



*Our Lady of Lourdes
Pray for us!*

Praise the Lord, for he is good;
sing praise to our God,
for he is gracious;
it is fitting to praise him.
The Lord rebuilds Jerusalem;
the dispersed of Israel he gathers.
He heals the brokenhearted
and binds up their wounds.
He tells the number of the stars;
he calls each by name.
Great is our Lord and mighty
in power:
to his wisdom there is not limit.
The Lord sustains the lowly;
the wicked he casts to the ground.
Sing to the Lord with thanksgiving;
sing praise
with the harp to our God...
Glorify the Lord, O Jerusalem;
praise your God, O Zion.
Psalm 147

Church of the Holy Family

5900 West Lake Street ✦ St. Louis Park, MN 55416

February 5, 2012

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Reverend Thomas W. Dufner, Pastor
Reverend James Stromberg, Weekend Associate

Mass Times:

Sunday Masses 9:00AM and 11:00AM
Saturday Mass 5:00PM
Weekday Masses 8:00AM (Rosary 7:35AM)

Confessions:

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:50PM
Sunday 8:00AM to 9:00AM

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Staff:

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Registration in Parish:

Required for baptism and marriage. Adults 18 and over call the parish office 952.929.0113.

Marriages:

Registered parishioners must make application 3 months prior.

Baptisms:

First Sunday of the month. Must be registered parishioners. Baptism class required. Please call 3 months in advance.

Perpetual Adoration - Jim Glover 763.533.0423

Prayer Chain -Dona Marek, 9AM to 9PM 952.926.3130

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The Pastor's Page

Dear friends,

Let's look at the answers to a few more questions on the quiz!

2. The doctrine of the Immaculate Conception means that Jesus was not begotten by Joseph or any human father.

Most of you had this answer down pat: the correct answer is False. The Immaculate Conception has to do with the conception of Mary in the womb of her mother St. Anne. Mary was conceived without Original Sin to prepare her to be the sinless mother of the Savior. (No doubt the confusion was over the Virgin Birth which is the guarantee that St. Joseph was not the father of Jesus, but that he was conceived in Mary by the power of the Holy Spirit).

3. We can earn our salvation by Regularly receiving the sacraments and leading a good life.

This was a bit of a trick question, and the trouble involves the word "earn." No one can earn their way to heaven! Salvation is a free gift that comes to us through faith working by grace. Yes, we do need the sacraments: each one is an act of faith! The grace of the sacraments empowers us to live a good life which increases our grace and holiness and increases our merit which is the right to a reward. But no one earns salvation.

4. It may be possible for people who do not consider themselves Christians to go to heave.

Most of you said True, and that is correct, but requires some explanation. Jesus said, "Unless you believe and are baptized you will all perish." Baptism is the revealed path to salvation, and the graces bestowed on God's own intimate family Baptized and adopted as his sons and daughters and fed at his table far outweigh the blessings he shares with others. Yet no one is denied sufficient grace to be saved. It is incomprehensible that God would give us an eternal destiny that is unattainable. The Church is the place where the Spirit flourishes! The most abundant graces are found in the Church and not elsewhere. We never find people like Padre Pio bearing the stigmata and reading souls; we never find Mother Teresa's, never find the great contemplatives outside the Church. All the greats put on the Lord Jesus Christ by baptism, are fed by the Eucharist, nourished by the Gospels, in order to lead heroic lives, and become signs of the Kingdom of God. So no one should think the way of Christianity and the Church is merely one option among many. Yet to return to the words Jesus and explain, anyone who knows that the Church is the path to salvation, yet refuses to enter it, cannot be saved.

More later!

Fr. Dufner



Marriage Amendment Campaign Financial Support

The Catholic bishops of Minnesota support the adoption of the Minnesota Marriage Protection Amendment to the state constitution which will appear on the November 6, 2012 general election ballot. Marriage between one man and one woman has sacramental status in the Church. The Church is opposed to any effort to redefine marriage, especially given the uncertain societal impact which might accompany such changes.

The Archdiocese is committed to providing financial assistance toward amendment campaign efforts carried out by the Minnesota Catholic Conference, the public policy voice of the Church in Minnesota. The Archdiocese's support is consistent with financial support provided by other Catholic dioceses in states across the country that currently have or recently had similar ballot proposals on marriage.

In 2011, the Archdiocese made a \$650,000 contribution to the Minnesota Catholic Conference, which has been reported to the Campaign Finance and Public Disclosure Board in accordance with state campaign law and is public information.

The source of these funds was investment income; it did not include parish assessments or donations to the Catholic Services Appeal. Funding levels for other priorities of the Archdiocese have remained constant, or have even increased, during the past year. This includes \$2.8 million for elementary and secondary education, and \$1.4 million for Catholic Charities, whose programs benefit those most in need in our community.

The need for an amendment to the Minnesota constitution protecting the institution of marriage was shown again in a Minnesota Appeals Court ruling on January 23. The appeals court ruled that a lawsuit, filed in Hennepin County on behalf of those who want to redefine marriage, must be sent back to the district court for further proceedings, effectively putting the institution of marriage on trial.

For more information about the Church's promotion and defense of marriage, please visit the Minnesota Catholic Conference website at <http://mncc.org/issues/marriage>.



GO TO JOSEPH!

A Day of Prayer, Spiritual Formation and Friendship
Saturday, March 17 from 8am to 2pm

MASS ~

The Most Reverend Lee Piche, Auxiliary Bishop of St. Paul and Minneapolis, main celebrant and homilist.

RETREAT TALKS ~

Father Jim Livingston, OCDS - *“Joseph ‘A Just Man’ - Husband and Father”*

Sister Gloria Therese, OCD - *“Joseph and Prayer - Primacy of the Interior Life”*

Father Thomas Dufner - *“Joseph - Patron of the Universal Church in Our Day”*

The day includes Morning and Afternoon Prayer, Adoration and Benediction, coffee and roll breakfast, lunch and dessert social. Relics of Carmelite Saints will be on display for veneration.

For complete schedule and to register please go to: www.hfcmn.org

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✠ Weekly Calendar of Events ✠

Sunday, February 5 - 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Food Drive Sunday

- 8:00 am Confessions
- 9:00 am Mass
- 11:00 am Mass

Monday, February 6

- 8:00 am Mass
- 8:30 am Exercise Class (Gathering Place)
- 3:00 pm Widow and Widowers Holy Hour (Chapel)
- 7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (Church/Gathering Place)
- 7:00 pm Respect Life (Nursery)

Tuesday, February 7

- 8:00 am Mass
- 8:30 am Grandparents Prayer Group (Moorman Hall)
- 10:00 am Goodtimers 500 Club (Gathering Place)
- 7:00 pm Fundamentals of Catholicism (Moorman Hall)

Wednesday, February 8

- 8:00 am Mass
- 8:30 am Coffee & Rolls (Moorman Hall)
- 11:45 am Exercise Class (Moorman Hall)
- 5:15 pm Kids Praise Too!
- 6:30 pm Confirmation (Moorman Hall)
- 6:30 pm HFC (School)

Thursday, February 9

- 8:00 am Mass
- 7:00 pm Choir

Friday, February 10

- 8:00 am Mass
- 8:30 am Exercise Class (Gathering Place)

Saturday, February 11

- 6:30 am Holy Name Society (Gathering Place)
- 10:00 am Rosaries for Life (Robbinsdale)
- 3:30 pm Confessions
- 5:00 pm Mass
- 6:00 pm Seniors (55+) Valentines Dinner (MH)

Sunday, February 12 - 6th Sunday in Ordinary Time

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- 8:00 am Confessions
- 9:00 am Mass
- 11:00 am Mass
- 6:30 pm Theology A La Carte (Youth House)



Knights of Columbus Potluck Dinner

The Knights of Columbus and their families are having a Potluck Dinner in Moorman Hall on February 25 after the 5:00pm Mass. More info to come. Contact Dona at 952.926.3130 or Sherri at 952.476.6665

“Tainted”, a new play by Bill Hellkamp will be presented on Feb 10, 11, 17 & 18 at 7pm with a 1pm matinee on Feb. 12th at Holy Family Academy in Kattar Hall. Set in the fantasy Kingdom of Maldifry the story involves royal intrigue and sibling rivalry as three princely brothers vie to save the king from a lethal curse. As each prince takes on a solitary quest for the healing “Water of Life”, he must contend with forest dwellers, lonely maidens, gloomy spirits and mysterious powers. They also wrestle with their own desires for power and parental approval. You will delight in the underhanded scheming, charming characters and captivating plot twists of this modern morality play. From the irreverent Court Jester to the heroic Princess of Castemonia, this is a story for the whole family!



CATHOLIC DIVORCE SURVIVAL GUIDE 12-WEEK CHRIST-CENTERED DVD SERIES OF HOPE

Holy Family is pleased to offer CDSG, designed to help separated and divorced men and women heal from emotional wounds, deepen their personal relationship with Christ and begin to live a full Sacramental life in the Catholic Church. Based on sound Catholic teachings and spiritual principles, each session restores peace, power and passion lost through divorce. Classes begin Thursday, February 23. Register now by calling Karen at 952.294.9900.

Do you want to know more about the gifts of the Holy Spirit? An opportunity awaits you on Saturday February 18th.. The St. Paul /Mpls. Archdiocese Catholic Charismatic Renewal Winter Teaching Conference will be at Epiphany church in Coon Rapids 8:30 – 5:15pm with Fr. Greg Paffel as main speaker. Call Arlene 651-633-1286 or Sonia 952-431-2372 to register. Lunch included **Free will offering for this event. Go to WWW.MNCRO.ORG for more information.

Please remember to notify the Parish Office of any changes to your address or phone number. Thank you!

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

- Monday:** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13; Mk 6:53-56
- Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30; Mk 7:1-13
- Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 10:1-10; Mk 7:14-23
- Thursday:** 1 Kgs 11:4-13; Mk 7:24-30
- Friday:** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19; Mk 7:31-37
- Saturday:** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34; Mk 8:1-10
- Sunday:** Lv 13:1-2, 44-46; Ps 32; 1Cor 10:31- 11:1; Mk 1:40-45

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

- Sunday:** World Day for Consecrated Life
- Monday:** St. Paul Miki and Companions
- Wednesday:** St. Jerome Emiliani; St. Josephine Bakhita
- Friday:** St. Scholastica
- Saturday:** Our Lady of Lourdes; Blessed Virgin Mary

Holy Family Weekly Offering January 28/29

Regular Envelopes	\$12,125.00
Plate	\$ 1,879.34
Respect Life	\$ 584.80
Online Giving	\$ 1,734.50

Thank you for generosity!

When you provide a check as payment, you authorize us to use the information from your check to make a one-time electronic funds transfer from your account.

Mass Intentions for the Week

- Feb 6 Martin Otting †
- Feb 7 Dan Williams †
- Feb 8 Jim Bittner †
- Feb 9 Rudolph Inselmann †
- Feb 10 Rose Bjornstad †
- Feb 11 Lawrence and Eileen Doran †
- Feb 12 Joseph and Verona Hofmann † (9am)
- Feb 12 For the Parish (11am)



Minnesota voters will have the chance to decide the future of marriage on November 6, 2012

The **Minnesota Marriage Protection Amendment**, which asks voters "Shall the Minnesota constitution be amended to provide that only a union of one man and one woman shall be valid or recognized as a marriage in Minnesota?" places the traditional definition of marriage – one man and one woman – into our state constitution.

It is essential for all voters to **vote YES on November 6th** as Minnesota law requires ballot questions that are left blank to be counted as **NO votes**.

Take the pledge to **vote YES on the Marriage Protection Amendment today**.
The failure to vote is the same as voting **NO**.



MINNESOTA FOR MARRIAGE
ONE MAN, ONE WOMAN
WWW.MINNESOTAFORMARRIAGE.COM



MINNESOTA CATHOLIC CONFERENCE

The time is now to stand up for marriage!

Prepared and paid for by Minnesota for Marriage, 2355 Fairview Ave N, Box 301, Roseville, MN 55113, in support of the Minnesota Marriage Protection Amendment.

Next weekend, Holy Family parishioners will have the opportunity to sign the pledge and show their support for the Minnesota Marriage Protection Amendment

ATTENTION: All Widows and Widowers... you are ALL invited to join us every Monday as we gather in the Adoration Chapel from 3:00pm to 4:00pm to pray for the needs of Holy Family Parish and parishioners. The number of people gathering to pray with us has diminished significantly while the prayer requests have greatly increased. Please help us honor our commitment ...our Mary, Mother of Mercy prayer group is calling **YOU!** Call Sharon at 952.929.0113 Ext. 13 if you have questions.

Modern Natural Family Planning is based on comprehensive scientific research and is healthy and marriage building! Classes taught by a qualified instructor will begin on: Thursday, February 16 here at Holy Family. To register or for more info, please call Billings Ovulation Method at 612.396.4019.

Youth Ministry

Feb 11th - Volunteers needed for Single Seniors' Valentine Dinner Feb 11th on Saturday during the day and during the event in the evening. The volunteer time will count for Confirmation service hours.

Feb 12th - Theology a la Carte - Dr. David Deavel - "2000 years of Church History, Part 1" - Pizza dinner will be served. 6-8pm in Moorman Hall.

Feb. 15th - Ticket reservations due for March Lifeline - please contact Miss Bormes

Limited spots left for Steubenville North - Deposit due - \$50. The retreat will take place July 27-29, 2012. The retreat is for youth who, at the time of the retreat, will be entering 9th grade to those who have just graduated high school. Please contact Miss Bormes to sign up.

You can sign up for any youth event at missbormes@gmail.com or 952.929.0113 x 21

Diaconate Inquiry Sessions

• Thursday, February 16, 6:30-9:00 pm: Your Basic Questions Answered. • Thursdays, February 23 and March 1, 6:30-9:00 pm: A Closer Look. • Saturday, March 10, 8:00-11:30 am: The Next Steps. St. Paul Seminary, Brady Education Center, Room 105. Wives of married inquirers should attend if possible. To register for Feb 16, contact Patty McQuillan at patty.mcquillan@stthomas.edu or 651.962.6891 Questions? Contact Deacon Joseph Michalak, jtmichalak@stthomas.edu.

Holy Family's **Squires Circle** will meet **Tuesday, February 14 at 7pm** in the Gathering Place.



Valentines Dinner for Single Seniors (55+)

You are invited to a special evening on **Saturday, February 11 at 6pm** in Moorman Hall (Immediately following 5pm Mass)

Tickets are required. You may get them by contacting Alyssa at Holy Family 952.929.0113 x 21 or by email at missbormes@gmail.com Tickets are free. Tickets will also be distributed after the Masses on Feb 4/5. **Entertainment by our talented teens!**

You are invited to the 17th annual...

Mardi Gras Roller Skating Party!

When: **Sunday, February 19, 6:30-9pm**

Where: **The Roller Garden on West Lake Street 9 blocks east of Holy Family - the rink is exclusively ours!!!**

Cost: **\$4.50 per person**

(Includes skate rental and is the same even if you bring your own skates...)

Bring: **A treat to share with others!** (Clean out the treats in your cupboards in preparation for Ash Wednesday!)

Who: **Kids! Teens! Adults! EVERYBODY!**

No reservation is necessary

Just show up at the Roller Garden & come to the party!!!



Pro-Life Corner

Victory: Council of Europe Adopts Resolution Against Euthanasia

LifeNews.com | 1/26/12

The ECLJ (*European Centre for Law and Justice, an international, Non-Governmental Organization dedicated to the promotion and protection of human rights in Europe and worldwide*) welcomes the adoption, by the Parliamentary Assembly of the Council of Europe (PACE), of a Resolution setting the principle that "Euthanasia, in the sense of the intentional killing by act or omission of a dependent human being for his or her alleged benefit, must always be prohibited." This is the first time, in the past decades, that euthanasia is so clearly rejected by a European political institution. This Resolution is a major victory for the protection of life and dignity; it comes a year after the European Court asserted that there is no right to euthanasia or assisted suicide under the European Convention.