

Holy Trinity Parish

# Sunday, February 9, 2020

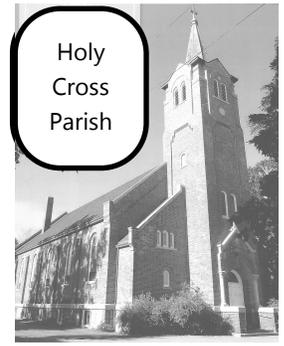
## 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time

### Sunday Cycle A—Daily Year 2

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Holy Cross Parish

### From the Pastoral Team...

**Mass and Anointing of the Sick with Meal to follow**  
*God knows and loves us and He knows our sufferings.* All are invited to come and pray with us for health and wholeness on **Wednesday, February 12<sup>th</sup> at 3:15pm in Holy Trinity Church.** Anyone experiencing the challenges of aging or illness of body or mind is welcome to receive the Sacrament of Anointing of the Sick. Following the Mass and Anointing, a dinner will be served in the basement, hosted by our religious ed students and volunteers. Please call Janice at 584-8323 to RSVP, and let us know if



you will need a ride, or could provide rides for others.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** The 2020 Appeal launches with *Announcement Weekend* on February 15-16 and *Commitment Weekend* on February 22-23. Please consider a gift to support the ministries of the Diocese of St. Cloud. Each dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.

**Catholic Charities** serves over 16 counties across Central Minnesota, and your donation allows us to continue to help your fellow neighbors. We strive to assist anyone who needs a helping hand, and we are honored to know you value our work. Thank you to Holy Cross Church for your gift of \$130.00 to Catholic Charities programs and thank you to Holy Trinity Church for your gift of \$782.00.

**Food for Kidz Update:** We are in need of some people to help take care of certain elements of this upcoming project. If you are gifted in any of these areas, please consider sharing your gifts for the benefit of many hungry families around the world. We need people to: plan/organize breakfast for March 8th, help with letter campaign for fundraising, publicity, plan/organize fundraiser supper, and key people for our food packaging day on April 4th including lead set-up and clean-up. If you are able to help out in any of these areas, please call the parish office. Sign-up sheets for one of the food packaging shifts on Saturday, April 4th will available at a later date. To make this a successful event and reach our goal of 20,000 meals, we aim to collect \$3,000.

**Did you know?** In addition to being a reminder of the rebirth experienced at Baptism, holy water fonts also provide a practical function that helps transition from the secular world into the House of God. According to Fr. John Bartunek at [SpiritualDirection.com](http://SpiritualDirection.com), the holy water fonts were originally much bigger and were mainly used to cleanse a person's dirty body before walking into the sacred space. *"Even in ancient non-Christian religions (including Judaism), ritual ablutions (washings) were frequently an initial step in formal worship. And so, when the first Christian houses of worship were built, the atrium that formed a kind of transition space between the outside, public arena and the church proper, where the liturgy was celebrated, often contained a large fountain. Worshipers would stop*

*at the fountain and bathe their hands and feet (shoes were not as common in ancient times as they are now, at least in the warmer climates) before entering the sacred space."* Even Jesus washed the feet of his disciples before celebrating the first Eucharist.

While not currently used in that same way, holy water fonts still provide a reminder that before we can enter the "Wedding Feast of the Lamb," we must wash ourselves and put on the "wedding garment" to be admitted to the table. In the end, while it is sometimes easy to get into the habit of entering a Catholic church and rushing through the ritual of blessing oneself with holy water, the symbolism behind the act is worth pausing a few extra seconds. It is meant to be a reminder of our Baptism and provides an opportunity to leave behind the secular and enter into the sacred.

This is just one of the many things our students learned this past Wednesday when Fr. Roger gave our students in grades 1-5 a special "behind the scenes" tour of the sacristy and talked with them about the "whats, whens, whys, and how comes" of the Mass. Over the next several weeks he will give them bite-sized lessons that they will build on the following week. It is our expectation that as we continue these lessons through the Lenten season our students and their families will be able to more fully participate in and understand the significance of the Mass by the Easter Triduum. Along with these lessons, we encourage parents to bring their families to Mass each week. With plenty of upfront seating, children are able to see better and feel more involved.

**Eucharist means "give thanks".** It is so important for all of us to come each week and thank God for His blessings and gift of salvation and in doing so, be an example for our young people. One of the best things you can do for your marriage and your family is to come each weekend away from the business of your week and share in this celebration of the Mass. Our Wednesday evening classes for grades 6-12 will also be doing a study of the Mass beginning this Wednesday evening. This will be a DVD series by Fr. Mike Schmitz entitled "ALTARations". This is an excellent presentation and all parents and parishioners are encouraged to attend these sessions.

**Why Do I Come To Mass?** This is a question that we all ask at some point in our faith journey. Am I coming to Mass because my parents make me? Do I go so I don't get questioned by my parents or grandparents who go all the time? Do I go so I can see my friends? There are many questions that are asked about why the Mass is so important and why are we asked to go every week. Starting next week on Wednesday nights we are going to start to answer some of those questions. "Altaration—The Mystery Of The Mass Revealed" is a 5-part series put together by Ascension Press that will help us learn more about what goes on at Mass and why we do what we do. The more we can learn about the Mass the more alive and intense it will become, so starting next week on the 12th we will start with our first session at 7:00. Anyone is welcome to attend and I encourage all the parents to join their kids in this learning opportunity. We are planning on covering all five sessions before Easter. If you have any questions call Neil Zimmerman at 320-247-3559.

**You Are Really Something!**

The description of the disciples found in today’s Gospel is an impressive compliment—and an even greater challenge. Jesus tells them they are “salt of the earth” (Matthew 5:13), bringing out the good taste of living. In other words, life would be bland and uninteresting without them. They are also the “light of the world” (Matthew 5:14), helping people find their way. Without them, others would stumble and fall. Jesus is telling them how important they are in the lives of others. They could each and all say: I am really something! Such compliments are also a challenge. What must one do to be salt and light in the lives of others? The Isaian passage provides some suggestions: Share your bread with the hungry; shelter the oppressed and the homeless; clothe the naked; don’t turn your back on your own; remove from your midst oppression, false accusation, and malicious speech. In other words, to be salt or light is to meet the needs of the needy. This teaching of Jesus is not as easy as it might at first look. Jesus is speaking to his disciples, his followers. They are not those who are simply curious about this itinerant preacher or remarkable healer. They have chosen to follow him, not merely from place to place, but to model their lives after his. Isn’t that what we also claim to be—his followers? Haven’t we promised to model our lives after his? If so, as both compliment and challenge he says to us as well, “You are really something!”

—Sr. Dianne Bergant, CSA

**For Reflection** – In what ways do you already enrich or enlighten the lives of others? – In what ways is this compliment a challenge for you?

**5th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

*“Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good works and give glory to your Father who is in heaven.” (Matthew 5:16)*

The generosity of being a good steward of your gifts has a positive effect on people, and it is contagious! Good works encour-

age more good works. Let your light shine! Be careful to recognize that God is working through you and don’t put yourself above the people you have been called to help. —*archstl.org*

**Gospel Summary**

It is common for us in our times to be careful about the salt we use. However, in Jesus’ day, salt was a very important commodity. It was used to pay salaries. Like us, people used salt to flavor food. But, because there was no refrigeration, salt was also used to *preserve* food. That is why, when Jesus called his disciples “salt” and “light,” he declared their great importance. What was of significant importance to Jesus was the enthusiasm with which the disciples spread the Good News.

**Reflection for Parents**

Imagine taking your child(ren) on a hike in the woods at night. A small flashlight will never do. Not even the type that takes “C” batteries will give enough light. No, you will need the heavy-duty-light-up-the-next-mile type of camping lantern. This is so you and your children don’t trip on any roots or uneven ground or lose the trail. In just the same way, we are light for our children. What they see us do and how we live our faith exhibits the magnitude of the flashlight we choose.

**Bringing the Gospel into Your Family**

Gather all the candles in the house and set them on the table at meal time. Try to have enough candles burning so that theirs is the only light you have in the room. As you eat, talk together about how each member of the family is light to one another and to others. You might get the conversation going by asking what difference the candlelight makes in your otherwise dark room.

**Discussion Starters**

1. As a Christian witness, I could use a little more salt in . . .
2. I know I am a light to others when.
3. The greatest challenge I have ever faced in my call to be a light for Jesus was when . . . —*rclblectionary.com*

**Family Connection**

The widespread use of electricity in our society may make us less aware of the value and importance of light. To re-engage with the power of the metaphor that Jesus offers, gather your family in a darkened room. Bring only one flashlight.

Sit together for a minute and consider what you are able to do and see in so little light. You might try opening the

Bible to see whether you can read today’s Gospel. Turn on the flashlight and experiment to see how one might use it to achieve the greatest amount of light. Then read today’s Gospel by the light of the flashlight. Ask everyone to consider what it means to say that Christians are to be the light of the world. How might your family act in a way that is a light for others, a light that is worthy to put on a lamp stand? Choose one thing that your family will do this week to show that you are the light of the world. You might choose to participate in an activity that your parish sponsors, such as help with a food pantry. Pray together by singing “This Little Light of Mine.”

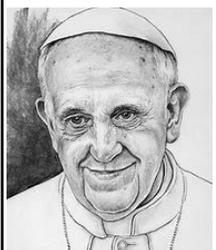
—*loyolapress.com*

**On this World Marriage Day,** we thank our heavenly Father for the gift and blessing of marriage and the family.

As we strive to live our particular vocations and respond to the Lord’s grace in our lives, let’s also consider how we might dedicate renewed prayer and attention to marriage and the family. Here are possible areas we might consider:

- First, we begin with prayer: Let’s remember to pray with and for marriages and families throughout our nation.
- Second, let us reclaim Sunday as the Day of the Lord and a day of the family. We are already doing it now by participating in the celebration of Mass. But is there something more the Lord is inviting us to when we go back home? Praying together, or spending some time together in leisure, or having dinner together as a family...
- And third, let us consider how our homes, families and parish are places of hospitality and welcome. How might the Lord be calling us to become *more generous*? *Maybe we will find renewed ways to shine the light of Christ to others. This could include reaching out to those who are lonely, or sick, or are suffering because they don’t have family members to care for them.*
- Lastly, let us stay close to those who are hurting from difficulties in their families and let them know they are loved. *This is where families can reach out with love to others in need. Ultimately, the Church is the “family of God” and all are welcomed with joy by God the Father. All of us are beloved sons and daughters of God. As domestic churches, Christian families witness to the promise of Christ through his Church that no one is ever alone. May the Lord be glorified in all our words and deeds, and may our families shine with the light of Christ for all to see.*

**Pope Francis Quote of the Week**



Christian life has to be a life that must blossom in works of charity, in doing what is good. But if you have no roots, you cannot blossom, and who is the root? Jesus! ... “What blossoms a tree bears come from what lies underneath it.” Never cut off Jesus’ roots. *General Audience, March 21, 2018*

## Announcements for Holy Cross and Holy Trinity Parishes

### Masses, Services, Events

*Confessions 10 minutes before weekday mass, 30 minutes before Saturday mass.*

**Sunday, February 9**  
 8:00am HT **MASS** \*Special Intention CP  
 10:00am HC **MASS** ††Elmer & Gertrude Anderson

**Monday, February 10**  
 8:00am HC Adoration until 9:00PM  
 HT **NO MASS**

**Tuesday, February 11**  
 7:30am HT **MASS** †Rita Trettel  
 8:30am HC **MASS** \*Special Intention CS

**Wednesday, February 12**  
 7:30am HT **MASS** ††Monica & Louis Wollack  
 8:30am HT Religious Ed Grades K-5  
 3:15pm HT **MASS** \*Intention: For the Sick  
**Anointing Mass & Dinner**  
 6:00pm HT Youth Group  
 6:00pm HT BIBLE STUDY  
 7:00pm HT Religious Ed Grades 6-12  
 7:30pm HC Religious Ed Grades K-12  
 8:30pm HC Youth Group

**Thursday, February 13**  
 7:30am HT **MASS** †Linda Haney  
 8:00am HT **ADORATION** until 8pm  
 8:30am HC **MASS** ††Margaret & Virginia Trettel

**Friday, February 14**  
 7:30am HT **MASS** †Barbara Vargo  
 8:00am HT **ADORATION** until 5pm

**Saturday, February 15**  
 4:00pm HT **MASS** \*For our Parishioners

**Sunday, February 16**  
 8:00am HT **MASS** \*Pro-Life Causes  
 10:00am HC **MASS** \*Special Intention CS

### Last Week's Offertory

	Holy Cross	Holy Trinity
Adults	1372.72	1,944.00
Plate	152.13	268.65
Student	0.00	.00
Votive	222.10	242.75
Bulletin Ads	0.00	50.00
Visitor	17.00	0.00
<b>Building Main.</b>	<b>25.00</b>	<b>282.00</b>
<b>Total</b>	<b>1788.95</b>	<b>2,787.40</b>

### Prayer Requests

**Pray for the Sick:** (call the office to add/remove a name or request a pastoral visit): Debbie Volkenant, Caroline Hoover, Bea Bailey, Aurelia Cimenski, Nancy Gove, Kieran Kloss, Glen Goodwill, Kevin Han-nifin, Eugene Doble Sr., Mary Brezinka, Mary Czech, Brenda Schmitt, Heidi Quinlan, Arnold Deuvel, Gene Pekarek, Karen Kuklok, Nolan Richards, Michael Meckler, Debbie Borash, Connie Plumski

### Weekly Scripture Readings

**Monday:** 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13 Mk 6:53-56  
**Tuesday:** 1 Kgs 8:22-30 Mk 7:1-13  
**Wednesday:** 1 Kgs 10:1-10 Mk 7:14-23  
**Thursday:** 1 Kgs 11:4-13 Mk 7:24-30  
**Friday:** 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Mk 7:31-37  
**Saturday:** 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Mk 8:1-10  
**Sunday:** Sir 15:15-20 1 Cor 2:6-10 Mt 5:17-37

### MINISTRY SCHEDULE

**Saturday HT 4:00 PM February 15**  
**Lector:** Jean S  
**EM:** Heidi P, Jean S, Patty B, Roger B  
**Servers:** Nolan & Wyatt Gerads  
**Ushers:** Troop 60 Boy Scouts  
**Gift Bearers:** Troop 60 Boy Scouts

**Sunday HT 8:00 AM February 16**  
**Lector:** Steven B  
**EM:** Andy F, Arnie M, Peggy S, Neil Z  
**Servers:** David & Andrew Fountain  
**Ushers:** Tim Klisch, Ken Plumski  
**Gift Bearers:** See Sign up Sheet

**Sunday HC 10:00 AM February 16**  
**Lector:** Doug P  
**EM:** Jim D, Catie D, Richard S, Arlene T, Jayson S  
**Servers:** Loretta Mrosla, Angie Sakry  
**Ushers:** Ryan Burggraff, John Trettel  
**Gift Bearers:** Mike & Cathy Solorz

### CHILDREN'S ENVELOPES

There has been a processing issue with the company that we order our children's envelopes from. The envelopes we are expecting will be arriving by the end of January. In the meantime, please feel free to take a few of the generic offertory envelopes in the box at the back of church and just mark your child's name on it. Once we receive the shipment of children's offertory envelopes we will have them for distribution in the back of church. THANK YOU.

### † HOLY CROSS PARISH †

**Chili and Soup Cook-off:** The annual soup and chili cook-off hosted by the Knights of Columbus #12604 will be held with fellowship following 10:00am mass at Holy Cross church in North Prairie on February 16th. All (whether KC members or not) are welcome to submit an entry or just come to sample and vote! A free will offering will be collected to support pro-life organizations within our diocese.



### ▲ HOLY TRINITY PARISH ▲

**Installation of Officers for Christian Women** organization will be held at the 8:00 mass next Sunday, February 9th. Officers are:  
 President—Char Hohmann  
 Vice Pres—Pat Baron  
 Treas—Sue Smieja  
 Sec—Peggy Sauer

**Christian Women dues are due** in February. Annual Dues are \$1.00 and can be prepaid. You can put an envelope in the Church collection with payment listing your name and dues amount. If you have questions contact your group leader or Treasurer Susan Smieja at 320-293-2216.

### Adoration Help Is Still Needed

to fill hours at Adoration Thursdays and Fridays. We would like to have two people for each hour. It is a nice reward to be with the Lord for an hour praying and talking with him. If you can help, please call Marcy Gallus at 584-5870.



### Events In our (future) ACC

**Wednesday, February 12** Mass and Anointing of the Sick with a meal to follow at Holy Trinity Church in Royalton. Mass begins at 3:15pm and anyone experiencing challenges of aging or illness is welcome to receive the Sacrament of Anointing. A dinner will be served in the basement hosted by our Religious Ed students and volunteers. Call Janice at 584-8323 to RSVP.

**Friday, February 14** Valentine's Day mass and dinner at St. Stanislaus Church in Bowlus. Mass at 5:30pm with dinner at 6:30pm in the handicap-accessible church basement. The menu includes stuffed pork chops, potato, vegetable, salad, dinner roll, dessert, coffee and milk. Tickets are \$15 per person and can be purchased in advance until February 9. Only a limited number of tickets will be sold. Tickets are available at Psyck's Grocery in Bowlus, the Holdingford parish office and or by calling Tom Fussy at 232-5703.

**Sunday, February 16** Knights of Columbus Chili and Soup Cookoff at Holy Cross following the 10am mass in North Prairie. All our welcome to submit an entry or an opinion.

**Sunday, February 16** Candidates from Immaculate Conception Parish in Rice and Holy Trinity Parish in Royalton will gather at Rice for their Confirmation Retreat from 10am to 4:30pm. Please remember them in your prayers as they prepare for the sacrament.

**Friday's of Lent**—Immaculate Conception Church in Rice invites you to their Lenten Fish Fries held all Friday's during Lent. Serving hours are 5-7:30pm. The menu includes Fried Fish, Cole Slaw, Baked Potato, Baked Beans, Dinner Rolls.

Dear Padre,

My church spends too much on flower arrangements. Are they really needed?

Flowers and plants in homes and other buildings create a sense of beauty and welcome. They also help lift the spirits of the infirm in hospitals and the pall of sadness from those who mourn a loved one. Similarly, flowers in churches awaken our senses, embody hospitality, and enliven our spirits. Moreover, living flowers and plants serve “as a reminder of the gift of life God has given to the human community” (“Built of Living Stones,” 129, USCCB, 2000). Along with other church adornments—both fixed and movable—flowers enkindle in the worshiper a feeling of what St. Peter said at the transfiguration, “Lord, it is good that we are here” (Matthew 17:4, Luke 9:33). They add dignity to the sacred space and visually express the holiness of the mysteries celebrated there. “Sacred buildings and requisites for divine worship should be truly worthy and beautiful and be signs and symbols of heavenly realities” (General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 288). Nevertheless, “floral decoration should always show moderation and be arranged around the altar rather than on the altar table” (GIRM 305). Restraint in floral decoration is the norm during Advent. It’s forbidden during Lent, except on Laetare Sunday and feasts, although simple compositions other than flowers are permissible. To control costs, some parishes rely on volunteers with flower-arranging skills. Arrangements left behind at funerals and funeral homes and from church weddings are also offered for the benefit of the faithful.

—Fr. Byron Miller, CSR [Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org](mailto:Sundaybulletin@Liguori.org)

## Calendar of Area Events

**Feb. 9** St. Stanislaus Parish in Sobieski invites you to their annual Quilt Bingo. St. Ann’s Mission Quilt Bingo February 9, at the Sobieski Community Center at 1:00pm. 20 games for \$10.00. Free lunch & Bake Sale.

**Feb. 9** Sunday, February 9th, Albany Legion Post 482 Smorgasbord Breakfast @ Church of Seven Dolors Parish Hall, Albany 8:00am- Noon.

**Feb. 16** Quilt Bingo—hand stitched quilts. Sunday, February 16th at 1:00pm at St. Mary’s Church in Upsala. 20 games for \$10, blackout extra. Free lunch served after.

**Feb. 20** The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to join them for *Centering Prayer and Lectio Divina* (Sacred Reading) on Thursday, February 20, 6-7pm, in the Gathering Space at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. No need to pre-register. For more information, please call (320)632-0668

**Feb. 21** St. John’s Church of Swanville has their Auction Dinner fundraiser Friday, February 21st at the Sobieski Community Center. Dinner at 6:30 and auctions starts at 8:00pm.

**Feb. 21** Mardi Gras Celebration at St. James Catholic Church in Randall, MN will be held Friday, February 21st at 5:30pm. Silent auction, 50/50 raffle, door prizes, dinner \$15.00 person. Questions call Bob or Carmen Machler at 749-2232 or 630-5546.

**Feb. 23** Old Time Card Party—Centennial Event from 2-5pm in the Saint Anthony Parish Center, 2410 1st St N, Saint Cloud MN. A \$5 entry fee covers an afternoon of playing 500 or cribbage followed by a light lunch. Bring a friend and enjoy the day! Prizes will be awarded for high scores. (Handicap accessible entry at northwest door #4)

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Call 584-5135 to book.



### **Faith Building**

**Central MN TEC Retreats** in Belle Prairie for youth age 16+ and adults. Info at [info@cmtec.org](mailto:info@cmtec.org) or 320-532-4455. *Together Encountering Christ* is a 3 day retreat modeled after the Paschal Mystery. Action packed, intense, life changing, relevant, unforgettable. Discover more about yourself, deepen your relationship with Christ.

**Catholic Advocacy Network** [www.mncatholic.org](http://www.mncatholic.org)

**Catholic Volunteer Network**—make a difference in your community, country or world. Serve those in need and work for social justice. Get a free copy of RESPONSE 2019 listing 200 faith-based volunteer programs and opportunities in the U.S. and 100 other countries. Teenagers to Senior Citizens, married, single, all are welcome. Info at [info@catholicvolunteernetnetwork.org](mailto:info@catholicvolunteernetnetwork.org), or 1-800-543-5046.

**Foster Grandparent Program Mentors** Adults over age 55 can receive an hourly tax free stipend for volunteering 15 hours or more per week to assist children with activities, learning, art projects, and more, in Royalton and the county. Info: Catholic Charities 320-229-4593, 1-866-895-7992 or [jknopik@ccstcloud.org](mailto:jknopik@ccstcloud.org).

**Senior Volunteer Opportunities** Senior LinkAge Line 1-800-333-2433

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**Faith In Action** through Horizon Health and Hospice needs volunteers - neighbors helping neighbors, friends helping friends. If you are interested in serving others through a friendly visit, companionship, respite care for caregivers and those living alone or transportation, contact [khoheisel@horizonhealthservices.com](mailto:khoheisel@horizonhealthservices.com) or 320-468-6451 or 800-224-6451.

**Hands of Hope Resource Center** Call 320-632-1657 to volunteer.

**Christ the King Retreat Center** Info: 763-682-1394, [kingshouse.com](http://kingshouse.com)

**Beginning Experience** Grief programs/weekend retreats for the widowed, separated, divorced or those dealing with the death, divorce, or separation of their parents. Info: 888-565-0178 or [beginningexperiencecentralMN.com](http://beginningexperiencecentralMN.com)

**America Reads** Volunteer through the Retired Senior and Volunteer Program (RSVP). Info: America Reads Coordinator/RSVP at [vkula@horizonhealthservices.com](mailto:vkula@horizonhealthservices.com) or Horizon Health 320-468-6451.

**Natural Family Planning** Learn about the benefits of NFP as you plan your family in harmony with nature and God's plan for love. For info on instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method contact [omf@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:omf@gw.stcdio.org) or the office of marriage and family, 320-252-4721. Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP and follow-up.

**Download Pro-life Event Calendar:** <http://omf.stcdio.org/respect-life>

**Parenting Classes** through Resource Training and Solutions of Sartell. If you need to find a better way of handling parenting issues, please contact 320-255-3236 or 844-335-3276 for info or see the website at [www.resourcetraining.com](http://www.resourcetraining.com)

**Project Rachel** Healing from the tragedy of abortion. Info: (320) 529-4616 or <http://omf.stcdio.org/respect-life/project-Rachel/>

**Youth For Understanding (YFU)** needs kind-hearted, cultural minded volunteers in the community to mentor exchange students. Contact Courtney Knapp for info. at 202-774-5312 or [cknapp@yfu.org](mailto:cknapp@yfu.org)

**Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Info: 888-455-3496, [applications@northmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@northmnwwme.org), or [northmnwwme.org](http://northmnwwme.org). *Helping all couples to live the true meaning of the Sacrament of Marriage.*

**Retrouvaille Program**  
[www.HelpOurMarriage.com](http://www.HelpOurMarriage.com) 1-800-470-2230.

**RCIA** Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults. If you or someone you know wants to find out more about being part of the Catholic faith contact the parish office for more info.

**The Visitor E-Newsletter** sent each Friday. Sign up for the e-newsletter at [stcloudvisitor.org/subscribe-visitor-weekly-update](http://stcloudvisitor.org/subscribe-visitor-weekly-update).

**Catholic Radio Station K-YES**, 1180 AM

**Vocations** Info: Vocations Office 320-251-5001, [www.stcloudvocations.org](http://www.stcloudvocations.org) or [vocations@gw.stcdio.org](mailto:vocations@gw.stcdio.org)

**Website for pornography issues**  
<http://omf.stcdio.org/pornography/>

**Koinonia Weekend Retreats** at the TEC Center in Belle Prairie. To register: Dorie Reiter at 320-217-2476 or 6240 Co. Rd. 120 #320 St. Cloud, MN 56303. Info: [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com).

**Overflow Bulletin Messages**

\*See additional Diocesan News at [omf.stcdio.org](http://omf.stcdio.org)\*

**Holy Trinity Youth Extended Schedule**

\*Rent the Gaga Pit for \$20.00/day, Free to non-profits.

**Additional Parish Information**

**Theology on Tap** Enjoy a brew, Find the truth: Young adults (20's-30's) are encouraged to learn more about our faith and enjoy a night out. The third Thursday of every other month from 7-9pm at the Black and White Café in Little Falls. All are welcomed to show up at 7pm for dinner and/or drinks with speaker beginning at 8pm. Call Amy Schlichting at 360-2360 for more info. Sponsored by Holy Trinity Church of Royalton, MN

**Marriage or Baptism** If you intend on being married in the near future or plan to have a child baptized, please contact the parish office to get the necessary preparations taken care of as soon as possible.

**Baptismal Certificates Needed** for any student not baptized at Holy Trinity or Holy Cross that intends to receive *First Communion or Confirmation* in the next year. Please contact the baptismal parish to have the info. forwarded to the parish office.

**Parish purchases** If any parishioner takes it upon themselves to order any supplies or other items for either parish, please inform the parish office and pick up a tax exempt form as well. As many generous donors keep our churches alive, it is in our best interest to save money when able and necessary.

**Facility Usage and Rental** Anyone intending to use the church properties for a non parish related event, must get it reserved on the calendar at the parish office, fill out the necessary insurance forms and bring in the deposit. A "certificate of liability" from your insurance company is needed. If you are unable to get the certificate, other arrangements must be made with the parish insurance provider at least 2 1/2 weeks in advance of the reserved date.

**St. Cloud Visitor** Any parishioners that would like to receive the Visitor and are not, or would like to stop receiving it, please notify the parish office, so we can update the list to aid in cost savings to the Diocese.