

DECEMBER 14, 2025 THIRD SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Superior Diocese Web Site - www.catholicdos.org
In the event of an **Emergency after Business Hours**
Call Fr. Andrew at 715-392-8511

DAILY MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY, DECEMBER 16, 2025

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

WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 17, 2025

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

THURSDAY, DECEMBER 18, 2025

8:30 A.M. – Dorothy Kurschner-M
Patrick & Diane Ricci

FRIDAY, DECEMBER 19, 2025

8:30 A.M. – In Honor of Greg & Vickie Owens'
50th Wedding Anniversary

WEEKEND INTENTIONS

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 20, 2025

4:00 P.M. – Rosemary Zowin & Kathleen Johnson-M
Gary Geitner

SUNDAY, DECEMBER 21, 2025

7:30 A.M. – Andy Lisak-AM
His Family

10:30 A.M. – The Spiritual & Temporal Welfare
of Cathedral Parishioners

VOCATIONS... Be patient until the Lord comes. Be patient and listen; ask the Lord what he wants of you. (James 5:7-10)

Cathedral Church Calendar

Sun. Dec. 14 – Decorate the Church after 10:30 Mass
Mon. Dec. 15 – 6:00pm-Prayer Group Meeting in KH
Tues. Dec. 16 – 6:00pm – Communal Penance Service
Wed. Dec. 17 – 5:30-6:30pm - Religious Ed. Gr. K-6
– 7:00-8:00pm - Religious Ed. Gr. 7-11
Thurs. Dec. 18 – 1:00-3:00pm - Adoration
– 6:30pm - OCIA & Adult Formation
Sat/Sun. Dec. 20/21 – Food Collection Weekend
Sun. Dec. 21 – Coffee & Rolls after 7:30 & 10:30 Masses

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.



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 5th. Thank you!

LITURGICAL ROLES for Dec. 20 & 21

READERS:

4:00 Anna Marie Olsen & Dan Sherwood
7:30 Sandy Frazier & Isaac Hopke
10:30 Tom Henning & Kent Phillips



EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS:

4:00 Catherine Anderson (F) & Susan Paine (B)
Need 2 Ministers for Communion Cup
7:30 Louise Pope (F) & Sandy Frazier (B)
Need 2 Ministers for Communion Cup
10:30 Dcn. Tim Thom (F) & Rita Farchmin (B)
Cup: Sandy & Tom Henning



SERVERS:

4:00 Aria Ramsey & Evan Soine
7:30 Tom Tracy
10:30 Lauren & Lily Milliken



USHERS:

4:00 Eric Williams (Lead)
Need 3
7:30 Bob Ahlborg (Lead)
Jim Crawford
Bruce Haraldson
Kevin Peterson
10:30 Walt Tafelski (Lead)
John Berchild
Bonnie Thom
Need 1



GREETERS:

4:00 Anna Marie Olsen
7:30 Barbara & Steve Schuyler
10:30 Bonnie Thom & Anthony Farchmin



STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE

Each of us has his or her own role to play in the coming of the Kingdom of God. John the Baptist was called to be the herald of the Messiah, preparing the way of the Lord. To what is the Lord calling me?

	<u>Dec. 6/7</u>	<u>Last Year</u>
Envelopes:	131	111
Collection:	\$7,234.00	\$6,040.00
On-Line Giving (66)	\$5,487.00	\$2,382.00
Loose:	\$ 653.00	\$ 513.00



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 14, 2025
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.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Here are some of the themes in the readings for the 3rd Sunday of Advent.

1st Reading - Isaiah 35:1-6a,10

- All creation on earth will be renewed by the glory and splendor of the Lord.
- When God comes upon his people, the blind see, the deaf hear, the lame leap and the mute sing.

Psalm - 146:6-10

- "Lord, come and save us."
- The Lord God nurtures, heals and supports his people.

2nd Reading - James 5:7-10

- Like a farmer tending the soil, we must be patient for the Lord.
- We stand firm without complaint, for the Just Judge is near.

Gospel - Matthew 11:2-11

- From prison, John the Baptist sends disciples to Jesus if he is the one who is to come.
- Christ responds by quoting the prophets Isaiah and Malachi, affirming that while John is the greatest of all the prophets, the least in the kingdom of heaven is greater than he.

Fr. Andrew




Question for Children: Why is Christmas such a time of happiness for people?

Question for Youth: God speaks to you every day: Isaiah tells us our ears and eyes will be opened in Christ to hear God's voice. What do you hear God saying to you?

Question for Adults: What is there in this promise from the Prophet Isaiah that gives you hope? How have you seen this promise fulfilled in Christ?

Readings for the week of December 14, 2025

Sunday:  Is 35:1-6a, 10/Ps 146:6-7, 8-9, 9-10 (see Is 35:4)/Jas 5:7-10/Mt 11:2-11

Monday: Nm 24:2-7, 15-17a/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 21:23-27

Tuesday: Zep 3:1-2, 9-13/Ps 34:2-3, 6-7, 17-18, 19 and 23/Mt 21:28-32

Wednesday: Gn 49:2, 8-10/Ps 72:1-2, 3-4ab, 7-8, 17 Mt 1:1-17

Thursday: Jer 23:5-8/Ps 72:1-2, 12-13, 18-19 Mt 1:18-25

Friday: Jgs 13:2-7, 24-25a/Ps 71:3-4a, 5-6ab, 16-17 Lk 1:5-25

Saturday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6/Lk 1:26-38

Next Sunday: Is 7:10-14/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 (7c, 10b) Rom 1:1-7/Mt 1:18-24

CATHEDRAL NEWS



PRAYER GROUP MEETING

Monday, December 15
6:00 PM Cathedral – Kress Hall
All are welcome!

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



COMMUNAL Penance SERVICE WITH INDIVIDUAL CONFESSIONS

Tuesday, December 16th 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



BIBLE STUDY, Thursday, December 18th after the 8:30am Mass in Kress Hall. Everyone welcome!

OCIA/ADULT FORMATION

Thursday, December 18 ~ 6:30-8:30pm in Kress Hall

The Case for Jesus – This series is presented by well-known author, Dr. Brant Pitre. Each session draws evidence from both early Christian and non-Christian writings attesting to the authenticity, authorship, and dating of the Gospels, and gives an in-depth look at the Gospel accounts of Jesus's Crucifixion, Resurrection, and the proclamation of Christ's divinity.

Session Topics ~ Questions & Answers

CATHOLIC MEN'S GROUP

Catholic Men's Group will meet on Monday's at 7:00 p.m. once a month in Kress Hall. Men of all ages are invited for Catholic fellowship and discussion.

Catholic Men's Group 2025-2026: Into the Breach

Dec. 22 – Aidan Jones presents on Evangelization

Jan. 26 – Isaac Hopke presents on Brotherhood

Feb. 23 – Bill Kovaleski presents on Suffering

Mar. 30 – Brad Montgomery presents on Masculinity

Apr. 27 – Tom Tracy presents on Prayer

The Cathedral Book Club 2025-2026

We meet in the Cathedral Parish Office at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to join us.

Jan. 14 - Ghost Soldiers by Hampton Sides

Feb. 4 - Acts of the Apostles

March 11 - Hope: The Autobiography by Pope Francis

May 6 - Golden Doves by Martha Hall Kelly



SOCIETY OF ST. VINCENT DE PAUL

This advent, we received this note:

"Blessings to you and yours. I appreciate everything you guys did to get me where I am at. Not sure if you are told it, but what you do is godsend... you saved my life.. And if that's not God, I don't know what is. If you ever need anything I'm always here for you, too. Even angels need angels. I appreciate you so much."

The hours of service, the financial gifts and the prayers truly do make a difference in the lives of our brothers and sisters.

Voicemail: 715-398-4039

Mailing Address: SVDP P.O. Box 98 Superior, WI 54880



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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Ed. Classes

Wednesday, December 17th in Kress Hall.
PreK – 6th grade classes from 5:30-6:30pm.
7th grade - Confirmation class from 7-8pm.



BREAKING-OPEN THE WORD (B.O.W.)

(Children 3 years – 5th Grade)
10:30 Mass
Sunday, December 21st



CATHEDRAL SCHOOL NEWS



IMPORTANT DATES:

- December 18th - Middle School Concert 5:30pm in the Gymnasium
- December 19th - Preschool Concert 10:00am in the Gymnasium (**Doors Open at 9:30am**)
- December 19th - Elementary Concert 1:00pm in the Gymnasium (**Doors Open at 12:15pm**)
- December 22nd - January 2nd - No School - Christmas Break

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
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



ST. WILLIAM WREATH SALE

32" decorated balsa evergreen wreaths
Greens are freshly cut and are made by parishioners.
\$30.00



Available to purchase after Mass
or call Joannie Thompson at 715-399-2743

ST. WILLIAM PIE SALE

Take and bake (raw frozen) Dutch apple and Frozen and Baked Pecan Pies (Take, thaw and enjoy) \$20 each. Call Amy 218-590-7354. Pick up after Mass or make arrangements to pick up.

CLUSTER CHRISTMAS MASS SCHEDULE

Christmas Eve Masses

Wednesday, December 24th
4:00pm – Cathedral
6:00pm – St. William
Midnight Mass – Cathedral

Christmas Day Masses

Thursday, December 25th
9:00am – Holy Assumption
9:00am – St. Anthony, Superior
10:30am – Cathedral
11:00am – St. Anthony, Lake Nebagamon



MEN'S AND WOMEN'S RETREATS

Men's Retreat: Jan. 24-25

Women's Retreats: 1st, Jan. 31-Feb. 1; 2nd, Feb 7-8
The annual Diocesan Men's and Women's Retreats are taking registrations! Information can be found below and on the Diocese of Superior Website. Space is limited for each retreat. Call (715) 234-5044 BEFORE registering online. (Please note: there is a commuter price this year for those who do not want to stay on site. Please call to let us know if you will be staying off site.) If you are registering with a group of two or more, **ONLY ONE PERSON NEEDS TO CALL.** This must be done first to ensure lodging is available. Once lodging is confirmed, you can let your group know they can register online. Be ready to provide the following information Name, phone #, and date you called
The retreat you want to attend (Men's, Women's 1st or 2nd). The lodging (see website for options) and number of nights you prefer. The number of people who will be lodging with you and their names. Prices are final as we are being charged a flat rate for each retreatant. The price has already been significantly reduced due to generous donors. The deadlines for registering are very important for us to ensure enough food is available for everyone. Please register by the following dates:

Jan 2nd: Men's Retreat

Jan 9th: Women's Week 1

Jan 16th: Women's Week 2

On the registration link, you will note that you have an option for a refund for an extra fee. Please know that you will have to go through Active, the registration platform, for that refund. Unfortunately, we are not able to offer refunds after the deadlines.

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COMMUNITY NEWS

A Service of Lessons and Carols and the

Santa Lucia Vesper Tea

Sunday, December 14, 2025 ~ 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.



LOVES EVERLASTING LIGHT

FESTIVAL OF LESSONS AND CAROLS

Sunday, December 14, 2025 ~ 6:00 p.m.

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





3rd SUNDAY OF ADVENT

“This is the one about whom it is written: Behold, I am sending my messenger ahead of you; he will prepare your way before you.” - Mt 11:10

The Diocese of Superior is Seeking an Accountant and Accounting Assistant

Job Opening: Full-Time Accountant The Diocese of Superior is seeking a full-time Accountant at the Chancery in Superior, WI. This role involves maintaining financial records for the Diocese and its 103 parishes, including budget preparation, benefits administration, and audit support.

Qualifications: Candidates should possess an Associate or Bachelor Degree in Accounting (or equivalent experience), proficiency in QuickBooks/MS Office, and a desire for professional growth within the mission of the Church. A practicing Catholic is preferred.

To Apply: Submit a letter of interest, resume, and references by **December 19, 2025**, to Cindy Gronski at **cgronski@catholicdos.org**.

Job Opening: Accounting Assistant (Full-Time) The Diocese of Superior is seeking a full-time Accounting Assistant at the Chancery in Superior, WI. Responsibilities include maintaining financial records, utilizing QuickBooks/MS Office, and supporting parish bookkeepers.

Qualifications: Associate Degree in Accounting (or equivalent experience) and proficiency in QuickBooks and Excel. Candidates must be organized, accurate, and tactful. A practicing Catholic is preferred.

To Apply: Please submit a letter of interest, resume, and references by **December 19, 2025**, to Cindy Gronski at **cgronski@catholicdos.org**.



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."



Join us in
prayer this
Advent!

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.



Cenacle Prayer Group

Would you like to be part of a faith sharing small group? Are you looking for a weekly opportunity to pray and reflect on how God is working in your life, but in a way that respects your time and is both focused and positive? Our cluster is looking for people who want to grow together in faith through a Cenacle prayer group.

Cenacle – a faith sharing small group (it refers to the “Upper Room” where the disciples met.)

Cenacle Key Points

The group is ideally composed of 4-7 people.

Each week, a different person in the group leads the Cenacle.

The group meets weekly (with rare exceptions based on holidays and life situations).

The Cenacle lasts between 30-60 minutes; it never goes beyond an hour.

The group can meet in person or digitally

- If in person, do it at a regular time that suits everyone (after Mass, over coffee, at home, etc.)
- If online, use what works for your group (FaceTime, Google Meet, a Zoom call, etc.)

Cenacle Format – THIS IS WHAT YOU ACTUALLY DO

- **Opening Prayer** (1-2 minutes)
 - Led by whoever is leading the meeting that week; when in doubt, use the Our Father!
- **Check in with each other** (10-15 minutes)
 - Each person takes 2-4 minutes (never more than 5!) to share events from the past week
- **Reflection** (15-30 minutes)
 - Sunday Gospel Reading
 - The Gospel is read out loud
 - People share something (a word/phrase/image) that touched them from the reading
- **Goals for the coming week** (10-15 minutes)
 - Each person takes 2-3 minutes to share their goals and objectives for the coming week.
- **Closing Prayer**
 - Each person names any specific prayer intentions that they have.
 - The Leader offers a concluding prayer; if you're not sure what prayer to use, say the Hail Mary!

Hallmarks of a healthy Cenacle

- Positivity – the focus is always on personal growth when sharing struggles; “venting” is to be avoided.
- Vulnerability – requires participants to be real in their joys and burdens.
- Leadership – group is accountable: gossip, toxic behaviors, being present, not monopolizing time, etc.
- Investment – participants make the Cenacle a priority and are thoughtfully present and prepared.

Who can join?

- Anyone! What's required is someone who wants to make a weekly commitment to grow in faith.
- In fact, if you connect each week on a Zoom call, you can be anywhere in the world!
 - Note: the big thing is that people make this a priority in their lives.
 - Once a week, they come together to pray, reflect, and support each other.
 - It's not complicated, but over time we find ourselves growing closer to God and each other.

Choose a Group Leader and connect with Fr. Andrew to begin

- The Leader keeps the group organized and communicates with Fr. Andrew.
- This person emails Fr. Andrew at fatherandrew97@gmail.com to let him know the group has formed.

Wednesday Night Religious Education – Cathedral of Christ the King – Grades K-Confirmation – 2025-26

Date	Notes	Parent/Special Events
09/24/25		Meeting for First Reconciliation/ Communion/Confirmation families, 5:30pm
10/1/25	FIRST Class	
10/8/25	Class	
10/15/25	Class	Circle of Grace/Safe Environment
10/17/25		Confirmation Retreat
10/18/25		Kress Hall
10/22/25	Class	Family Dinner
10/29/25	Class	
11/5/25	Class	Vocations Week
11/12/25	Class	Confession & Adoration available
11/14/25		High School Discipleship Weekend
11/16/25		Crosswoods Camp, Mason, WI
11/19/25	Class	Family Dinner
11/26/25	NO CLASS	Thanksgiving Break
12/3/25	Class	
12/10/25	Class	Meeting for First Reconciliation Families
12/13/25		First Reconciliation, 11am
12/17/25	Class	Christmas Party! Baptismal Records Due!!!!
12/24/25	NO CLASS	Christmas Break
12/31/25	NO CLASS	New Year's Day
1/7/26	Class	
1/14/26	Class	
1/21/26	Class	Family Dinner
1/28/26	Class	
2/4/26	Class	
2/11/26	Class	Family Dinner and K-6 Service Project
2/18/26	NO CLASS	Ash Wednesday – Mass at 7pm
2/25/26	Class	
3/4/26	Class	24 hours for the Lord; Confession & Adoration available
3/11/26	NO CLASS	Spring Break
3/18/26	Class	Family Dinner
3/22/26		First Communion Retreat & Family Meeting, 12-3pm
3/25/26	Class	
4/1/26	Class	
4/5/26		EASTER
4/8/26	Class	
4/15/26	LAST Class	Pizza Party!
4/19/26		First Communion, 2pm
4/29/26		Confirmation Rehearsal, 7pm
5/1/26		Sacrament of Confirmation, 7pm

Youth Event Deadlines

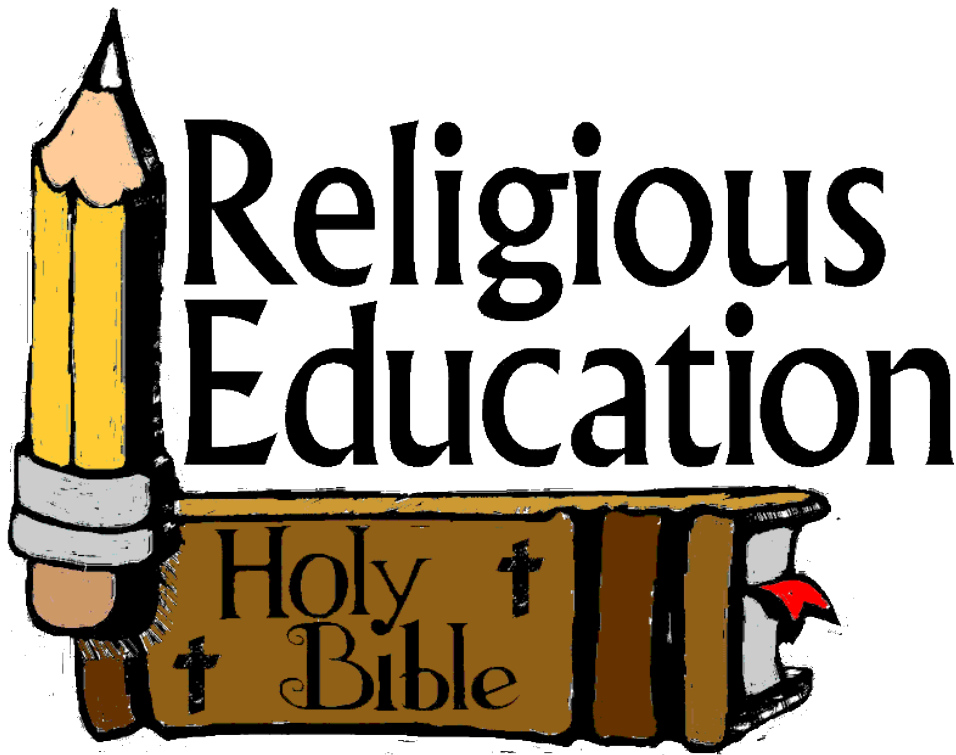
	DEADLINE	FOR	NOTES
March for Life	October 1, 2025	Final Day for Discounted Price	Diocese must have Parish Registration Form & Deposits for discount
	October 17, 2025	Parish Registration Form & Deposits Due	Diocese must have Parish Registration Form & Deposits
	November 21, 2025	Online Registrations & Finals Balances Due	Diocese must have final payments, online registration needs to be done
Fall High School Discipleship	October 10, 2025	Parish Registration Form & ALL Payments Due	Diocese must have Parish Registration Form & Payments
	October 24, 2025	Online Registrations Due	Every student/their parents must have all forms completed
Spring High School Discipleship	March 6, 2026	Parish Registration Form & ALL Payments Due	Diocese must have Parish Registration Form & Payments
	March, 20 2026	Online Registrations Due	Every student/their parents must have all forms completed
Extreme Faith Camp	January 9, 2026	Initial Parish Registration Form & Deposits Due	Must have Parish Registration Form & Deposits
	April 1, 2026	Online Registrations, Final Balances, & Substitutions Due	Diocese must have final payments, online registration needs to be done

DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR

EVANGELIZATION & MISSIONARY DISCIPLESHIP



JOHN 15:5



2025-2026 RELIGIOUS ED

YES!!!!!! It's that time of year again! Back-to-School shopping is already underway, and we are excited for the return to Kress Hall for Religious Ed classes. Scan the QR code or register using our [Google Form](#).

Interested in teaching as a Catechist? A meeting will be held in Kress Hall on Wednesday, Sept 10th beginning at 6pm (doors open at 5:30 for some food and social time). We are looking for Confirmation Catechists, as well as teachers and aides for all grades. PLEASE TAKE NOTE: If you want to participate 1 time or every time, your time and talent are welcome! This is a flexible volunteering opportunity!

Classes are held Wednesdays in Kress Hall. PreK - 6th grade classes from 5:30-6:30pm. 7th grade - Confirmation class from 7-8pm.



CATHEDRAL OF CHRIST THE KING

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SAVE THE DATES

CATECHISTS
MEETING

SEPT 10TH 6PM
(DOORS OPEN AT 5:30)
KRESS HALL

PARENTS' MEETINGS
SEPT 24TH

1ST COMMUNION 5:30PM
KRESS HALL
CONFIRMATION 7PM
CATHEDRAL

1ST NIGHT OF CLASS
OCTOBER 1ST
KRESS HALL
5:30PM K-6
7PM 7 - CONFIRMATION



HIGH SCHOOL DISCIPLESHIP

Weekend



— FALL —

Nov. 14-16, 2025

CrossWoods | Mason, WI

— SPRING —

April 10-12, 2026

Crescent Lake | Rhinelander, WI

EXPERIENCE THE HEART OF GOD THROUGH

Mass & Sacraments
Formation
Personal Prayer Time
Outdoor Adventure
Community



REGISTRATION INFO

Parish Registration and \$125 per person
secures spots.

Due **October 10th, 2025** (for fall weekend)

Due **March 6th, 2026** (for spring weekend)



| catholicdos.org/high-school-discipleship-weekend |





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EXTREME FAITH CAMP 2026

CHECK ONLINE TO SEE WHICH WEEK YOUR PARISH ATTENDS!



Week 1 | CrossWoods

June 7 - 12, 2025



Week 2 | CrossWoods

June 14 - 19, 2025



Week 1 | Crescent Lake

June 14 - 19, 2025



Week 2 | Crescent Lake

June 21-26, 2025

Price

\$450



catholicdos.org/extreme-faith-camp



(715) 234-5044



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JANUARY 20-25, 2026

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