

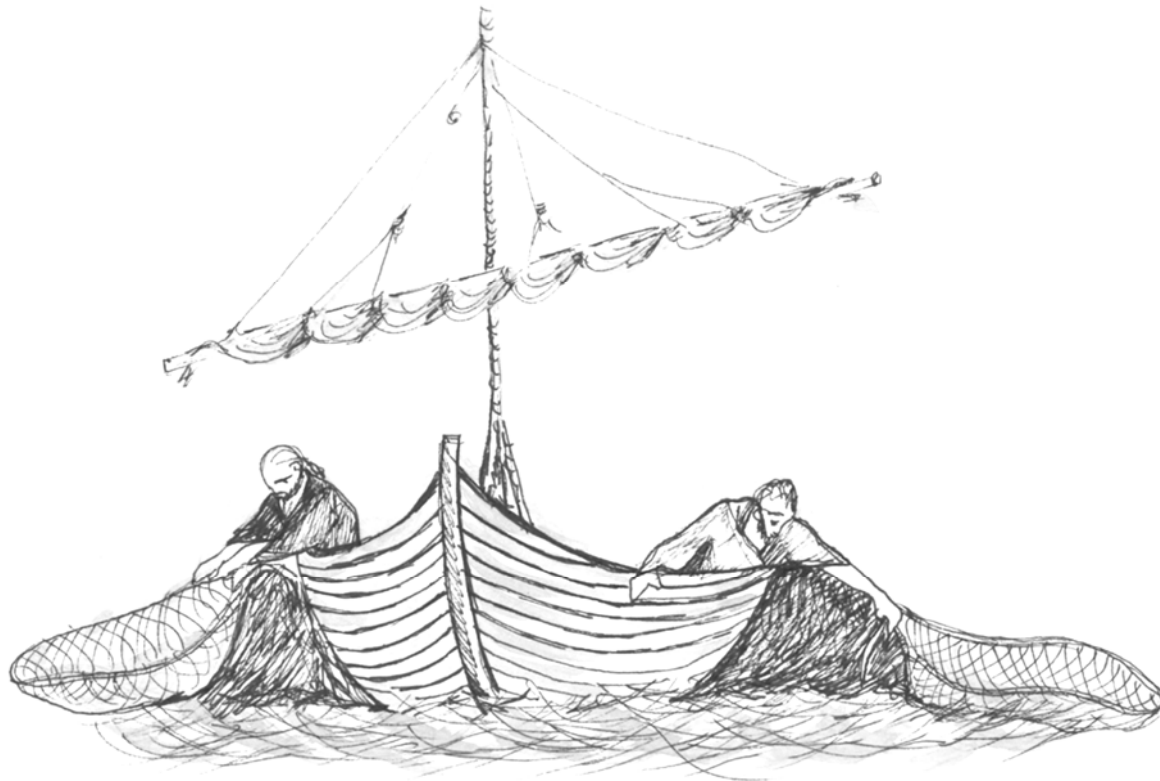
The Church of

St. Margaret Mary



January 21, 2018

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time



“Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men.”

Mark 1:15

You Are Welcome Here!

We're glad you're here.
Wherever you are
on your journey of faith,
you have a home
with us.

Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass 4:30 pm
Sacrament of Reconciliation 4:00 pm
Sunday Mass 10:00 am
with Children's Liturgy of the Word

Weekday Mass Schedule

Monday: no Mass
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6:30 pm Mass
Wednesday: 8:00 am
Thursday: 8:00 am
Friday: no Mass

Experiencing the Heart of Christ, we

Know Jesus

in Word and Worship.

Live Jesus

in a vibrant, welcoming
Catholic community.

Serve Jesus

in outreach and justice.

Reflections from Father Tom

Following Jesus

The Gospel and the first reading this weekend invite us to reflect on how we need to follow Jesus and continue his mission. We hear, in the first reading, how Jonah was led by God to the great city of Nineveh to announce the message. As you know, Jonah was not happy about going to Nineveh. But he did it, because God forced him to go there to bring the good news of repentance. God's announcement was not comfortable to the people of Nineveh. But they listened to Jonah "When God saw by their actions how they turned from their evil ways, he repented of the evil that he had threatened to do to them; he did not carry it out."

In the Gospel, we read how Jesus called the Apostles for his mission. These men followed Jesus, leaving everything they had to take up the mission of announcing the good news and to be fishers of men. "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men."

Are we ready to take the challenge of God's call in our lives? He calls us for the same mission not only by the vocation of being priests or nuns, but also through the vocation of marriage and dedicated single life to bring the good news to the people. He calls us to be fishers of people. Let us not run away from His call like Jonah tried. Let us take up the cross and follow Christ to Calvary: not to be doomed in death, but bloomed with resurrection.

*Lord, please give me the strength
to leave my junky belongings
and follow your justice. Amen*

Mass Intentions

Mass Intentions are offered at Mass in thanksgiving, for the intentions of another person (such as birthday or anniversary), or, most commonly, for the repose of the soul of someone who has died.

Please call the parish office to schedule your Mass Intentions.

Adult Faith Formation

Lent IS A TIME TO
GROW
CLOSER TO JESUS

Lent invites us to a time of prayer, reflection and conversion. Join others in small groups beginning the first week in Lent for five weeks to grow closer to Jesus by examining some of Jesus's life-giving questions and new commandments, praying and sharing faith.

Sign-up this weekend for a session of your choice. This can be your first time - past participation is not required. This is also a great opportunity for us to invite others who have not joined a group in the past. Whether new parishioners or long time members - all are welcome!

If you are interested in serving as a Co-Facilitator or hosting a small group meeting at your home, please contact Jean Plucinski at daplucinski@comcast.net or 763-593-0664.

You are invited to A Celebration of Marriage CANA Dinner

Join us for Dinner, Community and Fun!
Invite your Married Children,
Friends and Relatives!

Saturday, February 10, 2018
6:00 pm
SMM Visitation Hall

\$30 per couple
Kindly RSVP by Feb 4

Please complete this form and return it with your payment of \$30.00 by Feb 4. You may place it in the collection basket at church or mail it to 2323 Zenith Ave No, Golden Valley 55422. Please make check payable to SMM and note Cana Dinner in the memo line.

We very much want all interested parishioners to attend. If payment is a hardship, please let the parish office know. If you would like to contribute additional funds to cover the cost for another couple, please let the parish office know.

We look forward to a wonderful evening Celebrating Marriage!

Husband's name _____
 Gluten Free Vegetarian

Wife's name _____
 Gluten Free Vegetarian

Email: _____

Are you willing to participate in the "Not So Newlywed Game?" Yes No Maybe

Please indicate a song that was your "Wedding Song" or a song that means something to your relationship.

January 13 ~ January 21

Saturday, Jan 20

1:00 pm First Reconciliation Retreat & Celebration
4:00 pm Confessions
4:30 pm Mass..... † Shelley A. Leaver

Sunday, Jan 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass..... *People of St Margaret Mary

Monday, Jan 22

Tuesday, Jan 23

5:30 pm Adoration
6:30 pm Mass
7:00 pm Finance Committee Meeting

Wednesday, Jan 24

8:00 am Mass
6:30 pm Faith Formation Classes

Thursday, Jan 25

8:00 am Mass..... † Tom Leonard

Friday, Jan 26

Saturday, Jan 27

4:00 pm Confessions
4:30 pm Mass..... *People of St Margaret Mary

Sunday, Jan 28 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass..... † Margaret & Russell Stimart

† deceased * living

Altar Care

Help is Needed

We are in need of people to clean the church. Generally, people work in groups of two to clean the church once a month. It involves such things as vacuuming the altar carpet, dusting the furniture, cleaning the Baptismal font, etc. The time commitment is 45-60 minutes. Training will be provided. It is a relatively easy and satisfying job. If interested, please call Nancy Huntley 763-522-9437.

Social Ministry



Fair Trade Coffee Orders due January 28

Please make checks payable to Peace Coffee



PRISM requests basic items this month:
Peanut butter, Rice, Instant Oatmeal,
Sugar, Macaroni
(Note: these items spell PRISM)

Feed My Starving Children Mobile Pack will take place at Calvary Lutheran (Golden Valley Road and Pennsylvania Ave) January 19-28. Contact Georgeann for more information [763-545-7026](tel:763-545-7026).

Pastoral Care

Homebound Eucharistic Ministers

We are looking for additional people to take Communion to homebound parishioners once a month on a rotating basis. If you can help with this rewarding ministry, please call the parish office. Training will be provided.

Faith Formation

First Reconciliation Retreat and Celebration will be held Saturday, January 20 from 1:00 - 3:30 pm

Faith Formation Classes Wed, January 24

Readings for the Week

Monday: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26;
Mk 3:22-30, *or any of a number of readings for the Day of Prayer*
Tuesday: 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19; Ps 24:7-10;
Mk 3:31-35
Wednesday: 2 Sm 7:4-17; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20
Thursday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2;
Mk 16:15-18
Friday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11;
Mk 4:26-34
Saturday: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17;
Mk 4:35-41
Sunday: Dt 18:15-20; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; 1 Cor 7:32-35;
Mk 1:21-28

Living the Paschal Mystery

Think back to the first time you fell in love, not a crush, but a true love. The emotional, spiritual, intellectual connection was undoubtedly strong and probably seemed like it would last forever. Over the years, that love may have developed into something deeper, stronger. Or perhaps it died out altogether and is now only a happy memory.

Something similar often happens with a faith life, and the disciples were not immune to this. Today we hear the story about how they started out strong, abandoning everything to follow Jesus. We know that Simon Peter will eventually confess Jesus as the Christ. And later, Peter will deny three times that he even knows him. The relationship that starts out with such promise, even reaching soaring heights, can truly crash and burn. This happened with the disciples; it can happen with us.

Our faith life might need to be rekindled from time to time. We might need to go to the well of that initial experience of falling in love to draw sustenance and inspiration. And yet, there may be times when we effectively hang it up or abandon it, as Peter did. In those times we know that Jesus still sought Peter. Peter was forgiven and brought back into the fold. There will be another example later in this gospel of a disciple who abandoned Jesus and did not seek forgiveness. His end was not like Peter's. Our living relationship with Christ is not a one-time exhilarating moment, but, like all relationships, it is a lifelong give and take, wax and wane, love and be loved.

Adapted from Living Liturgy, Liturgical Press

Upcoming Parish Events

- January 20/21 Sign up for Lenten Small Groups
January 27/28 Sign up for Lenten Small Groups
January 28 New Parishioner Brunch: An opportunity to get to know one another. A mix of newer parishioners with some who have been at SMM for a longer time.
February 10 Cana Dinner for Married Couples
RSVP by Feb 4
February 14 Ash Wednesday
Mass at 8 am and 7:00 pm

Neighboring Events

MCCL March for Life Monday, January 22 12:00 noon

Thousands of people will stand up for life. Make plans to join them at the Capitol! The March commemorates the deaths of more than 60 million unborn babies killed by abortion since the 1973 US Supreme Court decisions legalized abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy.

Your presence in body, spirit and in prayer will help show elected officials and the public the depth of support for pro-life legislation protecting women and unborn babies. For more information, visit www.mccl.org

Catholic Schools

Catholic Schools Affiliated with St. Margaret Mary

Good Shepherd (K-6) 763-545-4285 145 Jersey Ave S. Golden Valley www.gsgvschool.org	Sacred Heart (PreK-8) 763-537-1329 4050 Hubbard Ave N. Robbinsdale www.sacredheartrobbinsdale.org
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Spiritual Life

Anointing of the Sick

If you, or someone you know of, is ill, elderly or facing surgery, please call the Parish Office.

Baptism

Please call the Parish Center **early** in your pregnancy or adoption process to register for a Baptism Preparation Session.

Marriage

Please call the parish office six months in advance.

RCIA, First Eucharist, Confirmation

Please call the Parish Center.

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2323 Zenith Ave. N., Golden Valley, MN 55422

Parish Center Office Hours

Monday - Thursday 8 - 3:30 pm, Friday 8 - noon

763-588-9466 Fax: 763-588-0040

Web: www.smm-gv.org

Email: myparish@smm-gv.org

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Wednesday and Thursday, Mass at 8:00 am

Pastoral Team

Pastor Father Thomas Rayar
frtom@smm-gv.org

Faith Formation for Children & Adults faith@smm-gv.org

Liturgy, Music & Liturgical Environment music@smm-gv.org

Parish Business Administrator Diane Mareck
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Pastoral Emergencies and Anointing of the Sick
call Father Tom at 763-515-2005

Parish Leadership

COUNCIL FOR MISSION & MINISTRY

Marian Beumer, *First Chair*..... 612-529-4945
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Richard Karels..... 763-588-3271
Richard Kramer..... 763-521-0851
Anne Marsnik..... 763-535-4125

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Nancy Huntley, *Trustee* 763-522-9437
Jean Plucinski, *Adult Faith Formation*..... 763-593-0664
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