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Father John Meyer, Pastor

Weekly Meditation

Blessed are you who believed. (Luke 1:45)

When the angel Gabriel told Mary that she was to have a son, she asked, "How can this be?" (Luke 1:34). But the angel assured her that it would happen through the Holy Spirit, and Mary believed him. That's why, in today's Gospel for the feast of the Assumption, Elizabeth calls Mary "blessed" - because she believed (1:45).

A virgin birth is not the only truth of our faith that defies a natural explanation. We might also wonder how Jesus was fully God and fully man, or how, after lying in his grave for three days, he rose from the dead. But while we don't know the *how*, we do know the *why*: so that our loving God could save us from sin and death.

Mary's bodily assumption into heaven is another truth that can't be explained on a natural level. Again, we don't know *how* it happened, but we do know *why*. By saying yes to the angel's request, Mary gave birth to the Savior of the world. Because of this yes, she played a central role in our salvation. And so God greatly honored her by allowing her to share fully in the fruit of Jesus' victory over sin and death even now, before he comes again in glory.

One day we too hope to share in Christ's victory. At his Second Coming, the corruptible will become incorruptible (1 Corinthians 15:54). Our bodies will be brought to life again as spiritual bodies, and we will see Mary in all her beauty and splendor.

We don't know how this will happen. But that's where faith comes in. As Elizabeth said to Mary, *Blessed are those who believe*. We are truly blessed when we choose to believe that all of God's promises will be fulfilled. And when we struggle to believe, we only have to turn to Mary, our Mother. She is always eager to intercede for us and lead us into the loving arms of her Son, Jesus.

"Mary, Mother of God, prays for us."

(July / August Edition - The Word Among Us)

Synod Scoop:

Help the Archdiocese and our parish by joining a Synod small group today! There are many common interest groups to join, or you are welcome to create your own small group. Sign up sheets are in the gathering space. All are welcome. Groups will enjoy fellowship while learning, praying, and discussing the Synod focus areas. Each group will need a volunteer to be a leader and a volunteer to be a scribe. Training is provided. Synod small groups meet for 6 sessions between September 19 and November 14. More information on the Synod can be found on the parish website. Help the Archdiocese and our parish by joining a Synod small group today!

Mass Intentions

Saturday, August 14th

5:00 p.m. † Frances Mosley

Sunday, August 15th

8:30 a.m. † Joyce Bartels

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

Monday, August 16th

No Daily Mass

Tuesday, August 17th

No Daily Mass

Wednesday, August 18th

8:00 a.m. Celebrants Intention

Thursday, August 19th

8:00 a.m. Parishioners

Friday, August 20th

8:00 a.m. † Francis & Mary Logeais

Saturday, August 21st

5:00 p.m. † Judith Bissonnette Thomas

Sunday, August 22nd

8:30 a.m. † Herb & Margaret Rathje

10:30 a.m. Parishioners

*How you make others feel says a lot
about who you are.*

*Leave them with a smile, a hug,
and a kind thought.*

Ministry Schedules

Saturday, August 21st @ 5:00 pm

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Server: James Meuwissen

Eucharistic Minister: Deb Goodale

Greeter: Ann Waldschmidt

Lector: Greg Roth

Sacristan: Pat Meuwissen

Ushers: Tim Waldschmidt - Jerry Goodale

Sunday, August 22nd @ 8:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Server: Jack Danzeisen

Eucharistic Ministers: Tony Eicher - Red Petersen

Greeter: Renee Wyffels

Lector: Victoria Childs

Sacristan: Renee Logeais

Ushers: Tom Gay - Mark Logeais

Sunday, August 22nd @ 10:30 a.m.

Celebrant: Fr. John Meyer

Altar Server: Lucy Schnabel

Eucharistic Ministers: Roger & Karen Millner

Greeter: Traci Arends (sub request)

Lector: Mary Nowak

Sacristan: Shelly Naaktgeboren

Ushers: John & Christine

Community News

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Great News for Care Center Residents

St. Ignatius Catholic Mass will return to the Annandale Care Center the first Friday of every month. Join the residents for Mass, all are welcome to attend! Care Center Rosary volunteers needed *every Tuesday*, starting August 4th at 10:30 a.m. Guide Book provided. Please call Sandy Holthaus at 320-236-5604 and leave a message if interested - always room for more volunteers!

Visit the Holy Land with Fr. Dennis Backer & The Church of St. Luke November 8—19, 2021

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St. Ignatius Cemetery Committee Meeting

The fall Cemetery Board Meeting will be held on Tuesday, September 14, 6:30 p.m. Please note the earlier time. *This meeting is open to all parishioners* and we always welcome new members to our team. We take pride in the serene countryside setting and our work out there is very rewarding. Please come to our meeting to hear about our work and to ask any questions you may have about membership. Thank you.

Gospel Meditation - August 15, 2021

They are courageous, wise women who ground us, focus us, and inspire us. They are the good mothers who walk with us and light our way. They teach us life lessons and help us heal and navigate through challenges and difficulties. We need people to point the way. Sometimes, these wise ladies are not our biological mothers but women in our lives, who through their strong and faithful presence, anchor us and remind us that we are loved. We need these women. Human beings do their best when they have cheerleaders in their lives. They show us that even when facing despair there is always a brighter tomorrow.

Jesus needed his mother. She had to be that faithful anchor, that guiding presence, in his life. Jesus needed to be affirmed and encouraged just like any other human being and Mary had to be there, right by his side, doing precisely that. Even when her heart was pierced as he was nailed to a tree, she did not give up hope. Most certainly, she continued to wait, watch, hope, and love until he took his final breath. That's what mothers do. Even when their heart breaks, they persevere.

Today, our Blessed Mother is our cheerleader once again. Taken up to heaven in body and soul, she points to and directs us toward our final destiny. Life eternal waits! Any disappointment, fear, or anxiety can be set aside as she gently reassures us of God's love and promise. Always a mother filled with grace and hope, she calls us to reaffirm our faith in God and in the gifts we have each been given. We can persevere and do what we need to do to live life well, with faith, hope, and love as our guiding lights. Knowing who we are and who we will one day become helps us to better chart the course and direction of our earthly lives. Looking to the example of our Blessed Mother, we receive the assurance we need. ©LPi

Opportunities to Become Involved in Your Parish

Revitalize Pastoral Friendship Ministry - Visit the homebound and nursing home residents and brighten someone's day! Both men and women are needed.. . this is an important ministry as we continue to stay connected with parishioners who cannot attend mass or other activities at the parish. Training will be provided along with a handy reference booklet. Check it out, give it a try, make new friends, enjoy!

Bring Back Donut Sunday! - Have you missed the fellowship of Donut Sunday? We want to bring it back but we need your help! Needed are volunteers to help after 8:30 a.m. and/or 10:30 masses on the first Sunday of the month. Individuals, couples, and families are invited to help with this celebration of community. Please call the parish office 320-274-8828 to sign up.

Invitation to become an Altar Server

We are currently seeking additional altar servers. Altar Servers are called by God to give their service during the celebration of the liturgy. Requirements to be an altar server are:

- A strong desire to serve at the Altar of our Lord.
- Be an active member of the parish community.
- Have already made your first communion and have completed 4th grade.
- Have a sense of deep respect and reverence.

If this sounds like YOU, please call the parish office and get signed up to learn more about serving. We will have a training session on Monday, August 23rd at 1:00 p.m. in church. Please call the office (320-274-8828) and sign up today to be a part of this very important ministry.

St. Ignatius Faith Formation

At this time we have begun our search for elementary catechists for the fall/winter student faith formation classes. Please contact Mary if you are interested and available to help. To reach the Faith Formation Office dial 320-274-8828 ext. 24 or email Mary@stignatiusmn.com

Church of St. Luke, Clearwater - Annual Parish Festival - Sunday, August 22

Festival Mass at 10:00 a.m. Festival follows immediately. Ham Dinner served from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Activities include a quilt auction beginning at 2:00 pm, Baskets from Heaven Silent Auction, Grand Raffle drawing begins at 4:00 pm. DJ in the afternoon, food booths, pop & beer, cake walk, craft booths, country market, children's games, games with Father, bingo and adult games. Come one, come all!

St. Michael Catholic Church - Fall Festival - September 11th & 12th

Artisan Market, Bags Tournament, Food Trucks & Refreshments on Saturday. Chicken Dinner, Raffle Drawing at 4:00 pm on Sunday! Kids Games, Used Toys, Arts & Crafts, Count Store. Go to <https://www.stmichaelcatholicchurch.org/fallfestival>

Retrouvaille Can Help!

Save a marriage. Are you or some one you know living in the pai of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help! The next program starts Sept. 17, 2021 @ Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud, MN. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is limited - call today!

Catechetical Institute

Do you have questions about your faith? Have you ever wondered why the Catholic Church teaches something? The Catechetical Institute is a formation program for adults wishing to deepen their faith starting this fall at St. Timothy's Parish in Maple Lake. (Registration forms in gathering space)

It is the intention of The Church of St. Ignatius that all parishioners who wish to attend the Catechetical Institute have the opportunity to do so. If there are financial barriers that may affect your ability to participate, please contact Father Meyer or the parish office to seek assistance.

Free Store in Annandale

Annandale Area Food Shelf

Free Store - Hwy. #55 & Cherry Ave. in "Midtown 55" Mall, across Cherry Ave. from the Cenex Gas Station, (clothing & small household items).

Annandale Area Food Shelf - 390 Annandale Blvd., (take Hwy. #55 east to Annandale Blvd.)

Mondays: 4:00 to 6:00 p.m. - Food Shelf

Mondays: 1:00 to 3:00 - Free Store

Tuesday: 3:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. - Free Store

Wednesdays: 5:00 to 6:45 p.m. - Food Shelf

Thursday: 12:00 noon to 2:00 p.m. - Free Store

Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to 11:30 a.m. - Food Shelf

Fridays: 9:00 a.m. to Noon - Free Store

Love Inc. Store, Buffalo: Thursday: 10 am to 6 pm

Friday & Saturday: 10 a.m. to 5 pm

Love INC - St. Ignatius partners with Love Inc., a non-profit group that provides services, rides for medical appointments & job interviews, minor car & household repairs, delivery of used furniture & household items. All services are provided by area church volunteers. Love Inc. is not an emergency agency and has no cash to give out. However, resources allow some callers to be referred to other agencies in a crisis situation. If you have a need and live in Annandale, Maple Lake or Buffalo, call the Clearinghouse at 763-682-2550.

Volunteers are also needed to help with the Free Store, located in Buffalo - call 763-682-6820

Banns of Marriage

Gavin Glazier and Dana Korf to receive the Sacrament of Matrimony on August 28, 2021 - Father Joseph Korf officiating.

BAPTISM



Next Baptismal Class -

Second Tuesday of November, the 9th, 2021 @ 7:00 p.m.

All baptisms at St. Ignatius require parents attend the class before the baptism can be arranged. The session involves

discussion on the purpose, history, symbolism, and the Rite of Baptism. Insights into Christian parenting are also briefly considered at this time. Please contact the rectory office if you plan to attend the class. The Sacrament of Baptism is held during a weekend mass, contact the parish office to register for the class or to make arrangements for the baptism. (320- 274-8828 ext. 21)

Stewardship

Projected weekly giving.....\$5,400.00
490 parish families

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Louise Borstad	Mark Johnson
Dan Schultz	

Weekly Schedule

Thurs., Aug. 19th - Parish Council Mtg.
 Weekend of Aug. 21/22 - Send Off Celebration for Msgr.
 Callaghan
 Thurs., Aug. 26th - Eucharistic Adoration 8:30 am-7pm

Sign up now for Synod small group gatherings beginning in September! See page #1 for further information.

Readings for the Week of August 15, 2021

Sunday: *Vigil:* I Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2/Ps 132: 6-7, 9-10, 13-14 [8]/I Cor 15:54b-57/
 Lk 11:27-28 *Day:* Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a 10ab/
 Ps 45:10, 11, 12, 16 [10bc]/I Cor 15:20-27/
 Lk 1:39-56

Monday: Jgs 2:11-19/Ps 106:34-35, 36-37, 39-40, 43ab
 and 44 [4a]/Mt 19:16-22

Tuesday: Jgs 6:11-24a/Ps 85:9, 11-12, 13-14 [cf. 9b]/
 Mt 19:23-30

Wednesday: Jgs 9:6-15/Ps 21:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [2a]/
 Mt 20:1-16

Thursday: Jgs 11:29-39a/Ps 40:5, 7-8a, 8b-9, 10 [8a and
 9a]/Mt 22:1-14

Friday: Ru 1:1, 3-6, 14b-16, 22/Ps 146:5-6ab, 6c-7,
 8-9a, 9bc-10 [1b]/Mt 22:34-40

Saturday: Ru 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17/Ps 128:1b-2, 3, 4, 5[4]/
 Mt 23:1-12

Next Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-
 17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32
 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69



“My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my Savior for he has looked with favor on his lowly servant. From this day all generations will call me blessed.” - Lk 1:46-48

Parish Office

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(excluding the noon hours)

Contact the office via email Bonnie@stignatiusmn.com

Phone: 274-8828-Ext. 21 Fax: 274-3961

Bookkeeper 274-8828 ext. 32 - email Tom@stignatiusmn.com

Web Site: <http://www.stignatiusmn.com>

Religious Education Office

Mail Address: P.O. Box 126

Phone: *Youth F.F. classes Office* 274-8828 - Ext. #24

E-mail: Mary@stignatiusmn.com

Hours: (Summer hours) Mon., Tues., Wed., Thurs., 9:00 a.m.

to 1:00 pm

Youth Ministers Office: 320-274-8828 ext. 33

E-mail: Ali@stignatiusmn.com

Hours: Leave of absence starting 6/1/2021

Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass - 5:00 p.m.

Sunday Masses: 8:30 a.m. (8:30 mass live streamed)
and 10:30 a.m.

Mass is live streamed <http://www.stignatiusmn.com>

Daily Mass

No Daily Mass Monday, Tuesday.

Wednesday, Thursday Friday at 8:00 a.m.

Reconciliation

4:30 pm Saturday—one-half hour prior to Saturday Mass

Adoration of The Blessed Sacrament

Last Thursday of the month, 8:30 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

Sacraments

Baptisms

Members should contact the parish at least two (2) months in advance of the baptism. Baptismal Classes are held the 2nd Tuesday of February, May, August, and November. Parents are required to attend this class before the baptism. Baptisms are scheduled through the parish office 274-8828 ext. 21

Weddings

Members should contact the pastor at least six (6) months in advance of the desired date.

Homebound Ministry

If you or someone you know would like one of our home visitors to stop by your residence for companionship, prayer, or have communion brought to you, please call the Parish office 274-8828 ext. 21 to make arrangements

Prayer Requests

To place prayer requests in the bulletin, please call the parish office - 274-8828 ext. 21

Bulletin Deadline

Tuesday at noon.

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