



## St. Joseph Catholic Church

*A beacon of hope to  
Duluth Heights*

**March 9, 2025  
First Sunday of Lent**

### Mass Times

**Saturday**

4:30 pm

**Sunday**

9:30 am

### Contact Information

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Filled with the Holy Spirit, Jesus returned from the Jordan and was led by the Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil.

He ate nothing during those days, and when they were over he was hungry.

The devil said to him, "If you are the Son of God, command this stone to become bread."

Jesus answered him, "It is written, *One does not live on bread alone.*"

Then he took him up and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in a single instant.

The devil said to him, "I shall give to you all this power and glory; for it has been handed over to me, and I may give it to whomever I wish.

All this will be yours, if you worship me."

Jesus said to him in reply, "It is written

*You shall worship the Lord, your God,  
and him alone shall you serve.*"

Then he led him to Jerusalem, made him stand on the parapet of the temple, and said to him,

"If you are the Son of God, throw yourself down from here, for it is written:

*He will command his angels concerning you, to guard you, and:*

*With their hands they will support you, lest you dash your foot against a stone.*"

Jesus said to him in reply, "It also says,

*You shall not put the Lord, your God, to the test.*"

When the devil had finished every temptation, he departed from him for a time.

### Office Hours

Thursday-Friday 8:30am-1:00 pm  
by phone.

Monday-Wednesday 8:30am-1:00pm  
in person.

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Heights  
or our website:  
[stjosephduluth.com](http://stjosephduluth.com)

### Pope's Monthly Intention for March

#### For families in crisis

Let us pray that broken families might discover the cure for their wounds through forgiveness, rediscovering each other's gifts, even in their differences.

## Mass Intentions

Saturday, March 8	Nita Kangas & RaeAnn Carlson†
Sunday, March 9	All Parishioners
Saturday, March 15	All Parishioners
Sunday, March 16	Bishop Daniel Felton

**Wednesday and Friday Masses have been temporarily suspended.**

**We are in need of USHERS!** Training will be provided. Please contact the Parish Office if you are able to help or have any questions.

### ***This week's ministry schedule. . .***

**Lector:** Daniel Crusan  
**EM:** Erin Keeley  
**Ushers:** Claudia Kamp / Sarah Kamp

#### **Sunday**

**Lector:** Janelle Hnatko  
**EM:** Chico Anderson / Carol Mason\*  
**Ushers:** Bob / Judi Mosher  
**Altar Servers:** Libby K / Amara K

### ***Next week's ministry schedule. . .***

**Lector:** Gloria Brunette  
**EM:** Raymone Kral  
**Ushers:** Joan McNamara / Bill Fallis

#### **Sunday**

**Lector:** Bob Barnes  
**EM:** Chico Anderson / Rose Hallgren\*  
**Ushers:** Bob / Judi Mosher  
**Altar Servers:** Knights of Columbus

### **Thank you to Bob Barnes– Parish Coordinator**



Bob Barnes has decided to move on from his position as Parish coordinator at St. Joseph Parish. Bob stepped into the position at a very critical time for the Parish and did a wonderful job scheduling all of our volunteer duties and providing guidance to our new secretary Denise, among other important tasks. Please join us in a heartfelt thank you to Bob for his support of St. Joseph's Church.

### **Volunteers needed-Stations of the Cross**

In Fr. John's absence, Stations of the Cross will proceed as usual on Friday evenings at 6:00 p.m. during Lent. Volunteers are needed to lead the brief prayer services. Training will be provided as needed. Please contact the Parish Office if you can help.

## First Sunday of Lent

Dt 26: 4-10

The confession of faith of the chosen people.

Rom 10: 8-13

The confession of faith of all believers in Christ.

Lk 4: 1-13

Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert and was tempted.

Moses recounts great events of salvation history which find their fulfillment in Jesus Christ. We confess him to be Lord, for God raised him from the dead. He is ever faithful, resisting temptation to forsake his Father's mission, trusting in God's love.

## The Art Of Liturgy

Music and the Mass form a beautiful piece of art known as the Liturgy. When all aspects of the Liturgy are in sync, the art is there and we are transported to a very wonderful, spiritual place. If one of these aspects fails to produce good art, it can be a very disjointed and even, dare I say, disturbing, experience. However, when you have an art that only exists in time, this is something that can easily occur. There is no such thing as a perfect performance.

A painter creates in his or her own studio and is able to make corrections and additions to their work before the public is allowed to see it. Then it becomes a permanent work of art that can exist for many years.

The people who produce the Mass and its music have to do some preparatory work, to be sure. However, the art of the Liturgy only exists when all aspects are in place: the Mass, music and the congregation's participation. We run the risk of having things go wrong in the present because we are a living, breathing work of art; correcting and adding to it each time we take the time to experience it.

We are not perfect people; we bring our brokenness to the Lord's table each week to seek His sustenance and grace through the Liturgy. God's light shines mightily through the shards of our brokenness, and there is beauty beyond belief in this imperfection.

-Julie Ciurleo



# AWAKEN YOUR FAITH!

## Chico's Bible Study

Week Two of our Lenten Bible Study will be on March 10 from 2:00 to 3:15 PM. We had a great turnout for last Monday's gathering and hope to see those who were unable to attend week one's session. The theme for the Second Sunday of Lent: "The Transfiguration of Jesus reveals something about Jesus, but it also leaves the disciples bewildered and frightened. What is an area of your life that feels confusing or dark? How would you like the Light of Christ to shine there?"



**Children's Liturgy of the Word** offered today, Sunday, March 9th during the 9:30 a.m. Mass. Children are welcome to join us downstairs during the Liturgy of the Word to listen to a children's version of today's Gospel, learn about God's love and to do follow up activities.

**First Saturday's of the Month Social Gatherings after Mass during Lent will not be held. Thank you!**

You can sponsor the Sanctuary Lamp for a week for a \$20.00 donation In Honor or in Memory of a loved one . Contact : [stjosephduluthheights@gmail.com](mailto:stjosephduluthheights@gmail.com), or leave a name and donation in an envelope labeled "Sanctuary lamp" and place it in the collection basket during mass.



**For the week of March 9th**  
In honor of Fr. John Petrich

## Readings for the week of March 9, 2024

Sun: Dt 26: 4-10 Rom 10: 8-13 Lk 4: 1-13  
Mon: Lv 19: 1-2, 11-18 Mt 25: 31-46  
Tues: Is 55: 10-11 Mt 6: 7-15  
Wed: Jon 3: 1-10 Lk 11: 29-32  
Thur: Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 Mt 7: 7-12  
Fri: Ez 18: 21-28 Mt 5: 20-26  
Sat: Dt 26: 16-19 Mt 5: 43-48  
Sun: Gn 15: 5-12, 17-18 Phil 3: 17-4:1 Lk 9: 28b-36

## Vocations prayers for Saturday/Sunday:

*Saturday, March 8— Fr. Charles Flynn*  
*Sunday, March 9— Fr. Charles Frieböhle*

## Faith formation corner

St. Joseph's Weekly updates/news

The Children's mass was beautifully done. Thank you all for attending. It's appreciated.

We will resume classes on March 12th at 6:00 pm

If schools cancel due to bad weather, we also will cancel classes.



## KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS Council # 8268

Meets the 2nd Tuesday of the month September through May. Next meeting is Tuesday, March 11th. **Contact info:** Eric Berlin (218) 580-8251. 6:30 pm Rosary followed by a 7:00 pm meeting.

## ST. JOSEPH'S PLUS 55 CLUB

Meets on the 2nd Thursday of the month from February through December at 12:00 pm. So our next meeting is Thursday, March 13th. Newcomers welcome. Contact info: Judi Mosher 218-393-2575.

**Easter flower donation envelopes** are located near the bulletins. Please print clearly the name you'd like printed in bulletin— In Honor of or In Memory of. The list will appear in the Sunday, April 27th bulletin. Thank you.

## Collections March 1/2, 2025

Envelopes	\$ 2,859.00
Loose Plate	\$ 455.00
Online giving	\$ 690.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$ 4,004.00</b>
Ministry Appeal goal	\$ 25,349.00
Ministry Appeal given	\$ 3,603.00

Evangelization & Outreach fosters personal and spiritual growth through charitable initiatives, support services and outreach ministries.

Liturgical resources also help us in celebrating the sacred rites in the Diocese of Duluth.



Communications and Support Services are provided to the parishes to keep the diocese connected. If you haven't made your gift yet, please prayerfully consider doing so. **PLEASE make checks out to the DIOCESE OF DULUTH and not to St. Joseph's.**

## Community News

The Friends of the Felgemaker is hosting a **Birthday Celebration Concert on Friday, March 21 at 7:00 pm at Sacred Heart Music Center, 201 West 4th Street, Duluth, MN.**

The Birthday Celebration Concert is a tribute to Johann Sebastian Bach on his 340th birthday and Rev. Dr. David Tryggestad on his 75th birthday. The organ concert will feature musicians Velda Graham Bell, Rosemary Guiney, Thomas Hamilton, Brian Kapp, Tasha Kapp, Rachael Kresha, Karen Hanson Sande, Charles Sundquist and David Tryggestad. Come hear the masterful music of J.S. Bach and friends played on the beautiful, historic Felgemaker pipe organ at Sacred Heart Music Center! A reception follows with birthday cake!

Admission is free but donations are gratefully accepted. All donations will support the Felgemaker Organ Fund which is used to maintain the Felgemaker pipe organ. Parking is available on the street, and in the parking lot diagonally across from the Sacred Heart Music Center.

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**Pilgrimage to Our Lady of Champion:** Join Father Charlie Friebohle to see the National Shrine of our Lady of Champion in Champion, WI on May 13-15, 2025. The cost is \$140, which includes the cost of the motor coach, lunch on the trip down, and water on the bus. Hotel cost and meals will be at the attendees' expense. Hotel rooms are double queen rooms - up to four people per room at a cost of \$139 per night, plus tax. If you are interested in attending or would like more details, please call Monica Curtiss (St. Piux X parishioner) at 218-393-4231.

Mater Dei Apostolate is hosting a spring benefit dinner with guest speaker, Fr. Spencer Howe. Fr. Howe will be speaking on **"Authentic Catholic Education: The Pursuit of Sanity & Sanctity"**. Join us on Saturday, March 15th at The Buffalo House located at 2590 Guss Road Duluth, MN 5:00pm - Social | 6:30pm - Dinner | 7:00-9:00pm - Program

**"Following Jesus on Mission" is the theme of a Lenten mission preached by Fr. Sekhar Dasari** which will be held at the Cathedral of Our Lady (2801 E. 4th St., Duluth) March 24 through March 26 at 6:30pm. Each night will be different so come to one, two, or all three to receive a Mission this Lent. The mission is hosted by the Parishes of East Duluth. For additional information, contact the Cathedral at 218-728-3646 or visit [duluthcathedral.com](http://duluthcathedral.com).

**"The Shroud Encounter"** on Saturday, March 22nd at 5:30pm and Sunday, March 23rd at 1pm, at St. Lawrence Church 2410 Morris Thomas Rd in Duluth. There is a small fee of \$10 per adult to help defray the costs, 18 and under are free.

## From Stella Maris

**Thank you** to all who purchased raffle tickets from our students this last month! You helped SMA raise over \$70,000! Special thanks to Catholic United Financial for sponsoring the raffle! The drawing will take place on March 27th! Winners will be contacted soon afterwards.

**SMA is seeking to hire a 2nd grade teacher, kitchen manager, and long-term subs for spring maternity leaves.** If you or someone you know might be interested in a rewarding career at SMA please visit the below link for more details about each opening <https://www.stellamaris.academy/employment>

## Around the Diocese

**March Hard Liquor | Hard Questions-** The east Duluth mission field parishes are hosting on Saturday, March 15<sup>th</sup> following the 4:30 Mass at the Cathedral. The topic is "What is Love? Love, Sexuality, and the Catholic Church." There will be a social with drinks and appetizers, a presentation, and an open Q&A.

**FISH FRY—Friday, March 14th & 21st** Knights of Columbus 447 St. John's Church

Fish, fried and baked. Potatoes, coleslaw, vegetable (green beans), dinner bun, cake, coffee. Serving from 4:30 to 7.

Adults- \$14, Youth 6 to 13- \$7, Under 6 Free



**Salmon Bake and Wine Raffle April 4, 2025** The KC's Msgr. O'Shea Council 15761 will be having a salmon bake and the 11th annual wine raffle Friday, April 4 at Stella Maris Academy (Holy Rosary Campus) from 5-7 PM. Tickets for the salmon bake are \$20 Adults, \$10 Children 6-12 and Free for children 5 and under. Wine raffle tickets are \$10 each. Requests for tickets can be made at [kccouncil15761@gmail.com](mailto:kccouncil15761@gmail.com). Funds from these events will be used to support Stella Maris Academy and the Women's Care Center.

**The Father Solanus Casey Fraternity of Secular Franciscans** meets the third Sunday of every month at 12:30 PM at Holy Family Catholic Church in Duluth. Guests are welcome. Secular Franciscans are Catholics who strive to live out Gospel simplicity and joy more deeply in the ordinary circumstances of life, family, work, and church. For more information, talk to Jane and Bob Barnes, or contact Franz Hoefflerle at [hoefflerf1@q.com](mailto:hoefflerf1@q.com).

### 4th Annual Star of the North Maternity Home

Friday, March 14, 2025 (Snow date is March 21, 2025)  
5:30 pm - 8:00 pm Dinner, Music, Presentation & Silent Auction  
Musician: Todd Eckhart. RSVP your Tickets Adults \$25 (Sr & Veterans \$20) Kids 5-12 \$10, Kids under 5 Free  
Email [starofthenorthmh@gmail.com](mailto:starofthenorthmh@gmail.com) or Call 218-310-6838.