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February 23, 2025

7th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sunday Masses

10am & 8:00pm

Confessions

Sunday, 7:30pm

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*In case of immediate need, call your parish office to reach a priest directly.

This Week's Happenings

Tuesday (2/25)

ACC Staff Day (Office is Closed)

9:30am Bread Baking

5:30pm Bible Studies (Wil's Place).

Wednesday (2/26)

5:45pm SEND/Root Session #3

Thursday (2/27)

6:00pm Praise Night @ Holy Spirit

Sunday (3/2)

10:00am Food Shelf Sunday

10:00am Children's Liturgy

11:00am Coffee & Rolls

Dear brothers and sisters,

Hopefully we have made it through some of the coldest days of this winter. It is good to be reminded that we live in Minnesota. The ice is safe enough to drive on and the snow isn't leaving after a few days of sun. Both things didn't happen last winter! It is so good to have Fr. John Paul back with us, he is becoming a true Minnesotan and doesn't seem to mind the cold at all!

By this time, you should have received a letter in the mail from me with the detailed schedule of our Area Catholic Community Lenten dates and times. Please read though this carefully and consider joining for these faith enriching events. All of these dates will go in the bulletin as well as they come closer. If you are not a member, but would like a copy of the detailed lists, give the parish office a call.

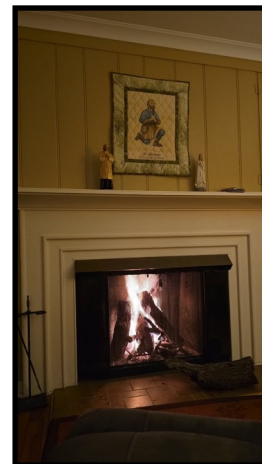
February 14th marked the anniversary of Bishop Patrick Neary's episcopal ordination. Continue to pray for him as he leads our diocese. I am very grateful for him and his Christlike leadership.

Pope Francis went to the hospital February 14th with bronchitis, and has since been diagnosed with pneumonia in both of his lungs. Please join me in praying for our fearless shepherd: We thank you for the loving service of Pope Francis and the hope he has inspired in so many in your great mercy. Have mercy on him in his illness now, we pray, and guide the medical staff in his care. Grant him peace and healing. Through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Peace,

Fr. Derek

Pictures of this week: I went tubing with my nieces and nephews last week, here I am with Mallory. The fireplace in the Newman Rectory on a cold night.



Do you know that the Liturgy of the Word with Children is a time to hear God's Word at an age-appropriate level? Christ Church Newman Center is now offering this Liturgy option for our youth (ages 2-10) on the first Sunday of each month. Please consider having the little ones you bring to church join the group when they leave the chapel just before the first reading. We will only keep them until the reciting of the Petitions are completed, then return back to the chapel to join their families for the rest of Mass. Care giving adults are welcome to sit in on or help instruct! Bring your Children, Grands or little friends! Our next session is Sunday March 2 during the 10 am Mass.

Ash Wednesday Triple Play -- March 5th

Join us for liturgy (5:30 pm) . . . and then, in the Terrace for a meal of soup-and-bread (6:20 pm) . . . and (beginning at 6:45) "**Acting as a Community of Authentic Hope in Challenging Times**", a presentation by and conversation with Mike Rios-Keating. Mike is a staff member of Catholic Charities of the Archdiocese of Mpls/St Paul, providing leadership in their social justice education programming, as well as their ongoing efforts to create a welcoming, inclusive, and mission-driven organization. Prior to this role, he worked as a community organizer with a housing non-profit in Ecuador. He has a BA in Theology, and a MA in Theological and Ministerial Studies at Creighton University.

Castaway 2025 - March 28-30

High schoolers are invited to the 2025 Diocesan Castaway Retreat in Detroit Lakes, March 28th-30th!

This three day retreat includes incredible talks, music, Adoration, Reconciliation, Mass with Bishop Neary, and a ton of fun! It continues to be one of the most affordable overnight retreats available at \$200. This retreat is made possible for our area through Illuminate Youth Ministries, 3 ACC collaboration making vibrant youth ministry possible in St. Cloud.

Contact Kelli Kleinschnitz at kelli@holysaintsmn.org, for more information on how to sign up for this impactful weekend!

Parish Prayers

†Bob Trisko
†Frank Roehl
†Mary Helen Montgomery
†Mary Morton
•For Sam Warner discernment
† Millie Moran Sister of Jay Schroeder
† Sam Skoien
• Jill Schultz

Everyone is invited to join us for **Coffee and Donuts or Rolls** after the 10:00 Mass Sunday 3/2! Stay a few minutes and get to know someone new or catch up with someone you don't get a chance to visit with during the Mass! And since it is a Liturgy of the Word Sunday, we will have treats and activities for all the children!

Congratulations to Charlie Hart, a student at SCSU, on being received into the Catholic Church and receiving his First Holy Communion and Confirmation at the 8pm Mass February 23, 2025.

Young Adult Praise Night

Join young adults from across the city for praise & worship, Adoration & Reconciliation on Thursday, February 27th at Church of the Holy Spirit at 6pm! Fellowship, including Mardi Gras/Lenten trivia and appetizers, will be at 7pm. Young adults, college students, and young families (children encouraged!) are welcome! Contact Philip Shefveland, Director of Discipleship, for more information - 320-281-9518.

Slicers and Dicers needed! Help is needed to prepare, set up and serve our traditional Lenten Family meal held after the Ash Wed. Mass on 3/5. Start you Lent out strong! More information is posted with the sign-up sheets in the gathering spaces.

Youth Group Calendar for February/March:

February 23rd: Men's & Women's Sessions

March 2nd: Adoration

ACC Faith Formation Reminders

Confirmation: February 23, 12:30pm-6:30pm Retreat in Terrace

SEND: February 26, 5:45pm Root Session 3

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