



2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
January 14th, 2024

## Blessed Sacrament Welcome to our Parish

*"Sharing life in communion with Christ and the family of the Church. Inviting others joyfully into this life."*

### Parish and School Directory

#### Blessed Sacrament Catholic Church

2310 East 7th Avenue  
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#### Parish Office / Assumption School St. Leo's Hall

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[www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org](http://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org)

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Parish Kitchen.....(218) 262-5541 ext 235  
School Office .....(218) 263-3054  
School Office Fax .....(218) 263-3682  
Kids Club.....(218) 969-0440

#### Emergency

In case of an emergency after regular business hours, call (218) 262-5541 ext. 7 to reach a priest.

### Parish and School Staff

**Pastor** ..... Fr. Daniel Weiske

Email: [fr.daniel.weiske@duluthcatholic.org](mailto:fr.daniel.weiske@duluthcatholic.org)

**Sacramental Minister**...Fr. Bill Skarich

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Grant Toma

**Business Manager**.....Susie Marchetti

**Parish Secretary** ..... Jessica Koland

**Religious Education Team:**

**Coordinator of Faith Formation**.....

Ben Milani

**Sunday School**.....Jen Steinbrecher

**Family Faith Formation**.....

Deacon Grant & Deb Toma

**Music**.....Vicki Gornick

**Liturgy/Adoration** ..... Sue Schwartz

**Maintenance**.....Mason Bukovich

**School Principal**.....David Pritschet

**School Secretary**.....Amy Tiburzi



### Mass Schedule

#### Weekend Masses

Saturday 4:15pm.....

Sunday 8:00am .....

Sunday 10:00am...BLS & Side Lake Chapel

Each week, the 8am Sunday Mass is

broadcast live on Channel 805 & 118.5.

The 8am Mass is livestream on our

YouTube Channel each Sunday.

#### Weekday Masses

Monday 8:00am....Tuesday 5:15pm.....

Wednesday-Friday \*8:00am.....

\*Wednesday Mass is 9am during School year

#### The Church is open for Prayer:

Mon., Tues., Wed., & Thurs. 7:30am-4pm

Fri. 7:30am-1:00pm; Sat.- 8am-5pm

Sun. - 7:30am until conclusion of 10am  
Mass

### Reconciliation

Tuesday evening...4:30pm-5:15pm

Saturday 3:00pm - 4:00pm .....

### Baptism

Call the Parish Office at least one month in advance and schedule preparation and baptism with a Priest.

### New Parishioners

Please register on our website  
[www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org](http://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org) or at  
the Parish Office.

### Office Hours

Monday-Thursday 8:30am-4:00pm  
Friday 8:30am-1:00pm

### Assumption Catholic School

The Assumption Catholic School, a part of the Blessed Sacrament Parish, is a Christ-centered partnership of parents, students, and the wider parish community.

### Marriage

Begin arrangements at least six months in advance of wedding date. A marriage preparation course is required before all weddings. Call the Parish Office to begin planning.

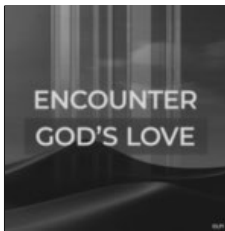
### Adoration

Weekly Adoration every Thursday from 8:30am-Friday 8:00am in the Adoration Chapel.

### Natural Family Planning Northland Family Programs

Call Susie Marchetti at 218-966-0899





## 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

As a priest, I'm amazed how happily married couples remember the tiniest details of their earliest encounters. They effortlessly report things like: "he wore a blue shirt," "we ordered brussels sprouts," "her hair was up in a bun," and "he spilled shrimp cocktail sauce at my family's open front door when it was ten degrees below zero," (that one's courtesy of my mom). We delight in remembering and speaking of when our new life of love began. The little details are glorious reminders that it's all *real*.

It's similar for John the Apostle. He tells us of the two disciples who followed Jesus into his house, **"...they stayed with him that day. It was about four o'clock in the afternoon."** Why does that tiny detail matter? Because *that's the time of day when they encountered the love of Jesus the Messiah in their lives*. Our religion is not primarily about abstract truths about God, no matter how true or sublime. It is about God meeting and saving us in our human nature. It's about a *human* relationship.

What was the time of day when you first recall encountering Christ and his Church? Who was there? What did you feel? How did things look and smell? What happened? Take some time to recall it in detail. For me, it was inside an old, rickety church on a hillside in Jerome, Arizona. It was about 9 p. m. on a Saturday evening. I was with my friends Jenny, Brad, and Laura. We were praying, singing, and laughing. When was it for you? Remembering the details isn't empty nostalgia. It reminds us now that God's love for us in our humanity is real. — *Father John Muir* ©LPi

**#FundAmazing gift received!** The following has been taken from the award letter from Google, "As part of Google's commitment to invest in community partnerships, it brings us immense joy to learn that a Google employee, Lynn Torrel, has recognized the outstanding work your agency is doing in the community to deliver a positive impact. Blessed Sacrament Church was nominated recently by a Google LLC executive to receive funding **from the Google Cloud Supply Chain & Operations 2023 #FundAmazing program**. Being a recipient of the #FundAmazing giving program is a wonderful testament to the value that your work holds in the eyes of both the broader community and Google."

#FundAmazing gifted \$50,000 to Blessed Sacrament Church. Lynn, the daughter of parishioners Joanne and the late John Baratto, and her husband Doug, son of parishioners Mary Jane and Mike Torrel, have strong ties back to Hibbing and Blessed Sacrament Church. It is through Lynn's nomination and their support of this fund that we received this amazing gift! Please offer prayers of thanksgiving for them!

**Registration for the January Restored retreat is open!** All adults 21 and older are invited to a retreat weekend taking place January 26-28 at Sugar Lake Lodge. Come enjoy good fellowship with people from all over the diocese, delicious food, engaging presentations, time for prayer and reflection, and be restored in both body and soul. All adults are welcome to come! More information on the weekend and registration can be found at [www.dioceseduluth.org/restored-retreat](http://www.dioceseduluth.org/restored-retreat).



**Pro-Life Corner:** "When we encounter Christ, experience his love, and deepen our relationship with him, we become more aware of our own worth and that of others. His love for each person is cause for great joy, and growing understanding of this priceless treasure motivates us to share his love with others. Our lives are often changed by the witness of others; so too, others' lives may be changed by our witness and authentic friendship with them."

*USCCB Secretariat of Pro-Life Activities*  
*"How to Build a Culture of Life"*  
[respectlife.org/culture-of-life](http://respectlife.org/culture-of-life)

## Walking with Moms in Need



**Plan to Attend this month's presentation.**

*After Mass Sunday, Jan 21st*  
*Courtyard Annex 11:15am*

Topic and speaker to be announced during the week via Flocknote and the next Bulletin.

Speaker notes pending.



Learn more about our parish Walking with Moms in Need ministry. Visit the ***Walking with Moms in Need*** page on our parish website <https://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org/walking-with-moms-in-need>

Parish contact: Cathy Timmerman  
 218-969-2496 [ctimmerman@proton.me](mailto:ctimmerman@proton.me)

## Council of Catholic Women



**The Council of Catholic Women** will meet **Mon., Feb. 5th at 1pm in the Courtyard Annex**. A review of the past year's activities will be discussed. Any new ideas are welcome as we plan the year, including preparing for upcoming soup suppers. All the ladies of the Parish are invited and welcomed to attend! Pray to the Holy Spirit to guide you. **Come Holy Spirit Come. Our Lady of Good Counsel, pray for us!**

**Blessed Sacrament Parish has two Prayer Chains:**

Call Nancy at 262-4401 or  
 Carolyn at 263-4684

Prayer requests can also be submitted online

[www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org](http://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org)  
 under the

"Special Prayer Intention" tab.

## School News



**Catholic Schools Week** will be **Jan. 28th-Feb. 3rd**. We hope to have fun events planned for our students, as we celebrate Catholic education. Stay tuned to upcoming bulletins for updates, and please keep our Assumption students, staff, and families in your prayers!

**One Family in Christ** Come be One Family in Christ and join us for worship, adoration, a potluck dinner, fellowship, and recreation (time for kids to play). Everyone is invited to participate with us at Blessed Sacrament. The next One Family in Christ event is **Thurs., January 18th from 5:30pm-7:30pm**. If you would like to be added to the Flocknote group (email and/or text) to receive updates and reminders, please contact Josh Wopata 218-996-3314 or [jawopata@yahoo.com](mailto:jawopata@yahoo.com). **All are welcome!**

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Blessed Sacrament Parish

**Baking Opportunities**

**Group baking session will be held on Monday, January 22.**

- 4:00pm - prepare sauce
- 6:00pm - assemble lasagna

**Come when you can!**

We are collecting the following for a Lasagna Love group baking session at Blessed Sacrament:

- Lasagna noodles - regular
- prepared spaghetti sauce
- Super One or Walmart gift cards
- heavy duty tin pans
- Tin foil
- Plastic wrap
- Parmesan cheese

\*Drop off these items in the office labeled "Lasagna Love"

Go to the link below for more information if you are able or interested in serving!  
[www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org](http://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org)

**UPDATE! OUR PARISH FED 56 PEOPLE**

The Lasagna Love area representative wanted to extend her thanks to our parish! So many of you stepped up to help those in need. Lasagna Love matched 13 families, feeding 56 people (28 adults, 28 children.) Also, many people expressed interest in baking as a parish group.

Contact Sue Schwartz with questions:  
[sue.schwartz@duluthcatholic.org](mailto:sue.schwartz@duluthcatholic.org)  
(218) 969-4718 Cell phone

## Faith Formation

**Middle School & High School (6th-11th grades)**  
Wed., Jan. 17th meal available 6:30pm; class 6:30pm-8pm

**Sunday School (K-5th grades)**  
Sun., Jan. 21st 8:45am-9:45am

## Sacraments



Please pray for **August Klaymat, Terrance Carlson, and Katherine Nyberg** who have died. May God grant them eternal rest and peace in His Kingdom.

# THY KINGDOM COME!



### Jesus and the Eucharist: A Small Group Series for Eucharistic Revival

We invite you to grow closer to Jesus alongside fellow parishioners through the *Jesus and the Eucharist* study on Tuesdays starting in January. The *Jesus and the Eucharist* study was specifically designed for this Eucharistic Revival, and we will be joining many parishes throughout the United States that are participating in this small group study as part of our National Eucharistic Revival.

Each session is full of rich theological content, powerful testimonies, and unique and timely messages from individual bishops across the country. This is a great opportunity to dive more deeply into the richness of our Eucharistic faith.

**Please join us on Tuesdays (through February 13th) at 6:15 pm. in St. Leo's Hall at Blessed Sacrament Church.**

For those interested, a potluck supper will also be held at 5:45 each week, after 5:15 Mass, as is done throughout the year on Tuesdays by our Hungry Aspiring Saints group which will host these Eucharistic Revival sessions!

**The 23-24 Knights of Columbus Scholarship Application Form** is now available on the Parish website [www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org](http://www.blessedsacramenthibbing.org) (Knights of Columbus tab on top of webpage).  
**The deadline for applications is May 4, 2024.**

## Knightly News

### January 2024 Calendar



The Knights of Columbus will host a **pancake breakfast in St. Leo's Hall next weekend** following Sunday Masses. **All are welcome!**

**TO JOIN THE KNIGHTS, GO TO KOFC ON-LINE**

## Mass Intentions

Mon. 1/15 8:00am+Eugene & Jane Simonson  
 Tues. 1/16 5:15pm+Joe Morales  
 Wed. 1/17 9:00am+Mary Salstrand  
 Thurs. 1/18 8:00am+Barbara Grillo  
 Fri. 1/19 8:00am+Uro, Mary, & Bob Maki  
 Sat. 1/20 4:15pm+Adam Johnson  
 Sun. 1/21 8:00am All Parishioners  
 10:00am +Mr. & Mrs. Leonard & Doreen Kotula

B Birthday, A Anniversary, WA Wedding Anniversary, + Deceased

*Thank you* to our sponsors



**Jesus, I Trust in You.**  
**Eucharistic Adoration**  
 is open every  
**Thursday 8:30am–**  
**Friday 8:00am**

## Stewardship

Parish Financial Status	Last Week Actual	YTD Budget	YTD Actual
Ordinary Income (Envelope, Plate, Online)	\$17,491.65		\$371,573.84
Bequests/Other Income	\$---	\$---	\$2,938.26

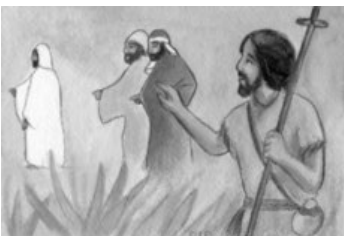
***Due to your generosity, our Parish has met the 2023 UCA goal of \$112,199.67. Thank you!***

***January 7th, 2024***

## Weekly Readings

### Readings for the week of January 14, 2024

Mon: 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22  
 Tues: 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28  
 Wed: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6  
 Thurs: 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12  
 Fri: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19  
 Sat: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21  
 Sun: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher—"where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." — Jn 1:38-39a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

## Weekly Parish Calendar

### Sun., 1/14

Sunday School 8:45am-9:45am REC  
Coffee Social 11:15am SLH  
Rosary for conversion of Russia and peace in Ukraine 7pm BLS

### Mon., 1/15

### Tues., 1/16

Grandparent Ministry 9:00am CA  
Eucharistic Revival Series; potluck 5:45pm/ session 6:15pm

### Wed., 1/17

Rosary for Children 8:30am BLS  
Faith Formation 6pm meal; class 6:30pm-8pm SLH

### Thurs., 1/18

Widows of Prayer 9:00am CA  
One Family in Christ Event 5:30pm-7:30pm BLS

### Fri., 1/19

### Sat., 1/20

### Sun., 1/21

Sunday School 8:45am-9:45am REC  
Knights of Columbus pancake breakfast 8am-12pm SLH  
Walking with Moms in Need presentation 11:15am CA  
Rosary for conversion of Russia and peace in Ukraine 7pm BLS

BLS Blessed Sacrament Church \* CA Courtyard Annex  
\* SLH St. Leo's Hall \* MPR Multipurpose Room  
\*REC Religious Ed. Center

### *Christ Is Anything but Ordinary*

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flat-lining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet?

Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call.

In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25.

Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see.— *Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi*



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