

My dear friends in Christ,

How does our world define human existence today? Is it the same as it had been few decades ago? I don't think so. The purposefulness of our existence on this earth is defined according to the dominant forces of a particular era. During the industrial revolution, human existence was almost reduced to sheer labor force. Human existence makes sense as long as an individual is able to contribute to the work force of the industry. If you are not able to contribute to the productive forces of the industrial market, then you are counted as nobody. Your existence is of zero value to the industrial market. But the value of human persons is not assessed by our ability to contribute to something or not. We are worthy of greater value by our very creation as humans. Again, our secular world tries to define human nature on different terms and tell us what it means to lead a happy and joyful life. Do we need to agree with all they say? No.

St. Paul writes to the early Christian converts of Philippi: "Rejoice in the lord always; again I will say, rejoice!" (Phil 4:4). How can we be joyful always? There are so many challenges we face in our daily life that upset us constantly. Things do not move as fast as we plan every day. Some of our co-workers upset us on many things. Our own family members do not co-operate enough to complete the daily chores of the household. Despite such innumerable hurdles on our way to being really joyful, can we still think of radiating the joy that the Risen Lord promises to all of us? It is possible because joy does not come by sheer human efforts. It comes as a gift of the Holy Spirit. When we remain in Christ as branches connected with the vine, we are given the joy of Christ spontaneously. Into every heart God puts the basic desire to be joyful, to be loving and radiant in an everlasting happiness. When we sincerely aim to love others with a joyful heart, then the joy becomes contagious. This demands that everyone overcome basic selfishness and become ready to accept the basic goodness in everyone.

Let us try this simple method of being joyful in Christ every day. Let us thank him for all the good things he is granting us for the day. Let us seek his assistance to be joyful sharers of his love and joy with others on any particular day. Let us also seek his help to be open to accepting the basic goodness in others so that we desire to work with everyone in our life to bring the true joy of Christ in to their hearts.

Your brother in Christ,  
Fr. Xavier Ilango

**Weekday Mass Schedule May 26-June 1**

Mon: 5:30 p.m. +Barb Hanson  
Tues: 9:00 a.m. +Cecil Cook, Jr.  
Wed: 9:00 a.m. +Jeffrey Aarness  
Thurs: 9:00 a.m. +Harry Schurmann  
Fri: 7:30 a.m. +Charles George  
Sat: 5:30 p.m. +Bob Stroschein  
Sun: 8:30 a.m. Pro Popolo

**Church Tables and chairs:** We have had multiple requests to borrow tables and chairs from the church for family events. Please be aware that it is the parish policy to not loan out these items. Keeping them in the church building keeps them from getting lost or damaged.



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**Mass Times**  
Monday 5:30 p m  
Tuesday-Thursday  
9:00 am  
Friday 7:30 AM  
(Care Center)  
Saturday 5:30 pm  
Sunday 8:30AM

**CONFESSIONS:**  
Saturday 4:30PM

**ADORATION:**  
Tuesdays: 9:30AM-6 PM

**DAA 2014 May 20 Update:**  
Parish Goal: \$15,948  
Money and Pledges Received: \$12,305.00  
75.93% of Goal  
31 families participating  
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There will be **training and commissioning for Eucharistic Ministers** at the 5:30 pm Mass on Monday, June 9 (notice the change in date). *All current and new Eucharistic Ministers must attend.*  
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**The Year of Marriage Pilgrimage** to the Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception in Crookston is set for July 12, 2014. We will leave from the Church parking lot on an Anderson bus at 9:30 am and return around 3:45 pm. The cost is \$15/person or \$25/couple. There are both an agenda and a sign-up sheet in the vestibule. Please sign up if you plan to attend so we know how many to plan for.  
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*Men who desire to grow into a deeper understanding of who they are and to grow in holiness in Catholic community will find a home here!*  
The St. Benedict Men's House of Discernment in Moorhead, MN. offers community living for six men, formation opportunities to grow in discerning a vocation, community prayer and parish involvement. The household consists of college age men studying at Concordia College, M-State, and Minnesota State University-Moorhead. Requirements for living in the House include, one community meal per week, formation event one time a semester, conformity with house rules, participation in House Masses, participation in House prayer and parish involvement at St. Joseph's Church and Moorhead Catholic Campus Ministries. Accommodations of the House include a private bedroom, shared bathrooms, Internet, cable, pool table, living room, full kitchen, laundry and Chapel. For more information and to apply contact: Mike Heinzen, Parish Administrator for St. Joseph's Church, Moorhead, MN; 218-236-5066 or email: [mheinzen@stjoesmhd.com](mailto:mheinzen@stjoesmhd.com).

**Parishioners' Prayer Requests**  
Parish families have asked us to keep in our prayers their loved ones who are ill  
Please pray for:  
-Jim Wallace -Emily Martin  
-Luella Baumgart -Dan Hodgson  
-Casey Courneya -Ron Jensen  
-Dave Goebel -William Swan  
-Ken Jacobson -Roger Wolden  
-Tammy Soyring -Norman Buseth  
-Kenny Sprouls -Lisa Flynn

<u>Collections</u>	<u>May 18, 2014</u>	<u>Attendance:</u>	<u>Needed per Week to</u>
<u>Collection Basket</u>			<u>Reach Budget:</u>
Adult	\$2,669.00	410	\$4,202.29—This figure includes all sources of parish income (i.e., funerals, flower collections, fall dinner, etc), not just the Sunday collections.
Loose	291.25		
Children	4.00		
<b>Total:</b>	<b>\$2,964.25</b>		<b>This week's Total:</b>
<b>Other Budgeted Income</b>			<b>\$ 2,964.25</b>
Vigil Lights	\$ 15.75		<b>4,655.25</b>
VBS	90.00		<b>20.00</b>
JP II books	4.00		<b>\$ 7,639.50</b>
Steeple Fund	1,750.00		
Window Fund	1,820.00		
Confirmation Bibles (Ch. Mothers)	305.50		
Building Fund	670.00		
<b>Total</b>	<b>\$4,655.25</b>		
<b>Other Parish Fund Raisers: FACC—\$20</b>			

**Non-Parish Collections: Catholic Communications/Catholic University—\$205**

**UPCOMING:**  
May 24: Confirmation at 5:30 pm Mass  
May 25: Parish-Wide Bake Sale after Mass  
May 27: Finance Council meeting 7:00 pm at Church  
Jun 7: Maryology: Rosary at 8:30 am; Mass at 9:00 am  
Jun 9: Eucharistic Minister Commissioning at 5:30 pm Mass (please notice the change in date)  
Jun 16: Circle Leader's meeting after 5:30 pm Mass (please notice the change in date)

*Ministry Schedule for June 1, 2014*

	<b>5:30 PM</b>	<b>8:30 AM</b>
<b>FCC—</b>	Christine Daggett and Kristi Roers	
<b>Ministers</b>	Jeanne Riley	Nancy Christensen
<b>Of Holy</b>	Nancy Dashner	Mark Byer
<b>Communion</b>	Jill Mickelson	Christine Daggett Bev Roberts Heather Mitchell
<b>Lectors</b>	Russell and Mary Ann Karasch	Kathy Stenger Bud Hensel
<b>Ushers</b>	John Mack Mike Hiemenz	Bruce Hofer Madison Ketter
<b>Servers</b>	Abigail Wothe Ethan Byer Isaac Courneya	Sarah LaSart Patrick Vacek

Circle 4 is in charge of donuts in May  
Circle 5 will be in charge of donuts in June

\*\*\* Youth \*\*\*

**Confirmation:** May 24, 5:30 pm Mass

**Discipleship Week 2014:** Duluth, June 9-12 (Mon-Thurs); Cost Per Student: \$230. [www.dioceseduluth.org/d-week](http://www.dioceseduluth.org/d-week). Download all forms & follow all directions. Mail completed forms and payment to: Diocese of Duluth, Attn: D-Week 2014, 2830 East Fourth Street, Duluth, MN 55812.

**Saint JP II Middle School Camp,** Sunday, July 6-Thursday, July 10, for students entering grades 7-9.

**Vacation Bible School** for all children currently in grades preschool through fifth grade—June 2 through 6. Sign-up sheets are in the back of the Church. Please complete registration as soon as possible so we can order supplies.

**First Communion Students:** if you have not received your pictures, they are in the back of Church. Please pick them up as soon as possible.

**VBS Station Leaders (adults) and helpers needed.** Meeting Tuesday May 27 at 6:30PM. If we don't get adult teachers, we may not be able to hold VBS. Please consider giving of your time; the children love this time of learning and sharing.

Our Prayers for these youth who received the **Gift of the Holy Spirit at Confirmation Mass** this Saturday evening: Byron Byer, Molle Byer, Mathew Daggett, Tabitha Hiemenz, Garrett Malstrom, Alexis Parsons, Alexis Peichel, Megan Quittschreiber, Kyle Sprouls, Tony Teiken, Kyliegh VanDenEykel, Anne Winter, Josh Wurst. It is with great Joy that they are fully initiated into the Catholic Church!

**Christian Mothers:**  
Christian Mothers will sponsor a **parish-wide bake sale** on Memorial weekend. Items may be dropped off on Saturday, May 24, but bake sale will only be on May 25 after Mass. The money raised from the bake sale will go to the steeple/window fund

Our annual **Cedar Chest** raffle tickets are available after weekend Masses. The drawing will be held on July 27, 2014. Items you would like to donate for the Cedar Chest may be dropped off in the church hall. Thank you.