



# Holy Rosary Catholic Church

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“OUR LADY OF THE MOST HOLY ROSARY, PRAY FOR US”

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## October 8, 2017

Twenty-Seventh Sunday  
in Ordinary Time



**Rev. Paul van de Crommert**  
**Pastor**

the Quill and the Cloth

This past Tuesday, my Father “William”, who I affectionately called “Daddy” my whole life, passed away on the morning of October 3, 2017 at 3:30 am. He had lived a full life, farming until he was 88, living on the farm until he was 91 years young. John Denver sang so appropriately in his hit song “Back Home Again”, “...



*sometimes this old farm, feels like a long, lost friend...”. I believe that the hardest thing Daddy had ever done in his life, after severely breaking his hip, was not to return to his beloved farm that he was the proud owner of for exactly 50 years in this year of 2017.*

He spent the past two years in nursing homes and assisted living residences. He appeared to me simply as an uprooted plant from his beloved land. My Mother and I were the last ones to see him alive as we travelled to the hospital in Sioux Falls to be with him this past Monday. He appeared to me to take on the very passion of Christ on the cross, sorrowful in his suffering, striking in his spirit. I could see his spirit was trying to be freed of a body devastated by disease and too many days on this earth. So, it has been a week of late nights, endless phone calls, planning and meetings between the work of the parish and preparing the burial of a parent. *(The funeral was this Saturday for those who might be wondering where the pastor is on this weekend’s Saturday night.)* Yet, strange as it may sound to you and even to me as I write this, I have found an odd sense of his presence near me during these days of preparation. He always reminded me of our special closeness as we were both the youngest sons in our families.

As I was preparing the obituary, the funeral homily and the program, I came across a poem that I included in the Funeral Mass program. While one might always feel that there is something more you wish you had said or done with a loved one who has passed; I have seen enough funerals and deaths as a priest that I promised myself I would not regret my parent’s passing because of guilt from a lack of time being with them. I remember the first time I brought him flowers on either Father’s Day or his birthday, years ago. I thought he would dismiss the flowers, claiming they were a “woman’s gift” and disown them by giving them to my Mother. As a farmer he was always intrigued by plants and

trees of every variety and kind. Surprisingly, he was so touched by those flowers, and even those I later gave, he would keep telling people that he had received those flowers from me and they were his, not my Mother’s.

My oldest brother in his spare time has written poetry for years. When I read this to him on the phone one night this week, he quietly said in the end; “I wish I had written that”!

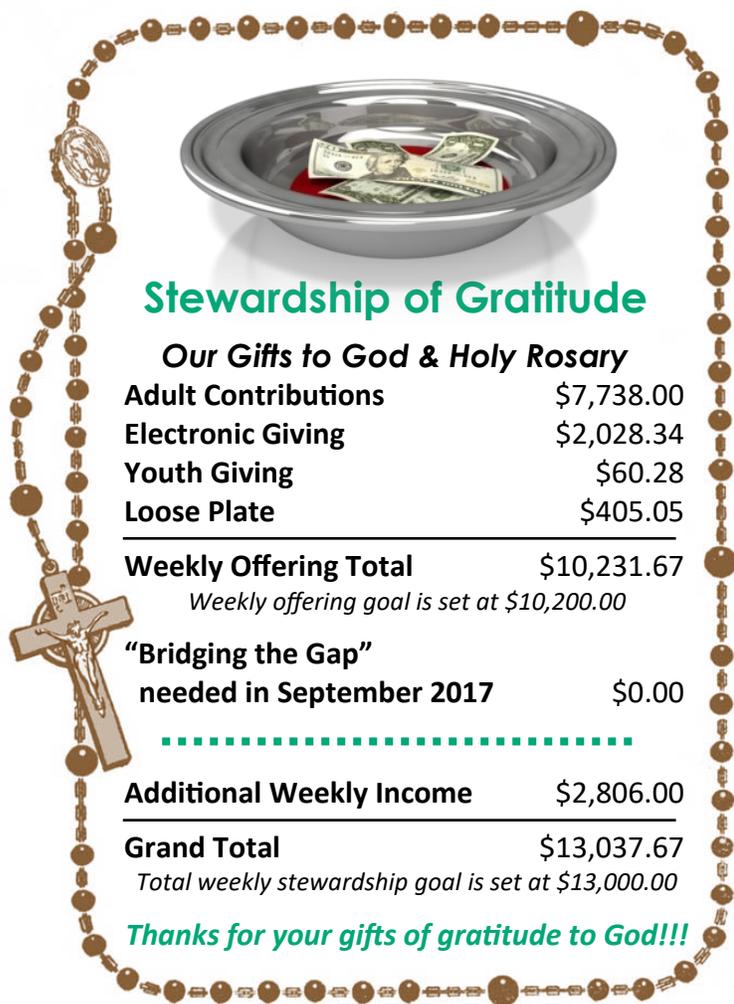
**GIVE THEM FLOWERS NOW**

Closed eyes can’t see the white roses,  
Cold hands can’t hold them, you know,  
Breath that is stilled can not gather  
The odors that sweet from them blow.  
Death, with a peace beyond dreaming,  
Its children of earth doth endow;  
Life is the time we can help them,  
So give them flowers now!  
Here are the struggles and striving.  
Here are the cares and the tears;  
Now is the time to be smoothing  
The frowns and the furrows and fear,  
What to closed eyes are kind sayings?  
What to hushed heart is deep vow?  
Naught can avail after parting,  
So give them the flowers now!  
Just a kind word or a greeting;  
Just a warm grasp or a smile—  
There are the flowers that will lighten  
The burdens for many a miles.  
After the journey is over  
What is the use of them; how  
Can they carry them who must be carried?  
Oh, give them the flowers now!  
Blooms from the happy heart’s garden  
Plucked in the spirit of love;  
Blooms that are earthly reflections  
Of flowers that blossom above.  
Words cannot tell what a measure  
Of blessing such gifts will allow  
To dwell in the lives of many,  
So give them the flowers now!

-Leigh M. Hodges

May he rest in eternal peace!

Rev. Paul van de Crommert, Pastor



## Stewardship of Gratitude

### Our Gifts to God & Holy Rosary

Adult Contributions	\$7,738.00
Electronic Giving	\$2,028.34
Youth Giving	\$60.28
Loose Plate	\$405.05

**Weekly Offering Total** \$10,231.67  
*Weekly offering goal is set at \$10,200.00*

**“Bridging the Gap”  
 needed in September 2017** \$0.00

**Additional Weekly Income** \$2,806.00

**Grand Total** \$13,037.67  
*Total weekly stewardship goal is set at \$13,000.00*

*Thanks for your gifts of gratitude to God!!!*

## Catechetical Sunday – Thank You

A special word of thanks to our Faith Formation Director Cathy Neve, her catechists, aides and all the volunteers related to the religious education program. We are blessed that each year that we can start on time; actually earlier than many of the programs across our Diocese that may still be seeking out teachers and volunteers to assist in our program. It is a blessing that the majority of the catechists again returned this year as they had a positive experience with our young people. We are grateful to those parents who do everything they can to support the program through their prompt payment of tuition, attendance at our sacramental classes and weekly attendance at the Holy Eucharist. Please know that parents are welcome to attend and experience their young person’s class and to participate on Wednesdays. We are always looking for more adult involvement. May these classes this year not only draw our young people to a deeper understanding of Christ and the Sacred Scriptures; but in keeping with this year’s theme; to draw the students and their parents close to Christ through the Holy Eucharist. Thank you for your attendance at this year’s Catechetical Sunday. Blessings to you all!



## Lector Work Shop

### THIS SUNDAY Evening, October 8th

A “mandatory” training session of all our “new” and “returning” lectors is being scheduled for “THIS” Sunday, October 8th, at 6:30 pm in the main church. Over the past three years all of the various ministries of the liturgy have gone through instruction and training. The last group that has yet to meet are our the lectors for daily and Sunday Mass. The meeting will take about an hour and a half of your time, followed by a brief social downstairs. This meeting is mandatory as there are a number of changes that will be taking place for those involved in the ministry of lector. If you are not in attendance and have not contacted us to inform us of your absence, we will assume you no longer wish to serve in this ministry. Lectoring at Mass is a very important part of the weekly Holy Eucharist and it is vitally important that those who take on this ministry to “proclaim” the word of God, do so clearly and with meaning. We hope to see you all there. *“The word of the Lord.” “Thanks be to God.”*

## Anointing Mass for the Sick

Again this fall we will be offering 3 Masses for those who wish to receive the Sacrament of the Sick. The main Mass will be held THIS MON., October 9th at 4:00 pm. Following the Mass there will also be a potluck supper in the social hall of the church. There will be two more additional Anointing Masses on Wed., October 18th, at 9:15 am and again on Fri., October 20th, at Monarch Meadows at 10:15 am. We hope to see many of you there who are in need of this sacrament of healing.



## Stewardship Of Gratitude

By the close of October, we will have completed one-third of our Fiscal Year of 2017-2018. Will we be able to avoid our “Bridging the Gap” campaign for the first one-third of the year? It looks distinctly possible. This weekend is Catechetical Sunday. Through religious instruction we are teaching the young people that stewardship is not just an “adult” or “parent” thing, but it is the spiritual responsibility of everyone in the parish. Regardless if our offering is small or great, it is a way not only to support the parish, but to also to spiritually say to our Lord “thank you” for everything that you have given to me. Thank you for your gifts.

## Collection for Hurricane Harvey Victims

Holy Rosary will be taking donations for the victims of Hurricane Harvey THIS WEEKEND, October 7th & 8th. These funds will be taken at the same time as the regular collection. Please as generous as you are able.

## THOUGHT FOR THE WEEK

*“You may do with my body as you will. All I ask is that you remember me in prayer when you go to the altar of God.”*  
 - St. Monica

**The Week Ahead**

**Sunday, October 8: 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*(CCW Recognition Weekend & Catechetical Weekend)*

**\*6:30 pm – Mandatory Lector Workshop (Church)**

**Monday, October 9: Weekday (Saint Denis, Bishop, and Companions, Martyrs; Saint John Leonardi, Priest)**

No Morning Mass

**4:00 pm – Anointing Mass - Karen Gagnier Randall†**

**\*Potluck Dinner to follow in Lower Social Hall**

**Tuesday, October 10: Weekday**

7:00 am – Mass at Ss. Peter & Paul

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

12:05 pm – Mass at St. Joseph the Worker

**1:00 pm - 2:00 pm – Loyola School Meeting (Fr. Paul attends)**

**Wednesday, October 11: Weekday (Saint John XXIII, Pope)**

**10:40 am – 7-12 Mass at Loyola (Fr. Paul) - Monica Ahern†**

1:00 pm - 4:00 pm – Sewing Group (Lower Level PC)

**5:00 pm - 5:45 pm – Children’s Choir Practice (School)**

**5:00 pm - 7:00 pm – Holy Rosary Community Meal**  
- Menu: Mac & Cheese (School Cafeteria)

**6:00 pm - 7:10 pm – Elementary Rel. Ed. Classes**  
(Living Rosary at 6:30 pm)

**6:00 pm - 6:50 pm – Youth Group**

**7:00 pm - 8:30 pm – Jr/Sr High Rel. Ed. Classes**  
(Living Rosary at 7:45 pm)

**Thursday, October 12: Weekday**

8:05 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - Don & Harriet Neitge†

**4:30 pm – Loyola Board of Trustees Mtg. (Fr. Paul attends)**

**6:00 pm – CCW Fall Luncheon Volunteer Mtg. (Lower Hall)**

**7:30 pm – K of C Planning Mtg. (Lower Hall)**

**Friday, October 13: Weekday**

8:05 am – Rosary

8:30 am – Mass - John Klaseus†

**9:15 am – Parishioners’ Breakfast at the Perkins**  
Restaurant (1123 Range St) - \*All are invited

**Saturday, October 14: Weekday (Saint Callistus I, Pope and Martyr; BVM)**

4:30 pm – Sacrament of Reconciliation

4:30 pm – Rosary

5:00 pm – Mass - People of the Parish

**Sunday, October 15: 28th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

7:30 am – Rosary

8:00 am – Mass - Living & Deceased Members of the  
Peter & Jelaine Schreiner Family

**8:30 am - 12:30 pm – K of C Pancake Breakfast (Lower Hall)**

9:30 am – Rosary

10:00 am – Mass - Sid & Delores Satern†  
(Nursery, CLW, & Sunday School during the 10:00 am Mass)

**October 14th - 15th, 2017**



**Lectors:**

**5:00 pm** Brian Eggersdorfer

**8:00 am** John Holden

**10:00 am** Roxi Lang

**Eucharistic Ministers:**

**5:00 pm** Mary Beth Nygaard, Patrick & Wanda Hull,  
Nicole Hull, Rick Gruber, Rebecca Gruenes

**8:00 am** Peter & Danielle Backes, Gene Brandt,  
Cathy Neve, Michelle Ellingworth,  
Craig Amundson

**10:00 am** Curt & Donna Stanke, Dennis Haga,  
Mike & Diane O’Dea, Maxine Davis

**Altar Servers:**

**5:00 pm** Rayna & Riley Gruenes, Katie Rooney (C/B/B)

**8:00 am** Ben & Grace Ellingworth, Duram Kelly (C/B/B)

**10:00 am** Elias Westermann, Abi Lang,  
Nathan Lang (C/B/B)

**Presentation of Gifts:**

**5:00 pm** Michael R. Fischer Family

**8:00 am** Paul & Karen Harguth

**10:00 am** Lester & Leola Kopp

**Ushers:**

**5:00 pm** Steve Enderle, Jim Theuninck,  
Paul Stevens, Mark Weingartz (Head Usher)

**8:00 am** Frank & Tony Weber, Christopher Backes,  
Bill Fasnacht (Head Usher)

**10:00 am** John Jagerson, Glenn Verschelde,  
Isaac & Blaine Kolstad (Head Usher)

**Rosary Leaders:**

**5:00 pm** Eileen Wadekamper

**8:00 am** Elmer Heirigs

**10:00 am** Donna Wolf

**Music Ministry:**

**5:00 pm** Jenny Chelstrom/Vicki Galli

**8:00 am** Lori Christiansen/Janelle Campeau

**10:00 am** Kathy Jo Johns/Vicki Galli

**Money Counters - October 2017:** Bob Manwarren,  
Mary Coleman, Terri Compton, Arlyce Anderson

**Bulletin Folders - October 2017:** Anne Frederick, Betty  
Rykhuis, Dolores Portz, Lenora Hickey, Amy Williams

## 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

Leonard Mettler, Gerald & Alma Erkel, Rose Wilson, Valerie Bersau, Rosela Jewison, Dorothy Drummer, Harriet Smishek, Karen Etzell, Merle Braam, Daniel Crowley, Jo Lindberg, Charles Ulman

**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** Charlie Bundy  
**Tuesday** Brad & Beth Wersal  
**Wednesday** Jose & Jennifer Pena  
**Thursday** Steven & DeeDra Vosburg  
**Friday** Janet Chiccos  
**Saturday** Mike & Janell Sipe  
**Sunday** Dorothy Sandvig



#### For Those in the Military

Nick Blace	Matt McGraw	William Backes
Jared Hiniker	Christopher Schmidt	Ben Barsness
Dana Schiller	Daniel Fitterer	Anna Drummer
Mark Hansen	Timothy Eick	



#### Prayer Chain

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



**This Week's Sanctuary Light Intention:**  
*Don Haley†*

## This Week's Readings

Mon: Jon 1:1—2:2, 11/Lk 10:25-37  
 Tues: Jon 3:1-10/Lk 10:38-42  
 Wed: Jon 4:1-11/Lk 11:1-4  
 Thurs: Mal 3:13-20b/Lk 11:5-13  
 Fri: Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2/Lk 11:15-26  
 Sat: Jl 4:12-21/Lk 11:27-28  
 Sun: Is 25:6-10a/Phil 4:12-14, 19-20/Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10

## Youth Choir News

### Boys & Girls from Grade 3 to 12

Youth choir is starting up again and there's a place for you! We'll be practicing most Wednesdays from 5:00 pm to 5:45 pm in the music room, lower level of the Parish Center, and we will be singing at Sunday Mass about once a month. We welcome singers from all grades. Singers in upper grades can help with harmonies and, if you play an instrument, we really need you too! For more information contact Julianne Gruber at julianneg@charter.net or 388-1413.



## First Steps for the New Steps!

The Finance Council recently gave consensus for taking the "first steps" for the "new steps" for the front entrance of Holy Rosary Church. Recently I spoke with the architect from YHR and signed the release form to proceed with the drawings and the computer rendering. While some of the members on the committee felt that an electronic sign would be a wonderful addition, unfortunately the church is in a zoned residential area and the sign is not permitted as the flashing could be a disruption to our near-by-neighbors. However, a new larger sign will be proposed that will involve interior lighting that is fluorescent. The work on the drawings will begin in the coming days. I am anticipating that, following the reviewal by the Worship, Pastoral and Finance Councils meeting in a joint session, the approved drawings will be presented to the entire congregation for review. We anticipate starting to collect monies for this project later this year. You might be interested to know that we have received nearly \$2,000.00 for the project, even before we have officially started the campaign. Recently, after the 10:00 am Mass, one person tripped on the steps and others were having a hard time coming down the steps as they are often hanging on to those railings that run at an angle. *(If you find steps difficult, do take the elevator.)* I am most convinced that redoing those steps and improving the lighting is not a "luxury", but an important "necessity". I will keep you posted as things develop. -Father



## Holy Rosary Pancake Breakfast

North Mankato Knights of Columbus are hosting a Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, October 15th, serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm at Holy Rosary Catholic Church, corner of Grant Ave and Sherman Street in Lower North Mankato. Free Will offering, suggested donation \$8.00 Adults, \$6.00 for kids under 12, \$30.00 max for family. Serving Pancakes, Eggs, Sausage and beverages.

## K. of C. Council #5551 News

Oct 11 - Living Rosary	Oct 15 - Pancake Breakfast
Oct 12 - Planning Meeting	Oct 26 - General Meeting



**LOYOLA CATHOLIC SCHOOL NEWS**

**Want to learn about Loyola Catholic School? Visit the LCS website** and schedule **family tours** and **shadow days** at your convenience. **Call 507-388-0600.**

**Save the Dates**

- **All Saints Day Mass** with SSND November 1
- **The Blue & Gold Gala, a Wired to the Heart event,** November 3
- **Loyola's Barnes & Noble Bookfair** December 2

On October 1, Catholic United Financial sponsored **"Gather 4 Good"** at Loyola; 125 volunteers packed 3000 personal care kits for people in need.

On October 3, Loyola students taking Anatomy and AP Biology attended the **Nobel Conference** at Gustavus Adolphus College.

Families and their pets observed St. Francis of Assisi day as they gathered on Wednesday afternoon for **prayer and a blessing of pets.**

During Homecoming Week, Loyola students, grades 7-12, participated in **Crusaders in the Community & Crusaders on Campus**, giving an afternoon of service at eight locations in the local community, at SSND, and at school.

Loyola **Kindergarteners hosted a fashion show** on October 5. Each wore a special vest designed to showcase a favorite letter of the alphabet.

Mary Beth Carpenter Lacina, Loyola homecoming queen and graduate of '67 returned to crown **Homecoming royalty Grace Ellingworth and Landon Javens** on Sept. 29. She reminded us that Loyola is a "full circle family" with generations sharing the values lived at Loyola, and continuously expanding that circle to welcome new families.

**40 Days for Life Vigil**

Holy Rosary has committed to pray each week day from 4:00 pm - 5:00 pm at the prayer site across the parking lot from Planned Parenthood, 201 N Victory Drive, Mankato. To sign up for an hour for the day of your choice, please contact coordinator Mary Flanagan at 40daysmankato@gmail.com or 507-276-8747. This campaign will end November 5th.

**Baptismal Blessings**

Our prayers & best wishes go out to Jeremy & Sadie Horkey on the occasion of the Baptism of their daughter, Aubria Rose, who will be baptized following this Saturday's 5:00 pm Mass. May Aubria's Baptism be the beginning of a life-long relationship with Christ & His bride, the Church! God bless you on this most joyful occasion!



**2017 ECHO FOOD SHELF COLLECTION**

**RECEIVED: \$12,038.42**

**Stewardship Corner**

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

**Pd. to Date:** \$13,296.70  
**Goal:** \$79,721.00

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

**Loyola Catholic School Assessment:**

**Pd. to Date:** \$23,000.00  
**Goal:** \$205,014.00

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**Total Paid to Date 2017-18: \$36,296.70**  
**Apostolate Stewardship 2017-18: \$284,735.00**

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We moved a step ahead in terms of our stewardship for our Loyola commitment. This week we contributed another \$6,000.00 towards our goal. We are now on October 7th/8th at \$23,000.00. In addition to the \$16,000.00 reduction of our goal from last year; we are now ahead of last year by almost \$40,000.00! Last year our first payment was made around October 25th. Thank you for your generous stewardship so that we can keep our stewardship commitments. Thank you for your gifts.

**Lost!**

If you find, or have found, a rosary in a hard silver case (with an image of Mary on the front of the case), please return it to the parish office. Thanks!



**SINCERE SYMPATHY**

To the families of:  
**Eugene Nusser† & William A. van de Crommert†**  
*-May they rest in peace.*

**Connections Ministry - YOU Can Help!**

Connections Ministry is a mission of local churches to provide shelter in the winter months for those who are homeless and NOT able to stay at one of the existing shelters. This is a short term solution for people until the Shelter is able to expand it's capacity. Holy Rosary is going to help with this effort, both with financial contributions and volunteers to assist at a hosting church.

IF YOU ARE INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING DURING THE WEEKS THAT OUR PARTNER CHURCH IS HOSTING - there are many options available. For more info, feel free to contact Mary Beth Nygaard at mary.beth.nygaard@gmail.com or 507-625-1450. TRAINING will be provided for volunteers in October, before the shelter opens on Oct. 29th.

## Welcome to Holy Rosary!

Are you new to the area or would like to join Holy Rosary parish? Just go to [www.holyrosarynorthmankato.com/membership-registration](http://www.holyrosarynorthmankato.com/membership-registration) & download the registration forms to fill out. You can also simply send us your contact information via an easy-to-use form and we will mail you a hard copy of those forms. Come join our growing Holy Rosary parish family!



*Keep your fingers crossed.*

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## Religious Education Program

### Catechetical Weekend Recap

Thank you to all families, students, catechists, and teachers who came to celebrate Mass with us this past weekend. The posters the students made look awesome and will be displayed for several weeks. May we all continue to reflect on the role that each of us plays, by virtue of Baptism, in handing on the faith and being a witness to the Gospel.

### Come Pray the Rosary with Us!

On Wednesday, October 11th, our Religious Education students along with the KCs, will be praying the Living Rosary. The elementary students will begin at 6:30 pm and the Jr/Sr High students will begin at 7:45 pm. The KCs are serving refreshments in the church lower hall after each session. Plan on joining us for evening!



### Design a T-Shirt Contest!

Please submit your design on or before Wednesday, November 8th. Entries will be displayed and voted on during Novemberfest! If you have questions, please contact Cathy at 507-345-6765 or [nevec@hickorytech.net](mailto:nevec@hickorytech.net).

### Wednesday Night Simple Meals for ALL Parishioners

New this year is an opportunity for intergenerational faith and community building as we will serve free will offering meals each week before classes in the school cafeteria. *These simple meals will be*



## CCW Annual Fall Luncheon

Volunteers are needed to help set-up and serve for the CCW Annual Fall Luncheon coming up on Thursday, October 19th, at Holy Rosary.

- Set-up 9:00 am Wed., Oct. 18th, in the Church Hall.
- Sign-up in the back of church for areas/time slots that work for you.
- Pass the word to family and friends to plan to attend (see flyers & bulletin for more details).
- Call Mary Grams (327-6479) with questions or to sign-up.

## Fall Luncheon Volunteer Meeting

Thursday, October 12th, 6:00pm in the Church Hall.

## CCW Activities & Projects 2017/2018

Ladies - it's not too late! There are copies on the table in the main entrance of the church for your information and completion. Complete and drop in the basket or drop off at the parish office during regular business hours.

*offered not only to our Religious Education families but to anyone in the parish! What a great way to build community! We will serve from 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm. This week's menu: Mac n Cheese!*

### Religious Education Wish List - Can You Help Out?

This year, we will be providing bibles to students at two grade levels. The bibles will be age appropriate and used throughout the year. Each bible will cost roughly \$20.00 bringing our total funds needed to approximately \$1000. *Would you be willing to donate money towards this fund?* The parishioners of Holy Rosary have always been very generous in giving in the past. Please prayerfully consider a donation of any amount. You can put your donation in an envelope and mark it "Bible Donation Fund." To date, we have received \$425 for the purchase of bibles. That is #awesome.



### Upcoming Dates

- **October 11:** Class for ALL Grades (Grades 1 - 6 meet from 6:00 pm - 7:10 pm, Grades 7 - 11 meet from 7:00 pm to 8:30 pm; Community Meal - 5:00 pm - 7:00 pm - School Cafeteria; Youth Group 6:00 pm - 6:50 pm. Living Rosary at 6:30 pm and 7:45 pm.
- **October 15:** 11th Grade Confirmation Candidate & Sponsor Workshop; begins with 10 AM Mass; ends approx at 3:30.
- **October 18:** No Classes
- **October 25:** Class for Elementary Grades 1 - 6 from 6:00 pm - 7:10 pm; Community Meal - 5:15 pm - 7:00 pm - School Cafeteria; Youth Group 6:45 pm - 8:00 pm at the WOW!Zone



**Raffle:** We are only 5 weeks away from November Fest (ival) 2017 and our raffle tickets have arrived!! THANK YOU to Tom Stierlen, Mary Zellmer and Thayer Publishing for their help with this project! Please pick up your family's raffle ticket envelope at the back of church. We have additional raffle tickets available at the meal ticket sales table should you wish to pick up more. We are very pleased with the quantity and quality of donations this year. Once again, THANK YOU to all who donated! You may return your raffle ticket stubs and money to either the parish office during business hours or you may place them in the collection basket. If you choose to return them in the collection basket, please place the ticket stubs and the money collected in a separate envelope labeled "Festival."

**Volunteers Needed:** Volunteer lists for the festival are located at the back of the church. We have several areas where we need help. PLEASE sign up soon, if you are able. Our goal is to have the final volunteer lists posted in the bulletin the weekend of November 4th/5th. Most shifts are 1 ½ hours which will give volunteers plenty of time to enjoy the festival themselves. Volunteering is a GREAT way to meet your fellow parishioners!

**Meal Ticket Sales:** Meal ticket sales will continue each weekend at all 3 masses through November 4th and 5th. Early Bird tickets are \$10 for adults (ages 12 and better), \$5 for children ages 6-11 and free for ages 5 and under. By purchasing your ticket early, it helps us to better prepare for the big day. The adult ticket price will be \$12 beginning on November 1st. Tickets are also available for sale in the parish office during regular office hours.

**Silent Auction:** THANK YOU to everyone who took an empty basket to bring a donation for the Silent Auction. Your donation basket can be dropped off at the parish office anytime between now and November 5th. If you don't feel too creative, we can assemble your basket for you. Just bring your donation items to the parish office. Just a reminder, individual silent auction items are also welcomed and appreciated. Thank you!

**Country Store:** We are accepting donations of craft and homemade items for our Country Store. Donations such as canned goods, wood crafts, homemade soaps, homemade cards, blankets, doll clothes and any other craft items would be welcomed.

**Grandma's Attic:** The items continue to arrive for our Grandma's Attic and Christmas Shoppe. You may donate

your items anytime between now and early November. As you are "fall cleaning" or downsizing, please consider donating your quality items now. We would like to have all of these donations no later than the first weekend of November. **It is very difficult to accept donations the week of November Fest with so many additional festival preparations to be completed.** Please remember we are not accepting clothing or large furniture items for this event. We are also unable to accept any items with a power cord.

**Games:** Thank you to H&R Block for sponsoring our bounce house this year! It was a VERY popular item with the children last year. We are continuing to collect clean, clear **plastic** jars for the jar raffle. You may bring those jars to the parish office during normal business hours.

We are well on our way to a FANTASTIC November Fest (ival)!! THANK YOU to all to have made a donation, either big or small, to ensure we will have another successful event!

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## Running for Charity

Hello! My name is Tom Bachmann. Many of you may know me, as I have been a member of Holy Rosary for over 25 years, as well as a Cantor and/or choir member for most of those years. This October, I am running the Mankato Marathon as one of the Champion Runners raising money for the YMCA's LiveSTRONG charity. My wife, Kris, is a cancer survivor, and was able to participate in the LiveSTRONG program at the YMCA after completing her treatment program. The LiveSTRONG program's mission is to create a customized fitness program to help cancer survivors return to a healthy, active lifestyle. The program is offered free of charge to the participants. Their main source of funding is through donations. To learn more about the LiveSTRONG program, or to make a donation, go to [MankatoYMCA.org](http://MankatoYMCA.org), Select Contribute, then click "Mankato Marathon Champion Runners." There you'll find my video and a donation link. Be sure to select LiveSTRONG in the Donation box, and enter "Tom Bachmann" in the optional comment box. I can also accept checks made out to LiveSTRONG. Please contact me if you have any questions or would like more information on the LiveSTRONG program. Thank you for your support! *-Tom Bachmann*

## San Lucas Gala

5th Annual Friends of San Lucas Gala  
 Saturday, October 28th, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm  
 Verizon Center, Mankato  
 Dinner, silent and live auctions and an update  
 on all the good work happening at the Mission  
 in San Lucas Toliman, Guatemala.  
 Tickets and sponsorships available at [sanlucasmision.org](http://sanlucasmision.org).

**Shrimpin' on the Hill**

- Shrimp Boil
- Live Auction
- Music by Mary Guenzel Quintet
- Alternate menu available
- Casual Attire

*Celebration of GC Learning Center's 50 years and recognition of Sister Mary Donald, Founder!*

**Saturday, October 21, 2017**  
**Good Counsel Hill - Conference Center**  
**6 p.m. – 10 p.m. \$40 per person**

Tickets available online at [www.twinriversarts.org](http://www.twinriversarts.org) or 507.387.1008  
 Twin Rivers Center for the Arts • 523 South Second Street, Mankato, MN  
**Limited Seating, Advance Ticket Purchase Only**

**For more information contact Good Counsel Learning Center:**  
[www.gclearningcenter.org](http://www.gclearningcenter.org) or 507.389.4229

*A benefit for the Good Counsel Learning Center serving children and adults in reading, math, and citizenship through one-on-one tutoring.*

**Be Enriched in Every Way**

*“You will be enriched in every way for your great generosity, which will produce thanksgiving to God through us.” (2 Corinthians 9:11).*

Please save the date: Saturday, November 4, 2017 for a fun and faithful day which focus on women interaction within their parishes all the way up to roles on International boards. Registration begins at 8:30 am. Our presentation begins with 9:00 am Mass as our catalyst for spiritual enrichment and sets the tone for interactive discussion to strengthen CCW communities. It will end by 3:30 p.m.

The New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Board wants to break barriers, encourage/support our works of mercy and to be a voice on women issues/concerns. The ladies of St. Aloysius in Olivia will host this event. You will be able to register by contacting Sandy Jerzak at [ks.jerzak@gmail.com](mailto:ks.jerzak@gmail.com) or call/leave message at 507-828-9082 by Saturday, October 28, 2017.

- Please call Dolores Portz, 388-3554 so we can arrange to car pool.
- Cost is \$10.00, which will be paid by our Holy Rosary CCW.

**42nd Annual Craft Fair & Garage Sale**

Join the School Sisters of Notre Dame for their 42nd Annual Craft Fair & Garage Sale! This event will be held at Our Lady of Good Counsel from 8:30 am - 2:00 pm on October 14, 2017, and feature more than 30 booths selling items handmade by the School Sisters of Notre Dame. Shop for items such as bakery, jams and jellies, soups and salsa, ceramics, wood carving, cards, soaps, plants and so much more. Giveaways are awarded throughout the day. Enjoy a hot beef lunch served by the Catholic Order of Foresters and top off the day with a delicious piece of apple pie and cinnamon ice cream. All proceeds support the School Sisters of Notre Dame Central Pacific Province. If you have any questions please contact Sister Monica Wagner at 507-389-4231 or [mlwagner@ssndcp.org](mailto:mlwagner@ssndcp.org). Visit our event page at: <http://www.ssndcp.org/craftfair-2017>

**Fair Trade Goods**

CCW is supporting **Fair Trade** - a movement whose goal is to help producers in developing countries to get a fair price for their products so as to reduce poverty, provide for the ethical treatment of workers and farmers, and promote environmentally sustainable practices.

**The following Fair Trade items are available for sale in the parish office:**

**Coffee** – \$10.00 per bag

*(regular ground & whole bean, and dark roast whole bean)*

**Tea** – various flavors - \$4.50 per box

**Chocolate bars** – \$3.50 each

Your support of Fair Trade is appreciated as we work together to improve the lives of the growers in developing countries. The coffee we sell is from San Lucas, Guatemala.



**Energy Assistance Program**

Every year, the Minnesota Valley Action Council offers an Energy Assistance Program (EAP) to help low income households pay a portion of their heating and electric bills. The program is available to both individuals and families who are income eligible. The application deadline is May 31, 2018. Energy Assistance applications are available by phone at 507-345-6822 (or toll-free at 1-800-767-7139) or by visiting [www.mnvac.org](http://www.mnvac.org).

The Minnesota Valley Action Council also assists households in crisis situations with disconnect notices or when they are almost out of heating fuel. Grants are paid directly to the vendor on their behalf. Learn more about these and other services offered by the Minnesota Valley Action Council at [www.mnvac.org](http://www.mnvac.org)

*Council of Catholic Women  
Diocese of New Ulm*

# PROCLAMATION

**Inasmuch As**

**This year of our Lord, two thousand and seventeen, marks the sixtieth anniversary of the Diocese of New Ulm, and**

**Inasmuch As**

**The Council of Catholic Women has been a vital force in the Catholic life of the Diocese of New Ulm since the time of its formation, and furthermore,**

**Inasmuch As**

**The Council of Catholic Women of the Diocese of New Ulm continues to encourage affiliates to work in our parishes to create a spirit of unity through prayer, enrichment and service in fulfilling the three-fold mission of Christ,**

**Therefore,**

**I am pleased to designate October 8, 2017 as Council of Catholic Women Recognition Sunday in the Diocese of New Ulm.**

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**Most Reverend John M. LeVoir  
Bishop of New Ulm**



Knights of Columbus  
Pancake Breakfast  
Sunday October 15, 2017  
8:30am-12:30pm

Basement of Holy Rosary Church  
525 Grant Ave North Mankato



Nutritious!

Delicious!



Free will offering  
Suggested donation  
\$8.00 for adults  
\$6.00 for kids under 12  
\$30.00 max for a family

