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Sacraments

Baptisms, Marriages, Communion, Anointing for the sick or homebound: Please contact the parish office to schedule. Preparation classes are required for Baptisms and Marriages (for marriage preparation, the church must be contacted at least 6 months in advance).



THE HOLY FAMILY

He went down with them and came to Nazareth, and was obedient to them; and his mother kept all these things in her heart. And Jesus advanced in wisdom and age and favor before God and man. - Lk 2:51-52

Mass Readings: December 26-January 2 2021-2022

Sunday: Sir 3:2-6, 12-14/ Ps 128:1-5/Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Lk 2:41-52

Monday: 1Jn 1:1-4/ Ps 97:1-2,5-6,11-12/Jn 20:1-8

Tuesday: 1Jn 1:5-2:2/Ps 124:2-5,7-8/Mt 2:13-18

Wednesday: 1Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-3,5-6/Lk 2:22-35

Thursday: 1Jn 2:12-17/Ps 96:7-10/Lk 2:36-40

Friday: 1Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2,11-13/ Jn 1:1-18

Saturday: Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3,5-6,8/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Next Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2,7-8,10-13/Eph 3:2-3,5-6/ Mt 2:1-12

Tidings of Great Joy

The first people to experience the coming of the savior were shepherds, those lowly, uneducated ones who lived among the animals. They were not the only ones, of course, but they were the first to welcome the savior.

It was no accident that such lowly people would be called in first to pay homage to the savior. It is to the lowly, after all, that Christ came first as Lord and Redeemer. The circumstances of his birth testify to that: his mother “wrapped him in swaddling clothes and laid him in a manger, because there was no room for them in the place where travelers lodged.”

Christmas is the great annual renewal of our being a Church filled with wonder at the nearness of her God. The nearer we are to our God, the nearer we should become to those lowly ones who are God’s special ones.

We are challenged at Christmas to do what Jesus and the angels did: bring the good news of redemption to the outcast and the lowly. The “tidings of great joy are to be shared by the whole people,” and no one is to be left out, not even the most hopeless or despicable person.

Merry Christmas. Dc Greg

Parish Contributions - December 12th (due to early submission, December 19th & 26th will be in the January 2nd bulletin)

St. Anthony - Ely

General.....	\$6,073.00
Plate.....	\$ 127.00
UCA	\$2,555.00
UCA online.....	\$ 70.00

St. Pius X - Babbitt

General.....	\$ 345.00
Plate.....	\$ 15.00
UCA.....	\$ 145.00

From Fr. Bill...

Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to all of you and yours.

I had hoped to be back in the parish by now, but my kidneys are not there yet. However, I am with you in spirit. I would like to thank those parishioners who sent me Christmas cards as-well-as Get Well cards over the past few months.

I am once again touched by your thoughtfulness and generosity. As begin the Christmas Season, I pray that God will grant all of you and your families many blessings. In the days ahead, be assured of my prayers and please keep me in yours.

From Our DEF...

Merry Christmas

Wishing you all a very Merry Christmas and holiday season! May the Lord bless you and your family as we enter into a new year of loving, learning, and growing in our Catholic faith. Happy 2022!

Love and blessings,

Amanda



Information for Everyone

Mary, Mother of God
 Saturday January 1st 2022
 9:00 am St. Anthony, Ely
 5:00 pm St Pius X, Babbitt

Epiphany of the Lord
 Sunday January 2nd
 8:00 am St. Pius X, Babbitt
 10:00 am St. Anthony, Ely

No Communion Service December 28-31

From Deacon Greg...

St. Anthony's Is looking for 1 or 2 people who will help with shoveling snow from the steps & sidewalks around the church.

Please contact Deacon Greg or Ron Forsman for more details at 365-4017

Liturgy Environment Coordinator Position

Have a passion for decorating and design? We are in need of an individual to lead in coordinating the liturgy environment during the Lenten and Easter season. What better way to use those skills than in the adornment of the church during the liturgical year!

The Thursday Bible Study will be collecting egg money for the Food Shelf on the weekend of January 8 & 9. Thank you for your generosity.

Mission Circle

Our Mission 'circle' is all about making quilts for the needy. Each year we donate our years' work to the Salvation Army in Virginia. The amount of quilts vary according to the help we receive which may be 20 - 40 quilts. We need help not only with machine sewing but also cutting the squares, laying out the "patterned" tops, helping to pin the layers together, etc. Please call if you are able to give a hand. Deb at 827-2339 or 226-8165. The box of FREE greeting cards & calendars, etc. is in the front entrance of the church. Please help yourselves.

Available Ad Space

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Steve Swenson from LPi, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of **December 27th** securing new ads for our bulletin. Please consider purchasing an ad, sponsoring a charity, or in Memory of a Loved One. Your participation makes our bulletin

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Diocese of Duluth | Daily Prayer Calendar for Vocations

December 26	December 27	December 28	December 29
Fr. Anthony Wroblewski Fr. George Zeck Dcn. Ted Windus Dcn. Fred Wright Dcn. Fran Zaren	<i>All Deacons' Wives</i> <i>All Deacon Candidates</i>	<i>All Religious Sisters</i> <i>from our Diocese</i>	<i>All Deceased Priests</i>
December 30	December 31	January 1	<u>BULLETIN DEADLINES:</u> Deadline for January 9th bulletin is Monday January 3rd by 10:00am
<i>All Deceased Deacons</i>	<i>Young men who are Future Seminarians</i> <i>Young Men and women who are Future Religious</i>	Bishop Felton	

Weekly Mass Intentions & Schedule

Mass Schedule & Intentions: Dec 27-Jan 2

Monday		No Mass
Tuesday	8:00 am	No Communion Service
Wednesday	8:00 am	No Communion Service (SP)
Thursday	8:00 am	No Communion Service (SA)
Friday	8:00 am	No Communion Service (SA)
Saturday	9:00 am	Mary, Mother of God (SA) Jim Hogan (SA)
	5:00 pm	Mary, Mother of God (SP)
Sunday	8:00 am	Parishioners (SP)
	10:00 am	Bob Champa

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Saturday	3:30 pm	St. Anthony
Sunday	7:30 am	St. Pius X

Eucharistic Adoration:

Thursday	8:30 am—8:00 pm	St. Anthony
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Sign up for a half hour or hour long Adoration

Liturgical Volunteers

Saturday, January 1st	9:00 am - St. Anthony
Reader:	Betty K
Altar Servers:	None
Usher/Greeter:	Mike Erzar John Lekatz
Cantor/Organist:	None
Sacristan:	Frank L.

Sunday, January 2nd	8:00 am - St. Pius X
Reader:	Julie
Eucharistic Ministers:	Tony
Gift Bearers:	None
Usher/Greeter:	Joe S, Doug K, John F, and Jerry B

Sunday, January 2nd	10:00 am - St. Anthony
Reader:	
Eucharistic Ministers:	None
Altar Servers:	None
Gift Bearers:	None
Usher/Greeter:	Dean & Cheri Debeltz & Family
Cantor/Organist:	Cantor/Bonnie
Sacristan:	Bob T

THIS WEEK AT OUR PARISHES

Sunday **December 26**
7:30 am Reconciliation SP
8:00 am Sunday Mass SP
10:00 am Sunday Mass SA
10:00 am Church Open for Prayer SA

Monday **December 27**

Tuesday **December 28**
8:00 am No Communion Service

Wednesday **December 29**
8:00 am No Communion Service

Thursday **December 30**
8:00 am No Communion Service
8:30 am No Eucharistic Adoration SA

Friday **December 31**
8:00 am No Communion Service

Saturday **January 1st**
9:00 am Mary, Mother of God SA
5:00 pm Mary, Mother of God SP

Sunday **January 2nd**
7:30 am Reconciliation SP
8:00 am Sunday Mass SP
10:00 am Sunday Mass SA



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