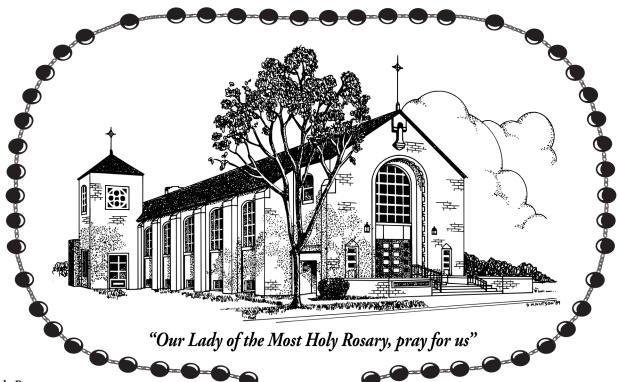
# Rosary Catholic 525 Grant Avenue North Mankato, Minnesota 56003-2939 Located at the Corner of Sherman & Grant Streets in lower North Mankato Parish Mission Statement

"With God our Father, His Son Jesus our model, and led by the Holy Spirit, we, the members of Holy Rosary, live in communion with the Catholic tradition. Our mission is to unite faith, family and community through sacred worship, education, family life, social justice, outreach and responsible stewardship."

## Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time January 31, 2016



#### **Holy Rosary**

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#### Celebration of the Holy Eucharist

Saturday 5:00 p.m. Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 a.m. Holy Days & Weekdays see Bulletin for schedule

#### Sacrament of Reconciliation

Saturday 4:30 - 5:00 p.m. or by appointment

#### Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements for all marriages are to be made 6 months in advance. Pre-marriage instructions, Pre-Marital Inventory Survey and Pre-Cana Days or Engaged Encounter are required

#### Sacrament of Baptism

By appointment, call the Parish Office. Pre-Baptism class required - presented the 2nd Thursday of February, April, June, August, October & December

#### Websites

www.holyrosarynorthmankato.com www.loyolacatholicschool.org



"And He said, 'Amen, I say to you, no prophet is accepted is His own native place."

- St. Luke

For many years after ordination, around this time of year, I would take a week or two off to see some part of the United States and to go to a warmer climate. Over these last years it whittled down to a week to vio



it whittled down to a week, to visit folks in Iowa or Nebraska. This year, with the early start of Lent and the desire to finish unpacking and moving into my office, I decided to stay home.

I remember one particular year that I went for a week down to Atlanta, Georgia. (I would end up witnessing one of the worst ice storms in my whole life.) One day I walked into a shop that was filled with oil paintings. On the floor, in the corner of the shop behind the counter, something caught my eye. It was a painting (it looked eastern European) of the Madonna and the Christ-Child, dressed in black, in a black and gold frame, with skin that looked as pale as alabaster. It was love at "first-sight".

I told myself that I was going to buy the painting no matter how much it cost. The owner of this shop in Atlanta, looked at the painting and then at me and said; "You are in luck. This painting was \$850.00, but I will give it to you for \$400.00." I bought it and had it shipped home, frame and all. Today, it has the center place of honor in my living room. Its presence has shaped how I have arranged the room and even the things that I have bought for the room to make that picture the center-piece and to stand out.

Suppose you bought or someone gave you a priceless painting or sculpture from either Michelangelo or Monet? Wouldn't the presence of that expensive and striking piece of work change your life and the way you live? I suspect that maybe one of the first things that you would do is get a security system. (*It is a good thing that I am glad I have.*) Secondly, you might begin to paint the walls differently, shop for the right kind of furniture and maybe get rid of some of the clutter so that your eye would catch the painting or statue first when you walk into the room.

Imagine, that if we would go to that much trouble for a painting or a sculpture, how much more should we, as Catholics, respond to Christ's presence in our home and life! I am not suggesting that we repaint rooms or declutter our home for the Divine Savior. Rather, spiritually I am suggesting that we recognize Christ's presence in our life right here and now and make the necessary spiritual preparations!

In this weekend's gospel on the 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time, the people fail to see "Christ's presence" in that present moment. The people in St. Luke's gospel began looking back into the "PAST" and seeing only the "Son of Joseph". Equally, they were looking ahead into some spiritual "FUTURE" when they believed the Messiah would come in their midst. THE PEOPLE OF CHRIST'S TIME FAILED TO SEE THAT CHRIST MOMENT RIGHT THEN AND THERE IN THE PRESENT MOMENT!

In a week and a half we will be celebrating the start of the Lenten season through the spiritual tasks of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Our Lenten observance is not to punish our bodies or souls, but rather to help us prepare and see more clearly those "Christ Moments" here and now IN OUR PRESENT TIMES OF 2016! May we all pray that more of us in the Catholic faith will see that KEY CHRIST MOMENT every weekend during consecration when Christ is called down on the altar. Have a good week!

Rev. Paul van de Crommert, Pastor

#### THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

"Mercy is the force that reawakens us to new life and instills in us the courage to look to the future with hope."

- Pope Francis

#### **UPCOMING PARISH MEETINGS**

- 1) \*Holy Rosary Council of Catholic Women Monday, February 1<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 pm, Conference Room #1
- 2) \*Holy Rosary Finance Council Monday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm, Conference Room #1

#### **WELCOME**

We are blessed as a parish family to welcome another household to Holy Rosary parish. We welcome in a special way this weekend Steve and Kim Tuschen. The couple is from Mankato and we are so happy that they have joined our parish family.

You might be interested to note that we have welcomed as a parish family in just the weeks between November 1<sup>st</sup> and January 26<sup>th</sup> another 10 households to our growing parish family.

The Social Concerns Committee is inviting us, after every Mass, to turn and greet our neighbor following the closing hymn. For those of you who have been life-long or long-term members at Holy Rosary, you do not know how much it means to the new-comer to be greeted and welcomed. Our friendliness not only gets people to come to our parish, but also makes them stay in our parish family. Coming to our Church is more than just celebrating a sacrament, but it is also sharing in the Mystical Body of Christ. "Where two or three are gathered in my name, there am I in your midst!"

#### STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Adult (127)	\$ 6,291.00
Electronic Giving	3,196.25
Junior	94.36
Plate	197.00
Fuel Donation	1,905.00
Faith Formation Tuition	25.00
Rental Income	1,000.00
Christ Our Life Campaign Refund	1,030.25

**Grand Total** \$ 13,738.86

\*(Our weekly budget is set at \$12,900.00)

#### **STEWARDSHIP**

Early next week, you will be receiving your contribution statements along with a brief letter of explanation of our parish finances as we do at Holy Rosary on a quarterly basis. Suffice it to say, your stewardship has been pretty tremendous. Our stewardship this year is up by 10.5%. Last year our stewardship was up 12% for a total increase of 22.5% from 2013-2014 to date. Pretty amazing!

Again this week we surpassed our budgeted needs. It is wonderful that we have only two weeks of the entire fiscal year where our total income was below our budgeted needs. The credit of stewardship goes out to all of you!

I also want to say a word of commendation to our young people. Again this week (through the encouragement of their parents) our junior collection is almost at \$100.00. In the past couple of weeks I have visitors come to Holy Rosary from 3 of my last assignments as pastor. Some of them have commented that it is so nice to see so many young people in church. (We could always see more, but I am happy with those of you who come!)

Thank you to those of you who just don't "read" about our stewardship success, but also make it a "reality" each week! Thank you for your gifts!

#### A JANUARY WEDDING!

One of my first January weddings in my priesthood was celebrated this past Saturday. What an act of faith to get married in Minnesota in January, of all months! Our prayers and best wishes go out to Jonathan Mader and MaryKay Bergeron who were united in the Sacrament of Marriage in a Wedding Mass here at Holy Rosary. We are blessed that the couple recently joined Holy Rosary and are now the youngest married couple of our growing parish family! Congratulations Mr. and Mrs. Mader! May you have many years of blessings, babies, & the presence of the Blessed Lord in your life! Congratulations!

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

## CONFIRMATION STUDENTS TO PARTICIPATE IN "RITE OF ENROLLMENT"

Our confirmation students will participate in the "Rite of Enrollment" on *Saturday, February 6<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00 pm Mass.* At the Mass, the students will state publicly to the community of Holy Rosary that they are taking the steps towards the



Sacrament of Confirmation. Holy Rosary parishioners are asked to pray for these young people as they move towards the Sacrament of Confirmation. May the Holy Spirit touch each of the candidates in a special way. The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Saturday, March 5<sup>th</sup> at the 5:00 pm Mass.

#### FIRST RECONCILIATION

Congratulations to our twenty-one second grade students who made their First Reconciliation this past Sunday. They received a pocket cross from Father Paul as they left the confessional. The students also received a certificate and prayer card when they completed their penance. A reception of cookies and beverage was held in the church lower hall after the service. Many parents lead by example as they received the Sacrament of Reconciliation themselves. What a wonderful sight! Continue to keep these students and families in your prayers as they move towards the Sacrament of First Eucharist in April.

#### **UPCOMING DATES**

**February 3<sup>rd</sup>:** Grades 7 – 11 meet from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Social Hour/Pizza available from 6:00 pm to 6:50 pm. (A \$3 donation is suggested for pizza.)

**February 10<sup>th</sup>:** <u>Ash Wednesday</u> – we are asking ALL grades to attend! Grades 1 – 6 please come at 4:15 pm and meet in the gymnasium. Grades 7 – 11, please come at 7:00 pm and go to your classrooms. <u>Ash Wednesday Mass times are:</u> 8:30 am, 4:30 pm & 7:30 pm

**February 17<sup>rh</sup>:** Grades 7 - 11 meet from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm. Social Hour/Pizza available from 6:00 pm to 6:50 pm. (A \$3 donation is suggested for pizza.)

**February 24<sup>th</sup>:** Grades 1-6 meet from 6:00 pm to 7:30 pm

#### **JOIN US FOR BREAKFAST!**

Social Concerns would like to invite those attending Friday morning 8:30 am Mass to join in breakfast at the Best Western Restaurant, Hwy 169 N and Range Street, immediately following Mass.



#### THE WEEK AHEAD

#### Monday, Feb. 1: Weekday -CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

8:05 am – Rosarv

8:30 am - Mass - Jeffrey Stanke†

7:00 pm – CCW Meeting (Conf. Rm. 1)

#### Tuesday, Feb. 2: The Presentation of the Lord

7:00 am – Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul

8:15 am – Mass at St. John the Baptist

7:30 pm - River of Life (Conf. Rm. 2)

#### Wednesday, Feb. 3: Weekday (Saint Blaise, Bishop and Martyr; Saint Ansgar, Bishop)

9:30 am - Catholic Schools Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul

6:00 pm - Social Hour/Pizza for Rel. Ed.

7:00 pm – Grades 7 - 11 Rel. Ed. Classes

#### Thursday, Feb. 4: Weekday

10:15 am - Holy Communion Service at Pathstone

#### Friday, Feb. 5: Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr

8:05 am - Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - Marvin Wanzek†

\*Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament following Mass

9:00 am - 3:00 pm - Eucharistic Adoration

11:00 am - Mass at S.S.N.D. (Fr. Paul) - Dixie Lippert†

3:00 pm - Benediction

#### Saturday, Feb. 6: Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

4:30 pm - Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm - Rosary

5:00 pm - Mass - Sylvia Bruender†

\*Confirmation Rite of Enrollment

#### Sunday, Feb. 7: Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time -**SCOUT SUNDAY**

7:30 am – Rosary

8:00 am – Mass - People of the Parish

8:30 am - 12:00 pm - Pancake Breakfast (Social Hall)

Sponsored by K of C & Boy Scouts

9:30 am – Rosary

10:00 am - Mass - Sebastian & Gloria Lena

and Emmanuel Anthonisamy†

(Nursery, Pre-K Sunday School &

CLW during the 10:00 am Mass)

#### Monday, Feb. 8: Weekday (Saint Jerome Emiliani; Saint Josephine Bakhita, Virgin)

8:05 am - Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - Margaret & Leonard Wittry†

7:00 pm - Finance Council Meeting (Conf. Rm. 1)

#### WORLD DAY FOR CONSECRATED LIFE

Since 1997 the universal Church celebrates World Day for Consecrated Life close to the feast of the Presentation of the Lord, February 2<sup>nd</sup>. Next Sunday, February 8<sup>th</sup>, we will observe this day with a special emphasis on the call to consecrated life in today's world.

### FEB. 6 - 7 LITURGICAL ROLES

Lectors

Tom Koch 5:00 pm:

8:00 am: Linda Hiniker **10:00 am:** Roxi Lang

**Eucharistic Ministers** 

5:00 pm: Maggie Bennett, Tom & Mary Clare Wyrowski,

Nicole Hull, Rebecca Gruenes, \*Ruth Fitterer

Mary Homan, Sharon Lenz, Jim Theuninck, 8:00 am:

Peter Backes, Julie Schoettler, \*Terri Compton

10:00 am: Tim McGowan, John & Lori Daley,

Curt & Donna Stanke, \*Brent Friedrichs

#### Altar Servers

Emma Niederegger, Mitch Bigaouette, 5:00 pm:

Jacob Reynolds

8:00 am: Ben & Lauren Cahalan, Caron Fischer

10:00 am: Elaine Adams, Spencer Spaude, Matthew Helget

#### **Presentation of Gifts**

2016 Confirmandi Families

Tyler & Becky Cromwell Family 5:00 pm:

8:00 am: Patrick Norris Family 10:00 am:

Addison Barbo Family

(First Holy Communion Family)

#### Ushers

5:00 pm: Tom Rheaume, Paul Stevens, Bob Stachon,

Larry Bennett (Head Usher)

Gerry Hiniker, Arlyce Anderson, Jake Homan, 8:00 am:

Doug Homan (Head Usher)

Christopher, Backes, Steve Kaiser, Glenn 10:00 am:

Verschelde, Jim Barker

#### **Music Ministry**

Joe Kunkel/Vicki Galli 5:00 pm:

8:00 am: Corinne Ort/Janelle Campaeu

10:00 am: Kathy Jo Johns & Nancy Evans/Vicki Galli

#### **Rosary Leaders**

5:00 pm: Eileen Wadekamper

8:00 am: Sharon Lenz

10:00 am: Donna Wolf (needs a sub)

#### **Money Counters for January/February/March 2016:**

Bill Fasnacht, Shirleen Gulden, Jan Nelson, Carl Steffensmeier

#### **Bulletin Folders for February 2016:**

Mary Bliss, Barb Wegscheid, Marge Grausam

#### BIRTHRIGHT VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Birthright is in need of volunteers. With more volunteers, our office could be open more hours and serve more women. You can work days and hours that fit into your schedule. We are planning a training session in February or March. For more information, please call 388-4558. Put your prolife beliefs into action.

### LORD, HEAR OUR PRAYERS...

#### PRAYERS AND SUPPORT FOR ALL OF OUR SICK AND INJURED OF HOLY ROSARY PARISH



Our prayers go out to all of the sick and injured in our parish who are at home, in the hospital, nursing homes or assisted-living residences. May God bless them and keep them under His guidance and protection!

#### FOR THOSE WHO ARE ILL

Glee Hodapp, Cheryl Edwards, Pat Roemhildt, Luella Henning, Gladys Thul, Patricia Bell, Susan Larson, David Makela, Cindy Johannsen, Dan Senesac, Loretta Becker, Canton Polk, Charles Ulman, Daniel Crowley, Marilyn Rieff, Ruth Baker, Ruth Fitterer, Mary Jane Ledwein, Doris Lorentz, Bill Goettlicher, Steve Fitterer, Gabriel Speckel

\*In consultation with the Social Concerns Committee, it was suggested that our Prayer List be updated regularly. In the past either staff or volunteers would call after a name had been on the prayer list for months/years. The Committee has recommended to me as pastor and I have accepted their recommendation that the present names will remain on the list for SIX WEEKS. If you wish the name of yourself or a loved one to remain on the list after that six weeks, please call the parish office (387-6501) and inform Elaine, our Parish Administrator, of your desire.

#### FOR OUR FAMILIES

MondayJulie BeranekTuesdayNo MassWednesdayNo Mass

Thursday Randy & Gale Wersal William & Michelle Cahalan Saturday Jason & Erika Hacker

Sunday Aaron & Kendra Erickson

#### FOR THOSE IN THE MILITARY

Nick Blace Timothy Eick Ben Barsness
Jared Hiniker Matt McGraw Sean O'Dea
Ann Winkler Christopher Schmidt Daniel Fitterer
Dana Schiller Jonathan Heintz Anna Drummer

Mark Hansen William Backes



#### PRAYER CHAIN

If you, or someone you know, would like to be included in our prayer chain, please call Karen Etzell, 387-7877.

## READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Mon:** 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Mk 5:1-20

**Tues:** Mal 3:1-4/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32

**Wed:** 2 Sm 24:2, 9-17/Mk 6:1-6

**Thurs:** 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/Mk 6:7-13 **Fri:** Sir 47:2-11/Mk 6:14-29

**Sat:** 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Mk 6:30-34 **Sun:** Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/

Lk 5:1-11

#### K. OF C. COUNCIL #5551 NEWS

Feb 7 - Pancake Breakfast

Feb 11 - Planning Meeting

Feb 25 - General Meeting



#### "ASH WEDNESDAY" – COMING SOON TO A CHURCH NEAR YOU!

Can you believe that Ash Wednesday is just a week and a half-away. The Universal Church will be celebrating the start of Lent with Ash Wednesday beginning on Wednesday, February 10<sup>th</sup>. We will be celebrating three Masses on that day at 8:30 am, 4:30 pm and 7:30 pm. Both our Grade School and High School students will be attending a religious education session. (See our Religious Education News for further details.) Last year we had a phenomenal attendance at our 4:30 pm Mass time. We hope the same will hold true this year.

In next weekend's bulletin there will be an envelope attached for Ash Wednesday as Lent is all about sacrifice and giving. There will also be an insert in the bulletin that will entitled 2016 Lenten Resolutions. For, if we have embraced the full spiritual spectrum of the Lenten season with its call to Prayer, Fasting and Almsgiving, then Holy Week will be a week that we will truly want to celebrate with the great days of Holy Thursday, Good Friday and the Easter Vigil!

#### WINE & FOOD PAIRING - MARCH 19<sup>TH</sup>

Our next GREAT parish get-together has been set for March 19<sup>th</sup> as we will be celebrating our Annual Wine and Food Pairing. IT IS JUST SEVEN WEEKS AWAY! We



will be serving a four-course-dinner along with your favorite wines at the modest price of just \$50.00 per person (\$45.00 early bird).

This year we are going to approach this fund-raiser in a new way. With the final date agreed upon, the meal will be hosted in our school auditorium, following the Saturday night Mass for Palm Sunday. (We are having it in the auditorium for space, other parish events that are taking place and it is close for our caterers in the school kitchen.) We will begin with a social around 6:00 pm and then go onto the meal. We will again, like the Fall Festival, be selling tickets in advance as it makes for a much more accurate count. Tickets will be going on sale beginning February 1st! We are hoping to sell 150 tickets this year, which is a modest goal. Those of you who have gone in past years know first-hand how much fun the evening is, and it is a great time to connect with the many wonderful people of Holy Rosary and beyond! Please call the Parish Office and speak to Jim Theuninck at 345-6828 to pre-register this week. We hope to have an even greater attendance this year! Blessings!



#### LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

**National Catholic Schools Week** begins this weekend! Plan to join us and Bishop Quinn on Wednesday, February 3 at 9:30am at SSPP church when we gather for our all school Mass. All are welcome.

Loyola is preparing for our **Catholic Identity Accreditation** visit February 10 and 11. We have studied and reported on our efforts to live, teach and celebrate our faith and look forward to welcoming visitors from the office of the Diocese of Winona. We treasure our 150 year history of providing Catholic Education in Mankato and we are ready for another 150!

Loyola Preschool classes will celebrate "Moms and Muffins" day this week. Moms, Grandmas, and other special friends share an hour of playtime, stories and songs, hugs and smiles, and treats with their little ones.

Our **senior class** made their annual retreat at Koinonia Retreat Center, Annandale MN, on January 27-29.

Save the date...Open House at Loyola on March 8, 2016, 5-8pm. Are you curious about what Loyola offers students and families? Do you have a preschool child? Do you have an incoming kindergarten student or a child who is in elementary, middle or high school who is looking to make a school change? These open house events are for you! Come and meet Loyola teachers, learn about curriculum, activities and athletics, and take a tour. There will be elementary, intermediate and high school breakout sessions at 5:15pm and 6:45pm and a 6pm presentation by administration followed by a Q&A session. Come for partor all--of the evening and see how Loyola is guiding students to their full potential, walking with them in faith, and equipping them to serve and lead.

Loyola Hall of Fame Nominations are Open. The Schola Foundation invites nominations for the Loyola Hall of Fame. These outstanding individuals contribute significantly to the betterment of Loyola Catholic School and exemplify Loyola's core values in their careers, communities, churches and/or alma mater. Send your recommendation, including why the person should be considered to advancement@loyolacatholicschool.org by February 1.

#### IT'S ECHO TIME AGAIN!

THANK YOU so much for your generosity to the Echo Food Shelf in January! Many needed paper products and cleaning supplies were given and GREATLY appreciated by the Food Shelf and the people who come there. Let's keep it going in February. The boxes will be out on the weekend of February 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup>. We are continuing the drive for:

- Paper Products (TP, Paper Towels, etc)
- Cleaning supplies: Anything from laundry and dish soap to toilet bowl cleaner, Lysol or floor cleaner THANKS in advance we ARE making a difference.

#### STEWARDSHIP CORNER

Diocesan United Fund (D.U.F.) Diocesan Priest Pension Fund/ Medical, Care Comp Ins, and Priest Care Fund:

Pd. to Date: \$ 43,042.59 DUE: \$ 65,081.69

Annual Diocesan Ministries Appeal (D.M.A.):

Rec'd. to Date: \$ 26,065.00

Loyola Catholic School "Investment":

Pd. to Date: \$ 130,000.00 DUE: \$ 234,000.00

Total Paid to Date 2015-16: \$ 199,107.59 Apostolate stewardship for 2015-16: \$ 325,146.69

\*So far this year we have contributed @ 62% of our total parish commitments.

This week Holy Rosary paid out another \$5,000.00 for the support of Loyola Catholic School. We are grateful for receiving back from the Diocese a check from last year's D.M.A. in the amount of \$1,030.25. This amount was part of this week's \$5,000.00 stewardship



gift to Loyola. (Do not forget that Catholic Schools Week is from January 31<sup>st</sup> – February 6<sup>th</sup>!)

Our D.M.A. Appeal is continuing for the Diocese of New Ulm. The goal that the Diocese established has been set at \$36,988.48. To date we have taken in through pledges and gifts a total of \$26,065.00. Every dollar that you give this year to the D.M.A. will result in 80 cents going to the Diocese of New Ulm and 20 cents back to the parish. Even if we exceed our goal, the contributed monies will still be divided out 80/20, with the 80% going to the Diocese and 20% to Holy Rosary. Thank you for your support.

#### **FUEL FUND**

As in the past, we will be holding our annual Fuel Fund in order to defray at least part of the expenses of the monies needed to cover the cost of heating our city block of buildings.

Last year the parish spent \$20,611.47 on heating our parish buildings. Our Fuel Fund Appeal brought in about 25% of the total



expenses or \$5,209.00 to be exact. This year, we have spent so far \$5,531.00. To date, we have received \$2,490.00 in this fiscal year of 2015-2016 for the Fuel Fund. Last week alone we took in nearly \$2,000.00 for the Fuel Fund, which is great!

Please consider making an offering with a check in the memo marked "Fuel Fund" or to place a check in an envelope marked "Fuel Fund". We hope that we can pass last year's goals!

Thank you for your generosity in the past and thank you for your generosity that will be forthcoming. Thank you so much!

#### **NEW BULLETIN BREAKING OUT!**

If you recall, we recently informed you that it was no longer financially feasible for Paragon Printing from Mankato to print our parish bulletin for Holy Rosary. With the rise in the cost of printing and the limited resources of our patrons, Paragon discontinued their long-standing services with Holy Rosary effective Jan. 1<sup>st</sup>.



For the past month, we have been printing the parish bulletin "in house". Over the years I have served in several smaller parishes that have addressed the publication of the weekly bulletin in this way.

However, through the efforts of the parish staff and I, I am pleased to inform you that, beginning next week, Liturgical Publications from New Berlin, Wisconsin will be publishing our weekly parish bulletin in the years ahead.

LPi publishes bulletins from Catholic and Christian Churches all across the United States. They are able to provide an economical bulletin to parishes like ourselves because they deal in such high volume. What you will see next weekend is a very striking and professional quality bulletin.

The advantages of going to Liturgical Publications is as follows: 1.) They will print, at no cost to our parish, two full tabloid-size pages. (We were running off the second page ourselves last year, and the entire bulletin this past month, with the cost of paper and printing coming from the parish.) 2.) The bulletin will be done in color for the first time in the history of Holy Rosary parish and the bulletin will be done on a quality "glossy" paper. We will be the first parish bulletin in the state of Minnesota to be printed in glossy paper through this company. 3.) This bulletin is being paid exclusively though our patrons that are advertising on the back of the bulletin. We have lost some and gained several advertisers. 4.) Each year the parish will receive back from the company a check of \$1,000.00. If more than \$18,000.00 in advertisements are sold, Holy Rosary will also receive 30% of the revenue as income to the parish.

In the end, we will have a free bulletin and with higher quality. It is one of those "WIN-WIN" situations. Enjoy!

#### BIRTHRIGHT RAFFLE

Tickets are again available for the annual Benefit for Birthright raffle. Purchase and dropped off at the parish office. For more info, contact David Mutch at 387-5406.

#### **BABY ITEMS NEEDED**

Help CCW reach out to newborn babies in the local area by collecting items. Items can be left in the pac-n-play at the main entry of the Church or in the bassinets at the side entrances. NEW ITEMS ONLY! Newborn-9-24 months outfits, diapers, baby wipes, diaper rash cream, baby bath towels & wash cloths, receiving blankets, bibs, infant socks (0-12 months), baby layettes, long sleeve onesies, baby books, small toys. Checks or cash will be used to purchase needed items - please put in an envelope marked "Baby Shower" and place in the collection basket. February 7<sup>th</sup> will be the last day for collection. Thanks!

#### TRIDENTINE MASS

The traditional Latin Tridentine Mass is celebrated at Ss. Peter and Paul Catholic Church on the first Saturday of each month, the next Mass is schedule for February 6<sup>th</sup> at 9:00 am. A question and answer period with coffee and rolls will follow on the fourth floor. All are welcome.

# LENTEN SCRIPTURE COURSE 2016 "MAKING SENSE OF THE GOSPELS TODAY"

I have been unduly impressed that, after only a good week or so talking and writing about our upcoming scripture course, we are nearing 100 individuals who have expressed interest. (To be exact, we have 90 individuals who have signed up, but not all will be able to attend as some can only attend one day or the other.)

I have begun to do a bit of preparation for the class. We will be holding the class in the church either Sunday or Wednesday night depending on how people have voted for the most favorable time. I will keep it very basic and simple. I will do my best to illustrate my points and to not make it either too "DRY" or too "THEOLOGICAL". The whole purpose is to get you more engaged in the scriptures and to give you some simple tools on how to better pray with the sacred scriptures.

Below is a simple form that you can either fill out or call in and inform the staff of your interest. There will be no charge, just a spiritual, Lenten commitment that you will be faithful to come to the classes for the five weeks of Lent. I would ask that you would indicate your intentions by no later than February 5<sup>th</sup>. It would be a good Lenten resolution to attend this class and to deepen your faith and knowledge of the Sacred Scriptures that you hear every Sunday. (I assure you that small group discussion will be at a minimum as a number of you have asked about this and do not wish to be involved in much of this classroom style.)

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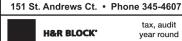
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