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Praying for the Cardinals in Rome

In these days of the death of Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, and the election of a new Holy Father, one feels deeply the gift of being part of a universal Church. Together with Catholics throughout the world we pray for the repose of the soul of Pope Francis, and as the cardinals come together from the corners of the globe, we pray for them and with them and the important work God asks them to do.

The Pope is the successor of Saint Peter. Peter was chosen by Christ himself and given a very special role among the other Apostles. He is the point of unity for the apostles, and the whole Church. He represents the one true Shepherd Jesus Christ and is his vicar on earth. Saint Peter is called to strengthen his brothers (Luke 22:32), so they can witness to the power of Jesus. Saint Peter was a man, a weak and sinful man like me and you, but he was still chosen by God to lead his Church on earth. His successor will also be weak and sinful but given special graces for the important task of being the universal shepherd. This is part of Christ's promise to always be with his Church. This is also why we must pray for the cardinals and the next pope. As one Church we are called to support each other in our prayers so we can be faithful to the mission God has given us.

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LEND US YOUR HEART

Bishop Andrew H. Cozzens

Counting the Cardinals



United States
Conference of
Catholic Bishops

252 Total number in the
College of Cardinals

135 Total number of
cardinal electors

117 Total number
of non-electors

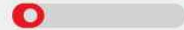
Living Cardinals according to
the pontificate of their creation:

St. John Paul II

36 Non-electors



5 electors



Benedict XVI

40 Non-electors



22 electors



Francis

41 Non-electors



108 electors



Countries that the
cardinal electors represent **72**



**USA 10
cardinal
electors**



**Italy 16
cardinal
electors**

Number of countries
with one cardinal elector **55**

The continents of Asia and Europe
both have **18** countries represented
in the conclave, Africa will have **17**.

Countries that the College
of Cardinals represents **95**

The oldest member of the college of
cardinals is Cardinal Angelo Acerbi
who will turn **100** on Sept. 23rd.

The youngest member of the college of
cardinals is Cardinal Mykola Bychok,
C.S.s.R., Eparchial Bishop of Saints Peter
and Paul of Melbourne of the Ukrainians
who was born in **Feb. 1980**.

On May 7th, following the completion of a nine-day novena for the soul of Pope Francis, the College of Cardinals will enter into the conclave to elect a new pope. During this time we invite all the faithful to pray for the cardinals as they undergo rigorous and intensive prayer to elect a new pope.

For ongoing updates and helpful resources about what is currently going on with the conclave can be found here >> www.crookston.org/holyfather

IN THE NORTHLAND

Updated Funeral Services

Funeral services for Sister Marietta Geray who died November 28, 2024 have been scheduled.

Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let Your perpetual light shine upon her. May her soul and the souls of all the faithful departed rest in peace. Amen.

[Click here for an obituary and details.](#)



Sisters
SAINT BENEDICT

Sister Marietta Geray
September 11, 1931 ~ November 28, 2024

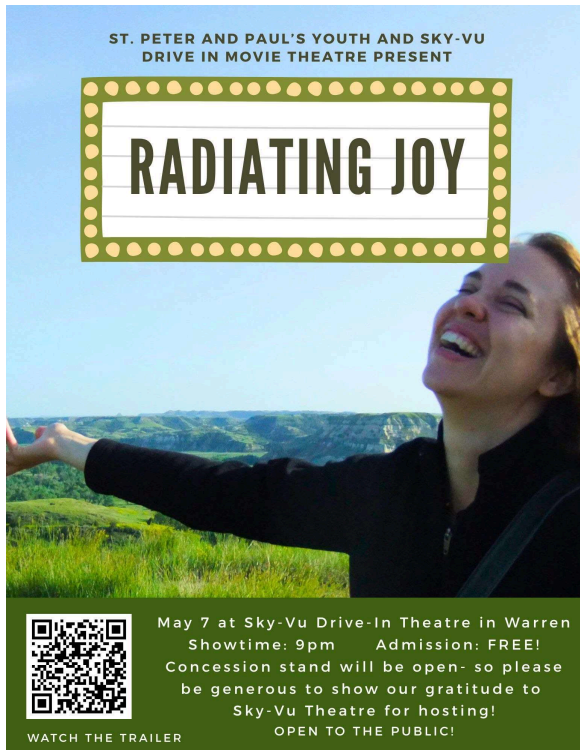


NATIONAL Eucharistic Revival

You are invited to become a Eucharistic Missionary

You are invited to become a Eucharistic Missionary in a more formal way through formation episodes offered by the National Eucharistic Revival team. This five-part training will equip you to become the Eucharistic Missionary our Lord is inviting you to be. Each training module is informative, inspiring, free, and online through the National Eucharistic Revival. Beginning May 18th, the National Eucharistic Revival team is inviting individuals and parish groups to begin formation to become a Eucharistic Missionary and be commissioned on the Solemnity of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Jesus Christ.

For more information, [click here.](#)



Watch *Radiating Joy* at the Drive In

The Sky-Vu Drive-In Theatre in Warren will show the movie *Radiating Joy* about the life of Servant of God Michelle Duppong.

When: May 7 at 9 p.m.

Where: The Sky-Vu Drive-In Theatre in Warren.

Admission: FREE, but attendees are encouraged to support the concession stand in gratitude to the theatre for opening for this event.

[View the trailer here.](#)

FR. JOHN RICCARDO



MAY 6

7:00 - 8:15 P.M.

ST. PHILIP'S, BEMIDJI



All Are Invited: Fr. John Riccardo to speak at
St. Philip's, Bemidji on May 6

Fr. John Riccardo of ACTS XXIX ministry will be speaking to our priests during their annual Spring Priests Convocation May 5-8. He will also present an evening address for the lay faithful on Tuesday, May 6, from 7:00 – 8:15 at St. Philip's Catholic Church in Bemidji. Fr. Riccardo's "Living the Church's Mission" will provide insight into the "Created, Captured, Rescued, Respond" proclamation of the faith.

Fr. Riccardo's *You Were Born For This*, and *From the Trailer* podcasts are listened to by thousands every week and his *Rescue Live!* conference is presented to sold-out audiences across the United States. **No RSVP necessary.**

Pray for Our Clergy!

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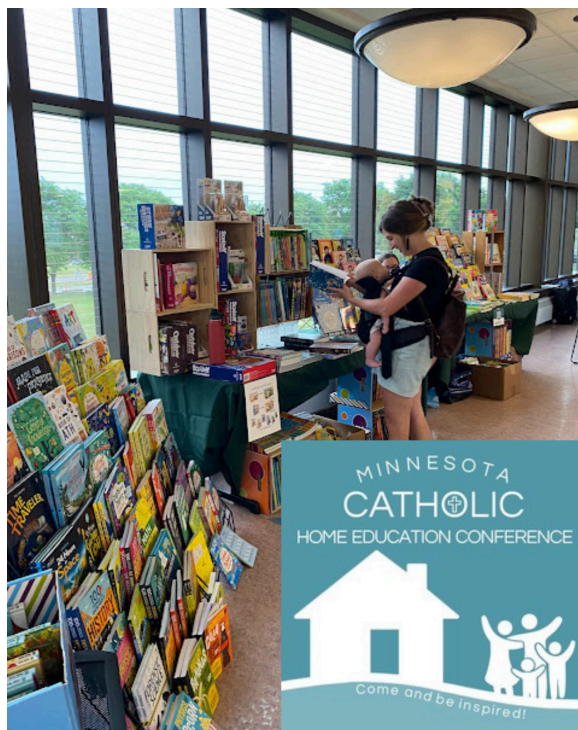


MAY 7TH IS ADVOCACY DAY AND RALLY
FOR NONPUBLIC SCHOOL STUDENTS

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Minnesota Catholic Home Education Conference

Whether you're a seasoned homeschooler or just beginning to explore, the Minnesota Catholic Home Education Conference is for you! Join us May 30–31, 2025, at St. Paul College for two days of encouragement, workshops, and practical support. Keynote speakers Ken and Kerri Davison ([Holy Heroes](#)) will be joined by a dynamic lineup of Catholic presenters. Visit over 40 vendors, browse the used book sale, and connect with other families. Special needs discussion, panel conversations, and networking opportunities included! [Click for details and registration.](#)



STEWARDSHIP



Northland Catholic Community Foundation Board

The Northland Catholic Community Foundation Board of Directors gathered at the Pastoral Center this past week. We are thankful for the dedication of this board as they work to secure a bright future and strong financial foundation in the Diocese of Crookston.

Pictured top from left to right: Conway Marvin, Ben Grimsley, Pete Zavoral, Msgr. Tim McGee, Jack Robertson, Mark Jirik, Fr. George Noel, Mike Richards, Dennis Brazier, Doug Spaeth, Dale Carlson, Joe Lichty

Bottom left to right: Mary Conway, Bienvenida Grimsley, Janelle Gergen, Fr. David Blume, Bishop Andrew Cozzens, Terri Brazier, Darlene Spaeth, LeAnn Carlson, Pam Paradis



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PARISH RESOURCES



Pilgrimage to Barcelona, Lourdes, and Fatima ([Bulletin Announcement](#))

DAA Status Report 4.30.25

Gift Planning Advocate Job Description

Novena for the Pope ([Spanish Version Available](#))

IVF & Assisted Reproductive Technologies Parish Leader Kit ([Spanish Version Available](#))

and more resources...



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