

**The Holy Father's Prayer Intention for December**

**For pilgrims of hope.** We pray that this Jubilee Year strengthen our faith, helping us to recognize the Risen Christ in our daily lives, and that it may transform us into pilgrims of Christian hope.

**Tidings of Great Joy**

The First Lutheran Church will be hosting Mini-Concerts on Wednesdays during Advent. Located in the First Lutheran Church Sanctuary from 12:05 - 12:35 PM.

**Dec 4th** | Flute Soloist, Vocal Soloist, & Alleluia Ringers

**Dec 11th** | Saxophone Soloist, & Emma Duncan

**Dec 18th** | Tim Eggebraaten

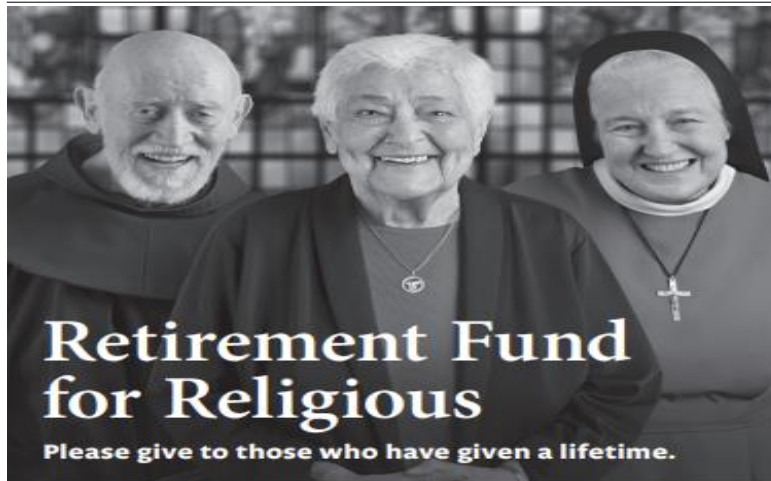
Soup and sandwich lunch with freewill offering is available after every concert.

**Thank You!**  
to everyone who joined us to play



And a special Thank You to  
**central market** and The many parishioners who sponsored our turkeys

**Second Collection for Dec 7th and 8th**



**Our aging religious need your help.** Like those pictured, more than 24,000 senior sisters, brothers, and religious order priests have dedicated their lives to service - praying, teaching, and caring for those in need - usually for little to no pay. Today, their religious communities do not have enough retirement savings for their support. Your donation is crucial and can help bridge this gap, providing critical support for their essential care, medicine, and daily needs. Please give back to those who have given a lifetime.

Visit [retiredreligious.org](http://retiredreligious.org) for more information.

**Remember those who have asked for our prayers.**

Dean Hendrickson, Beverly Tougas, Jim & Elnora Cass, Steve Smet, Scott Olsen, Patty Schneider, John Steffl Jr, Danielle Eidenshink, Jean LeDoux. When adding someone to the prayer list please ask for their permission to do so, and then contact the parish office. Names are left on the prayer list for four weeks.


Contact Us!	Stewardship	Diocesan Annual Appeal	Mass Attendance 11/23-11/24
Website: <a href="http://www.holyrosarycc.org">www.holyrosarycc.org</a>	Last Week: \$22,780	Current Donations: \$75,651	Saturday 5 PM: 229
E-mail: <a href="mailto:jheim@holyrosarycc.org">jheim@holyrosarycc.org</a>	This Year to Date: \$325,332	Annual Goal: \$70,907	Sunday 9 AM: 294
YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church DL MN	Last Fiscal Year: \$324,723	<b>As of November 7th, 2024.</b>	Sunday 11 AM: 194

**Parish Staff**

Priest: Father Nate Brunn  
Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager  
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**Holy Rosary Catholic Church**

December 1st, 2024  
1st Sunday of Advent

1043 Lake Avenue, Detroit Lakes, MN 56501

Parish Phone: 218-847-1393

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Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8am-5pm

Friday 8am-2pm

**A Letter from Deacon Gary Hager**

Welcome to the First Sunday of Advent!

What does this mean for you and me? A new beginning. The beginning of a new liturgical year, much of the Sunday Gospel readings come from the Gospel of Luke this year. Fr. Nate made a mention of the beginning of the new liturgical year in a homily earlier this month and for each of us to consider making spiritual resolutions at the beginning of Advent. What does a spiritual resolution look like? It's a path that one travels in pursuit of holiness, whereas holiness is lived reality and a byproduct of a life attuned to the Holy Spirit and spiritual living. The spiritual reflection and resolutions are a journey in holiness rather than a destination.

Let's refer back to the Encyclical Letter from Pope Francis dated October 24, 2024, named "On the Human and Divine Love of The Sacred Heart of Jesus." Pope Francis shared two situations to explain having a heart ready to receive Jesus.

The first, illustrating hearts that were hardened by an experience—the death of Jesus. "The disciples of Emmaus, on their mysterious journey in the company of the risen Christ, experienced a moment of anguish, confusion, despair, and disappointment. Yet, beyond and in spite of this, something was happening deep within them: "Were not our hearts burning within us while he was talking to us on the road?" (Lk 24:32)."

The second situation Pope Francis illustrates the fleshly heart of the Blessed Virgin Mary that is open to receiving God's will. From the Encyclical Letter, "Our Lady, who saw things with the heart. She was able to dialogue with the things she experienced by pondering them in her heart, treasuring their memory, and viewing them in a greater perspective." The Blessed Virgin Mary pondered and reflected on her encounters with God to better know the mission for her life.

This is a form of spiritual reflection and resolution, hearing God's plan and resolving to do His will. There are many spiritual reflection methods and resources. Please consider checking into some of these to begin a year of greater dialogue with God through spiritual reflection and making spiritual resolutions based on God's plan from the spiritual reflection.

**Dynamic Catholic**, Matthew Kelly's 4-minute daily gospel reflection: [www.dynamiccatholic.com/daily-reflections](http://www.dynamiccatholic.com/daily-reflections).

**Holy Family School of Faith Daily Rosary Meditation**, about 30 minutes: [schooloffaith.com](http://schooloffaith.com)

**ACTS XXIX** – Weekly reflection on the upcoming Sunday First Reading, the podcast is named "You Were Born For This." About 30 minutes in length: [www.actsxxix.org/podcasts](http://www.actsxxix.org/podcasts)

**Hallow**, check it out online at [hallow.com](http://hallow.com) or download the app.

Spiritual reflection and resolution also include personal reading of scripture or a favorite prayer such as these:

Come, Holy Spirit,  
fill the hearts of your faithful,  
and enkindle in us the fire of your love.  
send forth your spirit and we shall be created,  
and you shall renew the face of the earth.  
Amen.

Holy Spirit,  
fulfill in us the work begun by Jesus.  
Let our prayer on behalf of the whole world  
be fruitful and unwavering.  
Hasten the time when each of us  
will attain a genuine spiritual life.  
Enliven our work so that it may reach all human beings,  
all who have been redeemed  
by the blood of Christ and all His inheritance.  
Amen.

My prayer for you is that you begin a new journey towards holiness, finding increased love and peace of Christ through daily/weekly spiritual reflection and resolution as we begin a new liturgical year.

Peace, Deacon Gary

*"But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." (LUKE 21:28)*



We celebrate Advent each year in preparation for the birth of Jesus, His first coming, as we await His second coming. What will you do differently this Advent season to grow in friendship and love with Jesus? How will you inspire others to do the same? Start by sharing your God story with others, especially those that are closest to you. Invite and accompany them on their faith journey this Advent.



**Holy Rosary School Mission Statement**

Holy Rosary 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.

Are you interested in learning more about the Catholic faith? OCIA is what you need. Please join us for our next meeting! Class is held in the Fireplace Room on the 1st & 3rd Thursday of the month at 6:45pm. Our next class is Thursday, **Dec 5th**. Our topic will be: How to live and love your Catholic Faith.

News and Events

**December 9th is a Holy Day of Obligation**

We will celebrate Mass at 9 AM and 5:30 PM on December 9th.

On December 9, the Church celebrates the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary. On this feast, we celebrate Mary's conception free from the stain of Original Sin, and we recognize that Mary's life began the moment she was conceived in the womb of St. Anne. So, too, does every human life begin at the moment of fertilization: "You formed my inmost being; you knit me in my mother's womb" (Ps 139:13). On this solemnity, consider praying Pope Francis' Prayer for the Immaculate Conception: "We are in need of your immaculate gaze, to rediscover the ability to look upon persons and things with respect and awareness." \*Normally celebrated on December 8, this year the Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception falls on a Sunday and is therefore transferred to December 9.\*

**Baptism Announcement**

Congratulations to Madison Mae Arnoldy, daughter of Peter Arnoldy and Rebecca Tadych, baptized this weekend at Holy Rosary. May God bless Madison and her parents as she begins her new life in Jesus Christ!


**You Are Invited!**

The Diocese of Crookston's Serra Club is an affiliate of Serra International. There are over 600 individual, chartered clubs in 36 countries. Serra is an organization of Catholic men and women dedicated to the purpose of encouraging and fostering vocations to the priesthood and religious life. Our club members invite you to join and learn more about the Diocese of Crookston's Serra Club. The group meets the second Tuesday of the month at 8 p.m. Meetings are held over Zoom. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, January 14th since we do not meet in December. Each month we have a different speaker who talks to us on the subject of fostering vocations and how we as a Serra club can pray for, support, and foster vocations in our Diocese. Our goal is to have a Serra club member from each of our parishes in the Diocese of Crookston.

For more information, or to join our Zoom meetings, contact Shawn Erickson, Crookston Diocese Serra Club President at Serickson@stjoesmhd.com

**Would You Like To Work For Holy Rosary?**

Holy Rosary Catholic Church in Detroit Lakes MN is seeking a part-time or full-time Parish Administrator to serve the parish and school. We are seeking a self-motivated, team-oriented Catholic professional of high integrity who possesses a great work ethic. This position will assist the Pastor/Superintendent by providing oversight of the day-to-day operations of the parish including human resources, safe environment, stewardship/volunteers, facilities, and parish finances. The ideal candidate will have experience in business administration or a related field. To apply, email a resume and cover letter to Fr. Nate Brunn at nbrunn@crookston.org or mail to: Holy Rosary Catholic Church, Attn: Fr. Nate Brunn, 1043 Lake Ave Detroit Lakes, MN 56501



**Knights of Columbus  
Pancake/French Toast  
Breakfast**

**Sunday, December 1st  
8:00am-12:30pm  
in the Holy Rosary  
Parish Center.**

**St. Mary's Mission Appeal**

Today is the day to Make St. Mary's Your Mission! Your generosity changes the lives of 60+ children enrolled in St. Mary's Mission School, Red Lake. Invest in students' hopes and dreams once again with a gift of \$20 to provide snow pants or \$50 to purchase student portraits. Thank you for responding to the appeal in your mailbox, giving during Mass, or by using your camera and scanning the code below. Watch the SMMA video and donate online at www.crookston.org/smma



Schedules and Meetings

	Dec 7th - Sat. 5:00 pm	Dec 8th - Sun. 9:00 am	Dec 8th - Sun. 11:00 am	Monday	December 2	
<b>Eucharistic Minister</b>	Marilynn Redig <b>Vol. Needed</b>	Deacon Gary Hager Mary Schutz	Jen Wilke John Schafer	2:00 PM	Women's Cursillo Group	Youth Room
<b>Eucharistic Minister (Clean vessels)</b>	James Utecht Amber Blair	Linda Schons Laverne Bourdeau	Maureen Storey Dale Storey	8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
<b>Minister of the Precious Blood</b>	Steven Spaeth Jane Spaeth Carrie Tobkin Lora Buntje Don Spitzley	Mary Anderson Barbara Birznieks Jean Moe Mike Sidders Mike Kava	Curtis Winter Thomas Leach Julie Larson Shirley Eidenschink Lauretta Kapphahn	8:30 AM	<b>Mass ~Jasken &amp; Paskey Family</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Lector 1 - Book of Gospels</b>	Tricia Geffre	Bryan Malone	John Wilke	9 AM - 6 PM	Adoration	Chapel
<b>Lector 2 - Prayers of the Faithful</b>	Robert Woytassek	Carol Foltz	Katherine Aligada	Noon	OA Group	Fatima Room
<b>Altar Servers</b>	Grant Skalin Lance Skalin	Sophie Francis <b>Vol. Needed</b>	Mailyn Aligada Reyna Aligada	1:30 PM	Card Players Group	Family Room
<b>Cantor</b>	Tim Eggebraaten	Michael Moe	Eileen Mooney	5:00 PM	Women's Cursillo Group	Family Room
<b>Accompanist</b>	Tim Eggebraaten	April Spaeth	April Spaeth	7:00 PM	Men's Cursillo Group	Family Room
<b>Media Minister</b>	Bob Heimark	Emily Schindler	Danielle Clark	<b>Wednesday</b>	<b>December 4</b>	
<b>Sacristan</b>	Mary Brenk Matt Brenk	Terry Teiken	Mary Hager	8:30 AM	Rosary	Fireplace Room
<b>Greeter / Usher</b>	<b>Vol. Needed x4</b>	Michael Guetter John King Bill Quinn <b>Vol. Needed</b>	John Vaida James Wolf Jon Larson <b>Vol. Needed</b>	<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass +John Moren</b>	<b>Church</b>
<b>Christmas Pageant Sign-up!</b>				9:00 AM	Quilt Group	Family Room
Calling all children age 4 through 6th grade! You are invited to participate in the Holy Rosary Parish Children's Christmas Pageant on Sunday, December 22 at 10:15am in the church! There will be one rehearsal on Saturday, December 21 from 9:00am - Noon. Sign up for the pageant by Wednesday, December 11 at holyrosarycc.org or by completing the form located on the Youth Board in the Welcoming Center. Contact Kathy Olson if you have questions (kaolson@holyrosarycc.org / 218-847-1393).				After Mass	Coffee Club	Lourdes Room
				6:00 PM	Feeding The Faith	Parish Center
				6:00 PM	Faith Formation PK - 6th Grade	Assigned Rooms
				6:30 PM	Faith Formation 7th - 11th Grade	Assigned Rooms
				<b>Thursday</b>	<b>December 5</b>	
				Noon	Al Anon	Fatima Room
				3:45 PM	CGS	Atrium
				<b>6:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass +Vernon "Beans" Wander</b>	<b>Church</b>
				6:45 PM	OCIA	Fireplace Room
				6:30 PM	Rosary Meditation	Chapel
				<b>Friday</b>	<b>December 6</b>	
				8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
				<b>8:30 AM</b>	<b>Mass +Thomas Czabanski</b>	<b>Church</b>
				<b>10:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass +Peter &amp; Anges Hofland</b>	<b>Oak Crossing</b>
				<b>Saturday</b>	<b>December 7</b>	
				4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Confessional
				<b>5:00 PM</b>	<b>Mass ~Sebastian Vange</b>	<b>Church</b>
				<b>Sunday</b>	<b>December 8</b>	
				<b>9:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass +Cris Eidenschink</b>	<b>Church</b>
				10:15 AM	Reconciliation	Confessional
				<b>11:00 AM</b>	<b>Mass ~For The Parish</b>	<b>Church</b>
				Noon	CDA Christmas Tea	Parish Center



**BAPTISM:** If you plan to present your child for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at: kaolson@holyrosarycc.org or 218-847-1393.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays at 4:00 pm, Sundays at 10:15 am, or by appointment.

**MARRIAGE:** Those wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage are asked to contact Fr. Nate at least six months prior .