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Mission Statement: The Catholic Diocese of Superior is a people of diverse ethnic and cultural traditions called in unity by the love of Christ to proclaim the Gospel, celebrate the sacraments, and give witness through joyful lives of prayer and service in Northern Wisconsin and throughout the world.

2018 ADVENT COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICE MATERIALS

The Office of Worship provides Advent Communal Penance Service materials for parish use. The format includes a leader's booklet for use by the priest celebrant and any assisting ministers and a separate worship aid page for the assembly. Go to the "Worship" portion of the diocesan website for materials: <https://catholicdos.org/communal-penance-services>. For printed copies, contact Paul Birch: pbirch@catholicdos.org; 715-394-0233.

ADVENT ADORATION DECEMBER 5, 2018

Encounter the Lord in a fresh new way this Advent. Where: St. Joseph Catholic Church, Rice Lake
When: December 5, 2018; 4:30 p.m.
Free Event. [SEE ENCLOSURE](#).

SOLEMNITY OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION DECEMBER 8, 2018

In 2018, this Solemnity falls on a Saturday and is a holy day of obligation. When a Sunday and another holy day of obligation occur on two successive days, attendance at a single evening Mass on the first of the days does **not** fulfill the dual obligation. Two distinct Masses must be attended within the two respective 24 hour periods, or separately anticipated. Back-to-back days of obligation challenge the ability to provide the number of Masses usually expected. Eliminating opportunities for Mass attendance on either day is problematic.

Note: Unlike many other holy days of obligation in the dioceses of the United States, when December 8 falls on a Saturday or a Monday it is always observed as a holy day of obligation. Only when December 8 falls on a Sunday and the celebration is transferred to December 9 does it lose its obligatory nature which will occur in 2019.

9 DAYS FOR LIFE JANUARY 14 – 22, 2019

[9 Days for Life 2019](#) will take place leading up to and concluding on the annual [Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children on January 22nd](#). The multi-faceted centerpiece novena for the respect of human life will occur Monday, January 14 - Tuesday, January 22, 2019. Each day, a different intention will be highlighted, along with a short reflection, suggested actions, and related information. Contact Bonita Thom: bthom@catholicdos.org; 715-394-0206.

PROFESSIONAL DEVELOPMENT DAYS JANUARY 22 & APRIL 25, 2019

The Office of Ecclesial Ministry & Diocesan Consultation is providing two more opportunities for pastors and all parish leaders to learn and grow together. The topics include:

- *Why Does Jesus Ask So Many Questions*
- *Goodness is Contagious*

Sessions will be held at St. Joseph's Parish Center, Hayward. It is hoped that participants will take advantage of these opportunities by attending as an entire parish leadership team. There is a new option to register online: <https://catholicdos.org/professional-development-days>. Contact Chris Newkirk: cnewkirk@catholicdos.org; 715-394-0204.
[SEE ENCLOSURE](#).

DIOCESAN LITURGICAL CALENDAR

The Diocese of Superior's liturgical calendar is available:
<https://catholicdos.org/documents/2018/8/Office%20of%20Worship%20--%20Liturgical%20Calendar%20--%202018-2019.pdf>

LIGHTS OF RECONCILIATION & FORGIVENESS

Bishop is encouraging all diocesan parishes to establish a "Light of Reconciliation and Forgiveness" in their worship spaces. This is a multiple-day votive light inserted into a holder, and placed on a stand. Its position, color, design and appearance should strictly avoid any confusion with the existing sanctuary or tabernacle lamp. Incorporating the color purple into the design of the candle and/or its stand is suggested but not required. A position in or near an existing devotional area may be best, or in the Blessed Sacrament Chapel if available. Having copies of "[A Prayer for Our Church](#)" nearby is encouraged. If printed copies are needed, contact Paul Birch, "pbirch@catholicdos.org; 715-394-0233.

INFLUENZA AND THE LITURGY

Follow this link to the Office of Worship website page <https://catholicdos.org/influenza-liturgy> containing information regarding best practices for both reducing transmission of the flu virus and for temporary modifications of liturgical practices when the flu is present in the communities. County health department personnel are to be used as a resource in order to make informed decisions.

LITURGICAL TEXT REVISIONS IN PROGRESS AS OF NOVEMBER 2018

Reported to the *Federation of Diocesan Liturgical Commissions* at their national meeting.

Please use the link below to view the page containing information concerning liturgical text revisions currently in progress for the dioceses of the United States. <https://catholicdos.org/office-of-worship>.

WI DEATHS

DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR: REV. JOSEPH M. KELCHAK, age 92, died November 9, at home in Indiana.

DIOCESE OF MADISON: BISHOP ROBERT MORLINO, age 71, died November 24, in Madison, WI.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them; may their souls and the souls of the faithful departed through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

N.E.W. KOINONIA 2019

Koinonia is a community experience in Christian living designed especially for adults. This N.E.W. retreat weekend is an official program of the Diocese of Superior. The weekend consists of presentations, discussions, reflections, sharing, prayer and liturgical celebrations.

2019 retreat schedule:

- #52 (Day Retreat) – January 26, 2019; Tony
- #53 – March 15-17, 2019; River Falls
- #54 – October 11-13, 2019; Dobie

Contact Bluette Puchner: onthelak@centurytel.net.
[SEE ENCLOSURE.](#)

13TH ANNUAL MUSIC MINISTRY RETREAT AND WORKSHOP FEBRUARY 8-9, 2019

LOCATION: St. Joseph Church, Amery

The presenter will be Marty Haugen and offerings include Friday dinner, keynote and prayer and Saturday workshop (including prayer, lunch and a choral music reading session). Registration flyers will be available online December 15 and will also be mailed directly to past participants. Contact Paul Birch: pbirch@catholicdos.org; 715-394-0233.

DECEMBER PRIESTHOOD ANNIVERSARIES

20 Fr. Jerome D'Souza, CMF

DECEMBER PRIEST BIRTHDAYS

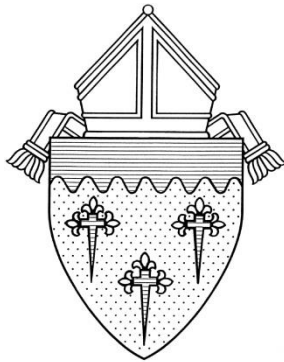
5 Fr. Robert Koszarek
15 Fr. Joseph Kleinheinz
17 Fr. David Neuschwander
20 Fr. Michael Tupa
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DECEMBER DIACONATE ANNIVERSARIES

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From the Bishop's Office (Bishop James Powers)

- The National Catholic Bioethics Center
Ethics and Medics – [December 2018](#)
- United States Conference of Catholic Bishops
Intercessions: [Word of Life – December 2018](#)

From the Office of the Chancellor (Debra Lieberg)

- Monthly Calendar of Events – [December](#) | [January 2019](#)
- Handbook Changes – [December 2018](#)
- Clergy Prayer Calendars – [December](#) | [January 2019](#)
- [Diocesan Pastoral Council Meeting Minutes of October 6, 2018](#)

From the Office of Respect Life (Bonnie Thom)

- [Nine Days for Life Promotional Flyer](#)
- [Liturgical Resources](#)

From the Office of Stewardship and Development (Steve Tarnowski)

- [Impact Flyer](#)

From the Office of Lay Ecclesial Ministry (Christine Newkirk)

- [Professional Development Days](#)

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- [Koinonia](#)

Miscellaneous

- [SDCCW Advent Retreat Flyer and Agenda](#)