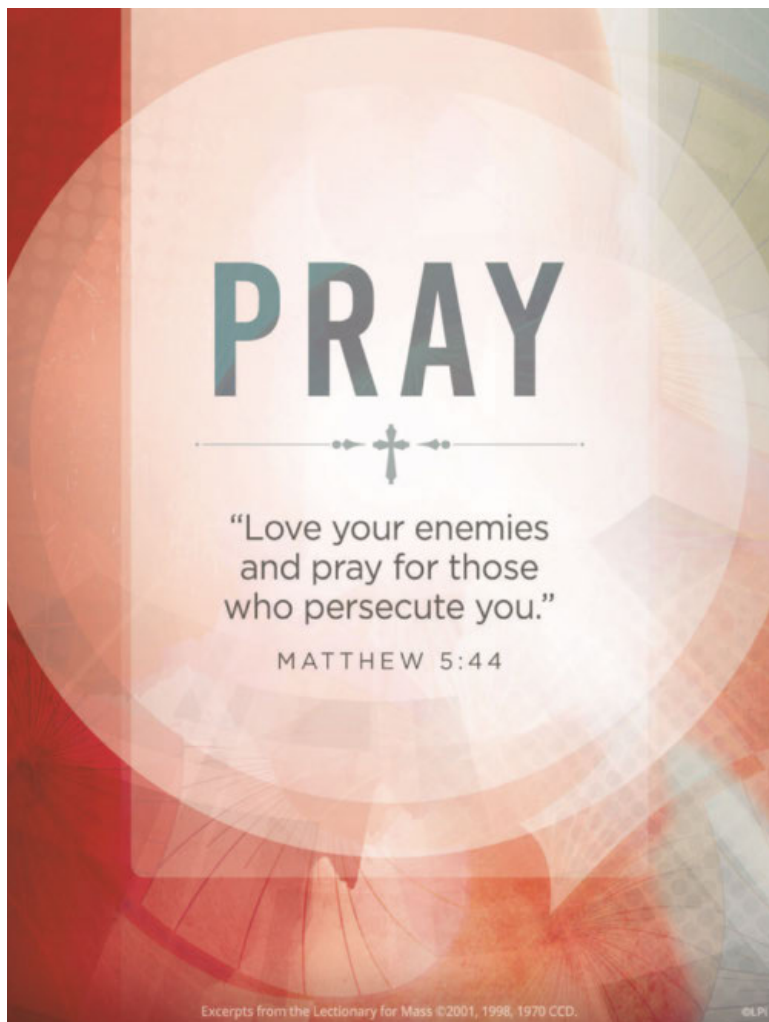


ST. MARY Star of the Sea

February 19th
2023

7th Sunday of
Ordinary Time

Serving as a living sign of Christ's saving presence in the heart of the city



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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

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.

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



MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, 12:10 pm	Mass, February 20 † David Livingston
Tuesday, 12:10 pm	Mass, February 21 Thanksgiving for Reparation in gratitude
Wednesday, 12:10 pm 6:00 pm	Mass, February 22 † John Voss † Carol Fosse
Thursday, 12:10 pm	Mass, February 23 † Elmer Kinchloe
Friday, 12:10 pm	Mass, February 24 † Poor Souls in Purgatory
Saturday, 4:00 pm	Mass, February 25 † Paul & Maxine Humann
Sunday, 9:15 am	Mass, February 26 Parishioners

Donut Sunday: Sunday downstairs Feb. 19 after the 9:15 mass for refreshments and donuts and a treat. All our welcome.



Happy President's Day: On Mon. Feb. 20th, the office at St. Mary Star of the Sea will be closed. We will still have confession and mass at it's regular schedule time and the office will be open on Tues. Feb. 21.



Ash Wednesday: Ash Wednesday marks the beginning of Lent which begins Feb. 22th. Masses are 12:10 pm and 6pm at St. Mary Star of the Sea and 8 am and 7 pm at Cathedral of our Lady. We welcome you the opportunity to start off Lent with this special mass.

All collections at the **Ash Wednesday** Masses will benefit the St. Mary Star of the **Sea Helping Hands** Fund. The Helping Hands funds support individual and family neighbors in need as well as local charitable community organizations. Thank you for your generosity.

Lenten Soup Suppers are back, following Stations of the Cross, and help is needed to prepare the soups being offered this year. Please join the chef in the kitchen about 12:45 pm, after 12:10 mass, on the following Wednesdays afternoons: March 1, 8, 15, and 22. Ingredients and directions will be provided by the chef. Contact Renee Zurn, 218-723-1321, if you have questions. Stations at 5:30; supper at 6:00 pm.

PRAY FOR RELIGIOUS

Mon, 20	Dcn. Steven Hedlund
Tue, 21	Dcn. Richard Johnston
Wed, 22	Dcn. Donald Klick
Thu, 23	Dcn. Thomas Kubar
Fri, 24	Dcn. Roger Marks
Sat, 25	Dcn. Richard Moravitz
Sun, 26	Dcn. Steven Odegard

SAY A SPECIAL PRAYER FOR OUR DECEASED PRIESTS



"A Message from Fr. Anthony Wroblewski"

Well, we are about to begin another Season of Lent! I think I have been less prepared for the beginning of Lent than I have in the past. For some reason, January and the beginning of February went so quickly for me! Nonetheless here we are a few days before the great Penitential Season of Lent. I hope you are choosing some good penance to do this Lent. And I hope that you will really be increasing the opportunities for spiritual growth this season.

We will be offering many Spiritual opportunities for you this Lent. I'd like to highlight just a few of them, which I hope will help you do your annual "Spring cleaning" of your soul:

- **Lenten Mission:** The last week in March we will have our annual preached Mission. With the bishop asking us to focus on healing this year in his Pastoral Letter, I have invited Connie Breusch to be our speaker this year. She comes from the Brainerd area, where she has been a Faith Formation leader, a hospital chaplain, has run a Catholic Retreat Center with her husband, and now has a ministry called "Transformed by Love." During the week on Wednesday, our bishop will even be offering a Mass with the Anointing of the Sick within Mass. I hope all in our parishes will come to pray together as a community. And if you aren't sure what this is about, and have never been to one, you'll have to come and see for yourself!
- **Stations of the Cross** are a very traditional way to mark Lent. We have two opportunities every week to do so. St. Mary will have Stations on Wednesdays at 5:30PM, and the Cathedral will to the same on Fridays also at 5:30 PM. During Lent the Church has traditionally celebrated Stations.
- **Lenten (Soup) Suppers:** We continue the tradition of having Lenten Suppers in our cluster. It is always good for us to come together, first to pray, and then to have fellowship with a simple meal. Lenten Suppers will be held on Wednesdays after Stations at St. Mary's and Fridays at the Cathedral. On March 31, the Knights will have their special fish dinner!

As always, we have many opportunities for the **Sacrament of Reconciliation**. And how will you increase your time for prayer? Maybe you'll attend some daily Masses or find extra time for private prayer or scripture reading. The important thing is not to let this special time pass you by!

St. Mary Star of the Sea Easter Ham Bingo on Sun. Mar. 26th at 1pm. There will be baskets at both entries of the church for items that are needed for the Children's baskets as well as the Silent Auction. Your generosity will be greatly appreciated. Parishioners are needed to pick up their raffle tickets this weekend and next weekend. Volunteers needed to work the bingo. Sign up sheets on bulletin downstairs before the classrooms.

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Parish Stewardship

A Summary of our Financial Stewardship Report:

St. Mary Star of the Sea	
Weekend Collection: Feb 05	\$ 2,690.00
Electronic Giving: Feb 01-05	\$ 85.00
Total Week of Feb 05, 2023	\$ 2,775.00
February Goal	\$ 10,494.20
Check/Cash Contributions: Feb 01 - 05	\$ 2,690.00
Electronic Contributions: Feb 01 - 05	\$ 85.00
Febuary Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)	\$ (7,719.20)
Percentage of Goal	26%
Annual Goal (Jul. 2022 - Jun. 2023)	\$ 139,000.00
Collected through Feb 05	\$ 90,949.28
Annual Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)	\$ (48,050.72)
Percentage of Goal	65%

The Holy Innocents Adoration Chapel is open again! The chapel, located at St. Mary Star of the Sea is open continuously from Sundays at 5 PM to Thursdays at 9 PM. To sign up as a regular adorer or a substitute, visit adorationpro.org/starduluth or call the Star of the Sea office at 218-722-3078

SMA will be hosting an open house to showcase our new early childhood programs. This coming school year we will be offering both Pre-K and Kindergarten Readiness programs at our St. James and Holy Rosary campuses. Join us on Thursday March 2nd to learn more about the daily life of these programs and have an opportunity to tour the school, meet the staff and experience the classroom! St. James Early Childhood Open House - 03/02 from 9:00 - 11:00 am Holy Rosary Early Childhood Open House - 03/02 from 12:30 - 2:30 pm

Join Real Presence Radio on Tues., Mar. 14th for the annual fundraising banquet at the Duluth Entertainment Convention Center in Duluth. Our keynote speaker this year is author, speaker and theologian, Dr. Ralph Martin. Join us as a guest, or consider hosting a table of eight, or even sponsoring the event at the \$500, \$1,500, \$3,000, \$5,000 or \$10,000 levels. For more info. on sponsorship or registration, contact Blake at Blake@realpresencerradio.com or visit our website at RealPresenceRadio.com/banquet.

Star of the North Maternity Homes Annual Fundraiser: Come one, come all to the Star of the North Maternity Homes Salmon Dinner raising money for moms and babies in the northland. Join us at the St. James Gym on Friday, March 17 from 5:30-8:30 pm for a delicious salmon dinner (lasagna option available), live music and our annual auction. Tickets are \$25 for adults, \$20 for seniors and veterans, \$10 for kids age 6-12 and 5 and under eat free. Purchase your tickets and RSVP now at www.StaroftheNorthMaternityHome.org

The Pastoral Letter from Bishop Felton: The Dawn from on High is Breaking upon Us: Healing, Hope and Joy in Jesus is available on the Cathedral website: duluthcathedral.com

Readings for the Week of February 19

Sunday: Lv 19:1-2, 17-18/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 8, 10, 12-13 (8a)/1 Cor 3:16-23/Mt 5:38-48

Monday: Sir 1:1-10/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5/Mk 9:14-29

Tuesday: Sir 2:1-11/Ps 37:3-4, 18-19, 27-28, 39-40/Mk 9:30-37

Wednesday: Jl 2:12-18/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 12-13, 14 and 17/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

Thursday: Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 9:22-25

Friday: Is 58:1-9a/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15

Saturday: Is 58:9b-14/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 5:27-32

Next Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/

Mt 4:1-11

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In today's Gospel, Matthew emphasizes that love of God and love of neighbor are the fundamental commands on which all other things depend. Today we hear Jesus call on his disciples to go beyond the way the world usually works and serve God's kingdom here on earth. Jesus' teaching to "love your enemies and pray for those who persecute you" was in opposition to what was socially acceptable in His time as well as in our own time. He wants us to love unconditionally, and to strive to love as God does, even though it can be difficult and challenging. He tells us that being his disciple requires us not to settle for what everyone else does, but to go beyond what society expects of us and do what God expects of us.

Family life teaches all of us many things. It is often at home that we learn practical skills such as cooking, cleaning and most importantly caring. Love is the most important thing a family can share with one another. And this is true in God's family as well.

Jesus does not expect us to do everything perfect all the time, he understands that we are human. But as members of God's family, Jesus does expect us to serve His Kingdom here on earth by loving others as if they were Jesus himself. If we reach out in love to others, we are doing exactly what Jesus did. That is what perfection looks like.

God Bless,
Sonya

No class on February 22nd, Ash Wednesday. Classes resume Wednesday, March 1st.



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