

February 7, 2016

FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Fr. Steve's Quotes for Consideration:

"The priesthood is the love of the heart of Jesus ... The priest is not a priest for himself, he is a priest for you."
-St. John Vianney (1786-1859)

This weekend's quote is from one of the great saints in the history of the Church- St. John Vianney. St. John Vianney was a diocesan priest in France during the first half of the 19th century. After his ordination to the priesthood, he was sent to become the pastor of a very small rural town of Ars, France. Not too long after his arrival there, his extraordinary wisdom, holiness and preaching became known not just in the town of Ars, but throughout the French countryside. Soon, people were traveling from miles away to have the opportunity to go to confession with Fr. Vianney, who himself would often spend over 12 hours a day in the confessional. St. John Vianney had tremendous gifts of wisdom, able to read the souls of his penitents, and he was also a man of tremendous prayer and devotion to the Holy Eucharist. He is the patron saint of priests.

As we heard in the Gospel reading today, our Lord invites Simon Peter to leave his fishing nets behind and follow Him, so that God may make Peter a "fisher of men." This encounter between Jesus and His first Apostles is a very telling one. It reminds us of a very important truth: our lives are not our own. God has created each of us for a very specific purpose, and with a very special plan for our lives. It is our task, with God's help, to discern just how God is asking us to put to use the gifts that He has entrusted to us in our lives, and to do so in a way which brings glory to God and fulfills His will.

In a special way, I would like to encourage parents and grandparents who are reading this bulletin: what have you done recently to encourage and foster a vocation/s to the priesthood and/or religious life amongst your children/grandchildren? I know that this question may make us a bit uneasy, because a lot of times many of us may pray for more priests, but we may also hope that God doesn't call *our* son or grandson to be one of them! So many times I heard stories in seminary from classmates who told me that their greatest obstacle to following God's call in their lives to become a priest was their parents, family, or friends who discouraged them. This is so unfortunate, because God has entrusted the lives of our children/grandchildren to our care so that we may then help them to live according to the purpose that God has created them to fulfill.

The greatest gift that we can give to our children/grandchildren is to help them to discover and follow God's will for their life, because following God's will in their life is what will make them most happy, most fulfilled, most content. As Jesus said to Simon Peter- "Do not be afraid!" The life of a priest is a beautiful life, filled with many joys, challenges and opportunities to help bring the grace, love, and mercy of God to people who so desperately need it. The world needs priests! God is calling, but are we willing to put out into the "deep water," and to jump all in for Christ? Will we be coworkers in God's work of inviting young men to consider priesthood? I encourage you all- think of one young man in your life to whom this week you could ask: "Have you ever thought about being a priest?" Vocations are plentiful, if we are willing to invite. God bless you! -Fr. Steve

Community Dinner: Put on by the local churches, community dinners are being planned to celebrate and support our community life. Everyone is invited! The first dinner is **Thursday, February 18, 4:30-6:30 pm** in the **Kelley High School cafeteria**. Free will donations will be accepted, with proceeds supporting the SB Food Shelf. If you'd like to volunteer to help with this dinner or future dinners (March 19 & April 21), please contact Sue Bahar at 353-6008.

St. Mary's Prayer Shawl Ministry group will meet on **Wednesday, February 10, at 1 pm** in the Community Room at Silverpointe Apartments. We welcome new members. Knit/crochet/goodies. Questions, contact Lana at 353-7714.

Join us for Soup Supper & Stations of the Cross – Fridays during Lent, soup at 5 pm followed by **Stations at 6 pm**. 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. Donations to Operation Rice Bowl will be accepted during the soup supper.

St. Mary's Catholic Church - 57 Horn Blvd; Silver Bay, MN 55614

Parish Office Located in Rectory 8 am - 2 pm Monday - Thursday **Office/Rectory** 226-3100 **Fax Machine** 226-3116

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

Eucharistic Adoration Wednesdays 8:45 am - 3:00 pm **K of C Auxiliary Prayer Chain** 226-3639 or 226-3351

Fr. Steve Laflamme (218) 834-4313 **Fr. Steve's E-Mail** : slaflamme@dioceseduluth.org

Fr. Michael Lyons (218) 830-1600 **Fr. Michael's Email**: mjlyons16@gmail.com

Saturday	<i>ST. PAUL MIKI AND COMPANIONS</i>	02/06/16
6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Donna Mealey</i> ☩	
	Reader.....Jody Majewsky	
	Cantor.....Terri Frericks-Blood	
	Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright	
	Chalices....Jeff Asmussen	
	Chalices....Mary Wright	
	Servers.....Giovanni & Corrina Marolt	
Sunday	<i>FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	02/07/16
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
	Reader.....Marge Jorgenson	
	Cantor.....Sue Bahar	
	Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris	
	Chalices....Gerry Bahar	
	Chalices....Ed Hynes	
	Servers.....Zack Fredrickson & Laurese McKinney	
Monday	<i>ST. JEROME EMILIANI & ST. JOSEPHINE BAKHITA</i>	02/08/16
Tuesday	<i>WEEKDAY IN ORDINARY TIME</i>	02/09/16
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Morning Prayer	
Wednesday	<i>ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/10/16
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Fr. Paul Larson</i> ☩	
8:50 a.m.	Adoration	
5:00 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Richard Keseley</i> ☩	
	Reader.....Marge Jorgenson	
	Cantor.....Patty Armstrong	
	Plate.....Deacon Fred Wright	
	Chalices....Michael Rowlee	
	Chalices....Tom Frericks	
	Servers.....Thomas Rowlee & Jason Blood	
Thursday	<i>OUR LADY OF LOURDES</i>	02/11/16
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Theresa Clement</i> ☩	
8:50 a.m.	Prayer Group	
Friday	<i>FRIDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/12/16
7:50 a.m.	Rosary	
8:15 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Johnny Jerabek</i>	
Saturday	<i>SATURDAY AFTER ASH WEDNESDAY</i>	02/13/16
6:30 p.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
7:15 p.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for Edward Zupancich</i> ☩	
	Reader.....Jody Majewsky	
	Cantor.....Marilyn Frericks	
	Plate.....Rose Elam	
	Chalices....Shelley Fredrickson	
	Chalices....Don Seipke	
	Servers.....Thomas Rowlee & Laurese McKinney	
Sunday	<i>FIRST SUNDAY IN LENT</i>	02/14/16
7:50 a.m.	Sacrament of Penance	
8:30 a.m.	Mass — <i>Intention for All Parishioners</i>	
	Reader.....Jim Frericks	
	Cantor.....Joanne Curry	
	Plate.....Deacon Jack Ferris	
	Chalices....Judy Zupancich	
	Chalices....Marge Jorgenson	
	Servers.....Zack Fredrickson & Sheena Frericks	

PLEASE KEEP THESE PEOPLE IN YOUR PRAYERS:

- † **Parishioners:** Susan Michels, Steve Elam, Lino Rauzi, Marj Von Schenk, Lois Hynes, Lillian Miller, Tom Bott, Gale Fredrickson, Susan Gelatic, Lanay Frericks, Alma Ferris, Suzanne Seguin, Terry Scallen, Vicky Johnson, Marlene Petersen, Deanna Larson.
- † **Clergy:** Deacon Gene Biever, Deacon Fred Wright, Fr. Ben Hadrich, Fr. Francis Paquette.
- † **Relatives & Friends:** Katie (Byrnes) Ament & her newborn twins who arrived earlier than expected. Dawn Stefanich, Liam Traut, Rauri Byrnes, Grace Kramer, Elizabeth Johnson, Stephanie (Clifford) Martin, Ariana Marek, Kerry Larson, Diane Mayer, Don Hedin, Betty Westaby, Dick Kunz, Elsie McGuire, Johnny Jerabek, Amy Buckner, Mae Dehnhoff, Jim Morcomb, and Delaney, Cooper, Thomas & William Kutcha.
- † **Military:** Karen McGrane, Alex Seanger, Michael Seipke, Sam West, Chris Gensing, Sean Stebbins.

Knights of Columbus Valentine's Dinner - Thursday, February 11 at Camp 61. We will have dinner at **6:00 pm** but come early. Dinner for \$22 includes beverage & dessert, tax & tip. See or call Greg at 226-3104 for reservations & dinner choices by February 8.

United States Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota.
In re Diocese of Duluth, Case No. 15-50792

Diocese of Duluth

BANKRUPTCY

If you were sexually abused by any person connected with the Diocese, a parish in the Diocese, a school in the Diocese, or have any claim against the Diocese, you must file a claim by **May 25, 2016**.

CLAIMS MUST BE FILED BY MAY 25, 2016

- For more information, visit dioceseduluth.org
- For U.S. Bankruptcy Court for the District of Minnesota information, visit mnb.uscourts.gov
- For the Official Committee of Unsecured Creditors, call 612.335.1407
- For advice about your rights, contact an attorney

LAST WEEK'S CONTRIBUTIONS

General Collection.....	\$1369.50
Building Fund.....	\$100.00
Collection for Latin America	\$20.00