


Next Sunday *Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Is 50:5-9a Jas 2:14-18 Mk 8:27-35



**ADORATION OF THE
BLESSED SACRAMENT**

**Friday mornings
8:30am to 9:00am**

“Christ and Human Suffering”

If you had to give up one of your five senses and you had a choice, which one would you choose? Would it be your sense of smell? Most would probably choose that. You would never again smell the fragrance of flowers, the freshness of country air, the delightful odor of a meal cooking. All food would taste the same.

How about your sense of touch? Now you would never feel the breeze in your hair or the hand of a friend. What about sight? No more would you see a beautiful sunset, the majesty of the mountains or the love in the eyes of a friend.

In the gospel today a man was deaf. This also impaired his speech. Since he could not hear, his power of speech had never fully developed. The man was a stranger to the laughter of children and to the singing of birds.

Misery is a fact of life. Sometimes nature causes it, an earthquake, a hurricane, a tornado or a flood or something else. Sometimes suffering comes from human relationships. People hurt others with words or with guns. Thousands are killed or injured in accidents. Some are hurt by the recession or by the injustice of others. Human suffering is very real and very prevalent.

Suffering is a mystery. Why does John tell us that God is love and yet He seems to have created a world of suffering. The problem of evil and suffering is very difficult when we believe in a loving God.

How do we master suffering. In the story today Jesus healed the man who was deaf but most stories of human suffering do not end that way. Most of us have to live with it until the day we die. Jesus Himself, the Son of God, had to suffer the betrayal and the denial of two of His apostles, Judas and Peter. He had to endure seeing and hearing many of His followers shouting “Crucify Him” and then had to endure crucifixion itself.

Only with the strength of Jesus can we not only endure suffering but we can use it to become better persons. I saw this happen with my brother Jack in his last years before death. He seemed to get extra strength from his faith in God to be more cheerful. He was an example to all of us. Suffering is a mystery but it can make us a better person. Fortunately in heaven, we won't have to suffer anymore.


God love & bless you who suffer,
 Father Terry



Remember your parish Church in your will.

Weekend: August 30, 2009	
Adult: 2,493.65	2009 UCA Goal:
Plate: 298.52	\$29,394.00
Youth: 4.00	2009 UCA Received:
Total: \$2,796.17	\$9,861.31

SPECIAL COLLECTIONS:
 This Week: None
 Next Week: None



MASS SCHEDULE


Weekday Masses Sept 7 - Sept 11

Mon. 8a		For the Laborers
Tues. 8a	NATIVITY OF THE BLESSED VIRGIN MARY	†Louis Zauhar
Wed. 8a	ST PETER CLAVER	Mary Johnson
Thurs. 8a		†Helen Glowacki
Fri. 8a		†Ida Needham

Ministry Schedules September 12 & 13

Sat 5p	THE LORD'S DAY	BENEFACTORS
	LECT Joanne Connor	
	EUCH Carol Delfosse	
	USH Frank Busker, Tony Budisalovich, Myron Connor, Dave DeToffol	
Sun 8a	THE LORD'S DAY	†JEANNE HANSEN
	LECT Don Cich, Jean Esler	
	EUCH Cathy Kohlmeier, Anthony McDonell	
	SERV Joseph Michalski, Andrew McDonell	
	USH Jerry Byers, Don Cich, Fred Pass	
Sun 10a	THE LORD'S DAY	†JANIS O'NEILL
	LECT Diane Hoffman, Mark Dobosenski	
	EUCH Marsh Thornton, Irene Williams	
	SERV Annmari, Andrew Washechek, Greg Gustafson	
	USH Bob Kray, David Makowsky, Don Martens	
	GREET Peg Oman, Bernis Bergren	

The 2009 Diocesan Dinner for Catholic Education will be held on Sunday, October 18 at the DECC in Duluth. Proceeds from the dinner are shared between the Catholic schools in the diocese for current educational expenses. In 2008, this amounted to nearly \$42,000. The speaker for this year's dinner is Guy Doud, National Teacher of the Year in 1986, noted motivational speaker, and parishioner of St. Andrews Church in Brainerd, MN The dinner is a great opportunity to support Catholic schools in the Diocese of Duluth. For ticket information, call Rose Eichmueller at 724-9111, email at reichmueller@dioceseduluth.org, or write to 2830 E 4th Street, Duluth, MN 55812



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Thank You to all of you.

WELCOME NEW PARISHIONERS

We extend a warm welcome to those of you who are visiting, or are looking to join our parish. Please feel welcome to sign up as new parishioners, or update your registration. You may call the office for information about signing up. Thank you

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 Call Mass Times at (1-410-676-6000) or www.Masstimes.org

Sunday Night Mass in Duluth at St. Michael's 6:00 PM
Year round - 4901 E Superior Street

THIS WEEK AHEAD

September 6 to September 13

Monday	Prayer Group 7:00pm
Saturday	Confessions 4:00pm

From the Secretary

The church office will be closed on Monday, September 7. Have a safe Labor Day weekend!



FALL FESTIVAL 2009

*We still need 25 - 12 packs of pop & we ask that you note the expiration date on the diet pop (until at least Oct/Nov).
 *We will need cakes for the cake walk. Please bring on Friday, Sept. 18.
 *Everyone is encouraged to bake items for the bake sale. Please bring items on Friday, Sept. 18.
 THANKS!!!

Pro-Life Evening — All are welcome!

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) is sponsoring a Pro-Life Evening on Sunday, September 13 from 7-9 pm at St Lawrence Catholic Church. You will learn about how to help pregnant women in need, and be presented with the facts of abortion, stem cell research and more. Learn how you can make a difference in protecting innocent human life. Enjoy fellowship and refreshments at this free gathering!





Gentle Journey: 12-Step Retreat. Lynn/Steve D. working various 12-Step Recovery Programs, giving 12-Step Retreats for 28 years. All are welcome. Sat., Sept. 19, 9:00-4:00. St. Scholastica Monastery, 1001 Kenwood, lunch included. Freewill offering. Pre-register by Wed., Sept. 16: 218-723-6555, jaweber@css.edu

Imagine a world with more birthdays. On Friday evening, October 9, the American Cancer Society will e "Lighting the Bridge with HOPE." The Richard I. Bong Bridge will be the site of 1,000 + people lighting their candles to bring awareness that there is hope in the fight against cancer. After the lighting ceremony, there will be birthday parties on both sides of the bridge. The event is open to everyone in the Twin Ports, Douglas County, and surrounding area with a registration fee. For registration forms and more information, call Chris Brabeck at 218-529-7627 ext. 15.
The American Cancer Society is the official sponsor of birthdays.

The Holy Family Comment/Idea Box is now located on a table in the Narthex.

The pamphlet rack next to the exit doors contains various brochures with information on services available in our community. Help yourself.

The Holy Innocents Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration Chapel is available for private prayer 24 hours a day at St. Mary Star of the Sea, 325 E 3rd St (4th Ave E Entrance). For more information, call 724-7713.

 Sister Marie Therese Poliquin, OSB of St. Scholastica Monastery will be an advocate through her prayers and sufferings for Holy Family Parish during 2008-2009 

Religious Education News

From Desi



Attention parents of 2009-10 Kindergarten students (or other students in all grades through 12th, who have not been involved in our Religious Education Program): Those interested in our **Delicious Education Program** for **2009-10** may call the parish office and leave your name, phone #, address and students name and grade so that you can be on our mailing list to receive our **Parent Letter and Registration sheet** at the end of August.



St. James Catholic School
624-1511 (PreK-8)

Holy Rosary School
724-8565 (K-8)
St. John's School
724-9392 (PreK-8)
St. Rose School, Proctor
624-0818 (PreK-8)

St. Michael's Lakeside School
525-1931 (PreK-5)

ALL ARE WELCOME.

Considering home schooling? Already home schooling? Our Lady of Victory Educators (LOVE) is a home schooling support group for Catholics in the Twin Ports and surrounding areas.

We gather for enrichment classes, field trips, fellowship, and liturgy/prayers. For more information, call Cassi at 398-0446 or Mary at 525-2190.

Northland Family Programs is offering a free Introductory Session on **FertilityCare™**, natural and effective family planning method. Learn how to avoid and achieve pregnancy safely and naturally with a proven method that's 98% effective and 100% natural. Please join us on Mon., Sept. 14 at 7pm at St. Mary's Medical Center in Duluth. Please call 786-2378 or 1-800-842-0279 to register or visit www.nfpduluth.org.


Events around town & beyond

St Raphael CHURCH 5TH ANNUAL USED BOOK & PUZZLE SALE
Fri., Sept. 11 from 9am-6pm & Sat., Sept. 12 from 9am-4pm

St Margaret Mary Church ANNUAL FALL BAZAAR & DINNER
Sunday, Sept. 13 ~ **Bazaar** from 10am-2:30pm: raffles, booths, games
Rigatoni Dinner from 11am-2:30pm: cost-adults \$8, children 6-12 \$4, 5 & under FREE

St Rose FALL CHICKEN DINNER & BAKE SALE
Sunday, Oct. 4 from 1-4pm
Cost: Adult \$8, children \$4, 5 & under FREE
Take outs available, handicapped accessible

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 We extend our sympathy to the family & friends of **Lorraine Batner, sister of Al Parson.** May she rest in peace. 