

November 23, 2014

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

Pastor's Note:

Perhaps some people are already thinking of 'Black Friday'! I am looking forward to the day preceding it instead, the day we call Thanksgiving! Ever since coming to America, Thanksgiving has always echoed the celebration of Christmas in Ireland. For that reason, my gratitude for the bounty of the earth at Thanksgiving and the gift of salvation in the Savior's birth have always merged as one. I am thankful for both!

The American mystic Thomas Merton says that "to be grateful is to recognize the love of God in everything He has given us, and He has given us everything. Every breath we draw is a gift of His love, every moment of existence is a grace, for it brings with it immense graces from Him. Even our knowledge of God is perfected by gratitude!"

I am grateful to everyone who has shared their love of the Lord in their donation of time, talent and resources, in support of our community of faith and the experience of God's kingdom among us. Since there are too many to name, my gratitude is limited only by my imperfect awareness of everyone involved. I can only say a heartfelt Thank You to all! Incidentally, the medieval mystic Meister Eckhart says that "If the only prayer you said in your whole life was, 'thank you', that would suffice!"

Have a blessed Thanksgiving! Fr. Michael

Thank you for your contributions this weekend to the **Collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development!** Your generous gifts will help CCHD end poverty in the United States through better education, improved housing, and economic development. Through CCHD and its beneficiaries, we help keep Catholic social teaching alive and carry out Jesus' mission to "bring glad tidings to the poor . . . to proclaim liberty to captives and recovery of sight to the blind, to let the oppressed go free" (Lk 4:18).

Need a ride to church? Please call the church office; there are volunteers who can make arrangements for you. It would be helpful to know which Mass you prefer to attend (Saturday evening or Sunday morning) and if it's an ongoing need or a one-time request for you.

Please join our **Thursday Morning Prayer Group**, we meet every Thursday morning immediately following daily Mass.

Thank you so much to all who have volunteered to help with weekend snow removal! It is awesome to see everyone working together to get the job done. For those helping out, please note that there is a sand bucket at each of the entrances. Above the bucket is a clipboard with a form to record when the walkways were sanded or shoveled. We need to track this information for our insurance company. I've placed a list of volunteers and contact information at the back of the church, please take one for easy reference in case you need to find replacement. For those who haven't volunteered yet, there's still room for you to sign-up on the calendar and/or add your name to the contact list. The more volunteers we have, the less work it will be for each of us. If you have any questions or concerns, please don't hesitate to contact me either in the office or on my cell phone at 218-220-1582. I truly appreciate each of you donating your time to help maintain safe walkways for everyone attending Mass. Thank you again! - Cindy

Welcome, welcome, welcome to our new cantors, Marilyn Frericks, Sue Bahar, and Tom Palen. Many thanks to you for sharing your voices in song!

It's Poinsettia Time! Again this year we will buy our Christmas flowers locally, which were also locally grown at Anderson's Greenhouse in Two Harbors. You can purchase a poinsettia for St. Mary's Church in memory of a loved one. The cost is \$9.00. Please use a "flower envelope" so we have all the correct information in the Christmas Bulletin. If you have any questions, please call the Parish Office for more details.



Bell Ringers- The Salvation Army is looking for volunteers to ring the bell at Zup's. If you are interested or have any questions please contact Betty Josephson at 218-226-3048.



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Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** Call — 226-3639 or 226-3351

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Saturday	<i>ST. CECILIA</i>	11/22/14
7:15 p.m.	Mass - Intention for Donna Georges ☩ Reader.....Jody Majewsky Cantor.....Marilyn Frericks Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Rose Elam Chalices....Don Seipke Servers.....Jason Blood & Volunteer Gifts.....Volunteer	
Sunday	<i>OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST KING OF THE UNIVERSE</i>	11/23/14
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Jim Frericks Cantor.....Sue Bahar Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Marge Jorgenson Chalices....Jerry Bahar Servers.....Todd Curry & Thomas Rowlee Gifts.....Volunteer	
Monday	<i>ST. ANDREW DUNG-LAC & COMPANIONS</i>	11/24/14
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for John Fredrickson ☩	
Tuesday	<i>ST. CATHERINE OF ALEXANDRIA</i>	11/25/14
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Judy Sowieja ☩	
7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	
Wednesday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	11/26/14
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Deanna Larson	
8:50 a.m.	Eucharistic Adoration	
Thursday	<i>THANKSGIVING DAY</i>	11/27/14
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Lee Anselment ☩	
Friday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	11/28/14
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Dick & John Fredrickson ☩	
Saturday	<i>BLESSED VIRGIN MARY</i>	11/29/14
7:15 p.m.	Mass - Intention for Lee Anselment ☩ Reader.....Rose Elam Cantor.....Marilyn Frericks Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Leanne Buell Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Servers.....Giovanni & Corrina Marolt Gifts.....Volunteer	
Sunday	<i>FIRST SUNDAY IN ADVENT</i>	11/30/14
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Greg Johnson Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Shelley Fredrickson Chalices....Gerry Bahar Chalices....Sue Bahar Servers.....Zack Fredrickson & Volunteer Gifts.....Volunteer	

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- † **Parishioners:** Leesy McKinney, Terry Scallen, Betty Dugas, Jim Tedrick, Lois Hynes, Alma Ferris, George Asmussen, Suzanne Seguin, Angie Pruse, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson, Walter Skalsky, Charlie & Doris Vincent, Leona Currier, Johnny Jerabek, Vicki Johnson, Joseph Fredrickson.
- † **Clergy:** Fr. Michael Lyons, Deacon Fred Wright
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Amy Buckner, Rhwyn Byrnes, Sonny Joyce, Mae Dehnhoff, Mary Lundgren, James Currier, Emma Cavataio, Don Hedin, Pat LeBlanc Sr., Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Lois Kind, John Asmussen, Kenneth Moe, Roger Gale, Jeff Mitchell, Arthur Barthman, Kennady Roberts, Kathy Thompson, Steve Keller, Diane Janousek, Larry Pickran, Elsie McGuire, Jim Morcomb, Alan Larson, Susan Manning, Joe Kowalowski, Grace Kramer, Gladys Gatz, Vern Walentiny, Deb MacMillan.
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know that you would like to renew the request.

Upcoming Diocese Events: More details will be coming soon. Be sure to mark your calendars and plan to attend these amazing Diocesan opportunities.

- † **Men's Conference: Saturday, February 21 at 9 am**
 - † **Women's Conference: Saturday, March 7 at 7:30 am**
- Both events will be held at the Marshall High School.

Faith Formation will meet **Wednesday, December 3** starting the night out with dinner at **6 pm**, followed by education at **6:30 pm**. For **Adult Faith Formation** we will continue our journey through the Decision Point Program. **Everyone** is invited to join us for dinner and education. If you'd like to attend but have children who are too young for the Faith Formation program, child care is provided. For more details, please contact the parish office.

Don't forget to bring in your **aluminum cans** – They can be put in the garage or call the parish office if you would like Lance & Rodney to pick up the cans from your home (in the Silver Bay area).

Dine at the Lemon Wolf Café in Beaver Bay - When placing your order ask about the Catholic Church Benefit. A donation equal to 10% of your bill will be given to the Catholic parish you attend on the North Shore.

Last Week's Contributions

General Collection.....	\$1705.97
Building Fund.....	\$1920.00