



The Catholic Parishes of RESURRECTION & ST. JOSEPH



12.22.24 | FOURTH SUNDAY OF ADVENT



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Daily Masses

Holy Spirit-Virginia
Monday & Tuesday 8am
Wednesday 5:30pm

Resurrection-Eveleth
Wednesday & Thursday 8am

Our Lady of Hope-Aurora
Monday & Thursday 9am
Tuesday 5:30pm

St. Joseph-Gilbert
Friday 8am

Confession

Tuesday
Our Lady of Hope-4:30pm

Wednesday
Resurrection - 8:30am
Holy Spirit - 4:30pm

Friday
St. Joseph - 8:30am

Saturday
Resurrection - 10am
Our Lady of Hope-3:30pm
Holy Spirit - 4pm

Sunday
St. Joseph - 5pm

Mission Field Mass Schedules Weekend Masses

Resurrection-Eveleth
Saturday 4pm
Sunday 10:30am

St. Joseph-Gilbert
Sunday 8:30am & 6pm

Our Lady of Hope-Aurora
Saturday 4:30pm
Sunday 9:30am

Holy Spirit-Virginia
Saturday 5pm
Sunday 8am & 10am

Adoration

Our Lady of Hope
Monday 9:30am-8:30pm

Resurrection
Wednesday 8:30am-8:30pm

Holy Spirit
Tuesday & Thursday 9am-9pm

St. Joseph
Friday 8:30am-12noon

Mission Field Contact Information

Resurrection/St. Joseph
PO Box 586
Eveleth, MN 55734
218-744-3277

Our Lady of Hope
16 West 5th Avenue North
Aurora, MN 55705
218-229-3210

Holy Spirit Church
306 2nd Street South
Virginia, MN 55792
218-741-6344



Happy Fourth Weekend of Advent & Merry Christmas to "Our Mission Field!"

In the hustle and bustle that has led us up to our celebration of Christmas, we may find ourselves asking, "What's it all about?" We sometimes wonder in the rush, the stress and the hurry, whether we have somehow missed the real meaning of it all. I have been praying about that question myself as I prepare for Christmas, and I hope that some of my reflections might help you to enter more fully into this celebration of the birth of Christ, the Prince of Peace.

Christmas is, first and foremost, about Love, God's Love. How much does God love us? God loves us so much that God gave us the most precious gift imaginable, Jesus, God's own Son. That's the heart of Christmas.

This great and wonderful love calls us to love one another. We share love in and through our human relationships. Love isn't always a warm and cozy feeling; love is a commitment and a decision to stick with others, come what may, through thick and thin, when the going is easy and when the going gets more challenging. The love that we share in our human relationships reflects the love of God, calling us to give of ourselves for others.

At Christmas, we remember that Jesus was born in poverty, in a stable among the poorest people and the farm animals. What does this mean for us today? You and I are called to look for the face of Christ in the poor, those at our own door and in places far from here. Love can look like a cup of coffee offered, a handheld, a smile shared, and a story heard. I firmly believe that, in the end, we will be judged by how we care for the poor.

And Christmas is also about repentance and forgiveness. Love takes commitment and work, and sometimes we don't get it right. We're not perfect. But with God there is mercy and forgiveness, and second chances. Thus, we must seek mercy from God and others. Then, in turn, we must offer mercy to others. Christmas is a time of renewal, of fresh starts and coming together.

We often hear the phrase "Keep Christ in Christmas" and we wonder how to do that. I think that Jesus himself gave us the best insight; if you want to keep Christ in Christmas, look around you, and look for Him. He is here, in our Mission Field! Feed the hungry, give drink to the thirsty, clothe the naked, forgive the guilty, welcome the stranger, care for the sick, visit the imprisoned, and love your enemies. "Truly I tell you, just as you did it to one of the least of these, you did it to me."

Merry Christmas!

Fr. B



Would you like to experience *PEACE this Christmas*? Please join us for Midnight Mass on **Tuesday, December 24th, MIDNIGHT** at **Resurrection Church** as we celebrate Christ's birth.

THE MINISTRIES APPEAL

The Ministries Appeal focuses on the shared ministries of the Diocese of Duluth that bring our mission and vision to life. Through Education & Family, Evangelization & Outreach, and Vocation & Clergy Support, these ministries embody the Holy Spirit in our communities, bringing people closer to Jesus Christ for healing, hope, and joy.

You can also mail gift to: Checks made out to -The Ministries Appeal
Diocese of Duluth
The Ministries Appeal
2830 E. 4th Street
Duluth, MN 55812-1501

K.C. HO-LEE DONUTS & COFFEE

Knights of Columbus Ho-Lee donuts will be available for purchase after both Resurrection Church Masses **this weekend, December 21-22**. Coffee and donuts will be served in the Holy Family Hall after the Sunday morning Mass.

SUNDAY NIGHT HOLY HOUR

Adoration, Evening Prayer or Night Prayer, Meditation led by one of the priests or deacons, Confessions, Praise and Worship, Benediction. **Sunday, December 22, 7:00pm at St. Joseph Church.**



CHRISTMAS CONCERT

The Holy Spirit Church Choir will be performing their Christmas Concert on **Monday, December 23, at 6:00pm at Holy Spirit Catholic Church**. Please join us for a beautiful evening of music.

CHOIR TO SING BEFORE MASS

The choir will be singing **one-half hour before the 4pm Mass on Christmas Eve at Resurrection Church**. Come and enjoy the beautiful music.

BOOKKEEPING NOTES

Attention Resurrection and St. Joseph Parishioners: All contributions for the year 2024 must be received by 9am on Monday, December 30, 2024.



Tuesday, December 24: Christmas Eve
 4:00pm - Resurrection
 4:30pm - Holy Spirit
 5:00pm - Our Lady of Hope
 6:00pm - St. Joseph
 10:00pm - Holy Spirit
 Midnight - Resurrection

Wednesday, December 25: Christmas Day
 9:00am - St. Joseph
 9:30am - Our Lady of Hope
 10:00am - Holy Spirit
 10:30am - Resurrection

**Tuesday, December 31: Mary, Mother of God
 Anticipatory Mass - Holy Day of Obligation**
 5:00pm - Holy Spirit
 5:30pm - Our Lady of Hope
 6:00pm - Resurrection

**Wednesday, January 1: Mary, Mother of God
 Holy Day of Obligation**
 8:30am - Holy Spirit
 9:00am - Our Lady of Hope
 10:00am - St. Joseph

PARISH OFFICE HOURS
 The Parish Office will be closed on
 Monday, December 23– Thursday, January 2.

CHURCH SUPPORT
 December 7 - 8

Resurrection

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| Envelopes* | \$8,394.00 |
| Plate | \$507.00 |
| Building Fund* | \$170.00 |
| 2024 Appeal Goal* | \$41,393.00 |
| Ministries Appeal Funds Collected* | \$35,064.00 |
| Ministries Appeal Remaining Balance* | \$6,329.00 |

St. Joseph

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| Envelopes* | \$2,935.00 |
| Plate | \$256.00 |
| Building Fund* | \$170.00 |
| 2024 Appeal Goal* | \$24,813.00 |
| Ministries Appeal Funds Collected* | \$18,709.00 |
| Ministries Appeal Balance* | \$6,104.00 |

**Includes electronic giving.*

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| Step Repair Cost | \$35,000.00 |
| Step Project Total Collected | \$34,871.00 |

Mass Schedule

Saturday, December 21
 4:00 pm (Resurrection) - For the People of Both Parishes

Sunday, December 22 - Fourth Sunday of Advent
 8:30 am (St. Joseph) - † Paul & Mary Bajda
 10:30 am (Resurrection) - † Charles Hiti
 6:00 pm (St. Joseph) - † Edward & Rosemary Kodunce

Monday, December 23
NO MASS

Tuesday, December 24 - Christmas Eve
 4:00 pm (Resurrection) - † Hallie Muhich Stevens
 6:00 pm (St. Joseph) - † Jim Weiss
 12:00 am (Resurrection) - † Suzanne Horoshak

Wednesday, December 25 - Christmas Day
 9:00 am (St. Joseph) - † James Nelson
 10:30 am (Resurrection) - † David Marcaccini

Thursday, December 26
 8:00 am (Resurrection) - † Carl & Elsie Kaffine

Friday, December 27
 8:00 am (St. Joseph) - † Bishop Peter Muhich


Saturday, December 28
 4:00 pm (Resurrection) - † Joe Dolence

Sunday, December 29
 8:30 am (St. Joseph) - † Luann Phillipich
 10:30 am (Resurrection) - Norm & Marge Olson
 6:00 pm (St. Joseph) - For the People of Both Parishes

Confession Schedule

Resurrection– Eveleth

8:30 am Wednesday - No Confession Dec. 25 or Jan. 1
10:00 am Saturday
St. Joseph - Gilbert
8:30 am Friday
5:00 pm Sunday



EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION
Wednesdays - Resurrection 8:30am - 8:30pm
&
Fridays - St. Joseph 8:30am - 12noon

No Adoration Wed. Dec. 25 or Jan. 1

"Jesus awaits you in the Eucharist. Come into the silence and let Him change your life."

RITE OF COMMUNION

If you know anyone from our Parishes who are sick or Homebound and would like to receive Holy Communion, please contact the parish office at 218-744-3277

PRAYER REQUESTS

For Resurrection Church please call Marie Peterson at 744-1990.
 For St. Joseph Church please call Nancy Killian at 749-2462 or Barb Lyons at 248-0566.

Requests can be made for anyone in need. All requests are kept confidential and you may remain anonymous.

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