

Meditation on this Week's Gospel

A Reflection by Fr. John Muir, ©LPI

I was 22 years old, lying in bed one night while on a pilgrimage, when I suddenly sensed an idea in my mind: "Go to the seminary." There was no voice, no vision, but a gentle and unmistakable clarity. I simply prayed, "Lord, if that's from you, let me find great joy in it." Three days later, my heart was bursting with joy. I dropped everything and entered the seminary. The older I get, the stranger my rather careless and hasty departure seems to me. I followed not because it made sense, or because I was especially brave. I went because the Lord called me.

Something like this happens in today's Gospel. Jesus walks by Simon, Andrew, James, and John and says, "Come after me" (Matthew 4:19). And immediately they leave their nets and follow. There's no explanation, no hesitation ... just movement. Why? As St. John says, "In this is love: not that we have loved God, but that he loved us" (1 John 4:10). They do not leave their nets because his call made perfect, calculable sense. They left them because they were called. And Jesus' call is powerful. Take a moment this week to remember when Christ first called you. However small or quiet it was, recall it, and give thanks. The more we marvel that Christ has called us personally, the more passionately and freely we will follow him.



January 25, 2026

3rd SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Come after me,
and I will make you
fishers of men."
- Mt 4:19

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We are hosting Coffee & Company gatherings of parishioners after all Sunday Masses. Please join us in Regan Hall after Mass for good company and delicious donuts.

Coffee & Company this Sunday

Catholic Schools Week Begins Today

This weekend, students from St. Vincent de Paul Catholic School will be participating in each Mass, and afterwards, students will be selling Catholic United Financial Raffle Tickets in the Gathering Space.



(Cash or check made out to St. Vincent de Paul)
Tickets are \$10 each.
All proceeds go directly to the school. **\$30,000 in prizes will be drawn live on March 12, 2026!**



Moms Morning Out

Thursday, Jan. 29 from 9:30-11 AM in the Comm. Rm

Coffee and free childcare at every meeting. Join us!



Tickets on Sale Now for our Annual Dinner & Variety Show on Saturday, Feb. 7 at 6 PM
Our theme is "The Name Game"

Only \$20/person for a delicious Taco Bar & a show!
Tickets on sale online at saintvdp.org/variety-show.

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SACRAMENTS

Reconciliation

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday at 7:30 AM;
Wed. at 4:45 PM; Saturday from 3:30-4:15 PM

Baptisms: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

Matrimony: Please call the office at 763-425-2210.

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Location

9100 93rd Avenue North, Brooklyn Park, MN, 55445

Masses

Monday, Tuesday, Thursday, & Friday at 8 AM

Wednesday at 5:15 PM

Saturday at 5 PM & Sunday at 7:30 AM, 9 AM, 11 AM

Feed My Starving Children

Tuesday, Jan. 27, from 12:00 - 1:45 PM
at the Coon Rapids site

Contact Joy Reinhart to pre-register at reihartj@gmail.com.
Lunch TBD. We'd love to see you there to help pack meals!

Join us for our Annual Cana Prayer Service,
Dinner and Dance on Friday, Jan. 30.

Registration is available in the Parish Office
or online at saintvdp.org/cana-dinner.

2026 Northwest Metro MobilePack

February 25th-28th—hosted by St. Joseph the Worker
Catholic Church in Maple Grove

The 6th–10th grade Faith Formation groups will be
packing at various times throughout the event (*details*
will be sent directly to Faith Formation families).

However, more volunteers are needed to reach our goal of
packing 330,000 meals! Register yourself, your family, a friend,
or your child's team for a packing shift at fmsc.org! Donations
are still needed to reach our goal of \$80,000!! Use the QR code
above to donate. Contact nicholechang@saintvdp.org for info.



Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

Urgent hours with no adorers are printed in red below.

Hours that have only one adorer currently committed are
printed in black. Sign up at saintvdp.org/perpetual-adoration.

Sunday: 5 AM, 6 AM, 12 PM, 8 PM, 10 PM
Monday: 5 AM, 7 AM, 8 AM, 9 AM, 2 PM, 10 PM
Tuesday: 7 AM, 8 AM, 12 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 9 PM
Wednesday: 6 AM, 3 PM, 7 PM, 11 PM
Thursday: 6 AM, 11 AM, 1 PM, 6 PM, 7 PM, 9 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Friday: 9 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 12 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 5 PM, 6 PM, 8 PM, 10 PM, 11 PM
Saturday: 2 AM, 5 AM, 10 AM, 11 AM, 12 PM, 1 PM, 2 PM, 3 PM, 4 PM, 9 PM,
10 PM, 11 PM



Mass Intentions for Jan. 26-Feb. 1

Monday	8:00 AM	† Mark Shrake
Tuesday	8:00 AM	Javier Cerda
Wednesday	5:15 PM	The Nelson Family
Thursday	8:00 AM	† Bernice Blaske & † Colleen & Perry Matzke
Friday	8:00 AM	† Ignatius & Loretta Kroll
Saturday	5:00 PM	† Geraldine Hodapp, † Conrad Hodapp, & † Bruce Hodapp
Sunday	7:30 AM	Parishioners
	9:00 AM	† John Martinson
	11:00 AM	† Ramone Flores

Readings for this Week

Sunday: Is 8:23-9:3/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/1 Cor 1:10-13,
17/Mt 4:12-23 or 4:12-17

Monday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a,
10, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30

Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk
3:31-35

Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28, 29-30/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29/Ps 132:1-2, 3-5, 11, 12,
13-14/Mk 4:21-25

Friday: 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6a,
6bcd-7, 10-11/Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-
17/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Zep 2:3; 3:12-13/Ps 146:6c-7, 8-9a, 9b-10/1
Cor 1:26-31/Mt 5:1-12a

The deadline for the bulletin is Monday at Noon.

Parish Office Hours

Monday—Thursday: 8 AM – 3 PM & Friday: 8 AM – Noon

SVDP Men's Club Upcoming Meetings



Wednesday, February 11 from
6:00–8:00 PM in Regan Hall

We'll enjoy a light meal, beverages, video, and
discussion focused on living out our Catholic faith. (We
are a week early in February due to Ash Wednesday on Feb. 18.)
Each evening is a stand-alone event, so come when you can—and
bring a friend! If you have any questions or want to get on the
email list, email us at saintvdpmensclub@gmail.com.

Pickleball Tournament Postponed

Due to changes in scheduling at Pints & Paddle, we will postpone
the event until a later date to be determined.

"Vatican Unveiled" is at the Mall of America until Feb. 1.
Buy tickets online at archspm.org/vaticanunveiled. This is
the largest collection of papal artifacts outside of Rome!

Women's Temperament Group

Twice a month on Wednesdays from 7-8:30 PM from
February 11 through May in the West Meeting Room

Do you want to better understand yourself, your husband and your
children? Do you desire strong friendships with other moms just like
you? Knowing your God-given temperament will help you become
a better wife, mom and friend. Join The Temperament God Gave
You: A Catholic Small Group for Mothers of Young Children.

Questions? Contact Anna Kreklow at annakreklow@gmail.com.
Cost is \$55. Register online at canafamilyinstitute.com/join-group.

Parish Gift Shop Volunteers

We are seeking reliable volunteers to assist in the Gift Shop for
20 minutes following the weekend Masses. Duties include greeting
guests and processing simple sales. If you can spare a small
amount of time once or twice a month, we would love to have
you on the team. Please contact Tony Freeman at
tonyfreeman@saintvdp.org or contact the parish office.

Holy Spirit Series Continues

Thursdays from 6:30-8:00 PM in the West Mtg Room

Our series, "The Wild Goose," will help us explore this Third Person
of the Trinity, under the old Celtic name for the Holy Spirit, the
"Wild Goose." The gifts of the Holy Spirit are like sails on a boat;
let yourself be propelled forward in faith. This series continues for
6 more weeks—come to one or several Thursdays, as you're able.
There is no cost to participate and all are welcome.

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