



Catholic Church

MAY 7, 2023
5TH SUNDAY
OF EASTER

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Fr. Wehmann



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SAINT OLAF: OUR HEART AND SOUL

Fr. Kevin Kenney, Pastor and Mary Kennedy, Parish Administrator

In my Father's house there are many dwelling places. If there were not, would I have told you that I am going to prepare a place for you? And if I go and prepare a place for you, I will come back again and take you to myself, so that where I am you also may be. - John: 14 1-3

Some of you drive by more than a few churches on your way to Saint Olaf – and yet you are here. Some of you visited Saint Olaf once for a Liturgy and something invited you to return. Some have been part and parcel of this parish for generations. Some of you may never have stepped foot into Saint Olaf, but tuned into the Mass Broadcast/Live Stream and keep tuning in. Whether you have been here Thirty years or Thirty minutes, you have found us. You bless us with your presence, your gifts shared, and we are glad to welcome you to this faith home in the heart of downtown Minneapolis.

As in any home we have our ups and downs, cycles of growth and challenges. We thought it would be good to share some answers to questions we have been getting about Saint Olaf, especially in light of the weekly budget battle shared in the bulletin showing that we continue to lag behind our budget.

Where does the money come from? Each week we share our Sunday and Weekday Collection which includes all of the envelope, online, and cash gifts received toward the General Fund from Parishioners, Associate Parishioners, Contributors and guests. We compare it to what we have budgeted each week for the year. It is not a straight-line division of dividing the Fiscal Year budget by 52 weeks, but one that varies over the year.

Sometimes like this week, we are pretty accurate in our calculations. However, this week's tallies also show that we are behind for the year by \$43,769.

The Collections are not the ONLY source of income for Saint Olaf, we also have **Rental Revenue**, which includes rent payments, outside groups, and events. We have **Other Revenue**, which includes the non-budgeted revenue from bequests, memorial gifts, and designated gifts to ministry areas. Our two **Endowments** provide us with annual grants or "forever gifts" that will continue to benefit Saint Olaf in perpetuity. These other gifts and grants help us balance our budget and keep moving forward the mission of Saint Olaf.

How do we use the money we receive? The mission of Saint Olaf: *servicing as a living sign of Christ's saving presence in the heart of the city*, dictates where we spend the gifts we have been given. Living out our mission focuses on two charisms that Saint Olaf has: providing numerous, quality liturgies and serving those in need within the inner city. We focus our staffing, ministries, and budget on these two areas to make sure we continue to live out our mission as disciples of Jesus Christ in our corner of downtown Minneapolis. This concentration of our resources means that we work hard on getting great staff who are committed to Saint Olaf and the mission. We strive to make the 17 weekly Masses and other liturgies be quality worship experiences, drawing all together as a community of faith.

Samaritan Ministry continues to serve all

those at risk and in need with clothing, household items, served up with a healthy dose of Christian love by our Samaritan Ministers. Last week, on Monday through Wednesday morning we served over 75 clients.

The other major area of expense is in caring for the building and grounds of Saint Olaf and our Exodus building next door. We have all seen our utility, heating, cooling expenses rise dramatically and we work hard to keep the costs in line as much as we can. A longer than anticipated winter and significant snow fall are two budget busters that we have had to contend with this year, just as you, our parishioners, have experienced in your household budgets.

How can I/We help?

- Pray for Saint Olaf and the success of our mission here in the heart of the city.
- Support Saint Olaf. Your regular gifts through our secure online giving platform, or using envelopes, or cash gifts in the collection basket make a difference and there is no gift too small.
- Share of your first fruits. If Saint Olaf is essential to you, show that by giving of your first fruits, not what is left over after everything else.
- Consider Saint Olaf if you have an unexpected windfall, and name Saint Olaf Endowments in your estate plans to provide for tomorrow's Saint Olaf.

We can do better. Your faith home needs YOU - heart and soul.



EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS

READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

*RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY SEMI-BOLD ITALICS

May 7, 5th Sun of Easter: Acts 6:1-7, **Ps 33**, 1 Pt 2:4-9, Jn 14:1-12

May 14, 6th Sun of Easter: Acts 8:5-8, 14-17, **Ps 66**, 1 Pt 3:15-18, Jn 14:15-21

WATCH SAINT OLAF SUNDAY MASS ON MCN CH 6

Watch our Sunday 10:00am Mass on MCN Cable TV Channel 6 on Sunday evenings at 8:00pm and replayed on Mondays at 10:00am. Saint Olaf also live streams our Monday-Friday 12:00Noon Mass and our Sunday 10:00am Mass on YouTube: youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live.

NEED SOME PRAYERS IN PERSON?

If you are homebound, cannot attend Sunday Mass, and would like a visit, please call Fr. Wehmann, **612-767-6203**, to schedule a weekly visit with one of our trained Pastoral Care Ministers.

IN MEMORIAM

Please pray for loved ones lost who are associated with Saint Olaf. We will post news of any pending Funeral Masses or Memorial Services when they are scheduled. Check saintolaf.org and click on Funerals in the top right corner of any page to see the scheduled funerals.

Fr. Eugene Tiffany, former pastor of Saint Olaf 2004-2005, died April 27, 2023. Visitation Monday May 8 from 5:00pm-8:00pm at Gearty-Delmore Plymouth Chapel, 15800 37th Ave N, Plymouth, MN. Funeral, Tuesday May 9 11:30am at The Basilica of Saint Mary in Minneapolis.

PRAY FOR OUR SYNOD EVANGELIZATION TEAM

Saint Olaf's Synod Evangelization Team members have completed the School of Discipleship. We are grateful for their work and ask for Parishioner prayers as our team continues their formation, and over halfway through the Guided 40-Day Discipleship Challenge to help put what they have learned into practice as "activated disciples" who will lead our parish with our synod response.

REMEMBER YOUR MOTHER THIS MOTHER'S DAY

With a gift towards flowers and environment at Saint Olaf. Donations can be made in honor of the living or in memory of the deceased. Suggested offering is \$5. Forms to donate are in the acrylic stands at the church entrances and are due on Monday, May 8.

MOTHER'S DAY PRELUDE AT 10:00AM MASS

The Parish Choir will be singing an extended prelude on Sunday, May 14, in honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary, and all mothers, living and deceased. Music will begin approximately 20 minutes before Mass.

HABITAT FOR HUMANITY – BRUSH WITH KINDNESS

Saint Olaf will again partner with the Habitat for Humanity on a Brush with Kindness project in Minneapolis on June 15-16. No experience is needed as this project is for scraping, painting, and minor repairs. Up to 10 volunteers are needed each day from 8:30am-4:00pm. Register at tchabitat.volunteerhub.com/vv2/lp/stolafcatholicchurch. If you are unable to volunteer, consider donating to Saint Olaf via check, put Habitat for Humanity in the memo line or select Habitat for Humanity through our secure online giving portal, saintolaf.org/give.

OPPORTUNITIES TO SERVE

- Upholsterer to repair kneelers and chapel chairs. Please contact Mary Kennedy at MKennedy@SaintOlaf.org or call **612-767-6204**.
- Communion Ministers to the Homebound. There is a Virtus training session. Please contact Fr. Wehmann at **612-767-6203**.
- Wedding Coordinator, stipend provided. Please contact Michael Strande at MStrande@SaintOlaf.org or call **612-767-7630**.

MAY 7 - SAINT OLAF PANCAKE BREAKFAST

Return of the beloved Saint Olaf Pancake Breakfast. Join us upstairs in Fleming Hall after the 6:00am, 8:00am, 10:00am, and 12:00Noon Masses for pancakes, scrambled eggs, and more. If you're attending the Saturday or Sunday 4:00pm Mass, we will have some tasty treats to enjoy after both Masses in Forliti Gathering Room. All are welcome!



THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT SAINTOLAF.ORG

WELCOME HOME

- Building closes at 5:30pm Monday - Friday.
 - Offices are open until 4:30pm Monday-Thursday
 - Chapel is open for private prayer Monday - Friday, 7:30am - 5:30pm
- + LIVE STREAMED

SATURDAY, MAY 6

10:00 AM CENTERING PRAYER - FORLITI GATHERING RM

12:00 PM **MASS**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL

2:00 PM RECITAL - JIYEON HWANG - MAIN CHURCH

4:00 PM VIGIL MASS
SPECIAL TREATS AFTER

WEDNESDAY, MAY 10

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:00 AM AA MEETING
EDUCATION ROOM

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

11:30 AM NICOTINE ANONYMOUS MEETING - EDU ROOM

12:00 PM **MASS+**

6:30 PM WOMEN'S BIBLE STUDY
FORLITI GATHERING RM

6:30 PM SAINT OLAF PARISH
CHOIR REHEARSAL

SUNDAY, MAY 7

CELEBRATE SAINT OLAF! PANCAKE BREAKFAST AFTER 6:00AM, 8:00AM, 10:00AM AND 12:00NOON MASSES, FLEMING HALL. SPECIAL TREATS AFTER THE SUNDAY 4:00PM MASS

6:00 AM **MASS**

8:00 AM **MASS**

10:00 AM **MASS+**

12:00 PM **MASS**

4:00 PM **MASS**

THURSDAY, MAY 11

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

12:00 PM **MASS+**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

FRIDAY, MAY 12

PARISH OFFICES CLOSED

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

10:00 AM KNITTING GROUP
FORLITI GATHERING RM

11:00 AM ADORATION

12:00 PM **MASS+**

MONDAY, MAY 8

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

12:00 PM **MASS+**

12:00 PM AA MEETING
EDUCATION ROOM

SATURDAY, MAY 13

12:00 PM **MASS**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL

4:00 PM VIGIL MASS

TUESDAY, MAY 9

7:00 AM **MASS - CHAPEL**

7:30 AM CONFESSIONS

12:00 PM **MASS+**

12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

SUNDAY, MAY 14

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY!

6:00 AM **MASS**

8:00 AM **MASS**

9:40 AM MOTHER'S DAY PRELUDE
BEFORE MASS

10:00 AM **MASS+**

12:00 PM **MASS**

4:00 PM **MASS**



REAL PRESENCE FLYERS AVAILABLE

Join in the National Eucharistic Revival, to "renew the Church by enkindling a living relationship with the Lord Jesus Christ in the Holy Eucharist." Flyers are available in the church vestibule. More information is on the Saint Olaf website, scroll down to News and Announcements on the main page.

SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL

Thank you to all who have given! Saint Olaf's goal is \$76,698.06. As of April 28, we have received pledges and donations of \$67,039 from 82 donors, 87.4% of our goal. Envelopes are available in the acrylic stands at the Church entrances, at csafspm.org, or use the QR code link here.



ANNUAL BUDGET AS OF WEEK #43

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
Apr 17 - 23	\$20,335	\$20,000	\$335
YTD through Week #43	\$1,051,231	\$1,095,000	-\$43,769

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.