

# Our Lady of Grace

Catholic Church

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### Lord's Day Masses

Saturday ..... 5:15 pm  
Sunday ..... 7:30, 9:30, 11:30 am  
& 6:00 pm

### Weekday Masses

Monday-Friday ..... 6:15 & 9:00 am  
Saturday ..... 8:00 am  
Holydays ..... Consult bulletin

### Penance

Saturday 9:30-10:30 am or by appointment.

### Nursery

Available during 9:30 & 11:30 am Sunday Masses.

### Baptism

Baptismal preparation offered Wednesday, January 11, 7:00-8:30 pm. To register contact Shea Pesci at 952-929-3317 ext. 125 or [sheapesci@olgparish.org](mailto:sheapesci@olgparish.org).

### Marriage

Marriage preparation requires a minimum of 6 months.

### Confidential Pregnancy Help

Phone ..... 952-938-4496  
(ACCL-A Community Caring for Life)

### Bulletin Deadline

10 days prior to publication date.

**Parish Fax** ..... 952-929-4612

**School Fax** ..... 952-929-8170

### New Parishioner Registration:

Sunday, February 5, 2012 at 10:30am in the Parish Dining Room.



- They were overjoyed at seeing the star, and on entering the house they saw the child with Mary his mother. They prostrated themselves and did him homage. Then they opened their treasures and offered him gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh.

*Mt 2:10-11*

## HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH MINISTRY AND CONFIRMATION

*Chuck Benincasa, Director of Youth Ministry*  
*Donna Rubio, Youth Minister*

### YOUTH MINISTRY AND CONFIRMATION

#### Confirmation

Sunday, January 8<sup>th</sup>, Confirmation classes will resume at their regularly scheduled times. There will be NO CLASSES Sunday, January 15<sup>th</sup> due to Martin Luther King Day.

#### High School Youth Group

Join us this Wednesday for High School Youth Group!  
 We meet from 7-8:30pm in the Youth Room. All 9-12 graders are welcome!

#### MIDDLE SCHOOL YOUTH

#### Tuesday's in "The Room"

Join us Tuesday from 3:15-5pm in the Youth Room where all middle school students are invited to hang out, play games, and have fun.  
 For more information on "The Room" contact Donna Rubio.

#### Next FNO—Luau Dance!

The next Friday Night Out will be a Hawaiian, luau themed dance on Friday, January 20<sup>th</sup> from 6:30-8:30pm.  
 Cost is \$10 at the door with drinks and snacks available for purchase.

### Stewardship & Shared Ministry

As we had communicated earlier, the numbers below represent the new monthly report results with the year to date surplus or deficit as well.

To Date Monthly Support Needed to Operate Parish	To Date Monthly Actual Collections	Budget Overage/(Shortfall)
\$ 251,589	\$ 261,538	\$ 9,948
YTD \$ 978,698	\$ 975,805	\$(2,893)



## Social Justice Corner FOOD COLLECTION

As an on-going part of the Social Justice Ministry we have a food collection bin in the hallway across from Cassidy Hall. Food is collected for VEAP, Catholic Charities Branch I, and STEP, on a monthly rotating basis.

We thank everyone for their wonderful donations—Please keep it up! The food shelves continue to have record numbers of families that depend on the generosity of the community to be able to feed their families.

Food Items that are most needed include: Tuna, Canned Chicken, Canned Beef Stew, Canned Chili, Canned Ham, SPAM, Peanut Butter, Bags of Dry Pinto and Dry Black Beans.

### OLG PARISH LIBRARY

Please stop by the OLG Parish Library. Pope Benedict's new book, "Holy Women" and "The End & the Beginning: Pope John Paul II: Last Years" by George Weigel are two of the new additions. Please sign, date, name & phone number on card. Place cards in metal box in checkout by the door.

### We Remember

- 1/8 Marcia Haagensen 1984, Louise Schoening 1991, Lillian Mulvehill 1993, Marion Flesher 1994, Elizabeth Eaton 1997, Thomas Hopkins 1997, Scott Lewis 2006
- 1/9 Genevieve Frankman 1994, Lynn Marie Meier, 2009
- 1/10 Eloi Boulay 1973, Joseph Cella 1984, Molly Hutchens 1986, Jeannette Jabbry 1997
- 1/11 Laurence Kelly 1959, Mabel Purdum 1981, Sean McGovern 1997, Alida Kiesner 2008
- 1/12 Lorraine Setzer 1997, John Dougherty 1998, Robert Peterson 2003, James Bordewick 2006
- 1/13 Patrick Maloney 1958, Everett Halloran 1960, Stanley Olsen Sr. 1984, Margaret Bigelow 1994, William Lonergan 2003, Janice Solomon 2006, Victor Vitullo, 2010
- 1/14 Lauri Hawks 1985, Charles McKissick 1985, Frances Regan 1994

## WIDOWS OF GRACE

Join us on Friday, January 13, following the 9:00am Mass, in the Dining Room for social time plus coffee and treats! This is a time to make some new friends and connect with old friends.

All are welcome!  
 There is no pre-registration.

## Mass Intentions

### Sunday, January 8

- 7:30 am †Helen Bergee
- 9:30 am For the Parish
- 11:30 am †Almont & Agnes Rose  
Bergee
- 6:00pm Chris Hildebrand

### Monday, January 9

- 6:15 am †Deacon Delmar Ferguson
- 9:00 am †John Healy

### Tuesday, January 10

- 6:15 am †Ted & Myrtle Dunshee
- 9:00 am †Dorothy Mary Busch

### Wednesday, January 11

- 6:15 am †Ted & Myrtle Dunshee
- 9:00 am †Dominic Margarit

### Thursday, January 12

- 6:15 am †Ted & Myrtle Dunshee
- 9:00 am †Jean Hatlested

### Friday, January 13

- 6:15 am †Ted and Myrtle Dunshee
- 9:00 am †Ronald LaCombe

### Saturday, January 14

- 8:00 am †Delores Dzivbla
- 5:15pm †James Bordewick

### Sunday, January 15

- 7:30 am †Evon Rangeloff
- 9:30 am For the Parish
- 11:30 am †Almont & Agnes Rose  
Bergee
- 6:00pm Harry Franklin Sellers

## Calendar

### Sunday, January 8

- 10:30am New Parishioner Orientation,  
Dining Room
- 4:00pm Confirmation, Cassidy Hall

### Monday, January 9

- 7:00pm Boy Scouts, Cassidy Hall
- 7:00pm Wedding Workshop, Forrey  
Room

### Tuesday, January 10

- 9:30am Logos Training, Dining Room
- 7:00pm Parish Council, Forrey Room
- 7:00pm Ignatian Retreat, Dining Rm
- 7:00pm Cub Scouts, After Care Room
- 7:00pm Catholicism Project, CH

### Wednesday, January 11

- 4:30pm Faith Formation, Campus
- 7:00pm Baptism Class, Forrey Room

### Thursday, January 12

- 3:15pm Chess Club, Cassidy Hall
- 6:00pm Middle School Open House,  
Cassidy Hall
- 7:00pm RCIA, School Library
- 7:00pm Schola Cantorum, Church

### Friday, January 13

- 9:45am Widows of Grace, Dining Rm

### Saturday, January 14

## Pastoral Ministry

### Grief Support

Maybe you thought you'd feel better by now, but it's the New Year already and you still feel the deep pain of the loss of a loved one. Grief Support can help. Our Lady of Grace is a member of the Edina Grief Coalition providing weekly group support for those who have lost a loved one through death.

We will be meeting at St Patrick's Church 6820 St Patrick's Lane in Edina every Thursday 4:30-6pm. No pre-registration is required.

### Stephen Ministry

Stephen Ministers provide confidential one-on-one support for individuals in need. Who do we support? Lots of people. People in a variety of situations. We listen, we care, we're willing to walk with you on your journey. If you'd like the support of a Stephen Minister, call Beryl in the church office.

### Sunday Bus Service

Did you know we have a bus that provides rides to Sunday Mass for those unable to drive? If you know of someone who would like to attend OLG Sunday Mass, lives within the church boundaries, can manage two steps independently and is no longer able to drive, call the office to arrange for Sunday bus pick up.

### Separated and Divorced

Our winter series will begin Monday January 16th 6:30-8:30pm at Immaculate Heart of Mary 13505 Excelsior Blvd, Minnetonka.

Topic: **Anger - Putting it to Good Use.** Speaker: Maureen Campion, MS LP, is a private practice psychologist and marriage counselor. For more information visit her website at [www.marriagegeek.com](http://www.marriagegeek.com)



**Hello!** My name is Stephanie Lloyd, and I am the new Director of Faith Formation at Our Lady of Grace. I come to you from my most recent position at the Church of St. John Neumann in Eagan, MN, where I worked for 6 1/2 years as the Pastoral Associate in Faith Formation, Grades 1-5. During my full-time professional ministry there, I attended master's level classes part-time through the Murray Institute, and was awarded the Master of Arts in Religious Education degree from the University of St. Thomas in May, 2010.

I live in Lakeville with my family: my wonderfully supportive husband Brian, and our 4 children, Nick (16), Andy (13), Mykenna (11), and Connor (7 months), as well as our dog, a yellow lab named Holli. We believe we are truly blessed, and that God has a wonderful sense of humor! Our home parish is St. Joseph in Rosemount.

As Director of Faith Formation at Our Lady of Grace, I will oversee Sunday School, Faith Formation for Grades 1-5, our youth ministers, and Adult Faith Formation. Additionally, I will work closely with our youth ministers and parishioners to evaluate faith formation and youth ministry so that we can continually enhance, enliven, and enrich our offerings. I feel blessed to join you on the journey and I am excited about continuing to build the Faith Formation Department.

Peace and God's blessings,  
Stephanie Lloyd

## ATTENTION: PARENTS OF FUTURE MIDDLE SCHOOL STUDENTS - GRADES 6<sup>TH</sup>-8<sup>TH</sup>

OLG School will host an Open House for its Middle School on Thursday, January 12 from 7:00-8:30 pm in Cassidy Hall. Come learn about our powerful, spiritual and academic program that includes:

- One to One Laptop Program
- Outstanding Academic Results
- Service and Leadership Opportunities

Find out how our unique Catholic program prepares students for success in high school and beyond. For more information go to [www.olgschool.net](http://www.olgschool.net) or call 952-929-5463.



## WINTER WEEKEND FAMILY CAMP - JAN 13-16 and FEB 17-20

For the past 15 years, many OLG families have attended Winter Weekend at Grand View Lodge in Brainerd, MN. The purpose of the weekend is for you and your family to have fun, to strengthen your relationships with each other as well as other families and to grow in your faith.

Great speakers! Awesome music! Unbelievable fun! There will be lot of time to spend with your family cross-country skiing, playing boot hockey, ice fishing, downhill skiing and snowboarding, skating, sliding or warming yourself next to the outdoor bonfire. Gather with your family and friends at the giant indoor water park. Take a long walk outdoors or workout in Grand View's exercise room. Treat yourself at the new Grand View Lodge Spa.

Space is limited. Retreat is filled on first-come, first-serve basis.

The following OLG couples have been bringing their families to this retreat and you are welcome to call them for more info:

Tim and Jennifer Karlen, 952-829-7133  
Bob and Jackie Harvey, 612-925-2627  
John and Megan Wedl, 952-270-3817  
Chuck and Nora Watts, 952-238-8385

Dick and Nancy Keller, 952-925-0304  
Mark and Ja Nell Nelson, 952-949-1280  
Dan and Sheryl Moran, 952-926-4614  
Tom and Ann Harens, 612-619-4479

Video, pictures and more info can be found at: [www.familyfestministries.org](http://www.familyfestministries.org).

## OLG Men's Club - Annual Spirituality Mini Retreat for Men

Saturday, January 21, 2012 - OLG's Cassidy Hall

8:00 a.m. Mass, 8:45 coffee, donuts and Juice, 9:00-12:30 mini retreat, 12:00 noon-pizza/pop - No Charge!

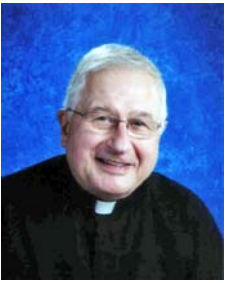
The retreat will be lead by Thom Winner who has shared his business and faith insights with over 2000 audiences, written 7 books and is an ordained permanent Diocesan Deacon. Thom will share the pattern for self discovery, the meaning to life, and the benefits of living faith in work and life.

In our fast, competitive and materialistic world, life can be very hectic and difficult. This mini-retreat will give us a chance to pause and examine how we can live our vocations as businessmen, fathers and spouses with meaning and service.

Plan to join the Our Lady of Grace Men's Club at this annual event. RSVP at the table in the back of the Commons after Mass during weekends of Jan 7th and 14th or contact:

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RSVP not required, but greatly appreciated.



## From the Pastor

### CATHOLIC EDUCATION – A GIFT TO THE CHURCH IN AFRICA

Later this week I will be going to visit our sister parish, St. Joseph's in Momponteng in Ghana, West Africa. I am traveling with Warren and Mary Lynn Staley from our parish. We are going in response to an invitation from the traditional tribal chiefs to look at the possibility of helping them build a Catholic high school in their area. St. Joseph's parish has a grade school serving close to a thousand students. The parish has nine or more mission stations most of which have a school attached to them. The number of Ghanaian children being educated and formed in the Catholic schools of St. Joseph's parish is large. There is no high school of any kind in the area. Unless students leave home at an early age and venture into the big city they do not have the high school education necessary to go on to college.

The bishop responsible for St. Joseph's parish has been encouraging us to help with the building of a hospital for several years. When I met with the tribal chiefs on my last visit to Ghana two years ago they told me that they needed a high school first. One of the old chiefs said to me, *"If we do not have a hospital it will be hard on us older people. On the other hand, if our children and grandchildren can not get more advanced education we will always be poor. We think that the high school comes first."* I was very impressed with the reasoning and the generosity of the chiefs. This gathering of wise old men said that they wanted a Catholic high school because the academic standards are high in Catholic schools, the solid formation in Christian faith and values was acceptable to all, and the connection Catholic schools have with the community outside of Ghana will support quality education in the school. The chiefs told me that many of them were not Catholic, yet they believed that a Catholic high school would be the most helpful and most acceptable to all. After talking to Bishop Joseph we decided to follow the advice of the chiefs and pursue a Catholic high school at St. Joseph's in Momponteng. Each region in Ghana has a *"Queen Mother"* who watches over the welfare of the community. The Queen Mother in our region has given the proposed Catholic high school nineteen acres of land on which to build. This is a very strong indication that the people of the area agree with the priority given to building a high school.

In God's mysterious plan our relationship with St. Joseph's Parish began at Most Holy Trinity in St. Louis Park. When I was at Our Lady of Grace only a few weeks several former Most Holy Trinity parishioners invited me out to dinner with the pastor of St. Joseph's. He was visiting them from Ghana. Fr. Cosmas asked if Our Lady of Grace would be their sister parish. I was enthusiastic, but our parish council advised me to visit Ghana before committing OLG to this relationship. I went to Ghana my first spring as pastor of OLG. I traveled with a dozen OLG parishioners. When we returned the travelers spoke at all the Masses. In the weeks after our return \$100,000 came in to support our ministry in Ghana. The response was overwhelming. Since then about forty OLG parishioners have traveled to Ghana, including several teens. We helped complete, renovate and refurnish St. Joseph's parish church. I remember the pastor saying, *"We are Catholic people. Please give us a suitable church first."* We did. We also built a major part of the student center at the Catholic Chaplaincy of the University of Kumasi. We built a central toilet facility in a nearby village. We built and furnished the pre-school at St. Joseph's. We brought two Ghanaian priests here to live in our rectory and we paid for their education at the University of St. Thomas. Fr. Mark earned a MBA and Fr. Sylvester earned a Master's in Educational leadership. We will be asking for a third priest to begin studies at St. Thomas next year. We believe that education is the way out of poverty and the way into responsible participation in the global community.

At the end of November Pope Benedict visited Africa for the second time. In an official summary of the Pope's thoughts a Vatican spokesman said that the Catholic Church *"reaffirms her commitment to evangelization and human development"* so that *"the entire continent may become a vast field of reconciliation, justice and peace."* *"In this way ... the Church contributes to forging the new Africa, which is increasingly called to become the 'spiritual lung' of humankind."* We are a Catholic community with our heart open to our brothers and sisters half way around the world. Mary Lynn Staley grew up at OLG, but her mother Jennie Haymaker chose to belong to Most Holy Trinity after her husband Jack died. Jennie Haymaker was deeply loved in the Most Holy Trinity community for many years. I am proud of Our Lady of Grace and Most Holy Trinity – now one parish – and the global ministry we nurtured over the years that the Lord is now weaving into one. Please pray for the success of our journey to Ghana.

Fr. Bob Schwartz

## PARISH MISSION STATEMENT

Our Lady of Grace Catholic Parish is a community centered on Jesus Christ present in the celebration of the Eucharist. We are guided by the Holy Spirit and the apostolic teaching authority and traditions of the universal Catholic Church. We are committed to lifelong Catholic formation for every parishioner and to a parish school. We worship and glorify God through prayer, Scripture, participation in the sacraments, devotion to the Blessed Virgin Mary, active charity and justice, and the advancement of the common good.

## A VERY BIG THANK YOU . . .

*to everyone who helped make our Christmas celebrations so wonderful!*

A multitude of thanks to the Men's Club for the donation of the beautiful award winning Christmas trees for the sanctuary.

Between Christmas Eve and Christmas Day, we had the help of over 60 Eucharistic Ministers, 5 lectors, 20 altar servers, cantors, choirs, organist and other musicians. Our sacristan, June Regan, was at every Mass insuring all ran smoothly. Our custodians, Brandon Carrier, Mike Leizinger, Steve Olson and Mike Matters saw to every detail, from setting up Christmas trees, to moving furniture, as well as cleaning between all the Masses. Sincere thanks go to the decorating crew that made things look beautiful. We also thank the school students who created the paper and wrapped all the books that were given away – a great job!

On January 1, there was more excitement as we celebrated, with Archbishop Nienstedt, our merger with Most Holy Trinity. Thank you to Diane Blake and crew for the lovely reception! There is no adequate way to list each and every person who so freely gave of their time and talent over this holiday season. Please know that your work is appreciated! Blessings to all in this new year!

Shelly Aebi, Director of Liturgy

## HEALING MASS

Thursday, January 12th

Holy Name of Jesus Catholic Church (155 Cty Rd 24 / Medina, MN)

Rosary - 6:30pm and Mass - 7:00pm

Fr. Joseph Gillespie, OP, Celebrant

For more information, call Teresa - 763-553-1343

## Readings for the Week of January 8, 2012

Sunday: Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12  
Monday: Is 42:1-4, 6-7 or Is 55: 1-11 or Acts 10:34-38 or 1Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11  
Tuesday: 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28 or 1 Sm 1:1-8 and 1:9-20/Mk 1:14-20 and 1: 21-28  
Wednesday: 1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Mk 1:29-39  
Thursday: 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1: 40-45  
Friday: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a/Mk 2: 1-12  
Saturday: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19, 10:1/Mk 2:13-17  
Next Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19/1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42

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