

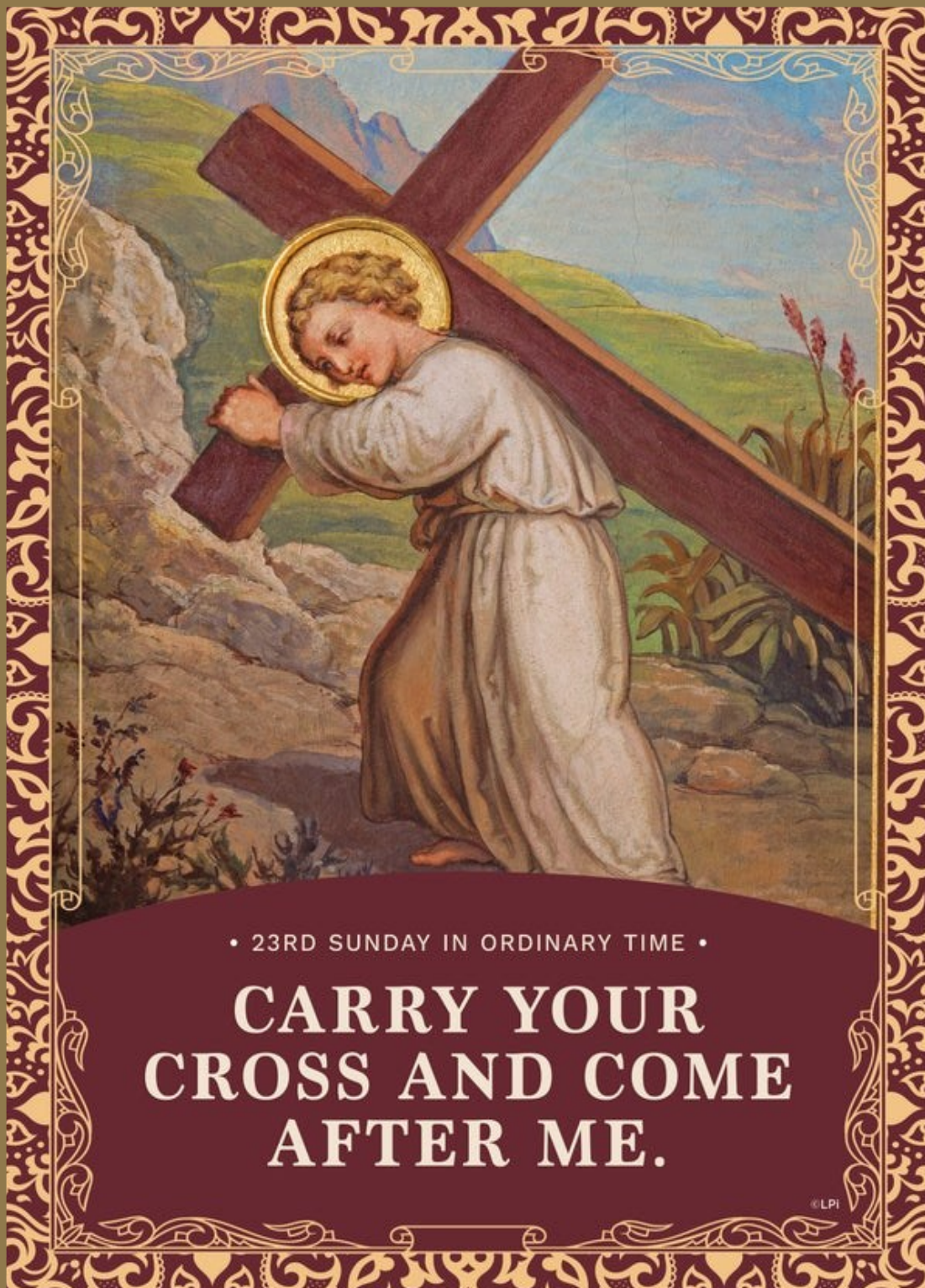
THE 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME – SEPTEMBER 7, 2025



QUEEN of PEACE

102 4TH ST.
CLOQUET, MN
55720

CATHOLIC CHURCH



*We seek to build an authentic Catholic culture and community where we share all of life together
and where the fullness of the Catholic Faith is proclaimed, lived, and celebrated*

2 PARISH/SCHOOL

September 7, 2025



BACK TO SCHOOL CONFESSIONS

**Sunday,
SEPTEMBER 7**

4pm-6pm

Visiting Priests will be here

Matthew

The King and His Kingdom



The book of Matthew brings the history of Christ to life. We see Jesus as the awaited Messiah who fulfills the promises and prophecies of the Old Testament, establishes the New Law, and inaugurates the kingdom of heaven.

Matthew: The King and His Kingdom, a twenty-four-part Bible study, explores how Jesus is challenging and empowering us to a new level of holiness and shows how we must be thoroughly immersed in the kingdom of heaven on earth, the Church, to live it.

We will begin *Matthew: The King and His Kingdom* on September 9th. Participants will meet every week to view an engaging video presentation followed by a time of lively group discussion and fellowship. Watch for more information to come!

ascensionpress.com



"Never tire of firmly speaking out in defense of life from conception. Christ is with you: **BE NOT AFRAID**"
- St. Pope John Paul II

Precious babies continue to be aborted in the womb, & their mothers' misled at the WEBuilding for Women Abortion Mill in Duluth.

Let us walk with Moms & their babies.

You are invited for 40 Days For Life Prayer Vigil & fasting for an end to abortion & give public witness by peacefully praying.

**Sunday's from 7am - 7pm.
September 28—November 2, 2025.**

You can sign up for hours at 40daysforlife.com/duluth, or contact Kathy Cory-Whitmyer BSN, RN at mkcory-whitmyer@charter.net or 218-390-8560



Pizza Social

& Grill the Clergy!

Every 1st Saturday after 5pm Mass—

SEPTEMBER 6

If you have questions you would like answered...
You will be able to write down questions anonymously.

There are people who have been away from the parish or are interested in Jesus for the 1st time. This would be a great event to invite people here for the 1st time.

Diane Bruning will be in the gathering space before Mass. Please let her know if you are going to stay for pizza.

We will provide beer & other beverages.

FREE WILL OFFERING



SAVE THE DATE!

For the FALL FESTIVAL

**SAT & SUN
OCT. 25 & 26**

Fall Festival Large Raffle Tickets coming soon & will be at the back of church for each family to buy or sell.

The top prize is \$1,000 !

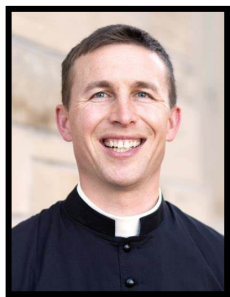
More details to come on how you can help make our Fall Festival a success

- Helping at the event
- Donating baked goods or marketplace items
- Donating items to the small raffle

Coming Soon....

QOP PARISH PLAY!!!

Stay tuned!



FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

WELCOME

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BACK TO SCHOOL PENANCE SERVICE SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 7TH, 4 - 6PM

We cannot have true peace in our souls unless we know we are right with our creator. Everything can be great in my life, but if I don't have a clear conscience that I am right with God, I cannot have peace. God has given us a way to know with moral certainty, that we are good with him, that he is pleased with us, that if we die, we won't be lost for all eternity. The way he gave us to enjoy that peace of a clear conscience...the Sacrament of Confession!

If you haven't been to confession in years, if you've missed Mass or committed a sexual sin, but haven't confessed it, then you cannot have peace in your soul. You need to repent and confess your sins.

I offer confession every day, and I offer extra opportunities with visiting priests because it's that important. I don't do it for my own sake, but for yours!

Besides true peace, Confession has many benefits. Here are eight (from stmaryscaldwell.com):

1. Confidentiality guaranteed. There's nothing like confessing your sins to someone guaranteed not to tell anyone else. Sometimes you need to talk in absolute confidence. Even under subpoena, a priest can't tell anyone what's said to him in confession. He can't even hint at it. Now that's confidentiality.
2. Housekeeping for the soul. It feels good to be able to start a clean life all over again. Like going into a sparkling living room in your home, it's nice when clutter is removed – even if it's your own.
3. A balm for the desire for revenge. When you have been forgiven you can forgive others. If the perfect Jesus forgives me, who am I to want to avenge the slights in my life. Think: "Why did they promote him over me?" or "Mom played favorites!"
4. Low-cost therapy. It's free, which makes it cheaper than a psychiatrist for dealing with guilt.
5. Forced time to think. Socrates said that the unexamined life is not worth living. To examine our lives and acknowledge failings marks the first step of making things right with God, others and ourselves. Life can be more worth living when you ponder the meaning of your own life.
6. Contribution toward world peace. Gaudium et Spes, the Second Vatican Council's Pastoral Constitution on the Church in the Modern World, said that the imbalances in the world that lead to war and tensions "are linked with that more basic imbalance which is rooted in the heart of man." Peace of soul leads to peace of heart leads to peace beyond oneself.
7. A better neighborhood. Confession leaves you feeling good about yourself, thereby cutting back the inclination to road rage and aggressive shopping cart driving. With the grace of the sacrament you're energized to, as Jesus said to the woman caught in adultery, "go and sin no more."
8. Realistic self-perception. Confession helps overcome arrogance when you have to admit you're as much of a sinner as anyone else. It helps build tolerance for others' perceived shortcomings.
Come visit the divine healer!

- Father Nick

4 SCHEDULES

September 7, 2025

ASSISTING WITH MASSES

SATURDAY, SEPT. 13, AND SUNDAY SEPT. 14

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 13, 5:00 PM MASS

Reader Janine Morrison
Head Usher Volunteer
Altar Servers Alek Fosness, Lucas Visser, James Visser

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14, 10:00 AM MASS

Reader Chris Hammitt
Head Usher Pat Couture
Altar Servers Jack McGrath, Bruno Bigelow MC, Damian Bigelow, Jack Kroll, Henry Kroll, Andrew Bennett, George Tallman

MASS INTENTIONS FOR THIS WEEK

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 7

8:00 am HF Mass (For the People of the Parish)
 10:00 am Mass (†Tami Schuelke)

MONDAY - SEPTEMBER 8

8:05 am Mass (†Alvin Matten)

TUESDAY - SEPTEMBER 9

7:00 am Mass (†Joseph Kobus)

WEDNESDAY - SEPTEMBER 10

8:05 am Mass (†Jonathan Gust)

THURSDAY - SEPTEMBER 11

8:05 am Mass (†John Stradtman)

FRIDAY - SEPTEMBER 12

8:05 am Mass (†Mark Noecker)

SATURDAY - SEPTEMBER 13

9:00 am Mass (Fr. Nick's Special Intention)
 5:00 pm Mass (†Reynold Carlson)

SUNDAY - SEPTEMBER 14

8:00 am HF Mass (For the People of the Parish)
 10:00 am Mass (†Dr. Eleanor Richie)

Queen of Peace Church email—qpopoffice@gmail.com

MONDAY SEPTEMBER 8	TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 9	WEDNESDAY SEPTEMBER 10	THURSDAY SEPTEMBER 11	FRIDAY SEPTEMBER 12	SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 13	SUNDAY SEPTEMBER 14
7:30-7:50 am Confessions 8:05 am Mass	6:00 am Man Up 7:00 am Mass 7:35-7:50 am Confessions 8:05 am Mass	7:30-7:50 am Confessions 8:05 am Mass	7:30-7:50 am Confessions 8:05 am Mass Doughnuts & Coffee following Mass	7:30-7:50 am Confessions 8:05 am Mass	9:00 am Mass 9:30-10:30am Confessions FIRST SATURDAY 4:30-4:50 PM Confessions 5:00 pm Mass	7:30 am Confessions 8:00 am Mass Holy Family Church 9:15 am Confessions 10:00 am Mass Coffee & Doughnuts to follow

Looking ahead...

September 20 QOP School Color Run
 October 4 Father/Son Paintball
 October 25 "Bloom Program" - Girls/Moms-QOP



October 25 Fall Festival at Queen of Peace
 October 26 Fall Festival at Queen of Peace
 November 1 All Saints Day
 November 5 Confirmation at QOP
 May 2026 Queen of Peace 100th Anniversary

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"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His Disciples.

Intentional Community

Moms Group - Becca Kroll 218-260-7466
Couples Groups - Rebekah Swanson 218-591-6408
Man Up Men's Group - Loran Wappes 218-499-1476
Thursday Donuts after Morning Mass
Summer Youth Events - Rebekah Swanson
218-591-6408

BASICS OF FAITH

Basics of the Faith OCIA - Becoming Catholic
Mark Blomquist - 218-393-3148
Catholic Fundamentals - Deacon Eric - 612-685-4351
Troops of St. George, boys ages 5 and up
Justin Evander - jevander@gmail.com
Little Flowers, Girls ages 5 and up
Katie Borden - 218-831-6904

GOING DEEPER

Man Up Men's Group - Loran Wappes 218-499-1476
Women's Discipleship Group
Rebekah Swanson 218-591-6408
Senior Women's Study Group
Deb McGrath 218-721-6789
Teen Discipleship Groups, grades 7 and up
Rebekah Swanson 218-591-6408

ADULT FORMATION

Great Adventure Bible Study
Tim Trumbull 701-206-1340
Catholic Fundamentals Deacon Eric 612-685-4351
OCIA- Becoming Catholic
Mark Blomquist 218-393-3148
Man Up Men's Group Loran Wappes 218-499-1476
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YOUTH FORMATION

Queen of Peace Catholic School
Pre-K-8th grade education
Mater Dei Apostolate 218-622-0882
9-12 grade education
Discipleship Groups grades 7 and up
Rebekah Swanson 218-591-6408
Summer Youth Events
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Troops of St. George, boys ages 5 & up
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What Are you looking for?

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Using my gift for Others

THIS MONTH'S FEATURED MINISTRY GROUP:

PARISH SERVICE - Norlene Bleskacek 218-213-4951
Helping behind the scenes to make our parish and
liturgy beautiful and well-functioning.
Meal Trains - Parish Office 218-879-6793
Funeral Luncheons - Parish Circles

THE BEFRIENDERS - Deb McGrath 218-721-6789
to join this ministry group. Is there someone in your family
unable to attend Mass due to recent illness, chronic illness or
disability? The Befrienders Ministry is designed to support
those parishioners who are not able to attend services(short
term or long- term). Our members make visits to senior living,
nursing homes, and private homes in the Cloquet area to pro-
vide social and spiritual support. If you would like to request a
visit or know someone who would like to be added to our
homebound parishioner list, **please contact the Queen of
Peace office at 218-879-6793 to make a request.**

WELCOMING - Rebekah Swanson 218-591-6408

to join this ministry group. Helping make every person who
walks through our parish doors feel seen, known and loved.
Invite someone to Sunday Donuts / Mass Greeters

OUTREACH - Maggie Sunnarborg 218-591-7604
to join this ministry group. Helping meet the needs of those in
our community outside our parish walls.

RESPECT LIFE - Nicole Barousse- 337-280-7287
Providing prayer, education, & physical support regarding topics of
life, from conception to natural death.

Lumen Matris Ministry—Supporting Women in all stages of Motherhood

Prenatal, postpartum, and miscarriage care
**We offer Prayer, Education, Childcare,
Miscarriage Support, Care Packages, Meal Trains**
& connections to tangible, local resources to uplift
& strengthen women in their vocation as mothers.

**Come join us to support the Mothers in our community through your
time, talent & treasure, or refer a Mom who could use a little light.**
For more information Contact Marley Kryzer at 218-277-9481
Marleykryzer@gmail.com or Stef Gunelson at 218-343-6077,
stefgunelson@msn.com

40 Days for Life - Kevin McGrath 218-310-0865

Sacraments & Prayer

Chapel—Lucy Carlson lmcarslon16@gmail.com
Prayer Chain—Marilyn Sowada 218-428-2301
Weddings—Father Nick 218-879-6793
Getting my child baptized—Father Nick 218-879-6793
First Communion—Father Nick 218-879-6793
Confirmation- Father Nick 218-879-6793
CONFESSIONS
M-F 7:35-7:50 / Saturday 4-4:50 / Sunday 9:15- 9:50 am
Saturday 9am Mass followed by Confessions

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September 7, 2025

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Queen of Peace

Adult Envelopes & Holy Days.....	\$4,609.00
Plate	\$869.00
Total Weekly Contributions (9/1/25).....	\$5,618.00

Black & Indian Mission.....	\$60.00
Votive Candles	\$71.00
School.....	\$500.00
Building Fund	\$35.00
Assumption	\$5.00
Memorials	\$115.00

Ministries Appeal 2025

Goal.....	\$91,974.00
Total collected to date (9/1/25)	\$45,340.00

Holy Family Church

Adult Envelopes & Holy Days.....	\$170.00
Plate	\$90.05
Total Weekly Contributions (9/1/25).....	\$260.25

Ministries Appeal 2025

Goal.....	\$3,287.00
Total collected to date (9/1/25)	\$700.00

Queen of Peace Website www.qopparish.com

Scan here to contribute to Queen of Peace.

Thank you
for your investment in our parish!



HOLY FAMILY Catholic Church

280 Reservation Road

Cloquet, MN

SUNDAY

Confessions – 7:30 am

Sunday Mass – 8:00 am

QUEEN OF PEACE Catholic Church

102 4th St., Cloquet, MN

Sacrament of Reconciliation -

Wed - Fri. 7:30 - 8:00 am, Sat. 9:45 am

Sat - 4:30—4:45 pm, Sun - 9:15-9:45 am

Adoration - Wed - Fri 7:00 - 8:00 am

Mass M/W/Th/F-8:05am/Tues. 7am/Sat. 9am

Sat. 5:00 pm / Sun. 10:00 am

Confessions at St. Francis, Carlton, MN - Sat 3:05 pm



PARISH INFORMATION

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Church Email.....	qopoffice@gmail.com
Website	www.qopparish.com
Fr. Nick's Email...fr.nicholas.nelson@duluthcatholic.org	

PARISH STAFF

Pastor , Fr. Nicholas Nelson	ex. 15
Deacon , Jon Skansgaard	218-340-9805
Deacon , Eric Evander	612-685-4351
Business Admin. , Len Robinson	ex. 26
Admin. Assistant , Becca Kroll	ex. 10
Admin. Assistant , Diane Bruning	ex. 10

OFFICE HOURS

Mon., Tues., Thurs., Fri.: 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

Wednesdays: 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

Cemetery Superintendent , Alvin Bryant	218-260-8597
Discipleship Formation	Rebekah Swanson
Email	qopyouthdirector@gmail.com
Director of Sacred Music	Rebecca Visser
Email.....rvisser@queenofpeaceschool.org	
Prayer Chain , Marilyn Sowada	218-428-2301
Sacristan ,	Tim Hebert

SCHOOL STAFF

Principal , Mrs. Melissa Marti	218-879-8516
Email: principal@queenofpeaceschool.org	
Pre-School , Karin Sabyan	218-879-8516
Email: ksabyan@queenofpeaceschool.org	
Admin. Assistant , Marie Mullen	218-879-8516
Head of Maintenance	Kevin Coil
Mater Dei Apostolate (9th-12th)	218-622-0882
Email: contact@materdeiapostolate.org	

PARISH SERVICES

Baptisms, Weddings, Funerals

Please call the Parish Office 218-879-6793

NEW PARISHIONERS

*We welcome any visitors to our parish.
If you would like to join our Catholic community
Please call the Parish Office 218-879-6793*

TRUSTEES

Loran Wappes	218-499-1476
Justin Evander	952-220-8169

FINANCE COUNCIL

Chris Hammitt, Chair.....	218-348-1535
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SCHOOL BOARD CHAIR

Kevin McGrath	218-310-0865
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QUEEN OF PEACE ADORATION CHAPEL

Chapel hours:

Mon-Thurs 5am-9pm; Fri 5am-10am

CURRENT AVAILABLE HOURS:

Wed. @ 12pm & 4 pm, Thurs. @ 10 am

Fri. @ 5am

Sign up on the parish website or

contact Lucy Carlson

lmcarlson16@gmail.com

https://adorationpro.org/cloquet



QOP SUPPORTER OF THE WEEK

**C_F CLOQUET
FLOORING**

218-879-5533

Tom McConnell

Thank You

1504 Hwy 33 S.
Cloquet, MN

& MORE

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PRAYER LIFE

Please pray for those who are sick/had surgery:

Craig Sutherland, Jim Mosack, David Danielson, Fr. Ben Hadrich, Rodger Maida, Oliver Thoene, Sheryl Stramer, Fr. Pio Atonio, Don Brtek, Jamie Bushey, Pat Johnson, Terry Erickson, Robert Raisanen, Rose Manderfeld, Mark Kayser, Greta Lindbo, Mary Carrier, Bobbie Dale Hill, Jo Meisner, Chris Isakson, Steve Monfeldt, Jessica Lavan, Joshua Olson, Kinsley Pease, Sally Baecker, Dorothy Prevost, Mary Saline, Rick Stowell, Jeff Isakson, Darlyne Zywicki, Mike Larson, Keith Bryon Levings, Alex Konczal, McKenzie Ellena, Steve Noecker, Bryson Calcaterra, Joyce Fritsinger, Don Fossum, Marge Jurek, Jean Ann Wilson

Please pray for the deceased:

Eileen Chartier, John Haverkamp, Patricia Badger, Dolores Lindstrom, Patricia Eldien, Frans Matteson, Katie Pfeffer, Janice Obeidzinski

Please pray for those in the military:

Eric Singpiel, Adam Isakson, Kent Price, Treavor Lowther, Gavin Silbernagel, Everett Sibernagel, Kannon Korpela

TWENTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

That all who have repented of the sin of abortion may be given the grace to forgive those who pressured them or failed to help them

SEPTEMBER—FOR PEOPLE LIVING ON THE MARGINS

We pray for those persons living on the margins of society, in inhumane life conditions; may they not be overlooked by institutions and never considered of lesser importance

Prayer requests should be called in to our prayer chain leader, **Marilyn Sowada at 218-428-2301.**



Sponsorships are needed
for the 3rd Annual

**Mighty Stars
Catholic School
COLOR RUN!**

Please contact Karin Sabyan

651-334-4729

A graphic for the Box of Joy Back to School campaign. It features a globe with a red ribbon, a box labeled "Box of Joy", and various school supplies like pencils, crayons, and a calculator. The text reads "BOX OF JOY" and "BACK TO SCHOOL".

As back to school sales are in full swing, please consider buying extra to place in the Box of Joy collection box. Crayons, pencils, scissors, glue sticks, & erasers are all appreciated. We are also still collecting clothes & toys.

Want to be a hero to an older child?
Please consider a deflated soccer ball with pump!

THANK YOU!
Box of Joy Team,
Connie Wappes(391-1221), Theresa Wappes (213-0961) & Theresa Carr

Start your Sunday mornings...

With an inspiring message from Bishop Robert Barron
and his homilies on fire, broadcast every
Sunday at 7:15 am on 1230 am
wklk...and wklkwmoz.com

