



Synod on Synodality... what is this all about?

Quite simply, the idea of synodality is not new. According to the International Theological Commission, synodality is: “the specific *modus vivendi et operandi* (way of living and operating) of the Church, the People of God, which reveals and gives substance to her being as communion when all her members journey together, gather in assembly and take an active part in her evangelizing mission.”

Ok, so now that we know what synodality means in general, what does it mean for us here in the Northwoods? In a nutshell, it means the Pope wants to hear from his people, all of his people. As already mentioned, synods are not new, for certain. What is special about this Synod on Synodality is that it is a three year synod (2020-2023). Across the world parishes, national bishops conferences will be gathering to discuss synodality and how we can more deeply embrace the mission of evangelization of our universal Church. This is structured very intentionally to allow all the people of the church to participate if they so choose.

This is such an exciting time to be a part of our church. As we know that through our baptism, we are not just all members but each are personally responsible for the mission of the church. The focus of each of these meetings will be to look into how the Holy Spirit is calling each of us individually to work together to live out the mission of the church.

The parish gathering for our cluster will be Saturday, February 19 from 9 am—11:30 am at St. Peter the Fisherman. All adults are welcome to join us! Also, please encourage your high school students to join us as well. We hope that you will prayerfully consider taking the time to join us for this gathering of information, prayer and sharing. You can register on our web page, by calling any parish office or by signing up in the gathering spaces of each church. If there is a need for childcare, please indicate so on the registration form. Although registration is helpful for planning purposes, it is not required, so please join us!

Then what? The next step are the Diocesan meetings that will be happening across our Diocese to share what was discussed in each cluster. Beginning in March, representatives of our Cluster will be asked to join for Diocesan meetings so that the Bishop can hear from every cluster in the Diocese before he prepares his report for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops. In 2023, the Synod will conclude in Rome, with the Holy Spirit guiding the way to setting a fire the hearts of the faithful.

For more information on the Synod check out the [Diocese page on the Synod](https://www.catholicdos.org/synod): <https://www.catholicdos.org/synod>.

SAVE THE DATE!

- Unplanned Week January 17-22, 2022
- @Home Middle/High School ~ Meeting January 17 ~ 7 pm
- Diocese Gathering for Life ~ January 22
- Men's Retreat ! February 5/6
- Candy Bouquet Delivery ~ February 12/13
- Synod Cluster Gathering ~ February 19
- Women's Retreat ~ February 19/20
- Youth Rally ~ February 23
- Cluster Lenten Retreat ~ March 12
- Mission Trip ~ July 9
- Totus Tuus ~ July 17-22

GREAT SITES TO BOOKMARK

- Daily Readings ~ <https://bible.usccb.org/>
- Vatican Site on Synod ~ https://www.vatican.va/roman_curia/congregations/cfaith/cti_documents/rc_cti_20180302_synodalita_en.html
- Resources for all ages (free to our parishioners, contact Jen with trouble registering) ~ <https://formed.org/>
- Cluster website, stay up on all things in our cluster! ~ <https://www.northernlakescatholic.org/>
- Faith on the Go! Find digital ways to grow each and every day: <https://www.northernlakescatholic.org/faith-on-the-go->

CLICK ON THE BOX TO GO TO THE WEB PAGE FOR MORE INFORMATION OR TO REGISTER.

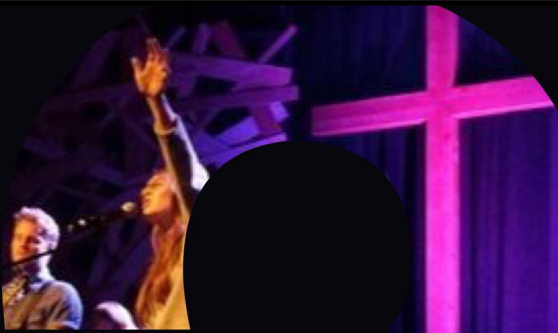
2022 Youth Rally **IMPACT** **2.23.22**

**ST. PETER THE FISHERMAN
EAGLE RIVER ~ 6-9 PM**

OPEN TO ALL HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS

An evening of Music by the Aly Aleigha Band,
Guest Speaker Don Phelps,
PLUS Adoration & Reconciliation!

Due to a generous donation from the Knights of Columbus
this event is FREE to students within our parish cluster!



What will
your
IMPACT
be?

Wednesday, February 23, 2022. ~. 6-9 pm

ALL Jr. & Sr. High School Students Welcome

St. Peter the Fisherman ~ 5001 Highway G ~ Eagle River, WI 54521



Magnificat Subscription Opportunity

The Northern Lakes Catholic Community has a shared ministry called "*Becoming Fully Catholic*." With representatives from each cluster parish, the primary focus is on the Office of Christian Initiation for Adults. A fancy name for helping [adults](#) that are new to the Catholic Faith receive their Sacraments.

Recently we started looking for opportunities to help not only our students, but all parishioners in *Becoming Fully Catholic*. In an endeavor to acquire Magnificats for our students we were able to obtain extras for distribution to our Catholic community,

The Magnificat is an excellent monthly resource that includes all daily readings and the Order of the Mass. It goes beyond that with a short reflection for each day of the month, reinforcement on our Saints and the Morning and Evening prayers from the Liturgy of the Hours.



Try this complimentary issue for one month and it is sure to help you understand the readings with a little more clarity. Here is information on subscriptions, with an exceptional value offer for trial subscriptions www.magnificat.com/trial.



All Abby Johnson ever wanted to do was help women. As one of the youngest Planned Parenthood clinic directors in the nation, she believed in a woman's right to choose. Until the day she saw something that changed everything.

**SEE THE MOVIE,
STAY FOR THE DISCUSSION**

Showings Listed Below:

Monday, 1/17 ~ St. Theresa Lower Level 6 pm

Tuesday, 1/18 ~ St. Mary following 4:30 pm Mass

Wednesday, 1/19 ~ St. Kunegunda 6:30 pm

Thursday, 1/20 ~ St. Albert 6 pm

Saturday, 1/22 ~ St. Peter following 4 pm Mass





DIOCESAN GATHERING FOR

LIFE

**ST. JOSEPH, RICE LAKE, WI
SATURDAY, JANUARY 22, 2022**

- 10:00 AM Mass with Bishop
11:00 AM "Why is the Church Pro-Life?"
Deacon Tim Mika
12:00 PM Break for Lunch***
1:00 PM "Supporting Life in Your Community"
Danielle Hendricks
2:00 PM Holy Hour and Rosary

***please bring a bag lunch or plan on eating at a local restaurant

THIS PUBLIC EVENT IS OPEN TO
PEOPLE OF ALL AGES!

**PLEASE CONSIDER BRINGING A
DONATION ITEM**

- New or gently used clothes 3T and smaller.
- Larger sized diapers (size 5 and 6)
- Any size pull-ups
- Winter coats 4T or smaller



DANIELLE HENDRICKS

Danielle is passionately Catholic and pro-life. She lives in Rice Lake, WI, with her wonderful husband Aaron, and four beautiful children. Danielle has lived and served in multiple cities in the US, mainly with FOCUS and for the Diocese of Syracuse, NY. Currently, she is the CEO of the Pregnancy Help Center in Rice Lake.

DEACON TIM MIKA

Deacon Tim Mika was ordained to the permanent diaconate in 2020 for the Diocese of Superior. He and his wife Becky live on a farm outside of Ashland with their five children.



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REDEEMING MASCULINITY:

Christ's Urgent Call to Authentic Manliness



MEN'S RETREAT
FEBRUARY 5-6, 2022

Heartwood - Trego, WI
8:00 AM Saturday to 12:00 PM Sunday



WHAT TO EXPECT

- Dynamic and engaging talks
- Times for personal prayer and reflection
- Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration
- Spiritual Direction with Priests
- Fellowship with other Catholic men from around the diocese

SPEAKER: PETER ANDRASTEK

Peter has worked in adult formation in the Church since 2003. He holds a Masters Degree in Pastoral Theology from Ave Maria University. His experience includes preaching retreats, teaching theology and adult catechesis courses, being a guest lecturer at seminaries, and giving presentations and trainings for numerous parishes, dioceses, movements, and institutions in the Church. He also has articles published in Notre Dame's Church Life Journal. Peter currently advises a team that serves over 110 ministries around the world, including dioceses, parishes, and military bases. He lives in Menomonee Falls, Wisconsin with his wife and eight children.



REGISTER ONLINE

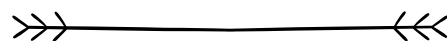
<https://catholicdos.org/mens-ministry>

Cost: \$100 for dual occupancy room



DIOCESE OF SUPERIOR WOMEN'S RETREAT

FEBRUARY 19-20, 2022



THE FEMININE GENIUS:

LIVING LIVES AS WOMEN OF GOD



HEARTWOOD - TREGO, WI
8:00 AM SATURDAY TO 12:00 PM SUNDAY

COST: \$100 FOR DUAL OCCUPANCY ROOM

REGISTRATION OPENS ONLINE DECEMBER 1, 2021 AT
[HTTPS://CATHOLICDOS.ORG/WOMENS-MINISTRY](https://catholicdos.org/womens-ministry)

WHAT TO EXPECT

- Dynamic and engaging talks
- Times for personal prayer and reflection
- Daily Mass and Eucharistic Adoration
- Spiritual Direction with Priests
- Fellowship with other Catholic women from around the diocese



SPEAKER: GINA LOEHR

Gina Loehr is the author of five books and the mother of six children. She taught theology for five years at Marian University in Wisconsin, where she lives on the Loehr family's 600-acre century dairy farm. An alumna of NET Ministries, Gina holds a master's degree in theology from Franciscan University and has worked as a high school teacher, the director of a pro-life educational outreach program in Cincinnati, and an NFP instructor. She has also participated in seminars with the former Pontifical Councils for the Laity and the Family. Her books include *The Church is Our Mother*; *Real Women, Real Saints*; *Choosing Beauty: A 30-Day Spiritual Makeover for Women*; *Saint Francis, Pope Francis: A Common Vision*; and *The Four Teresas*.



MUSIC: ALY ALEIGHA

Aly Aleigha is an Indie-Folk Singer/Songwriter as well as a Catholic Speaker / Worship Leader from Duluth, MN. When she is not touring, she spends her days rock climbing cliffs that plunge into beautiful Lake Superior and enjoying the beauty of creation.