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TWENTY-FIRST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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Weekend Mass times:
Saturday: 5:00 pm
Sunday: 7 am, 8:30 am, & 10:30 am

PADRE PAUL'S PONDERINGS

The Beginning of a Journey

A place that holds a lot of meaning for me is the Statue of the Sacred Heart which is to the right of the main altar at the Cathedral of Saint Paul.

It was here that on a winter night back in 2000 I spent some time in prayer before going to a dinner hosted by Archbishop Flynn for perspective seminarians. I remember just feeling a sense of calm as I went to the dinner that night, and then left more certain about the path I felt called to take.

The journey there and ahead was a windy one. I was finishing up my degree at the U of M *(in political science)*, and it was during that time I began to seriously discern the call to priesthood. A priest who was both a confessor and mentor from the parish I would volunteer at as a faith formation teacher for 8th graders and had gone to for years kept encouraging me to look at seminary. And so finally towards the end of my time at the *"U,"* I began to take that seriously thinking I wasn't quite called to marriage despite dating while in college. And so like Moses going to the burning bush I looked at my vocation more closely, and after that dinner, despite nearly backing out at the last minute due to what I'd call *"over-thinking,"* God gave me yet another sign, no one picking up the phone in the vice-rector's office who I was going to call to back out for a year.

In hindsight though, of course I'm glad no one answered the phone that day in August of 2001. But I also wasn't going to be ordained that September. I was at the start of a journey, and it's been quite the ride so far.

I share part of my story because our parish is honored to be praying for one of our members as he, too, starts his own journey: Charlie Barnick.

As he shares his story, he grew up here in Rosemount in a Catholic family, and as he went into college he got more serious about his focus. In college, he kept pursuing what he felt God was calling him to do as he lived out his faith. He'd play football and bring teammates to Adoration, lead them in prayer and even start a Bible Study Group. Praying about what to do, and getting some good advice from his grandfather, he visited the seminary and felt God was truly calling him to make this next step.

Charlie will be starting at the seminary this fall, and will be visiting with us at Masses this weekend at the 5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses.

Charlie is also a part of a program called the Laboure Society. They are based out of Eagan. They began as a means to help young men and women pursuing vocations. Many young men and women were being turned away by religious communities due to student loan debt, and so the Laboure Society was founded in 2001 to help men and women raise funds to pay off their student loans before entering religious formation/seminary life. They are headquartered here in the Twin Cities *(the founder is a former parishioner from St. John Neumann)*.

Laboure trains their aspirants on how to fundraise, gives them quality formation and advice, and has had great success in assisting men and women achieve their goals and allow them to enter religious/seminary formation debt free. Laboure acts a bit like a third party: each aspirant raises funds and the money is sent directly to Laboure (the person does not see the money in their own bank account), and then Laboure will make payments to the student loan companies.

As with many men and women coming out of college, Charlie faced financial debt with college expenses, and by his work with Laboure, this will help him to enter into seminary hopefully debt-free, with funds raised helping him and others.

Charlie will also be doing some fundraising here at the parish next weekend, and I'm glad we're able to help him out as well. He'll be available after the 5 p.m. and 10:30 a.m. Masses too in the Gather Space to meet and greet people.

Getting to know him better it's great to see his excitement as he begins his seminary journey this fall. He has a great love for God and His Church. I know that like me the years ahead will be a time for him to both learn the faith more deeply, and also discern more deeply his call. Please join me in keeping him in prayer as he begins this journey.

As for the Sacred Heart shrine at the Cathedral, perhaps in one more sign from God, when I was ordained to the priesthood in 2007, we were given at random places to have our first blessing. I had no idea where I'd be asked to go as I made no request, but as you might have guessed it, I was asked to give blessings at the same place where I prayed 7 years prior, right in front of the Sacred Heart shrine.

Seminary was quite a journey, but like all of us I continue on the journey of life daily trying to grow in holiness, and God will continually be surprising me in new ways as time goes by. I don't know when or how the journey will end, but I do know I try to let Jesus take the wheel on the road of life every day.

Please join me in my prayers for Charlie as he begins this new chapter in his life.

Have a blessed week,

Fr. Paul

STEWARDSHIP

Sacrificial Giving: August 9/10, 2025

Envelope Offering……..$6,682.25
Plate……..$1,327.29
Automatic Online Giving…..……$6,661.22
Total……..$14,670.76

Capital Campaign…..……..$2,832.00

Sacrificial Giving: August 16/17, 2025

Envelope Offering……..$7,997.25
Plate……..$1,553.06
Automatic Online Giving…..……$4,158.02
Total……..$13,708.33

Capital Campaign…..……..$5,462.00

The last date for summer hours will be **Friday, August 29th.** Parish Office is currently open as follows:

Monday to Thursday, 8 am to 4:30 pm
Friday, 8:00 am to 12 noon.

A Call to Serve...

Are you interested in serving on the Parish Pastoral Council, a body that serves as an advisory and consultative body with Father Paul Kammen?

We are looking for **one** new members to join us for a four-year term **starting now...**
Meetings for the 2025-2026 Parish council will start in September, and are typically held the first Thursday of the month starting at 6pm. If interested please contact Parish Council Chairman Oscar Medina @ ***oscmed98@gmail.com***

Proposal for Replacement of Wooden Statues in the Worship Space

For more information:
Please stop by the table in the Gather Space after Mass on **Aug. 30-31 & Sept. 6-7** to speak with members of our Parish Pastoral Council about their proposed plan to replace our existing wooden statues with ceramic statues.

And/or SCAN HERE:

ST. JOSEPH'S STAFF & INFO

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Pastor	**Fr. Paul Kammen**	651-313-8466
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Director	**Jordan Ecker**	651-313-8462
Lifelong Faith Formation		
Director	**Kyle Finken**	651-313-8464
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Catechesis Coordinator	**Kathy Neary**	651-313-8465
Pastoral Care & Outreach		
Director	**Deacon Gordon Bird**	651-313-8493
School		
Principal	**Kelly Roche**	651-313-8471
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Music Director	**Ancilla Schroeder**	651-313-8469
Liturgy Coordinator	**Lisetta Coppa**	651-313-8485
Parish Council		
Parish Council Chair	**Oscar Medina**	954-604-5826
Additional Info:		
Parish Office:		651-423-4402
Summer Hours-	**M–TH:** 8:00 am - 4:30 pm	**FRI:** 8-12 pm

To send an email to a St Joseph staff member, use the following format: ***first name.last name@stjosephcommunity.org***

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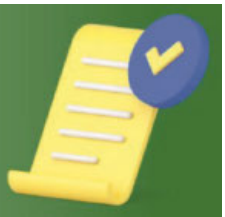

SCAN:

To update your info with St. Joe's, please email: laurie.dahlback@stjosephcommunity.org or call: 651-313-8461

LITURGY & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	24	7am		St. Joseph Parish Community
Sun	24	8:30	†	Chris Hoffmann
Sun	24	10:30	†	Mark Novak
Mon	25	8:30	†	Marvin, Stephen, & Daniel Karnick
Tues	26	8:30		Word & Communion Service
Wed	27	8:30	†	Sandra Anderson
Thurs	28	8:30	†	Souls in Purgatory
Fri	29	8:30	†	Anna & Kristen
Sat	30	5pm		Amanda & Joey Hock

READINGS

For the Week of August 24

Sunday:	Is 66:18-21/Ps 117:1, 2 (Mk 16:15)/ Heb 12:5-7, 11-13/Lk 13:22-30
Monday:	1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b/Mt 23:13-22
Tuesday:	1 Thes 2:1-8/Ps 139:1-3, 4-6/Mt 23:23-26
Wednesday:	1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab/ Mt 23:27-32
Thursday:	1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 128:1-2, 4-5/ Mt 24:42-51
Friday:	1 Thes 4:1-8 (429)/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12/Mk 6:17-29
Saturday:	1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9/Mt 25:14-30
Next Sunday:	Sir 3:17-18, 20, 28-29/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 (1a)/Heb 12:18-19, 22-24a/ Lk 14:1, 7-14

VOCATION VIEW

Whom the Lord loves, He disciplines.
The best way to lead others through the narrow gate is to be formed and disciplined as a leader.
Then you can go through the narrow gate, yourself.

† Becoming Catholic ...

Your interest in becoming Catholic and/or completing Sacraments has us thrilled! ***The Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA)*** is a process developed by the Catholic Church for prospective converts to the Catholic faith. This form evaluates your needs and readiness before receiving the sacraments, ensuring you are well-prepared for this important spiritual journey. ***OCIA will be formally meeting this fall on Monday evenings beginning in November.*** More communication will follow, yet in the meantime, we can get the process started for you by filling out the following form available on our Church of St. Joseph website: Becoming Catholic ... and Completing Sacraments.

Embracing the Catholic faith is always great news indeed! At OCIA you will receive the ***Good News*** of the gospel as well as the story of salvation via not only from ***Sacred Scripture***, but from the ***Sacred Tradition*** of the Apostles, the Apostolic Fathers, the Early Church Fathers, the great Saints of the Church and more. If you have any questions, feel free to reach out to the Church of St. Joseph at ***sacraments@stjosephcommunity.org*** or call Deacon Gordon at 651-423-4402. †

IN LOVING MEMORY

~In Loving Memory of those who have recently passed ~

Rita McMenomy

We pray for all our departed Brothers & Sisters and those who mourn their loss.

SACRAMENTS

I HAVE CALLED YOU BY NAME

Born to a new life in Christ and joined to our faith community through the water of Baptism, we welcome:

Rosalyn Eve Bjork

Evelyn Elizabeth Matthews

INFORMATION

A Blessing for Students!

We will have a blessing for students after Saturday, 5:00 pm Mass & Sunday, 8:30 am & 10:30 am Masses the weekend of ***August 30 & 31.***

Each student will receive a blessed cross which they may carry with them throughout the school year. The blessing will take place in the gather area immediately following each Mass.

"Take your cross and follow me" Mt., 16-24

Parish Office will be Closed
September 1st

****Please note there will not be a morning Mass on Monday.***

FAITH FORMATION & PARISH INFORMATION

Urgent Faith Formation Registration Notice:

If you haven't registered yet, please so do so ASAP…

Use the link below:

https://www.stjosephcommunity.org/special-event/faith-formation-registration-open-now-for-2025-26/

PLEASE REGISTER BY August 26th!

Faith formation Catechist| Needed

Who: Anyone who has been Confirmed

Date: Sunday's Oct-Apr **Time:** 10:30 AM Mass

Location: St. Joseph Church | Room 101

Contact: Kyle Finken | 651.313.8464

Scan/Click Here — *https://stjosephcommunity.flocknote.com/signup/208461*

Volunteering is a rewarding experience that allows you to make a lasting impact on the lives of our young parishioners. Whether you have previous teaching experience or are new to this type of role, I welcome your participation and will provide all the necessary training and support.

Faith formation/Sacraments | Deadline

Who: Students 3+ to High School

Date: Begins Oct - May **Time:** Varies

Deadline: August 31st, 2025

Location: St. Joseph Church

Contact: Kyle Finken | 651.313.8464

Scan/Click Here — *https://stjosephcommunity.flocknote.com/register*

This is your last chance to register for faith formation or sacraments. Don't miss this opportunity to deepen your faith—sign up today and take the next step in your journey!

Children's Liturgy of the Word | Interest Form

Who: Kindergarten to Grade 2

Date: October - May **Time:** Sunday's 10:30 AM

Location: St. Joseph Church

Contact: Kyle Finken | 651.313.8464

Scan/Click Here — https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChurchOfStJosephAndStJosephSchool/ChildrensLiturgyOfTheWordInterestForm

Children's Liturgy of the Word is a special opportunity for young children to engage with the Sunday readings in a way that is age-appropriate and meaningful. During the 10:30 AM Mass, children in Kindergarten through Grade 2 will be dismissed after the Opening Prayer to participate in their own liturgy experience. This form helps us gather interest and plan accordingly for this enriching ministry.

PASTORAL CARE
Would you or someone you know like a home visit, communion or an anointing? If so, please contact the Parish Office at 651-423-4402.

BAPTISMS
Baptisms are celebrated on the 1st and 3rd weekend of each month after the 10:30am mass. (please note that there can be fluctuations in this schedule depending on other liturgical needs). Parents are required to have completed the Baptism Preparation class which is offered the 2nd Thursday of each month at 6:30 pm. For more information please call the parish office at 651-423-4402.

RECONCILIATION
Individual reconciliation ~ Saturdays at 3:30 pm or by appointment. Communal celebrations and Individual celebrations are held during Advent and Lent.

MARRIAGE
All couples anticipating Christian marriage should contact the Parish Office at (651) 423-4402 at least 6 months prior to a wedding date being set.

ANOINTING OF THE SICK This Sacrament may be received by any Catholic who is seriously ill, about to undergo major surgery, or in poor health. Please call the Parish Office, (651) 423-4402 if this sacrament is needed.

PRAYER CHAIN To place a prayer request call Marjorie at 612-644-2300 or email ***Prayer.Request@StJosephCommunity.org***

FAITH FORMATION and SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION
Sunday School for ages 3, 4, and 5 is held during the 8:30 & 10:30 Masses.
Faith Formation for Grades 1-12 along with Sacramental Preparation.
Call (651) 423-4402 for more information.

CALENDAR

Monday, August 25
8:30 am Mass, Church
6:00 pm AHG Joining Bash, SH A
7:00 pm Knights of Columbus Meeting, Rm 101
7:00 pm Youth Ministry HS Bible Study

Tuesday, August 26
7:00 am Cursillo Women's Group, Off Site
8:30 am Word & Communion Service, Church
9:00 am Holy Hour of Adoration, Church
9:00 am Adult Ministries Committee, Rm 100B
10:00 am Divine Mercy Cenacle, Rm 101
12:00 pm Faith Formation Council, Rm 100B

Wednesday, August 27
8:30 am Mass, Church
9:00 am Synod, Rm 100B
1:00 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle, Off Site
3:00 pm School Welcome Back
3:00 pm CGS Welcome Bash, Rm 102
5:00 pm Cursillo Women's Group, Off Site
6:00 pm FF Catechist Training

Thursday, August 28
8:30 am Mass, Church
1:30 pm Prayer Shawl Ministry, Rm 100A
3:00 pm CGS Catechist Training, Rm 101

Friday, August 29
8:30 am Mass, Church

Saturday, August 30
3:30 pm Reconciliation, Church
5:00 pm Mass, Church

Sunday, August 31
7:00 am Mass, Church
8:30 am Mass, Church
10:30 am Mass, Church

Monday, September 1 ~ Labor Day
Parish Office Closed & No Morning Mass

PARISH LIFE EVENTS

ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

JOB OPENINGS @ ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL:

Science & Stem Teacher

St. Joseph School is seeking an energetic, caring, and faith-filled Science Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year. Please use the link below:

https://careers.archspm.org/job/science-stem-teacher-ft-or-pt/

Important Dates & Information:

- **August 27 (3-7 pm) - Welcome Back Night & Pictures**
- **September 2 - First Day of School**

- **School Facebook page:**
  https://www.facebook.com/stjoesrosemount

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION

Small Group Bible Study | The Gospel of Luke

Who: Open to all	
Date: October 1st	**Time:** 9:15-11:00 AM
Deadline: August 31st	
Location: Room 101	
Contact: Kyle Finken | 651.313.8464	
Scan/Click Here	*https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChurchOfStJosephAndStJosephSchool/BibleStudyTheGospelOfLuke*

In this 8-week study, The Story of Salvation Fulfilled, you will witness key moments in salvation history including the Annunciation, the Nativity, his public ministry, and Jesus' suffering, death, and glorious Resurrection.

Small Group Bible Study | Be Bold; Be a Saint

Who: Open to all	
Date: October 1st	**Time:** Flexible
Deadline: September 14	
Location: Varies: St. Joseph or Leader's Home	
Contact: Kyle Finken | 651.313.8464	
Scan/Click Here	*https://www.cognitoforms.com/ChurchOfStJosephAndStJosephSchool/BeBoldBeASaint*

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