

◇ MAY 12TH, 2019 ◇

Happy Mother's Day



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Church of Saint John the Evangelist of Little Canada

Eucharist Schedule

Saturday: 4:30PM
Sunday: 8:30, 10:30AM
Weekdays: 8:00AM (7:30AM - 7:55AM Rosary and Prayers)
(9:10AM Some Wednesdays during the school year.)

Reconciliation: Saturday, 3:30PM & 7:30AM on the days of an 8:00AM Mass, in the Church, or anytime by appointment. Please call the Parish Office.

Parish Registration: New Parishioners Welcome is normally the second Sunday of each month at 9:45AM. Please call the Parish Office to let us know you are coming.

Baptism: Baptism Information and dates are available on our website or by calling the Parish Office.

Marriage: Preparation and instruction must begin at least six months in advance of a suggested date. A specific date will be set with the priest when marriage readiness is indicated.

Visiting the Sick: Ministry to those who are homebound, sick, in hospitals or nursing homes is available. Please call the Parish Office if you know someone who wishes to be visited, anointed, and/or receive Communion.

Prayer Network: Parish Teams pray on behalf of the entire parish for needs brought to them. One call begins the chain of prayers. Only a first name and the prayer need are given to preserve confidentiality. Call 651-484-1048 between the hours of 9:00AM and 9:00PM.

Parish Office (651) 484-2708
Fax (651) 484-0567
Hours: Monday thru Thursday: 8:30AM-4:30PM
Friday: 8:30AM - 12 NOON - CLOSED SUMMER FRIDAYS

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Hours: 6:30AM - 6:00PM



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DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

Today is Mother's Day. Tomorrow is Confirmation for our 8th Graders. How are the two related? Motherhood and fatherhood are callings from God. (A very instructive detail is that the word "parenting" did not exist until the 1970s. There is no such thing as parenting. There is fathering and mothering. But I digress.) God calls a woman to motherhood. Whenever God calls someone to mission, he always equips him or her for that calling. One way he equips mothers is through Confirmation.

My wife stays home with our children. I have witnessed repeatedly how her "job" is harder, and more important, than mine. All day long my wife is literally and figuratively holding the eternal destinies of our children, the health of their bodies and souls, in her very hands. All children will grow to adulthood, and when their lives have ended, they will be either glorious saints in heaven or wicked souls in hell. Their paths to heaven greatly depend on how mothers (and fathers) raise and educate their children. Furthermore, when they are adults, these children in turn will lead their own families to heaven or hell through their example and influence. What an awesome responsibility and privilege mothers (and fathers) have! Motherhood is a lofty vocation. Just ask Saint Monica!

Since this extremely lofty calling from God, this high mission of unimaginable consequence, requires incredible self-sacrifice and self-gift, God does not leave mothers unprepared. In Confirmation, God bestows the "Gifts of the Holy Spirit" upon women and men to build up his Church. *Fear of the Lord* enables mothers to place God before all else and to rightly order their lives. *Piety* helps mothers model profound reverence and love for God through their words, actions, and the use of time, talent, and treasure. *Fortitude* helps mothers fulfill their duties to God and their families, even in the face of danger, death, ridicule, punishment, or isolation. *Knowledge* helps mothers show their children how the created world points to God and gives glory to God, but also how all created things are nothing apart from God. *Counsel* helps mothers navigate uncertainties and know what is to be done in all circumstances, and to help their children and husbands do likewise. *Understanding* helps mothers clearly impart the mysteries and teachings of our faith to their children. Finally *Wisdom* helps mothers see the world through God's eyes, as from a mountaintop.

I used to think the "Gifts of the Holy Spirit" were pious abstractions that have little direct bearing on our "real" lives. As I've grown older, I've come to see how desperately I need these gifts to navigate the suffering that so often accompanies life. Motherhood is a lofty and difficult calling. God equips mothers for this calling through Confirmation. Today, let us pray for mothers, and for all our Confirmands, that these gifts might come alive in each of them in a real and profound way.

PARISH & COMMUNITY

Funeral Luncheons

We have a strong tradition of hospitality by providing funeral luncheons for families who are grieving a loved one. This takes the generosity of many volunteers in the parish. Whether you make phone calls to coordinate the luncheon, donate food, purchase supplies or serve the meal itself, THANK YOU!! Please also note the following:

- If you donate food, please contact the parish office to update your current contact information—we have many phone numbers on our list that are no longer active.
- If you have brought a salad or dessert for a funeral luncheon, please check the lower church kitchen for your bowl or pan—we have an abundance of dishes left downstairs. Items not picked up by May 26 will be donated.
- Interested in participating in this ministry? Let us know by contacting the parish office.

LITTLE CANADA 55 PLUS CLUB

Our next meeting will be May 20, 2019.

Our meal will be Pizza and Ice Cream bars.

Reservations should be made by May 15th.

Call Lee Margl at 651-486-9627.

Our Entertainment will be Bingo.

If you are interested in joining the 55 Plus Club, please call Frank Costa at 651-484-1363 or Lee Margl at 651-486-9627.

Watchmen Meeting Tuesday May 21st. 6:30 pm. With Fr. Tom!

All men young and old are invited to join us for some food, beverages, fellowship, teaching and prayer. This is a great way to learn and share in the battles we face as men in this day and age. Fr. Tom will be our speaker and will answer any questions you may have. We start our meeting in the school dining room on the South end of the campus. Come and join us! Questions? 651-503-8043 Jim



Volunteers Needed!!

We are looking for volunteers to help with lawn care throughout the summer (2-3 hours per week) and possibly some outdoor spring clean-up.

If interested contact Don Kellett at dkellett@stjohnsoflc.org or 651-288-3267

FAITH FAMILY



IN OUR PRAYERS

We remember those who need healing, including: Rita H., Dwight G., Mary Ann T., Darlene G., Steve L.

If you would like to add or remove a name from the prayer list, please contact our pastoral minister, Eric Cooley at ecooley@stjohnsofcl.org or call 651-288-3268. We will include names in this listing for 2 months. If you need the time extended, please contact Eric Cooley.

PARISH & COMMUNITY

We Invite You to Become a Parishioner

If you are new to our community, or if you have been attending Saint John's, but have not yet become a member of our parish, we invite and encourage you to register. We are happy to sit down with you and answer your questions about Saint John's parish. Please call Eric Cooley, pastoral minister, at 651-288-3268 or email ecooley@stjohnsofcl.org.



As Disciples of Christ we therefore commit ourselves to:

- **worship** God in spirit and truth through "prayer without ceasing," particularly through the celebration of the Eucharist;
- **create and nourish** Christian community in the domestic church of the family, in the life of every parish, and in society as a whole;
- **proclaim** in word and deed the Good News of Jesus Christ to all persons, inviting each of our sisters and brothers in the human community to share our faith;
- **teach** the saving message of Christ so that all believers may come to deeper understanding, conversion and personal witness to Christ;
- **serve** all our sisters and brothers, particularly the poor and needy, by generous acts of charity and by working together with all people of good will for justice and peace.

YTD Sunday Offerings July 1 thru April 28

| Actual | Budget | Last Year |
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| \$652,102 | \$669,072 | \$712,297 |

Thank you for supporting St. John's of Little Canada!

FAITH FORMATION

High School Graduates!

All **high school graduates of 2019**, please join us on Sunday, May 19 for the **Graduation Mass and Celebration** (formerly known as the Baccalaureate Mass) at 10:30 AM followed by a short reception in the gathering space afterwards. RSVP right away at sjolc.org/graduate-mass-rsvp

Last Chance - Gr 8-12

All youth in grades 8-12 are invited to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference with us in Rochester, MN, July 12-14. These conferences have been changing young people's lives for decades and have led many young men and women on a path to discovering God's purpose for them in your life. If you want to go, the deadline is immediate. Contact Joe Block at 651-272-5195 right away.

Confirmation!

Please say a rosary or chaplet for our Confirmands who will receive the powerful Sacrament of Confirmation on Monday, May 13 at 7 PM at the Cathedral (all are welcome to attend):
Kassandra A, Addison B, Nicklaus B, Josie B, Andrew C, Isabella D, Riley G, Kaitlyn H, Natalia H, Noah K, Jaiden L, Sarah M, Kyla M, Ava M, Brendan M, Brady S, Benjamin S, Isabel S, Charles T, Chloe U, Owen W, Ava W, Anna Y.

Basic Evangelization Training

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. The workshop is on Saturday, July 13 at the Archdiocesan Catholic Center from 9:00am-3:00pm, with an optional live training lab afterward. The cost includes the full-day workshop, all materials and a light lunch. The cost is \$25 per person. To find out more about this event and to register please visit www.stpaulse.com/saintpaul to register.

Catholic Grandparent Conference

Learn about God's plan for Grandparents and be equipped to pass on a Heritage of Faith. The Catholic Grandparents Conference will take place on Saturday, August 24 between 8:30am-3:30pm at the Church of the Epiphany in Coon Rapids. The conference will include keynote speaker, Mary Ann Kuharski, founding member and Director of PROLIFE Across America as well as Father Joseph Bambenek who will be speaking on the topic of bringing healing to your family. We will also have an hour of Adoration led by Bishop Andrew Cozzens and more. Find more details and register at www.CatholicGrandparenting.org.

COMING UP THIS WEEK

Monday, 13

- 8:00AM - Communion Service - Church
- 11:00AM - Communion Service @ Cardigan Ridge
- 2:00PM - Culture of Life - Holy Family Room
- 7:00PM - Confirmation @ Cathedral of St Paul
- 7:30PM - AA Meeting - Lower Church Kitchen

Tuesday, 14

- 7:30AM - Confessions - Church
- 8:00AM - Mass - Church
- 8:30AM - Fellowship - Lower Church
- 9:15AM - Men's Faith Discussion - Fireside Room
- 6:00PM - Pastoral Planning Committee - Holy Family Room

Wednesday, 15

- 9:10AM - All School Mass - Church
- 1:30PM - Band, Choir, Guitar Concert - Church
- 6:00PM - Fall Festival Committee - Fireside Room
- 6:30PM - Extreme Faith Camp Meeting - School Dining Room
- 7:00PM - Traditional Choir Practice - Church
- 7:30PM - AA Meeting - Lower Church Kitchen

Thursday, 16

- 7:30AM - Confessions - Church
- 8:00AM - Mass - Church
- 8:30AM - Eucharistic Adoration - Chapel
- 10:00AM - Sunday Scripture Group - Holy Family Room
- 1:00PM - St Francis Prayer Group - Fireside Room
- 4:00PM - Discipleship Sunday Committee Meeting - Holy Family Room
- 6:30PM - Parish Council Meeting - Holy Family Room
- 6:30PM - Staff Auction Committee - Fireside Room
- 6:30PM - Adult Bible Study - Lower Church

Friday, 17

- 7:30AM - Confessions - Church
- 8:00AM - Mass - Church
- 10:00AM - Visitation for Wayne Bloom - Gathering Space
- 11:00AM - Funeral Mass for Wayne Bloom - Church

Saturday, 18

- 3:30PM - Confessions - Church
- 4:30PM - Mass - Church

Sunday, 19

- 8:00AM - Parish Family Rosary - Church
- 8:30AM - Mass - Church
- 9:30AM - Ste. Anne's CCW Meeting - Lower Church
- 10:30AM - Graduate Mass - Church
- 11:30AM - Class of 2019 Graduate Celebration - Gathering Space

MASS INTENTIONS

May 14-19

- Tuesday: Bob Rodgers †
 Wednesday: Pedro Daus †
 Thursday: Duane Loehr †
 Friday: Carrie Holmes & Family
 4:30PM Saturday: Jim Alfonse †
 8:30AM Sunday: Charles & Eleanor Maranda †
 10:30AM Sunday: For The Parish

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF MAY 12

Sunday: Acts 13:14, 43-52/Ps 100:1-2, 3, 5 [3c]/Rv 7:9, 14b-17/Jn 10:27-30
 Monday: Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3, 43:3, 4 [cf. 3a]/Jn 10:1-10
 Tuesday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26/Ps 113:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [8]/Jn 15:9-17
 Wednesday: Acts 12:24--13:5a/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6 and 8 [4]/Jn 12:44-50
 Thursday: Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27 [2]/Jn 13:16-20
 Friday: Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab [7bc]/Jn 14:1-6
 Saturday: Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4 [3cd]/Jn 14:7-14
 Next Sunday: Acts 14:21-27/Ps 145:8-9, 10-11, 12-13 [cf. 1]/Rv 21:1-5a/Jn 13:31-33a, 34-35

Ste. Anne's General Meeting

Sunday, May 19, 9:45 am, Lower Church. Hear reports from the ACCW Convention, elect new officers and make plans for our picnic and annual Communion-Breakfast. See the good we do; be blessed by our devotion; enjoy fellowship; and be energized! Note: Last names beginning with the letters A through J are the hostesses for sweets. To inquire, call Marg 651-762-1094, or Gail 763-219-9870. Have you been thinking about joining Ste. Anne's? COME for this last meeting before we induct new members!

Prenatal Partners for Life Annual Benefit Dinner

Please join Archbishop Bernard Hebda at the *Prenatal Partners for Life* annual benefit dinner on Wednesday, June 5, 2019 at the Saint Paul Hotel (350 N. Market Street, Saint Paul, MN 55102)

Hor D'oeuvres and Check-In: 5:00-6:00 p.m.

Dinner and Program: 6:00 p.m.

PPFL offers hope and support for families facing an adverse diagnosis of their child. Thousands of families and children have been directly helped or counseled worldwide. To purchase tickets, table sponsorships, and for further details, please visit prenatalpartnersforlife.org, or contact Mary Kellett: 763-772-3868, Mary@prenatalpartnersforlife.org

Please RSVP by May 30.