Church of the Holy Family

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Reverend Joseph Johnson, Pastor
Reverend George Welzbacher
Reverend Marcus Milless
Deacon Jim Meyer
Deacon Mike Kraemer

Mass Times:
Sunday 9:00 AM & 11:00 AM
Saturday 5:00 PM
Weekdays 8:00 AM
Weekday Rosary 7:30 AM

Confessions:
Sunday 8:00 AM to 8:50 AM
Saturday 3:30 PM to 4:50 PM
Tuesday through Friday 7:30 AM

Parish Office Hours:
Monday - Friday 8:30 AM to 4:30 PM

Church of Saint Bede the Venerable
(Parish of the Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter):

Sunday Mass 5:00 PM
Daily Mass: Mon. – Thu. 5:30 PM
See page 4 for details.

December 10th, 2017
Second Sunday of Advent

Welcome to Holy Family! Reserved seating is available in the front pew and at the cross-aisle for those who are mobility impaired. A handicap-accessible restroom can be found on this level off the west side vestibule adjoining the adoration chapel. Proceed downstairs from the Narthex for the main restrooms. Please speak to an usher if you need any kind of assistance.

INTROIT (9:00) Gregorian chant, mode VII
Populus Sion, ecce Dominus veniet ad salvandas gentes: et auditam faciet Dominus gloriam vocis suæ, in lætitia cordis vestri. Ps. Qui regis Israel, intende: qui deducis velut ovem Joseph.
People of Zion behold: the Lord is coming to save all nations; and the Lord will cause you to hear his majestic voice for the joy of your heart. 

PROCESSIONAL HYMN Collegeville Hymnal
176 Hark! A Herald Voice Is Calling MERTON

GREETING
Celebrant: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.
℣. Amen.

PENITENTIAL ACT
Celebrant: Brethren, let us acknowledge our sins, and so prepare ourselves to celebrate the sacred mysteries.

℟. I confess to almighty God and to you, my brothers and sisters, that I have greatly sinned, in my thoughts and in my words, in what I have done and in what I have failed to do,

And, striking their breast, they say:
through my fault, through my fault, through my most grievous fault;

Then they continue:
therefore I ask blessed Mary ever-Virgin, all the Angels and Saints, and you, my brothers and sisters, to pray for me to the Lord our God.

Celebrant: May almighty God have mercy on us, forgive us our sins, and bring us to everlasting life.

KYRIE Kyriale Mass XVIII

First Reading
Lumen Christi Missal - Page 14

Isaiah 40:1-5, 9-11

THE LITURGY OF THE WORD

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5925 West Lake Street
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RESPONSORIAL PSALM  Psalm 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14  R. Rice

Cantor, then all; thereafter: all

R. Lord, let us see your kindness,
and grant us your salvation.

SECOND READING  II Peter 3:8-14

GOSPEL ACCLAMATION  T. Marier

Cantor, then all; thereafter: all

GOSPEL  Mark 1:1-8

Deacon: The Lord be with you.
R. And with your spirit.

Deacon: A reading from the Holy Gospel according to Mark.
R. Glory to you, O Lord.

At the conclusion of the Gospel:
R. Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ.

NICENE CREED
I believe in one God, the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages. God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made. For us men and for our salvation, he came down from heaven, (All bow while saying:) and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures. He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets. I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.

THE LITURGY OF THE EUCHARIST

OFFERTORY HYMN (5:00)  Collegeville Hymnal  187  The Advent of Our God  FRANCONIA

OFFERTORY CHANT (9:00)  Gregorian chant, mode III
Deus tu convertens vivificabis nos, et plebs tua letabitur in te: ostende nobis, Domine, misericordiam tuam, et salutare tuum da nobis.
You will turn toward us, O God, and restore our life again, and your people will rejoice in you. Show us, Lord, your mercy and grant us your salvation. Ps 85:7-8

OFFERTORY MOTETS
9:00  Comfort, Comfort Ye, My People  Freu dich sehr
11:00  Conditor alme siderum  M. Praetorius
Creator of the stars of night, Thy people’s everlasting light, Jesu, Redeemer, save us all, and hear Thy servants when they call. Thou, grieving that the ancient curse should doom to death a universe, hast found the medicine, full of grace, to save and heal a ruined race. Thou camest, the Bridegroom of the Bride, as drew the world to evening tide, proceeding from a virgin shrine, the spotless Victim all divine. At whose dread Name, majestic now, all knees must bend, all hearts must bow; and things celestial Thee shall own, and things terrestrial Lord alone. O Thou whose coming is with dread, to judge and doom the quick and dead, preserve us, while we dwell below, from every insult of the foe. To God the Father, God the Son, and God the Spirit, Three in One, laud, honor, might, and glory be from age to age eternally. Amen.

INVITATION TO PRAYER
Celebrant: Pray, brethren, that my sacrifice and yours may be acceptable to God, the almighty Father.
R. May the Lord accept the sacrifice at your hands for the praise and glory of his name, for our good and the good of all his holy Church.

SANCTUS
Mass Setting I  - Lumen Christi Missal, p. 843

MYSTERY OF FAITH

AGNUS DEI
Mass Setting I  - Lumen Christi Missal, p. 843
We invite actively practicing Catholics who are properly disposed to come forward to receive Holy Communion. Our brothers and sisters of other faiths are invited to approach with arms crossed over the chest to receive a blessing. At Holy Family we receive the combination of the Body and Blood of Christ on the tongue. If you prefer to receive just the Body of Christ in your hand, please have your hands clearly out before you approach.

God’s call to serve our Lord in this way. pray for Deacon Jim Reinhardt as he answers his handiwork. Glory be...

The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth righteousness: let the earth open, and let it bring forth a Savior. Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down 11 AM: in honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe!

Today is the Holy Family parish fiesta OUR LADY OF GUADALUPE FIESTA ———–————————————————————–———————————————————

parishioner Jim Reinhardt, who was ordained to the permanent diaconate for the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis on Saturday. Congratulations to long-time Holy Family parishioners and the wider community.

The Care Fund meets the emergency needs of Holy Family parishioners and the wider community.

Dear Maker of the Starry Skies C. Tye

Rorate cæli desuper

Drop down, ye heavens, from above, and let the skies pour down righteousness: let the earth open, and let it bring forth a Savior. The heavens declare the glory of God and the firmament showeth his handiwork. Glory be...

Ecce quam bonum R. Proulx

Behold, how good and joyful a thing it is: brethren, to dwell together in unity! Cf. Ps 133

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Theologian of the Church

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**MASS INTENTIONS**

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**SUNDAY STEWARDSHIP**

**CONTRIBUTIONS FOR DECEMBER 2-3, 2017**

- **Plate**: $1,701.48
- **Member Envelopes**: $13,473.00
- **Online Giving**: $7,372.55
- **Total Contributions**: $22,547.03
- **SECOND COLLECTION**:
  - **The Care Fund**: $881.18

Next week’s Second Collection will benefit the Care Fund.

Thank you for your generosity!

**STEWARDSHIP NOTE**

Even when the second collection goes to another organization, please fill out all checks to “Holy Family Catholic Church;” the church then is able to write one check to the organization. Thank you!

**CHURCH OF SAINT BENEDE**

The Personal Ordinariate of the Chair of Saint Peter was created by the Vatican in 2012 to assist former Anglicans who wish to become Catholic. Their liturgy is a valid Catholic Mass but incorporates distinctive elements from their tradition. Everyone is welcome, and attendance fulfills the obligation for any Catholic for Sunday and holy days.

Visit [www.thevenerablebede.org](http://www.thevenerablebede.org) for more information.

**Note! Special Saint Bede Holiday Masses**

- **Sunday, December 31st**: 3 PM Mass & Reception
- **Monday, January 1st**: 11 AM Mass

**INTERCESSIONS**

Please pray for:

† Betty Rockwell, mother of David Rockwell
and mother-in-law of Betty Rockwell

Go to [www.hfcmn.org](http://www.hfcmn.org) and click on “submit prayer request” or call the parish office. You need permission from the person for his/her name to be listed in our prayer intentions. Sign up for “Prayer Partners” on Flocknote to receive notifications. Prayer intentions will be sent by email and listed in the bulletin for one week. Birth and death notices (with meal calendars) will be sent to those signed up for “Prayer Partners.”

**Liturgy and Pastoral Staff**

- **Deacon Jim Meyer**: Director of Faith Formation
  - **Office**: 952.999.4822
- **Elizabeth Brown**: Confirmation Coordinator
  - **Office**: 952.999.4887

**Apostolates**

- **Lee Flesher**: Pastoral Council  
  - **Office**: 612.710.5007
- **Mike Zwack**: Perpetual Adoration
  - **Office**: 612.721.3791
- **Lynn Heeren**: Altar & Rosary Society
  - **Email**: lynnheeren5@gmail.com
- **Mark McCarthy**: Knights of Columbus
  - **Email**: GrandKnight@KofC3949.org
- **Mary Anne von Dohlen**: Home Educators (HFHE)
- **Office**: Call Church office for contact information.

**Natural Family Planning**

- **Teri Russek**: Sympto-Thermal Method
  - **Office**: 612.721.3791

If you or someone you know is in need of emergency assistance, please contact:

**STEP - Emergency Program**: 952.925.4899

**PARISH NEWS & EVENTS: FLOCKNOTE**

**GET ADVENT & CHRISTMAS UPDATES!**

We have many special Mass and confession times this holiday season, not to mention many engaging events you’ll want to attend! Stay updated through Holy Family’s communication tool, Flocknote. You’ll get weekly updates from the parish, as well as any timely updates from the school and any groups you’d like to join (e.g. Adorers of the Blessed Sacrament).

**How to hear from Holy Family:**

1. Visit [www.flocknote.com/HFC](http://www.flocknote.com/HFC) - or - Text HFCMN to 84576
2. Fill in your information (which will be kept confidential) and join those groups (e.g. ‘Adorers...’ or ‘Prayer Partners’) that pertain to you. Please be sure to join the group representing your region to keep up with activities in your neighborhood.
3. You can log in anytime to change what groups you follow!

**HOLY FAMILY IS ON FACEBOOK!**

Please click the link on our home page, [www.hfcmn.org](http://www.hfcmn.org), to “like” the Holy Family Facebook page and get updates on parish life, Catholic topics around the archdiocese, and upcoming parish events!
**“MEN OF GOD” SERIES**

All men of the parish are invited to a Friday evening meal once per month with a reflection on how to grow in faith, enrich family life, and provide Christian witness in the world. Form friendships with other parishioners as we support one another in discipleship! Our pastor Father Joseph Johnson will give the first talk, “How to celebrate Christmas as a Christian,” on December 15th starting with dinner at 7 PM in Father Moorman Hall. Free for everyone, but donations are gladly accepted to cover the meal costs. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus for their sponsorship!

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**ADVENT CONCERTS AT HOLY FAMILY**

- **Rose Ensemble:** Back by popular demand! Sun., Dec. 17th 2:00 PM - A treasure trove of vocal manuscripts quietly at rest for centuries now comes to life in this joyful program of 17th century Christmas music found in the archives of St. Paul’s Cathedral in Malta for ensemble of singers and Baroque chamber orchestra. Come welcome the glory of the season as well as the release of The Rose Ensemble’s world-premiere recording of this incredible music. Tickets are $38, $28 and $15, at RoseEnsemble.org.

- **Mirandola Ensemble,** Holy Family Artists-in-Residence: Fri., Dec. 22nd, 7:30 PM - In collaboration with the Chamber Singers of Chesterton Academy, this delightful Advent concert will showcase the works of Renaissance titans as well as early American music and 20th century composers. Artistic Director Nicholas Chalmers, so well known to Holy Family, leads both ensembles as they guide us through the rich repertory of the season. There will be a free-will offering at the concert followed by a wine and cheese reception for all.

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**BLESSINGS FOR EXPECTANT MOTHERS**

Holy Family’s priests and deacons will be giving a special blessing to all expectant mothers next Sunday, December 17th and on the third Sunday of each month at 10:30 AM. Please spread the word to those who might like to receive these blessings.

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**CHRISTMAS DECORATING**

It will soon be time to decorate the Church for Christmas, so please check your calendars in advance and schedule in a bit of time to help. On Monday, December 18th, we will put up all the trees, large and small! Many hands are needed to shape the trees and put lights on them (men, you are particularly needed!) Please meet in Fr. Moorman Hall after 8 AM Mass (adults only please, due to the nature of the work.) After coffee and a donut, you will be given instructions, and we will begin at approximately 9:15 AM.

On Sunday, December 24th, help is needed to finish the remaining decorating: the wreaths, banners, poinsettias, and Nativity figures. Work will begin in Church at noon, and must be completed by 3:30 PM. Thank you for your time and assistance!

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**POINSETTIAS!**

You are invited to help defray the cost of decorating the Sanctuary this Christmas by donating a beautiful poinsettia plant. The cost per plant is $10. For your convenience, there is an envelope in your church envelope packet labeled “Christmas Flower Offering”. Just drop it in the Sunday collection basket any weekend or indicate online on the donation page. Thank you!

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**CASTING CALL: CHRISTMAS PAGEANT**

All children from Holy Family (ages 5 and up) are invited to participate in the Children’s Christmas Pageant at the 4 PM Mass on Christmas Eve. Please come to a mandatory rehearsal on Saturday, December 23rd from 9:00-10:00 AM. We are looking for a multitude of shepherds and angels. We can provide some costumes, but if you have your own, please bring it. Anyone who would like to be in a drawing for the special parts of Mary, Joseph, or the Angel Gabriel: Please contact Katie Norton at 952.221.9413 or Marilyn Grutsch at 952.240.6191. The deadline for drawing is December 22nd.

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**ADVENT ANGELS**

We have a number of parishioners who are not able to afford to buy Christmas gifts for their families. If you would like to help them in this season of giving and become an Advent Angel, read on!

- **New this year:** you can purchase for a single person or commit to an entire family
- **To participate,** you may pick an Angel off the tree outside church office or email adventangels@hfcmn.org.
- **If you find yourself in need of assistance this season,** contact Deacon Jim at deaconjim.meyer@hfcmn.org.

Thank you for your generosity!

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**PERFECT CHRISTMAS GIFT: A TRIP TO BETHLEHEM!**

Registration has just opened for our pastor Fr. Joseph’s pilgrimage to the Holy Land, September 30 - October 12, 2018. Twelve grace-filled days of Scripture study and prayer! Save the dates and sign up soon as there is a limited number of places available. Total cost including airfare, all taxes, and tips: $4,629.

Stop by the office for a brochure or contact Consolidated Travel for more information: tel. 404.767.2727 or email info@ctoinc.com.

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**FORMED.ORG: A JOURNEY THROUGH ADVENT**

To access Catholic movies, books, audio recordings and more, go to www.Formed.org, and sign up using our parish code: 2QCG4F.

As Advent begins, we reflect on Christ’s birth, and expectantly await His return. In this enlightening audio recording, renowned speaker and theologian Bishop Robert Barron presents a series of homilies that correspond to each of the Sundays of Advent in 2017. Access “A Journey Through Advent” on FORMED.org by hovering over the “LISTEN” tab, selecting “Talks” from the dropdown menu, and choosing it from the “Advent & Christmas” section.

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**BULLETIN SUBMISSIONS**

If you have a parish-related or archdiocesan event or announcement you would like to include in our bulletin, on Flocknote or pulpit announcement, please submit in writing to communications@hfcmn.org by the following deadline: December 14th for the December 24th bulletin.
HOLY FAMILY CHURCH: ADVENT AND CHRISTMASTIDE SCHEDULE

We look forward to celebrating holiday liturgies with you and your family! Please take note of the holiday schedules below.

- Advent Parish Confession Night
  Tuesday, December 13th, 7 - 9 PM with individual confessors.
  There will be no confessions offered on Sunday, December 24th.

- Our Christmas Mass Times:
  **Sunday, December 24th:**
  - 4 PM  Nativity Pageant with Vigil Mass
  - 9 PM  Mass of Christmas Night
  **Monday, December 25th:**
  - 9 AM  Mass of Christmas Morning
  - 11 AM  Mass of Christmas Day

- Feast of the Holy Family
  **Saturday, December 30th:**  5 PM Vigil Mass
  **Sunday, December 31st:**
  - 9 AM & 11 AM Mass

- Solemnity of Mary, Mother of God
  *(Not a Holy Day of Obligation this year)*
  **Sunday, December 31st:**  5 PM Vigil Mass
  **Monday, January 1st:**
  - 9 AM Mass

- Holiday Adoration Schedule:
  **Closing for Christmas:**  Sat., 12/23, 5 PM - Tue., 12/26 at 9 AM
  **Closing for New Year’s:**  Sat., 12/30, 5 PM - Tue., 1/2 at 9 AM

STEWARDSHIP: Gratitude for God’s Gifts, Commitment to the Church’s Mission

Everything we have comes as a gift from God. Advent is the time we especially remember the poverty of our sinful world before Jesus brought the riches of God’s Merciful Love. The joy of Christmas evokes generosity towards those we love as we exchange gifts with them. It prompts us to ask: How do I show my gratitude to God in exchange for all His gifts to me?

Gratitude for a life of discipleship in this parish, including:

- The gift of baptism through which I was freed from original sin, adopted as a child of God, and given the promise of eternal life
- This beautiful church where I worship with my spiritual family in the Mystical Body of Christ
- The Real Presence of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist by which I am nourished by the Bread from Heaven
- The full Mass schedule and reverent liturgies with extraordinary sacred music
- The opportunity to spend time with our Eucharistic Lord in the perpetual adoration chapel
- The forgiveness of sins in Confession offered here every day of the week (instead of 45 minutes once per week or “by appointment” as in other parishes)
- A dynamic Catholic school which shapes the minds and hearts of our youngsters with Truth, Goodness, and Beauty
- A wide range of faith formation opportunities for every age presented according to the Magisterium of the Church

The way we spend our time, talent, and treasure is the concrete expression of how we prioritize our lives. In January, Holy Family will invite our parishioners to fill out a pledge card as a sign of our gratitude to God and commitment to the mission of the Church. Please prayerfully begin discerning now what your commitment will be for 2018.

Advent examination of conscience: Does the holiday whirlwind mean I devote less time to prayer in this holy season? Am I just a “consumer” at my parish or do I actively participate in prayer as well as faith formation initiatives, service opportunities, etc.? Do I take my share of personal responsibility for the financial health of the parish where I practice my faith? Do I spend more money on Christmas gifts for others than showing my gratitude to God? Do vacations and holiday celebrations consume more of my resources than my support of the Church’s mission does? Is renewed effort to grow closer to Christ and serve Him more wholeheartedly the most important aspect of my observance of Christmas?

Definitions:
1. “Tithe” - the debt of gratitude we owe to God in thanksgiving for all He has done for us. The Bible records this as 10% of our income. It is always directed towards the Church though it may be split between our parish and other Catholic entities.
2. “Almsgiving” - sacrifices freely made out of charity after we have fulfilled our tithe. This can be directed towards any good cause or a particular neighbor in need.
3. “Firstfruits” - the opposite of leftovers! We are supposed to honor God first before we spend time/money on ourselves.
**HOLY FAMILY ACADEMY**

**HFA: MARK YOUR CALENDARS!**
- The school’s Pre-K through 5th grade will host an **Advent Concert** on Thursday, December 21st, 2 PM in the Church.
- The 6th – 8th graders will treat you to a **Christmas Concert** on Friday, January 5th, 5 PM in the Church.
- Word of mouth is Holy Family Academy’s strongest advertisement! Spread the word: The next **Open House** will be on the morning of **Friday, January 12th**, right after Mass through 12:00 - come when you can.

**APPEAL FOR ADOHERS**

It is our goal at Holy Family to have at least two adorers present at each hour on the adoration schedule, so that every adorer can have a partner for scheduling back-up and safety during nighttime hours.

**We are always in need of committed substitutes!** If you wish to adore at a time not listed, you are still welcome and needed!

Please contact Mike Zwack, our Adoration coordinator, if you are willing to make an hour’s (or greater) commitment each week, and for information on the other times available:

612.710.5007

**Currently, the times of our greatest need are:**
- **Thursdays: 12 - 1 PM; Saturdays: 8 - 9 PM; Sundays: 12 - 1 AM; Sundays: 10 - 11 PM**

**STEWARDSHIP CORNER**

**Prayer Shawl Disciples**

Prayer shawl disciples craft shawls, lap robes, throws, or baby blankets by knitting, crocheting, weaving, or sewing. The maker begins each shawl with prayers for the recipient and continues to offer intentions throughout the creation of the shawl, and a cross is embroidered in one corner and a prayer is sewn behind the cross. The shawl is a sign of love and concern for the recipient. The prayer shawl disciples meet once a month on third Wednesdays at 9:00 AM in the Saint Joseph Room at Holy Family. Each month, the disciples bring their completed shawls and the group offers a final prayer over each shawl. If you are interested in this discipleship, please contact Anne Ringquist at 952.937.1621 or ring@usfamily.net.

**HOLY FAMILY HOME EDUCATORS**

**THIS AND NEXT WEEKEND! SPOTLIGHT THEATER**

**PRESENTS: PRIDE AND PREJUDICE**

Save the date for Spotlight Theater’s next production featuring high school students of Holy Family Home Educators!

**Pride and Prejudice**

Directed by Tracy & Karen Sattler
Evening Shows: **December 9, 15, & 16 - 7 PM**
Sunday Matinee: **December 10 - 2 PM**
Kattar Hall at Holy Family Academy
Admission: Free Will Offering
Visit spotlightft.wixsite.com/shows for more info!

**KNOW SOMEONE WHO SHOULD DISCERN THE PRIESTHOOD?**

This discernment group is open to young men who have received the sacrament of Confirmation (sophomores and older). Please share this information to spread the word!

**Taking place this and most Sundays!**

3 - 4 PM: Discussion of the spiritual life, priesthood, and discernment led by Father Joseph Johnson.
4 - 4:30 PM: Sung Vespers

The Holy Spirit is the only one who "recruits" a young man for the priesthood! These gatherings are simply a way to learn more about growth in holiness and how to ask the question in prayer to see if God is calling you. It's an informal format driven by questions and answers rather than a defined topic each week. If you are interested in attending, please email Father Joseph at frjj@hfcmn.org with any questions, as well as your basic information (name, age, school, grade, email, and phone number). A group email will be sent out with details and also in the event of any cancellations.

**YOUTH GROUP**

**NET RETREAT FOR TEENS AT HOLY FAMILY**

All high school students are welcome! Need a spiritual shot in the arm? Need a break from homework pressures and high school drama? This is for you! On **Tuesday, Dec. 12th** from 4:00 - 7:30 PM, come to Moorman Hall for some fun, skits, talks, pizza, small groups, time for prayer and Confession. Bring a friend! RSVP to Elizabeth.brown@hfcmn.org. $5 to help cover food costs.

**KNIGHTS MEETING: AN HOUR EARLIER!**

The next Knight's business meeting is on **Friday, December 15th**, at 5:45 PM in the Fr. Wilkins Room. The rosary will follow at 6:30 PM in the church. Please stick around for the “Men of God” event at 7:00 PM.

**IN AND AROUND THE ARCHDIOCESE**

**ELI BROOMTREE MEN’S RETREAT**

The 13th annual Eli Broomtree Cabin getaway will be held **January 12-14 (MLK weekend)** at the Boyd Lodge Cabins in Crosslake, MN. All men are invited to a well-deserved break from daily routine. These remote cabins are on the whitefish chain of lakes. Opportunities include snowshoeing, ice fishing, cards, and cigars. Affordable! This is a weekend of fellowship and relaxation. For more info, and to get on the mailing list, please email Tom Bertoldi: bert.mn@centurylink.net, or call John Rosenthal at 612.618.8900.

**HEALING THE WHOLE PERSON**

Church of the Epiphany, in Coon Rapids, MN is hosting a Healing the Whole Person retreat, led by the John Paul II Healing Center, on **January 18-20th**. Jesus responds today to brokenness, disease, and pain with transformative love and restoration. Through three days of teaching, worship, prayer, and testimony, you’ll encounter God in a powerful way, and experience deeper freedom as the Father speaks to you in the depths of your heart, and through the supernatural graces of the sacraments. Grounded in Church teaching, you’ll engage the topics of “Facing our Brokenness,” “Encountering the Father’s Love,” and “Living in Freedom.” Learn more and register for this amazing retreat at [http://jpiihealingcenter.org/](http://jpiihealingcenter.org/). Registration ends Jan. 8th, 2018.