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October 11th 2025

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PADRE PAUL'S PONDERINGS

Transfiguring into Saints

This upcoming Wednesday, August 6th, we celebrate the feast of the Transfiguration, where Peter, James and John get a glimpse of heaven atop the mountain as Jesus is transfigured before them and converses with Moses and Elijah.

One of the details in the Gospel for the day is the voice coming from the cloud *(Luke 9:35b): "This is my chosen Son; listen to him."* The identity of the Son as the Son of God is confirmed; the disciples won't understand it fully until after the resurrection.

However, this isn't the first time the disciples misunderstand who Jesus is. They've been trying to learn who He is all along. In the boat on the water, they ask *"who is this, whom even the wind and seas obey?"* And, earlier before going up the mountain, Peter couldn't accept the fact that Jesus would have to suffer and be rejected, for which Jesus rebukes Him. The transfiguration gives the three apostles a bit of a morale boost. But, it does not end the story, because there is work yet to be done.

With that in mind, what this Gospel challenges us to first transfigure ourselves. With the transfiguration, Peter, James and John see the future Jesus, but I also think they can see a bit of themselves as to what one will appear like when they are, body and soul, glorified in heaven. Jesus on the mountain gives them a sneak-preview of sorts as to what God wants for all of us as we pass through death. Just as the seed falls to the ground and produces fruit and as such does not lose it's original essence, but is rather transformed into something greater, we do that through how we live our lives. The challenge for us is to remember that this Jesus, even if we can't see Him in dazzling white just yet, stands by us - but He wants us to respond to the grace He gives us.

So how then can we really be transfigured as we try to become saints?

A few things come to mind.

One is prayer. When we pray every day and go up the mountain to be with Jesus, we find time to hear His voice and to get clarity in our lives as to what He may be calling us to do. We find forgiveness and love and peace. It's important to try to have a "mountaintop" experience daily, even if it's just a few minutes, so we can hear the voice of God.

Second, listening. Remember that key word: "listen" that the Father says with respect to the Son. We talk quite a bit, but how often do we miss things when we are doing this? Most of us know we can pick up on things from the voice inflection or the words behind the words of a loved one. So it is with God. When we make time for silence, we will find that these are moments when God speaks most loudly to us.

Third, we are humble. We make mistakes along the way as we try to climb the mountain. God knows this, and is always loving and forgiving. Hopefully we can forgive ourselves for being human, and openly acknowledge our sins before God by going to confession, or owning up to our mistakes to others. Humility is a great teaching tool as well for it shows others we love that we are human and all in need of mercy.

Fourth, we work. Becoming a saint isn't easy. Nor is climbing a mountain. But every day we can do an examination of conscience so we look at the choices we've made and how we live our lives. We can look at the progress, but ask ourselves how we can be better at our vocations.

Fifth, we journey together. Mountain climbers are chained together to protect one another. Jesus journeys with Peter, James and John. Its important to seek people out who will help us climb the mountain by challenging us, spurring us on, and encouraging us.

Sixth, we persevere. Growing in holiness and being transfigured takes work and commitment. You don't go to the gym for a few days and all of a sudden turn into an Olympic athlete. And all athletes are constantly working and training no matter how many awards or medals they have won. It's hard to live out our vocation; but think of how much our parents do for us every day, from feeding us as infants, to helping us to read and write, to dealing with our teenager dramas, to helping us with homework and loving us even if we are at times hard to love. They persevered because they saw our potential; God does too, but we need to keep working if we are going to truly reach that potential which is a daily thing throughout our lives.

Lastly, we go down the mountain and get to work. Jesus will go right back to helping people as will the apostles. We all need time for prayer; and also time for rest, for vacations, for leisure. These are good things. But God wants us to help others become saints too which is what we do by being people of hope changing this world for the better.

Grace is indeed amazing as we sing in the song, but it's also not cheap and it requires a response. This is something not just for Lent, but a daily thing - so let us journey with our Lord and truly be transfigured into saints.

God's blessings to you,

Fr. Paul

STEWARDSHIP

PLEASE CONSIDER ONLINE GIVING ...

Please consider scheduling an automatic recurring electronic contribution today. Go to the Parish Website at ***www.stjosephcommunity.org*** & click on the ***"GIVE"*** Button, or call the Parish Office at 651-423-4402.

Parish Office Summer Hours:
Monday-Thursday, 8am- 4:30 pm
Friday, 8:00 am to 12 noon.

If you need to see someone outside of these office hours, please make an appointment.

Parish Office: 651-423-4402

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***

ST. JOSEPH'S STAFF & INFO

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Admin Asst: Database	**Laurie Dahlback**	651-313-8461
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Lifelong Faith Formation		
Director	**Kyle Finken**	651-313-8464
Elementary FF Coor.	**Maria Medina**	651-313-8591
Middle & High School FF	**Lisetta Coppa**	651-313-8485
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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School Office		651-423-1658
Worship		
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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***

Parish Website www.stjosephcommunity.org
Facebook: St. Joseph Catholic Church & School Rosemount Minnesota
Media Page: https://www.stjosephcommunity.org/media/

Mass Schedule:

Saturday: 5:00 pm (Live streamed)
https://vimeo.com/stjoesmn
Sunday: 7am, 8:30am, & 10:30am
Monday, Wednesday, Thursday, & Friday: 8:30am
Word & Communion Service:
Tuesday: 8:30am
Reconciliation: Saturday 3:30 pm

LITURGY & WORSHIP

MASS INTENTIONS

Sun	3	7am	St. Joseph Parish Community
Sun	3	8:30 †	Lois Bobrowski
Sun	3	10:30 †	Florence Wagner
Mon	4	8:30 †	Mary F. Davis
Tues	5	8:30	Word & Communion Service
Wed	6	8:30 †	Manuel Fimplico Cantos
Thurs	7	8:30 †	Souls in Purgatory
Fri	8	8:30 †	Verna Jeffrey
Sat	9	5pm †	Dolores Lindell

READINGS

For the Week of August 3

Sunday: Eccl 1:2; 2:21-23/Ps 90:3-4, 5-6, 12-13, 14, 17 (1)/Col 3:1-5, 9-11/Lk 12:13-21

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/Lk 9:28b-36

Thursday: Nm 20:1-13/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 16:13-23

Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: Wis 18:6-9/Ps 33:1, 12, 18-19, 20-22 (12b)/Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12/Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40

VOCATION VIEW

Another sign of Vocation is that your heart is more intent on things of heaven rather than on things of earth. God is everything: the only thing.

INFORMATION

The Feast of the Assumption of Mary

August 15th.

This is a Holy Day of Obligation, we will celebrate Masses on **Thursday, August 14 @ 6:00pm and Friday, August 15 @ 8:30 am.**

SEVEN SISTERS FOR FATHER STEVE BOATWRIGHT

A Seven Sisters Apostolate is being formed for newly ordained Father Steve Boatwright. It will begin after all 7 days of the week have one *"sister" (prayerful woman of the parish)* committed to pray 1 hour in Eucharistic Adoration at any parish with daily or weekend adoration. We currently are in need of a sister for the following days: Monday, Thursday, Saturday and Sunday. We could also use 3 more subs who would consider praying in Eucharistic Adoration if the sister is unable to pray on her day. Please contact Mary Blair at ***blairmjc14@gmail.com*** or 651-983-0804 if you are interested in joining this wonderful ministry. You can find more information about this Apostolate at this link: ***www.sevensistersapostolate.org***

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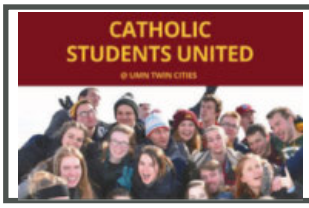

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http://www.newmanconnection.com/

FAITH FORMATION & PARISH INFORMATION

Urgent Faith Formation Registration Notice:

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

Use the link below:

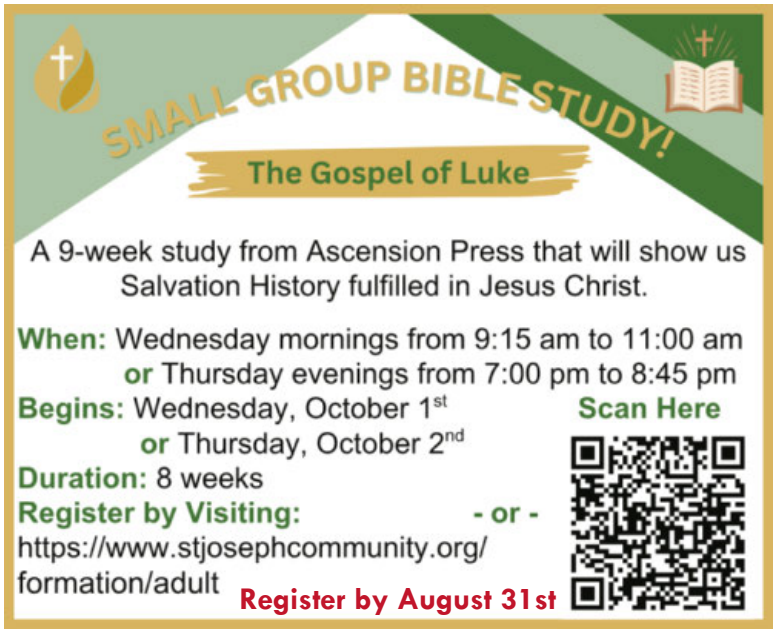
https://www.stjosephcommunity.org/special-event/faith-formation-registration-open-now-for-2025-26/

PLEASE REGISTER BY August 5th!

2025-26 Faith Formation Volunteer Opportunities:

https://stjosephcommunity.flocknote.com/signup/208461

WE NEED YOU!



WELCOME

Are you new to the Parish?

We would be honored to have you join St. Joseph's Community! New Member Registration forms are now available in the parish office during business hours. Registration is required when it comes time for you or your family to participate in the sacraments, including baptism, first communion, first reconciliation, confirmation, and marriage. In addition, you'll be added to our database so that you can receive communications on news, events, and activities happening at St. Joseph. Thank you for taking the time to register and welcome to our parish family! Please contact the parish office at 651-423-4402 for additional information.

Welcome to our faith community!

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.

ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL & PRESCHOOL
St. Joseph School provides a God-centered, supportive academic environment for students, Grades PreK-8. Contact Kelly Roche, Principal at (651) 423-1658 for more information.

DAILY ROSARY
The rosary is prayed before each weekday Mass (Mon.-Fri.) starting 35 minutes before the scheduled Mass time–except on First Friday when the rosary is prayed at the start of Eucharistic Adoration. All are invited to join us as we pray for the needs of the Church and community.

BULLETIN DEADLINE: Noon on Mondays. All bulletin announcements should be sent to ***bulletin@stjosephcommunity.org*** and **appropriate staff personnel** for approval before they will be included in the bulletin.

CALENDAR

Monday, August 4
8:30 am Mass, Church
9:00 am Vacation Bible School
4:30 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle, Rm 100B

Tuesday, August 5
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 Vacation Bible School
9:00 am Used Uniform Sale, Rm 101
10:00 am Divine Mercy Cenacle, Rm 100B
6:30 pm Harvest Festival Meeting

Wednesday, August 6
8:30 am Mass, Church
9:00 pm Vacation Bible School
9:00 am Adult Ministry Committee, Rm 100B
9:00 am Used Uniform Sale, Rm 101
1:00 pm Divine Mercy Cenacle, Off Site
5:00 pm Cursillo Women's Group, Off Site

Thursday, August 7
8:30 am Mass, Church
9:00 am Vacation Bible School

Friday, August 8
8:30 am Mass, Church
9:00 am Vacation Bible School

Saturday, August 9
3:30 pm Reconciliation, Church
5:00 pm Mass, Church

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

PARISH LIFE EVENTS

It's time for our annual CAP Agency "Back-to-School" drive!

Over the years our parish has been incredibly generous with this local drive. Again this year we will partner with CAP Agency for any child/family that CAP provides service to. Many area children have been helped through your kindness & are so grateful that they can always count on our support.

Please bring your donations the weekends of August 2/3 & August 9/10

The following items are in greatest need:

Backpacks	Rulers
Pencils	Glue/Glue Sticks
Pens (black, blue or red)	Spiral notebooks
Crayons/Markers	2-pocket folders
Scissors	Index/note cards
Erasers	Boxes of Tissues

The CAP Agency thanks you for your continued support!
(Marked Container will be in the Gather Space)

Catholic Watchmen ~ Tuesday, August 12
All men are invited to the Catholic Watchmen on **Tuesday, August 12 from 6:00pm- 8:30pm.**
6pm: Adoration begins in the Church
630pm: Food in Social Hall
7pm: Presentation and Discussion in Social Hall
8pm: Adoration, Rosary, and Benediction ending around 830pm.

*****Please note this month it will be the second Tuesday in August!***

Our Harvest Festival Committee is seeking new members to help plan this fun and festive community event for our parishioners to enjoy. Meetings are only 1x per month and we are in great need of your support. Please contact our parish office to speak with Jordan Ecker or email *Jordan.Ecker@stjosephcommunity.org*

ST JOSEPH CATHOLIC SCHOOL

JOB OPENINGS @ ST. JOSEPH SCHOOL:

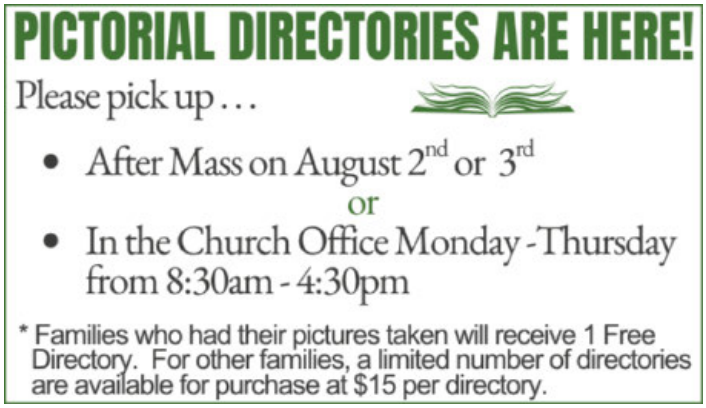
Science & Stem Teacher
St. Joseph School is seeking an energetic, caring, and faith-filled Science Teacher for the 2025-2026 school year.
Please use the link below:
https://careers.archspm.org/job/science-stem-teacher-2/

K-5 Student Support Aide
St. Joseph School seeks a K-5 Student Support Aide to join our St. Joseph School team. Contact Kelly Roche
Kelly.Roche@stjosephcommunity.org

We are excited to welcome Mr. Riley McGurran to our St. Joseph School teaching team! Riley will be teaching K-8 physical education for the 2025-2026 school year.

Substitute Teacher Training
August 11-12
8:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.
Nativity of Our Lord, St. Paul
https://catholiceducation.iad1.qualtrics.com/jfe/form/SV_9T5EJKFyCEm3WEm

PARISH EVENTS & INFORMATION



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- Download and print your Archdiocese Passport from ***archspm.org/passport***
- Visit seven parishes outside your own—explore different liturgies, architecture, cultures, and spiritual traditions
- Don't miss our two Jubilee co-cathedrals: the Cathedral of Saint Paul and the Basilica of Saint Mary, each marked with a special Jubilee cross.
- Write reflections in your passport journal at each church to deepen your experience.
- Join us on October 12 for Mass and an Ice Cream Social at the Cathedral of St. Paul to celebrate with fellow pilgrims.

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