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Catholic Church

FEBRUARY 25, 2024 SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

WELCOME!

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MASS TIMES

Tues, Wed, Fri 8:15 am

Saturday 5:15 pm

Sunday 8:00 am & 10:00 am

Word & Communion Service

Mon, Thurs. 8:15 am

RECONCILIATION

Confessions will take place
in the Reconciliation Room

Saturdays 4:30 pm

or by appointment

ADORATION

In the Adoration Chapel

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MISSION STATEMENT

With the Holy Spirit pouring the love of God into our hearts,
we invite people to Christ by living like Christ through prayer, service, and learning.

PRAYER & WORSHIP

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Giving ourselves to God is a gradual progression in our lives. It can be frustrating to recognize that we seem to stall out at times. Then we experience something that really lifts us to a much better place, even though not where we would like to be.

The transfiguration gave Peter, James and John an end point - Jesus in His glorious state. They could only be awestruck by this level of life that is so beautiful, it heightened their desire to move towards that life. May this Lent open a way to give ourselves more wholly to the will of God.

Peace,
Father John

MASS INTENTIONS

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26 DN 9:4B-10; LK 6:36-38

8:15 am Word and Communion

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27 IS 1:10, 16-20; MT 23:1-12

8:15 am Word and Communion

WEDNESDAY February 28 JER 18:18-20; MT 20:17-28

8:15 am Word and Communion

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29 JER 17:5-10; LK 16:19-31

8:15 am Word and Communion

FRIDAY, MARCH 1 GN 37:3-4, 12-13A, 17B-28A; MT 21:33-43, 45-46

8:15 am Mass Carol Armstrong †

SATURDAY, MARCH 2 MI 7:14-15, 18-20; LK 15:1-3, 11-32

5:15 pm Mass Phyllis Goettl †, John Meier †, Rosanne Carlson †, Teresa † and Barbara Brielmaier †

SUNDAY, MARCH 3 EX 20:1-17; 1 COR 1:22-25; JN 2:13-25

8:00 am Mass John Murphy †

10:00 am Mass Carol Frederickson †, Aljean Ackerman † James Anton †

ST. JOHN'S NEWS & EVENTS



Richard Makela

*Who passed away
February 18, 2024*

*Our deepest sympathy
to his family*



John Murphy

*Who passed away
February 13, 2024*

*Our deepest sympathy
to his family*



**2024
Catholic
Ministries
Appeal**

You are the Light of the World

Thanks to you, twenty-four men are currently discerning a call to the priesthood. More than 4,000 children in our Catholic schools are being formed in lives of faith and virtue. Additionally, hundreds of students on our college campuses receive formation as disciples of Christ, with the help of Newman Centers and FOCUS missionaries. Please give generously to this year's Appeal.

Welcome

*New members of our parish community
James and Mary Krahling
Please feel our warm welcome!*

Espresso Mass

Join us on Friday, March 1st after the 8:15 mass for coffee, treats and fellowship. Our hostesses will be Elaine Koch and Kathleen McCabe.

Loyola News: Discover your path to excellence! Admissions for the 2024-2025 academic year are available for all grades. For more information, visit our website or contact Ashley Braulick, Marketing, Admissions, and Enrollment Coordinator, at 507-386-5399. Begin your journey towards greatness today!

The Lucky 20 Raffle at Loyola Catholic School has begun! This vital annual fundraiser contributes essential revenue to our school. Each ticket costs \$100, offering 20 opportunities to win, with the grand prize being \$10,000! The raffle drawing is scheduled for April 19, 2024, at Loyola. You need not be present to win; we'll contact the winners directly. Tickets can be purchased in Loyola's main office or online at www.loyolacatholicschool.org. Thank you for your support!

At Loyola, faith-based principles and values are woven throughout our curriculum to help shape the entire student: mind, body, and soul. "Entranced by an exclusive reliance on technology, reason without faith is doomed to flounder in an illusion of its own omnipotence." - Pope Benedict XVI

Annual Benefit for Birthright Raffle

Tickets are \$5 each, with a chance to win up to \$250. Please contact the parish office at 625-3131 or David Mutch at 387-5406 for more information, or to purchase tickets. Drawing will be held March 28, 2024. Thank you for your support!

SACRAMENTS

SACRAMENTS OF THE CHURCH

Baptism - To prepare your child for Baptism, it is essential that parents participate in Pre-Jordan preparation.

Marriage - Contact the parish office 1 year in advance of wedding date. Marriage prep is required.

Becoming Catholic - If you or someone you know are interested in becoming Catholic or have questions about the process (Christian Initiation), please contact Dcn. Chris Walchuk at

Dcn.cwalchuk@stjohnsmankato.net

Sacrament of the Sick - Anointing If you have a serious illness, are facing hospitalization and/or surgery, please contact the parish office to arrange to receive the Sacrament of



MESSAGE OF HIS HOLINESS POPE FRANCIS FOR LENT 2024

(excerpt)

“It is time to act, and in Lent, *to act also means to pause*. To pause *in prayer*, in order to receive the word of God, to pause like the Samaritan *in the presence of a wounded brother or sister*. Love of God and love of neighbor are one love. Not to have other gods is to pause in the presence of God beside the flesh of our neighbour. For this reason, prayer, almsgiving and fasting are not three unrelated acts, but a single movement of openness and self-emptying, in which we cast out the idols that weigh us down, the attachments that imprison us. Then the atrophied and isolated heart will revive. Slow down, then, and pause! The contemplative dimension of life that Lent helps us to rediscover will release new energies. In the presence of God, we become brothers and sisters, more sensitive to one another: in place of threats and enemies, we discover companions and fellow travelers. This is God’s dream, the promised land to which we journey once we have left our slavery behind. “

ANNOUNCE THE GOOD NEWS

TODAY’S READINGS

2nd Sunday of Lent
February 25, 2024

First Reading:

“I know now how devoted you are to God, since you did not withhold from me your own beloved son.” (Gn 22:12)

Psalms:

I will walk before the Lord, in the land of the living. (Ps 116)

Second Reading:

He who did not spare his own Son but handed him over for us all, how will he not also give us everything else along with him? (Rom 8:32)

Gospel:

Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, “This is my beloved Son. Listen to him.” (Mk 9:7)

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St. Peter and Paul's schedule change for confessions:

Monday - Friday: after the 7:00 am Daily Mass

Saturday: 9:00 am - 10:00 am

4:00 pm - 5:00 pm

Sunday: after the 1:00 pm Spanish Mass

DIOCESE WEEKLY TELEVISED MASS SCHEDULE:

KTTW Channel 7 (Sioux Falls) at 7:00am

KEYC Channel 12 (Mankato) at 7:30am

KEYC-DT, Digital Channel 12.2 or

Charter Channel 19 (Mankato) at 9:30am

KAAL Channel 6 (Rochester) at 9:00am

WKBT Channel 8 (LaCrosse) at 7:30am



LITURGICAL CORNER

February 24 - 5:15 pm

Communion Ministers: Kristy McCabe, Ryan McCabe, Lisa Soupir

Lector: Brenda TeVogt

Sacristan: John Bulcock

Servers: Bria Baumgard, Gisele McCabe

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 1

February 25 - 8:00 am

Communion Ministers: Najwa Massad, Kurt Schroeder, Pat Sullivan

Lector: Mary Homan

Sacristan: Randy Meyer

Servers: Colton Fontaine, Jan Hughes

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 5

February 25 - 10:00 am

Communion Ministers: Derek Luttmann, Nick Meyer, Monica Wagner

Lector: Leon Schaffer

Sacristan: Terry Alfson

Servers: Francis Bierer, Paxton Meehan

Ushers/Hospitality: Team 9

FEB. 9, 2023 - FEB. 16, 2024

Adult Support \$ 11,842.51

Offertory \$ 914.00

Donations via website
02/10-02/16/24 \$ 3,675.00

Holy Day \$

ACH (5th and 20th) \$

Weekly Total \$ 16,431.51

Weekly Offering goal is:
\$ 18,163.73

Year-to-date income as
of 02/16/2024 **\$ 701,280.39**



St. John's Prayer Network

To submit a request call:
Mickey Bicek 507-388-5906 or
Lynn Beadell 507-351-3742

Email: Pastoral Care

Associate at: mike@stjohnsmankato.net



Children's Weekly Stewardship

\$ 107.51

February 9 - February 16

Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota offers respectful, compassionate and professional Mental Health Clinical Counseling services to help individuals, couples and families deal with a variety of concerns. We accept most insurances or offer a sliding fee. For more information call 507-287-2047.



Money Counters

February 26 - Team 3

March 4 - Team 1

March 11 - Team 2

THANK YOU

To everyone who has been dropping off or mailing your weekly donations. We are grateful for whatever contributions you are able to make, as we pay our utilities, payroll and other expenses. Your generosity is much appreciated!

Simon Ministry

Help our parish to be the salt for our community as we share your love with those caught in the struggles of life. We are always in need of basic products. If you can help us serve our visitors, some items needed are:

- Personal Care Items - shampoo, body wash, deodorant, etc.
- Detergent (50 oz or less)
- Dish Soap

Any help is appreciated! Items can be placed in the bins/baskets at the church entrances.

Hope Women's Grief Support Group

A non-denominational grief support group for women who have experienced the death of a spouse or significant other. You are not alone. This grief support group is led by widows who understand what you are going through. This group offers an opportunity to learn about grief, share experiences and find healing and hope from your loss. No registration is necessary. We meet Tuesdays 5:15 - 6:15 pm in Matthews Hall (lower level). For information, please call Maria Berrones at 507-779-5458 or email: only1mariab@yahoo.com.

THE WEEK AHEAD

MONDAY, FEBRUARY 26

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Spirit Singers

5:30 PM - St. Elizabeth Rm

TUESDAY, FEBRUARY 27

Sunrise AA Meeting

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Grief Group

5:00 PM - Matthews Hall

Stations of the Cross

6:15 PM - Church

WEDNESDAY, FEBRUARY 28

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Choir for Christ

5:50 PM - Church

Faith Formation

7:00 PM Small Groups

7:00 PM 6th - 8th - Matthews Hall

THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 29

Word and Communion Service

8:15 AM - Church

Simon Ministry

10:30- Matthews Hall

Catholic Inquiry

6:30 PM - Marian Room

FRIDAY, MARCH 1

Al-Anon - ZOOM

Early Risers AA

6:30 AM - Matthews Hall

MASS

8:15 AM - Church

Espresso Gathering

8:45 - Narthex

SATURDAY, March 2

Confessions

4:30 PM - Confession Room

MASS

5:15 PM - Church

SUNDAY, MARCH 3

MASS

8:00 AM - Church

FF Grades 1-5

9:00 AM—Classroom/Mt Rm

MASS

10:00 AM - Church

CLW—Shine Bright

10:10 AM—Matthews Hall

OA

3:00 PM—JPPII Room

March 2024



St. Peter and Paul Knight of Columbus #901

Fish Dinner

Friday, March 1, 4:30PM - 7:00PM

Jesuit Hall

\$15.00 per person \$50.00(immediate) family max

Dine in or carry-out

Holy Rosary Knight of Columbus #5551

Fish Dinner

Friday, March 8, 4:30PM - 7:00PM

St. Peter and Paul's - Jesuit Hall

\$15.00 per person \$50.00(immediate) family max

Dine in or carry-out

Newman Center

Fish Dinner

Friday, March 15, 4:30PM - 7:00PM

St. Peter and Paul's - Jesuit Hall

\$15.00 per person \$50.00(immediate) family max

Dine in or carry-out

St. Peter and Paul Knights of Columbus

4th Degree, Assembly 547

Shrimp Dinner


Friday, March 22, 4:30PM - 7:00PM

St. Peter and Paul's - Jesuit Hall

\$15.00 per person \$50.00(immediate) family max

Dine in or carry-out

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES



PASTA with the PADRES

Dinner with the Priests from
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Newman Center

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SUNDAY, MARCH 10th
4:00 PM - 7 PM

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PASTA WITH THE PADRES!

Sign up sheets to volunteer for the 16th Annual "Pasta with the Padres" fundraiser for ECHO Food Shelf are in the church entries and we need lots of volunteers to make it a success. This year, the dinner will be held at St Joseph the Worker Catholic Church on Sunday, March 10th from 4-7 p.m.

Bully Pulpit will provide entertainment along with more musical selections from Fr. Paul van de Crommert from Holy Rosary.

The spaghetti will be delicious.

Sign up to help and then plan to attend. It's lots of fun!

131st St. Patrick's Day Ham Dinner



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11:00 AM TO 1:00 PM
SUNDAY, MARCH 17, 2024

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