

Catholic Communities of

St. John & St. Benedict

ST. JOHN'S CHURCH – WOODLAND
3 W. Chisholm St. • Duluth, MN 55803

Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Wednesday... 8:00am
Saturday.....5:00 pm
Sunday.....10:30am

Reconciliation

Monday-Wednesday.....7:30am
Saturday.....4:00 pm

ST. BENEDICT'S CHURCH-KENWOOD

1419 St. Benedict Street, Duluth MN 55811

Masses

Thursday & Friday.....8:00 am
Saturday.....8:30 am
Sunday.....8:30 am
Sunday (Extraordinary Form).....1:00 pm

Reconciliation

Thursday, Friday, Sunday.....7:30am

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Monday-Friday.....8:30-4:30pm

AUGUST 29, 2021—TWENTY SECOND SUNDAY ORDINARY TIME



WEBSITES

St. John's..... www.saintjohnsduluth.org
St. Benedict's.....stbensduluth.org
School..... www.stellamaris.academy

SACRAMENTS

Baptisms: Call the parish office.

Weddings: All weddings must be arranged at least 6 months prior to date.

Duluth, Minnesota

Community Events

...BOOK SALE—Friday, September 10th (9-1pm) & Saturday, September 11 (9-1pm) at St. Raphael Church, 5779 Seville Rd. We have lots of fiction, non-fiction, children's books, audio books, puzzles and DVD's!! Sponsored by St. Teresa's Circle.

...JOB OPPORTUNITY—Music Director at St. Lawrence Parish. A qualified candidate would have graduated from high school, and have the ability to direct and accompany a choir. Must be available for weekend Masses and other Liturgical events. Contact Stephanie Jago at parish office 218-722-2259 or stephanie.jago@duluthcatholic.org.

Happenings at St. Benedict's

...the women of St. John's are invited to join St. Ben's Women Bible Study group on Wednesday mornings at 7am for the study and discussion of the upcoming Gospel readings. Meet in the parish library. Coffee will be available. Questions? Contact Susan Meyer 310-8300 or sumeyer58@gmail.com

...join the Women's Faith in Motion Group on Thursday, September 16, 6:00pm in the Prayer Walk. We will be reading "The Stations of the Cross with Mary". We will meet in the church if inclement weather. Pot luck in the parish center provided by the Women's Groups. All women invited.

Stella Maris Academy

School starts in two weeks. We are looking for a full time kindergarten teacher and several part time teacher support persons. Please visit us at stellamaris.academy/employment to view job description and apply for the position.



Here I Am; Send Me (from the Laity)

Viktor Frankl

In the 1950s, two schools of psychology were prominent: One, developed by Dr. Sigmund Freud, was the *will to pleasure*, which said that the primary motivation of humans was to seek pleasure. Problems arise when we are thwarted in pleasure-seeking, a theory driving much of today's relativistic, "If-I-want-it-then-it-must-be-good" culture. The second school was Dr. Alfred Adler's *will to power*, which claimed that our strongest desire was for superiority and control, a theme pursued by today's cancel culture and critical-race theorists.

In contrast, psychiatrist Dr. Viktor Frankl (March 26, 1905 - September 2, 1997) believed that the true innate force driving all human activity was the *will to meaning*, what he called logotherapy. What we as humans want, more than physical necessities, pleasures, or control over others, is meaning and a purpose for our lives. Not a general "meaning of life" applicable to anyone, but the meaning and purpose of *our* life. Remove power, pleasures, autonomy, and even basic comforts from one's life, and, provided one has a purpose, one will still find life good and worth living. More significantly, he realized that the meaning of your life is not something others determine, but something you can *choose*. And, no matter what has happened or is happening to you, you can still choose what your response to it will be. Hope or despair. Faith or defeat.

Dr. Frankl's theory didn't come from the comfortable halls of academia but rather from furnaces built by Hell. Of Jewish ancestry, he spent three years in four different concentration camps in Nazi Germany. His father died of starvation. His mother and brother were gassed in Hitler's ovens. Within days after his liberation in 1945, he learned that his wife, Tilly, had also died in the camps. In his book *Man's Search for Meaning*, he recounts not only his experiences but how he came to understand more fully Nietzsche's words: "He who has a *why* to live for can bear almost any *how*" (italics his). Meaning, he said, could be found in three ways: 1., By creating a work or an achievement; 2., by experiencing something - Truth, Beauty, Goodness - or someone through love; and 3., by finding meaning in suffering.

If you are burdened by fear, discouragement, or disheartenment, I strongly encourage you to read this concise yet powerful book. God has not only given you your life, but the power to choose and experience meaning in it through faith, hope, and love.

Faith Formation

If we read today's Gospel carefully, we will see a pattern in Jesus' teaching method that will be repeated in the weeks ahead. Jesus' first teaching is directed to the Pharisees who questioned him. Jesus' words are then directed to the crowd, teaching that a person is defiled by his or her words and actions, not by the food that he or she eats.

Jesus taught the crowd that the Pharisees had forgotten the meaning behind their rules. They thought that they were making themselves holy by following the rules about making things clean. Some of Pharisees and Jews thought that the people who did these things were holier than people who didn't.

But Jesus taught that there was something more important than these actions. Jesus taught that the words and attitudes behind our actions are what show us to be holy people. God wants us to do good things with our lives, such as share what we can with our youth and to think kind thoughts about those who don't agree with us.

When we remember the essential element behind our religious observances and all our actions, we see that our rules help us be the good people that Jesus wants us to be. Jesus reminds us that we do not make ourselves holy by our actions. Rather, we become holy when we allow God's Spirit to transform us. Our actions should be an expression of the conversion of our heart to God and to God's ways.

God Bless,
Sonya Morris

“In this life no one can fulfill his longing, nor can any creature satisfy man's desire. Only God satisfied, he infinitely exceeds all other pleasures. That is why man can rest in nothing but God.” ~St. Thomas Aquinas~

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, August 30		
8:00am	Mass	Gus Pappas
Tuesday, August 31		
8:00 am	Mass	Richard Antonich
Wednesday, September 1		
8:00am	Mass	Sara Ojard
Thursday, September 2		
8:00 am	Mass	at St. Benedict
Friday, September 3		
8:00 am	Mass	at St. Benedict
Saturday, September 4		
8:30am	Mass	at St. Benedict
5:00pm	Mass	Joan Barnstorf
Sunday, September 5		
8:30am	Mass	at St. Benedict
10:30am	Mass	Parishioners
1:00pm	Mass	Extraordinary Form at St. Benedict

Readings

For the week of August 29, 2021

Sunday:	Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/ Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23
Monday:	1 Thes 4:13-18/Ps 96:1 and 3, 4-5, 11-12, 13 [13b]/Lk 4:16-30
Tuesday:	1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [13]/Lk 4:31-37
Wednesday:	Col 1:1-8/Ps 52:10, 11 [10]/ Lk 4:38-44
Thursday:	Col 1:9-14/Ps 98:2-3ab, 3cd-4, 5-6 [2]/Lk 5:1-11
Friday:	Col 1:15-20/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5 [2b]/Lk 5:33-39
Saturday:	Col 1:21-23/Ps 54:3-4, 6 and 8 [6]/Lk 6:1-5
Next Sunday:	Is 35:4-7a/Ps 146:7, 8-9, 9-10 [1b]/Jas 2:1-5/Mk 7:31-37

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