



Church of the Holy Family

5900 West Lake Street ✦ St. Louis Park, MN 55416

May 9, 2010

Sixth Sunday of Easter

Reverend Thomas W. Dufner, Pastor
 Reverend James Stromberg, Weekend Associate

Mass Times:

Sunday Masses 9:00AM and 11:00AM
 Saturday Mass 5:00PM
 Weekday Masses 8:00AM (Rosary 7:35AM)

Confessions:

Saturday 3:30PM to 4:50PM
 Sunday 8:00AM to 8:50AM

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Registration in Parish:

Required for baptism and marriage. Adults 18 and over call the parish office 952.929.0113.

Marriages:

Registered parishioners must make application 3 months prior.

Baptisms:

First Sunday of the month. Must be registered parishioners. Baptism class required. Please call 3 months in advance.

Perpetual Adoration - Jim Glover 763.533.0423

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Ann Coone, Principal

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*May God have pity on us
 and bless us;
 may he let his
 face shine upon us.
 So may your way be known
 upon the earth;
 among all nations,
 your salvation.
 May the peoples praise you,
 O God;
 may all the peoples
 praise you!
 May the nations be glad and
 exult because you
 rule the peoples in equity;
 the nations on the earth
 you guide.
 May the peoples praise you,
 O God;
 may all the peoples
 praise you!
 Psalm 67*

The Pastor's Page

Happy Mother's Day!

On behalf of Fr. Stromberg, Fr. Moorman, and the whole staff, I would like to wish all the mothers a very Happy Mother's Day! Each of us is profoundly indebted to our own mother for the gift of life. It is truly the most fundamental of gifts God has shared with us, and he has done so through one human being who he calls to selflessly shared her own flesh and blood, time and energy. Our mothers have loved us in a sacrificial way from the difficulties of pregnancy to the pains of birth, from the sleepless nights to wiping away our tears, from consoling us in our wounds to guiding us on the path of life. Our mothers have loved us in way that none of us will ever be able to adequately repay. We can only show our deepest appreciation, our heartfelt thanks, and imitate their love with those God has entrusted to us. So we say, thank you moms for all the life and love you have given us through the years! We are eternally grateful!

I would like to share with you the story of Saint Gianna, a mother and doctor who passed away in Italy on April 28th, 1962. What was so special about her?

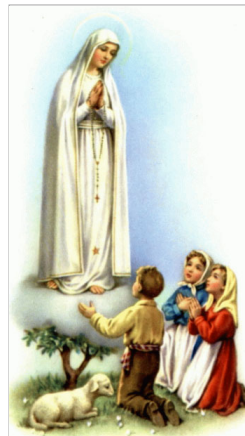
Gianna was born on October 4, 1922 of devout Third Order Franciscan parents. At age 15, after the death of an older sister, Gianna felt a call to a deeper conversion. She resolved *"to offer all to Jesus and submit her life to His will, to live a life of prayer, to avoid mortal sin at all costs, even that of her life, and to hope for a Christian death."* She was accepted into medical school in 1942 as one whose thoughts were always turning to the poor, the disowned, and the sick. She received her medical degree in 1949 and specialized in pediatrics. Noting that some physicians were motivated by love of money, she served those in need at no charge. Her joy and compassion enabled her to reach the souls of the sick as she treated their bodies.

In 1954 Gianna met another lay apostle of Catholic Action, Pietro Molla. In prayer she realized that she was called to be a "missionary" as a mother of a Christian family. The two were married and had three children. During her fourth pregnancy, she was diagnosed with malignant fibroma. They were faced with three choices. One was to remove the fibroma, terminate the pregnancy, and end all hopes of future pregnancies. A second was to remove the fibroma, terminate the pregnancy leaving the possibility of future pregnancies. The third was to remove the fibroma in such a way that would not interrupt the pregnancy, but which put her life in grave danger.

Her husband Pietro recalls: "You chose, you decided and asked the surgeon for the third solution. You did it through charity, maternal responsibility, and the greatest respect for that pregnancy, for that child in your womb..." She told her husband, "Remember, if they should ask you which of the two lives they should save, do not hesitate... first the life of the child." Gianna entered the hospital on Good Friday, April 21st, 1962 and the child was born the next day. For a week, Gianna remained in the hospital, uncomplaining and prayerful while suffering in great pain. The following Saturday, with her children gathered around, Gianna passed away, having given her life that her own unborn child might live.

Gianna was declared Blessed on Mothers Day 1994 and was later Canonized a Saint on May 16, 2004 by Pope John Paul II. The mystery of her life and heroic virtue stands as a witness to the power of God's love and as an example of Christian commitment to the sanctity of life.

Fr. Thomas Dufner



Catholic Vacation Bible School 2010!

Our Lady of the Rosary registration forms are now available on our parish website, or see the envelopes on Church bulletin boards! CVBS is for children 4 years old through 6th grade. See registration form for all the details. Questions? Mrs. Jean Prather @ 952.929.0113 x12.

Catholic Servant Spring Benefit Banquet

Bishop John M. LeVoir of the Diocese of New Ulm, will speak on "Be Not Afraid" at the 14th annual Catholic Servant Spring Benefit Banquet, **Thursday, May 20, 2010**, in Rowan Hall at St. Helena Church, 3204 East 43rd Street, Minneapolis. The program will also honor John F. Boyle, Ph.D., with the Pope John Paul II Catholic Servant of the Third Millennium Award. 6pm social and silent auction; 7pm catered dinner; 8pm program. Tickets are \$100 (\$75 is a tax deductible donation). Register by calling 763.502.0792.

HOLY FAMILY BLOOD DRIVE...

scheduled for Monday, July 19th.
Watch the bulletin for more details.

A huge THANK YOU to all the committed adorers for your faithfulness, and to the subs for responding when called. However, if you have changed your address or phone number in the past year please call me so I can update your records. Jim Glover
763.533.0423.



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✂ Weekly Calendar of Events ✂

Sunday, May 9 ~ Sixth Sunday of Easter

Mother's Day

Food Drive Sunday

8:00 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass

Monday, May 10

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Exercise Class (GP)

3:00 pm WOW Holy Hour (Chapel)

6:30 pm Carmel (C&MH)

Tuesday, May 11

8:00 am Mass

9:00 am Together! (GP)

7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (GP)

Wednesday, May 12

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Coffee & Rolls

9:30 am Quilting

11:45 am Exercise Class (MH)

5:15 pm KPT

6:30 pm Banner Making Workshop-1st Communion

Thursday, May 13

8:00 am Mass

12:30 pm St. Monica's Bridge (GP)

7:00 pm Choir

Friday, May 14

8:00 am Mass

8:30 am Exercise Class (GP)

Saturday, May 15

6:30 am Holy Name Society (GP)

9:00 am First Communion Rehearsal (Church)

10:00 am First Communion Retreat (MH)

10:00 am Rosaries For Life

3:30 pm Confessions

5:00 pm Mass

Sunday, May 16 ~ Seventh Sunday of Easter

First Communion Sunday

8:00 am Confessions

9:00 am Mass

11:00 am Mass/First Communion

Professor of Ave Maria University, Dr. Joseph Burke, professor of economics, will visit Holy Family Church on the morning of Tuesday, May 11. He will attend the 8AM Mass and be available at the back of Church to talk with parents and students about Ave Maria University and to answer any questions that you might have. All are welcome.



Knights of Columbus

There will be a regular monthly meeting on Tuesday, May 11. The evening will begin with the Rosary in the church at 7:10PM, the meeting will commence immediately after. All Knights are encouraged to attend. Not a member yet?? Please contact Dan Betlock at (H) 952.942.0801 or (Cell)612.735.5454.



Altar & Rosary News

Ladies, please note our Spring Altar and Rosary Dinner Meeting will be Tuesday, May 25th beginning at 6:15PM with the Rosary in Church. Tickets for the meal (free will offering at the door) will be available the weekends of May 8-9th and May 22-23rd after Masses in the back of Church. Note that all women of the parish are members of the Altar & Rosary Society. If you are new to the parish or have never been able to attend before, please feel welcome and plan to come and share the evening.

Carmel Prayer Group

Holy Family's Carmel Group will meet on **Monday, May 10, starting at 6:30PM** downstairs in Moorman Hall. **We meet the 2nd Mon. of the month from September through May.** The evening consists of chanting Evening Prayer together in Church, Father Dufner leading us in our study time, quiet prayer before the Blessed Sacrament (mental prayer), chanting Night Prayer and then Social Time. Even if you have never come before, you are welcome to join us for an evening of prayer, study and friendship.

READINGS FOR THE WEEK

Monday: Acts 16:11-15; Jn 15:26 - 16:4a

Tuesday: Acts 16:22-34; Jn 16:5 -11

Wednesday: Acts 17:15, 22 - 18:1; Jn 16:12 -15

Thursday: Acts 18:1-8; Jn 16:16-20

Friday: Acts 1:15-17, 20-26; Jn 15:9-17

Saturday: Acts 18:23-28; Jn 16:23b-28

Sunday: Acts 1:1-11; Ps 47; Eph 1:17- 23 or Heb 9:24-28; 10:19-23; Lk 24:46-53

SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

Monday: Bl. Damien Joseph de Veuster of Moloka'i

Wednesday: Ss. Nereus and Achilleus; St. Pancras

Friday: St. Matthias

Saturday: St. Isidore the Farmer

Holy Family Weekly Offering

Weekend Masses - May 1/2

Regular Envelopes	\$19,047.21
Plate	\$ 1,774.97
Care Fund	\$ 618.95

Thank You For Your Generosity!

Mass Intentions for the Week

May 10 Protection of the Unborn

May 11 Gregoria Ramirez †

May 12 Frank & Clarice Lewandowski †

May 13 Bud Brey †

May 14 Paul Schmit

May 15 Agnes Doyle †

May 16 For the Parish (9AM)






May 16 The Litzke Family (11AM)



Retirement Hoedown for John Pero!

After 10 years of backbreaking service John is retiring!

Come and help us say "Thank You" at His Retirement Party.

-  Wednesday, May 19th, Holy Family Church in Moorman Hall from 6 - 8:30pm
-  6:00pm Social including Snacks (peanuts, popcorn, beer, wine and soda pop)
-  6:30pm Vittles served including chicken and all the fixins' (free will offering)
-  7:15pm Retirement Hoedown including music, singin', razzin' and funnin'
-  No gifts except for maybe a little currency to help get John out of jail . . . once he's been caught!

R.S.V.P. your reservation (adults only please) by calling the parish office at 952-929-0113 or emailing Theresa Bakos at theresa@hfcmn.org

MEMORIAL DAY MASS and FLAG FOLDING CEREMONY

ATTENTION:

ALL VETERANS, as well as BOY and GIRL SCOUTS, are invited to join us at the 9:00AM Mass on Memorial Day, Monday, May 31, 2010

VETERANS: You will enter in procession with Father from the back of Church and take places in the front reserved pews for Mass. Please meet in the back of Church at 8:40AM. Call Sharon at 952.929.0113 Ext. 13, if you have questions.

*In Flanders Fields the poppies grow
between the crosses row by row
that mark our place; and in the sky
the larks so bravely singing,
fly scarce heard amid the guns below.
We are the dead.*

*Short days ago we lived, felt dawn,
saw sunset glow, loved and were loved,
and now we lie in Flanders Fields.
Take up our quarrel with the foe;
to you from failing hand we throw
the torch; be yours to hold it high.
Though poppies grow in Flanders Fields.*

Col. John McCrae



Natural Family Planning Classes

Modern **Natural Family Planning** is based on comprehensive scientific research, is healthy and marriage building! If you are looking to enhance your married life, a series of classes taught by qualified instructors will begin on:

Thursday, June 3, 2010 at Holy Family in St. Louis Park
Thursday, June 17, 2010 at Holy Family in St. Louis Park

To register or for more information, please call the Billings OM at 612.396.4019

MESSAGES from your HOLY FAMILY HEALTH BOARD

The Holy Family Exercise Program is conducted by a Certified Fitness Instructor, and is held every Wednesday at 11:45AM in Moorman Hall. EVERYONE is welcome! Don't put it off . . . come join us and reap the many benefits of exercise. (The cost is \$5.00 per session) TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THIS HEALTHY BENEFIT OFFERED RIGHT HERE AT HOLY FAMILY! Questions? Call Sharon 952.929.0113Ext. 13

WIDOWS and WIDOWERS

You are invited to a Spring Memorial Holy Hour and Pot Luck Celebration
Friday, May 21, 2010

Holy Hour 3:00PM to 4:00PM
in Church

Followed by a Pot Luck Dinner in Moorman Hall.

A - I please bring Desserts
J - R please bring Salads
S - Z please bring Hot Dishes

Pro-Life Corner

Pope John Paul II ended his encyclical 'Evangelium Vitae' (Gospel of life) from March 25, 1995, with this prayer: O Mary, bright dawn of the new world, Mother of the living, to you do we entrust the cause of life. Look down, O Mother, upon the vast numbers of babies not allowed to be born, of the poor whose lives are made difficult, of men and women who are victims of brutal violence, of the elderly and the sick killed by indifference or out of misguided mercy. Grant that all who believe in your Son may proclaim the Gospel of life with honesty and love to the people of our time. Obtain for them the grace to accept that Gospel as a gift ever new, the joy of celebrating it with gratitude throughout their lives and the courage to bear witness to it resolutely, in order to build, together with all people of good will, the civilization of truth and love, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life. From <http://www.vatican.va/>

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