

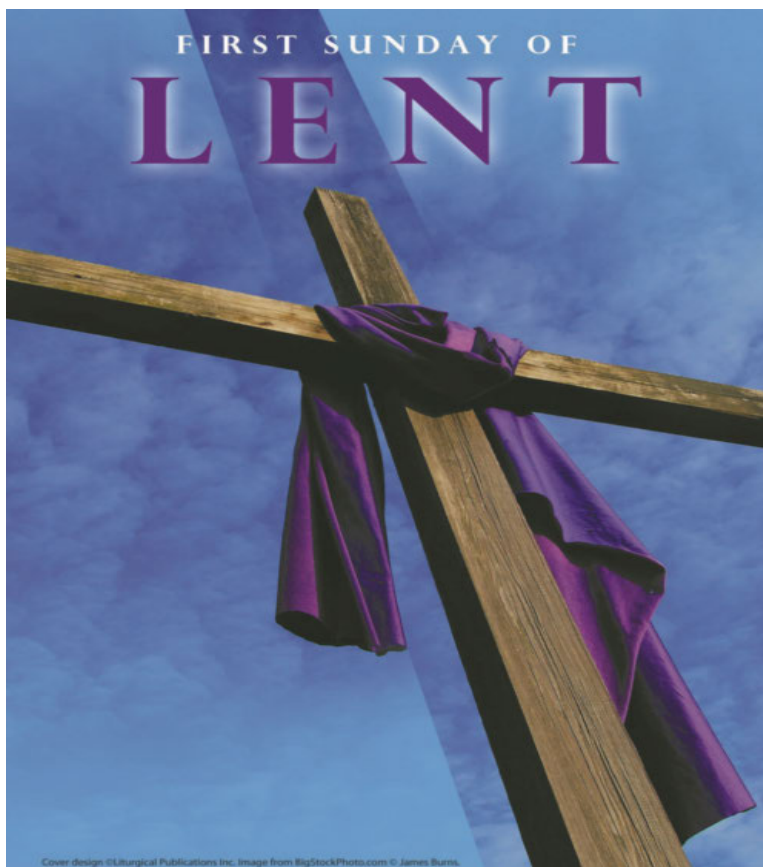


# St. Ignatius

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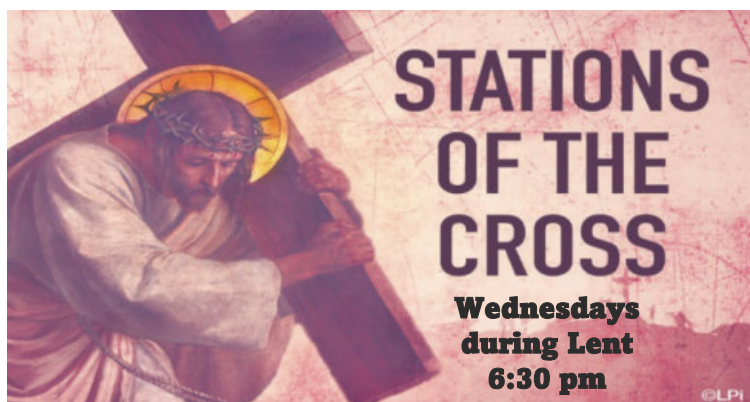


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## Reconciliation Today

There will be 3 priests available for confession today  
(Sunday, Feb 26th) from 5:00 pm – 7:00 pm.

Come at your convenience.



## Weekly Meditation

*You will be like gods. (Genesis 3:5)*

We know what the first sin was: Adam and Eve disobeyed God by eating the forbidden fruit. But do you know what the first temptation was? “You will be like gods” (Genesis 3:5).

This is the temptation that has always plagued humanity. Like gods, we want to be in control. We want to decide what’s right and wrong. We want the power, honor, and glory that belong only to the Lord.

This is the same temptation that Jesus conquered in his battle with Satan in the desert. In today’s Gospel, the devil tries to tempt Jesus to rebel against his Father’s plan. He taunts Jesus, saying, “If you are the Son of God . . .” (Matthew 4:3, 6). In other words, *If you are really who you claim to be, don’t wait for your Father’s permission. Go ahead and act like God!*

But Jesus “did not regard equality with God something to be grasped” (Philippians 2:6). Though he was God incarnate, he submitted to his Father’s will each and every day. Finally, he undid that first sin of Adam when he offered himself on the cross to save us (Romans 5:12, 15).

This Lent, ask the Spirit to help you recognize where you are being tempted to rebel against God. It may be something subtle, like persisting in a bad habit. Or it may be something more obvious, like resisting God’s will in a difficult situation.

Don’t get discouraged if you see signs of rebellion. Instead, let the words of St. Paul in today’s second reading encourage you: through Jesus’ death and resurrection, we have all received an “abundance of grace” (Romans 5:17). That grace can help you overcome any temptation—including the temptation to be your own god! This Lent, just keep asking for God’s grace, and trust that it will never run out.

*“Jesus, give me the grace to submit to you in all things.”*

### Ministry Schedule

#### Saturday, March 4th @ 5:00pm

**Celebrant:** Fr. John Meyer

**Altar Servers:** Rylan Mackedanz and Presley Dwenger

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Audrey Roth and Karen Millner

**Greeter:** Ann Waldschmidt

**Lector:** Greg Roth

**Sacristan:** Renee Logeais

**Ushers:** Tim Waldschmidt, Mark Logeais, Loren Frappier, Ron Mares

#### Sunday, March 5th @ 8:30 am

**Celebrant:** Fr. John Meyer

**Altar Servers:** Jack and Caleb Danzeisen

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Gael Zachman and Peggy Jo Fortner/Danielson

**Greeter:** Pat and Dianne O'Keefe

**Lector:** Patrick Meuwissen

**Live Stream:** Brent Danzeisen

**Sacristan:** Patrick Meuwissen

**Ushers:** Doug Zachman, Steve Logeais, Jerry Elsenpeter, Paul Manuel

#### Sunday, March 5th @ 10:30 am

**Celebrant:** Fr. John Meyer

**Altar Servers:** Celia Erickson and Dayanara Martinez Mejia

**Eucharistic Ministers:** Lori Guck and Michael Holthaus

**Greeter:** Paul and Karla Braun

**Lector:** Mary Nowak

**Sacristan:** Shelly Naaktgeboren

**Ushers:** Josh Paumen, Al Guck, John and Christine West

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, Feb 26: First Sunday of Lent,  
Donut Sunday following 8:30 and 10:30  
Mass, Lent Reconciliation 5:00 pm–  
7:00 pm, Annual Catholic Services Ap-  
peal Commitment weekend  
Sunday, March 5th: 9th Grade Mass  
Friday, March 17– Sunday, March 19:  
Forty Hours for Our Lord  
Sunday, March 26: Donut Sunday  
Thursday, March 30: Eucharistic Adoration  
8:00 am - 7:00 pm  
Sunday, April 2: Palm Sunday  
Sunday, April 9: Easter Sunday  
Sunday, April 16: Divine Mercy Sunday  
Saturday, April 29: 10th grade Mass  
Sunday, May 7: First Communion 10:30 Mass  
Thursday, May 11: Confirmation  
(St. Paul Cathedral) 7:00 pm

## Community News

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### Another Fabulous Mardi Gras!

Thank you to all who supported and participated in this year's Mardi Gras. Lots of great conversation, fabulous food, fun games and maybe even a little silliness was had by all. A big thank you, for the families and businesses that donated this year; beer and growler prizes (Spilled Grain), wine; misc. items (Roger and Karen Miller), rum (Mark and Laurel Miller), signage (Sue Hughes), gift cards (Petty Brothers) and all the folks who donated wine for prizes. A special thanks to our family of volunteers, from ticket sellers, decorators, food preparers, greeters, CCW and hostesses to the game helpers, food servers, bartenders, announcers and clean-up crew. Without you this event would never have been the great achievement it was. Archbishop Hebda joined us and commented on how wonderful the event was. He said he's always amazed at our community participation and thankful for the great leadership by our priests and parishioners. Lastly, a big thank you to both Father Meyer and Father Magner for supporting us on this venture.

### Cash Raffle Winners:

**\$5000 – Mike Holthaus; \$2000 – Judy Zachman; \$1000 – Pat & Roman Chapman; \$500 – Diane Fournier; \$500 – Charlie Hulkko; \$250 – Fred Struzyk; \$250 – Al & Lori Guck; \$250 – Laura Oakleaf; \$150 – Paddy O'Sullivan; \$100 – Tom Gay**

### CCW Retreat

All women of the parish are incited to a Northwest Deanery Lenten Day of Prayer. It will be held Thursday, March 9th at the King's House in Buffalo. The theme is "Shepherd Me, O God." Registration begins at 9:00 am. The retreat includes conferences, lunch, confession, and Mass. Closing will be at 3:00 pm. The St. Ignatius CCW will pay half of the \$50 registration fee. Please register with a \$25 payment at the parish office by Friday, March 3rd. Contact Sue Hughes with questions [shughes@lakedalelink.net](mailto:shughes@lakedalelink.net)

### Lenten Pamphlets Available

The Adult Faith Formation has a variety of Lenten pamphlets available in the gathering space. Daily Reflections, Prayer and Activity books, something for everyone. Lent is the season for renewing our encounter with Christ. We hope these pamphlets help you and your family grow in the Spirit this Lenten season. Please help yourself.

### 40 Hours for Our Lord

The 40 Hours for Our Lord event will be held Friday, March 17– Sunday, March 19th. There are led prayers scheduled at various times, opportunities for personal prayer, guest speaker topics, and times of soft music and reflection. Please see the bulletin insert for detailed information.

### Catholic Services Appeal Foundation

Today we come together as a community of faith to generously give to the Catholic Services Appeal. Your gift supports an array of ministries that include pro-life, seminarian support, Catholic education, services to those most in need and Synod evangelistic priorities in the building up of our local church. With your gift, you are making Jesus known and loved to people throughout the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. Our goal is 100% participation. Please complete and return your pledge card or make a secure gift online at Give CSAF - Catholic Services Appeal Foundation ([csafspm.org](http://csafspm.org)).

### St. Ignatius Chapel

The entrance to the Chapel can be accessed through the Parish Office door Monday– Friday 8:00am – 4:00 pm. Eucharistic Adoration is offered the last Thursday of every month in the Church Sanctuary. **The next scheduled Eucharistic Adoration is Thursday, March 30, 2023 from 8:30 am - 7:00 pm.**



## Last Year's Palms

The Liturgy Committee would like to assist with proper disposal of Blessed Palms. There will be a basket available in the gathering space though Sunday, March 26 for the return of last year's palms.

## Bring Lent to Life with CRS Rice Bowl

A SEASON FOR SLOWING DOWN During this sacred season, we will intentionally slow down so that we can pay closer attention to our relationship with God, our neighbors and our planet. Reflect on how the pillars of prayer, fasting and almsgiving can guide your journey for a more enriching Lenten experience. How can practicing these pillars help you to live in solidarity with our sisters and brothers around the world? Visit [crsricebowl.org](http://crsricebowl.org) to learn more.

## St. Timothy School Preschool and Kindergarten Open House

St. Timothy School In Maple Lake will host an Open House for Preschool and Kindergarten on Tuesday Feb. 28 4:30- 6:30. Presentations at 5:00 pm and 6:00 pm. If you are interested in enrolling for the 2023-2024 school year (PreK-8th grade) you can contact the school office 320-963-3417 to set up a tour or register. Information is also available at [school.churchofsttimothy.org](http://school.churchofsttimothy.org)

## Lenten Fish Dinners

The Church of St. Henry Knights of Columbus will be providing their Lenten Fish Dinners on the following Fridays: February 24<sup>th</sup>, March 10<sup>th</sup> and March 24<sup>th</sup>. The menu is fried fish, potatoes, cole slaw, pickles, corn bread and dessert. Dine In or Carry Out times will be 5 PM – 7 PM. Adults (13 & Older) \$12, Children (12 & Under) \$8 with a Family Maximum of \$50. Church of St. Henry 1001 E. 7<sup>th</sup> Street, Monticello, MN 55362.

## United for Life— February 28th

Join pro-lifers from across Minnesota for this pro-life day at the Capitol. There will be great speakers and a 10 AM rally in the Capitol rotunda before you meet with your legislators to advocate for bills that support women, children, and families. The day will also include educational opportunities, the chance to connect with pro-life organizations and businesses, a dedicated room to pray for our legislators, and a diaper drive (bring opened or unopened packs of disposable diapers for parents in need). Register today at [unitedforlifemn.org](http://unitedforlifemn.org)

## Central Minnesota Koinonia Retreat

I am the vine and you are the branches. Are you staying connected to the vine? Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed to help you on your faith journey. The next retreat is scheduled for March 3-5, 2023, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. G to [www.centralmnkoinonia.org](http://www.centralmnkoinonia.org) for more information and to register for retreats.

## Readings for the week of Feb 26th, 2023

Sunday: Gn 2:7-9; 3:1-7/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 17 (see 3a)/Rom 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19/Mt 4:1-11  
Monday: Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/Mt 25:31-46  
Tuesday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-5, 6-7, 16-17, 18-19/Mt 6:7-15  
Wednesday: Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32  
Thursday: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 7c-8/Mt 7:7-12  
Friday: Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-2, 3-4, 507a, 7bc-8/Mt 5:20-26  
Saturday: Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48  
Next Sunday: Gn 12:1-4a/Ps 33:4-5, 18-19, 20, 22 (22)/2 Tm 1:8b-10/Mt 17:1-9



## Pray For...

Larry Oberg	Reanna Braun
Joseph Niznik	Barb Wiegand
Mike Meyer	Lynnae Frappier
Anna Purcell	Jaden Hanson
Lynnea Stay	Nick Mares
Katelyn Busch	Dan Schultz
Herman Wittsack	Louise Borstad
Mary Wittsack	Wayne Dearing
Mary Danielson	Ron Hoffman
Mark Johnson	Ronda O'Brien
Paul DeMars	Susan Lawler
Julie Pelarski	Russ Fortner
Kimberly Volrath	James Utecht
Sally Phenow	Jack Driste

Prayer requests and Mass intentions  
can be made through the Parish Office

## Mass Intentions

### **Saturday, February 25th**

5:00 pm † Stephen Voight

### **Sunday, February 26th**

8:30 am † Stephen Voight

10:30 am Parishioners

### **Monday, February 27th**

6:00 pm † Sheri Danzeisen

### **Tuesday, February 28th**

8:00 am Parishioners

### **Wednesday, March 1st**

8:00 am Parishioners

### **Thursday, March 2nd**

8:00 am † Randall H. Koshiol

### **Friday, March 3rd**

No Daily Mass at St. Ignatius. Mass available at St. Timothy's in Maple Lake (8:00 AM)

### **Saturday, March 4th**

5:00 pm † William P. Roth

### **Sunday, March 5th**

8:30 am † Sheri Danzeisen

10:30 am Parishioners

## STEWARDSHIP

Projected weekly giving ..... \$5,800.00  
492 parish families

Envelopes..... \$2,957.00

Plate ..... \$486.26

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**Total.....\$5,193.26**



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Director: **Anastacia Schnabel** anastacia@stignatiusmn.com

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Hours: Mon., Tues., Thurs., 9am-1pm - Wed., 11am to 9 pm

Youth Minister: **Bernie Gauthé** bernie@stignatiusmn.com

Hours: Wed. 2:00 pm– 9:00 pm, Thurs 8:00 am– 12:30 pm

**Mass Schedule**

Saturday Mass - 5:00 pm

Sunday Masses - 8:30 am and 10:30 am

8:30 Mass is live streamed on the parish Facebook page  
and You Tube channel

**Daily Mass**

Mondays 6:00 pm, Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays

8:00 am (No Daily Mass on Fridays)

**Reconciliation**

4:30 pm Saturday (one-half hour prior to Saturday  
Mass)

**Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament**

Last Thursday of the month, 8:30 am - 7:00 pm

## Sacraments

**Baptisms**

Please contact the parish at least two months in advance of the baptism. Baptismal classes are held the 2nd Tuesday of February, May, August, and November. Parents are required to attend this class before the baptism. Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office 274-8828 ext. 100

**Marriage**

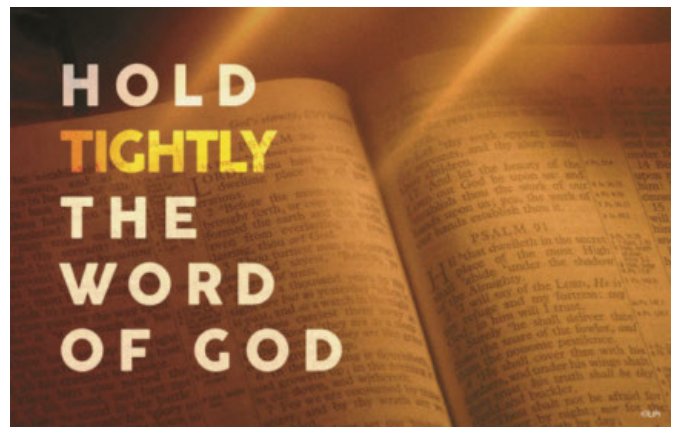
Please contact the pastor at least six months in advance of the desired wedding date.

**Homebound Ministry**

If you or someone you know would like one of our home visitors to stop by your residence for companionship, prayer, or have communion brought to you, please call or email the parish to make arrangements (contact information above)

**Bulletin Deadline**

Submit by Tuesdays at noon, any early deadlines will be noted in the bulletin



The Spirit leads Jesus into the desert to be tempted by the devil, and we hear this: “He fasted for forty days and forty nights, and afterwards he was hungry.” Seems like a questionable battle preparation plan. When I fast, I usually feel grouchy at best, and at worst, like I might pass out from longing for a hamburger. Isn’t it better to be well-fed and fully hydrated, especially to face spiritual struggles? Why fast?

This might help. The origin of the word “fast” means to “hold firmly.” We still use it that way when we say, “I held fast to my original decision.” We human beings are a bundle of desires which vie for our attention: food, drink, comfort, safety, laughter, beauty, and so on. If we can’t manage to have firm grip on them, in short order they’ll have a firm grip on us. By fasting from our lower desires, we learn to firmly grip on to what is greater. Fasting leads to us to a firmer hold on our body and mind.

Jesus fasts for us. He’s showing us that his grace can help us regain this firm hold of our lives, which makes it more difficult for the devil to tempt us. But take it one more step. Fasting also teaches us to finally hold fast to Jesus, the Word of God in flesh. “Man does not live by bread alone,” he says, “But by every word that comes forth from the mouth of God.” Jesus’ fasting reveals his fast hold to the Father in everything. May our fasting help us to grasp ourselves more firmly, and then to hold fast to Jesus alone.

— Father John Muir

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