

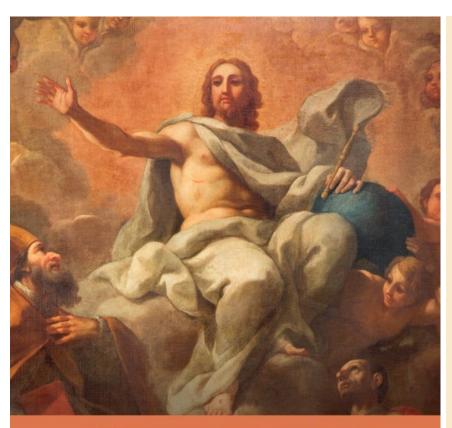
Holy Spirit Parish 227 Third St. Two Harbors, MN St. Mary's Parish 57 Horn Blvd. Silver Bay, MN



WELCOME TO THE PARISHES OF

# HOLY SPIRIT & ST MARY'S

First Sunday of Advent | November 28, 2021



### 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF ADVENT

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"Then they will see the Son of Man coming in a cloud with power and great glory. But when these signs begin to happen, stand erect and raise your heads because your redemption is at hand." - Lk 21:27-28

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## **SACRAMENTS OF MARRIAGE, BAPTISM, ANOINTING OF THE SICK:** Please contact your parish office.

#### **BULLETIN SUBMISSION DEADLINE:**

Bulletin Announcements must be submitted to your parish office before 4:30 pm on Mondays.

#### **HOLY SPIRIT PARISH**

Mass Schedule
Saturday: 4:30 pm
Sunday: 11:00 am

Confession Schedule Friday: 7:30 - 8:00 am Saturday: 3:30 - 4:15 pm Or by appointment.

Eucharistic Adoration: Fridays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

**Holy Spirit Office Hours:** 

1:00 pm - 5:00 pm Monday - Thursday

7:00 am - 11:00 am Friday

Office is located in parish basement.

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#### ST. MARY'S PARISH

Mass Schedule Saturday: 7:15 pm Sunday: 8:30 am Confession Schedule Saturday: 6:30 - 7:00 pm Sunday: 7:50 - 8:15 am Or by appointment.

**Eucharistic Adoration:** Wednesdays 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

St. Mary's Office Hours: 8:00 am - 2:00 pm Monday - Thursday Office is located in St. Mary's Rectory.

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#### St Mary's, Silver Bay

#### Parish News:

#### Adoration on Wednesday, December 1

Please consider joining us in prayer during Adoration this **Wednesday, December 1** as the Supreme Court will be hearing a case with very significant pro-life implications.

#### **Family Faith Formation**

We will meet this Wednesday, December 1 at 6 pm. Our night starts with dinner at 6 pm, followed by classes at 6:30 pm. Adult Faith Formation is open to everyone not just the parents. Child care is provided for younger children so everyone has an opportunity to grow in their faith.

#### **Bible Study**

Bible Study group will meet next on **Sunday, December 5, 6:30 - 8 pm**. New members are always welcome!

#### The Chosen Watch Party

Join us on Tuesday nights to watch Season 2. It is never too late to join us as we gather together to watch scripture come alive in this remarkable series.

#### Snow Removal VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

We are looking for volunteers again this year to Adopt a Weekend, keeping an eye on the weather for a weekend and clearing the sidewalks before Mass if needed. We have everything you need here; we just need volunteers to do the work. Please consider signing up. The sign-up sheet and calendar are at the back of the church. If you have any questions, please call the parish office.

#### Mass times for Wednesday, December 8

The Immaculate Conception of the Blessed Virgin Mary is a Holy day of obligation. Mass times are 8:15 am & 5:30 pm.

#### Camp Survive for 6th - 12th Graders

Mark your calendars July 25 - July 29 for Camp Survive.

#### Steubenville Mission Trip for 9th - 12th Graders

Dates have been set, leaving Tuesday, July 12 and returning Sunday, July 17. Contact Cindy at 218-220-1582 if you are interested in attending so we can reserve our spots.

#### **Weekly Collection for Nov 13-14**

General.....\$2,461.80 UCA.....\$899.05

We have met our UCA Goal for 2021!!

Thank you all for your generosity!

Additional UCA contributions will now go toward our 2022 assessment

#### **Please Keep These People In Your Prayers**

- Parishioners: Marilyn Frericks, Don Baune, Sharon Kelley, Bob Connor, Sharon Stauss, George Asmussen, Lyle Shepersky, Marge Jorgenson, Don Seipke, Greta Stefanich, Joe & Elaine Rollins, Gale Fredrickson, Lino Rauzi, Mary Ann Stebbins, Carol and Elwood Youngberg.
- **†** Clergy: Fr. Bill Skarich.
- Relatives & Friends: Bob Martinsen, Chase Jasperson, Joanne Baier, Monsignor Michel Mulloy, Amanda Simonsen, Marc Huss Sr., Bill Crandall, Johnny Jerabek, Andy McBride, Mike Hartfiel, Jerry Pybas, Brad Hove, Dan Moudry.
- † Military: Mason McClellan, Logan Scallen, Todd Curry, Kris Topp, John Ferguson, Karen McGrane, Michael Seipke, Chris Grensing.

#### **Liturgy Schedule**

Saturday	NOVEMBER 27
	Sacrament of Reconciliation  Mass - Intention for Dick Fredrickson   Cantor Terri Frericks-Blood  Reader Laura Swartz  Plate Evan Swartz  Server Grace & Elizabeth Swartz
Sunday	NOVEMBER 28
	Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Cantor Joanne Curry Reader Susan Michels Plate Cindy Rowlee Server Brooke & Addison Velcheff
Monday	NOVEMBER 29
	No Mass
Tuesday	NOVEMBER 30
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Gloria Mrotek 🕏
Wednesday	DECEMBER 1
9:00 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Bishop Paul Sirba ♥ Adoration Benediction
Thursday	DECEMBER 2
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Caleb Loth
Friday	DECEMBER 3
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for John Grahek 🕏
Saturday	DECEMBER 4
	Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass - Intention for Mike Rowlee Jr. CantorPatty Armstrong ReaderEmma Rohloff PlateSteve Rohloff ServerHadlee Rohloff
Sunday	DECEMBER 5
	Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Cantor Joanne Curry Reader Rick Frericks Plate Lanay Frericks Server Valerie & Wade Melander

#### From the Desk of Father Steve: The Necessity of Being Unapologetically Pro-Life



Most of us are probably aware of the critically important cases being heard and argued before the United States Supreme Court this year which concern legal challenges being made against certain laws passed by individual states that have sought to limit and restrict the practice of abortion and embrace and uphold the dignity of each and every human person, born and unborn. The case pending before the Supreme Court that has seemed to garnish the most attention is *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization*. This case is a legal challenge to a recently passed law by the State of Mississippi banning elective abortions after 15 weeks of pregnancy. The reason that this case is gathering so much attention is that many pro-life advocates and pro-abortion advocates alike believe that the decision in this case

may include a decision by the Supreme Court to either uphold or overturn the infamous decision of *Roe v. Wade*, which legalized the practice of abortion in 1973. Oral arguments before the Supreme Court for the case of *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health Organization* are set for Wednesday, December 1, 2021- this upcoming Wednesday.

Because of the potential for a major decision in protection of the right to life of unborn children, and because of the further potential for the Supreme Court to overturn *Roe v. Wade* in its decision, there has developed a grassroots effort in the Church to hold a day of prayer through Adoration of the Most Blessed Sacrament on Wednesday, December 1, 2021, and specifically to pray to the Lord Jesus that the gift of human life will be cherished and supported in our society, that the evil practice of abortion will be ended, and that the life of the unborn child will have legal protection under American law. I strongly encourage all parishioners to try to make a least a little time, even just a few minutes, to stop by your parish this Wednesday and offer prayers before the Blessed Sacrament for the end to abortion, for the legal protection of the lives of unborn children, and for all men and women who are experiencing crisis pregnancies- that they may know our support and love for them and choose life, as well as to pray for the healing of women and men who have had or been involved in procuring an abortion.

But, why, a person may ask, why is the Catholic Church so actively and adamantly pro-life? Why do we wade into these "controversial" issues? The reason is very straightforward- because human life is the pinnacle of God's creation, because God and God alone has the right to give life and to take life, and because the commandment of "Thou shall not kill," is not just one of the Ten Commandments, it is a law that has been written on every human heart. Deep down, each human conscience knows that to intentionally kill an innocent person is a grave injustice. Sure, people may choose to ignore their consciences, but that law written on the heart is still there- it's why every civilization outlaws murder as a heinous crime.

But besides being a direct commandment from God not to kill, besides being a law that we recognize as written on our hearts, being pro-life flows from common sense based on what science teaches us. We have often heard the phrase, "follow the science," in recent months, and there is perhaps no more obvious scientific fact than that the child in the womb is a living human person from the moment of conception. Proof of this can be demonstrated by a different law currently in effect in our country.

Under the *Bald and Golden Eagle Protection Act*, a person who knowingly disturbs or destroys unhatched eagle eggs is to be charged with a \$100,000 fine and up to one year in prison *for the first offense*. The penalty doubles for a second offense. In other words, while it is currently <u>legal</u> in our country to kill an unborn human being, it is currently <u>illegal</u> to kill an unborn eagle. *How is this possible?* Because everyone intuitively knows that an unborn, unhatched eagle is still an eagle, and should have the same protections given by law to a fullygrown eagle. <u>Shouldn't the law then *at least* recognize the same in regard to human persons?</u> Please, friends, join me this Wednesday to pray that we might afford unborn children the legal protection of their lives, and that our culture may embrace a pro-life vision that supports and honors the dignity of each and every human life, born and unborn.

God bless you! ∼ Fr. Steve

#### An Important Opportunity to Pray for the Legal Protection of the Unborn

Please stop by your parish on this Wednesday, December 1st, to pray for the end of abortion and for the legal protection of the unborn as the United States Supreme Court hears oral arguments that day on a case that could have significant implications for the protection of the lives of unborn children. Eucharistic adoration will be held in each parish that day for the times listed below:

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary's, Silver Bay: Wednesday, December 1st from 9:00am until 3:00pm

Eucharistic Adoration at Holy Spirit, Two Harbors: Wednesday, December 1st from 7:00am until 5:00pm.

Family Faith Formation: We will meet next on Wednesday, December 1 at 6 pm.

#### **Holy Spirit, Two Harbors**

Saturday

Sunday

#### **Parish News**

#### **Inaugural Catholic Men's Club Meeting**

Father Steve will be hosting the inaugural meeting of the Holy Spirit Parish's Catholic Men's Club on Saturday morning, December 4<sup>th</sup>. The meeting will begin at 8:30 a.m. with Holy Mass in honor of St. Joseph, followed by donuts and coffee in the Church hall, and conversation with Father Steve, concluding with the praying of the Litany of St. Joseph in honor of the closing of the Year of St. Joseph. All men of the parish (age 18+) are invited and welcome to attend.

#### Day of Adoration for an end to abortion

On December 1<sup>st</sup> the Supreme Court will hear a historic case over the right of states to protect mothers and unborn life. This is a day we must be in prayer for the truth to be heard that enables this protection which can lead to an end of legal abortions. Holy Spirit will have Adoration from 7:00 am—5:00 pm on Dec. 1<sup>st</sup>. All are asked to stop in and pray for this intention sometime that day.

#### Holy Day of Obligation—Dec. 8

**Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception** is the first of the several special feast days in the Advent and Christmas season, and a Holy day of obligation. The Vigil Mass will be offered at 5:30 pm on Dec. 7<sup>th</sup> and Mass during the day will be at 8:15 am on Dec. 8<sup>th</sup>.

#### Mom's Group—Dec. 10

Come visit while making Christmas cookies! We will package the cookies for our home bound parishioners and each mom will bring an assortment of cookies home, too! All cookies made will be able to be frozen for Christmas.

#### **November Activity: Time Capsule**

We are preparing a time capsule (metal, ammunition box) for our 100-year celebration. If you would like to submit something to put in the box, please contact Cassi. Items will be gathered throughout November. See the capsule in the vestibule before it's sealed!

#### **Church Calendars**

Thanks to the generosity of a couple of our parishioners, we will once again be providing the Religious Art Catholic calendars. They should be available by the New Year.

#### Weekly Collection for Nov. 13-14

General	\$2,310.00
Building Fund	
Organ Fund	
CCHD	
LICΔ	\$720.00

PLEASE NOTE: We still need to raise \$5,652.00 by January 1, 2022 in order to reach our parish goal!

#### Please Keep These People In Your Prayers:

- † PARISHIONERS: Margie Murphy, Lyle Shepersky, Florian Burger, Don Cavallin, William Fosness, Ed Gudowicz, Noreen Jackson, Fran Magnuson, Bonnie McGregor, Verna Rafn, Joe Seeber, Linda Hoffman.
- † FRIENDS & RELATIVES: Brian Schmitt, Bill Highmark, Justin Clark, Fr. Bill Skarich, Fr. Ben Hadrich, Luci Mischel, Jean Frank, Barb Hankiewicz, Jane & Dick Eimer, Rose Mascarenas, Brian Hoffman, Joseph Hoffman.
- † MILITARY PERSONNEL: Nate Berger, Christopher Uremovich, Brandon Madsen, James Mickle, Maddison Zavoral and Sophia Zavoral.

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Saturday	NOVEMBER 27	
	Sacrament of Reconciliation Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Lector: Dan T. Server: Vincent & Lucie S, Usher: Mike A. & Deanne T.	
Sunday	NOVEMBER 28	
11:00 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Pat & Mary Murphy ♣ Lector: Deirdre S. Server: Noah M. Extraordinary Minister: Gina Lemke Usher: Erin M. & George H.	
Monday	NOVEMBER 29	
	No Mass	
Tuesday	NOVEMBER 30	
5:30 p.m. 6:00 p.m.	Mass - Intention for Dick Phillips ♥ Choir practice	
Wednesday	DECEMBER 1	
	Adoration Benediction	
Thursday	DECEMBER 2	
8:15 a.m.	Mass - Intention for Rev. Steven Laflamme	
Friday	DECEMBER 3	
9:00 a.m.	Mass - Intention for P.K.S. Adoration Benediction	
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**DECEMBER 4** 

**DECEMBER 5** 

3:30 p.m. Sacrament of Reconciliation
4:30 p.m. Mass - Intention for All Parishioners
Lector: Gloria Uremovich

Usher: Mike A. & TBD

11:00 a.m. Mass - Intention for Trenton Ketchum

Usher: Tom S. & TBD

Extraordinary Minister: TBD

Server: TBD

Lector: TBD Server: TBD

