

December 7, 2014

## **SECOND SUNDAY OF ADVENT**

### **Pastor's Note(s):**

Preparing the Way: The Gospel this Sunday is taken from the beginning of Mark. Mark's description of the appearance of John the Baptist highlights John's continuity with the Jewish prophetic tradition. Mark combines quotations from the Old Testament books of Malachi, Isaiah, and Exodus. Mark's description of John as an ascetic, living in the desert, clothed in camel hair, and eating locusts and wild honey, is reminiscent of the description of the prophet Elijah found in Second Kings. The people of Judea and Jerusalem flock to him, listening to his message of repentance and forgiveness; they also come to him to be baptized. Mark's Gospel is clear, however, that John the Baptist's role is only to prepare the way for another who will come, one who is greater than John. (Loyola Press)

Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception: Monday, December 8. A Holy Day of Obligation. Join us for the Mass of the Solemnity at 8.15 am and honor Mary, patroness of the United States.

**Pancake Breakfast:** The Knights of Columbus will serve their famous pancake breakfast after Mass next **Sunday, December 14**. Mark your calendars as we look forward to seeing everyone downstairs for a great breakfast and fellowship. Free will offering, proceeds will go to the Silver Bay Food Shelf.

**Annual Bake Sale:** Let the Knights of Columbus Ladies Auxiliary do all your baking for you! Check out the delicious treats on **Sunday, December 14**.

**The Knights of Columbus Christmas Party** will be **Thursday, December 18** in the Church Hall at **5 pm**. Bring a dish to share and an inexpensive gift for the dice game.

**Advent Reflections:** Go to [www.stmarysilverbay.org](http://www.stmarysilverbay.org) to read or listen to Father Barron's daily reflection.

**St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry** group will meet on **Wednesday, December 10, at 1 pm** in the Community Room at Silverpointe Apartments. If you have questions contact Lana at 353-7714.

**Knight of Columbus Auxiliary members or any other interested bakers** – Remember to bring in your baked goods for the bake sale that will be held during the Pancake Breakfast on Sunday, December 14. The Proceeds will go the local food shelf and to help those in need.

**New Red Hymnals:** The subscription for our hymnal publication has expired, and due to copyrighting, we can no longer use these books. So, even though our old blue hymnals are in great shape, the renewal of our subscription required us to purchase new books. The good news is that parishioners may take home an old blue hymnal and we've moved them to the back of the church for your convenience. These can only be for personal use – I inquired and, due to copyright laws, we cannot donate them to a mission. – Cindy

**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 each. 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.



### **CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE**

**Christmas Eve - December 24: The Nativity of the Lord**  
4 pm at Holy Spirit, Two Harbors  
7 pm at St. Mary's, Silver Bay

**Christmas Day - December 25: The Nativity of the Lord**  
9 am at Holy Spirit, Two Harbors

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**St. Mary's Catholic Church — 57 Horn Blvd., Silver Bay, MN 55614**

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**Parish Office** Located in Rectory 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday **Office/Rectory** 226-3100 **Fax Machine** 226-3116

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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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<b>Saturday</b>	<i>ST. NICHOLAS</i>	<b>12/06/14</b>
7:15 p.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Deanna Larson</b> Reader.....Tim Downey Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Don Seipke Chalices....Jeff Asmussen Chalices....Rose Elam Servers.....Giovanni & Corrina Marolt Gifts.....Volunteer	
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>SECOND SUNDAY IN ADVENT</i>	<b>12/07/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Sacrament of Penance</b>	
8:30 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for All Parishioners</b> Reader.....Susan Michels Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Bonnie Kruger Chalices....Ken Kruger Servers.....Lucas & Jake Stadler Gifts.....Volunteer	
<b>Monday</b>	<i>IMMACULATE CONCEPTION OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY HOLY DAY OF OBLIGATION</i>	<b>12/08/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Rosary</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for All Parishioners</b>	
<b>Tuesday</b>	<i>ST. JUAN DIEGO</i>	<b>12/09/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Rosary</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Bob Kelly</b> ☩	
7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	
<b>Wednesday</b>	<i>WEEKDAY IN ADVENT</i>	<b>12/10/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Rosary</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Joseph Fredrickson</b>	
8:50 a.m.	<b>Eucharistic Adoration</b>	
<b>Thursday</b>	<i>ST. DAMASUS I</i>	<b>12/11/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Rosary</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Deanna Larson</b>	
<b>Friday</b>	<i>OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE</i>	<b>12/12/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Rosary</b>	
8:15 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Deanna Larson</b>	
<b>Saturday</b>	<i>ST. LUCY</i>	<b>12/13/14</b>
7:15 p.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for Johnny Jerabek</b> Reader.....Jim Frericks Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Acpt. Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Susan Frericks Chalices....Ken Kruger Servers.....Sheena & Mita Frericks Gifts.....Volunteer	
<b>Sunday</b>	<i>THIRD SUNDAY IN ADVENT</i>	<b>12/14/14</b>
7:50 a.m.	<b>Sacrament of Penance</b>	
8:30 a.m.	<b>Mass - Intention for All Parishioners</b> Reader.....Marge Jorgenson Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Acpt Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Bonnie Kruger Chalices....Lois Kaari Servers.....Jada Kirk & Thomas Rowlee 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.

**Faith Formation** will meet **Wednesday, December 17**, starting with dinner at **6 pm**, followed by education at **6:30 pm**. For Adult Faith Formation, there's a fun community outreach project being planned. We hope you can join us! ALL are welcome for both 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.

**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.

The **Diocese of Duluth sponsors a televised Mass at 9:30 am every Sunday** from the Basilica of the National Shrine of the Immaculate Conception in Washington, D.C., on WDIO-Duluth and WIRT-Hibbing.

**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.



North Shore Area Partners sponsored **Caregiver Support Group** meets **1:00-2:30 pm** on the **second Tuesday of each month** at United Protestant Church. Park in the Horn Blvd parking level.

**Last Week's Contributions**

General Collection.....	\$976.00
Building Fund.....	\$60.00
Campaign for Human Development.....	\$3060.00