

Second Sunday of Ordinary Time (B) | January 18, 2015

For all who announce the Good News; and that their proclamation find fertile ground in hearts and minds, *WE PRAY...*

May our religious and civic leaders cultivate a passionate commitment to justice, we pray:

That our own commitment to the dignity and worth of every human life shine forth in all our efforts and conversations, we pray:

For victims of human trafficking, and all whose dignity as human persons are violated by injustice, that we advocate for those in bondage, *WE PRAY...*

For an increased understanding that our parish is where the Church lives; that we are a community of faith, of action, and of hope; that our parish be a place where the gospel is proclaimed and celebrated, where believers are formed and sent to renew the earth, we pray:

That each of us do what we are obliged and called to do; that our parish be blessed with the generous support of all our members, each contributing, time, talent and treasure, we pray:

That we who are comfortable might make ourselves a bit less comfortable; that those who are not so fortunate might receive what they truly need, we pray:

May Marge Mudrak, and all of our beloved dead, **and all who have gone before us as friends of God**, see the face of God, and join in an endless song of praise and thanksgiving for ever and ever: AMEN!

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ANNOUNCEMENTS:

[Sunday Morning] All are welcome for coffee and conversation downstairs in the social hall after the final hymn is sung. And volunteers to help with this Sunday project are welcome; please sign up at the Help Desk after Mass. We are also looking for new choir members, lectors and extraordinary ministers of the Eucharist; nominations are being accepted at the help desk after Mass.

On Monday, January 19, the parish council, finance council and parish trustees will meet in the gathering space at 6:30 pm; our meeting should be no longer than 75 minutes. Could members of the council join in the exit procession and come to the Welcome Desk to meet with any parishioners who might like to chat or say hello?

- Roast Beef Dinner, next Sunday 11-3 -- Signups in GS**
- Catholic Schools Week -- See Bulletin insert**
- Human Trafficking Awareness Month @ St Michael's**
- SMLS Montessori Preschool Info Meeting -- Jan 22nd**
- Help Needed: Childcare on Sundays**

The Immaculate Conception Icon is a copy of the original painting housed in the Cathedral Basilica Notre-Dame de Quebec in Canada, on loan to us for a week from the Knights of Columbus. The icon travels throughout the world, under the organization of local There are Prayer Books, and Prayer Cards, is the Blessed Sacrament Chapel.

You will find a parish staff member at the help desk in the gathering space today; stop there with any questions or comments! And please remember: Visit us online at stmichaelsduluth.org; like us on Facebook; and follow us on Twitter!