

DECEMBER 15, 2024 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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 In the event of an **Emergency after Business Hours**
 Call Fr. Andrew at 715-392-8511

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2024

8:30 A.M. – John Freeman-M
 Muriel Freeman

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2024

8:30 A.M. – Carl Magnuson-M
 Marilyn Magnuson

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2024

8:30 A.M. – Delloris Doyle-AM
 Vickie & Greg Owens

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2024

8:30 A.M. – In Thanksgiving of our Wedding Anniversary
 Vickie & Greg Owens



WEEKEND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2024

4:00 P.M. – Andy Lisak-AM
 His Family

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 22, 2024

8:30 A.M. – The Spiritual & Temporal Welfare of
 Cathedral Parishioners

10:30 A.M. – Milton & Jean Schroeder-M
 Marilyn Magnuson



WEDDING BANNS:

II Isaac Hopke & Gianna Jones



VOCATIONS... “What ought we to do?” the crowds ask John, and he sends them to fulfill their calling. Doing the ordinary extraordinarily well is a step toward welcoming Jesus. (Luke 3:10-18)

Cathedral Church Calendar

Mon. Dec. 16 – 6:30PM – Prayer Group Mtg. in KH
 Tues. Dec. 17 – 6:00pm – Communal Penance Service
 with Individual Confessions
 Wed. Dec. 18 – 5:30-6:30pm - Religious Ed. – Gr. K-6
 7:00-8:00pm – Religious Ed. - Gr. 7-11
 Thur. Dec. 19 – **No Adoration**



PRAYER MINISTRY –

There are people in the parish willing to share your needs and prayers. Please call Mary Jo
218-341-2606 if you or a loved one is in need.



LITURGICAL ROLES for Dec. 21 & 22

Notice: MINISTERS OF HOLY COMMUNION, READERS, SERVERS, USHERS and GREETERS...We will be scheduling for the months of **February, March and April**. If you know of dates you cannot volunteer please call the parish office (715-392-8511) no later than Monday, January 6th. Thank you!

READERS:

4:00 Tom Unterberger
 7:30 Greg Leszcynski
 10:30 Tom Markee & Jessica Poskozim



EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:00 Tom Unterberger (F) & Jill Unterberger (B)
Need 2 Ministers for Communion Cup
 7:30 Louise Pope (F) & Renee Wachter (B)
Need 2 Ministers for Communion Cup
 10:30 Thomas Sitek (F) & Katee Sims (B)
Cup: Mary Davis & Erica Milliken



SERVERS:

4:00
 7:30
 10:30 Lily & Lauren Milliken



USHERS:

4:00 Eric Williams (Lead)
 Need 3
 7:30 Bob Ahlborg (Lead)
 Jim Crawford
 Kevin Peterson
 Need 1
 10:30 Walt Tafelski (Lead)
 Jim Ronchak
 Steve Tanko
 Need 1



GREETERS:

4:00
 7:30 Cathy Wenho
 10:30 Jeanine Buck



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Today's Gospel provides a blueprint for good stewardship: “Let the man who has two coats give to him who has none. The man who has food should do the same.”

	<u>Dec. 7/8</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes:	108	108
Collection:	\$6,184.00	\$7,160.00
On-Line Giving (62)	\$6,092.00	\$4,164.00
Loose:	\$ 620.00	\$ 589.00



Thank you for your generosity!

FROM THE RECTOR'S DESK

CHRISTMAS FLOWER CONTRIBUTIONS

As in the past, you will find an envelope in your October/November/December Packet in which you can make a donation in memory/honor of loved ones, living or deceased. All the names will be printed in the bulletin. Please continue to be generous in this special donation to assist us in beautiful decorations for our holiday liturgies.



HELP DECORATE THE CATHEDRAL FOR CHRISTMAS


Sunday, December 15, 2024
 Beginning after the 10:30 Mass (11:30 or so)
 until we're done (2:30 – 3:00 or so).



Task sign-up sheets on table near main entrances.



COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, December 17th at 6:00 pm at Cathedral
 ~This will be a Prayer Service with readings, homily and Examination of Conscience
 ~People will have the opportunity to go privately to one of the Confessors present
 ~Note: This is **NOT** general absolution 

Carrying the Large Crucifix in procession for Mass at 3:00pm on Sunday, December 29—need strong volunteers—rehearsal that day at 2:15 p.m.

~ Will you be present at the Solemn Opening of the Jubilee Year Mass on **December 29th at 3:00 p.m.** at the Cathedral?
 ~ Do you have a strong back?

Similar to Good Friday--we are looking for at least 10 to 12 men who would be able to carry the large crucifix in procession at this special Mass for the Opening of the Jubilee Year.

It is very heavy, but the effort is worth it. **If you've volunteered for this before and would be able to help again, that would be great.**

We would need to rehearse the particulars of this movement prior to the beginning of the liturgy, **hopefully no later than 2:15 p.m. that day.**

Contact Paul Birch with offers of availability.
 715-394-0233 or pbirch@catholicdos.org

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Let's review some of the themes we find in the Mass readings for the 3rd Sunday of Advent.

1st Reading - Zephaniah 3:14-18a

- Jerusalem will sing and exult for joy, for the Lord has removed judgment and turned away her enemies.
- The Lord God is in the midst of the people, a mighty savior who renews them with his love.

Psalm - Isaiah 12:2-6

- "Cry out with joy and gladness: for among you is the great and Holy One of Israel."
- We are confident, unafraid, and thankful; the Lord, our savior, is in our midst.

2nd Reading - Philippians 4:4-7

- Rejoice in the Lord always; let go of all anxiety and be filled with peace and understanding.
- With prayer, petition and thanksgiving we make our requests known to God.

Gospel - Luke 3:10-18

- John the Baptist gives guidance and counsels the people on moral topics.
- John then tells the people about the mighty one who is to come, who will baptize them with the Holy Spirit and fire.

Fr. Andrew




Question for Children: Why is it so important to keep promises which you have made?

Question for Youth: What do you remember from stories about your Baptism? What does your Baptism mean to you now?

Question for Adults: How can you live the promise of your Baptism each day?

Readings for the week of December 15, 2024

Sunday: Zep 3:14-18a/Is 12:2-3, 4, 5-6 (6)
 Phil 4:4-7/Lk 3:10-18 
 Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27
 Tuesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17
 Wednesday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1:18-25
 Thursday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Lk 1:5-25
 Friday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38
 Saturday: Sg 2:8-14 or Zep 3:14-18a/Ps 33:2-3, 11-12, 20-21/Lk 1:39-45
 Next Sunday: Mi 5:1-4a/Ps 80:2-3, 15-16, 18-19 (4) Heb 10:5-10/Lk 1:39-45

CATHEDRAL NEWS



PRAYER GROUP MEETING

Monday, December 16th
 6:30 PM Cathedral Kress Hall
 All are welcome!

Any questions please call Anna Marie ~ 715-392-1673


CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP MEETING

The Catholic Men's Group will NOT meet in December but will meet again on the fourth Monday in January.

BLANKET MINISTRY

The Blanket Ministry will be tying blankets after the 8:30am Mass on Tuesday, December 17th. We will meet in Kress Hall in Room 2. All are welcome to join us!

BOOK CLUB

The Cathedral Book Club is open to all interested readers in our area, regardless of which parish you call home. Each month we have a lively and interesting discussion. We meet at 6:30pm in the large meeting room at Cathedral Parish Office. 

January 8 th	The Women	by Kristin Hannah
February 12 th	Lessons In Chemistry	by Bonnie Garmus
April 2 nd	The Bully Pulpit	by Doris Kerns Goodwin
May 7 th	Left To Tell	by Immaculee Ilibagiza

TOURS OF THE CATHEDRAL

Tours are being offered after all of the Masses on December 21-22. Tour guides will be available in the back of the church near the baptism font.

If you have any questions about these tours, or any tours in general, call Tom or Sandy Henning: (218)590-0312 or (715)392-2809.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES



Wednesday, December 18th
in Kress Hall
(Christmas Party)

5:30-6:30pm for grades K-6 and
7:00-8:00pm for grades 7-11

YOUTH'S CORNER

Religious ED Christmas Party!!!!

Come and celebrate Christmas in Kress Hall Wednesday December 18th! Grades PK - 6 beginning at 5:30pm and grades 7 - 11 beginning at 7:00pm. Cookies, games, and singing galore will be enjoyed by all! There will be no Religious ED classes on Wednesday, December 25, 2024 or January 1, 2025. Classes will resume Wednesday, January 8, 2025.

I'm trying to coordinate Adoration being available during Religious ED classes during Advent; December 4th, 11th and 18th. If you'd like to sign up, please contact Virginia at vrkovy@gmail.com

Extreme Faith Camp

REGISTRATION IS QUICKLY COMING DUE - Anyone planning to attend EFC, our cluster will go the week of June 15 - 20, 2025. I will need your **RSVP no later than December 15, 2024** to ensure adequate time to get our deposit in.

What we need...

- Male and female chaperones
- Parent(s) to help organize fundraisers. We are planning 3 fundraisers this coming year.

Please reach out to Virginia Kovaleski at 952.300.1671 or vrkovy@gmail.com to register and/or volunteer for EFC!

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS



- December 19th- Middle School Concert at 5:30pm
- December 20th- Pre-School Concert at 10:00am in the gym
- December 20th- Elementary Concert at 1:00pm in the gym
- December 23rd- January 1st- Christmas Break- No School

SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

WARM CLOTHING NEEDED AND APPRECIATED!

Our Society continues to provide warm clothing to those in need - providing a total estimated value of \$1700 in clothing to 40 households each month. We continue to be in need of men's pants in sizes 30 - 36 and Large thru 5XL men's and women's winter jackets. Warm mittens and gloves in all sizes are always needed! These items can be placed in the cart in the entryway of the Cathedral at weekend Masses in December.

Our next meeting is at St. Anthony - Superior on Tuesday, December 17th at 6pm. Everyone is welcome to join us!

Voicemail: 715-398-4039

Mailing Address: SVPD P.O. Box 98, Superior, WI 54880
(Year end tax-deductible donations can be mailed to this address).

CLUSTER NEWS

MASSES AT ST. MARY HOSPITAL-SUPERIOR

Masses are celebrated at St. Mary's Hospital, Superior, on Wednesdays at 11:15 A.M.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR CLUSTER:

Cathedral – every Thursday from 1-3pm
(No Adoration on Thursday, December 19th)
St. Anthony, L.N. – every Thursday from 9-10am
St. William – 1st Saturday from 5:30-6pm
Holy Assumption – 1st Friday from 7:30-8:00am
St. Anthony, Sup. – 1st Tuesday from 8-8:30am



CLUSTER CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses

Tuesday, December 24th

4:00pm – Cathedral

6:00pm – St. William

Midnight Mass – Cathedral

Christmas Day Masses

Wednesday, December 25th

9:00am – Holy Assumption

9:00am – St. Anthony, Superior

10:30am – Cathedral

11:00am – St. Anthony, Lake Nebagamon



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COMMUNITY NEWS

A Service of Lessons and Carols and the

Santa Lucia Vesper Tea

Sunday, December 15, 2024 ~ 4:00 p.m

Pilgrim Choir & Choral Friends
from the Twin Ports area

Curtis Hanson, Director

~ free will offering ~

Pilgrim Lutheran Church ~ 820 Belknap St.



WHERE PEACE & HOPE & LOVE ABIDE

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

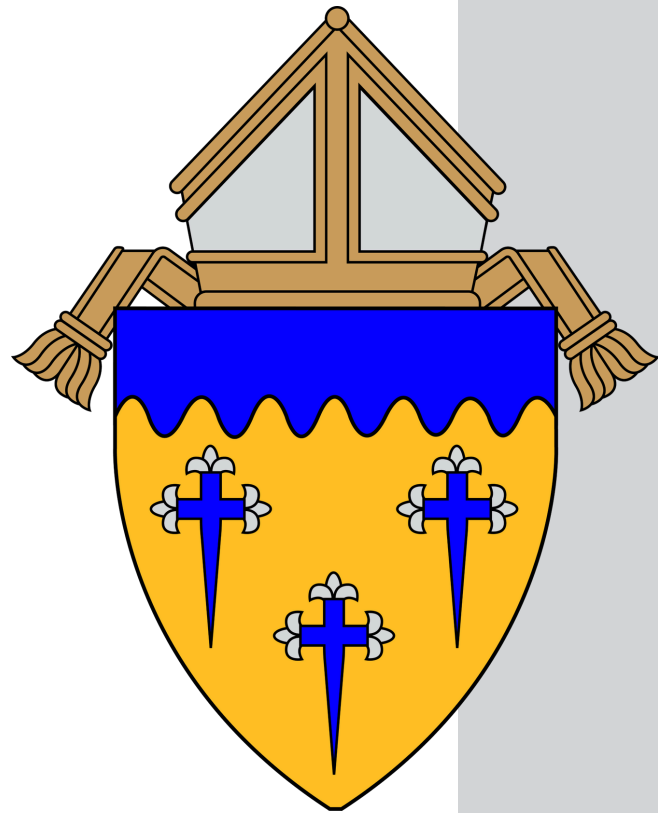
Sunday, December 15, 2024 ~ 6:00 p.m.

St. Paul's Episcopal Church
1710 East Superior Street
Duluth, Minnesota

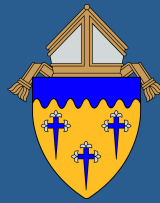


Opening Mass Jubilee 2025

Bishop James Powers invites you to join him in celebrating the Solemn Opening of the Jubilee Year on December 29, 2024 at Cathedral of Christ the King in Superior. Mass will begin at 3:00 PM, with a social and refreshments to follow in Kress Hall. All are welcome.



2025 Diocese of Superior MEN'S RETREAT



January 11 - 12

8:00am Saturday | 12:00pm Sunday
Trinity Woods Catholic Retreat Center | Trego



Pete Burds
Speaker

Pete Burds serves as the Chief Mission Officer for NET Ministries. Ever since encountering Jesus Christ through a high school youth ministry program, he has used his five loaves and two fish for the sake of building the kingdom. Through storytelling, leading retreats, and 15+ years of experience in ministry, he has proclaimed the freedom found in Christ to thousands. He and his family live in St. Paul, Minnesota.



UNSHAKEN

Growing in the Freedom of the Sons of God

Registration

Registration will be online. When it is ready it can be found at the link below.



Scan or Click!

Lodging

You will be able to stay in a hotel room with either two queen beds (limited) or a queen bed with two sets of bunk beds. You have the option of staying one or two nights. (Please note: Food or programming will not be provided Friday night.)

Cost

The registration, food and lodging costs will be bundled into one this year. The total price will vary (\$160-\$225) depending on length of stay and accommodations.



Bishop James Powers

We are pleased to welcome Bishop who will be present throughout the weekend!



Connor Flanagan

Minneapolis-based musician Connor Flanagan will lead us in worship during the retreat.



(715) 234-5044



lnauertz@catholicdos.org



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WOMEN'S RETREATS

1st Offering

February 1 - 2

“Divine Intimacy”

2nd Offering

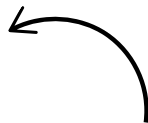
February 8 - 9

Saturday 8:00am - Sunday 12:00pm | Trinity Woods Catholic Retreat Center | Trego



Registration

Registration will be online. When it is ready it can be found at the link below.



Scan or click!

Cost

The registration, food & lodging costs will be bundled into one this year. The total price will vary (\$160-\$225) depending on length of stay and accommodations.

Lodging

There are many lodging options at the retreat center. You may choose to spend one night or two, have a single room (rooms limited), or share. (Please note: Food or programming will not be provided Friday night)



We welcome **Mallory Smyth** as our speaker this year! She is the content manager at Walking with Purpose. She previously worked for ENDOW as well as FOCUS. Smyth earned a bachelor's degree in marketing from Louisiana State University. She has spoken at multiple conferences, including SEEK. She lives in Littleton, Colorado, with her family. She is the author of the book: "Rekindled: How Jesus Called me Back to the Catholic Church and Set my Heart on Fire."



Aly Aleigha joins us once again as our musician! Aly is a native of Rice Lake and is currently based in Eagle River. Her adventures and personal, heartfelt stories have served as inspirations for her songwriting. She boasts years of experience in both performance and leading worship.



Bishop James Powers will be present throughout the retreat to celebrate Mass, hear confessions, and meet the wonderful women of our diocese.



ADVENT

PRAY25

Prepare your heart for Jesus this Advent with daily prayer on **Hallow**

"My morning meditation and prayer time have increased substantially since I heard about and joined Hallow during Advent. My faith has deepened in ways that words just cannot describe. I am blessed and so grateful!"

"This Advent challenge pierced my heart. My heart wasn't open enough to Christ before, but now it's like a spark of light came into it."

"I am so much more aware of God's presence in my everyday life because of Hallow's Advent Challenge."



Your parish has partnered with Hallow. Join us in prayer this Advent!

Scan the QR code to sign up
hallow.com/parish

DAILY PRAYERS

Start your day with the Daily Gospel, Rosary, imaginative prayer or one of over 10,000 sessions, including daily meditations, homilies, reflections, and Bible studies.

FAMILY CONTENT & KIDS CHALLENGE

Pray as a family with weekly Mass Prep, Saints Alive, Kids Holy Hour and guide your little ones through the season with our Advent challenge for children.

BIBLE STORIES & SLEEP CONTENT

Close your day with Christ with Night Prayer, an Examen, or a Rosary with guests like Bishop Barron, Mark Wahlberg, and Jonathan Roumie.

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**Christ the King Council 16691
Knights of Columbus
Superior WI**



12 Cans of Christmas 2024

In this season of Advent and Christmas, our Christ the King Council 16691 of the Knights of Columbus is helping the St. Vincent de Paul food shelf with a 12 Cans of Christmas program. Can you help us? As much as you are able, please consider 12 (or more) cans or boxes or packages of food items for Christmas. Below is a list of items requested by our St. Vincent de Paul food shelf for this Cathedral Christmas collection.

Please do not purchase or donate items in glass jars, as they could break and cause a big mess. Plastic jars (such as plastic peanut butter jars) are fine. Please do not provide fresh foods (such as bread and fresh vegetables and fruits) and items requiring refrigeration, and please do not donate expired or opened items. Thank you!

Donations can be brought to the Narthex Entry Area at the Cathedral between the First Sunday in Advent and Christmas Day. The food will be placed on the stage in Kress Hall above the stage steps while it is being collected. **THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS DONATION! A Blessed Christmas to you! VIVAT JESUS!**

Beverages

- Coffee
- Hot Cocoa Packages
- Powdered milk

Breakfast Foods

- Cereal

Carbohydrates

- Instant potatoes
- Macaroni and Cheese bowls
- Ramen Noodles
- Scalloped Potatoes
- Spaghetti noodles
- Stove Top Stuffing

Fruit and Vegetables

- Canned fruit
- Canned pasta sauce
- Canned tomatoes

Meals Easy-to-Eat in a Box or a Can and Protein

- Canned meats:
 - Beef
 - Chicken
 - Ground beef
 - Turkey
- Hearty soups
- Peanut butter

Ready-to-Eat Foods

- Cheese and Crackers
- Crackers (all kinds)
- Easy Snacks for kids
- Healthy Bars (such as granola or cereal bars)
- Jell-O or pudding cups

HIGH SCHOOL DISCIPLESHIP

Weekend

"Living in the Dust of the Master"

Looking for deeper formation? Want to spend a weekend with the Lord in community with others? Check out High School Discipleship Weekend!

What to Expect:

Formation

Personal Prayer Time

Outdoor Adventure

Sacraments

Fellowship

Fall Date

@ **CrossWoods**

Nov 15 - 17, 2024

Parish Registration
Form & \$125
per person due
October 31, 2024

Spring Date

@ **Crescent Lake**

Apr 4 - 6, 2025

Parish Registration
Form & \$125
per person due
February 25, 2025



Questions?
952.300.1671



Info & Registration
vrkovy@gmail.com



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DATES

📍 CrossWoods Camp

Sunday, June 8 - 13, 2025

Sunday, June 15 - 20, 2025

📍 Crescent Lake Camp

Sunday, June 15 - 20, 2025

Sunday, June 22 - 27, 2025

High Schooler / Adult Meetings

Sunday, May 4, 2025 (virtual)

Sunday, June 8 (CW1)

Sunday, June 15 (CW2/CL1)

Sunday, June 22 (CL2)

COST

\$450 / person + transportation. Includes camp activities, lodging & food. \$100 deposit by January 10 secures spot. Space fills quickly! Final payment due April 1. Deposits are non-refundable.

REGISTRATION

All individuals must register through their parish. Please contact your parish to receive information on how to register online.

Contact Virginia Kovaleski
952.300.1671
vrkovy@gmail.com

DAILY SCHEDULE

07am Polar Plunge
08am Breakfast
Mass
09am Prayer/Theme Intro
10am Morning Adventure
12pm Lunch
01pm Afternoon Adventure
03pm Free Time
05pm Supper
06pm Evening Session
08pm Night Game



CONTACT US



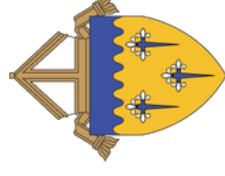
Jen Metzger, Associate Director of Youth Discipleship



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EXTREME FAITH CAMP

Summer 2025

ABOUT

Extreme Faith Camp is a Catholic week-long summer camp for middle school students. It is open to those who have completed 6th - 8th grade by the summer of 2025. The camp is led by an Extreme Team of youth ministers, adults & senior high youth from participating parishes. First time high school leaders serve on the Prayer Team.

Extreme Faith Camp is full of exciting adventures like rock climbing, ropes courses, kayaking, canoeing, swimming, mountain biking, and camp-wide games. All that fun is intertwined with powerful and engaging talks, music, and a wide variety of prayer experiences including Mass, adoration, confession, the liturgy of the hours, and more.

LOCATION

CrossWoods Adventure Camp:

15010 Black Bear Rd.
Mason, WI 54856

Crescent Lake Bible Camp:

2750 Bible Camp Rd.
Rhineland, WI 54501



TESTIMONIALS

“Most enjoyable and faith-filling place I’ve ever been. I wish it was longer.”

Lucas, age 13

“Camp was the greatest thing I ever went to. Adoration was the most mind blowing and touching and an experience I won’t forget.”

Dayne, age 11

“I really felt that I got closer to God a lot!! It opened my heart.”

Marissa, age 12

“Only can be explained in one word... FUN!”

Julia, age 13



“EXTREME?”

Christ doesn't call his disciples to mediocrity or to lukewarmness. Rather, He calls us to be radically transformed. Extreme Faith Camp provides a jumpstart for young Catholics to rev their faith up and help them realize that God wants an intimate, life-changing relationship with them. The mission of Extreme Faith Camp is to light a fire in young people that they can take back to their families, parishes and schools, helping to ignite youth ministry around the diocese.