

OCTOBER 16, 2022

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WHO MADE
BOTH *heaven
and earth.*

PSALM 121



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Sun	Oct 16	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live-streamed): Bud Zweber† & Craig Zweber† 6:00pm Fiat M: 6-8th Grade Ladies 7:15pm Fiat: High School Ladies
Mon	Oct 17	Mass is not scheduled on this day.
Tue	Oct 18	8:00am No Mass or confessions
Wed	Oct 19	8:00am No Mass or confessions 4:45pm No Confessions
Thu	Oct 20	8:00am No Mass or confessions
Fri	Oct 21	8:00am No Mass or confessions
Sat	Oct 22	7:35am Rosary 8:00am Mass: Albert Chlan† 8:35am Confessions 1:00pm Wedding 3:30pm Confessions 5:00pm Mass: David Friedges+
Sun	Oct 23	8:00am Mass: For the Parish 10:00am Mass (live-streamed): Leonard Kalal†



MASS SCHEDULE CHANGE

Father Rudolph is planning to be on vacation beginning Monday, October 17, through Friday, October 21. There will be no Mass or confessions at St. Nicholas. Please visit one of our neighboring Catholic parishes for the sacraments this week. Our regular schedule will resume with the morning Mass at 8 a.m. on Saturday, October 22.

Eucharistic Adoration

Adoration Hours

Sunday 4 pm to Monday midnight
 Monday 5 am to Wednesday 2 am
 Wednesday 4 am to Thursday midnight
 Thursday 4 am to Friday midnight
 Friday 5 am to Saturday 8 am

Committed adorers needed especially for these hours:

Thursday 11 am
 Friday 9 pm
 Saturday 2 am and 3 am

If you would like to be placed on the weekly adoration schedule, please contact Sherry Moening at smoenin1@gmail.com or sign up online at <https://www.stncc.net/available-adoration-hours>.

Weekly Readings

Readings for the week of October 16, 2022

Sunday: Ex 17:8-13/Ps 121:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8/2 Tm 3:14—4:2/Lk 18:1-8
 Monday: Eph 2:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4ab, 4c-5/Lk 12:13-21
 Tuesday: 2 Tm 4:10-17b/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18/Lk 10:1-9
 Wednesday: Eph 3:2-12/Is 12:2-3, 4bcd, 5-6/Lk 12:39-48
 Thursday: Eph 3:14-21/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 11-12, 18-19/Lk 12:49-53
 Friday: Eph 4:1-6/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 12:54-59
 Saturday: Eph 4:7-16/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5/Lk 13:1-9
 Next Sunday: Sir 35:12-14, 16-18/Ps 34:2-3, 17-18, 19, 23 [7a]/2 Tm 4:6-8, 16-18/Lk 18:9-14

General Information



St. Nicholas Catholic Church
51 Church Street
Elko New Market, MN 55054
952-461-2403

Parish Office Hours
Monday: Closed
Tuesday—Friday:
7:45 a.m.—5:00 p.m.

Lord's Day Mass

Saturday: 5:00 p.m., Sunday: 8:00 a.m.
& 10:00 a.m. (Live streamed on our website
and Facebook page.)

Daily Mass

Tuesday—Saturday: 8:00 a.m.

Sacrament of Reconciliation

Tuesday—Friday: 7:35—7:50 a.m.
Wednesday: 4:45—5:30 p.m.
Saturday: 8:35 a.m. and 3:30—4:40 p.m.
or by appointment

Sacrament of Baptism

Pre-baptism meetings are held with the pastor.
Please call for an appointment.

Sacrament of Marriage

Arrangements must be made a minimum of six
(6) months in advance.

Communion Call

If you or someone you care for must receive
communion at home or in the hospital, please
call the parish office.

Care Fund

Help is available for emergency situations &
special needs. Please contact the parish office.

Prayer Line

This group is designed to help pray for specific
concerns or special intentions. To add someone
to the prayer line or if you are interested in
becoming one of 45+ who pray, please contact
Mary Zweber at 952-461-2366 or George Rhein
at 952-461-4230.

Bulletin Guidelines

- Bulletin items are due on Tuesdays by 4 p.m.
- Email items to kjohnson@stncc.net.
- All bulletin content is approved by Fr. Rudolph.

From the desk of Father Rudolph

Voting Informed by Faith...

In this Sunday's Gospel, Jesus Christ says, **"When the Son of Man comes, will he find faith on earth?"** With these words, he challenges Christians in every age to examine their faith. If our faith is deep and mature, it will affect every area of our life. This includes how we vote.

With elections coming up on November 9th, the chief shepherds of God's flock here in Minnesota recently issued an "Election Year Statement from the Catholic Bishops of Minnesota." It appears elsewhere in this bulletin and is well worth reading. What follows is a summary and some implications of their statement.

The bishops remind us that the task of politics is to promote justice and the common good. Justice means established right relationships between people. In the context of Minnesota politics in 2022, the bishops write:

This year, in a special way, we call on Catholics to consider how a candidate will work for prenatal justice as a pre-eminent consideration in his or her voting calculus. Prenatal justice is not simply being anti-abortion, though that is the foundation of the pro-life witness. Prenatal justice means establishing right relationships between the mother and the unborn child in her womb, between society and the unborn child, and between society and the mother and father of the unborn child. As life begins in the womb, so must justice.

The bishops go on to say that while the most important element of this prenatal justice is defending the right to life of unborn babies, it goes on to include adequate support for parents, families, marriage, and adoption. In a democracy, the pro-life cause can also be helped by building respectful relationships with our lawmakers, whatever their views. Speaking *with* politicians does a lot more good than speaking *about* them. Related to that, the bishops write:

We encourage Catholics and other advocates for human life to step proactively into the political debate both winsomely and charitably, and to use creatively all peaceful levers of political power to prudently, and incrementally, transform our cities and state into places that respect the human rights of the unborn by welcoming them in life and protecting them by law. Part of that work is voting. A representative democracy such as ours requires that the citizenry elect good people into office and continue to inform their elected representatives of their views on important issues.

What do the bishops mean by working for incremental transformation? Well, politics is the art of the possible, not the impossible. This means that while as Catholics we believe all abortion is wrong, it may not be politically possible at this time to achieve the legal prohibition of all abortions, either in Minnesota or in the USA as a whole. With that in mind, it's OK to try to achieve whatever protections for unborn babies that does seem possible now. That doesn't mean compromising our principles. It means running the race without expecting to reach the finish line instantly. In other words, half a loaf is better than none.

To give a practical example, as Catholics, we might rightly cringe inside at a

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proposal for a law that would prohibit abortion after 15 weeks from conception, but allow it before that. But if it seems like that proposal might have enough support among the general population and lawmakers to make it into law, whereas it looks like a proposal for an all-out ban on abortion is going to go nowhere for now, it's OK to urge lawmakers to support the 15 week ban, and to vote for candidates who support that measure, or some other compromise that is at least better than current law. Then let's keep on engaging in what Saint John Paul II called the evangelization of culture, with the hope that someday all Americans will support the protection of every human life.

Your fellow citizen concerned for life,

Father Rudolph



FIAT & FIAT M
(*Fiat meaning "Let it be done"*)

Calling all our sisters in Christ
in grades 6-12!

Studying Saint Pope John Paul II's teachings on the beauty of what it means to be a woman that God the Father so adores as well as growing in holy friendship with our dear sisters in Christ!!

We will meet on October 16, 2022

Fiat M - 6 pm to 7:15 pm (Ladies in grades 6 - 8)
Fiat - 7:15 pm to 8:30 pm (Ladies in grades 9 - 12)

Questions contact Angie Nicolai - AngienShop@msn.com or
Mary Rose Rynda - maryroser@holycrossschool.net.

Saint of the Day – Saint Gerard Majella

Gerard was born in 1726 at Muro Locano, fifty miles south of Naples, Italy. He showed great piety as a child, and after making his First Holy Communion at the age of ten, he was allowed to receive Communion every other day, which was very unusual at the time. When his father died, Gerard was apprenticed to a tailor. His coworkers treated him badly, and he tried to join the Capuchin Franciscans, who rejected him because of his young age and poor health. He next got a job working for a bishop, who had a bad temper. Once again, Gerard had to deal with poor treatment. After the bishop's death in 1745, Gerard returned home to live with his mother and sisters and set up his own tailoring business. He gave away about two-thirds of the money he earned, either to the poor or for Masses for souls in purgatory; at the same time, he led an increasingly austere life and spent some hours each night in prayer.

When Gerard was twenty-three, he attended a mission given by priests from the newly founded Redemptorist Congregation. He asked if he could join them as a lay brother and, after an initial refusal, again because of health, he was accepted. To the usual vows, he added one to do always whatever seemed more pleasing to God. A contemporary biographer tells the story of Gerard as a novice praying in front of the Blessed Sacrament and suddenly crying out, "Lord, let me go, I pray you! I have work that I *must* do."

Gerard spent the three years of his life as a religious brother working as a tailor and infirmarian (that is, working with the sick) and in accompanying priests on missions and retreats. He had the gift of being able to read the secrets of people's souls, which helped him bring a number of sinners to repentance. He was known to become so caught up in prayer that he lost track of his surroundings, and to levitate and bilocate.

Gerard was also known to be very holy, so much so that he was appointed as spiritual director for a number of communities of nuns, something very unusual for someone who wasn't a priest. He also wrote letters of advice to religious superiors and priests. He became known as a miracle worker, and the number of people wanting to see him was so great that eventually he had to be moved to another house. There he worked as the porter (doorkeeper) and managed to feed and clothe large numbers of beggars every day without anyone being certain of where his supplies came from. While not yet thirty, Gerard came down with tuberculosis. In October of 1755 he foretold the day and time of his death; his forecast was correct, and he died on the night of October 15-16. Pope Leo XIII called him "one of those angelic youths whom God has given to the world as models." Saint Gerard Majella, pray for us! (Excerpted and adapted with permission of the Publisher from *Butler's Lives of the Saints, New Full Edition* ©Paul Burns 2003, Published by Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN)

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FAITH IN OUR FUTURE

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN CORNER

As of 10/12/2022, the total pledged is \$940,879 and the total payments received is \$637,544. **THANK YOU** to all who have made a commitment! **Pledges/donations can still be made.** Please consider supporting this campaign to enhance the life of our parish. Pledge cards are in the back of church or you can pledge online at [stncc.net](https://www.stncc.net).

To see all updates for the Faith in Our Future Campaign, please visit: <https://www.stncc.net/capital-campaign-corner>.



SOCKTOBER

St. Nicholas Sock Drive

Winter is around the corner ~ Let's supply those in need with warm socks! Please donate **new** warm socks* in the basket in the back of church during the month of October.

Donations will be given to Catholic Charities.

* highest need is for adult socks



Recently discovered volunteering at St. Nicholas.

Antionette Storlie and Shara Schmidt for hosting Donut Sunday; Sara Bertram, Alex Berry, Lenae & Steve Addabbo, Deb & Greg Fischer, and Karen Johnson for preparing the Gala & Auction invitations; and Rochelle Ibarra for laundering the altar linens

Thank you very much! Our volunteers do a lot to maintain and enhance the life of our parish.

– Father Rudolph



Pro-Life Action Ministries invites all to join us in this international movement of prayer and fasting, peaceful vigil and community outreach to end abortion.

40 Days for Life Twin Cities ~ Fall
September 28 – November 6, 2022

Closing Prayer Vigil - Sunday, November 6 at 3:00 pm

All are encouraged to come out to pray anytime as an individual or group from 6:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m. each day. For more information, contact brian.walker@plam.org or 651-797-6363.

To learn more or for questions, please contact Brian Walker directly at 651-797-6363 or brian.walker@plam.org.

SOUTHWEST DEANERY MISSION EVENT VOLUNTEERS AND DONATIONS NEEDED

Because St. Nicholas does not have an active Council of Catholic Women (CCW) ministry at this time, we are asking for donations and women volunteers from our St. Nicholas parish family for this event. Please follow the link to sign up to donate and/or volunteer: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0d4ea9a729a3fb6-mission>

SOUTHWEST DEANERY MISSION EVENT

NEW LOCATION OCTOBER 20, 2022

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION CIVIC CENTER, LONSDALE

SPEAKER: JERRY HUGHES



Thank you to all of our Supporters!

House of Hope started in 2017! Since 2004, Hughes Foundation has partnered with AIDS orphanages and has supported thousands of children in the community who were affected by HIV/AIDS.

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Jerry Hughes
Founder & Director

Doors Open at 5:30 PM
Light meal
Speaker at 7:00 PM

Bring new socks for admission.
These socks will be donated to Caring and Sharing Hands.

Tickets will be available to purchase for chances on your choice of prizes donated by each CCW.

Election Year Statement from the Catholic Bishops of Minnesota



Catholics are called to be faithful citizens and to infuse public life with the values necessary to protect human dignity, combat injustice, and promote the common good. Because of this duty, it is necessary that we, your pastors, reflect with you on the state of our public life and the choices Minnesotans face as we go to the polls in a year in which all state legislative and executive officers are up for election.

Right relationships

The task of politics is to foster justice and the common good. Despite our many differences, pursuing justice is a cornerstone political value shared by almost all Americans. In Catholic social doctrine, working for justice requires establishing right relationships between persons, where each is given his or her due. Justice requires that all parties embrace certain responsibilities toward each other. Paraphrasing Pope St. Paul VI, if we want peace, we must work for justice.

There are different types of justice. Commutative justice requires justice in commercial exchange. Distributive justice requires, among other things, that each person and family have access to the material resources they need not just to survive, but also to flourish. Economic justice means building an economic order on right relationships that foster both distributive and commutative justice. Social justice requires creating those conditions for all social actors, including schools, faith communities, and the government, to fulfill their social responsibilities.

Criminal justice should be built on criminals taking responsibility for the injustice perpetrated on victims, and society working through the penal system to rehabilitate and then restore offenders to the community. Other types of justice include racial justice, environmental justice, and legal justice.

When there is injustice in society, that is, when society fails to establish right relationships, the state can step in to help right what is wrong and to repair, in some measure, what is broken. That is a task of prudence, which is why it is important to carefully choose our elected leaders who, often at great sacrifice, take on the responsibility of making those decisions. They should be wise and virtuous. And voters, informed by Catholic social doctrine, should consider how candidates will work for the various types of justice across a spectrum of issues, including education, public safety, tax policy, migration, creation stewardship, and healthcare.

This year, in a special way, we call on Catholics to consider how a candidate will work for prenatal justice as a pre-eminent consideration in his or her voting calculus. Prenatal justice is not simply being anti-abortion, though that is the foundation of the pro-life witness. Prenatal justice means establishing right relationships between the mother and the unborn child in her womb, between society and the unborn child, and between society and the mother and father of the unborn child. As life begins in the womb, so must justice. As we discuss below, there are responsibilities entailed by each set of relationships and good public policies that follow.

Fostering prenatal justice

The recent Dobbs decision by the U.S. Supreme Court, declaring that there is no right to an abortion protected by the U.S. Constitution, has returned the matter of abortion to the political process for deliberation.

Will states allow the continued killing of innocent human life? What are our responsibilities to the child and the mother? How do we foster right relationships between them and the broader society for the common good? These are questions elected officials must answer as they work to foster prenatal justice.

It would be a dereliction of duty for us as bishops to pretend as though the abortion question was not a focus of Minnesota's election discourse this year, especially as Dobbs has changed the abortion landscape in this nation. And as Pope Francis teaches, we cannot stay silent when nearly a million unborn lives are being cast aside in our country year after year through abortion.[1]

Right now in Minnesota, the situation is troubling: in spite of the fact that scientific inquiry has definitively determined that human life begins at conception[2], a woman can procure an abortion for almost any reason at any stage of pregnancy up till birth. To put this in perspective, in 2021 there were 222 abortions involving babies older than 20 weeks. Almost half of all abortions are paid for with taxpayer funds. Our laws allow an 11-year-old girl to get an abortion without even one parent knowing. There is no requirement in force that a licensed physician perform an abortion. And abortion proponents, including elected officials, are working proactively to shut down pregnancy resource centers.

Fostering right relationships requires that we determine what we, as a society, owe the unborn child in the womb. At minimum, that is the right an innocent human being has to life, as well as the protection of the law from being killed. It also requires welcoming the child into the world.

Part of that welcome is establishing right relationships between mother, father, and child. We must encourage marriage and family stability, and clarify that abortion is not about bodily autonomy and freedom, but about the life of another human being for whom the father and mother are responsible.[3]

It follows that if we are intent on protecting innocent children from abortion, and ensuring that parents meet their obligations, then, as a society, we must step in to ensure that mothers and fathers are supported when necessary due to economic hardship.[4] This means, among other things, policies that fund: nutritional supports for expectant mothers; adequate healthcare coverage during and after pregnancy for both mother and child; childcare assistance; housing supports; early learning assistance programs; and parenting education. Enacting paid family and caregiver leave laws would help people retain work and care for their newborns. Reconsidering whether our adoption policies are unreasonably burdened by excessive costs or barriers to participation is an imperative. We also need to continue to support pregnancy resource centers through programs such as the Positive Alternatives grants that help them walk with women in need during crisis pregnancies.

Even beyond the pregnancy and years of early childhood development, we have a social duty to remove barriers to marriage, having children, and being able to raise them well. In short, we need to make family economic security the principal consideration in budget and tax policy discussions. By raising the family to the top of our state's policy priorities, we can help restore the family to its proper position as the foundational building block of society and the place where children can flourish.[5] In doing so, Minnesota can become the best place to bring children into the world.[6] And even if our state maintains a permissive abortion policy, putting families first will hopefully weaken demand for abortions.

In sum, working for prenatal justice transcends the false binary of pitting mother against child. Our public policy can foster right relationships and support the work of fulfilling our responsibilities to each other. It is in the fulfillment of our duties, even in difficult situations, that we grow in virtue and character and realize the best chance of true happiness.

Faithful citizenship

We encourage Catholics and other advocates for human life to step proactively into the political debate both winsomely and charitably, and to use creatively all peaceable levers of political power to prudently, and incrementally, transform our cities and our state into places that respect the human rights of the unborn by welcoming them in life and protecting them by law.

Part of that work is voting. A representative democracy such as ours requires that the citizenry elect good people into office and continue to inform their elected representatives of their views on important issues.

Unfortunately, many candidates are openly advocating for Minnesota to become an abortion sanctuary state with taxpayer-funded abortion on demand, as well as pledging to deregulate the abortion industry by removing safeguards put in place to protect women from medical malpractice or to protect teenage girls from ill-considered abortions. Far too many others, moreover, although professing to be pro-life on paper, are going out of their way to avoid talking about Minnesota's future as a potential abortion sanctuary or what should be done to limit abortion, preferring to avoid the subject altogether.

In this situation, it is incumbent on the Catholic laity to be especially proactive in speaking to candidates about prenatal justice and supporting legislative and judicial efforts to limit abortion. The effect of proactive engagement with candidates, not just in this election cycle but also during their term of office, will give courage and political will to those who support pro-life policies in principle, and moderate the pro-abortion extremism of other candidates and elected officials. Catholics cannot expect just laws will be enacted without their faithful citizenship and building relationships with legislators. That is what faithful citizenship is all about.

Combating abortion is a pre-eminent concern in public life

As Archbishop José Gomez, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops, has noted, calling abortion a pre-eminent concern does not mean it is the only concern.[7] Ensuring that every human life is welcomed in life and respected by law does not end at birth. As discussed above, we believe that our Catholic faith leads us to promote an eco-system of public policy that promotes human flourishing for mother and child from conception to natural death.

What we seek to emphasize here is that, just as the bishops of the United States have identified the ending of abortion as a pre-eminent policy priority[8], so too should Catholic voters make protecting innocent human life and stopping abortion extremism a pre-eminent consideration in our voting calculus.[9]



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[1] "[R]egarding abortion, the point when human life begins is not a religious belief but a scientific fact -- a fact on which there is clear agreement even among leading abortion advocates. Second, the sanctity of human life is not merely Catholic doctrine but part of humanity's global ethical heritage, and our nation's founding principle." (USCCB, "Living the Gospel of Life," 23).

[2] Mark Pattison, "Pope Francis 'has our backs' on pro-life cause, says archbishop," Catholic News Service, Jan. 24, 2020, available at <https://catholicnews.com/pope-francis-has-our-backs-on-pro-life-cause-says-archbishop/>.

[3] We understand that sometimes pregnancy can be the result of sexual coercion and rape. These are difficult situations that require care and sensitivity. We do not condone abortion in these instances, but we recognize that fostering justice may mean society has a special responsibility to care for the mother and child, including economic supports or facilitating adoption. Our parishes will help women in these difficult situations.

[4] Though the overwhelming majority of abortions are procured because the mother does not wish to have a child, almost one in five are reportedly procured specifically due to economic hardship.

[5] See the Minnesota Catholic Conference "Families First Project" (familiesfirstproject.com). Policies such as a permanent state child tax credit are the cornerstone of this initiative.

[6] It should be emphasized that working for policies that promote human flourishing does not absolve anyone from the responsibility of working for an end to the state-sanctioned killing of innocent human life. "[B]eing 'right' in such matters can never excuse a wrong choice regarding direct attacks on innocent human life. Indeed, the failure to protect and defend life in its most vulnerable stages renders suspect any claims to the 'rightness' of positions in other matters affecting the poorest and least powerful of the human community." (USCCB, "Living the Gospel of Life," 22).

[7] "A political commitment to a single isolated aspect of the Church's social doctrine does not exhaust one's responsibility towards the common good."

[8] (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Doctrinal Note on Some Questions Pertaining to the Participation of Catholics in Political Life, 4, 2002).

[9] "Pope speaks to U.S. bishops about pro-life issues, transgender ideology," Catholic News Service, Jan. 16, 2020, available at <https://www.osvnews.com/2020/01/16/pope-speaks-to-u-s-bishops-about-pro-life-issues-transgender-ideology/>. (Note Pope Francis's agreement with U.S. bishops that abortion is a pre-eminent social and political concern).

[9] "[A] well-formed Christian conscience does not permit one to vote for a political program or an individual law which contradicts the fundamental contents of faith and morals." (Congregation for the Doctrine of the Faith, Doctrinal Note on Some Questions Pertaining to the Participation of Catholics in Political Life, 4, 2002).



Area News & Events

WORLD MISSION SUNDAY

Oct. 22 – 23, 2022: “You shall be my witnesses” (Acts 1:8)

Pope Francis invites us to celebrate World Mission Sunday with the entire Church on the weekend of Oct. 22 – 23. This year is very special as the Society for the Propagation of the Faith is observing 200 years of supporting over 1,100 struggling dioceses worldwide. And the foundress, Bl. Pauline Jaricot was also beatified this year. World Mission Sunday is the celebration of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith. This World Mission Sunday celebration highlights individuals from our Archdiocese who have chosen to be witnesses and travel to encounter Christ in mission. Please join our sisters and brothers in prayer and give what you are able, to support mission dioceses throughout the world. For information, contact Eric Simon, 651-291-4446.

THE CATHOLIC CEMETERIES: BRINGING THEM HOME - OCT. 24 DEADLINE TO PARTICIPATE

Anyone in the Twin Cities may participate who has cremated remains at home that are at least one year old, to permanently place them in a communal crypt at either Resurrection Cemetery in Mendota Heights or Gethsemane Cemetery in New Hope. This is a one-time opportunity that is being offered by The Catholic Cemeteries. The deadline for participation is Oct. 24. For more information, please visit <https://catholic-cemeteries.org/>.

COR JESU | NATIONAL EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Friday, Nov. 4, 7:30 p.m., Cathedral of Saint Paul

Join Catholics from around the Twin Cities and Christ Himself for an evening of adoration, worship, music and confession. Venerate first-class relics of Blessed Carlo Acutis, best known for documenting global Eucharistic miracles online before his death from leukemia, and St. Manuel González García, known as “The Bishop of the Tabernacle” due to his Eucharistic devotion.

PURIFIED WITH JASON EVERT

Wednesday, November 2, 7-9 p.m., Saint Ambrose, Woodbury

Thursday, November 3, 7-9 p.m., Saint Edward, Bloomington

Hear live from renowned speaker Jason Evert! Get answers to life’s tough questions about love, dating, and relationships. Purified brings the family (ages 13+) together to discover God’s plan for love and includes adoration, praise and worship, and the opportunity for reconciliation, transforming the event into a mini retreat. Go to chastity.com/purified to learn more and get tickets. Cost is \$20.



Unity Catholic High School **OPEN HOUSE**

Thursday, October 27th

6:30-8:30 p.m.

Assembly Room

Come tour our school, meet our teachers, and learn more about student life at Unity.

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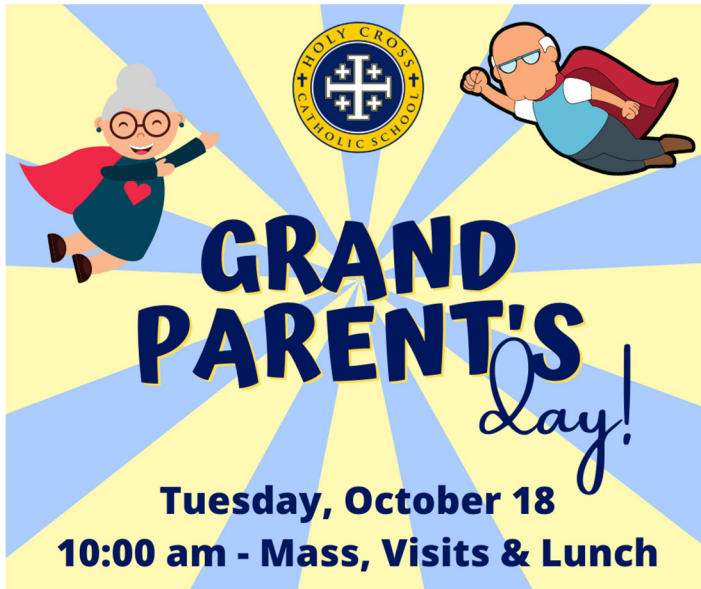
Our Parish School News

MARATHON THANK YOU!

Thank you to everyone for participating in our 2022-2023 Holy Cross Marathon! It was a huge success and we raised \$58,000!! We would especially like to thank CPO for helping the day of the Marathon and the generosity of all our Holy Cross families, donors, and benefactors.

Measure of Our Treasure to the Lord October 9, 2022 - Week 15 in Fiscal Year

Weekly Giving: \$4,920	Weekly Needed: \$8,011	Weekly Over/(Under): (\$3,091)
YTD Giving: \$88,258	YTD Needed: \$120,171	YTD Over/(Under): (\$31,913)



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I know that many St. Nick's parishioners have a great devotion to St. Michael. I am one of them. An artist I know named Elzbieta Powlaska, who is originally from Poland and now lives in St. Paul, recently sent me some images of her latest work, an image of St. Michael the Archangel. It is painted on wood and measures 2 feet by 4.5 feet. I think it would make a beautiful addition to our church. Elzbieta is asking \$15,000 for it, which I think is very reasonable knowing the quality of ingredients for the pigments and other materials and the amount of time that I know she puts into her works. Would some of you like to join with other parishioners to purchase this wonderful work of art for our parish? – Father Rudolph

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