



ST. ANTHONY – SUPERIOR

January 11, 2026
THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



Mass Intentions

Sunday, January 11, 2026

9:00 a.m. Mass—+Butch Venne by Nancy Venne

Tuesday, January 13, 2026

8:10 a.m.—Rosary and St. Anthony Novena

8:30 a.m. Mass—**No Mass**

Sunday, January 18, 2026

9:00 a.m. Mass—+Anita McFarlane by Nancy Venne



Liturgical Ministers

Sunday, January 18, 2026 at 9:00 a.m.

Celebrant—Bishop James Powers

Sacristan—Jeanne

Reader—Jeanne

Musicians—Guitar Group

Ushers—Hank and Caleb

Gift Bearers—Ron and Liz

Communion—Deacon Kevin, Jeanne and Jeff

RECENTLY DECEASED

*May their souls and all the souls
of the faithful departed, rest in peace...*

Cheryl Liebaert (12/14/2025)

Valerie Coder (12/3/25)

Ed Mickendrow (11/13/25)

Don Hapy (6/7/25)

Peggy Sislo (5/12/25)

Barb Fellbaum (3/11/25)

Marguerite Pavlovich (1/4/25)

Anita McFarlane (1/23/25)

Butch Venne (9/27/24)

CATHEDRAL SCHOOL ASSESMENT



2025 – 2026 School Assessment

\$18,719.75

Monthly Payment: \$1,559.98

Balance Due: \$8,199.89

CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL



2025 – 2026 CSA

\$15,735.00

\$5,741.12 Pledged

\$9,993.88 Remaining Balance

NEW TO OUR PARISH?

If you would like to register as a member of our parish and receive contribution envelopes and other mailings, please contact the parish office at **715-398-3261** or go to <https://superiorcatholics.org> click on **Our parishes** then **Become a Member & Parish Census** and fill out the form for **St. Anthony – Superior**.

MASS ATTENDANCE

1/4/26	83
12/28/25	56
12/25/25 Christmas Day	81
12/21/25	62
12/14/25	73
12/7/25	72
11/30/25	70
11/23/25	64

SUNDAY ENVELOPES

January 4, 2026

Regular Envelopes—\$2,453.00

Youth—\$7.00

Loose—\$128.00

Solemnity of Mary—\$230.00

Christmas—\$140.00

Initial Offering—\$95.00

Catholic Herald—\$174.00

Catholic Schools Week—\$10.00

Cathedral School—\$55.00

Utilities—\$65.00

Online Giving—\$380.06

Total—\$3,737.06

ONLINE GIVING

If you would like to sign up for Online Giving, go to our website <https://superiorcatholics.org> scroll down, click “Giving” and then click **St. Anthony – Superior**, then fill out the form for our parish.



Fr. Ron Olson, Fr. Jim Tobolski, Liz Anderson, Jennifer Ross, Katie Jones, and Barb Van Holbeck.

WEEKLY MEDITATION

Let's explore the themes we find in the Mass readings for the Baptism of the Lord.

1st Reading – Isaiah 42:1-4,6-7

- The chosen servant has received the spirit of God and will bring forth justice.
- The servant will establish a covenant with the people and bring light and healing to the nations.

Psalm – 29:1-4,9-10

- "The Lord will bless his people with peace."
- We give glory and praise to God, who is enthroned as king forever.

2nd Reading – Acts of the Apostles 10:34-38

- Peter speaks to the people in the house of Cornelius, saying that God shows no partiality.
- He then recounts the basic facts about Jesus, inviting the people to fear God and act uprightly.

Gospel – Matthew 3:13-17

- John the Baptist tries to prevent Jesus from being baptized by him, but the Lord directs him to allow it to fulfill all righteousness.
- As Jesus is baptized, the Holy Spirit descends upon him in the form of a dove, and the voice of the Father proclaims, "This is my beloved Son; with whom I am well pleased."

Fr. Andrew

Question for Children: What does God want you to do? To forgive? Be generous? To love?

Question for Youth: As you grow, how do you know what God wants you to do? How do you hear the voice of God saying, "you are one of mine, of my chosen?"

Question for Adults: Today's readings lead to a core question: As you follow God and do what he wants, how do you experience his loving words: "You are my own. My favor is upon you."?

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 11, 2026

Sunday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7/Ps 29:1-2, 3-4, 3, 9-10/Acts 10:34-38/Mt 3:13-17

Monday: 1 Sm 1:1-8/Ps 116:12-13, 14-17, 18-19/Mk 1:14-20
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sam 2:1, 4-5, 6-7, 8abcd/Mk 1:21-28

Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2 and 5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10/Mk 1:29-39

Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45

Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Ps 89:16-17, 18-19/Mk 2:1-12

Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1a/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mk 2:13-17

Next Sunday: Is 49:3, 5-6/Ps 40:2 and 4, 7-8, 8-9, 10/
1 Cor 1:1-3/Jn 1:29-34

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Religious Ed. Classes

Wednesday, January 14th in Cathedral Kress Hall.

PreK – 6th grade classes from 5:30-6:30pm.

7th grade - Confirmation class from 7-8pm.

ST. VINCENT DE PAUL SOCIETY



CHRISTMAS GIFTS

Through the generosity of many individuals and the Catholic Daughters, we were able to have families select Christmas presents for their children who had not been able to access gifts. 31 children were assisted with a total value of gifts estimated at \$2500. We are especially grateful to the Cathedral blanket-makers. Parents were able to select 22 of the 39 tied fleece blankets we had in inventory. We will distribute remaining blankets to individuals and families throughout this year. Our dear Jewell Rankila established this ministry, and it continues under the oversight of Sandy Frazier and her volunteers. Thank you to all!

You are invited to our next meeting on Tuesday, January 13th at 6pm in Kress Hall at the Cathedral.

Voicemail: **715-398-4039**

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

CLUSTER NEWS

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION IN OUR CLUSTER:

St. Anthony, Superior – 1st Tuesday from 8 – 8:30 a.m.

Cathedral – every Thursday from 1 – 3 p.m.

Holy Assumption – 1st Friday from 7:30 – 8:00 a.m.

St. Anthony, L.N – every Thursday from 9 – 10 a.m.

St. William – 1st Saturday from 5:30 – 6 p.m.



MASSES AT ST. MARY'S HOSPITAL SUPERIOR

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

The Cathedral Book Club 2025-2026

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

Jan. 14th - Ghost Soldiers by Hampton Sides

Feb. 4th - Acts of the Apostles

March 11th - Hope: The Autobiography by Pope Francis

May 6th - Golden Doves by Martha Hall Kelly

The Catholic Daughters will meet on Monday, January 12th at the Golden Inn Restaurant at 11:00 am. Our speaker will be Paul Birch from the diocesan office. Lunch will be ordered from the menu.

Anyone interested in becoming a Catholic Daughter is welcome to attend our meetings.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK

Catholic Schools Week 2026: Rooted in Faith, Focused on the Future!

Join us in celebrating Catholic Schools Week 2026, running from Sunday, January 25th, through Saturday, January 31st. This is a special time dedicated to honoring the outstanding education provided by the 14 Catholic Schools throughout our Diocese.

These schools highlight the unique qualities that make them exceptional: a rigorous academic foundation rooted deeply in faith, community, and service. We invite you to participate in the special events, open house, and activities planned throughout the week. Let's come together to celebrate our shared commitment to excellence in education and the formation of strong, faith-filled leaders for the future of our Church and communities.

As we observe this important week, we also ask you to support the Special Diocesan Collection for Catholic Schools. The collection provides an immediate and essential source of support for our schools, allocated based on student enrollment. Your generous response is a beautiful expression of discipleship and unity with Catholic school communities across northern Wisconsin. Your gift will help ensure a vibrant future for Catholic education and a strong Church.

"The Catholic Church is working diligently to prevent sexual abuse by parish employees, volunteers, deacons, and priests. If you have been sexually abused by someone associated with the Church and would like to report or discuss the experience, we urge you to contact:

Bonnie Thom (715) 718-1110.

The Diocese of Superior welcomes your call and understands how difficult it may be to reach out in this situation. The phone number provided is confidential and dedicated solely to these calls. Know that your call will be treated with respect, dignity, and compassion. The Diocese of Superior is bound by civil and canon law to report sexual abuse of a minor to civil authorities. Anyone who believes that they have been sexually abused is strongly encouraged to report as well."

Catholic United Financial Foundation announces that Mr. Jesse Larson and Mr. Jacob Nollet are 2025 recipients of a grant from the Monsignor Schuler Seminarian Fund. The Monsignor Schuler Fund exists to help seminarians with basic living expenses so they can concentrate on their studies and answer their call to the priesthood. As the Fund grows, so does our ability to help seminarians. To learn more about the Fund or the foundation, visit catholicunitedfinancial.org/foundation, email foundation@catholicunited.org or call 877-275-7145. Our seminarians are truly the future of the church who will become the next 'Fishers of Men'.

MEN'S RETREAT | JANUARY 24th - 25th.

The diocese will host the annual Men's Retreat at Trinity Woods Catholic Retreat Center in Trego January 24th – 25th. The weekend retreat will begin Saturday with registration beginning at 8:00am and will wrap up on Sunday around noon following Mass. Lodging is available Friday night. Our theme this year is Men after Christ's Heart: The Call to Grow in Holiness and Virtue.

Dr. Jonathan Reyes will help us to hear and respond to the Lord's invitation to become saints. His reflections will unpack specifics of what a life of holiness and virtue looks like as men in the 21st century. To register, call (715) 234-5044 to book/confirm your lodging. Then use the online link on the Men's Retreat page of the diocesan website.

WOMEN'S RETREAT | JANUARY 31st - FEBRUARY 1st OR FEBRUARY 7th – 8th

The diocese will host the annual Women's Retreats at Trinity Woods Catholic Retreat Center in Trego January 31st - February 1st or February 7th – 8th. The retreat will begin Saturday with registration beginning at 8:00am and will wrap up on Sunday around noon following Mass.

Lodging is available Friday night. We will be lead on retreat by the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus! This will be a reflective weekend focusing on authentic femininity and how the Lord reveals to us our deepest identity as women. It will provide many moments of silence, allowing you to enter into the heart God. To register, call (715) 234-5044 to book/confirm your lodging. Then use the online link on the Women's Retreat page of the diocesan website.

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THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD



After Jesus was baptized, he came up from the water and behold, the heavens were opened for him, and he saw the Spirit of God descending like a dove and coming upon him. And a voice came from the heavens, saying, "This is my beloved Son, with whom I am well pleased." — Mt 3:16-17

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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.