



May 26, 2019

6th Sunday of Easter

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Bearing witness to Jesus Christ who is the Way, the Truth and the Life: GO. MAKE. TEACH.



On Memorial Day, May 27th, join us for Mass at 9am followed by a procession to St. John's Cemetery and prayer service. The parish campus will CLOSE after hospitality.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST CATHOLIC CEMETERY

Did you know that our cemetery has provided a sacred place to bury our dead since 1909? In those 110 years we have provided burial in sacred ground for more than 2,300 of our loved ones. Today we offer full body and cremation burials, including cremation entombment in our new columbaria plaza.

"The Church permits cremation, provided that it does not demonstrate a denial of faith in the resurrection of the body" (Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2301). Many people today are choosing cremation for the remains of their loved ones. St. John the Baptist continues to provide a vital corporal work of mercy through the parish ministry that is our cemetery.

This Memorial Day there will be a significant aesthetic addition to our cemetery- an infant section monument. Please plan to visit our cemetery and visit the northwest corner to see this new monument that will denote the section of the cemetery that we have reserved for the burial of children ages two years and under. We plan to have a blessing ceremony at the cemetery on Sunday, August 11, at 12:00 noon. Please join us!

For more information on our cemetery, including burial options and prices, you will find a brochure in the kiosk in St. Paul Plaza. To purchase a grave space or columbarium niche, please contact Cemetery Caretaker, Jeff Bauer at 651-329-2187.

The bodies of the dead must be treated with respect and charity, in faith and hope of the Resurrection. The burial of the dead is a corporal work of mercy; it honors the children of God, who are temples of the Holy Spirit.

Catechism of the Catholic Church, no. 2300



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PARISH OFFICE HOURS

Mon.- Thurs.	8:00am - 8:00 pm
Friday	8:00am - 7:00 pm
Saturday	9:00am - 5:00 pm
Sunday	8:00am - 5:30 pm

PARISH LIBRARY HOURS

Sat. 5:30 PM; Sun. 9:30 & 11:30 AM

Church Nursery: We offer year-round nursery during both the 8:30am and 10:30am Sunday Masses for children ages 1-3. Children play with caring staff while you are able to fully participate in Mass.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Welcome to St. John's!

**The Next New Parishioner Meeting:
June 8/9**

The new parishioner meeting will be held after each Mass the weekend of June 8/9. The meeting will start 15 minutes after Mass in St. Joseph Hall.

All are welcome to attend.

The bulletin deadline is 12:00 noon on Thursday, 10 days before the Sunday publication date. All submissions will be edited for length and content and are subject to final approval. Space is very limited. Thank you for your cooperation. Send requests to: stjohnsnb@pclink.com

All announcements are due by 12 noon on Friday for inclusion in the weekend pulpit announcements.

THIS WEEK'S CALENDAR**MASS TIME CHANGES**

Beginning THIS SUNDAY, May 26, the Sunday evening Mass time will change to the SUMMER SCHEDULE: 6:15 PM through Labor Day weekend.

Monday, May 27, 2019

Memorial Day
8:30 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:30 AM Confessions ~ Church
9:00 AM Memorial Day Mass ~ Fr. Skluzacek
(Ernest & Barbara Cramer+)
10:00 AM Prayer Service at St. John's Cemetery

**THE PARISH CAMPUS WILL CLOSE
AFTER HOSPITALITY**

Tuesday, May 28, 2019

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Church
8:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Skluzacek (Robert Kroening+)
9:00 AM Blood Pressure Checks ~ St. Therese
9:00 AM Plant Cleaning ~ Church
6:30 PM Respect Life Committee Meeting ~ LL108

Wednesday, May 29, 2019

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Church
8:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Paul (Geogene Gillespie+)
9:15 AM Faithfully Fit ~ LL106
9:30 AM Legion of Mary ~ 211
9:45 AM 8th Grade Breakfast ~ St. Joseph Hall
1:30 PM 8th Grade Recognition Program ~ Church
5:00 PM Confessions ~ Church
5:30 PM Mass ~ Fr. Skluzacek (Fr. Robert Valit)
6:00 PM Catechetical Institute Open House ~ SJH
7:00 PM Choir Rehearsal ~ LL101

Thursday, May 30, 2019

6:30 AM Men's Fellowship ~ St. Joseph Hall
8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Church
8:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Paul (Andrew Young+)
9:00 AM Divine Mercy Chaplet ~ Chapel
6:30 PM 8th Grade Graduation Mass

Friday, May 31, 2019

8:00 AM Rosary ~ Chapel of the Angels
8:00 AM Confessions ~ Church
8:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Paul
(Clarence & Rose Wilkus' 60th Wedding Anniv.)
1:00 PM Evangelization and Discipleship Mtg. ~ 211

Saturday, June 01, 2019

3:30 PM Confessions ~ Church
4:30 PM Mass ~ Fr. Skluzacek (Kyran Zamor+)

Sunday, June 02, 2019

8:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Skluzacek (Pro Populo)
10:30 AM Children's Liturgy of the Word ~ Chapel
10:30 AM Mass ~ Fr. Paul (Stanley Indihar+)
11:30 AM Guadalupe Pilgrimage Presentation ~ SJH
12:00 PM Baptism ~ Church
6:15 PM Mass ~ Fr. Paul (James Rimarcik+)
6:15 PM Youth Group ~LL106



From the Pastor: Father Michael Skluzáček

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Our Church, Symbol of the Holy City Jerusalem

Today's passage from the Book of Revelation describes **The Holy City Jerusalem** coming down out of heaven, gleaming with the splendor of God and adorned with precious stones. "The wall of the city had twelve courses of stones as its foundation, on which were inscribed the twelve names of the twelve apostles of the Lamb."

This is an image of heaven and is reflected in the design of our church building. Our church, celebrating its 50-year anniversary this year, has twelve "foundation stones" imaged in the twelve dedication candles placed on the perimeters of the church. The church building represents the Catholic Church, founded on the Twelve Apostles.

In the Book of Revelation, the Lamb of God (Jesus Christ) sits upon the throne and he "marries" his bride, the Church. All are invited to the wedding feast of the Lamb, the eternal banquet of heaven. This banquet is foreshadowed at every Mass when we are invited to "Behold the Lamb of God," and we are called to participate in the Lamb's Supper, the Holy Eucharist. The tabernacle is where Christ is enthroned, and we come to meet the Lamb when we process forward for Holy Communion. The communion procession is symbolic of the pilgrimage we are all on to the Holy City. Our whole life is a pilgrimage, a journey to the Holy City Jerusalem.

Here's what the *Catechism of the Catholic Church* says about the church building:

"The Church is called the building of God. The Lord compared himself to the stone which the builders rejected, but which was made into the corner-stone. On this foundation the Church is built by the apostles and from it the Church receives solidity and unity. This edifice has many names to describe it: the house of God in which his family dwells; the household of God in the Spirit; the dwelling-place of God among men; and, especially, the holy temple. This temple...is compared in the liturgy to the Holy City, the New Jerusalem. As living stones we here on earth are built into it. It is this holy city that is seen by John as it comes down out of heaven from God when the world is made anew, prepared like a bride adorned for her husband. (CCC #756)"

The Church encourages Christians to make earthly pilgrimages to remind ourselves of our pilgrimage to heaven. Many of our parishioners have made pilgrimages to the Holy Land, the Shrines of Saints in Italy, Our Lady of Guadalupe in Mexico, etc. Pope Francis has recently approved official pilgrimages to Medjugorje. But we don't have to travel far to make a pilgrimage. You can make a pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Guadalupe in LaCrosse, or to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help, both in Wisconsin.

Even closer to home, you can make a pilgrimage to our very own parish church of St. John the Baptist! During this anniversary year of our church edifice, you might set aside a few hours to pray in our **symbol of the New Jerusalem**. As you walk around the building, meditate on the meaning of the statues, icons, windows, and shrines right within the building itself. Pray in front of the "throne of the Lamb" – the tabernacle. Study the symbolism in the stained glass windows of the saints and the Blessed Trinity. The *Catechism of the Catholic Church* describes pilgrimages as journeys to the "holy places that are images of the **holy city**, the heavenly Jerusalem, toward which we are making our way on pilgrimage." (#1198)

Staff Announcement

It is with great joy and sadness that I announce to you, Adam Roeble will be leaving St. John's as of mid-June. As always, I am very happy for him to be listening to the Lord's call in pursuing other growth opportunities in his career. It is fitting that he will end his time with us at Extreme Faith Camp. He has done an amazing job establishing camp in our community and helping our youth to encounter the person of Jesus Christ and help them live as disciples.

Adam has loved his time here, especially the opportunity to serve the families at St. John's. He has learned and grown with them as he watched them flourish in faith. He really loves the families here and plans to be around to help with the transition as his life and new job will allow. He is heading back into construction, which is the industry he came from when he was hired here. It was an opportunity he could not pass up.

I will be putting together a search committee including youth and parents invested in the Youth Program and dedicated to its growth.

I want to thank Adam personally for his dedication to our youth and families as well as his support to me as we attempt to bring about making intentional disciples here at St. John's.

Jessica M. Balzarini, Director of Discipleship and Mission

If you are interested in applying for the Coordinator of Discipleship for Youth position, please send a cover letter and resume to Jessica Balzarini balzarinij@stjohnnyb.org.

MISSION APPEAL THIS WEEKEND

Society of the Holy Spirit was founded by Rev. Fr. Christuraj on April, 2010 under the patronage of Most Rev. Thumma Bala the then Bishop of Warangal, who is now the Metropolitan Archbishop of Hyderabad. At present Most Rev. Govindu Joji, the Bishop of Nalgonda is the Patron of the Society. The society of the Holy Spirit has undertaken several activities such as, preaching and healing ministry, media ministry and working in countryside parishes. **Preaching and evangelization** are the priorities of the Society. We also have undertaken Home for the Aged and the Orphanage for the HIV/AIDS infected.

The Ascension of the Lord

In most ecclesiastical provinces of the United States, except for many on the east coast and Omaha, the liturgical observance of the Ascension is transferred from Thursday of the 6th Week of Easter to the 7th Sunday of Easter. Therefore, Thursday, May 30th is observed as a regular Easter Weekday. In our local Church, *next Sunday, June 2nd*, will be observed as the Ascension.



WE NEED YOUR HELP

We will be cleaning the plants Tuesday, May 28 after daily Mass. All are welcome to help. If you have clippers, please bring them along.

PERPETUAL ADORATION

"We do not have to talk very much in order to pray well. We know that God is there in His holy tabernacle; let us open our hearts to Him; let us rejoice in His Presence: This is the best prayer." Saint John Vianney

Take just one hour a week to open your heart in adoration. These are currently open hours: Monday 3am; Wednesday midnight; Thursday 2pm; Friday 9am, 9pm; Saturday 2am or be a prayer partner. The adorers at these hours have requested a prayer partner: Monday 2pm, Wednesday 4am or Thursday 2am.

Call Kathy 763-464-3985 or Mark 651-481-0939 for more information and to sign up. Substitute adorers are needed, especially for midnight to 6am

PLEASE PRAY FOR...

Those who have entered eternal life:

Those who are ill: Dolores Bona, Jim Rogosheske, Joan Zawadski, Mary Hoel, Suanne Christensen, Poppy Craft, Susan McSherry, Rita Kochevar, Bernice Bartz, Robert and Annette Kirwan, Betsy Carlson, Bonnie Norgren, Tom Roback, Mike Bartel, Emma Lutsilili, Jerome Sauer, Braxton Battaglia, Madonna Arel, Beverly Aplikowski, Stephan Bucko, John Mistelske, Mary Gormally, Lloyd Mans, Mary Spitzka, Elaine Loscheider, Bev Stampfle, John Demont, Michael Ferdelman, Shirley Hill, Jon Clark, Jim Montury, Lucas Kramer, Cassie Cramer, Georgianna Warden, Donna Yenish, Mary Wegerson, Stephen Sandquist, John Leibrich, Scott Lemke, Mark Nelson, Nella Pitzen, Joan Roemer, Mary Lou Long, Donna Reinkober, Helen Sullivan, Alfred Duku-Celestino, Fulton Francis Dobbs, Virginia Hudoba, Carl Stampfle, Marcy Eder, Daniel Welter, Doug Brekke, Jack Longnecker, Joe Szepieniec, Stanley Kruta, Philip Jarosz, Joni Grieman, Sara Groehler, Tom Miller, Jean Schaaf, Greta Stefanich, Jean Lanzel, Deloris Wolcyn, Evelyn Arneson

If your name has been removed from this list and you would like to be prayed for, please call the parish office.

PRAYER LINE 651-633-1618 /651-633-5845 Call with your prayer requests. Requests are confidential.

BIRTHRIGHT Caring help for pregnant women. (651) 646-7033 Saint Paul (763) 757-0715 Coon Rapids

FROM THE OFFICE OF DISCIPLESHIP AND MISSION

Join Sister Clarinda for Sunday Morning Scripture, Tuesdays at 9AM

Men's Fellowship - Thursday Morning 6:30-8am May 23 –30, 2019 The Crusades – EWTN Video Series DVD Series by Steve Ray. The Myths, the Legends, and the Truths of the Crusades. Come for the donuts, stay for the truth!! Questions, call Dave @ 612-616-4013

SERVER TRAINING Students, entering 5th grade and up, that are interested in learning how to serve Mass are invited to sign up for Server Training June 10 - 14 from 9:30 to 12 noon. **All five days are mandatory.** Sign up early as sessions fill up fast and are limited. Call the parish office to sign your child up at 651-633-8333.

WILD ABOUT JESUS! Join us July 9, 10 and 11 from 9-noon for **Wild About Jesus VBS!** VBS is for students in pre-school through children entering 1st grade. We will read stories, make crafts, pray, play, have snack and playground time. VBS is a fun way to experience Christ's teachings through hands-on play with friends from school and church! We will meet in the preschool rooms. On our last day we will end with a big, water extravaganza! Registration forms are in the Plaza. The cost is \$30 which includes the cost of a VBS t-shirt.
Questions? Email Jen at livermontj@stjohnnyb.org.

TOTUS TUUS coming this summer, Monday- Friday, July 8-12 for grades 1 through 6!

Named after St. Pope John Paul's papal motto, "Totally Yours" referring to Mother Mary, this program teaches children, grades 1-6, a lot about the Church. The trained team of young adults puts prayer and catechesis into active learning along with games and songs. This year's team will be teaching about the Sacraments and the Sorrowful Mysteries. Bring your children, your neighbors' children, your grandchildren and your nieces and nephews! You can come and see the effect of the efforts first-hand! Volunteer to make Toton Tuus happen! Be a classroom aid, a lunch & recess monitor, a snack designer, set up and clean up, provide a meal for the team, help us find a host home for the team – must be a home without children 18 and under. THANK YOU for being such a wonderful part of this fabulous program! **Children can't wait to return for the next day's activities!**

For online registration Grades 1-6 <https://bit.ly/2M1KvJ0> Grades 7-12 <https://bit.ly/2VA6Tst>

Library News

The next Library Committee Meeting will be on Monday, June 3 at 7pm in the library. The church continues to celebrate Easter for 50 days until Pentecost. The parish library offers many Easter DVDs: Quo Vadis, One Who Was There, Risen, A.D., St. Peter, Barabbas, Final Inquiry, etc. We have many publications DVDs and books on Our Lady of Fatima, which was celebrated on May 13. The Library is open after the Saturday evening and Sunday morning Masses. Any questions, call Jeannie @ 651-636-8928.

GO, MAKE, TEACH

- Would you like to meet some great people?
- Would you like to learn how our parish gives witness to Jesus Christ in our midst?
- Are you looking for a way to become more involved in our parish life?

Contact Linda Harmon at 651-398-9167 to be a guest at one of our upcoming Evangelization & Stewardship commission meetings. Commission service is open to all Catholics who are parishioners of St. John's and can commit to one evening-meeting a month and serve a term of three years. For more information about all commissions, see the parish website at <https://bit.ly/301xsdC>.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday:	Acts 16:11-15; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Jn 15:26 - 16:4a
Tuesday:	Acts 16:22-34; Ps 138:1-3, 7c-8; Jn 16:5-11
Wednesday:	Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Jn 16:12-15
Thursday:	Acts 18:1-8; Ps 98:1-4; Jn 16:16-20
Friday:	Zep 3:14-18a or Rom 12:9-16; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Lk 1:39-56
Saturday:	Acts 18:23-28; Ps 47:2-3, 8-10; Jn 16:23b-28
Sunday:	Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47:2-3, 6-9; Eph 1:17-23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

*May the peoples praise you, O God;
may all the peoples praise you!*

~ Psalm 67:6

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Sunday:	Sixth Sunday of Easter
Monday:	St. Augustine of Canterbury; Memorial Day
Friday:	Visitation of the Blessed Virgin Mary
Saturday:	St. Justin; First Saturday



THANK YOU!

Earlier this month 175 members of the 50 Year Club and guests attended the Club's first annual Spring Lunch. They enjoyed a delicious meal and program *Remembering the 1960s*. The 50 Year Club Committee wishes to thank the following staff and volunteers for making the event a memorable one:

- Staff – Father Michael Skluzacek, Father Paul Shovelain, Michelle Barsness, Steven Fierro, Ann Laird, Jean Robson and Bret Sutton
- Volunteers – Kitchen helpers Pat Berczyk, Mary and Bob Clark, Ken and Diana Houston, Rosie Huray, Susan Amos Palmer and Kathy Spitzmueller; K of C wine servers Jim Brandt, Tim McQuillian and Jim Smith; Welcome Table attendants Larry and Suzanne VandenPlas; Pat Rother for AV assistance, Jane Arnott and Nancy D'Heilly for help with set-up and clean up; and our 8th grade students who served the lunch.

50 Year Club Committee Members

Ralph Arnott, Mark Haidet, Deacon Peter D'Heilly, Peg Joyce and Mary Ann Kaiser

Did you know.....

THE LAST SUPPER bas-relief in the Narthex was originally set in the base of the altar in St. John's old church. This altar, except for the bas-relief, was destroyed since it was not needed for the new church.

St. John the Baptist Golf Tournament 4 person “Best Ball”

When: Saturday, June 15, 2019

Time: Start 8am-Noon

First Sign Up will be first in the lineup!

Where: Brightwood Hills Golf Course

1975 Silver Lake Rd NW,

New Brighton 55112

PH (612) 638-2150

Cost: \$25 per Person / \$100 per team

(To be paid with registration)

Due on or before June 8, 2018

Includes a picnic lunch at the course

Prizes include: Winning Team, Longest Drive,

Longest Putt & Closest to the Pin!

Registration forms are located
on the Harvest Table

Gifts of Financial Treasure, May 19, 2019

	This Year Actual	This Year Needed	Variance from Budget
Sunday/wk 47	\$ 65,302	\$ 42,898	\$22,404
YTD through wk 47	\$ 1,743,729	\$1,808,811	\$(65,082)

God bless you for your generous support!

Giving Appreciated Stock 101

You've likely seen recent reports of record highs in the stock market. When the market is strong, we see an increase in giving across the board. A 2018 report by Giving USA found that stock market values "are an indicator of financial and economic security," and that "households and corporations are more likely to give when the stock market is up."

Reasons stack up for giving stock

Giving long-term appreciated stock – stock that you've held for more than one year – to charity is a smart way to give for three reasons:

1. When the market is strong, the value of your gift is higher. Simply put, you have more to give.
2. You avoid capital gains tax on stock when you gift it to charity. This is especially beneficial when the stock has experienced significant growth. In Minnesota, your capital gains tax could be as much as 30% on the appreciated value when combining federal and state taxes.
3. You also receive an income tax deduction for the full value of the donation up to 30% of your adjusted gross income. Work with your tax advisor to determine further benefits.

In these ways, a gift of appreciated stock can be more advantageous to both the donor and the benefiting charity than a simple gift of cash.

New standard deduction, new giving strategy

The new, higher standard deduction makes it harder for taxpayers to itemize. But when you make a large gift, like appreciated stock, you're suddenly much closer to being able to itemize your deductions. This may unlock other deductions as well.

When you use a donor advised fund, you can spread that large charitable gift across many organizations and over several years. This strategy is called "bunching." There's no need to wait until the end of the year to give charitably.

With the market performing well, now might be a good time to consider a charitable gift of stock.

Learn more about using a donor advised fund to "bunch" your charitable giving at ccf-mn.org/financial-advisors-recommend-charitable-bunching

We advise you to seek your own legal, tax, and financial advice in connection with gift and planning matters.

The Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota and its staff do not provide legal, tax, or financial advice.

Call us to learn more. 651.389.0300 | ccf-mn.org or contact Mark Dittman at 651-633-8333 ext. 1215

AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE

First Friday Night of Prayer Friday, June 7 from 7-8:30pm at Good Shepherd Catholic Church, Golden Valley. This monthly night of prayer includes Eucharistic Adoration, confession and praise & worship. Light refreshments and a time of fellowship to follow.

Pentecost Vigil Mass and Prayer Meeting ahead of Archdiocesan Synod Process Saturday, June 8, 7 p.m., Church of Saint Peter, Mendota. Archbishop Hebda and Bishop Cozzens invite all to a Pentecost Vigil Mass and Prayer Meeting to celebrate the beginning of the Archdiocesan Synod process. This event is being led by Charismatic Renewal communities in the Archdiocese. Mass begins at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of Saint Peter in Mendota. Afterwards, there will be a Prayer Meeting with praise and worship music and a time to call upon the Holy Spirit to direct the upcoming Archdiocesan Synod process. Please join us! Come, Holy Spirit!

Saint Paul Street Evangelization: Basic Evangelization Training Saturday, July 13 from 9am – 3pm (optional live training lab after) at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center, St. Paul

Join the staff of St. Paul Street Evangelization to learn how to evangelize in your everyday life in easy and fun ways. The workshop includes presentations, small group discussion, practice, role playing and more. Cost: \$25 per person. Includes the full-day workshop, all materials and a light lunch. To register, please visit <https://bit.ly/3Ooyocd>. Questions? Contact info@stpaulse.com or 657-777-2963.

Twin Cities Retrouvaille Friday, June 7 – Sunday, June 9 at Dakota Ridge Hotel, Eagan. Is your marriage going down the right road . . . or is it a little off track? Life can be difficult, and so can the challenges you face in marriage. Does the distance between you seem wide? Are you already separated? Looking for a better way? Retrouvaille can help and offers hope for a better relationship. Retrouvaille is a peer ministry of volunteer couples that can help you learn the tools of healthy communication, build intimacy and heal, just as they have done in their own marriages. Retrouvaille is Christian-based, and Catholic in origin, but welcomes couples of all faiths as well as non-religious couples. Retrouvaille can help get your relationship back on track. The retreat includes an opportunity for Mass Sunday afternoon.

For more information about an upcoming June 7 – 9 Retrouvaille Weekend program for couples, contact registration team: Twin Cities Retrouvaille Registration Team at 651-484-5655 or MNRegistration@MNTCR.onmicrosoft.com, or visit www.tcr-mn.org.

Senior Luncheon and Icon Presentation Tuesday, June 11 at 12pm - St Richard Catholic Church, Richfield

Sign up today for the annual spring luncheon at St. Richard! Fr. Mark Pavlik will give his presentation on religious icons while attendees enjoy a catered lunch of chicken pasta salad with croissant, fresh fruit and Dilly Bar. The cost is just \$8 (at the door). All seniors are welcome. RSVP by June 5 by calling 612-869-2426 or register at strichards.com/seniors.

Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration Saturday, June 15, 10am Mass at The Cathedral of Saint Paul, St. Paul.

Married couples, celebrate the gift of your vocation at the Archdiocesan Marriage Day Celebration Mass with Archbishop Bernard Hebda. Those celebrating their silver and golden anniversaries in the 2019 calendar year will be honored in a special way. Family and friends are welcome! A reception will follow immediately in Hayden Hall (Cathedral – Lower Level). All couples may request a special certificate commemorating this day. Submit requests by June 10 via email at mfl@archspm.org, or by mail to Office of Marriage, Family and Life, Attn: Marriage Certificates, 777 Forest St., St. Paul, MN 55106. For more information, call 651-291-4488.

2019 Widows' Day of Reflection Saturday, June 15, 8am - 1pm, Our Lady of Grace Catholic Church, Edina

Join in the 9th Annual Widows' Day of Reflection. Jeff Cavins will lead reflection on this day of spiritual enrichment and fellowship. Cost is \$20 and includes continental breakfast and lunch. Visit olgparish.org for details. Contact Jason Godin at jasongodin@olgparish.org or 952-929-3317 x9039 with any questions.

Catholic Grandparent Conference Saturday, August 24 - 8:30am (Optional Mass at 8am) - 3:30pm - Church of the Epiphany, Coon Rapids.

Speakers include: Mary Ann Kuharski (Author, national speaker and founding member of PROLIFE Across AMERICA), Fr. Joe Bambenek (Pastor of St. Pius X in White Bear Lake) and Breakout sessions with Crystal Crocker, Molly Schorr and Patrick Conley. Cost: \$25 per person before August 1; \$30 per person after August 1. (Includes morning coffee, granola bars, lunch buffet and afternoon snack.)

To register, visit <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=zQ9RhN>

Missionary Discipleship Fall Sessions begin Tuesday, October 8, 7-8:30pm, Epiphany, Coon Rapids. Be transformed and transform the world. The Missionary Discipleship journey consists of three 4-week sessions. Each week includes time for reflection, prayer, Q&A and discussion. Cost: \$150 per person. Find the full schedule for all sessions and register: <https://www.archspm.org/faith-and-discipleship/misionary-discipleship/> Questions? Contact Susanna Parent at parents@archspm.org or 651-291-4411.



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OF
SAINT PAUL &
MINNEAPOLIS

OFFICE OF THE ARCHBISHOP

May 15, 2019

Dear Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

Each year the Catholic Services Appeal Foundation (CSAF) has its annual appeal in early February. This year, the appeal was being launched just as we were hit by back-to-back weather events that severely affected Church attendance in many parts of the Archdiocese. As a result, the 2019 appeal got off to a challenging start, with the number of donors down by 4,300 and pledges down by \$800,000. That significant shortfall puts a number of our key Archdiocesan ministries at risk.

I write today to ask for your help to realize CSAF's goal and, more importantly, to allow us together as a Church to share the Easter mystery of the Risen Christ with others through the various ministries that CSAF funds. CSAF funding is critical to the life of this local Church by providing funding to the ministries that no one parish can support on their own.

While CSAF provides an important source of income for our schools, and Catholic Charities, and crucially funds the expenses related to room and board for our seminarians, I wanted to highlight, in particular, one key ministry that depends on CSAF: hospital ministry. The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation funds the cost of priests serving as hospital chaplains who are available at all times of the day and night to minister to the sick and dying and to celebrate the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick. It's at such crucial life moments that support for the Catholic Services Appeal directly enables the compassion of the Risen Christ to be shared with those most in need.

I hope that you will join me in working together to bring this year's Appeal to a successful conclusion. Please utilize the envelopes provided in your pews.

With the promise of my best wishes and prayers for your families,

Sincerely in Christ,

A handwritten signature in blue ink that reads "+Bernard A. Hebda".

Most Reverend Bernard A. Hebda
Archbishop of Saint Paul and Minneapolis

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