

SUNDAY, January 1, 2011 | MARY, THE MOTHER OF GOD



CHURCH OF THE
PRESENTATION
of the Blessed Virgin Mary

1725 Kennard Street • Maplewood, Minnesota 55109



• When they saw this, they made known the message that had been told them about this child. All who heard it were amazed by what had been told them by the shepherds. And Mary kept all these things, reflecting on them in her heart.

Lk 2:17-19

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Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5:00 p.m.
Sunday: 8:30 a.m. and 10:30 a.m.
Mon-Thurs: 8:00 a.m. Fri: 8:45 a.m.

Confessions

Saturday: 3:30–4:30 p.m.
Wednesday: 7:30–7:50 a.m.
or by appointment

Parish Office

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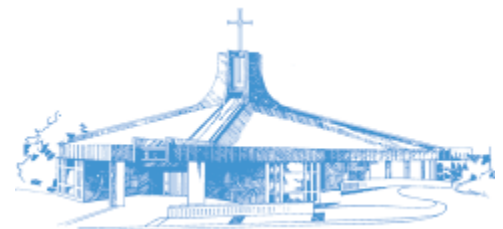
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Mass Intentions

2-Mon:

8:00 am † Marian Freiermuth

3-Tues:

8:00 am † Alfred Freiermuth

4-Wed:

8:00 am † Pete Williams

5-Thurs:

8:00 am Special Intentions of
Gerry Thalhuber

6-Fri:

8:45 am † John Focht

7-Sat:

5:00 pm † Grace & Ken Nickelson

8-Sun:

8:30 am Parishioners
10:30 am † Martin Hare

Infant Baptism:

Contact the Parish Office
A preparation session is required.
Session may be taken prior to
the birth of the child.

Marriage:

Begin arrangements with
the priest or deacon at least
1 year in advance.

Anointing of the Sick:

This sacrament is available to
anyone who is seriously ill or
suffering from a prolonged illness.
Please call the Parish Office for
arrangements.

First Communion, First Confessions, Confirmation, Adult Baptism:

Please call the Parish Office
at 651-777-8116

Anyone wishing to register
as a member of the parish
should call the Parish Office at
651-777-8116. If you move, or
change your phone number,
please call the Parish Office
and let us know your new address.

Prayer Line:

Call Bernie Brees at 651-774-5525

From the Faith Formation Director

This past Friday we celebrated the feast of the Holiest Family...Jesus, Mary, and Joseph. Knowing that all families are holy, we look to the Holiest for blessings and grace. We are made mindful that what makes a family holy is not the absence of problems but rather the presence of God and kindness toward each other.

Today we celebrate the mother in that holiest of families..MARY, the woman whose YES brought us Jesus, the Savior.

We pray that every child will know the loving care which Mary gave to her Child.

We pray that Mary will fill the emptiness of all who do not know the woman who gave them birth.

We pray that every mother will celebrate the miracle of LIFE.

We pray that Mary, who was clothed with the sun and crowned with the stars, will help us be faithful followers of Jesus who took on a human heart, flesh and bone in the holy process of the Incarnation.

We pray that Mary will walk with us through this new year of 2012, inspiring us to make choices which bring love and compassion to those living "on the margin"... the homeless, the toothless, the jobless, the cast out, the left out, the brokenhearted, the hungry and the hopeless. (What choices would Jesus and Mary make?)

Mary, Mother of God and mother of us all, bless our parish named in your honor. Help us all "make a difference" as we walk our journeys of faith on Planet Earth during this sacred TIME of 2012. Amen.

With best wishes for a new year filled with the peace that permeated the simple little home of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph in Nazareth.

- S. Kathy

Youth Ski & Snowboard Trip



Youth from Presentation and St. Peter's - North St. Paul enjoyed some time skiing and snowboarding at Spirit Mountain in Duluth right after Christmas.

Faith Formation



LET YOUR LIGHT SHINE

We remember in prayer the 32 children who are preparing to celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on January 14th at 10 am in church. Through that loving encounter with Jesus, they will hopefully understand that Jesus loves them unconditionally FOREVER!

Parents with children enrolled in our Faith Formation Program are reminded that our sessions resume Wednesday, January 4th, and Sunday, January 8th.

From all of us in Faith Formation to each of our parishioners...May this new year of 2012 be filled with peace and blessings!

- S. Kathy

Social Concerns

Justice: Some suggested New Year's resolutions might be the following:

Make choices that are counter-cultural.
(Our culture often calls us to GREED.)

Be agents of transformation.
(Make a difference for the common good.)

Live a simple lifestyle.
(Live simply so others can simply live.)

Be a responsible steward.
(Have sufficient while sharing the superfluous.)

Being willing to be interrupted by God.
(God sometimes cancels our plans so we can help someone in need.)

- PSJC

Charity: The weeks before Christmas found many sharing gifts with those in need. Thus families received microwaves, cookware, silverware, dishes, crock pots, griddles, toasters, towels, laundry soap and laundry baskets and many other useful and necessary gifts. One family received three beds (used) and all the bedding (new). About 110 persons received gifts and food from donors with sharing hearts. All the children received toys and clothes while the teenagers received gift cards and clothing items as well. Food items were purchased and brought to the homes for the families without cars. Those with cars received gift cards so they could have the fun of shopping themselves, knowing they had the means to pay for the food items. With all this generous sharing and grateful receiving, Christmas was, indeed, a feast of great joy. As one single mom said with tears in her eyes, "I am overwhelmed." May the blessings of the Prince of Peace be upon all who gave and all who received. Now, lest it be feast now and famine later, may we continue sharing with those who live in poverty.

H.E.O. Update

Thank you for your donations to area food shelves.
113 lbs went to Roosevelt Homes/Merrick on December 26.
January 2— Jim Franzen, North St. Paul

Thank you for your generosity! May God bless you!



Pastoral Care

GAMBLERS ANONYMOUS meets Thursday evenings at 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Center lower level. For more information, please call Colleen at 651-295-9853.

Stewardship



The first reading today recalls God's special blessing upon the Israelites. The Lord has been gracious to us as well, pouring into our hearts that spirit which knows Him as Father and makes us His children. May we, like Mary, treasure these things in our hearts and live gratefully!

PCLC News



The Full Day Preschoolers recently learned about shapes. There was a bakery center where the preschoolers used various shaped cookie cutters to create playdough cookies. They even performed science shape experiments: they blew bubbles using different shaped cookie cutters and discovered that all bubbles are shaped like circles, even if the cookie cutter is not a circle shape! In our math center, the preschoolers matched different shapes of cookies to the correct cookie jar. The biggest hit of the week was a game we played: a spider was hidden under a large shape and the preschoolers took turns naming a shape and looking under it for the spider.

*Ms. Ange Hoernemann
Full Day Preschool Teacher*



Presentation School News

- ◆ **Happy New Year!** Wishing God's love, peace, hope and joy to you in the new year ahead.
- ◆ **Congratulations** to Presentation's 7th grade girls' basketball team on winning 1st place in a recent tournament. The girls played tough and never gave up throughout the tournament. They prevailed in double overtime to take the 1st place trophy. Way to go! Come and watch our 7th grade girls and boys during Presentation's own basketball tournament the last weekend in January. Go Panthers!
- ◆ Don't forget! **Kindergarten Information Night** is Thursday, January 12th at 6:30 pm. All who have children ready to start Kindergarten in the fall of 2012 are invited! If you have questions about our Kindergarten program or need more information, please call the School Office at 651-777-5877.
- ◆ **Presentation School Open House** - Our annual Open House on Sunday, January 29th from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. The Open House is our official kick off to Catholic Schools Week. We look forward to showing everyone what has been going on in our building and welcoming those who are new to our community or considering joining.

55 Club

When: Tuesday, Tuesday, January 17th

Where: Moose Lodge Banquet Room 1946 English Street, Maplewood, MN

Time: 11:45–12:00 Check in 12:05 Lunch

Cost: \$7.00 per person

(All you can eat served buffet style)

Menu: Beef Stroganoff, salad, roll, vegetable, dessert, coffee or water. Call the parish office at 651-842-6055 by Monday, January 16th to reserve a lunch.

A special thank you to all those who donated to the "55 Club's" hats, mittens and scarves drive for Merrick Community Center. 80 hats and mitten sets were donated. Truly a blessing for those in need within our community.

REST IN PEACE

Please remember in your prayers,
John Gelao & Muriel Benjamin
who have died recently.

Our sympathy to their families and friends.



Women's 500 Card December Winners:

- 1st Place — Mary Ann Anderson/Viv Forsberg — 3,420
- 2nd Place — Rita Casura/Joan Misgen — 3,130
- 3rd Place — Dee Mudek/Rose Bartley — 2,710

Hill-Murray Open House

Hill-Murray School invites prospective students and their families to an Open House for grades 7-12 on Thursday, January 5, 2012. Classroom presentations and optional meetings on Financial Aid, Middle School, and other Q&A sessions will be available throughout the evening. Please go to www.hill-murray.org for a full schedule. Please call 651-748-2406 with questions-no RSVP needed.

Calling All Toilers



Tuesday Toilers will meet this Tuesday, January 3rd, at 8:30 am in Kenney Hall. All are welcome! Lunch will be provided.

Loaves & Fishes

Team 1 will be preparing and serving supper at the Dorothy Day Center on Wednesday, January 4, 2012.

272 meals were served in November.

Thank You



The Advent and Christmas season requires a large amount of planning and work to create a prayerful environment inside and outside of our large Church. I am continually moved at the generosity of our Parish Community during this

busy time and would like to express my gratitude to all who participated. Thank you to all liturgical ministers, Cathy Miettunen and her family, Carole Grau and the environment committee, the Cub Scouts who provided the outside luminaries, and Boy Scouts for providing the wreaths and garland, parishioners who donated towards the Christmas environment fund, John Blanda, the Children's and Adult Choir, and Michelle Ott who assisted Terry Beaudry with the children's choir, and all those wonderful Christmas helpers who shared their generosity to the Giving Tree and Community Caring For Life collections and helping Sister Kathy deliver meals and presents to those in need.

You all were instrumental in creating "little Christmas miracles" in so many peoples lives this year. Sharing your time, talent and treasure has helped us create a beautiful environment for the celebration of the birth of the Christ Child.

Sincerely,
Kay Mottaz

Mass Readings (Week of January 2)

2-Mon: 1 Jn 2: 22-28; Ps 98: 1-4; Jn 1: 19-28
3-Tues: 1 Jn 2: 29-3: 6; Ps 98: 1-3, 6; Jn 1: 29-34
4-Wed: 1 Jn 3: 7-10; Ps 98: 1, 7-9; Jn 1: 35-42
5-Thurs: 1 Jn 3: 11-21; Ps 100: 1-5; Jn 1: 43-51
6-Fri: 1 Jn 5: 5-13; Ps 147: 12-15, 19-20; Mk 1: 7-11
Epiphany of the Lord
7-Sat:
8-Sun: Is 60: 1-6; Ps 72: 2, 7-8, 10-13; Eph 3: 2-3a, 5-6;
Mt 2: 1-12

Homebound Communion Ministers

Homebound Communion Ministers scheduled to deliver Communion on:

January 1st	Ellen LaScotte	Chris Jacobson
	Tom Nikolas	Tom Mogren
	Bob & Mary Ann Leo—MCC	
January 8th	Bob Altman	Angie Jasinski
	Erin Murphy	Joan Paulson
	Steve Swor & Tom Bieter—MCC	

Thank you to Steve Swor, Kay Mottax, Bob Altman and Mary Ann Leo who delivered Communion to the homebound on Christmas Day.

Altar Servers Schedule

Saturday, January 7—5:00 pm
Gabriel & Sean Honerman, Austin Otto
Sunday, January 8—8:30 am
Peter & Katherine Book, Grace Miettunen
Sunday, January 8—10:30 am
RJ Brothen, TJ & Haley Wagner

All Parish Advent Collection

During Advent we prepared our hearts for the birthday of Jesus. Let us remember moms-in-need and their infants. Contributions will be divided between the Birthright Organization and our Presentation Community Caring for Life “basic-outreach” layettes. Our greatest need is for the following items:



Disposable diapers
Crib blankets
Crib sheets
Receiving blankets
Onesies



Please place your items in the crèches in front of the confessionals. Monetary contributions will also be accepted in the boxes near the crèches. Donations will be accepted until January 8, 2012.

Stewardship of Treasure

What I am is God's gift to me ...

Amount needed in December	\$62,000
Sunday Envelopes (2 wks)	\$21,015
Automatic Deposits (2 wks).....	\$7,511
Plate Collection (2 wks)	\$2,271
Children's Envelopes (2 wks)	\$12.90
Two Week Total (Dec 13 thru Dec 27).....	\$30,810

December Collections Total	\$63,446
Christmas Environment	\$1,120
Christmas Offering	\$14,183

...what I become is my gift to God.

Archdiocesan debt from past obligations is \$89,000. The most recent payment of this debt was made on December 27, 2011 in the amount of \$10,000. The elimination of the remaining debt is the principal goal of the final-year “Home Stretch” of the Securing Our Future capital campaign.

Parish Calendar

1-Sun:
2-Mon: OFFICE CLOSED
3-Tue: 8:30 am Tuesday Toilers (KH)
11:00 am 55 Club Planning Meeting (CR)
7:00 pm Social Justice Committee (MRS)
4-Wed: 2:00 pm CareFree Chateau Comm. Service
2:30 pm Norgard Court Comm. Service
6:30 pm Cub Pack Committee Mtg. (MR)
6:30 pm Faith Formation (KH/S)
5-Thur: 2:30 pm Rosary Ramsey Care Center
7:00 pm GA (MR/FR/KR)
9:00 pm Volleyball (G)
6-Fri: 10:45 am Ramsey CCC Communion Service
5:30pm Cub Scout Pinewood Derby
Weigh-in (G)
7-Sat: 7:00 am Pinewood Derby (G)
8-Sun: COFFEE SUNDAY
9:00 am Confirmation Candidates (MR)
10:30 am Joy Program (S)
10:30 am Nursery (FFC)

KEY TO MEETING PLACES:

Parish Center: PC-Parish Center, SFC-St. Francis Chapel, CR-Conference Room, FR-Fireplace Room, KR-Kircher Room, MR-Modesta Room, UCR-Upper Conference Room, AR-Assisi Room

Other Areas: C-Church, KH-Kenney Hall, G-Gym, S-School, BR-Band Room, FL-Faculty Lounge, FFC-Faith Formation Center, MRS-Mary's Room in School, R-Rectory, RF-Raymond Field, WR- Wold Resource