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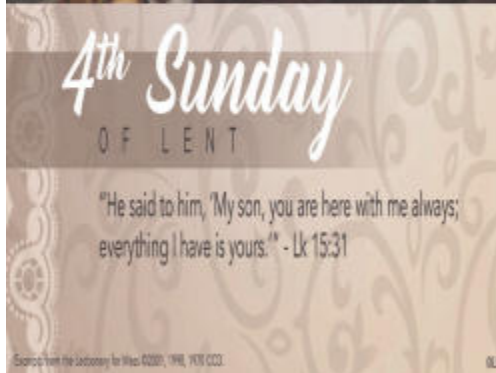
Call Parish Office to schedule preparation with Father Joe or Deacon Richard.

Marriage

Call Parish Office a minimum of six months in advance to schedule preparation with Father Joe or Deacon Richard.

Visitors

We are blessed to have you worship with us at Mass. If you would like to become a parishioner you can call the parish office or download a registration form from our website.



Mass Schedule

Saturday	4:15 pm	SC
Sunday	8:30 am	SC
Sunday	10:30 am	MI
Tuesday	6:00 pm	SC
Wednesday	8:30 am	SC
Thursday	8:30 am	MI
Friday	8:30 am	MI

Tuesdays

1:00 PM Mass at Hillcrest
Assisted Living in Nashwauk

Confession

Tuesday	5:00-5:30 pm	SC
Saturday	3:30-4:00 pm	SC
Sunday	7:45-8:15 am	SC
Saturday	9:00-10:00 am	MI
1st Friday	4:00-5:00 pm	MI

Fr. Joe is always open to making appointments for confession.

Adoration

Tuesday	9:00 am-5:45 pm	SC
1st Friday	4:00-5:00 pm	MI

*cancelled due to Father's absence

Homebound Ministry

Fr. Joe visits the homebound within the parish boundaries on First Fridays.

Fr. Joe visits parishioners in Nursing Homes and Assisted Living in Grand Rapids and Hibbing on First Thursdays.

If you know of parishioners who are ill, hospitalized, or homebound, please contact the parish.



April 2-7

Tuesday –John Hansen family
 Wednesday-Jeanne Ricker, †
 Thursday-Ed Hoey, †
 Friday– Souls in Purgatory
 Saturday– Dianne Lexvold, †
 Sunday 8:30– Parishioners
 Sunday 10:30– Ron Luoma

Saturday 4:15 pm April 6

Lector: Clare Dulong
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: June & Ron Johnson, Rick Nosan, Terry McCollor
 Servers: Claire Clusiau, Madi Owens, Jerry Swanson

Sunday 8:30 am April 7

Lector: Lorri Shalley
 Ministers of Holy Communion: Lois Best, Betty Calaguire, Terry, Maciej, Terri Jarmer
 Servers: Damon, Adeline & Ava Gangl
 Ushers: Terry Maciej & Stuart Leersson
 Counters: Lorri Shalley & Lucy Gangl

Sunday 10:30 am April 7th

Lector: Holly Britton
 Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion: Pat & Tessie, Guyer, John Vaudrin, Emily Erickson
 Server: Darric Davidson
 April Cleaners: Mary Sloan 6, Margaret Kavanagh 13 & 20, Teresa Kessler 27



Bulletin articles need to be submitted by Tuesday at 10:00 am for the week the bulletin is printed. The Friday before if it is a holiday.

Know someone who could use prayers?
 CALL- -St. Cecilia's Prayer Chain:
 Darlene or Ted Squillace 885-1057.
 Mary Immaculate Prayer Chain:
 Teresa Kessler 910-9007.

Sister Dorene King from St. Scholastica Monastery has been assigned to our parishes to be a prayer advocate. She is praying for us, but if you have a special intention please call (218)723-6555.

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FROM FR. JOE

THE PASSION OF CHRIST ACCORDING TO LUKE

This week I want we look at the Passion as told by St. Luke. One of my favorite parts of the Passion is the passage about the criminal who asks for and receives forgiveness from Jesus while on the cross (Lk 23:39-43). Matthew, Mark, and Luke all mention that two criminals were crucified with Jesus, but only Luke mentions this dialogue in which one criminal reviles Him and the other asks for forgiveness.

I think the reason I like this particular passage so much is because of the forgiveness. Even though both Jesus and the good thief are in agony and near the point of death, and even though the other criminal is joining the soldiers and leaders by reviling and mocking Jesus the good thief is still able to ask for forgiveness and Jesus is able to grant it.

Tradition tells us that the good thief was named Dismas and the unrepentant thief was named Gestas. It is easy for us to tell ourselves that if we were on the cross next to Jesus, we would be like Dismas: not only asking for forgiveness but even trying to defend Him from other naysayers. I certainly hope that it is true, but I think it could be easier for any one of us to be more like Gestas than we care to admit. When things are going bad in our lives; when we are stressed and filled with anxiety; when everything is going wrong and we have no one around for support; when we realize that we have done something wrong but we are unwilling to admit it yet, it can be very easy to find someone to blame whether it is really their fault or not. Gestas is understandably angry and he is taking his anger out on the one everyone else is angry with. He basically blames Jesus for all that has happened to him. "If you were the Messiah you could save yourself and us" (see v. 39). Dismas on the other hand is not angry with Jesus and does not blame Him for anything. He admits he did the crime and that the punishment fits the crime. Most importantly, he recognizes that he is in need of forgiveness. "Jesus, remember me when you come into your kingdom" (v. 42).

This Lent, let us ask God to help us be more like Dismas. May we take ownership of our sins and seek forgiveness for them. May we one day be with Jesus in paradise!

Pick up your CRS Rice Bowl from the back of the church. During the 40 days of Lent, as companions on the journey, we will encounter the needs of the world. We encounter Kumba from Sierra Leone, who, through her education, is providing hope for her family and community. How has education given you opportunities in life? How do you use your education for the common good? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

God does not coerce us into anything. Rather, He gives us the freedom and the means to live like adults, taking responsibility for our choices and the direction our lives take. As our loving Father, He desires that our home be made with Him but understands when we choose to pursue our own passions and desires, which lead us away from Him. We have to learn our own lessons if conversion is to be tangible and real. We cannot return to God simply because we are told to or because we are expected to. We have to come to God freely, and when we do, God is there with loving, open arms ready to welcome us back home. We can celebrate because we were dead and have found life again!

Last Chance.....Don't miss out!! Adult Faith Formation Class **PRESENCE-the Mystery of the Eucharist** began on Wednesday, March 27th immediately following the 8:30 a.m. Mass (about 9:15 a.m.) and will continue on April 10, 17, & 24. **THIS IS A SCHEDULE CHANGE** from previous announcements. (There will be no class on Wednesday, April 3rd.)

Mary Immaculate's Divine Mercy Cenacle Schedule: on Fridays at 9am, April 5th lesson #60; & Good Friday April 19th lesson #61. New people always welcome!

SPRING PASTY SALE Mark your calendars for the Spring Pasty Sale at St. Cecilia's coming up on April 26-27. Order forms for the pasties, along with sign-up sheets for volunteers to help make the pasties, will be available in the vestibule of the church in early April.

Attention High School Seniors: Mary Immaculate's CCW is offering a scholarship to a graduating senior planning to further their education. Student must be a member of Mary Immaculate. Call Karen Tok at 245-3402 for an application.

Knights of Columbus Meeting Wed April 3 at 5:00 PM. Meal follows meeting. Come help us make decisions on Pasty Sale, Tootsie Roll Sale, etc.

Knights of Columbus Scholarship – Any high school senior who is a parishioner at either St. Cecilia's or Mary Immaculate and who will be attending a college or university in the fall is eligible to apply. Application forms are available at the St. Cecilia's parish office, can be downloaded from the parish website or at counselors office at NKHS and GHS. Applications must be turned in to St. Cecilia's parish office by **April 26th**.

Duluth Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Spring Convention - Friday April 26, 2019 hosted by St. Christopher's Catholic Church 25574 Church St. Nisswa, MN 56468. See bulletin board for more information.

Living Stations is on April 17th at 7pm, the Wednesday of Holy Week. The youth of our parishes invite you to join us for this night of reflection and prayer.

Today, we take up The Catholic Relief Services Collection. Your support for this collection gives aid to victims of persecution and natural disasters, provides legal services to poor immigrants, and advocates for the powerless. Through your generosity, six Catholic agencies help Jesus in the disguise of the vulnerable refugee, the immigrant family, and the poor and marginalized. Please prayerfully consider contributing to the collection today.

Readings for the week of March 31, 2019

Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

Monday: Is 65:17-21/Ps 30:2 and 4, 5-6, 11-12a and 13b [2a]/Jn 4:43-54

Tuesday: Ez 47:1-9, 12/Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9 [8]/Jn 5:1-16

Wednesday: Is 49:8-15/Ps 145:8-9, 13cd-14, 17-18 [8a]/Jn 5:17-30

Thursday: Ex 32:7-14/Ps 106:19-20, 21-22, 23 [4a]/Jn 5:31-47

Friday: Wis 2:1a, 12-22/Ps 34:17-18, 19-20, 21 and 23 [19a]/Jn 7:1-2, 10, 25-30

Saturday: Jer 11:18-20/Ps 7:2-3, 9bc-10, 11-12 [2a]/Jn 7:40-53

Next Sunday: Is 43:16-21/Ps 126:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 6 [3]/Phil 3:8-14/Jn 8:1-11

Youth Minister's Letter

This weekend 11 teens and chaperones from both our parishes are attending a 3-day Confirmation Retreat at Big Sandy Camp in McGregor. Please pray for us! This is the first time our diocese has lengthened the confirmation retreat to more than an overnight experience at a church, so there is a lot of excitement and unknowns. What is certain, though, is that the faith of many will be strengthened during this experience. Whenever we have retreats, two highlights for most youth are adoration and confession. Usually there are several groans and perhaps nerves beforehand, but more times than not when I ask them what their favorite parts of the weekend were at the end of the retreat, those experiences are included. I think this is because these are the times of the greatest spiritual growth and also of real encounter with God. No masks...just them and God. In today's Gospel we hear the story of the prodigal son. For him, too, it was confessing his sins and seeing his Father face-to-face that restored the joy in his life. This Lent, I invite you to join our youth in participating in the Sacrament of Confession and taking time for Adoration. Perhaps you already have in our 40 Hours devotion this weekend, or perhaps there is still time to join in depending on when you're reading this article. Either way, I can guarantee you that while you might be nervous or not looking forward to it before, Adoration and Confession would be a highlight of your Lent. Once again, please pray for our confirmandi! Confirmation is fast approaching: Saturday, May 4th at 4:15pm at St. Cecilia's.

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