

September 14, 2014

The Exaltation of the Holy Cross



Today Christ is exaltatio "lifted up" on the cross. He is exalted for he is our salvation, our life and our resurrection. We glory in the cross of Christ Jesus—a king lifted up and crowned triumphant upon the throne of the tree of life. In the year 320 C.E. the Empress Helena reportedly found the cross of Christ. Catechumens are signed with the cross and we begin every liturgical celebration with this sign—the sign of Christ and the sign of Christian life. Do you begin each day with the sign of the cross and trace it on the foreheads of all in your household? Wear this sign of our faith proudly. Amen!

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Pastor's Note(s):

Exaltation of the Holy Cross:

In John's Gospel, Jesus' death on the cross as well as his resurrection and return to the Father are one event. For him, the cross is a sign of exaltation. The serpent that Moses lifted up in the desert to offer healing to those injured by snake bites prefigures Jesus' being lifted up on the cross, bringing salvation.

The eternal life God offers through Jesus is not life without end but life lived in the unending presence of God. That is why it can begin now in this life. The world to which God sends the Son is not a place but those people who are at odds with Jesus and God. Jesus is sent to this world as a gift. Only believers accept the gift. (Loyola Newsletter)

Safe Environment Issues:

Please be advised that our Faith Formation Programs require registration of children and youth by parents so that we have the information we need to fulfill the demands of maintaining a safe environment. Unless the forms are completed and signed by a parent or guardian, program participation will not occur. As a parish and diocese, we take the safety of our young people very seriously. And we intend it to remain that way.

Emergency Appeal for the Middle East: Please contribute to the support of Christian communities throughout Iraq and the Middle East. Donations continue to be needed. With every blessing! *Fr. Michael*



Sunday School begins Sunday, September 14

Home Missions Appeal: Many dioceses right here in the United States do not have enough priests and trained lay ministers to serve their parishes. These dioceses are known as home missions. The Catholic Home Missions Appeal will take place this weekend to support these dioceses by funding essential ministries, including seminary education and lay ministry training. Please be generous in this Appeal and share your resources to strengthen the Church at home.

Forty Days for Life fall campaign is continues **thru Nov. 2nd.** Our parish tries to fill the majority of the vigil hours from 8 a.m. to 8 p.m. on Mondays during the 40 Days. Please go to www.40daysforlife.com/duluth to **sign up for an hour or two.** Taking the same hours every week is most appreciated. If Mondays are not good for you, go online to see hours that need to be filled on other days. Contact Paulette Moreland for more information at 348-1345.

Attend a Life-Changing Event...Catholic Author and Motivational Speaker Matthew Kelly will be speaking in Sartell, Minnesota on Saturday, November 8. St. John's Church in Grand Marais is working in collaboration with the parishes of Silver Bay and Two Harbors to create an opportunity for parishioners to attend this life-changing event. A charter bus will be used for transportation, hotel accommodations have been blocked off in St. Cloud, and the opportunity to hear one of the nation's best motivational speakers has never been better!! The goal is to find at least 40 people who would like to attend this special event that will focus on finding a deeper sense of purpose and finding out more about God's plan for our lives. For more details, please take one of the St. John's flyers from the table in the back of the church. We hope many will be able to take advantage of this awesome opportunity.

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Saturday	SAINT JOHN CHRYSOSTOM	9/13/14
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † Jim Buske Reader: Paulette Moreland Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Beth Egan & Liz Scheidt Servers: Spencer Ross & to be assigned	
Sunday	THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS	9/14/14
9:30 a.m.	Religious Education—Grades Pre, K-4	
11:00 a.m.	Mass—Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Louis Button Plate: Deacon Tim Egan Chalice: Joanne Button & Laura Lien Servers: Megan & Hayley Larson	
Monday	OUR LADY OF SORROWS	9/15/14
Tuesday	SAINT CORNELIUS AND SAINT CYPRIAN	9/16/14
10:00 a.m.	Mass at Scenic Shores—Intention † Msgr. O'Shea	
5:45 p.m.	Choir Practice	
Wednesday	SAINT ROBER BELLARMINE	9/17/14
8:15 a.m.	Mass—Intention † Lori Miller	
8:45 a.m.	Holy Hour with Exposition	
6:45 p.m.	Religious Education—Grades 5-11	
Thursday	WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9/18/14
8:15 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's, Silver Bay	
6:30 p.m.	Men's Prayer Group	
Friday	SAINT JANUARIUS	9/19/14
8:15 a.m.	Mass—Intention † Ryan Nelson	
Saturday	SAINTS ANDREW KIM TAE-GON & PAUL CHONG HA-SANG & COMP.	9/20/14
3:30 p.m.	Reconciliation	
4:30 p.m.	Mass—Intention † Steve Cavallin Reader: Harold Ek Plate: To be assigned Chalice: Carol Anderosn & to be assigned Servers: Kate & Miles Thomasen	
Sunday	25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	9/21/14
9:30 a.m.	Religious Education—Grades Pre, K-4	
11:00 a.m.	Mass—Intention for All Parishioners Reader: Shannah Groothausen Plate: Shari Hendren Chalice: Jeannie Shaw & Nancy Olsen Servers: Sid Hendren & Corey Sandretsky	



- † **PARISHIONERS:** Please pray for Arthur Barthman, Patty Broadbent, Pat Harrison, Toni Johnson, Joanne Ostendorf and Ron Kor.
- † **FRIENDS & RELATIVES:** Please pray for Bill Carlson, and Patty Harrison-Isakson and Ray Weeks.
- † **MILITARY PERSONNEL:** Please pray for Garrett Aho, Keith Dahl, James Mickle, Craig Moe, Ryan Ray, Christopher Uremovich and Brandon White.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, prayer requests can always be renewed – just call the church office to let us know that you would like to renew the request.

Youth Happenings

**Check out our Youth Bulletin Board
'Like' us on Facebook: Holy Spirit Youth Group**

Wednesday Rel. Ed. Meals: Parents, please take a turn and volunteer to provide a meal for our religious ed. students on Wednesday Evenings. If every family takes a turn they should only need to volunteer once during the school year. Sign up sheet is on the youth bulletin board.

We would like to have several substitute Religious Ed. teachers on call in case of illness or emergency. Please call the parish office, 834-4659, Or contact Connie @ 834-4433. if you would be willing to be on this roster.

Spirit of the Liturgy: We are blessed to be having Nic Davidson come and speak Monday Sept. 29th @ 7pm. on Spirit of the Liturgy. All parishioners are welcome to attend, but it is mandatory that all students and parents in grades 5-12th be there! This evening replaces the normal Wednesday evening church school for that week.

THERE ARE MANY WAYS FOR OUR YOUTH TO MAKE A DIFFERENCE...

Last Week's Contributions

Weekend Collection	\$3,623.71
Bldg. Fund	\$190.00
UCA	\$625.00
Home Missions	\$35.00
Mideast Collection	\$418.00

United Catholic Appeal

Total to date

70%

\$17,671.07 of \$25,172.74