

General Information

Baptism: By appointment. At least one parent as well as the sponsors must be practicing Roman Catholics who attend the Traditional Latin Mass exclusively.

Confession: Before Mass on Sundays, and other times as indicated in the weekly bulletin.

Confirmation: Solemnly administered periodically in the year and may be administered privately by request. Catholics who received confirmation in the post Vatican II rite (1971) should arrange to receive confirmation conditionally in the traditional rite.

First Holy Communion: Administered each year on the Sunday after Corpus Christi. Adequate knowledge of the catechism is required.

Matrimony: If you are contemplating marriage, please make an appointment to speak with a priest before you set a date. At least one of the parties must be a practicing traditional Catholic and member of this parish. Weddings are forbidden during Advent and Lent.

Communion for the Sick: Please contact the pastor or coordinator when a church member is hospitalized or too ill to attend Mass.

Extreme Unction: Do not put off making arrangements until the last moment, but contact the pastor or coordinator promptly if a church member is gravely ill or in danger of death.

Decorum in Church: Respect for God in the Blessed Sacrament requires a reverent silence. Please turn off cell phones and keep children well behaved. Both young and old should wear dignified and modest clothes in church, and women should wear a dress or skirt, and a veil or hat. Veils are available in the vestibule. Men should wear shirt and tie as well as a jacket or sweater.

Holy Communion: Only baptized practicing Catholics in the state of grace may receive Holy Communion. You must be fasting:

- Three hours from solid foods and alcoholic beverages.
- One hour from other liquids.
- Water may be taken at any time.

The communicant kneels at the communion rail, and receives the Blessed Sacrament on the tongue. The communicant does not say "Amen" after the priest says "*Corpus Domini nostri Jesu Christi custodiat animam tuam in vitam aeternam. Amen.*"

Singing: The faithful are invited to join in singing any hymns preceding or following the Mass, but only the choir sings during the course of the Mass.

Following Sunday Mass: During High Mass season, there is a potluck brunch downstairs. Everyone is welcome.



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"Never have so few done so much so well for so long!"

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Lent IV

Laetare Sunday

✦ Announcements ✦

Join us after Mass this morning for our weekly Stations of the Cross.

This Saturday is the First Saturday of the month. Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament will take place after the 8 a.m. Mass.

The Blessing of Religious Articles will take place at the communion rail after Mass next Sunday.

We need adorers for this year's Holy Thursday All-Night Adoration. A sign-up sheet is posted in the vestibule of the church.

Check your email! Holy Week is coming up fast and there are many very ancient and beautiful ceremonies which we will perform during that time, including the All-Night Adoration of Holy Thursday, the Creeping of the Cross and Mass of the Presanctified on Good Friday, and the Blessing of the Fire, Chanting of the Exsultet, and High Mass on Holy Saturday. You won't want to miss it. An email with a detailed schedule will be sent to you this week. So don't forget to take a look at your email!

📖 Set Your Missal: Passion Sunday. Second collect of St. Francis of Paula. Preface of the Cross.

🕯 The Sanctuary Lamp will burn this week for the following intention:
For Our Final Perseverance

Last Week's Totals:

Collection: \$491

Number of Parishioners: 66

Serber Schedule for the week of March 27, 2017– April 2, 2017

Friday, 3/31: ACs: Bob Poggel, Steve Heckenkamp, **Benediction:** Volunteers

Saturday, 4/1: ACs: Michael & Peter Mueller, **Benediction:** Bob Poggel, Volunteer

Sunday, 4/2: MC: Brian Kimpel, **TH:** Tony Friel, **ACs:** Michael & Peter Mueller, **CB:** David Sandberg, **TBs:** Timothy & Andrew Sandberg, Jude & Benedict McGinnis, **Usher:** Bob Mueller

This Week's Schedule

Mon	3/27/17	St. John Damascene
Tue	3/28/17	St. John Capistran
Wed	3/29/17	Ferial Day
Thu	3/30/17 6:30 PM	Ferial Day Stations of the Cross, Rosary
Fri	3/31/17 5:30 PM 6:00 PM 6:40 PM	Ferial Day <i>The Most Precious Blood</i> Confessions, Rosary Low Mass <i>Holy Souls in Purgatory</i> <i>(Steve & Joanne Heckenkamp)</i> Holy Face Novena, Benediction
Sat	4/1/17 7:30 AM 8:00 AM 8:40 AM	Ferial Day First Saturday Confessions, Rosary Low Mass <i>For the People of St. Hugh of Lincoln</i> 1 st Saturday Devotions, Benediction
Sun	4/2/17 8:15 AM 9:00 AM	Passion Sunday St. Francis of Paula Confessions, Rosary High Mass <i>Annie Young</i> <i>(Annie Young)</i> Stations of the Cross

Through the “Hail Mary”

The Ave Maria

At Cracow, in Poland, in 1901, a sinner lay dying. He had been a great criminal, having spent his life in terrible evil-doing, even, it was said, to the shedding of human blood. Nevertheless, though about to meet his God, and seemingly well aware of it, he persistently refused to prepare himself.

Many pious persons were praying for him; several priests had tried to gain access to him; but, calling them “a pestiferous race,” he had given orders that not one of them should be allowed to enter his room. However, a member of a religious community, who had been at college with him, determined, if possible, to save the soul of his former comrade, and contrived to evade the command, on the plea of old-time friendship.

As soon as he saw the sick man, the priest was convinced that to endeavor to reason with him would avail nothing. Therefore, with a resolution born of necessity as well as piety, the priest took the easiest and, in his opinion, the most efficacious means of softening the heart of the reprobate. He fell on his knees beside the bed and began to recite aloud the “Hail Mary.” He was answered by a blasphemy. He continued, however, to repeat the prayer; and the invalid, too weak for further remonstrance, resigned himself to listen to it. After some time the dying man opened his eyes and said, in a voice weak but perfectly rational: “I would like to make my confession.” The priest, though overjoyed, was much surprised. Great as had been his faith and confidence in the Mother of God, he was not prepared for so sudden a change. The sick man repeated his request, which was immediately complied with.

After his confession, he asked the priest to open a drawer in his table. There, among his papers, he directed him where to find a small picture of the Blessed Virgin.

“It is a souvenir of my mother,” said the contrite sinner. “She gave it to me, enjoining me never to part with it. In order to please her, I took it from her dear hands. I have often been on the point of destroying it when sorting my papers, but could never bring myself to do so.”

He took the picture, pressed it to his bosom, and then kissed it fervently, tears streaming from his eyes. He received the Viaticum

with joy and fervor, and shortly went to behold the vision of Her who has been so justly called the Refuge of Sinners.

A Lenten Thought

Haec omnia propter me.

All this for me, - the thorns and nails,
The vinegar and gall?

No wonder that my spirit fails
To comprehend it all.

I pass within that darkened veil,
And there, O Lord, I see
Thy bleeding brow, Thy face so pale, -
All wounded – and for *me!*

And tremblingly I ask: “O why –
Why dost Thou suffer so?”

How meekly comes the faint reply:
“That you my love may know;

“That you may take your daily cross
And bear it after Me,
And gladly suffer pain and loss
With Me on Calvary.”

All this for *me?* Shall I not give
Myself – yea, all I own, -
My highest, purest joy to live
For Thee, and Thee alone?

-Isabel M. Melick

The March to Calvary: A Meditation

The Passion of Jesus and Its Hidden Meaning

(*The Roman soldiers*) seized Simon (*of Cyrene*) and put the cross on him. Although he inwardly rebelled, he preserved a cheerful face, because to the one who declined to serve the Romans applied severe punishments. “When pressed into service,” says the pagan writer Arrian, “and driven by soldiers, let it happen, resist not, grumble not, or thou shalt receive blows and lose thy mule besides.” Whether Simon carried the cross alone or whether he merely helped the Saviour carry it, cannot be definitely stated. The former opinion is the more probable. It is more in accord with the words of St. Luke that Simon car-

ried the cross after Jesus, and again, it is in harmony with the object of the chief-priests, which was to prevent, at any price, the untimely death of Christ.

Here the question presents itself: why did Christ, Who on other occasions hailed with delight new sufferings and never accept relief, now make an exception to His usual custom? Undoubtedly His exhaustion had reached the extreme limit and, humanly speaking, He could no longer drag His cross along without help. But had He not already suffered to an extent far beyond the limit of natural laws? Was there not required a continued miracle, even before this, to enable Him to sustain such great sufferings? Why, then, this notable exception during the way of the cross? First, the Redeemer wished to remind us that sinners, represented by Simon, should in justice carry the cross and suffer death, and that His death was due to sinners and not to Himself. Therefore, after first bearing the cross as a sign of His victory over Satan, Christ relinquished it to Simon. Then He would again impress on our hearts the important truth so often taught by Himself, that to obtain eternal salvation, it was not sufficient that He should carry the cross for us, but it was necessary that we, also, should carry it after Him. He inculcates, finally, that we must patiently bear not only the cross sent to us directly by God, but also the cross imposed on us by the malice of men, as it was imposed on Simon of Cyrene. The latter cross is certainly no rarity and, it is withal, very burdensome....

Indeed, in itself, it is difficult and humiliating to carry the cross patiently and with resignation to God's Holy will. But it becomes easy, when, like Simon of Cyrene, we continually have Christ before our eyes and look more upon Him than at the cross dragging behind us. And if, at the first moment, Simon stood abashed at the shameful burden of the cross, this burden, through the grace of the Redeemer, became lighter and sweeter at every step, aye so sweet that at the end he gave up the cross with as much reluctance as when he at first received it upon his shoulders. Then let us look at the fruits and the usefulness of carrying the cross. In consequence of it, Simon, as well as his entire family, afterwards believed in Christ. His sons Rufus and Alexander became bishops; he and his sons became saints of the Catholic Church, saints of heaven. Happy then is he whom God has destined to carry the cross.

Note from Father

Dear Faithful,

I was so edified by the turn out that we had for our day of recollection here at St. Hugh. I believe that the count of those who at least made some of the retreat day was about 48. It is always great when people are able to take some extra time and spiritualize their day, especially when it is a Sunday, and there is no better time to ensure that we do that than during Lent. I hope that those who were able to attend enjoyed the day and were able to spiritually benefit from it. For those who were unable to attend, we hope that you will be able to at a future day of recollection and you can listen to the talks on the St. Hugh website.

After the day of recollection (and a much needed nap that afternoon), I was off after Monday's St. Joseph Mass to the missions. It was another nice visit up in Grand Forks with that young mission. However, the mission in Bismarck unfortunately had to cancel...but this ended up being very providential. I had recently had contact from a family up in Northwestern Wisconsin (Park Falls) who are in need of the Sacraments. I thus changed my second mission Mass location for the week from Bismarck to Park Falls and was able to meet the family and offer Mass for them. All went well and I think that it was a very fruitful visit. God willing, it will become a regular part of our missions and perhaps one day ever grow.

Driving to this new place also allowed me to drive through the city of Duluth again. It brought back fond memories of when we used to have a mission in Duluth until the people moved. It was also so pleasant to see the city, as it is very beautiful and there is a point where you are looking over the harbor and lake Superior from above, which is always a treat to see.

I am here with you this weekend for the back end of the mission run while the rest of the good priests are in Ohio. They had a little day of spiritual talks, fun activities, and review for all the altar boys on the feast of the Annunciation. Fr. McGuire said that it all seems to have gone well and was well attended. Hopefully it will mean that I will return to SGG and find our servers sharper than ever...One can always hope!!

With my prayers and blessings,
Fr. Stephen McKenna