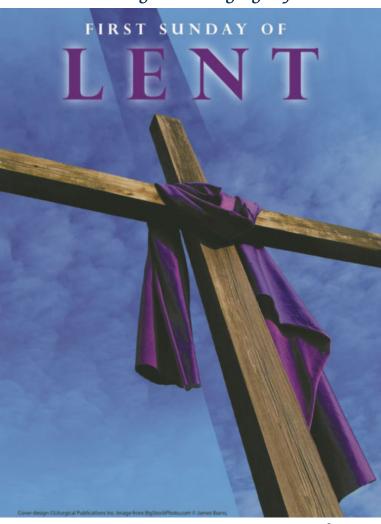


February 26th 2023

1st Sunday of Advent

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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 <a href="https://">https://</a> www.stmarystaroftheseaduluth.com/.



### MASS INTENTIONS

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

Friday, 12:10 pm Saturday, 4:00 pm Sunday,

9:15 am

12:10 pm

Mass, February 27 Spl. Int. of Renee Zurn Mass. February 28

For those with Mental Illness **Mass, March 1** 

Healing for Wilma Rachel

Mass, March 2

Deanne Cich & Nicole Burrows ( conf. Sponsee)

Mass, March 3

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Mass, March 4† Holy Rosary Society

Mass, March 5 † David Livingston

The Holy Rosary Society will be meeting Sat., Mar. 4at 1:30 pm in the Social Hall at St. Mary Star of the Sea Church. The meeting starts with prayer and then continues with the official meeting. All women are invited to attend, either for prayer or for the full meeting. The meeting should conclude by 3:30 pm. Contact Rosary President Renee Zurn, 218-723-1321, with any questions.

**Stations and Soup Suppers:** Join us in the sanctuary for Stations of the Cross on Wed. at 5:30 pm, then join us for Soup Supper afterwards in the Social Hall

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, , on Wednesdays afternoons: March 1, 8, 15, and 22. Ingredients and directions will be provided. Contact Renee Zurn, 218-723-1321, if you have questions. Stations at 5:30; supper at 6:00 pm.

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. Volunteers needed to work the bingo. Sign up sheets on bulletin downstairs before the classrooms.

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PR	AY FOR RELIGIOUS
Mon,27	All Deacon Candidates
Tue,, 28 Al	l Religious Sisters from our Diocese
Wed.1	Pone Francis
Thu, 2	Dcn. Chico Anderson
Fri. 3	Dcn. Michael Barta
Sat.4	Dcn. Walter Beier
Suń,5	Dcn. Gerald Bock
SAY A SPECIAL	L PRAYER FOR OUR DECEASED PRIESTS



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# "A Message from Fr. Anthony Wroblewski

Below you will find a letter written to you all from Christine Ficken, who has coordinated the adoration chapel at St. Mary Star of the Sea for many years. I want to personally thank her for all the countless hours she has spent serving the Lord in this important ministry. We will be finding a time to thank her publicly, but for now I present her letter to you. Fr. Tony

A Message from Christine Ficken- Holy Innocents Adoration Chapel Coordinator Emerita

Today, I thanked Father Tony, for the opportunity to write this thank you letter and a summary of facts.

On December 19, 2021 it was very uplifting to celebrate the Adoration Chapel's 27<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Mass with Bishop Felton. God Bless Bishop Daniel! God Bless Fr. James, Fr. Tony, Fr. Trevor, Fr. Ben, Deacon Jim, Bill, Ed, Rebecca, and everyone promoting the devotion! God Bless all the Eucharistic adorers! Many thanks to the current and to the retired adorers for their years of dedication. God Bless you and your families!

By the Grace of God, I believe Holy Mass: Christ's Sacrifice of Calvary made present on the Altar is the greatest act of worship. For my part, I am adoring Christ at Holy Mass, and I also made many holy hours weekly (including nights). During almost two decades, I served as Holy Innocents Adoration Chapel Coordinator, under the direction of the Pastors, and under the pastoral leadership of Bishop Schnurr, Bishop Sirba, and Bishop Felton, Bishops of the Diocese of

In 2022, I continued my active service. At the present time, in February 2023, my medical problem is not serious. I am retiring regretfully because of medical reasons. The Lord knows: I kept my long-term commitment joyfully. Blessed be God forever! In Christ and Mary, Christine Ficken

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

Pancake Breakfast at St Mary Star of the Sea Sun. Mar.. 5th from 9:00 Am to Noon \$8.00 Last one until fall! Adults and \$4.00 children 10 and under. The best in town! Gluten Free available! Volunteers needed, we have a lot of fun! Our Parish nurse Nancy Turchi will be available for blood pressure checks and general medical questions.

Hallow App: Free this Lent! The Diocese of Duluth, due to a generous Diocesan grant from the CREED fund, is partnered with Hallow this Lenten Season to provide every parishioner across the Diocese free access to all of Hallow's prayer content - including the Lent #Pray40 Challenge. Hallow is the #1 Catholic app and includes over 5,000 audio-guided sessions designed to help you grow closer to God and develop a daily habit of prayer. Hallow includes prayers for kids and families, resources for mental health, meditations for sleep, seasonal music, multiple languages, daily trivia, podcast-style courses to learn more about faith, and more! Register today by selecting "St Mary Star of the Sea" Do not put a . After St or find us by city.

# **STEWARDSHIP**

# READINGS

Parish \$	Stewar	dship
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A Summary of our Financial Stewardship Report:

Weekend Collection: Feb 12	\$	2,147.09
Electronic Giving: Feb 06-10	\$	280.00
Total Week of Feb 12, 2023	\$	2,427.09
February Goal	\$	10,494.20
Check/Cash Contributions: Feb 01 - 12	\$	4,837.09
Electronic Contributions: Feb 01 - 12	\$	365.00
Febuary Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)		(5,292.11)
Percentage of Goal		50%
Annual Goal (Jul. 2022 - Jun. 2023)	\$	139,000.00
Collected through Feb 12	\$	93,376.37
Annual Goal: Over/(Left to Collect)	\$	(45,623.63)
Percentage of Goal		67%

The **St. Vincent de Paul Society** is the largest lay Catholic organization in the world. SVdP is well known for its personal home visits to neighbors homes in needs. The Cathedral & St. Mary Star of the Sea conference meets regularly to grow in holiness and help our neighbors in need including rental deposit and care repairs. We welcome new members. Join us on the 1st and 3rd Thur. of the month 6pm at the Cathedral Multipurpose Room. Prayers and financial support are always appreciated. For more info. <a href="mailto:svdpduluthmn@gmail.com">svdpduluthmn@gmail.com</a>

SMA will be hosting an open house to showcase our new early child-hood 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. 14<sup>th</sup> 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@realpresenceradio.com or visit our website at RealPresenceRadio.com/banquet.

Attention women of all ages! Come join us for conversation, devotional reading, and prayer at 10 AM-11:15 AM We will meet in the Cathedral Fireside Room on the 1st and 3rd Wednesdays of the month. For questions, call Joy at 218-724-4083

**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.

#### Readings for the Week of February 26

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 Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9,

10, 15/Mt 25:31-46

Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15

Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29 -32

Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12

Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26

Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48 Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-

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It is part of our human condition to face temptations in our lives. In today's Gospel we hear the account of Jesus having gone to the desert to fast and pray for 40 days and experiencing temptations from the devil. While in the desert the devil presents three temptations to Jesus and each time Jesus resists the temptation, rebuking the devil with words from Scripture, believing only in what God had said.

We too show ourselves to be Christians when we resist temptations and remain faithful to God's promises to us. In the model of Jesus, we can draw confidence and direction by trusting God's word to us in Scripture.

As we start our journey through Lent, let us examine and re-commit ourselves to the importance of scripture in our lives. Jesus succeeded in resisting the temptations of the devil because Jesus believed all that God had taught. We can resist temptations too if we believe and trust in God's Word. The season of Lent gives us the opportunity to open ourselves up to God's grace. Let us take this time to share in the same confidence that Jesus had in the face of temptation. Believe and trust in the promise of God's protection.

God Bless,

Sonya

Faith Formation continues this week with classes as normal.

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

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