

Holy Family Church

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Our Lady of Fatima Church

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May 14, 2017 Fifth Sunday after Easter

Pastor

Fr. Kuriakose Nediakala, MCBS

Deacon

Deacon Mike Barta

Secretary

Steffanie Sanford

Hours: Wed, Thurs, Fri 9:00-3:00

Bookkeeper

Genevieve "Skye" Fiedler

Hours: Tues 9:00-3:00

Pastoral Council

Deacon Mike Barta

Shirley Scollard

Margaret Pavlik (CCW)

Pauline Weiss (OLF)

Mike Jackson

Al Morin (OLF)

Finance Council

John Bajda (Trustee)

Deacon Mike Barta

Dennis Farah

Brenda Hadrich (Trustee)

Alan Brevitz

Pat McGinn

Religious Education

Julie Barta (H.S.)

Ramona Hooper (Elementary)

Housekeeping

Carolyn Wielinski

CCW

Margaret Pavlik (Pres & Secretary)

Louise Orttel (Treasurer)

Baptism: Arrangements must be made in advance allowing time for instruction prior to baptism.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults): Interested in becoming Catholic? Please contact the Parish Office.

Reconciliation/Confession: 30 minutes before every scheduled weekend Mass or by appointment.

Wedding: Contact Father K.K. at least six months prior to the wedding for availability and requirements.

Anointing of the Sick: Contact Parish Office.

For evening and weekend emergencies, contact Fr. K.K. at (218) 260-2487

Parish Registration: Many people attend Mass faithfully at Holy Family and/or Our Lady of Fatima and consider themselves as members but have never formally registered. Please complete a registration form and return it at your convenience. Single young people out of school are requested to register as adult members. Forms are located in the narthex.

Daily Mass

9:00 a.m. Tuesday thru Friday

First Friday Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament begins at 8 a.m.

Saturday Mass

5:30 p.m. at Holy Family McGregor

Sunday Mass

8:45 a.m. at Holy Family McGregor

Mass Intentions

11:30 a.m. at Our Lady of Fatima McGrath

May 15 (Mon)

No Mass/Fr. KK Day Off

May 16 (Tues) 9:00 AM

+Eva Kanipest

by K&S Kern

May 17 (Wed) 9:00 AM

Shannon Coleman

by C Dunqan

May 18 (Thur) 9:00 AM

Special Intention of Fr. KK

May 19 (Fri) 9:00 AM

+Lily Smith

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May 20 (Sat) 5:30 PM

Fr. KK on his birthday

May 21 (Sun) 8:45 AM

For Parishioners

May 21 (Sun) 11:30 AM

For Healing

V Borg

Tabernacle votive light (Holy Family)

In Memory of Elizabeth Keeler

by J&C Jerek

Tabernacle votive light (Our Lady)

No special intention

Quiet Moments Statue (Holy Family)

Healing

by A Hennen

Sacred Heart Statue (Holy Family)

For HF and OLOF Parishioners

by W & M Pavlik

Reflecting on the Word

Have you experienced life's growing pains? As a young parish musician, it wasn't until the priest/choir director was transferred and I became the director that I wondered if I had what I needed to take on that role. Friends, colleagues, and choir members assured me that I did. They'd show me the way. They did and I became a director. Growing pains.

Jesus prepares the disciples for his return to the Father. They experience growing pains and need his reassurance. Jesus tells them they know the way. He had shown it to them. They continue to show it to each other by living what Jesus taught them. The early church experienced growing pains when Gentile and Jewish Christians were treated differently. The community prayed, asked the Spirit's guidance, and seven were called forth. Through the laying on of hands in the power of the Holy Spirit a new ministry, that of deacon, developed. Peter reminded the community that they are, "a chosen race, a royal priesthood, a holy nation, a people of his own." They announce the praises of the One who called them out of darkness into a wonderful life (1 Peter 2:9). Growing pains.

We experience growing pains in our lives of faith. Certainly can be followed by wonderment. We ask, "Is God near?" Does our faith make any difference at all?" We need to remember that Jesus is our cornerstone. We've seen him in those who make his presence known. He has chosen us as his own people and made us a holy priesthood to give God praise and worship. When in doubt, turn to God in prayer. Call on the Holy Spirit and let Jesus, our truth, and our life, be your guide.

Special birthday wishes to Fr. KK who celebrates his birthday May 20th.



Retreat Opportunities

Christ the King Center Retreats

"Reawakening Hope"/Women's Silent Retreat Weekend May 19 – 21 Presented by: King's House Team
Suggested Offering: \$160.00 per person (includes \$30.00 deposit for room)

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"Reawakening Hope"/Women's Silent Retreat July 11 – 13 Presented by: King's House Team Suggested
Offering: \$160.00 per person (includes \$30.00 deposit reserves a room)

"Healing Our Relationships"/ Men and Women July 21 – 23 Presented by: Fr. Matt Linn, SJ Suggested
Offering: \$175.00 per person (includes \$30.00 deposit to reserve a room)

"Signed and Sealed with the Cross"/Men and Women's Retreat August 18 – 20 Presented by: Fr. Albert
Haase, OFM Suggested Offering: \$175.00 per person (includes \$30.00 room deposit)

Please call (763) 682-1394 for a registration form and more information or visit www.kingshouse.com.

Christ the King Retreat Center is located in Buffalo, MN.

Holy Family and Our Lady of Fatima Council of Catholic Women Election

CCW is seeking nominations for the offices of president, secretary and treasurer. The election will be held at the June 2nd meeting. Please respond to Steffanie, church secretary, by Monday, May 29, 2017.

Jesus Carrying Cross

A beautiful wooden statue of Jesus carrying the cross will be displayed in the Narthex before and after Masses. This is a Catholic United Financial matching grant that will be available for bidding until July 9th.



Upcoming Events

- May 16 **BDCCW Spring Convention and Installation of Officers** at St. James in Aitkin. Mail registration fee of \$15 to be received by May 11. Paid in advance reservations preferred but walk-ins welcome—no extra charge. Please let Margaret (426-4997) know by May 11 if you plan to attend for her to call in the RSVP's. Margaret will be going so call if you would like to ride along. Flyer is posted in the Narthex with further details and extra reservation slips. Hope to see you there!
- 20 **Style Show and Luncheon to Salute the Red, White and Blue** at the McGregor Community Center Saturday, May 20 at 11:00 a.m. \$10 - advanced tickets/\$12 at the door. All proceeds go to ANGELS and McGregor Area Clothing Closet. For additional information call 218-768-2762.
- 21 **The Sacrament of Confirmation** is 12:30 May 21st at St. Andrew's in Brainerd. Everyone is welcome to come help our confirmands Peter Barta, Ben Goossens, and Anabel and Ethan Marotz celebrate.
- 29 **Memorial Day Mass** at Calvary Cemetery in Duluth at 10:00 a.m. with Bishop Sirba.

How to Obtain a Plenary Indulgence during Fatima's Centennial Year

A plenary indulgence is "a remission before God of the temporal punishment due to sins whose guilt has already been forgiven... which a Christian can receive under certain conditions."

There are three ways to obtain the plenary indulgence after also meeting the ordinary conditions for an indulgence which include: going to confession, receiving Communion, perfect detachment from sin and praying for the intentions of the pope.

1. Make a pilgrimage to the shrine in Fatima, Portugal.

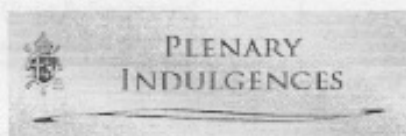
2. Pray before a statue of Our Lady of Fatima.

Faithful must visit with devotion a statue of Our Lady of Fatima exposed for public veneration in any church on the days of the anniversary of the apparitions: the 13th of May, June, July August, September and October. There they must devoutly participate in a celebration or prayer in honor of the Virgin Mary, pray the Our Father, recite the Creed and invoke Our Lady of Fatima.

3. The elderly and infirm.

If age or illness make it impossible to get around, faithful may pray in front of a statue of Our Lady of Fatima and spiritually unite themselves with the celebrations on the 13th from May - October. They must also "offer to merciful God with confidence, through Mary, their prayers and sufferings or the sacrifices they make in their own lives."

The dates to receive a plenary indulgence are as follows:



May 13th

August 13th

June 13th

September 13th

July 13th

October 13th

Parishioners wishing to gain a plenary indulgence by visiting Our Lady of Fatima in McGrath may contact Fr. KK or the parish office to make arrangements.

Saint Quotes



"Putting up with any sacrifices that are asked of us in our day-to-day lives becomes a slow martyrdom which purifies us and raises us up to the level of the supernatural, through the encounter of our soul with God, in the atmosphere of the presence of the Most Holy Trinity within us. We have here an incomparable spiritual richness!"

~ St. Lucia

~ HELP A MOTHER IN NEED

May is "Mother's Month" and an opportunity for you to contribute to the pro-life mission. Please visit the display in the Narthex during May. Envelopes are available for cash/check donations—new or "gently used" baby clothing or layette items may be placed in the basket. After the last weekend in May, all donated items will be delivered to Birthright in Brainerd.

Refurbishing the Wall Behind the Crucifix

Preliminary plans are underway to beautify the area behind the crucifix at Holy Family. If you are interested in donating to this project, please contact Fr. KK.

Welcome Envelopes

For those parishioners using the Welcome Envelopes, note that if your name is not written on the front of the envelope we may not be able to give you credit, even if you used a check. We had 2 last week for \$10 and \$50 that we are unable to apply to anyone. If this could be you, please call the parish office with the check number and amount and we will credit your account.

United Catholic Appeal

Our UCA collection for 2017 began last weekend. Please pickup your UCA envelope after Mass and read the letter from Fr. KK that is in it.

Second Collection Mother's Day Weekend

A one-time national collection for the Trinity Dome is Mother's Day weekend. The national collection for the Trinity Dome offers the faithful an opportunity to leave a lasting legacy by honoring their Catholic heritage.

Stewardship Report (May 7) Thank you for your contributions.

	Holy Family	Our Lady of Fatima
Collection 5-7-17	\$ 2,207.00	\$ 326.00
UCA Assessment	\$14,985.00	\$2,992.00
UCA Collected	\$511.00	\$0.00
UCA Collected To Date	\$511.00	\$0.00

Liturgical Ministers for Holy Family

	May 20	May 21
Musician	T Reinke	M Kusick
Cantor	N Jacobson	P Baumgardt
Lector	J Fulton	G Spolarich
EOM	A Pierce J Fulton	G Spolarich E Cyrus
Server		
Ushers	D Goossens	J Cyrus
Greeters	L Goossens	D Baglio