

The Church of

# St. Margaret Mary



2323 Zenith Ave N., Golden Valley, MN 55422 Telephone Number 763-588-9466

November 13, 2022

33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

*You will be hated by all because of my name,  
but not a hair on your head will be destroyed.*

LUKE 21:17-18

THIRTY-THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME



NOVEMBER 13, 2022

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**You Are  
Welcome Here!**

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

## Mass Schedule

Saturday Mass: 4:00pm  
Sunday Mass: 10:00am  
Tuesday: 5:00pm Adoration  
6:00pm Mass

**View the weekend Masses online at:  
[www.smm-gv.org](http://www.smm-gv.org)**

**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.

## Reflection from Father Tom

### Minding Our Business

In the second reading of this weekend, we hear from the letter of St. Paul written to Thessalonians. He strongly instructs the Thessalonians who were living in a rich and cosmopolitan city of that time, *"In fact, when we were with you, we instructed you that if anyone was unwilling to work, neither should that one eat. We hear that some are conducting themselves among you in a disorderly way, by not keeping busy but minding the business of others."* As a matter of fact, St. Paul worked hard, beside his hard mission work, for his food so that he could be an example to others. He made tents for a living. He did not like to be a burden to the people though he deserved to receive remunerations from them for his work. The purpose of life is fulfilled in the perfection of our hard work. Our labors are not burdens of our life but are the privileged opportunities to express our love towards God and our loved ones around us.

**Work-Continuation of God's Creative Work:** In the first book of the Bible we read that God worked for six days to bring this orderly creation from the chaos and took rest on the 7th day. The six days of God's work was not done on the 7th day but continues to eternity through every human being. By God's creative work, he sanctified our labor. Our labor is the continuation of God's creation. God created us in his own image and gave his spirit that we continue to be *pro-creators* by participating in the creative work of God in this world. So, everyone has a role to play in the world of natural order.

**Idle Mind:** We are commissioned by God to continue his creative work not as a burden but as a joy of Godly labor. Our work is not a punishment but a privilege of being God's instrument of creation because God still continues to create through every one of us. The failure to work is walking away from God's presence. Thus, the devil gets into our mind. That is why we have the saying, *"An idle mind is the devil's workshop."* When our body is still and our minds are tilling into others' business. As St. Paul urged Thessalonians, we need to keep ourselves busy in doing our work and not mind the business of others. No hurt is better than no help. Even though we cannot help others, it will be a great help if we do not hurt them.

**Keep Busy to Avoid Troubles:** This is what happened in the community of Thessalonians, instead of participation in the creative work of God, they were idle and minding the business of the other people. If we are to be busy and work harder, we will not have time for troubles.

Let us remind ourselves that our work is a continuation of God's creative work and we are *pro-creators*. Let us appreciate one another for the great sacrifice and contribution we make to bring this world livable to all creatures and lovable in the eye of God.

*Prayer: Lord, We are not the Master builders, but called to build this world with your 'master plan' of our salvation. So let us add the 'bricks' to your 'building' with simple faith in a humble way. Amen.*

## Spiritual Journey

Dear Father, Mary and Mary,

I had to write to tell you how beautiful and meaningful Mass was on Sunday. Everything from Father Tom, your homily and reflection in the bulletin, to the awesome vocal music with guitar, piano accompaniment, to the lovely presentation of memorial names and candle lighting, and altar decorations captured my heart and emotion. I know others had a part in the liturgy as well and hope you will pass on my congratulations on a job well done!

It was three years for me in October since my husband's passing and I as others have lost several close family and friends since then and of course before. I was so numb the first year I barely remember the Mass or much of anything. God's time and the Holy Spirit's nudging have kept me going and learning what I need to recover, with the help and support of friends and family. Getting up to an alarm the same time every day, using my full spectrum light every morning so I can listen to the daily readings and a reflection. Getting outside every day and walking at least 30 min. These among other things have me feeling very blessed to feel the best I have felt in years!

You seldom know the impact you might have on others. My friend and I cried on each other's shoulders as we left the pews; it was so beautiful. Your efforts were very impactful indeed and much appreciated!

Many Blessings to you all,  
SMM Parishioner

## Hospitality Weekend



Join us for refreshments and fellowship immediately following Mass this Sunday. Our Confirmation students will be serving coffee and donuts. Please have coffee and a donut and conversation with the youth of our parish! We hope to see you there!

## Christmas Wreaths

If you ordered Christmas wreaths and decor from the Sacred Heart students, they will be available for pick up after Masses next weekend, November 19 and 20. Please bring your payment of cash or check (made payable to Frances de Kooker). If you know you will not be here, please contact Frances to arrange delivery at [francesrivera19@gmail.com](mailto:francesrivera19@gmail.com). Thank you!

## November 12-November 20

### Saturday, November 12

3:30pm Reconciliation  
4:00pm Mass ..... \* Meyering Family

### Sunday, Nov 13th 33rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00am Mass..... \* People of SMM

### Tuesday, November 15

5:00pm Adoration  
6:00pm Mass .....† Ralph Reger

### Saturday, November 19

3:30pm Reconciliation  
4:00pm Mass .....† Velma C Hageman

### Sunday, Nov 20th 33rd Our Lord Jesus Christ

#### King of the Universe

10:00am Mass.....† DonnaMae Muntiferung  
† deceased \* living

## Social Ministry



### PRISM Requests:

- Peanut Butter and Cereals
- Baking Supplies
- Diapers and Wipes

### Walk to End Hunger:

The Walk to End Hunger will be held on Thanksgiving morning at the Mall of America!

To find out more about joining PRISM's Team and support them at this year's Walk to End Hunger, view their page below. <https://event.walktoendhunger.org/event/walktoendhunger2022/classification/272788/>



This coming Sunday, St. Margaret Mary will be have hospitality Sunday after Mass in Visitation Hall. Our Confirmation students will serve as the hospitality hosts for this event. In lieu of a class session, we will have the opportunity to be of service to our parish community. This will be a great opportunity for our parishioners to be introduced to our teens preparing for Confirmation. Please join us for refreshments after Mass. This will also be an opportunity for you to meet with me and catechist Jon Kleist.

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## Pastoral Team

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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.

## Parish Pastoral Council

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