



Holy Rosary Catholic Church

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August 28th, 2016

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time



Rev. Paul van de Crommert
Pastor

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the Quill and the Cloth

“Jesus told a parable to those who had been invited, noticing how they were choosing the places of honor at the table.”

- St. Luke

More than 3 decades ago, I formally decided to study for the Diocese of New Ulm. In those days, I met with the Bishop at the Pastoral Center. After the meeting with the Bishop, he would approve my “candidacy” to study for the Diocese.



I was a college student at that time, completing my undergraduate degree at St. John’s University in Collegeville. I remember distinctly worrying about the meeting. What would I say? What would we do at the meeting? What would I wear?

My Mother, who is fearlessly practical, assured me that I was just to go there and to be myself. I had decided to wear my best and only suit. It was a light-colored three-piece suit with a tie. Now, my Mother, who always believed strongly in dressing up for the good Lord on Sunday, was surprisingly not so keen on the idea to dress to “the nines” to meet a Bishop. When I told her that I was going to wear the suit, she dismissed it with the words “that is overdone”, and assured me that a pair of dress pants and a sports shirt was “good enough”.

When I arrived that Saturday morning to meet the Bishop, Bishop Lucker was dressed in a blue plaid (lumberjack-style) shirt along with a pair of blue jeans and a pair of work boots. He greeted me with the words that he had been working in the garden that morning. We had a brief visit and he welcomed me as a seminarian for the Diocese. I was grateful that day I had listened to my Mother and taken her fiercely practical advice.

No more did the mother of this future priest like a show-off than does Mother of the Divine Son, Mary. For, in today’s Gospel from St. Luke, Jesus is quite firm about coming to feasts and fine seating: don’t be the “show-off” and be humble in your day to day dealings with others.

This past Monday, on the Queenship of Mary, I officially celebrated being a pastor 25 years. I still remember with crystal clarity my ordination, the days leading up to that day, and my First Mass; all the way to picking out a new “black” suit in Worthington. Just recently, my Mother and I drove

past the mall in Worthington. It has been leveled and will be replaced with a car dealership.

Malls close, clothes wear out, and the great celebrations of our life pass into the annuals of history. Even our loved ones eventually die, but the values they have taught us live on in our lives, if we keep within ourselves an active and holy, personal spirit.

My ordination and First Mass, which was so memorable for me, would only be the beginning of many celebrations I would be a part of as a priest from weddings to anniversaries, from baptisms to graduation to an endless amount of parish events. In the first years of ordination, the priest was often asked to sit at the head table at weddings. At first I was thrilled at the idea. As the years passed it often became penitential as I was often placed on the end, next to a grade schooler who was not much of a conversationalist.

I always vowed that I would never have a Silver Anniversary celebration, as I no longer cared to be the center of a celebration, much less having people annually sing “Happy Birthday” to me. However, I did not win that argument. It was again a beautiful day, but I was glad that it went well and it was past.

Maybe some might conclude from reading this article that I am becoming anti-social. That might be a false conclusion, although I do value my privacy. However, continually being in front of people each weekend and even daily, I would like to think it might be a sign of spiritual maturity. Life doesn’t always have to be about me.

I think that is the Good News of this gospel from St. Luke. I do not believe the Lord was down on a good party or celebration, honoring someone for their accomplishments or achieving a milestone in their life. I believe the Lord was speaking about the GOOD NEWS OF GENUINE HUMILITY that sometimes we lose in this technical age when “selfies” and “stardom” seems to be more important than anyone or anything else.

That is why, when people ask me to make an announcement after Mass, I often encourage them to make the announcement, with the intent that the focus does not always have to be about me. Likewise, as much as I enjoy saying Mass and preaching, I fight with myself and have false guilt about being gone. Yet it is good to be gone, not only to rest, but also for the virtue of humility.

With the encouragement of our Mothers and Holy Mother Church, may we never “show-off” with pride, but “show-up” with humility so that one day we might have a seat at the wedding feast of everlasting life.

Rev. Paul van de Crommert, Pastor

Stewardship of Gratitude

Adult	\$5,038.00
Electronic Giving	\$3,503.25
Junior	\$32.81
Plate	\$346.78
Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary	\$55.00
Faith Formation Tuition	\$2,620.00
November Fest Raffle Prize Monies	\$425.00
Pop Machine Monies	\$32.00
Grand Total	\$12,052.84

Our weekly goal is set at \$13,000.00

Stewardship

This week, we are experiencing a bit of the summer slow-down. This is fine as, like I reported last weekend, we have had a very “grateful” stewardship year of 2015-2016. This year’s stewardship in 2016-2017 is equally good. From July 1st to Aug. 11th, our net income has increased by 85%. So, it would be incorrect to say that we have had a slow summer in terms of stewardship. Thank you to all of you who contributed to the cause last weekend.

New to Holy Rosary?

Are you new to the area? Would like to be part of the growing Holy Rosary family? All you need to do is to stop by the parish during office hours (9am-5pm Mon-Fri) on the south side of our former Catholic school building, (first door on the left). You are now also able to register online by going to holyroarynorthmankato.com/membership-registration. This new online registration page can also be accessed directly from our home page. On this page, you are able to download the registration forms to fill out, or you can simply send us your contact information via an easy-to-use form and we will mail you a hard copy of those forms.



For our long-time registered Holy Rosary members, make it a point after Mass to greet the people that you do not know.

THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

“The literal resurrection of every soul who has lived and died on earth is a certainty, and surely one should make careful preparation for this event. A glorious resurrection should be the goal of every man and woman, for resurrection will be a reality.”

-Ezra Taft Benson



Running for the Raffle

I know that, for many people, our November Fest seems a long-time off as we will be celebrating this great day on November 13th! But we are **only 10 weeks away** from the festival and we all know how fast our summer went, RIGHT? So, in order for us to get the prizes in, put the list together, and get the layout to the printer in a timely manner, now is the time to start.

Last year, on our FIRST ATTEMPT, you were SO GENEROUS and we came up with **70 quality CASH and GIFT prizes**. We have already received a total of \$800.00 in cash prizes for our raffle! This is SUPER! We have also received four gift prizes as well. SO, WE ARE WELL ON OUR WAY! Maybe this year we will have 100 top prizes? But we still need lots of help to achieve our Raffle Ticket goal. WE ARE PRESENTLY IN NEED OF MORE CASH PRIZES. NO AMOUNT IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL! **Our deadline for receiving prizes so that they can be listed on the raffle ticket is 12:00 pm Noon on September 26th!**

*Equally, do you have a NEW or (LIKE NEW) household item or workshop item to donate such as power tools, lawn equipment, etc.? (We are also again looking for those WONDERFUL THEME BASKETS that you did such a great job with last year for our SILENT AUCTION.)

We are grateful to the women of the parish that canned, for the Festival, 93 jars of produce last Saturday! There is little doubt that this homemade food will go very quickly! I understand that they will be doing one more round of canning. Thank you ladies for your strong FESTIVAL SPIRIT!

You are welcome to drop off your quality items at the Parish Office. If we are not able to use the item for the RAFFLE, we would certainly like to use it in the Silent Auction or perhaps Attic Treasures. Let’s make this year’s November Fest even better than last year!

***Please watch for dinner ticket sales that will go on sale in the coming weeks before and after Mass!**

P.S. As you are working in your kitchen, we are in need of clear plastic containers with a lid such as mayonnaise jars/bottles or peanut butter jars. These will be used in one of the games for our young people at November Fest!

The Week Ahead

Monday, August 29: The Passion of St. John the Baptist

No Morning Mass

Tuesday, August 30: Weekday

No Morning Mass

Wednesday, August 31: Weekday

No Morning Mass

Thursday, September 1: Weekday

No Morning Mass

10:15 am – Holy Communion Service at Pathstone

Friday, September 2: Weekday

No Morning Mass

9:15 am – Parishioners’ Breakfast at the Best Western Restaurant - *All are invited!

Saturday, September 3: Saint Gregory the Great, Pope and Doctor of the Church

9:00 am – Latin Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul

4:30 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm – Rosary

5:00 pm – Mass - William & Rose Roescht

Sunday, September 4: 23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

7:30 am – Rosary

8:00 am – Mass - People of the Parish

9:30 am – Rosary

10:00 am – Mass - Sebastian & Gloria Lena†, Emmanuel Anthonisamy†, and Mylvahanam Imparajah†

Attention Young Singers!

Youth Choir will be starting up again on Wed. Sept. 14th to coincide with the Religious Education program (which will begin at 6:00 pm). Practices will be on Wednesdays from 5:00 pm - 5:45 pm in the school choir room. Any questions contact Kathy Jo Johns 382-0538 or e-mail kjowall@chartermi.net



Youth Minister Position Available

Holy Rosary Parish is seeking a vibrant, practicing Catholic with a strong prayer life and experience working with youth in a ministry setting to promote discipleship among the youth, families, and catechists of the Religious Education programs at Holy Rosary Parish. This position is a part-time, hourly position. Salary depends on experience and education. Youth ministry demands a certain flexibility of hours, many of which will be Wednesday evenings or weekends, averaging 5 - 10 hours per week. If you are interested in the position or know someone who may be, please contact the parish office and ask for either Father Paul or Cathy.

Sept. 3rd - Sept. 4th, 2016

**WEEKEND
MINISTRY SCHEDULE**

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Lectors:

5:00 pm Tom Koch

8:00 am Mike Brumm 10:00 am Chris Cain

Eucharistic Ministers:

5:00 pm Rick Gruber, Paul Stevens, Tom & Mary Clare Wyrowski, Brenda Voracek, *Karen Winters

8:00 am Linda & Gerry Hiniker, Jim Theuninck, Bernie Bastian, Terri Compton, *Craig Amundson

10:00 am Julie Schoettler, Ryan Howe, Darlene Schorn, Dennis Haga, Brent Friedrichs, *Tim McGowan

Altar Servers:

5:00 pm Anna Voracek, Elias & Sheamus Westermann

8:00 am Ben & Lauren Cahalan, Braeden Otto

10:00 am Elaine Adams, Abi Lang, Hannah Linnes (C/B/B)

Presentation of Gifts:

5:00 pm Ray & Mary Forsyth

8:00 am Arlyce Anderson & Margaret Ayers

10:00 am Jack & Diann McGowan

Ushers:

5:00 pm Gary Wintheiser, Tom Rheaume, Steve Enderle, Bob Meyer (Head Usher)

8:00 am Bill Cahalan, Mary & Gary Zellmer, Carl Steffensmeier (Head Usher)

10:00 am Brandon Bernard, Glenn Verschelde, Steve Kaiser, Thomas Kohls (Head Usher)

Music Ministry:

5:00 pm Julie Gruber/Jeanne Makela

8:00 am Kathy Jo Johns/Jeanne Makela

10:00 am Jen Chelstrom/Jeanne Makela

Rosary Leaders:

5:00 pm Vince Guertin

8:00 am Arlyce Anderson 10:00 am Darlene Schorn

Money Counters for September 2016: Arlyce Anderson, Helen Anderson, John & Donna Wolf

Bulletin Folders for September 2016: Ruth Fitterer, Rosal Molski, Bob & Renee Amundson

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 & Special Needs

Dan Senesac, Ruth Gag, Bernadine Faltersack, Doris Lorenz, Daniel Crowley, Frances Lorentz, Cyrilla Beal, Charles Ulman, Ruth Fitterer

**Our prayer list will be updated regularly. When you submit a name of a loved one for prayer, their name will remain on the prayer list for SIX WEEKS. If you no longer see your loved ones name and would like the parish community to continue to pray for this individual, please call the parish office with your prayer request and their name will again be placed on our prayer list for another six weeks.*

Home Visitation: If you wish to have yourself or a loved one receive the sacraments, Holy Communion or a personal pastoral visit, please call our coordinator, Lorraine Klaseus at 507-388-4932

For Our Families

Monday	Brian & Paula Theissen
Tuesday	Rose Wilson
Wednesday	Douglas & Ann Vose
Thursday	Nancy Schmidt
Friday	James & Sharon Olson
Saturday	Kevin & Beth Montgomery
Sunday	Nell Meinhardt



For Those in the Military

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



Prayer Chain

If you have a short term prayer request or praise for our prayer chain to pray for, please call Teresa Kolstad at 507-327-9810.

This Week's Readings

- Mon:** 1 Cor 2:1-5 (431)/Mk 6:17-29
- Tues:** 1 Cor 2:10b-16/Lk 4:31-37
- Wed:** 1 Cor 3:1-9/Lk 4:38-44
- Thurs:** 1 Cor 3:18-23/Lk 5:1-11
- Fri:** 1 Cor 4:1-5/Lk 5:33-39
- Sat:** 1 Cor 4:6b-15/Lk 6:1-5
- Sun:** Wis 9:13-18b/Phlm 9-10, 12-17/Lk 14:25-33

Religious Education Program

Attention Junior/Senior High Students and Parents
- Mass & Munching at Minneopa!

Our first class meeting is **September 21st**. We are going to do something different this year for our first class! We will be taking a short trip out to **Minneopa State Park** for Mass and a Meal! **We will gather at Holy Rosary at 5:45 pm** to board the bus that will take us out to Minneopa. Mass will begin at 6:00 pm with a meal to follow. It will be a chance to start the year off right by gathering for the Eucharist and finding time for food and fellowship afterwards. We will return to Holy Rosary at approximately 8:00 pm. Permission slips will be emailed to parents.



Registrations

Registration forms continue to come in! Please get yours in as soon as possible! There are forms at the entrances of the church. All students must be registered before they come to class. If you have any questions, please call Cathy at 345-6765.

Catechists Needed

Have you been thinking about ways to share your time and talent? Has God been tapping you on the shoulder or whispering in your ear to become a catechist? Help is definitely needed! What are you waiting for? Come join the band of faith sharers and become a catechist! We cannot do our work without YOU! Please prayerfully consider this ministry. For more info, call 345-6765.

Faith Formation Rocks!

HELP, WE NEED SOMEBODY,
HELP, NOT JUST ANYBODY,
HELP, YOU KNOW WE NEED SOMEONE
HELP!!!!!!



Upcoming Dates

- September 11:** Catechist Meal & Training from 5:00 pm to 8:30 pm
- September 14:** First Class for Elementary Students - Open House - 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm
- September 21:** Elementary Class 6:00 pm - 7:30 pm. First Class for Jr/Sr High Students - 5:45 pm - 8:00 pm.



LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS

On Monday, we welcomed students and parents back to school during our first annual Day One Celebration. All K-12 students and parents were greeted outside by teachers and staff, while balloons, music and signs helped to welcome all. Parents were then invited to stay for breakfast and an assembly. The energy was fantastic! We are looking forward to a wonderful school year!

Loyola is hiring a front desk receptionist for our Upper Campus, 145 Good Counsel Drive. Responsibilities include answering phones, greeting visitors and parents and general administrative duties. Hours: 7:45am-3:15pm on student contact days. To apply, please send resume to: employment@loyolacatholicschool.org

Save the Date! Wired to the Heart 2016 will be Friday, October 28 at the MSU Ballroom. More information to follow!

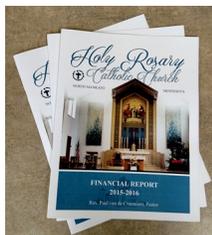
Thanks to all who purchased Lucky 20 tickets! Winners are: \$10,000: Elaine Koch | \$5,000: Susan Peller | \$1,000: Joe Fredrick | \$500: Trudy Kunkel, Jerry & Marilu Bambery | \$200: John Bastian, Gary Captain, Ryan Hassing, Glen & Heidi Coudron, Mike & Michelle Fisher, Rose Fritz, S. Margie Klein, Allan & Linda Kluever, Jack Kolars, Ann Leonard, Amy Orcutt, Mark Piepho, Dean Vollella, Dee Wright, Nancy Zwickey

Welcome, Father Andy

Pastorally, I am grateful for Fr. Andy Olsem’s presence this weekend. Father had an available weekend open and, although I was planning to be here this weekend before I headed out right after the Masses, Father indicated that (since I am not gone from the parish often) he would be happy to give me a weekend. Since October of 2015, (the past 10 months) I was away only one weekend. I think you are more than ready to see someone else for a change! Right? In the event of an emergency/funeral/etc. please call the parish office. I ask for your prayers that my travels will be safe.

Final Financial Reports 2015-2016

If you have not seen our fine Financial Report, last week’s bulletins are available at the three entrances of church, as long as they will last. (Even though our attendance last weekend was not the strongest, an unusually large amount of bulletins were taken.) Once the bulletins and reports are gone, you are still able to go online and read the report in its entirety. Just go to “Bulletins” and view the August 21st bulletin. Thank you again for your great stewardship!



Stewardship Corner

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

Pd. to Date: \$18,634.42

DUE: \$73,231.32

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

Rec’d. to Date: \$0.00

DUE: TBA

Loyola Catholic School Assessment:

Pd. to Date: \$0.00

DUE: TBA

Total Paid to Date 2016-17: \$18,634.42

Apostolate stewardship for 2016-17: \$73,231.32

We have contributed 0% of our total parish commitments.

We are still awaiting the stewardship for the Diocesan Ministries Appeal as well as the financial commitment from our Area Catholic School of Loyola.

As we close out the month of August, we have paid ahead on our Diocesan assessment by paying two months instead of one. As much as we are able, we are trying to pay ahead in all three of these areas so, in the final months of the fiscal year, all the remaining revenue will remain at Holy Rosary.

Finance Council Meeting Minutes
Holy Rosary Church
June 27, 2016

The Finance Council meeting was called to order on Monday, June 27th at 7:00 pm in Conference Room 1. The majority of members were in attendance. The meeting opened with prayer. The past minutes of April 25th were approved as read.

Pastor’s Report: Father began his comments by stating that tonight’s meeting will be abbreviated, but necessary as we conclude the fiscal year on Thursday. Father then went on to share that Holy Rosary did not have a “good” financial year, but rather a “great” financial year. At this point, the general funds of the parish are concluding on or near \$50,000.00. This would be nearly two and a half times last year’s total at \$19,341.62. The parish has also been able to leave untouched the investments from Eide Bailey that have continued to grow, exceeding \$800,000.00 at this time.

Presently, we are finishing up the budget for 2016-2017 which will be a balanced budget. We are anticipating a positive financial year if offerings continue at the same pace as the past two years. We are still awaiting some final

budgeting figures for capital improvements as well as for the assessment from Loyola School for the next academic year. This year, the proposals will be more modest for capital improvements. The parish kitchen will be cleaned and painted, we anticipate partial upgrades to the church's cooling system to take place as well as some needed repairs and changes in the sacristy.

As we closed out the final week of the fiscal year, we had 48 of the 52 weeks that the weekly contributions exceeded the budgeted needs. That would be 92% of the weekly contributions and income that exceeded the budgeted needs. There were four weeks that we did not make budget this year. Our budget for next year will be nearly identical to this past year.

Bookkeeper's Report: Jim reviewed the finances of Holy Rosary. The parish bills are current. All of our parish stewardship obligations are completed from the Diocese as well as Loyola Catholic schools. The parish will conclude in the black. The Financial for 2015-2016 is expected to come out in August. Jim provided a report to the members of the breakdown of the present finances.

Old Business: Statue of St. Francis: The statue of St. Francis is expected to arrive any day from Rome. St. Patrick's Guild believes that it will be here by Wednesday, June 29th. The money is on hand to cover the cost of this piece of liturgical art. **Sanctuary Mural Update:** The time to re-do the mural as well as to have additional work done on the painting is scheduled for the week of July 25th. It is estimated that the time to set up the scaffolding and complete the work will take about a week. There is designated money on hand to complete the project. When the project is completed in a satisfactory manner, the \$3,000.00 that is still owed from the first installment of work will also be paid at that time. **Capital Improvements:** A discussion was held on continuing capital improvements, largely on the church in the year(s) ahead. The air-conditioning is not working properly. The Finance Council is encouraging local contractors to investigate the problems the system presently has. If the revenue will allow, an updating of the system would take place for the budget for 2016-2017 with work beginning in the spring of 2017. The system is around 20 years old and is perhaps lacking efficiency, capability, etc. More study of this maintenance project will be done. The sound system is proposed to be moved to a closet in the sacristy that was a former confessional. The door will be secured as there has been easy access to the electronics and a sound-system failure at times. The freed up space will allow a new vanity to be installed that is a better location than the present site as it is difficult to pass from one side to the other of the sacristy. The area of the present vanity will be more of a hallway area to pass. The

ceiling needs plastering due to water damage years earlier as well as painting. Electrical outlets/thermostats will be moved to a central location behind the sacristy door. The council agreed that carpeting is not the best flooring for the sacristy and plans are in the works to eventually install tile when the other work has been completed. It is anticipated that this work on the sacristy will take place in the months ahead and in consultation with the Worship Committee. **Parish Endowment:** The council approved moving ahead with the legal endowment, permanently tying up parish monies with only the ability to take off the interest on the principal. A previous document in the parish's possession is being updated and revised by an attorney. The initial amount to be placed in this endowment will be \$50,000.00 with additional monies being placed in annually as well as encouragement by parishioners. Final approval will be held at the September meeting. **Staff Salary Increases:** No one on staff received a salary increase this year as the Diocese gave no salary increase to the Diocesan staff or pastors. **Parish Budget 2016-2017:** The budget for 2016-2017 was reviewed with some final adjustments needing to be completed. The budget for the coming year is balanced and, if the offering continues at the same pace and no major financial surprises, it will result in concluding in the positive at the close of June 2017. **Vacation Raffle:** The Vacation Raffle was reviewed. It was another great success with a great attendance. The change of time from the fall to the spring seems to have not hurt this annual event. Plans are in the works to host the Vacation Raffle again in the spring of 2017. **Hunt Property:** With the retirement of Kurt Evans, the Hunt property has been vacated. The city of North Mankato requires a permit-license to rent out property which the parish did not have possession of since the purchase of the property. North Mankato has a large share of property that is now being rented. Sherry Henrickson raised the question as to the purpose of renting the property, as it was initially purchased with the intent of additional off-street parking. A discussion ensued. A number of members expressed the desire to remove the house and to expand parking. Dan Wingert would look further into this possibility. No final decision was reached, but will be addressed again at the September meeting.

New Business: November Fest: November Fest has been officially set for November 13th. The Festival Committee will be meeting this summer to begin plans for the bid event. Father encouraged any comments or ideas to make this year's event even more successful.

The next Holy Rosary Finance Council meeting is scheduled for September 19th at 7:00 pm in Conference Room #1. The meeting concluded with prayer.