

The Church of

St. Margaret Mary

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



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August 10, 2025
August 17, 2025

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time



August 09 — August 19

Saturday, Aug 9

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Mass★ People of SMM

Sunday, Aug 10 19th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass† Chuck Foley

Tuesday, Aug 12

5:00 pm Adoration
6:00 pm Mass★ Nick & Dani Dickinson

Thurs, Aug 14 Vigil Mass for Assumption of Mary

6:00 pm MassHoly Day of Obligation

Saturday, Aug 16

3:30 pm Reconciliation
4:00 pm Mass★ People of SMM

Sunday, Aug 17 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass† Agnes Mary Cremers

Tuesday, Aug 19

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

† deceased ★ living

Pastoral Team

Pastor:

Fr. Thomas Rayar
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Business Administer:

Mary Muntifering
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Music Ministry

Mary Bur mbur@smm-gv.org

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

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.

**You Are
Welcome Here!**

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

Reflection from Father Tom

Feast of Assumption of our Heavenly Mother

It was only 75 years ago on the Feast of All Saints that Pope Pius XII proclaimed (Dogma of **Munificentissimus Deus**) to the world that the mother of Jesus, having completed her earthly life, was taken up into heaven, body and soul. This was not a belief that sprouted at the spur of the moment; it was deeply rooted in the hearts of the people of faith from the time of Mary's departure from this world. Christians have believed in Mary's assumption from the earliest times. We find it in the writings of the Fathers of the Church in the first three centuries. Pope Pius XII gave an official recognition to this long-standing faith carved in the hearts of people. It was the second dogma promulgated under the infallibility of papal authority. As we all know, our faith is the truth beyond scientific verifications. This dogma was based on the reality of faith that our Blessed Mother was assumed into heaven with her body and soul. This feast of the Assumption gives us the hope that we will one day be like our Mother Mary when we listen to Jesus' words and live our life accordingly. "My mother and my brothers are those who hear the word of God and act upon it". (Luke 8:21)

Mary was not glorified just because she was the biological mother of Jesus. But she was also the mother of Jesus by her faith, by listening to God's words and by acting upon it. This is what we read in the Gospel of the feast day on August 15th that Mary went to the hill country to help her cousin Elizabeth who needed help in the time of her late pregnancy. She was there at the wedding feast at Cana to help when they ran out of wine. Mary was there when Jesus carried the cross to mount Calvary. She was at the foot of the cross to be with her son at the final battle for human salvation. Even today, our Blessed Mother is there whenever we call upon her in our prayers. We continue to witness her help in numerous stories of miracles and apparitions all over the world. This is the way she reminds us that she is always with us as she stood at the foot of the cross for her son, Jesus. This heavenly mother will be there when we call her for help. Let us continuously ask her to pray for us to her son that we will be among the redeemed.

Hail Mary, full of grace, the Lord is with thee. Blessed art thou among women, and blessed is the fruit of thy womb, Jesus. Holy Mary, Mother of God, pray for us sinners, now and at the hour of our death. Amen.

Holiday Bazaar Items

There are items (Christmas decorations, cards, etc.) from the Holiday Bazaar in the Parish Office. If anyone is interested in these items, please contact Mary Muntifering. If there is no interest in the items, they will be donated to a local charity.

Social Ministry

August Needs: Backpacks and School Supplies

Fresh free produce distribution starts Tuesday, June 17 from 2:00 pm -4:00 pm (Every 2 weeks)

Distribution at: Prism 1220 Zane Ave N Golden Valley

Parishioner Thank YOU!

Thank you to all the volunteers who send birthday card greetings to our "senior" parishioners. The cards are sent by our Social Ministry, which includes Georgeann Wobschall, Marlene Witucki, Mary Ellen Bruski, Louise Hyser and Laurie Geving.

There is a special thank you on the bulletin board of the Church from a parishioner who received a birthday card greeting from the social ministry group.

It's nice to be recognized as the receiver and the sender. Thank you to everyone!

Fall Festival

More raffle tickets for the Fall Festival (September 21, 2025) are available. Please see Mary Muntifering if you are in need of additional tickets.

Baskets for the Silent Auction (Baskets from Heaven) are available in the back of the Church.

The Fall Festival is our biggest fund raiser and the success is dependent on full participation from everyone! Please help make it a success!

Summertime Humor

"God's Garden: Lettuce praise Him, squash the gossip, and turnip at church".

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6:00 pm Mass....★ Nick & Dani Dickinson

Thursday, August 14 Assumption of Mary

6:00 pm Mass...★ Holy Day of Obligation

Saturday, Aug 2

3:30 pm Reconciliation

4:00 pm Mass★ People of SMM

Sunday, Aug 3 18th Sunday in Ordinary Time

10:00 am Mass† Agnes M. Cremers

Tuesday, Aug 5

5:00 pm Adoration

6:00 pm Mass.....★ Expectant Parents

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Last Date of Distribution October 21

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Donations needed, especially lunch items: Mac and cheese, soup, pasta, granola bars, healthy snack items, and cereal.

Daily Bible Readings are available online at the United States Council of Catholic Bishop's website www.usccb.org/bible/readings.



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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

AT LARGE MEMBERS

Molly Anderson

Collin Abram, *Secretary*.....

Sue Buck

Hannah Ficks, *Second Chair*.....

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

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Archdiocesan Passport Adventure

Choose your own Passport Adventure

There are so many ways to join in the Archdiocesan Passport Adventure! Just a few ideas: · Attend a parish festival: thecatholicspirit.com/festivals · Find a time for Mass, Reconciliation or Adoration: archspm.org/parishes · Attend a retreat or social: archspm.org/events

While you are there, be sure to grab a photo and share your adventures on social media by tagging @ArchdioceseSPM and using #175passport in your posts! Get started: archspm.org/passport

Knights of Columbus

The Crystal Women's Clinic Annual "Walk/Ride for Life" .

Thank you for helping the Knights of Columbus #3656 team raise **\$7,025** for the Crystal Women's Clinic "Walk for Life" on August 2, 2025 at French Regional Park.

Since its founding in 1992, as RWC, Support-Life, dba Crystal Women's Clinic, has been dedicated to empowering women, protecting life, and sharing the hope found in Jesus Christ.

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.

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) in the parish office to schedule your Mass Intentions. Suggested minimum donation is \$7.00 or more per Mass.

Endowment Fund

"A Gift that Keeps on Giving, Year after Year."

Thank you to all who have contributed to the Parish Endowment Fund. Ongoing contributions of cash and stock helps grow the fund where the principal amount is always at work for the parish and cannot be removed. The parish can elect to spend the interest earned to fund special projects or programs of the parish.

175th Anniversary Books

Supplies are getting low!

The 175th Anniversary Books are available for a limited time. If you would like to purchase a pictorial book or a graphic novel book, please see Mary Muntiferer at the Parish Office for details.

The cost of the pictorial book is \$40 and the graphic novel book is \$15 .