

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.

Baptism Announcement

*Congratulations to **Theodore Vaughn Tietz**, son of Cooper Tietz and Kennedi Mercil, baptized this weekend at Holy Rosary. May God bless Theodore and his parents as he begins his new life in Jesus Christ!*

First Lutheran Church in Detroit Lakes will be hosting Mini-Concerts on Wednesdays during Advent. The concerts are held in the First Lutheran Church Sanctuary from 12:05 - 12:35 PM. A soup and sandwich lunch with a freewill offering is available after every concert. **Dec 11th:** Saxophone Soloist & Emma Duncan; **Dec 18th:** Tim Eggebraaten

Second Collection, December 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 for more information.

Remember those who have asked for our prayers.

Janice Ellingson, 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 11/30-12/1
Website: www.holyrosarycc.org	Last Week: \$11,729.01	Current Donations: \$75,651	Saturday 5 PM: 221
E-mail: jheim@holyrosarycc.org	This Year to Date: \$337,061.86	Annual Goal: \$70,907	Sunday 9 AM: 329
YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church DL MN	Last Fiscal Year: \$341,129	As of November 7th, 2024.	Sunday 11 AM: 201

Parish Staff

Priest: Father Nate Brunn
 Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager
 Liturgist: April Spaeth
 Stewardship/Spiritual Direction: Jamie McDougall
 Maintenance: Charles Vareberg
 Faith Formation: Kathy Olson and Abby Leach
 Parish Secretary: Julia Heim
 Principal: Cathy Larson
 School Office Manager: Beth Gilbert

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Holy Rosary Catholic Church

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

December 8th, 2024

2nd Sunday of Advent

A Letter from Father Nate Brunn

“I pray always with joy in my every prayer for all of you, because of your partnership for the gospel” is the line we hear in the 2nd reading. St. Paul wrote those words to the people in Philippi as a way of encouragement and closeness with the people to whom he ministered. The people would have been glad to hear this from St. Paul amid their trials and challenges as they were learning how to live a Christian life.

The phrase that stands out is: “pray always with joy”. That seems like a phrase easier said than done! Two aspects are at work in St. Paul’s prayer: 1.) deep sense of mission and purpose, and 2.) closeness with the community. St. Paul recognized his mission and purpose was to proclaim the gospel of Jesus Christ in his words and in his deeds. He had the moment in which he experienced a great conversion, and from that moment on his purpose and mission changed. It was in this new purpose that he experienced deep joy. Not because of happiness, but because of where his eyes were now fixed.

The second important aspect of St. Paul’s joy is the community that he had grown close to. During his time with the Philippians he had challenged, educated, spoken, listened, and ministered with them. Within the community he saw how the Holy Spirit was at work and moving with them! The closeness that he experienced with them was like a parent watching their children grow up, learn, and finally get it; he was proud of them! That sense of pride in the community moved him to great joy in ways that he had not experienced before! Moving in the direction of “partnership in the gospel” was a way in which they were now ministering together.

For us, sometimes praying with “joy in my every prayer” seems impossible. We recognize the challenges, struggles, loneliness, isolation, sadness, grieving, hurts, etc. that accompanies our lives. While most of the time I would desire to pray with joy, sometimes I am just not there! Use the twofold presence of St. Paul’s joy in prayer, mission and community, to lift you when it just doesn’t seem like it is there for you! These can be two pillars that move us through difficult times until we find the sweet moments of consolation. As a priest, I pray for the people of Detroit Lakes and Holy Rosary Church and School every single day. Prayer is powerful and I know the Spirit is moving!

On Monday, December 9th, we will celebrate a **Holy Day of Obligation: Immaculate Conception of Mary**. We will have school Mass at 9:00 am and Mass at 5:30 pm. Please make it a priority to attend one of these Masses. This is a beautiful opportunity to celebrate Mary, the Mother of God, being protected from the beginning of time from the evil one. Mary desires more than anything that we get to know her son; she wants to bring us to Jesus!

--Fr. Nate Brunn

“And this is my prayer: that your love may increase ever more and more in knowledge and every kind of perception, to discern what is of value...”

(PHILIPPIANS 1:9-10)



During the Christmas shopping season it is easy to get caught up in the frenzy of buying gifts. But, is that “gift” truly an expression of your love for the other person. Or, are you just fulfilling your “obligation” to give them something? To grow in friendship with someone, you need to spend time with them and learn what is of value to them. Maybe this year, buy less “stuff” and spend more time with those you love

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, **January 2nd**. Our topic will be: Gifts of the Holy Spirit, Charisms of the Holy Spirit

News and Events

December 9th is a Holy Day of Obligation

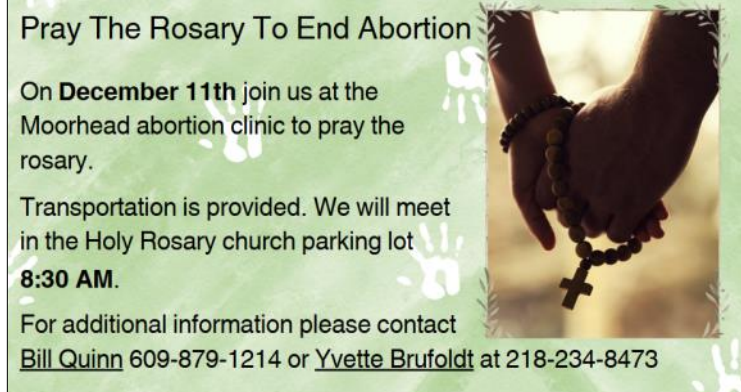
We will celebrate Mass at **9:00 AM and 5:30 PM on December 9th.**

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.

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

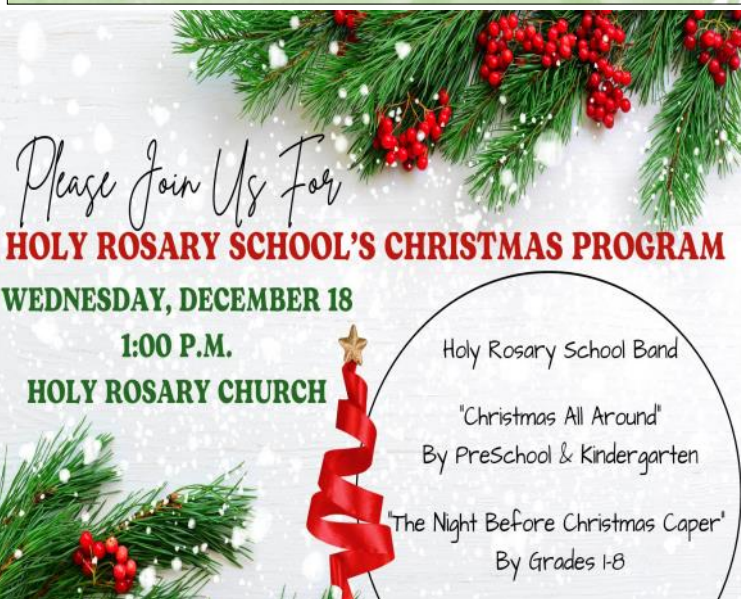


Pray The Rosary To End Abortion

On **December 11th** join us at the Moorhead abortion clinic to pray the rosary.

Transportation is provided. We will meet in the Holy Rosary church parking lot **8:30 AM.**

For additional information please contact [Bill Quinn](mailto:Bill.Quinn@holyrocc.org) 609-879-1214 or [Yvette Brufoldt](mailto:Yvette.Brufoldt@holyrocc.org) at 218-234-8473



Please Join Us For

HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL'S CHRISTMAS PROGRAM

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18

1:00 P.M.

HOLY ROSARY CHURCH

Holy Rosary School Band
"Christmas All Around"
By PreSchool & Kindergarten

"The Night Before Christmas Caper"
By Grades 1-8

Schedules and Meetings

	Dec 14th - Sat. 5:00 pm	Dec 15th - Sun. 9:00 am	Dec 15th - Sun. 11:00 am
Eucharistic Minister	Linda Wainright Bob Heimark	Isabelle Hansen Katherine Hansen	Deacon Gary Hager Vol. Needed
Eucharistic Minister (Clean vessels)	Carol Kempenich Dennis Kempenich	Trish Thorson Donna Martin	Mary Jo Noia Nicholas Noia
Minister of the Precious Blood	Jane Lunde James Utecht Ed Geffre Tricia Geffre Catherine Larson	Angela Malone Barbara Birznies Linda Schons Laverne Bourdeau Carol Foltz	Mary Ann Nelmark Maureen Storey Dale Storey John Schafer Lora Buntje
Lector 1 - Book of Gospels	Jean Moe	Carol Foltz	Eileen Mooney
Lector 2 - Prayers of the Faithful	Linda Wainright	Kenneth Mondry	Lauretta Kapphahn
Altar Servers	Eli Carlson Wyatt Carlson	Ben Wilke Daniel Grimsley	Joseph Thomas Justice Haaland
Cantor	Melissa Lorentz	Tim Eggebraaten	Tim Eggebraaten
Accompanist	Heather Trowbridge	Tim Eggebraaten	Tim Eggebraaten
Media Minister	Madelyn Lorentz	David Grimsley	Abby Leach
Sacristan	Mary Brenk Matt Brenk	Terry Teiken	Mary Hager
Greeter / Usher	Vol. Needed x4	Michael Guetter John King Bill Quinn Michael Metelak	John Vaida James Wolf Jon Larson Vol. Needed

Christmas Pageant Sign-up!

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 holyrocc.org or by completing the form located on the Youth Board in the Welcoming Center. Contact Kathy Olson if you have questions (kaolson@holyrocc.org / 218-847-1393).

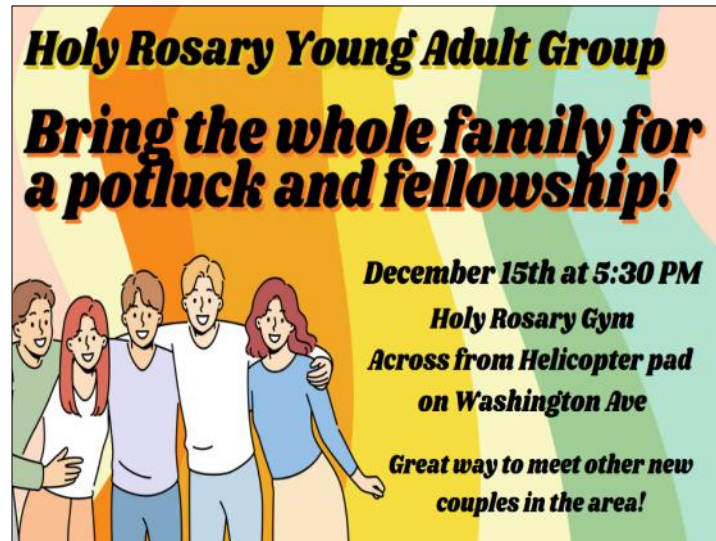


BAPTISM: If you plan to present your child for Baptism, contact Kathy Olson at: kaolson@holyrocc.org or 218-847-1393.

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 .

Monday	December 9 - Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception	
9:00 AM	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Mass +Ron Buntje	Church
2:00 PM	Women's Cursillo Group	Youth Room
5:30 PM	Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception Mass +Thomas	Church
Tuesday	December 10	
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
8:30 AM	Mass	Church
9 AM - 6 PM	Adoration	Chapel
Noon	OA Group	Fatima Room
1:30 PM	Card Players Group	Family Room
5:00 PM	Women's Cursillo Group	Family Room
Wednesday	December 11	
8:30 AM	Meet for Prayer at Abortion Clinic	Parking Lot
8:30 AM	Rosary	Church
9:00 AM	Mass	Church
9:00 AM	Quilt Group	Family Room
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
Thursday	December 12	
Noon	AI Anon	Fatima Room
3:45 PM	CGS	Atrium
5:00 PM	Men's Crusillo Group	Fatima Room
6:00 PM	Mass ~Blessings Received	Church
6:45 PM	OCIA	Fireplace Room
Friday	December 13	
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church
8:30 AM	Mass +David Ahles	Church
10:00 AM	Mass	Ecumen
Saturday	December 14	
7:00 AM	Men's Prayer Group	Fireplace Room
4:00 PM	Reconciliation	Confessional
5:00 PM	Mass +Gloria & Reinhard Schmitz	Church
Sunday	December 15	
9:00 AM	Mass ~For the Parish	Church
10:15 AM	Reconciliation	Confessional
11:00 AM	Mass +Maury & Clara Ries	Church
5:30 PM	Young Adult Group	Parish Center



Holy Rosary Young Adult Group

Bring the whole family for a potluck and fellowship!

December 15th at 5:30 PM

Holy Rosary Gym
Across from Helicopter pad on Washington Ave

Great way to meet other new couples in the area!

Help Needed at the Food Pantry!

December is Holy Rosary's month to provide volunteers to help at the Becker County Food Pantry. If you can help on a Tuesday or Thursday this month from 11:30am-3:00pm, please call Julia at the parish office to be added to our list. Volunteers must be able to lift 20 lbs. Thank you for your consideration!