



## 2025 St. Mary's MISSION APPEAL RED LAKE

St. Mary's Mission School provides education for future generations of the Red Lake Nation

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Please Give Generously!

November 29th & 30th, 2025



### Sacrament of Healing

If you or someone you know would like to receive the anointing of the sick, please contact the parish office or Fr. Nate.



**BUSY BAGS** are available for young children:

The bags can be found in both entrances of the church

Each bag is filled with quiet activities for children to use during Mass

Please return the bag and the items inside to the Busy Bag rack after Mass so other children can enjoy them

A special Thank You to Holy Rosary School students for making the bags and to Ron Schmit for building the Busy Bag racks!



## FEEDING THE POOR



Starting in Advent, we are no longer going to place the small basket out for money during Mass, but rather we will have baskets out for children to place a nonperishable food item in. We will collect the food over the course of the weekend and then it will be picked up by the local food shelf to be distributed to those in need within our community. Thank you for encouraging our children in this corporal work of mercy!

**Holy Rosary is teaming up with the Becker County Food Pantry for December 2025**

Please consider volunteering your time.



Call 218-847-1393  
to let us know when you can help

there is not a weight lifting restriction

## Food Pantry

YOUR LOCAL COMMUNITY RESOURCE SINCE 1983

610 Terry St.  
DL, MN 56501



### Men's Rucking Group

Camaraderie, Fitness, and Fellowship

For all fitness levels.  
Carry whatever is challenging for you as we hike 2 1/2 miles along the lake.

Open to all lakes area men

Meet Every Wednesday at Detroit Lakes City Park near the pavilion.

5:30AM to 6:30AM

text Jeff at 218-234-0799 with questions or to be added to weekly notifications

### Parish Staff

Pastor: Father Nate Brunn  
Deacon: Deacon Gary Hager  
School Principal: Cathy Larson  
School Office Manager: Beth Gilbert  
Parish Administrator: John Wilke  
Parish Receptionists: Nate Flugel & Mary Anderson  
Stewardship & Development: Jamie McDougall  
Music & Liturgy: Abby Berg  
Family Catechesis: Kathy Olson  
Youth Evangelization & Discipleship: Tess Kalberer  
Coord. of Adult Catechesis: Jamie McDougall  
Director of Maintenance: Charles Vareberg

### Trustees and Councils

**Trustees:** Debbie Carlson, Tom Lundberg  
**Finance Council:** Tom Lundberg, Ed Geffre, Lori Lehmann, Rob Woytassek  
**Pastoral Council:** Jen Wilke, Steve Carlson, Debbie Carlson, Laverne Moltzan, Bienvenida Grimsley, Mike Sidders, Ava Klemm, Sabrina Johnson, Mary Hager  
**School Council:** Amber Blair, Lori Guenther, Bill Wilke, Katie Watland, Aron Badurek, Tony Schmitz, Tess Kalberer, Susan Deraney, Abby Becker



To report sexual misconduct on the part of a priest, deacon, or individual representing the Diocese of Crookston, its parishes, or its schools, call your local law enforcement, then contact the diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator at **218-281-7895**. Help is available 24-hours a day and all calls are confidential.



## Holy Rosary Catholic Church

Nov 30, 2025

FIRST SUNDAY OF ADVENT

A Message From Deacon Gary

### First Sunday of Advent

We hear in the Second Reading today from Romans:

**Brothers and sisters: You know the time; it is the hour now for you to awake from sleep. For our salvation is nearer now than when we first believed.**

We begin our Advent journey to the celebration of the birth of Christ on December 25th. You know the time! Be alert and prepare your heart for the coming of Our Savior, Jesus Christ!

Advent is sometimes a challenge to be alert and prepared for the coming of Jesus. The days to come tend to be full of hustle and bustle. But do these days need to be? Rather than being distracted or asleep for the birth of Jesus, purposefully navigate this holy period reflecting with the Mother of Jesus, Mary; or with her husband, Joseph. Imagine yourself traveling with Joseph and Mary by foot and by donkey for 70 miles! Together, they traveled from Nazareth to Bethlehem for the census ordered by Ceasar Augustus. Definitely not an easy journey! Finally, to arrive in Bethlehem eventually finding shelter in a stable with farm animals. There is much to consider during the journey, such as the weather, others in the crowd on the same journey, where to find food, caring for the donkey, and finding places to stay each night before arriving in Bethlehem. Purposefully reflect and navigate this holy period reflecting with Mary and Joseph. Consider the verses from Luke Chapter 2:1-7 to assist with your reflection.

**Today, with the beginning of Advent, we also begin a new Church Year.** The Church has a 3-year cycle of Sunday readings from scripture. This year the majority of the Sunday Gospel Readings come from the Book of Matthew, this is also considered "Year A" in the cycle of readings. The weekday readings during "Ordinary Time," are on a 2-year cycle, this year is "Cycle 2." Readings are easy to find on the "Parish App," or the USCCB Daily Readings website. There are many other resources available on-line or published for your use.

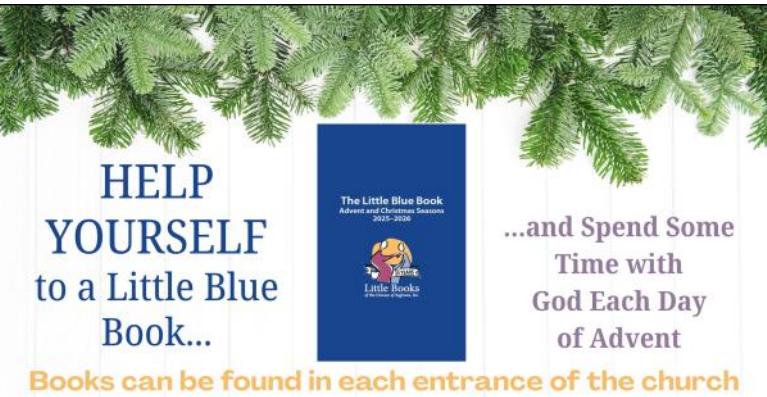
### Reminders...

\* Illuminate Advent Small Group Sessions are beginning;

\* Today, for women, "Advent by Candlelight" takes place beginning at 2:30 pm;

\* Also for youth grades 3 through 12 are welcome to join the Christmas Eve Choir;

\* The Christmas Cookie Walk continues to accept ingredients, cash donations, and volunteers for the December 11th & 12th Cookie Walk Event.



### The Holy Father's Prayer Intentions of the Month

#### For the prevention of suicide

Let us pray that those who are struggling with suicidal thoughts might find the support, care, and love they need in their community, and be open to the beauty of life.

#### Please Remember Those Who Have Asked For Our Prayers

**Dan Kappahn, Joseph Noel, Jean LeDoux, and Keith Friedsam**

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.



**"Therefore, stay awake! For you do not know on which day your Lord will come." Matthew 24:42**

People who have had health issues or near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day, for all that we have been given.

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Office Hours: Mon-Thurs 8am-4pm; Friday 8am-2pm

[www.holyrosarycc.org](http://www.holyrosarycc.org)

YouTube: Holy Rosary Catholic Church Detroit Lakes MN

# CHRISTMAS EVE CHOIR INFO

PLEASE PLAN TO JOIN US FOR OUR FIRST REHEARSALS NEXT WEEK IN THE CHURCH!  
PLEASE CONTACT ABBY IN THE PARISH OFFICE IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS.  
ALL ARE WELCOME!

## 3<sup>RD</sup> - 6<sup>TH</sup> GRADE REHEARSALS

SUNDAYS  
12/7 - 10:00-10:35 AM  
12/14 - 10:00-10:35 AM  
12/21 - 10:00-10:35 AM



## 7<sup>TH</sup> - 12<sup>TH</sup> GRADE REHEARSALS

WEDNESDAYS  
12/3 - 7:45-8:30 PM  
12/10 - 7:45-8:30 PM  
12/17 - 7:45-8:30 PM

FR. JOHN NEPFL

ILLUMINATE

A GUIDED ADVENT JOURNAL FOR PRAYER AND MEDITATION

## Our "Illuminate" Advent Study begins this week!

If you haven't picked up your book, you may do so on Monday at the parish office or when you meet for your study.

Still want to sign up? Reach out to Jamie to find a group that works for your schedule!

This Advent, step into the light and let it lead you to deeper hope, faith, and joy

Holy Rosary Prayer Blankets are for Anyone to Give!



Be healed by the Holy Spirit and wrapped in prayers and love from the Holy Rosary Community.

Blankets may be picked up at the Parish Office.

## Project Rachel Confidential Phoneline 218-470-0112

This confidential phone service is for women or men who are post-abortive and are seeking healing, hope and reconciliation. Calls are answered Tuesday through Friday from 10 to 8 and Saturday from 9 to 12.



**BAPTISM:** If you plan to present your child for Baptism, please contact Kathy Olson at [kolson@holysaraycc.org](mailto:kolson@holysaraycc.org) or 218-847-1393.

**RECONCILIATION:** Saturdays 4:00-4:45pm, Sundays at 10:15am

**MARRIAGE:** Those wishing to celebrate the sacrament of Marriage, please contact Fr. Nate at least six months prior to the intended date of the celebration.



There will be no Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 9am Mass on Sunday, November 30.



This weekend there is no session for OCIA. Have a Happy Thanksgiving. We'll see you next week!

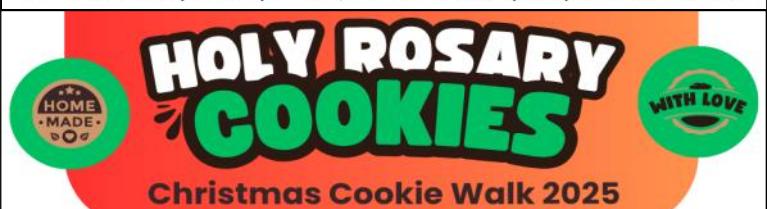


## Children's Christmas Pageant

21 December 2025 10:15 AM

Children in Preschool through 6th grade are invited to participate in our parish Children's Christmas Pageant as an actor or in the Children's Choir (3<sup>rd</sup>-6<sup>th</sup> grade only). There will be one rehearsal on Saturday, December 17 from 9:00-11:30am. Parents are invited to sign up their child on the parish website: [holysaraycc.org](http://holysaraycc.org) or stop by the parish office to fill out a form. Forms will be sent home with Holy Rosary School and Faith Formation children this week.

Please contact Kathy Olson if you have questions ([kolson@holysaraycc.org](mailto:kolson@holysaraycc.org) / 218-847-1393).



Orders will be ready for pick up on December 11, 12 from 4-6PM.  
You can help by:

1. Making a cash donation.

2. Donating: Hershey's Kisses, Reese's miniature peanut butter cups, Andes Crème De Menthe Thins, White flour, White sugar, Powdered sugar, Brown sugar - not organic please, Butter...we need lots, Creamy peanut butter, GALLON-size Ziploc freezer bags.

3. Volunteering to help bake.

If you are interested, contact Denise Kettner by text, phone, or email. 218-686-6005, [dkettner@arvig.net](mailto:dkettner@arvig.net)

All donations are appreciated and can be dropped off at the parish office.



Schedules and Meetings						
Monday	Dec 01		Liturgical Ministries	Dec 06 - Sat. 5:00 PM	Dec 07 - Sun. 9:00 AM	Dec 07 - Sun. 11:00 AM
4:00 PM	Youth Committee Meeting	Living Room				
5:30 PM	Bell Choir Rehearsal	Church				
6:30 PM	Choir Rehearsal	Church				
Tuesday	Dec 02		Minister of the Precious Blood			
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church				
8:30 AM	Mass +Diane Spitzley	Church				
9:00 PM	Adoration	Church				
9:30 AM	Illuminate Advent Study	Fatima Room				
Noon	OA Group	Fatima Room				
1:00 PM	Card Playing Group	Living Room				
1:00 PM	Illuminate Advent Study	Fatima Room				
5:00 PM	Women's Cursillo Group	Living Room				
5:30 PM	Illuminate Advent Study	Fatima Room				
Wednesday	Dec 03		Lector 1 - Book of Gospels			
8:30 AM	Rosary	Living Room				
9:00 AM	Quilt Group	Living Room				
9:00 AM	Mass +Julie Hall	Church				
10:00 AM	Illuminate Advent Study	Fatima Room				
5:00 PM	Woman's Cursillo Group	Fatima Room				
6:00 PM	Feeding the Faith	Parish Center				
6:30 PM	Faith Formation	Parish Center				
Thursday	Dec 04					
Noon	Al Anon	Fatima				
Friday	Dec 05		Greeter / Usher			
8:00 AM	Rosary	Church				
8:30 AM	Mass ~Jean	Church				
10:00 AM	Mass +Diane Spitzley	Oak Crossing				
7:30 PM	Woman's Cursillo Group	Living Room				
Saturday	Dec 06					
9:00 AM	Illuminate Advent Study	Fatima Room				
4:00 PM	Confession	Church				
5:00 PM	Mass +Theresa Mutnansky	Church				
Sunday	Dec 07					
8:00 AM	KC Pancake Breakfast	Parish Center				
9:00 AM	Mass +Cris Eidenschink	Church				
10:15 AM	Confession	Church				
11:00 AM	Mass ~For the People	Church				



ONLINE GIVING  
By WeShare

Funds Currently Open for Online Giving:

SUNDAY OFFERING  
THANKSGIVING COLLECTION  
HOLY ROSARY SCHOOL  
HOLY DAYS  
IMMACULATE CONCEPTION (Dec. 8)  
MAINTENANCE, CEMETERY, COMMUNITY FUNDS

To set up a one-time gift or create a personal recurring gift account visit [holysaraycc.org](http://holysaraycc.org) and click on GIVING

## Keeping Our Homebound Connected

Saturday 5pm Mass on YouTube

HOLY ROSARY CATHOLIC CHURCH DETROIT LAKES MN



Sunday 9am Mass live on KDLM 1340AM



Emmaus Minister Eucharist visits Request at the Parish Office - 218-847-1393



Radio Broadcasts cost \$100 each week

If you would like to contribute to our weekly radio broadcast, contact the Parish Office or John Wilke at 218-847-1393

### Stewardship

### Mass Attendance

Last Week: \$ 18,692.92  
This Fiscal Year to Date: \$ 354,450.35

Saturday 5 PM: 291  
Sunday 9 AM: 268  
Sunday 11 AM: 153