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**January 26, 2025**

**3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time**

**Sunday Masses**

10am & 8:00pm

**Confessions**

Sunday, 7:30pm

**Pastor:**

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

This Week's Happenings

**Tuesday (1/28)**

ACC Staff Day

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

**Wednesday (1/29)**

7:00pm Confirmation

**Sunday (2/2)**

Food Shelf Sunday

Dear brothers and sisters,

We've made it through some very cold days! Our Lord didn't want anyone to forget that we are Minnesotans. I was especially praying for our brothers and sisters experiencing homelessness in our city. Newman Center hosted overflow from the Lincoln Center for two weeks in late December. St. John Cantius has also taken a turn recently, with other churches in the area doing the same. This is a very good thing to do during these winter months. Our tri-parish cluster is helping Place of Hope February 3-9. Kevin has more on how you can help on the back of the bulletin.

On Saturday, we celebrated the Feast of St. Paul. He was a devout Jewish Pharisee who vigorously defended the law. After Jesus' Ascension into Heaven, the newfound Christian faith began to grow rapidly. As a result, Saul of Tarsus vigorously tried to end this new religion which he perceived as erroneous. He traveled about looking for followers of Jesus to arrest and imprison. Saul even gave his consent to the stoning of the deacon, Saint Stephen, the first martyr. However, on one of his journeys, Saul had a vision of the risen Christ Who spoke to him gently, saying, "Saul, Saul, why are you persecuting me?" It was in that encounter that Saul was left blinded for three days.

The line quoted above are the words of Ananias, a devout disciple of Jesus. Ananias had also received a vision from Jesus Who told him to go to Saul of Tarsus and to lay his hands on him so that he would be healed. Ananias was also told that Saul was "a chosen instrument" through which the Gospel would be preached to the "Gentiles, kings, and children of Israel." Let us ask for St. Paul's intercession for all in our families that may be away from God's love.

Every week I will add a few photos highlighting events from parish life. This last Thursday evening I joined the Young Adults from the area at Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids for the Taize prayer. Last Friday evening I went to the SCSU Men's Hockey game with Fr. Mitchel Becthold and Fr. Matthew Lanager.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Derek





Pick up a baby bottle to fill! They are located in both entryways. Fill with spare change, cash or checks. Please return bottles here or to the office by February 9, 2025.

### 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, a 3 ACC collaboration making vibrant youth ministry possible in St. Cloud.

Contact Kelli Kleinschnitz at [kelli@holysaintsacc.org](mailto:kelli@holysaintsacc.org), for more information on how to sign up for this impactful weekend!

### Volunteers needed for Place of Hope -- weekly opportunity

Our tri-parish cluster has helped Place of Hope for many years, and will do so this coming February 3-9. They need 3-6 volunteers per evening to help prepare and serve meals for up to 200 people. Consider a group of family and/or friends doing this together. Also needed are two overnight monitors to assist in supervising those who are staying in the Chapel from 8 p.m.-8 a.m. each night; this can be done in shorter shifts.

For more info, and/or to sign up, contact

Kevin LaNave: [klanave@scsucatholic.org](mailto:klanave@scsucatholic.org)

### Footsteps of Saint Paul Land & Cruise Pilgrimage in Greece

Led by Fr. Kevin Anderson

**Dates:** September 23 - October 7, 2025

For Information **Contact Maureen at JeriCo Christian Journeys**

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### Youth Group Calendar for January/February:

**January 26th:** Men's & Women's Sessions

**February 2nd:** Adoration

**February 9th:** No Youth Group

### ACC Faith Formation Reminders

**Confirmation:** January 29, 7:00pm

**SEND:** February 5, 5:45pm Root Session 2

**1st Sacraments:** February 8 Activity Day at Holy Spirit

### Curtis & Loretta

Singer/Songwriter Duo

Coming in concert to

Newman Center



## SAVE THE DATE

Concert in the Terrace  
Saturday Feb. 22, 2025  
7:00 PM

No Charge/Free Will Offering  
ALL ARE WELCOME

### Parish Prayers

- †Julie Gabrielson
- †India Faith Krueger Wasilowski
- †Bob Trisko
- †Frank Roehl
- †Mary Helen Montgomery
- †Mary Morton
- Abbie's Grandfather
- For Sam Warner discernment
- † Millie Moran Sister of Jay Schroeder
- † Sam Skoien
- Jill Schultz

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