

The Church of

# St. Margaret Mary

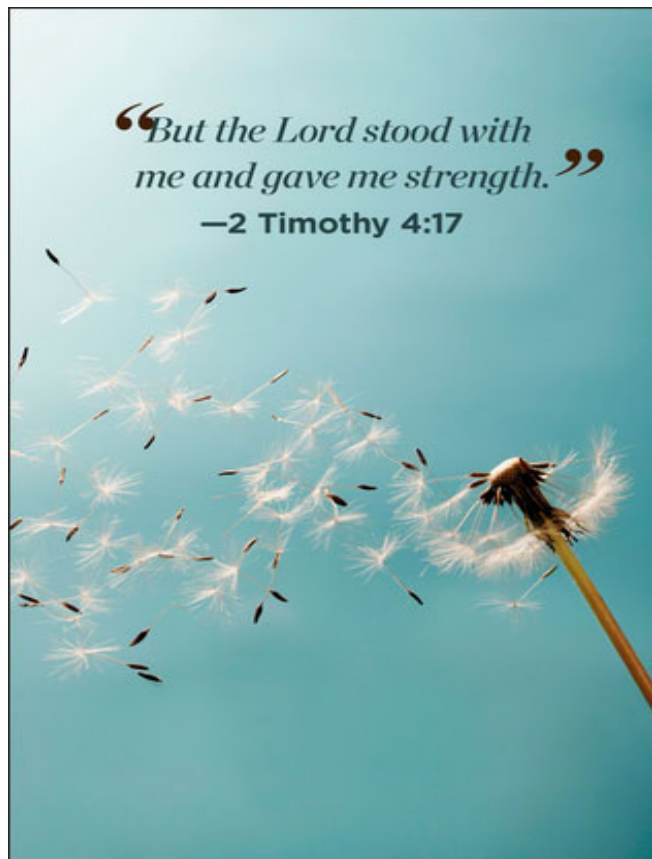
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August 04, 2024  
August 11, 2024

18th Sunday in Ordinary Time  
19th Sunday in Ordinary Time



<p><b>You Are Welcome Here!</b></p> <p><b>We're glad you're here. Wherever you are on your journey of faith, you have a home with us.</b></p>	<p><b>Mass Schedule</b></p> <p>Saturday Mass: 4:00pm  Sunday Mass: 10:00am  Tuesday: 5:00pm Adoration  6:00pm Mass</p> <p><b>View the weekend Masses online at:</b>  <a href="http://www.smm-gv.org">www.smm-gv.org</a></p>	<p><b>Experiencing the Heart of Christ, we</b></p> <p><b>Know Jesus</b>  in Word and Worship.  <b>Live Jesus</b>  in a vibrant, welcoming Catholic community.  <b>Serve Jesus</b>  in outreach and justice.</p>
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## Reflection from Father Tom

### Moses – the Greatest Leader

Moses is one of the fascinating characters to me personally in the Old Testament. Moses was one of the models of great leadership in the history of salvation. He was a great leader who led the people of Israel without knowing where to go and how to go. It was a leap of faith. His faith in God was the 'map' for his journey to the Promised Land. Though he was a great teacher and leader he could not escape from the criticism of the people. In the first reading of this weekend, we read from the book of Exodus, *"The whole Israelite community grumbled against Moses and Aaron."* Instead of being grateful to him for delivering them from slavery, they started complaining that they could not get water and food in the desert. Now let us see what kind of leader Moses was.

**A leader with the people:** Moses was in the palace of Pharaoh. He did not think that he could save the people out of Egypt by influencing the king. But, leaving the palace, he became a part of the oppressed people, so that he could lead the people out of slavery. This was the model God teaches us by the very fact of the incarnation of Jesus, His Son, who came to this world to be born as a man to save the world. Moses identified himself with the people to lead them.

**A leader with faith and spirit:** Moses, more than being a master planner, was a follower of God in leading the people to the Promised Land. He did not have a master plan of war or a map to the place he wanted to go. He just listened to the Spirit of God and had undivided faith in God's promise.

**A Leader with Patience:** Forty years in the desert with a multitude of people needed mountainous patience. He was not discouraged by the criticism of the people. But he was focused on following the direction of God with the spirit of surrender. Ultimately, he knew it was God who was the 'Master' not him.

Every one of us is called by God to lead the people in different walks of our life. By being a parent, we are called to lead our children and grandchildren in the way of God. How do we lead them? Are we a good follower of God that we can lead them to the faith? Unlike the people of Israel in Exodus, let us be positive and follow the direction of God to the "Promised Land".

*Prayer: Lord, let us not destroy your 'house of faith' with harmful criticism, but give us the grace to furnish it with constructive compliments! Amen.*

## The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary

Thursday, August 15th  
6:00 PM Mass  
(Holy Day of Obligation )



## Parish Festival September 15th

Mark your calendars! The Parish Festival will be on Sunday, September 15th, after the 10:00 am Mass. Preparations are being made for music, raffle, games, silent auction and delicious food!

Gift baskets for the silent auction can be dropped off at the parish office or to the back of the Church.

We are also looking for people to donate bottles of wine, alcohol or non alcoholic bottles for the ring toss game. There will be a kid friendly ring toss as well. Suggested bottles for the kid's ring toss are Gatorade, pop, juice, or bottled water.

## Aug 3rd—Aug 18th

### Saturday, August 3

3:30 pm Reconciliation  
4:00 pm Mass .....† Lawrence Aubart

### Sunday, Aug 4 17th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass .....† Lucy Anne Karels

### Tuesday, August 6

5:00 pm Adoration  
6:00 pm Mass .....★ People of SMM

### Saturday, August 10

3:30 pm Reconciliation  
4:00 pm Mass.....† Kathrynne Aubart

### Sunday, Aug 11 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass .....† Edward Doll

### Tuesday, August 13

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

### Thursday, Aug 15 Holy Day of Obligation

The Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary  
6:00 pm Mass .....★ People of SMM

### Saturday, August 17

3:30 pm Reconciliation  
4:00 pm Mass.....† Dean Blixt, Jr.

### Sunday, Aug 18 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass .....† Edward Doll  
.....† Thomas Mechels  
† deceased ★ living

## Social Ministry

### PRISM needs for August: Backpacks & School Supplies

### Lined paper, notebooks, pencils, art supplies and calculators

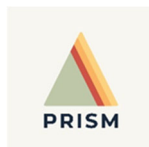
Items always needed: peanut butter, jelly, crackers and cheese, applesauce and prepackaged fruit.

Also, sugar, oil, flour, cereal, pasta, soup, canned chicken and tuna, pancake mix and syrup.

#### Fresh produce distribution

First and third Tuesdays from June 18-October 1  
2:00-4:00 pm

Prism parking lot: 1220 Zane Ave N  
Golden Valley, MN  
Everyone is welcome!



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## Pastoral Team

### Pastor:

Fr. Thomas Rayar  
frtom@smm-gv.org

For Pastoral Emergencies and Anointing of the Sick  
Call 763-515-2005

### Business Administration

Mary Muntifering  
marym@smm-gv.org

### Music Ministry

Mary Bur  
mbur@smm-gv.org

## 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

### AT LARGE MEMBERS

Michael Bloberger, First Chair.....  
Collin Abram .....  
Brenda Brincks,.....  
Hannah Ficks, *Second Chair*.....  
Steve Gleason, Secretary .....  
Molly Anderson .....

### PPC COMMITTEE REPRESENTATIVES

Nancy Huntley, *Trustee* .....  
Jean Plucinski, *Adult Faith Formation*.....  
Georgeann Wobschall, *Social Ministry*.....

### FINANCE COUNCIL

Peter Aubart .....  
Michael Ficks .....  
Jeb Myers, *Trustee*.....  
Rick Riley .....  
Jim Sherburne .....

### PRAYER CHAIN

Laurie Geving ..... 763-772-7762

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Monday: Office Closed  
Tuesdays through Thursdays : 9:00am  
to 3:00pm  
Fridays: 9:00 am to 12:00pm

### Parishioner Volunteer Thank you !

Thank you to the following volunteers who have offered their time to help with the Parish Festival:

Steve Gleason — Festival Chair  
Joleen Buck — Children's Games  
Bingo — Pete Aubart  
Silent Auction — Louise Hyser  
Rich and Barb Kramer — Music  
The Knights of Columbus — Time and Treasure

Thank you to all of them for their generosity of time to help make our festival a success!

### Volunteers Needed for Serving Food

We are looking for someone to head up the American food option that will be served at the festival. We are open to new ideas for food and options.

If you would like to lead or volunteer to help serve food at the festival, please contact Mary Muntifering.

### Devotional Candles

*"I am the light of the world; he who follows me will not walk in darkness, but will have the light of life" (John 8:12).* In today's culture, lighting devotional candles signifies our prayer offered in faith coming into the light of God. With the light of faith, we petition our Lord in prayer to pray with us and for us to the Lord. The vigil candle that is lit remains so for a period of time and symbolizes how the person desires "to remain present to the Lord in prayer even though we may depart and go about our daily business."

Your donation of \$5.00 is appreciated to defray the increased cost of the candles.

**Daily Bible Readings** are available online at the United States Council of Catholic Bishop's website [www.usccb.org/bible/readings](http://www.usccb.org/bible/readings).

### Silent Auction "Baskets from Heaven"

Get ready, get set, and choose your basket!

"Baskets from Heaven" is off and running. Please be sure to pick up a basket in the back of the Church if you haven't already done so. You can start dropping off your *filled baskets* in the Parish Office or in the back of the Church.

If you would like to help with the baskets, please contact Louise Hyser or Mary Muntifering

Thank you for all your support towards the parish festival. .

### Parish Festival Volunteers

As all of you know, no Church can function without volunteers. It is our Church and our Faith Community. We own and build this community by joining hands in working together.

Our biggest fund raiser is our festival. Please help by volunteering to help where ever you are able. We are looking for many volunteers to make this a successful event!

Please consider helping our faith family by volunteering time, talent or treasure by contacting Mary Muntifering at the Parish office.

Thank you in advance for your much needed support!

Watch for sign up sheets in the back of Church to volunteer for the various activities of the festival.

### Mass Intentions

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

Please contact Mary ([marym@smm-gv.org](mailto:marym@smm-gv.org)) in the parish office to schedule your Mass Intentions. Suggested minimum donation is \$7.00 or more per Mass.

