



Faith Formation Families: Wednesday, April 27 is our last day of Faith Formation. All students will be attending the Closing Faith Formation Mass at 6pm with their class. You are welcomed and encouraged to attend Mass with your child. Please join us for dinner in the gym following Mass – hot dogs, chips, watermelon and ice cream will be served for all! If your family plans to attend the dinner, please RSVP to Kathy Olson by April 20 (kaolson@holyroarycc.org). Thank you!



There will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word at the 9AM Mass on, Sunday, April 24.



Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament every Tuesday, 9 am to 7 pm
Come spend some time with Jesus!

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Get Your Tickets for Holy Rosary School's 20th Annual Spring Interlude TODAY!

SPRING INTERLUDE RAFFLE TICKETS are on sale NOW at the school and parish offices. Purchase **CHOICE RAFFLE** tickets for \$20 each to win your choice of prizes from Lakes Sport Shop (a gun, a gift card, or a towable tube, each valued at \$400). Only 40 tickets will be sold for each choice raffle round. The **TUITION RAFFLE** is back! This year, **win one full year of tuition for one child** for the 2022-23 school year or **\$2500 cash!** Tickets for the tuition raffle are \$50 each. Support your special child in his or her faith journey! You need not be present to win for either raffle, but you must be 18 or older to purchase a ticket.



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Tickets \$50 each

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HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC SCHOOL MISSION STATEMENT
Holy Rosary Parish School Community is rooted in the Word and energized with the Spirit of Jesus Christ. We cultivate our community to live as Jesus taught within the Catholic tradition. We strive to build Gospel values and promote academic excellence.

Registration for the 2022-2023 School Year is open to parish families. If you are interested in scheduling a tour and receiving more information about Holy Rosary School, please contact the School Office at 218-847-5306. We'd love to show you our school!



Did you know... Hope is rising. Throughout scripture there is evidence that we are called to be ambassadors of hope and healing. Did you know children of abuse long to hear this message of hope. Victims of crime, their family and loved ones need to know that their voices are heard. Organizations throughout the nation are striving to share the message that He has risen and there is hope. Each of us has a unique ability to support individuals who are hurting, to promote healthy relationships, and to build communities that are safe from those who may want to do harm. How has He called you to be an ambassador of hope and healing?

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If you or someone you know has been the victim of sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, your first call should be to law enforcement. In addition, the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator is available at 218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number.)

Project Rachel: Confidential Care for Post-Abortive Women and Men. The Diocese of Crookston has a confidential phone service for women or men who are seeking healing, hope and reconciliation after abortion. Staffed by a female counselor trained in Project Rachel ministry, a ministry of the Catholic Church showing that there is hope after abortion. Calls are answered Tuesday thru Friday from 10 a.m. to 8 p.m. and on Saturday from 9 a.m. to 12 p.m. The confidential phoneline is 218-470-0112.

Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Easter Sunday

April 17th, 2022

1043 Lake Avenue
Detroit Lakes, MN 56501



HOW TO REACH US

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Holy Rosary Catholic Faith Formation & Youth Ministry
Parish Office Hours: Monday -Friday 8:00am –4:30pm
Saturday & Sunday - Closed

Have you ever seen something or experienced something so unusual that you didn't know how to react? Were you in awe? Did you jump to conclusions? Were you skeptical? Did you run to a friend to share your experience?

I think it's fair to say that the older one gets, the easier it is to recognize God's hand in things. There are many events and experiences that I've encountered that have stopped me in my tracks. Many times, these events and experiences have deepened my faith because the only explanation I can give them is "God". When this happens, I almost go skipping with joy to a fellow friend in faith as I cannot wait to tell him/her about the "God moment" that I just experienced!

In today's Gospel reading, I imagine that those who discovered the empty tomb felt the same way. At first there was a little skepticism – did someone rob the body of Jesus or what has happened? However, they quickly realize that this was an act of God and that Jesus had truly risen from the dead. They were filled with joy and quickly went out to spread the word.

On this Easter Sunday, reflect on the experiences and events that you've encountered over the past few weeks. How did you see God's hand in the unusual? How did you know God was responsible for the event? Taking a look into the empty tomb will help you discover the resurrection!

On behalf of all of us at Holy Rosary School, we wish you a very blessed Easter!

Cathy Larson, HRS Principal

Christ is Risen, Shout HOSANNA!

Today is the day – the resurrection of Jesus, when the greatest **tragedy** the world has ever witnessed becomes the greatest **victory** the world has ever experienced! The love of God for His people made manifest through the sacrifice of His only begotten Son. Our salvation sealed through Jesus's passion and death, and today, His rising from the dead. As I've been journeying through Lent this year, the statement **"I make all things new"** has been strong on my heart. What did that mean for Jesus as He gave all He had for us on the cross? What does it mean for me as this Lenten season comes to an end? What might it mean for you? If we think back to Ash Wednesday, remember we were given the opportunity to set intentions for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. How far have your intentions brought you? Did your intentions change you? Are you a better person?

Easter is a time to celebrate new life in the victory over sin and death. Jesus gave that life to us so that like Him, we can make all things new with each day we're given. We can adopt new attitudes that allow us to love ourselves and others better. We can create and use our new habits to bring us closer to Jesus and to the Father. We can seek with new eyes and a new heart those things that God desires for us, and with new understanding we can grow to desire those things too. "I make all things new"...we can make all things new...

Christ is Risen...shout **HOSANNA!**

Happy Easter & God's Many Blessings to All,
Jamie McDougall

Director of Stewardship & Development



If you feel more comfortable wearing a mask or you have not been vaccinated, please continue to do so. Thank you!

PARISH STAFF		FAITH FORMATION		Finance Council Members:		Trustees:	
<u>Priest</u>	Fr. Chuck Huck	<u>Preschool/Elementary</u>	Kathy Olson	Tom Lundberg, Ed Geffre		Christy Clark, Tom Winters	
<u>Deacon</u>	Deacon Gary Hager	<u>Middle School/ Sr. High</u>					
<u>Deacon Emeritus</u>	Deacon Jim Thomas	<u>Stewardship</u>	Jamie McDougall				
<u>Administrator</u>	Mary Hager	<u>Liturgist</u>	April Spaeth				
<u>Maintenance</u>	Nate Flugel	<u>School Principal</u>	Cathy Larson				
				Pastoral Council Members:		School Council Members:	
				MaKaden Anderson, Steve Carlson,		Aron Badurek, Jason Becker, Lisa Jasken-	
				Debbie Carlson, Carol Foltz, Brian Swanson,		Peterson, Kohl Skalin, Tony Schmitz, Joy	
				Eileen Mooney, Ron Schmit,		Stone, Ronica Wahl, Janalee Wychoff,	
				Mike Sidders, Trish Thorson		Erica Zum	

A note from Fr. Chuck



Two years, it has been just over two years since the Precious Blood was available at Mass for the laity. We have children who made their First Holy Communion and received the Precious Body but have not yet received the Precious Blood. There had been requests to bring it back earlier, but we

followed the Covid restrictions in place for the Diocese.

As of Holy Thursday, this has changed. Bishop Cozzens has released the last of the COVID restrictions. Last month we had Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist training. In anticipation of the return of the chalice for the people we've discussed the manner in which we would provide the chalice during mass. Here at Holy Rosary, it will be available in five locations.

Some notes to consider:

Reception of the Precious Body is a complete reception of Jesus. Reception of the Precious Blood is a complete reception of Jesus. Either form is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus.

After an individual, has received from the chalice, the Eucharistic Minister will use a purificator to wipe the inside and outside lip of the chalice.

Intinction by an individual is not allowed. The Eucharist is a gift and should be received, when intinction is used it is a taking of Jesus to oneself.

The choice to receive the Precious Blood is an individual choice. We encourage you to pray about your decision.

It is important whether we receive from the chalice or not that we acknowledge the presence of Jesus. Please do not simply walk past. It is a good practice to bow towards the chalice even if we choose not to receive.

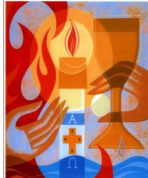
We will be starting with a limited amount of Precious Blood. As we are able to determine the openness and desire for the reception of the chalice post COVID we will adjust the amount available.

If you would like to be trained as an Extraordinary Minister of the Eucharist, please contact April, Deacon Gary or Father. For our current ministers we want to remind you we will need your volunteerism since we need 15 more ministers each weekend.

A reminder that low gluten hosts are available from Father's position in the Holy Communion line. Simply point to the gold PYX and Father will switch hands to distribute Jesus to you.



Blessings on your day! Fr. Chuck



Baptism:

If you are planning to present your baby for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at 847-1393.

Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4pm, Sundays at 10:00am or by appointment

Marriage:

Those wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage are asked to contact Fr. Chuck at least six months prior to the intended date of the celebration.

PARISH CALENDAR

Monday	April 18	
	PARISH OFFICE CLOSED	
Tuesday	April 19	
8:00 am	Rosary	Church
8:30 am	Mass + Francis Fritz	Church
9:00 am	Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament	Church
9:30 am	Bible Study	Fatima Room
12:00 pm	OA Group	Fatima Room
1:30 pm	Card Players Group	Fireplace Room
5:00 pm	Women's Cursillo Group	Living Room
6:00 pm	Knights of Columbus general meeting	Lake Park
Wednesday	April 20	
8:00 am	Parent Prayer Group	St. Benedict
8:30 am	Rosary	Fireplace Room
9:00 am	Mass + Herb Olson	Church
3:45 pm	School Faculty Meeting	Resource Center
5:30 pm	Feeding the Faith	St. John's
6:00 pm	Faith Formation PK-6th grade	Assigned Rooms
6:30 pm	Faith Formation Grades 7th - 11th	Assigned Rooms
Thursday	April 21	
12:00 pm	Al Anon	Fatima Room
6:00 pm	Mass + Leonard Thielen	Church
6:30 pm	5th grade orientation	Parish Center
6:45 pm	RCIA & Beyond - Prayer	Fatima Room
Friday	April 22	
8:00 am	Rosary	Church
8:30 am	Mass + Al Kiehl	Church
10:00 am	Anointing Mass + Richard McGee	Lincoln Park
Saturday	April 23	
7:00 am	Men's Prayer Group	Fireplace Room
9:00 am	First Communion retreat & rehearsal	Parish Center
4:00 pm	Reconciliation	Confessional
5:00 pm	Mass - First Communion	Church
	~ Blessings for all Married Couples	
6:00 pm	First Communion Reception	Living Room
Sunday	April 24 - Divine Mercy Sunday	
	2nd Collection for Catholic Home Mission	
9:00 am	Mass - First Communion + Jon R. Stone	Church
10:00 am	First Communion Reception	Living Room
10:15 am	Reconciliation	Confessional
11:00 am	Mass - First Communion ~ For the Parish	Church
12:00 pm	First Communion Reception	Living Room
12:00 pm	Baptism - Caspar Benjamin Grimsley	Church
2:00 pm	Adoration & Prayer	Church
2:00 pm	Reconciliation	Confessional
3:00 pm	Divine Mercy Chaplet	Church

From all of us at Holy Rosary, have a very Blessed Easter

Sacraments

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Reconciliation:

Saturdays at 4pm, Sundays at 10:00am or by appointment

Marriage:

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Stewardship

Last week we received:

Adult Envelopes and online giving: \$ 21,352.00

Last Fiscal YTD: \$ 643,619.08 This Fiscal YTD: \$ 647,503.28

Mass Counts: Saturday, 227 Sunday, 9:00 AM 256
YouTube: 113 Sunday, 11:00 AM 294

DAA: Goal \$ 73,914.00 **Amount Received:** \$ 62,779.00 (84.94%)

Perfect Fit Goal: \$15 Million **Amount Received:** \$11.8 Million

"...He went about doing good and healing all those oppressed by the devil, for God was with him." (ACTS 10:38)

We can't give what we don't have. Open your heart to receive God's love, mercy and forgiveness. Then, show the same to others. As God's adopted sons and daughters, we are made in His image and likeness. As Pope Benedict XVI says, "we are made for greatness." Let our lives reflect His light to others. Pray to live a grateful and generous life. Strive for greatness! We are made for more! We are made for God!

Please remember those who have asked for our prayers:

When adding someone to the prayer list, please ask their permission first, then contact the Parish Office (847-1393.) Names are left on the list for four weeks.

Marleen Rusch	Diane Yonga	Fran DeCock	Robert Heimark
John Moran	Christian Kays	Jim Hansen	Mike Hansen
Sandy Hatfield	Norb Caulfield	Dexter Phillips	Dianne Lindberg
Brenda Schander	Cliff Thompson		



Register now for Vacation Bible School 2022! Holy Rosary will be hosting VBS, June 6-9 **from 9:00AM-12:00PM** for children entering Preschool (age 4) through 5th grade this upcoming Fall. This year, we are asking families to register and pay using the online registration form on the parish website: www.holyrosarycc.org found under the "Faith Formation" tab. The **cost is \$30 per child**. Our theme this year is: **Wilderness Adventure Through the Sacraments**. Children are invited to gear up for a four-day hike through the wilderness to discover amazing things about the seven sacraments all done through music, games, snack, crafts and faith lessons!

We will need middle and high school students as well as adults to help make VBS a fantastic week for our young ones. Sign up to help on the online VBS registration form: www.holyrosarycc.org or by emailing or calling Kathy Olson. **Please consider sharing your time and talents this summer!**

For any questions regarding VBS or to sign up to help,, contact Kathy Olson at 847-1393 or kaolson@holysarycc.org.

LITURGICAL MINISTRY–April 23rd & 24th

Divine Mercy Sunday	Saturday, 5:00pm	Sunday, 9:00am	Sunday, 11:00am
Eucharistic Minister	Deacon Gary Hager / Don Spitzley	Christina Morrison / Barb Birznies	Shirley Eidenschink / Kay Schiller
Eucharistic Minister - Clean SV	Jane Lunde / HELP WANTED	Katie Hansen / Allen Clark	June Lawrence / HELP WANTED
Minister of Precious Blood	HELP WANTED (X5)	HELP WANTED (X5)	HELP WANTED (X5)
Media Minister	HELP WANTED	Susan Deraney	Julia Nelmark
Lector One - Book of Gospels	Tricia Geffre	Carol Foltz	Anika Erickson
Lector Two - Prayers of the Faithful	James Utecht	Michael Morrison	Amy Erickson
Altar Servers	Marin & Madelyn Lorentz	Landon & Carson Germain	Jake Erickson / Mackenzie Klemm
Cantor	Melissa Lorentz	Michael Moe	Alexis Medley / Eileen Mooney
Accompanist	April Spaeth	April Spaeth	April Spaeth
Sacristan	Mary Hager	Cheryl & Joe Ed Knopf	HELP WANTED
Greeter / Usher	Dennis Redig / John Wilke HELP WANTED / HELP WANTED	Michael Guetter / John King Bill Quinn / Michael Metelak	John Vaida / Jim Wolf Jon Larson / Nicholas Noia



Please join us for **RCIA and Beyond**. Class is held in the Lady of Fatima Room the 1st and 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:45pm. Next class will be held **April 21st. "Prayer"** All are encouraged to attend! Meeting will be in person. If you wish to join by Zoom please contact Faith Haaland at 218-841-8411.

Holy Father's April Prayer Intention:

Health Care Workers:

We pray for health care workers who serve the sick and the elderly, especially in the poorest countries; may they be adequately supported by governments and local communities.

Holy Rosary Parish extends their sympathy to the family of:



Tom Lundberg, on the passing of his Mother, Mary Lundberg and to:

Barb Pavek on the passing of her Son, Gary Pavek



Holy Rosary will be celebrating First Communion next weekend at all Masses.

13 children will be receiving Jesus in the Eucharist for the first time! All are welcome to join us for a reception for our children following each Mass in the Parish Living Room. Please keep our First Communicants in your prayers this week.

Marriage Banns - 1

Please join us in praying for all newly married couples and those preparing for the Sacrament of Matrimony
May 21st - Cassidy Zenzen and Jacob Johnson
June 18th - Sadie Herman and Dalton Skrove

Congratulations to: Todd Francis, winner of the scattered leaves quilt made and donated by Janelle Erickson. Thank you to all who purchased tickets and donated. Over \$1200 was raised for quilting supplies for the military quilt project.



If you are concerned about a family member or friend showing signs of Alzheimer's, you are invited to attend a **Dementia Friends Information Session** on Thursday, May 5th at 6:30 pm. at St. Luke's Episcopal Church, 1400 Corbett Road, Detroit Lakes. This session will discuss what is normal aging versus early signs of Alzheimer's, what is Dementia/Alzheimer's, and effective communication. Registration is limited to 50 participants. You can register on Facebook - Detroit Lakes Lions Club or by phone - Jim Granger (218) 841-0277 or by email - jgranger53@gmail.com

Holy Rosary Gardening Angels

As Spring is quickly approaching, we are once again looking at the landscape and flower gardens on the Holy Rosary Campus. Many of the older bushes and shrubs that had outlived their life span were removed last fall and the result is a fresh opportunity to enhance the environment. The new "Pollinator Garden" will also be a great addition for us. But we need your ideas and gloved covered hands to help us create this new landscape. If you have been a member of the Gardening Angels in the past or would like to become a new member, please contact Mary in the Parish Office, and let her know of your interest. We would like to hold a meeting soon with all of you to share your ideas and divide up the landscape to the area you would like to help with. mhager@holynosarycc.org, 218-847-1393



We are proud to announce that Abby Jasken has accepted the position of Director of Religious Education for Middle School, High School and Adult Education. Abby will join us in June as she completes her year with Net Ministries. Welcome Abby!



JP2 Camp is open to youth entering the 7th & 8th grade. To register for JP2 Camp visit <https://www.crookston.org/jp2camp>. **St. Teresa of Calcutta Camp** is open to youth entering 9th and 10th grade. To register for Saint Teresa of Calcutta Camp, <https://www.crookston.org/toccamp>. Registration for both camps are open and they fill fast so register today!

Workshop for men: Reclaiming God's Design of Biblical Masculinity, will be held April 23rd at First Baptist Church in Detroit Lakes. RSVP by April 20th, 2022 at dlfirstbaptistchurch@gmail.com or call 218-847-4571.

The Diocese of Crookston invites you to an open house at our new Pastoral Center and Retreat Facility located at Mount Saint Benedict Monastery, 620 Summit Ave., Crookston MN on April 27 from 4-7:00 pm, May 7th from 11- 2:00pm, and May 14 from 12-3:00 pm. Reach out to Fr. Chuck for a paper invitation with more information. RSVP to Maureen Novak at mnovak@crookston.org. Or call 218-281-4533 ext. 418.

If you are a visitor to Holy Rosary, we sincerely welcome you. Perhaps you live in the neighborhood or nearby area and decided to drop in, or you are visiting from another parish or faith tradition in the Lakes area, or another part of the country. Maybe you are new to the area. Whatever the case, we are glad you are here to join us in worship of Jesus Christ our Lord. For information about our parish, to register, or to ask a question, visit our **website at holynosarycc.org** or call /stop by our parish office (847-1393). Come and see what Holy Rosary has to offer you and your family. We warmly welcome you home!

Are you receiving **Holy Rosary's INFORMATION Station** via email or text? This communication is sent twice a month to our parishioners to keep them informed on what's happening in the parish. To receive this communication, join Evangelus (our platform) at eva.us/hrcc or text 55321 and type in Holy Rosary.



Please Join us Wednesday, April 20th at the 9am Mass as Bishop Cozzens will be Celebrating the school Mass.



A decision to join Catholic Daughters could define your year! Join Catholic women just like you, striving to strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities as members of the Catholic Daughters of America Every Catholic Daughter makes a difference! Each woman brings a unique story, and a heart that is ready to serve. We invite you to take this exciting step and join us today! It's an opportunity that could define your year and enhance your life. Call or text 218-849-2402 today!

Esto Vir! is a vocation camp for young men entering their sophomore year of high school through young adulthood. This camp is an opportunity for those men who may be open to the priesthood to come together and spend some days in community with each other and the seminarians of the diocese. The camp includes games, lakeside recreation, Mass, prayer, food, and fellowship.

Camp Dates: **July 6-8, 2022 (Wednesday – Friday)**
Registration deadline: **Wednesday, June 22, 2022**
Location: **Sand Hill Lake Bible Camp (Fosston, MN)**
Cost: **FREE!**



On Friday, April 29th, we will celebrate an Anointing Mass at 8:30 am in the church. Anointing is for anyone experiencing physical, emotional, or spiritual distress. During the liturgy, all who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick will have the opportunity to be anointed.

A decision to join Knights of Columbus could define your year!

Join Catholic men just like you, striving to strengthen their faith, their families, and their communities as members of the Knights of Columbus. Every Knight makes a difference! Each man brings a unique story, a particular set of skills, and a heart that is ready to serve. We invite you to take this exciting step and join us today! It's an opportunity that could define your year and change your life.

Lead with Faith ~ Protect your family

Serve Others ~ Defend your values

Become a Knight ~ Join us Today

KofC.org/JoinUs or contact Jim Wolf - 218-841-0547

THE RADIO BROADCAST OF THE SUNDAY MASS still seeks your sponsorship. Each Sunday morning the 9 am Sunday Mass from Holy Rosary is broadcasted on Radio Station 1340 AM and 93.1FM. It is a blessing for those who are homebound or stay at home because of COVID-19. If you are interested in helping this ministry with a donation, please contact the Parish Office. Thanks for your consideration.

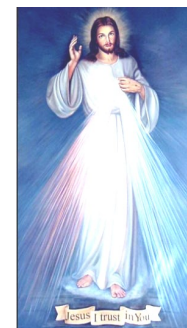


Knights of Columbus Recreational Raffle, over \$6,000 in prizes! Limited number of tickets sold! Tickets \$10 Prizes can be exchanged for gift certificates! Drawing May 1st at the Pancake Breakfast! Tickets sold after Mass.

Preparation for Divine Mercy Sunday - Fr. Peter Anderl will be hosting a retreat on Saturday April 23rd from 8:30 am - with final thoughts at 4:00pm and Mass at 5:00pm at St. Henry's Catholic Church in Perham, MN. Come for a day of Sacraments, Prayer and Adoration. Lunch will be provided. This is a free-will offering event.



Prayer Blankets: This is a project done by a group of ladies that sew each blanket by hand! This blanket provides much comfort and prayerful support, not only for a person's journey through illness, loneliness, treatments, ect, but also during this time of the COVID-19 Pandemic. The intention behind the blankets is that the recipients (whatever the age, illness or injury may be) receive healing in mind, body and spirit, and know that they are not alone. Anyone who requests a blanket receives one and at no charge. Each blanket is accompanied by a booklet entitled "**Covered in Prayer**", which includes prayers for all occasions. To obtain a blanket or to help make these blankets, please contact the Parish Office at 847-1393. Let us pray for the recipients: Names that have been added since February 2022. Erin Kath, Paul Barmum, +Mary Kay Isaacson, Kay Tschider, Marilyn Windschitl, Justin Scheel, Dianne Lindberg, JoAnne Lillis, John Moran, Randy Olson Family, Lisa Briggs, Jayme Gullickson, Tina Lippea, Travis Romine



Divine Mercy Sunday Observance

Sunday April 24th

2:00pm Adoration & Prayer

2:00pm Confession available

3:00pm Divine Mercy Chaplet

A Plenary Indulgence is available for all those who meet the requirements.



Purgatory clock information...

The Sunday after Easter is called Divine Mercy Sunday! We know God is merciful and wants all His children with Him in Heaven. Divine Mercy Sunday is a day in which you can be granted a Plenary Indulgence. This indulgence is based on the teaching that there is punishment for sin in this life and in the life to come... as an example: in this life a person may overindulge in alcohol, it can lead to relationships that are strained or broken.

That punishment is a consequence of the decision to place the use of alcohol over the personal relationships. The punishment in the next life is having to see the effects that the sin had on those around us and how our example or neglect may have caused someone close to us to follow the same path or act in anger towards another. In purgatory we see the effect of our sin on others. Purgatory is a time of purification. (Catechism Catholic Church paragraphs 1030, 1031, 1032)

We find plenary indulgences are scripturally based and it is a time when our souls are purified so that we can enter unstained into the heavenly presence. It is important to obtain the grace of a plenary indulgence when we can because this resets the timer to zero and all punishment in this life and the next are released until we do something again that warrants "time out." You are also able to "gift" your earned plenary indulgence to someone who has died. It is a good practice to obtain an indulgence at least once a year.

To acquire a plenary indulgence, for Divine Mercy, it is necessary to desire the indulgence, attend the prayer service, and perform the following three conditions: sacramental confession, Eucharistic Communion, and prayer for the intention of the Pope. It is further required that all attachment to sin, even venial sin, be absent. All the conditions must be met within a period of time, usually 8 days before or after. There are other plenary indulgences available at other times... for example those who attended the Chrism Mass could have received an indulgence if they met all the requirements. I have a book with many other opportunities for receiving a Plenary Indulgence. Feel free to ask myself or Deacon Gary if you would like more clarification. Blessings on your Day! Fr Chuck