



## The Pastor's Page

### *The Obvious Truth of Purgatory*

by Pope Benedict XVI

Today people have become used to thinking: what is sin? God is great, he knows us, so sin does not count; in the end God will be kind to us all. It is a beautiful hope. But both justice and true guilt exist. Those who have destroyed man and the earth cannot suddenly sit down at God's table together with their victims. God creates justice. We must keep this in mind... Purgatory...for me is an obvious truth, so evident and also so necessary and comforting that it could not be absent...

A great many of us hope that there is something in us that can be saved, that there may be in us a final desire to serve God and serve human beings, to live in accordance with God. Yet there are so very many wounds, there is so much filth. We need to be prepared, to be purified. This is our hope: even with so much dirt in our souls, in the end the Lord will give us the possibility, he will wash us at last with his goodness that comes from the cross. In this way he makes us capable of being with him in eternity....

Therefore we must also speak of sin and of the sacrament of reconciliation. A sincere person knows that he is guilty, that he must start again, that he must be purified. And this is the chance of renewal, of

being new. The Lord starts with us again, and in this way we can also start again with the others in our

life. This aspect of renewal, of the restitution of our being after so many errors, so many sins, is the great promise, the great gift the Church offers but which psychotherapy, for example cannot offer... We can heal. Souls that are wounded and ill, as everyone knows by experience, not only need advice but true renewal, which can only come from God's power, from the power of Crucified Love. I feel this is the important connection of the mysteries which in the end truly effect our lives.

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Pray for the souls in Purgatory. They are the part of the Church Suffering: they can no longer merit, no longer help themselves. But they can help us. God loves them and hears their prayers as they go through their purification. The saints comment that if we but knew the power of their prayers we would pray for them often. I began praying for them, and for certain ones in particular, and I now understand their power! Remember your loved ones, and all the souls in purgatory in this month of remembrance.

Fr. Dufner

### **NOVEMBER...**

#### ***A Special Time to Remember our Deceased Loved Ones.***

Throughout the month of November, the **"Book of Eternal Life"** will be in the sanctuary with the names of those who have been buried from Holy Family this past year. You are invited to add the names of your deceased loved ones.



#### ***Attention Parents:***

There is still time to register for this year's "All in God's Plan" chastity program. The Father/Son event is Friday, November 11 beginning at 7PM and the Mother/Daughter program will be Sunday, November 13 beginning at 2PM. Both programs are in Moorman Hall and suggested ages are girls 10-13 and boys 12-13. Cost is \$15. per event. A variety of speakers will highlight the importance of parent involvement and interaction in the child's growing up years. Respect, virtue, and the sacredness of life are emphasized. Call Jim or Mary Glover with questions at 763.533.0423.

#### ***~SACRAMENT of the ANOINTING of the SICK~***

***Wednesday, November 16, 2011 at the 8:00 A.M. Mass,***  
followed by a light brunch in Moorman Hall.

This Sacrament is celebrated with the anointing of oil for healing of the body and the forgiveness of sins.  
Call Sharon at 952.929.0113 Ext. 13, if you have questions.



**We Salute  
THE VETERANS  
of the  
UNITED STATES OF AMERICA**

**Veterans and Spouses, please be Our Guest on  
Veteran's Day, November 11<sup>th</sup>**

**8:00 a.m. Mass, Holy Family Church, 5900 West Lake Street**

**8:45 a.m. Complimentary Breakfast, Holy Family Academy**

**9:00 a.m. Student Program and Presentation by a  
Guest Speaker and Bald Eagle from the  
National Eagle Center in Wabasha**

**Important: RSVP your reservations to 952-925-9193**

**GOD BLESS OUR VETERANS!**

***The Students and Faculty of Holy Family Academy***

***5925 West Lake St, St. Louis Park, MN 55416***



***On Veteran's Day, we will also be praying for our military who are currently serving in the line of duty. If you have a family member, or know of someone, who is currently active, please call our parish office at 952.929.0113 and leave the soldier's first and last name, rank and branch of service with Theresa Bakos, our parish secretary.***

## ✠ Weekly Calendar of Events ✠

*Sunday, November 6 - 32nd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *Food Drive Sunday*

8:00 am Confessions  
9:00 am Mass  
11:00 am Mass

*Monday, November 7*

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Exercise Class (Gathering Place)  
3:00 pm Widower and Widowers Holy Hour (Chapel)  
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus (Gathering Place)  
7:00 pm Respect Life (Nursery)

*Tuesday, November 8*

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Grandparents Prayer Group (Gathering Place)  
6:00 pm Squires (Gathering Place)

*Wednesday, November 9*

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Coffee & Rolls (Moorman Hall)  
11:45 am Exercise Class (Moorman Hall)  
5:15 pm Kids Praise Too!  
6:30 pm HFC (School)  
6:30 pm Confirmation (Church)

*Thursday, November 10*

8:00 am Mass  
7:00 pm Choir

*Friday, November 11*

8:00 am Mass  
8:30 am Exercise Class (Gathering Place)  
7:00 pm All In God's Plan/Father-Son (MH)  
8:00 pm Youth Adoration

*Saturday, November 12*

6:30 am Holy Name Society (Gathering Place)  
10:00 am Rosaries for Life (Robbinsdale)  
12:00 pm Rake - n - Run  
3:30 pm Confessions  
5:00 pm Mass

*Sunday, November 13 - 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*

### *Donut/New Member*

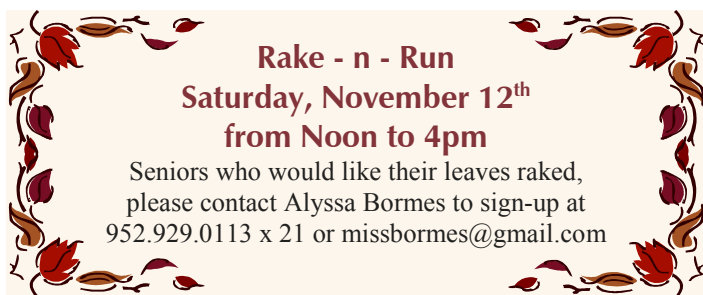
8:00 am Confessions  
9:00 am Mass  
11:00 am Mass  
2:00 pm All In God's Plan/Mother-daughter (MH)

### ATTENTION: ATTENTION: ATTENTION!

#### ALL EUCHARISTIC MINISTERS to METHODIST HOSPITAL and the HOMEBOUND.

Please mark your calendars and plan to attend a meeting

**Tuesday, November 15<sup>th</sup>, at 8:30 (after Mass)  
in Moorman Hall.**



**Rake - n - Run**  
**Saturday, November 12<sup>th</sup>**  
**from Noon to 4pm**

Seniors who would like their leaves raked,  
please contact Alyssa Bormes to sign-up at  
952.929.0113 x 21 or missbormes@gmail.com

### ATTENTION ALL BLOOD DONORS:

Holy Family will be hosting an  
**"Emergency Blood Drive"**

**Thursday, January 5, 2012.**

**(this is a date change from previous information.)**

Watch the bulletin for more details.

*Please remember to notify the Parish Office of any changes to  
your address or phone number. Thank you!*

### Tips for **STAYING HEALTHY** this **COLD and FLU SEASON**

- The **BEST** way to break the chain of infection –  
**HANDWASHING!**
- Avoid touching your eyes, mouth or nose.
- Avoid close, prolonged exposure to people with colds.
- If you think you have the flu, stay home from work or school and avoid elderly or frail relatives and friends
- Eat well and get enough rest.
- Avoid getting "run down" which can lower your immunity to illness.
- Cough and/or sneeze into your sleeve.
- If you use a facial tissue for coughs and sneezes, dispose of it immediately and appropriately.
- WASH your HANDS FREQUENTLY.**

### READINGS FOR THE WEEK

**Monday:** Wis 1:1-7; Lk 17:1-6

**Tuesday:** Wis 2:23 - 3:9; Lk 17:7-10

**Wednesday:** Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

**Thursday:** Wis 7:22b - 8:1; Lk 17:20-25

**Friday:** Wis 13:1-9; Lk 17:26-37

**Saturday:** Wis 18:14-16; 19:6-9; Lk 18:1-8

**Sunday:** Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

### SAINTS AND SPECIAL OBSERVANCES

**Wednesday:** Dedication of the Lateran Basilica in Rome

**Thursday:** St. Leo the Great

**Friday:** St. Martin of Tours

**Saturday:** St. Josaphat

### *Holy Family Weekly Offering October 29/30*

Regular Envelopes	\$13,982.53
Plate	\$ 1,762.06
Online Giving	\$ 1,385.25
World Mission	\$ 953.97

*Thank you for generosity!*

### *Mass Intentions for the Week*

Nov 7	Marie Sobiech †
Nov 8	Bob Wild †
Nov 9	Eugene Szymanski †
Nov 10	Louise Chapman †
Nov 11	Leo & Pat Menke
Nov 12	Bob Wild †
Nov 13	Paul & Ann Hoedeman (9AM)
Nov 13	For the Parish (11AM)



*In anticipation of the new translation!*

## Holy Family's Retreat for Children

# THE STORY OF THE MASS

Saturday, November 19 ~ 9:15-12noon in Moorman Hall

*Exciting Stories! Music! Snack! Art Project!*

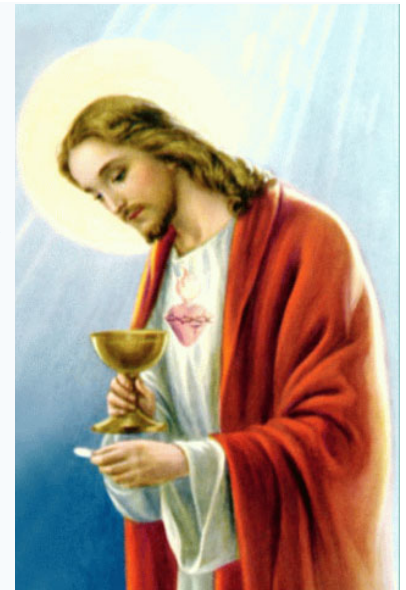
*Special Presentation by Father Dufner!*

*Childrens' Eucharistic Adoration!*

**FOR GRADES K-6**

*(Teens are welcome to be helpers - please contact Mrs. Prather)*

**REGISTRATION FORMS AVAILABLE at or on all Church bulletin boards. Questions? Jean Prather 952-929-0113 x 12 or [jean@hfcmn.org](mailto:jean@hfcmn.org)**



### THANKSGIVING DAY ~ S.T.E.P. DONATIONS

Join us at the **9:00AM Mass on Thanksgiving Day** to thank God for the many Blessings He gives us.

On Thanksgiving Day, the Parish Church and the Domestic Church combine to reach out to the needs of the wider community by sharing food with the hungry through

contributions to S.T.E.P. **Everyone** is invited to bring *non-perishable food items* to replenish the S.T.E.P. food shelves. What better way to celebrate Thanksgiving Day than to come into the Father's House bearing gifts of food to share with those in need. **The monetary collection will also benefit S.T.E.P.**

### HONORING our VETERANS

Join us at the **11:00 Mass on Sunday, November 13<sup>th</sup>**

as we honor our Veterans with special music and a Procession of Flags.



### Youth Ministry

**Saturday, November 12 - Rake-n-Run from Noon to 4pm**

Youth volunteers needed for Rake and Run! Bring your own rake and gloves. Pizza to be served.

**Saturday, December 3 - Lifeline Mass** with Tony Melendez in concert! Holy Family has a limited number of tickets. Please sign-up as soon as possible to reserve your ticket. *You can sign up for any youth event at [missbormes@gmail.com](mailto:missbormes@gmail.com) or 952.929.0113 x 21.*



### KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS

The Knights of Columbus regular monthly meeting will be **Monday, November 7**. As we will be inducting some new members during the meeting, **the Rosary will start at 6:30PM, and the meeting at 7:00PM.** Note these times are 30 minutes earlier than typical.

Holy Family's **Carmelite Group** will meet Mon, Nov. 14 at 6:30PM in Moorman Hall. Since we are not an official secular Carmelite community, you are free to join us and experience Carmelite spirituality as your vocation and schedule allows. This year we are studying a book by Father Vernon Johnson entitled: *Spiritual Childhood - The Spirituality of St. Therese of Lisieux*" published by Ignatius Press. ?'s call Jean 952.929.0113 x12.

### Natural Family Planning

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

✓ **Thursday, November 17, 2011 at Holy Family, St. Louis Park**

To register or for more info, please call the Billings Ovulation Method at 612.396.4019

✓ **Saturday, November 12, 2011 at U of M Medical Center-Fairview, Minneapolis**

To register or for more information, please call the Twin Cities FertilityCare at

651.232.3088 or register on-line at [www.tcnfp.org](http://www.tcnfp.org)

For a complete list of classes offered throughout the Archdiocese, call 651.291.4489 or visit [www.archspm.org/family](http://www.archspm.org/family)

### Pro-Life Corner

In a landmark decision from Oct 18, the European Court of Justice ruled that stem cells extracted from human embryos cannot be patented if the embryos are destroyed in the process. The verdict could have a significant effect on the degree to which stem cell research in Europe will be used in the development of medical treatments. The case involved a process patented by Bonn-based researcher Oliver Brüstle in 1997 whereby embryonic stem cells could be converted into nerve cells. The new cells were then used to treat neurological diseases. In its verdict, the court referred to a European Union directive which forbids the issuing of patents related to the human embryo. The court focused primarily on whether stem cells in the blastocyst stage - when the embryo consists of 80 to 100 cells - fall under the EU prohibition. "The concept of 'human embryo' must be understood in a wide sense," the court wrote in its verdict. "Accordingly, the court considers that any human ovum must, as soon as fertilized, be regarded as a 'human embryo.'" The case against Brüstle was originally brought in Germany by Greenpeace. <http://www.Spiegel.de/international/europe/0,1518,792503,00.html>