

Church of the Holy Childhood

1435 Midway Parkway † St. Paul MN 55108

January 10, 2021



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

This is what John the Baptist proclaimed: "One mightier than I is coming after me. I am not worthy to stoop and loosen the thongs of his sandals. I have baptized you with water; he will baptize you with the Holy Spirit." - Mk 1:7-8

Pastor's Letter

"ORDINARY" TIME?

With today's feast of the Baptism of the Lord, we enter into the longest liturgical season of the Church's *Year of Grace*: "Ordinary Time." This unfortunate nomenclature is the poor English rendition of the original Latin term: "*per annum*," meaning "throughout the year," both being equally *blasé* and uninspiring, and in my opinion, perfunctorily missing the point altogether.

You may have picked up on the fact that I prefer instead to call this Season of 34 weeks our "Season of Discipleship," since during this time we follow, as the first disciples did, through the Gospel narratives the Lord's three year public, earthly ministry in Judea, Samaria, and Galilee.

Green is the liturgical color of this Season. The color is associated with the well-founded hope that new life will again bud forth with that color in Springtime, letting us know that the "dead" of Winter is behind us and that new life is returning all around us. Its symbolic, spiritual meaning, then, is the rebirth of each one of us through faith and Baptism into the new life of grace and the *hope* of eternal life given to us through our Lord Jesus Christ.

It's in this context that we draw from the wellsprings of grace. This - the green of *divine-given hope* - that is the backdrop against which we live our entire Christian lives in this world as we move daily towards the fulfillment of God's promise, which is the only sure and reliable basis on which to hope.

Christian hope? There's nothing *ordinary* about that!

SCRIPTURE REFLECTIONS FOR NEXT SUNDAY, 2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME:

Isaiah 49:3, 5-6 God sent His only-begotten Son into the world not only as the Savior of Israel, but as the Savior of all who would believe in his name.

I Corinthians 1:1-3 Following on our welcoming of Christ into our world, we are reminded of our own dignity, "sanctified in Christ Jesus, called to be holy."

St. John 1:29-34 Once again St. John the Baptist points us to "the Lamb of God, who takes away the sin of the world ... who will baptize with the Holy Spirit" all who accept him, follow him, and strive to live daily in his life-giving grace.

ONLINE STREAMING OF THE SUNDAY MASS

HOLY CHILDHOOD ON ZOOM AT 9:15 am - MATERNITY OF MARY ON YOUTUBE AT 10:30 am

Contact Jim Evanoff to be added to the Zoom email invitation. evanoff.jj@gmail.com

Maternity of Mary - On YouTube through the Maternity of Mary website. Go to www.maternityofmarychurch.org and click on the link: Maternity of Mary YouTube page to watch live Mass. This link is under the Live Stream of Mass information.

ONLINE STREAMING OF THE DAILY MASS

The 7:45 am is now being live streamed on Zoom. Contact Jim Evanoff to be added to the list.

COMMUNION AT HOLY CHILDHOOD

Communion will be available at door # 5 (lower level church entrance off of parking lot) at approximately 8:20 am, Monday - Saturday and 10:00 am, on Sunday for those not attending Mass in the church building.

SECOND COLLECTION DATES FOR 2021

Global Solidarity Sunday March 13-14
Holy Land Collection April 2
Catholic Home Missions April 24-25
Peter's Pence June 26-27

World Mission Sunday October 23-24
Campaign for Human Dev. November 20-21
Retirement for Religious December 11-12
***CSAF will begin February 6-7

**HOLY HOUR AND BENEDICTION
SUNDAYS AT 2:00 PM**

Join us as we adore our Eucharistic Lord, and draw down God's abundant grace for our loved ones, our Church, our nation, and our world. All are welcome to attend and spend some quality time with Our Lord.

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2. Enter Maternity of Mary or 55117
3. Enter your name and email

You will need to go to the email Formed will send to your email account, click on the link and start watching! Go ahead give it a try!

PRAYER SERVICE FOR LIFE

Friday, January 22, 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of Saint Paul, St. Paul and via livestream

Please join us for this prayer service to commemorate the millions of lives lost to abortion and the many women and men wounded by abortion's aftermath. Limited seating will be available, and COVID-19 protocols will be followed. The prayer service will also be livestreamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page: facebook.com/cathedralsaintpaul.

**PARISH LIFE COMMITTEE REPORT
DECEMBER 16, 2020**

- St Andrew Kim: Father Kim is still in Korea.
- Ideas on what we can do once things open up: Build on Sunday Holy Hours. Have presentations, speakers etc.
- Outreach ideas: Activities to invite the neighborhood to.
- Something to do during the State Fair: Possibly a rest area with water.
- 75th Anniversary of our Parish: A remembrance of our parish. Stories from the founding members of the parish.
- What can we do with our school: hopefully a school of some sort. Resource for home schoolers.

Next meeting is January 19, 2021 at 7:00 pm in the Buchanan Hall.

Parishioners are encouraged to contact any council member (see below) with items they would like to see discussed or addressed in future meetings. Parishioners are also invited to observe any council meeting.

Council Members:

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| Larry McMahon(Chair) | John Jacobsen |
| Judd Berthiaume | Tom Imhof |
| Mary Ellen Clasemann | Joyce Nevins |



HAPPY BIRTHDAY

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| January 9 | Mary Berthiaume |
| | Lorraine Fait |
| 12 | Pat Schraad |



OUR CONDOLENCES AND PROMISE OF PARISH PRAYERS to the family of **SANDY RASK** following the sudden unexpected death of Sandy's sister, Mrs. Linda Lemanczyk, of Rosholt, Wisconsin, at the age of 68.

Through the mercy of God may Linda rest in peace and may her survivors know the love and consolation of Jesus through their family and friends.



FAIR SHARE PLEDGE DRIVE

Thank you to the 65% of households who returned their pledge cards before the end of 2020. It's not too late for the remaining 35% to return your cards and let us know of your commitment to Holy Childhood.

FAIR SHARE ENVELOPES AND 2020 STATEMENTS

Your new supply of envelopes and your 2020 contribution statement are available in the narthex. If you would like them mailed to you please call Mary in the parish office. Statements not picked up by January 31 will be mailed out.

Mass Intentions

Saturday, January 9

7:45 am † Michael Holleran

5:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, January 10

9:15 am † Karen Merth

Monday, January 11

7:45 am † Mary Hill

Tuesday, January 12

7:45 am † Rita Duffy

Wednesday, January 13

7:45 am † John TB. Tran Tan

Thursday, January 14

7:45 am †† John & Angeline Andert

Friday, January 15

7:45 am †† Fran & Chris Ostertag

Saturday, January 16

7:45 am † Tom Schraad

5:00 pm Parishioners

Sunday, January 17

9:15 am † Lee Galvin

Parish Support

December 31, 2020 \$16,629.00

January 1, 2021 \$ 1021.00

January 3, 2021 \$ 3890.00

Thank you for your faithful support of HC.

Parish Information

Pastor, Fr. Timothy Cloutier

Parochial Vicar, Fr. Joseph Fink

Weekend Assistant, Fr. James Reidy, Ph. D.

Parish Office 651-644-7495

Buchanan Hall 651-647-0689

Our Current Services

Confessions - Saturday.....4:00-4:30 pm

Thursday.....7:10-7:25 am

Door #6 - in the bell tower entrance to Buchanan Hall

Saturday Anticipatory Mass..... 5:00 pm

Sunday Mass.....9:15 am

Weekday Masses...Monday - Saturday..7:45 am

Holy Day of Obligation as announced.

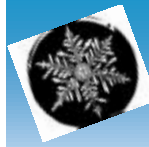
Rosary - Thursday 6:00 pm

Prayer Chain.....Peggy - 651-645-4955

Website.....www.holychildhoodparish.org

Email.....contact@holychildhoodparish.org

Victim Assistance Program.....651-291-4497



Cleaning out your closets? Did you receive Christmas gifts that you won't be returning or using? The Karen students and families being helped by the Franciscan Brothers of Peace continue to be in need of basic health care and household items, as well as clothing (jackets, boots, shoes) appropriate for our winter weather.

We will continue to collect items for the Karen Community. Place items in the box in the narthex.

Thank you for your generosity.



VIRTUAL OPEN HOUSE
Maternity of Mary - St. Andrew School
Preschool/Prekindergarten/Kindergarten
Thursday, January 19, 2020
Preschool/Prekindergarten 6:00 p.m.
Kindergarten 7:00 p.m.

To register for this event, scan the QR code or go to mmsaschool.org and click on the link in the red bar at the top of our homepage.



The GOOGLE MEET link will be emailed to you on January 19.

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