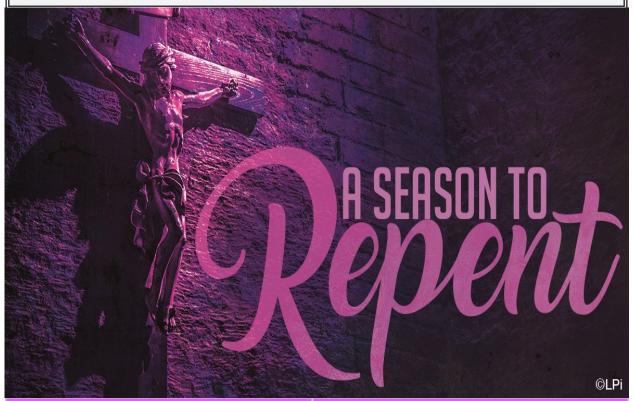
THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT THE CATHOLIC COMMUNITIES OF:

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Cromwell-Wright

ST. MARY'S ST. LOUIS

Meadowlands Floodwood



MASS SCHEDULE and CONFESSIONS St. Louis

105 4th Ave E, Floodwood, MN 55736

Sunday: 10:30 AM Tuesday -Wednesday: 8:30 AM Adoration after weekday Masses.

Confessions half hour before Mass on Sunday and Saturday from 10:00-11:00 AM

Immaculate Conception,

5944 Hwy 210, Cromwell, MN 55726

Saturday: 5:00 PM Thursday: 8:30 AM

Adoration after Thursday Masses at the church First Thursday Mass at Villa Vista: 8:30 AM Confessions half hour before Mass on Saturday

St. Mary's

9999 Hwy 133, Meadowlands, MN 55765

Sunday: 8:00 AM
Friday: 8:30 AM
Adoration after Friday morning Mass.
First Saturday: 8:30 AM

Confessions half hour before Mass on Sunday

(Confession also available by appointment)

STAFF

Please direct all mail to:

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See the bulletin online in the parish website

(Bulletin deadline is Thursday at 12 PM)

Tri-Parish Website: nemncatholic.com

SACRAMENTS

Baptism: Before any detailed arrangements are made, parents must attend a pre-baptism class. **Funerals:** Arrangements are to be made with

the priest before publication in newspapers.

Weddings: Arrangements are to be made in person

with the priest at least six months in advance.

Sick Calls: Inform the Rectory or Office of the ill

and homebound.

THIRD SUNDAY OF LENT

March 3, 2024 3rd Sunday of Lent

I am the Lord your God ... You shall not have other gods beside me. – Ex 20:2-3

One of the greatest golfers of all time — if not the greatest — was Jack Nicklaus. Which is why it is baffling that at the beginning of each season he would return to his childhood coach and relearn how to grip the golf club. It's like Shakespeare re-learning the alphabet and grammar. Why would he do that? Because Jack knew that the fundamentals are always relevant. Perfecting and obsessing over his grip allowed him to do everything else in the game well. In sports and life, the best ones love the basics.

Similarly, as we begin Lent, we re-learn the spiritual basics in the Ten Commandments. Consider the first, to "have no other gods besides me." This is our "grip." Is our connection to God one of absolute fidelity and exclusive worship? Am I willing to let go of my precious idols, the things I cling to instead of God? Once we say "yes" to this fundamental question of our spiritual "grip," then we are ready to properly engage with everything else in life. Watch how beautifully the game of life unfolds in the next nine commandments (numbered in parentheses): how we speak to God and others (2 and 8), how we organize our week (3), how we relate to our family (4) and the wider community (5 and 7), how we live our sexuality (6), and how we order all the other desires of the human heart (9 and 10). But don't rush to these later Commandments too soon! Everything in life is built on the first Commandment. The more we focus on worshiping God alone, the better we navigate the complexity of life with panache, effectiveness, and love.

Lenten challenge: This week, identify what you can do to better worship God alone. If you're not sure, scan the last nine commandments to identify what you are most likely to worship instead of God. - Father John Muir **©LPi**

Collection Counters

March 03 St. Mary's Craig, Laura, Len **St. Louis** Kay, Phil March 10 St. Mary's Laura, Don, Barb St. Louis Michael, Carrie



MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTION

3/05 8:30 AM St. Louis Jordon Aune -B 3/06 8:30 AM St. Louis

3/07 8:30 AM Villa Vista

3/08 8:30 AM St. Mary's

3/09 5:00 PM Immaculate Conception

Our Parishioners 3/10 8:00 AM St. Marv's

Rose Ringhofer + 10:30AM St. Louis Paul Ruzynski +

SAINTS OF THE WEEK

3/04 - St. Casimir

3/05 - St. John Joseph of the Cross, Religious

3/06 - St. Colette, Religious

3/07 - Sts. Perpetua and Felicity, Martyrs

3/08 - St. John of God, Religious

3/09 - St. Frances of Rome

999999999999999999999 Sunday, March 10th - Daylight Savings time! Set your clocks, and Spring forward!





LITURGICAL ROLES

March 09, 2024 Immaculate Conception Lector Jill Kleidon

March 10, 2024 St. Mary's **Gifts** Kucera Family Ushers Len Kucza & John Durovec St. Louis Lector Debbie Ruzynski



MARCH 3, 2024

ANNOUNCEMENTS



Immaculate Conception Church: Wednesdays at 5:00 PM

St. Louis Church: Wednesdays at 6:30 PM.

St. Mary's Church:
Wednesdays at 6:00 PM.

Restored Retreat registration is open!

All adults 21 and older are invited to a retreat weekend taking place April 5-7 at Giant's Ridge in Biwabik. Come enjoy good fellowship with people from all over the diocese, delicious food, engaging presentations, time for prayer and reflection, and be restored in both body and soul.

All adults are welcome to come!

More information on the weekend and registration can be found at www.dioceseduluth.org/restored-retreat.

This Lent, we see Christ in the faces of our global family members affected by hunger and climate change. During this holy time, we are called to pause and pay closer attention to our relationship with God, and our neighbors. For your pocket change, families can be fed in Uganda, El Salvador, and Indonesia, to name a few. Please take a Rice Bowl today to help. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP OF TREASURE 02 / 25 / 2024

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| Immaculate Conception | | |
| ENV | \$ | 280.00 |
| PLATE | \$ | 50.00 |
| Easter Flwrs | \$ | 10.00 |
| UCA | \$ | 20.00 |
| UCA 2024 | \$ 1 | 1,035.00 |
| UCA goal for 2024 | \$ 5 | 5,029.00 |
| St. Mary's | | |
| ENV | \$ | 445.00 |
| Easter Flwrs | \$ | 55.00 |
| UCA 2024 | \$ | 2,395.00 |
| UCA goal for 2024 | \$ | 8,127.00 |
| St. Louis | | |
| ENV | \$ | 779.00 |
| PLATE | \$ | 398.00 |
| Mass Intent | \$ | 30.00 |
| UCA 2024 | \$ | 1,010.00 |
| UCA goal 2024 | \$1 | 0,223.00 |

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

- ◆ <u>First Thursday Mass:</u> Mass on the 1st Thursday of every month is at Villa Vista.
- ◆ **Stations:** Wednesdays at 5:00 PM.
- ◆ Ham Bingo: Sponsored by Immaculate Conception in Cromwell, March 16th at 6:30 PM. Cromwell Pavilion.

St. Louis

◆ <u>Soup Supper's for Lent</u>: Please join us Wednesday evenings 5:30 PM for Soup supper followed with Stations of the Cross at 6:30 PM.

ST. MARY'S

- <u>First Saturday Mass</u>: Mass in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary on the first Saturday of every month at 8:30 AM.
- ◆ Coffee Sunday: Join us for coffee on Sunday, March 17th after Mass. See you there!
- ◆ **Stations:** on Wednesdays at 6:00 pm.

ALL PARISHES

- ◆ <u>Mass Intentions</u>: If you send a check with your Mass intentions, please make them out to St. Louis Church.
- ◆ Ham Bingo: Sponsored by Immaculate Conception in Cromwell, March 16th at 6:30 PM. Cromwell Pavilion.
- ♦ Tri-Council Meeting March 10th at St. Louis following morning Mass.
- ◆ Duluth Diocese Pastoral Care: Just a friendly reminder: Parishioners do not need to fill out the Duluth Diocese application Special Events form for Sacramental events, for example: a luncheon using the Social Hall after a Baptism, Confirmation, or Funeral. However, usage of the hall for Wedding parties after the Mass, will require a completed application at least two weeks before the event. Please bring it to the Parish office, and we will make a copy and send it.

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