

February 15, 2015

SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Pastor's Notes:

Sunday Commentary: In today's Gospel, Mark 1:40-45, we hear Mark's report of the miraculous healings that Jesus performed in Galilee. Today's reading focuses on the man with leprosy who took the initiative, and approached Jesus to ask for healing. In doing so, the leper violated the religious customs of the day by approaching a person who was clean. His request to Jesus can be interpreted as a courageous and daring act.

The confidence of the leper in Jesus' ability to heal him is evident in the words of his request. But his words can also be read as a challenge to Jesus, asking just how far Jesus was willing to extend himself in order to heal someone. While healing the man, Jesus touched him, which also violated established social norms. This is an important sign of the depth of Jesus' compassion for the man and an important statement about Jesus' interpretation of the Law of Moses.

Mark's Gospel tells us that after this healing, it became difficult for Jesus to travel freely. Jesus' movement was hampered by his popularity. Despite his instructions, the cured man spread the word about Jesus' healing power. Even when Jesus was in deserted places, people sought him out in search of his healing. © 2015 Loyola Press All Rights Reserved. Reprinted with Permission.

Welcome to Lent 2015!

ASH WEDNESDAY LITURGIES

Holy Spirit Two Harbors

8.15 am - Mass with Signing of Ashes - Fr. Michael

7.00 pm - Liturgy of the Word with Signing of Ashes - Deacon Tim

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8.15 am - Liturgy of the Word with Signing of Ashes - Deacon Fred

6.00 pm - Mass with Signing of Ashes - Fr. Michael

Lenten Guidelines: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence.

For members of the Latin Catholic Church, the norms on fasting are obligatory from age 18 until age 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal. Two smaller meals may also be taken, but not to equal a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon members of the Latin Catholic Church from age 14 onwards.

If possible, the fast on Good Friday is continued until the Easter Vigil (on Holy Saturday night) as the "paschal fast" to honor the suffering and death of the Lord Jesus, and to prepare ourselves to share more fully and to celebrate more readily his Resurrection. (USCCB)

Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross – Fridays during Lent, **soup at 5 pm** followed by **Stations at 6 pm**. The soup supper is a perfect way to warm up before going to Stations of the Cross. These delicious soups will be prepared by our volunteer cooks. If you are interested in preparing a soup or providing bread for a soup supper, please contact Cindy in the Parish Office. Donations to Operation Rice Bowl will be accepted during the soup supper. This is another great opportunity to enrich your Lenten season.

Next week, our parish will take up the **131st annual National Black & Indian Mission Collection**. Our support of this collection helps build the church in African American, Native American, Alaska Native communities from coast to coast.

A **BIG THANK YOU to EVERYONE** who helped make our Spaghetti Dinner a HUGE success! We couldn't have done it without everyone's help whether you purchased tickets or offered your time baking, serving or cleaning up after the meal. It was awesome to see the kids and adults having fun, working together to get everything done. God certainly blessed our efforts to give to the poor.

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Parish Office Located in Rectory 8:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Monday - Thursday **Office/Rectory** 226-3100 **Fax Machine** 226-3116

Church Hall 226-3691 **Parish E-Mail** stmary@mchsi.com **Parish Website** www.stmarysilverbay.org

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays from 8:45 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** Call — 226-3639 or 226-3351

Fr. Michael Lyons (218) 834-4313 **Fr. Michael's E-Mail** mjlyons@mchsi.com

Saturday	<i>STS. CYRIL & METHODIUS</i>	02/14/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass - Intention for Deanna Larson Reader.....Jody Majewsky Cantor.....Andy Buell Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Rose Elam Chalices....Don Seipke Servers.....Thomas Rowlee & Jason Blood Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>SIXTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	02/15/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Jim Frericks Cantor.....Kim Josephson Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright Chalices....Lanay Frericks Chalices....Marge Jorgenson Servers.....Todd Curry & Zack Fredrickson Gifts.....Volunteers	
Monday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	02/16/15
Tuesday	<i>THE SEVEN HOLY FOUNDERS OF THE SERVITE ORDER</i>	02/17/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
7:00 p.m.	AA Meeting	
Wednesday	<i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/18/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Liturgy of the Word with distribution of Ashes	
6:00 p.m.	Mass with distribution of Ashes.	
Thursday	<i>THURSDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/19/15
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass – Intention for Deanna Larson	
8:50 a.m.	Adoration	
Friday	<i>FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/20/15
Saturday	<i>SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/21/15
7:15 p.m.	Mass - Intention for healing for Dustin & Audrey Thornborrow Reader.....Rose Elam Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Accept. Plate.....Jeff Asmussen Chalices....Mary Wright Chalices....Susan Frericks Servers.....Sheena & Mita Frericks Gifts.....Volunteers	
Sunday	<i>FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT</i>	02/22/15
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass - Intention for All Parishioners Reader.....Marge Jorgenson Cantor.....Rick Frericks w/Guitar Accept. Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris Chalices....Lanay Frericks Chalices....Tom Frericks Servers.....Lucas & Jake Stadler Gifts.....Volunteers	

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- † **Parishioners:** Terry Scallen, Leesyl McKinney, Betty Dugas, Alma Ferris, Suzanne Seguin, Angie Pruse, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson, Vicki Johnson.
- † **Clergy:** Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Dick Kunz, Johnny Jerabek, Lincoln Traut, Amy Buckner, Allison Bahar, Mae Dehnhoff, Pat LeBlanc Sr., Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Emma Cavataio, Elsie McGuire, Jim Morcomb.
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Please call the church office if you'd like to submit a prayer request; these requests will run for 3 weeks. If continued prayers are needed after that time, please call the church office to let us know that you would like to renew the request. Names will be routinely removed if updates aren't received, so please, call if continued prayers are needed.



Next Food Distribution
Saturday, February 28, 2015

11:00 am – 1:00 pm

Mary MacDonald Center Gym
99 Edison Blvd. Silver Bay MN

- You receive an abundance of grocery items
- Everyone who gets hungry qualifies
- Registration begins at 10:00 AM
- \$20 **Cash** donation at the door

BRING OWN BOXES, BASKETS, TOTES OR COOLERS FOR FOOD

More Info? Email: rubyspantrysilverbay@gmail.com
www.rubyspantry.org

Faith Formation will meet **Wednesday, February 25** starting the night out with dinner at **6 pm**, followed by education at **6:30 pm**. For **Adult Faith Formation**, we will continue our journey through the Decision Point program. This is something you can join in on at any time so if you haven't joined us yet, come check it out. We would love to see more people involved. Everyone is invited for dinner and education. If you'd like to attend but have children who are too young for the Faith Formation program, child care is provided.

Last Week's Contributions	
General Collection.....	\$1637.00
Building Fund.....	\$30.00
Latin America.....	\$320.00