



Catholic Church

MAY 21, 2023

ASCENSION SUNDAY

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## GO AND MAKE DISCIPLES

Mary Kennedy, Parish Administrator

*Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.*

*Matthew 28:19-20*

It was one of those rushed mornings, I was running just a bit behind my internal time clock, my mind filled with all sorts of "to-do's" to achieve in the day ahead. Definitely feeling a bit behind, I sped up the lunch making process and, in my haste, knocked a mason jar off the counter. It crashed to the floor and the glass splintered into thousands of pieces. ARGH! Now I was really running behind! I stopped the lunch-making, grabbed a broom and dustpan and swept up the broken glass. The salad was hastily tossed together and finally I was on my way to work. I turned the corner out of my neighborhood, drove down the street just a bit and there, in front of me were three cars, all smashed up, their drivers stepping out of their cars and already on their phones calling their family or the office as they waited for emergency

assistance. I knew at once that the broken glass jar was the key that kept me from being part of that car wreck. Ironic how something going wrong can suddenly be so very right. I gave a silent prayer of thanks to my Guardian Angel and carefully and thankfully made my way to work.

An unplanned delay saved me from a potential BIG problem that morning. I could have just thanked God, kept it to myself, and moved on. I could have not connected the first issue with the second potential issue and just stewed about my crummy morning with one delay after another. However, and even better, I found a way to not only delight in my fortune but to also share my morning "Good News," with those awaiting Samaritan Ministry's daily opening. As soon as I shared my story, exclamations of "God is Good," "You have a mighty Guardian Angel looking out for you," and "I remember when one time I had something similar happen..." filled the room, and brought smiles to one and all. The room went from quiet to joyous in seconds as we all shared a little bit of our faith with one another.

Sometimes the opportunity to serve as an Intentional Disciple just happens. Sharing the little things that make you stop and see that God is good puts a spring in your step to match the light in your heart and on your face. The best part, it was not one bit hard at all. I shared my own story, a bit of self-deprecating humor, and the saving grace part of this, potentially missing out in a starring role in a car accident.

Go and make disciples. Each of us can do it one step at a time when we share our story, present our gifts, share a smile, lend a hand, portion out a few minutes, be on the lookout, take the time, pay it forward, offer a prayer, pass hope along. Each of these actions is an opportunity to go and make disciples. Your actions do all of the evangelization for you. It all culminates in living our faith out loud with those we encounter. Go and make disciples. Then turn around and do it again, and again, and again. Don't stop living your faith out loud because of the broken glass or broken dreams in your way – use them to love, live, laugh, and Go and Make Disciples Today.



## EVENTS & OTHER INFORMATION

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT [SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS](http://SAINTOLAF.ORG/EVENTS)

### READINGS FOR SUNDAY MASS

\*RESPONSORIAL PSALMS ARE DENOTED BY BOLD ITALICS

May 21, Ascension: Acts 1:1-11, **Ps 47**, Eph 1:17-23, Mt 28:16-20  
May 28, Pentecost Acts 2:1-11, **Ps 104**, 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13, Jn 20:19-23

### 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](https://www.youtube.com/user/SaintOlafChurch/live).

### 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](http://saintolaf.org) and click on Funerals in the top right corner of any page to see the scheduled funerals.

**Fr. Ralph Goman, former associate pastor of Saint Olaf 1994-1996, died May 9, 2023. Funeral details to come.**

### LOOKING AHEAD - MEMORIAL DAY IS MAY 29

Memorial Day is observed Monday, May 29, 2023. The building will close after the 9:00am Mass. There will be no 7:00am or 12:00Noon Masses, no live stream, and no confessions.

### PRAY FOR OUR SYNOD EVANGELIZATION TEAM

Saint Olaf's Synod Evangelization Team members will attend a Synod Activated Disciple Seminar Day on Saturday, May 20 to complete the Synod Evangelization Team training. Next steps will be to gather at Saint Olaf for continued discussion on leading the Saint Olaf parish wide synod response. We are grateful for their work and ask for Parishioner prayers for our team.

### 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 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](https://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](http://saintolaf.org/give)

### SAINT OLAF NIGHT AT THE TWINS IS COMING MONDAY, JULY 24, 2023

6:40pm game time vs. Seattle Mariners. Tickets will be \$25 which includes a hot dog pre-game meal at Saint Olaf and bus to and from the game. Registration forms coming soon.

### YOUNG ADULT GROUP RETURNS FOR TUESDAYS IN JUNE

Are you in your 20s and 30s and looking for community? Tuesdays in June from 5:45pm - 7:00pm, the Saint Olaf Young Adults will be meeting for a once-weekly study of Genesis. Come when you can!

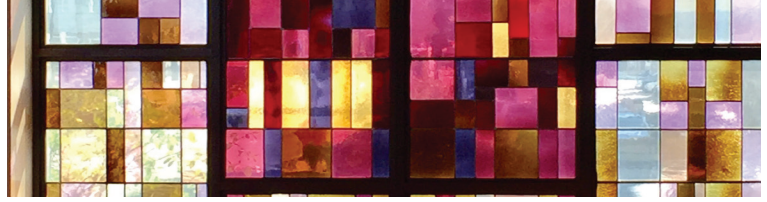
### REAL PRESENCE FLYERS AVAILABLE

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 about the Real Presence have been donated and are available in the church vestibule. More information about the National Eucharistic Revival is on the Saint Olaf website, scroll down to News and Announcements on the main website page.



## THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION AT [SAINTOLAF.ORG](http://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 20

**12:00 PM MASS**  
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS  
12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL  
4:00 PM VIGIL MASS

### THURSDAY, MAY 25

**7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL**  
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS  
**12:00 PM MASS+**  
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

### SUNDAY, MAY 21

*ASCENSION*

**6:00 AM MASS**  
**8:00 AM MASS**  
**10:00 AM MASS+**  
**12:00 PM MASS**  
**4:00 PM MASS**

### FRIDAY, MAY 26

*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 22

**7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL**  
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS  
**12:00 PM MASS+**  
12:00 PM AA MEETING  
EDUCATION ROOM

### SATURDAY, MAY 27

**12:00 PM MASS**  
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS  
12:30 PM ROSARY - CHAPEL  
4:00 PM VIGIL MASS

### TUESDAY, MAY 23

**7:00 AM MASS - CHAPEL**  
7:30 AM CONFESSIONS  
**12:00 PM MASS+**  
12:30 PM CONFESSIONS

### SUNDAY, MAY 28

*PENTECOST*

**6:00 AM MASS**  
**8:00 AM MASS**  
**10:00 AM MASS+**  
**12:00 PM MASS**  
**4:00 PM MASS**

### WEDNESDAY, MAY 24

**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



### SAVE THE DATE!

Plans for Of Ministry and Music 2023 are underway for Thursday evening, October 5, 2023. More details to follow. For now, mark your calendars - we look forward to a fun-filled evening!

### ANNUAL BUDGET AS OF WEEK #45

CONTRIBUTIONS	ACTUAL	BUDGET	DIFFERENCE
May 1 - 7	\$17,394	\$22,750	-\$5,356
YTD through Week #45	\$1,085,656	\$1,137,750	-\$52,094

Thank you for your continued support of Saint Olaf.