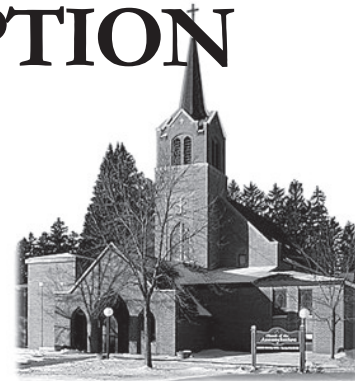


Churches of the  
**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
&  
**ANNUNCIATION**



**February 7, 2010**  
**Fifth Sunday in Ordinary time**

Rice

Mayhew Lake

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### PASTORAL REFLECTIONS

by *Father Tim*

Today I would like to call your attention to the Annual Diocesan Appeal. I encourage your support because this Appeal helps fund some very worthwhile programs including the Pro-life cause, the T.V. Mass, Catholic Education Ministries, Faith Formation, Marriage and Family Life, and the Deaconate. All parishioners will receive a letter from Bishop Kinney about this appeal, along with an envelope for your donation. Thank you for your response.

The following is a prayer which I found to be a very good morning prayer or morning offering. I share it with you with the hope that it may be a meaningful prayer to start your day:

#### **Good Morning Lord!**

*Thank You for the night's rest and for this new day. Will You accompany me as I go on my way, thinking through my mind, speaking through my lips, living in my heart, and guiding my feet in the paths You wish me to follow?*

*Bless me with good health, and the physical strength to carry my share of the world's load. Give me a clear knowledge of the right, and the courage to stand steadfastly by my convictions. Make my will strong, but let my voice and my touch be gentle. Teach me to be patient, and to be kind.*

*Grant me the wisdom to guide only to their greatest good those to whom I offer counsel or care. Make me so honest that the slightest trust will not be misplaced if placed in me.*

*Keep me attuned to Your Presence in me, in my life and work, to so reflect the Light of Your Divine Radiance, that all whose lives are touched by mine may be enriched by it.*

*Thank You, God, for endowing me with the talents, the skills, and the opportunities to earn everything I need, plus something to share with those less fortunate than I.*

I want to Thank You, members of both parishes, for your generosity to the victims of the earthquake in Haiti. Each parish donated more than \$2000 each for Haitian Relief. May the Lord bless your generosity. Catholic Relief Services does good work in helping those suffering from disasters.

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WEDNESDAY

### Mass Schedule February 17

8:00am Immaculate Conception Church-Rice  
7:00pm Annunciation Church-Mayhew Lake  
7:00pm Immaculate Conception Church-Rice

# Immaculate Conception News

## Journey of Faith

Thank you to everyone who helped with and participated in our parish "Journey of Faith" this past Wednesday evening.

A reminder that our First Communion Learning Centers are this Wednesday evening beginning at 3:45pm. Please call Pat if you don't remember your appointment time.



Confirmation Candidates are reminded of their class Wednesday. Bring completed Journal Session 4, homily notes, and any completed service project reports.

The miracle of the great catch in today's Gospel is dramatic and sensational and so is the radical response of the first disciples who leave everything to take on a new way of life. We rarely, if ever, experience such dramatic miracles or such huge life changes. But God calls each of us through our ordinary daily living to respond to Jesus through generosity, faithfulness to our spouse, an uncomplaining attitude when we are ill, teaching Christian values to our children, and kindness toward everyone, no matter their wealth, status, or color. We are all made worthy followers simply because God calls us through our baptism.

## Stewardship Blessings

### January 19-February 1, 2010

Adult Sunday .....	\$5,951.00
Loose Plate .....	\$207.00
Other Income .....	\$31.48
Total Received for Debt Retirement.....	\$642.00
Haiti Relief .....	\$2,421.61
St. Cloud Visitor .....	\$526.00
Faith Formation .....	\$155.00
Cub Rebate .....	\$260.28
Total Income Last week .....	\$10,194.37

**To meet budget per week — \$5,754.00-this includes monthly loan payment (\$2,611.00 )**

Year to Date Income .....	\$186,354.74
Year to Date Expenses.....	\$162,725.81
Loan Balance (as of 02-01-10) .....	\$245,863.15

### January Debt Reduction Details

Debt Retirement Donations.....	\$1,931.25
\$679.75 short of \$2611.00 Payment	
Total Debt Retirement Received in December...	\$1,931.25

*In today's readings both Isaiah and Peter hear the call of God and feel themselves unworthy. But reassured by the Lord, both answer and follow. Do I hear the Lord asking, "Whom shall I send?" Am I prepared to answer, "Here I am. Send me!"?*

## Weekly Events

Wed	3:45-8pm	First Communion Learning Centers
	6:30pm	Confirmation Catechesis
Thu	5:00pm	Liturgy Committee Meeting
	8:00pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting
Fri	9:00am	Mass at Benton Apts
Sun	10:00am	Youth Choir Rehearsal
	10:30am	Rice Loves Its Kids Mass
		Children's Liturgy of the Word

## Future Events

Fridays February 19, 26, March 5,12,19,and 26:  
**Parish Fish Fry Fund Raisers.** Serving from 5-7:30pm.

## Fund Raiser Thank you's

The parish has been active with two recent fund raisers. Special thanks goes out to the leaders of both. The Pizza Sale was led by Kelli & Nick Pruesser and Mark & Roxie Saldana. Profit for this event was over \$1900.00 The Chili Cook Off, led by Steve Maciej, netted \$504.50. Thank you to those leaders and all who worked at either of these fund raisers to help create the successful events they were! All your hard work is appreciated! Proceeds of both events were put towards our debt retirement.

## Liturgy Committee

Please read Section 4 of "Sing to the Lord" & "Lent" in the Sourcebook for our supper meeting on Thursday at 5pm.



## Help Needed

We are in need of co-chairs for this season, as this will be Tom and Peggy Kubat's last year as the leaders. We are looking for three couples to split the responsibilities of

shopping, food preparation, and serving & cleanup. Please consider volunteering to work at the upcoming Lenten Fish Fries. This helps to pay down our debt. Sign up sheets are out on the Bulletin Board in the gathering space. Please pick up a poster from the table in the hall to help advertise in the community or your place of work.

## St. Cloud Visitor

The parish is assessed a set fee by the diocese, based on the number of our families. Please use the envelope in your packet to help defray the cost.

## Catholic Relief Services in Haiti

Generous contributions from Catholics across the country to CRS are helping thousands of Haitians after the devastating earthquake on January 12th. CRS has provided food and other emergency supplies to more than 90,000 people through two large sites and parish distribution sites across Port-au-Prince. CRS medical teams are treating 300 people per day. Our parish collection total of \$2796.61 has aided the efforts of Catholic Relief Services. Your outreach to neighbors across the world is to be commended! You saw others in need and responded with great generosity.

# Annunciation News

## Welcome Home Dan!

Dan Gerads, a member of our parish, is now home from deployment in Iraq. We extend a sincere welcome to him and thank him and all service men and women for their service to our country. It is a sacrifice on their part and on the part of their families and we are grateful to them. Dan's wife is Nancy and his children are Karleen, Logan, and Jayden. May the Lord bless them all for their sacrifice.

## A Note from the Gerads Family

Nancy, and I and the kids are very grateful for everyone's thoughts, prayers and warm wishes for our family and all the soldiers' safety this past year. Being away from home and family is difficult, but it helped knowing we have supportive people back home helping every step of the way. For this, we thank you!

The Dan Gerads Family

## Choir Practices

\*\*Choir Practice will be on Mondays at 7:30pm.

Contact Rita Kainz if you are interested in joining the choir.

\*\*Also, the choir will be taping on Feb. 9th at 6:00pm at the Pastoral Center for the TV Mass to be aired on Feb. 14th and 21st.

## February Ministry Schedules

February Ministry Schedules are done and in the back of church. Schedules until the end of June will be available after the new program is running smoothly. If you have certain dates that you know you will be out of town or busy, please let me know by Feb. 15th for the March through June schedule. Thank you for your patience and understanding!

## Youth Choir Schedule

Youth Choir has started again. The first practice will be Mon., Feb. 8 at 6:30pm. New schedules for the youth choir are in back of church.

## Stewardship Blessings

Adult Sunday .....	\$2,249.19
Loose Plate .....	\$40.75
Visitor .....	\$20.00
Youth .....	\$18.25
Carpet Fund .....	\$25.00
Initial Offering .....	\$3.00
Refund.....	\$8.00
Couples Night.....	\$25.00
Haitian Relief .....	\$320.29
Candles .....	\$34.10
Total Income Last week .....	\$2,743.58

## Weekly Events

Mon., Feb 8	6:30pm	Youth Choir Practice
Tues., Feb 9	6:00pm	Choir is taping for TV Mass
Wed., Feb. 10		First Reconciliation for 2nd graders
Wed., Feb. 10	7:10pm	Social Events Planning Meeting

## Future Events

Wed., Feb. 17	Ash Wednesday—Lent Begins
Sun., Feb 21	Mayhew Lake Loves Its Kids

## Haitian Relief

Thank you to all who gave so generously to the Haitian Relief collections. A total of \$2,376.20 was collected at Annunciation Church. This will greatly benefit the people of Haiti.

## Notes from Shirley

- First Reconciliation is on the 10th. Parents & student should meet at 7:00 at church.
- Chris Codden will be here to talk to 8th graders on the 10th.
- Ash Wednesday—no religious ed. Classes, but all students and parents are expected to attend Mass.
- Our 11th grade confirmation students will be going to Place of Hope on March 3rd. This place is for people who are homeless or out of a job and need a warm meal. We are asking for some assistance from our parish in preparing the meal. We could use noodles, paper plates, bagged lettuce, forks, spoons, paper bowls, and salad dressing.

## Notes from Parish Council

- Want to plan Social Events at Annunciation? Join us February 10, 7:10pm (during CCD) to gather your ideas. This is not only how we have fun, but how we get to know and support each other. Call Jackie Popp for questions, (320)393-4237 or speak2jackie@gmail.com
- Bidding forms for Lawn Care are available at the church office. Bidding is open thru February.

## Blood Pressure Checks

The parish nurse, Ann Miller, will have blood pressure checks after the 8:30 am Mass on Feb. 28th in the parish library.

## Happy Birthday!

Joshua Ackerman, Kendel Pflipsen, Judi Spears, Nicole Zwilling, Jessica Hartwig, Gabbie Mosher, Jackson Ackerman, Coralyn Lass, Bradley Popp, Vernon Kosloski, Marilee Pflipsen, Mitchell Thell, Norbert Thene & Rachelle Lass



## Rice Mass Schedule

Wed 8:00 am †Andy Hovland-Veronica Popp  
Fri 9:00 am †James Loidolt-The family @ Benton Apts  
Sat 7:00 pm †Dave Storkamp-Helen Storkamp  
Sun 10:30 am †Paul & Irene Schyma- LuAnn & Michael Trutwin

## Ministry Schedule

### Week of February 8-14

**Daily Mass Lector: Pat Kollodge**

### Cantor

Sat 7:00 pm Rachel Mohs, Janice Martin  
Sun 10:30 am Youth Choir

### Lector

Sat 7:00 pm Wendell Mohs  
Sun 10:30 am Mike Kampa, Robin Nelson

### Servers

Sat 7:00 pm Blake & Alicia Goebel  
Sun 10:30 am Brett Gansen, Sam Kelash

### Greeters

Sat 7:00 pm Peggy & Tom Kubat  
Sun 10:30 am Roxanne Saldana, Marcus Saldana

### Ushers

Sat 7:00 pm Allen Popp, Duane Cekalla  
Sun 10:30 am Ray Thompson, Joe Voigt, Leon Skroch,  
John Thompson

### Host Count

Sat 7:00 pm Mary Linn  
Sun 10:30 am Joan Donovan

### Body of Christ

Sat 7:00 pm Paul Goebel  
Sun 10:30 am Lisa Wannigman

### Blood of Christ

Sat 7:00 pm Colleen Burton, Bill Rauch  
Sun 10:30 am Paula Kampa, Karen Wolbeck,  
Roxanne Saldana, Guy Spence

### Communion at Home:

Please call Theresa Eisenschenk 393-4521

## Mayhew Lake Mass Schedule

Tues 8:30 am ++Frank & Beatrice Nasal  
Thurs 8:30 am +Joan McDonald  
Sat 5:00 pm People of the Parishes  
Sun 8:30 am Dec. Rajkowski/Bemboom Relatives

## Ministry Schedule

### Lectors:

Sat. Ryan Symanietz & Jesicah Miller  
Sun. Loren Popp & Jenessa Brown

### Eucharist:

Sat. Dennis Emslander(h)  
Sun. Lori Popp(h) & Brenda Carriveau(hc)

### Ushers:

Sat. Dale(S) & Diane Symanietz, Duane Wentland &  
Volunteer  
Sun. Randy(S) & Julie Miller, Joshua & Michelle Kuehn

### Servers:

Sat. Melissa & Kayla Kahl  
Sun. Brent Harren & Cory Popp

### Greeters:

Sun. Brent & Joshua Ackerman

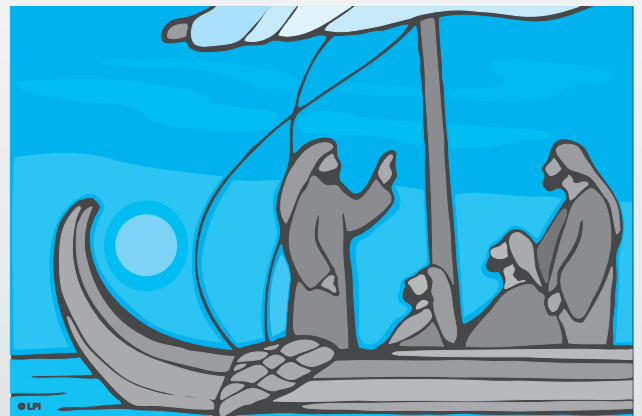
## News for Both Parishes

### 2010 Annual Diocesan Appeal

The Annual Diocesan Appeal helps to fund diocesan ministries that assist our parish in providing pastoral care our people. You should have received a letter by the end of this week from Bishop Kinney. On this Commitment Weekend, please prayerfully consider Bishop Kinney's message and respond generously to help fund these Ministries supporting our Lives.

### Lenten Retreat

The Franciscan Sisters of Little Falls invite the public to attend the Lenten Retreat: A Franciscan Christian Life of Continual Conversion, on Saturday March 6, 9:30 am-3:30 pm at St. Francis Convent, Little Falls. Presenter, Sister Elise Saggau, will address with participants, "How Do We Experience Continual Conversion?" and Being a Franciscan Christian Today: Signs and Wonders." Mark your calendars for this meaningful Lenten experience. For more information or to pre-register by February 22, contact 320-632-0668 or email [fanciscanlife@fslf.org](mailto:fanciscanlife@fslf.org)



Astonishment at the catch of fish they had made seized him and all those with him, and likewise James and John, the sons of Zebedee, who were partners of Simon. Jesus said to Simon, "Do not be afraid; from now on you will be catching men." - Lk 5:9-10

### Readings for the Week of February 7, 2010

Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11  
Monday: 1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13/Mk 6:53-56  
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 8:22-23, 27-30/Mk 7:1-13  
Wednesday: 1 Kgs 10:1-10/Mk 7:14-23  
Thursday: 1 Kgs 11:4-13/Mk 7:24-30  
Friday: 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19/Mk 7:31-37  
Saturday: 1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34/Mk 8:1-10  
Next Sunday: Jer 17:5-8/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

### Question of the Week

When did God recently call you to do something different?