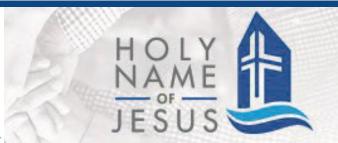
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## Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturday: 5 pm Sunday: 8:30 am, 10:30 am, and 5:30 pm

### Nursery

Nursery is offered for the Sunday morning Masses

## **Daily Mass Schedule**

Monday-Saturday 8 am

#### Confessions

Saturdays: 8:30-9:30 am Wednesdays: 5:15-6:15 pm

## Sign Up for Email!

If you are not receiving our emails, the sign up link is on hnoj.org under the contact us information.

## Anointing of the Sick or Funeral

Please call the parish office at 763-473-7901 to schedule. Or for an emergency, call 763-233-0259.

#### **Adoration Schedule**

Sign up at hnoj.weadorehim.com Monday 8:30 am-9 pm Tuesday 8:30 am-9 pm Thursday 8:30 am-9 pm

#### **Parish Office Hours**

Monday-Friday 8 am-4 pm



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#### **Second Chances**

By Colleen Jurkiewicz Dorman @LPI

One morning, my kids were playing outside in the snow, and I decided to take advantage of the quiet house to make a few important phone calls.

Fool. I forgot Murphy's Law of Parenting, which dictates that as soon as you dial a phone number, a bomb of irritation and neediness explodes within the heart of your loudest child. Sure enough, as soon as the person on the other end of the line



picked up, my son was at the back door, whimpering loudly. Horror of horrors, he had snow in his boot.

I gestured to the phone. He whimpered more loudly. I mouthed and mimed threats. He threw his boot at me. I gave him The Look. He started to scream.

Well, needless to say, the phone call didn't go well, and my son's snow day was cut short. He begged for a second chance, but I explained to him that life doesn't always give you second chances. The phone call was over. Ruined. I couldn't get it back.

But that's when I remembered that moms have a superpower: creating second chances where none had existed before. So I told him that if he could be quiet while I made the rest of my calls, he could go back outside.

My son is young right now. I give him lots of second chances because second chances help him learn. Second chances are the training wheels of life.

I dread the day when the training wheels come off, and I can't save him from his bad decisions. I think every parent does.

The parable of the rich man and Lazarus highlights a reality that we often wish to ignore: at some point, we will run out of chances, and it's not because God tires of giving them to us. It's because a truly endless supply of chances would strip us of our free will. It would deny us the right of being taken at our word — and God respects us too much to do that.

My son saved his snow day. It's a good reminder: take the second (and third and fourth) chance. Don't wait for the next one.



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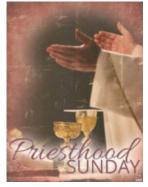


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## Parish News

## Celebrate Priesthood Sunday on Sept. 28

Priesthood Sunday Weekend is a special weekend set aside to honor priests, without whom the Mass could not be offered, and sacraments could not be celebrated. This nationwide celebration in recognition of the generosity of ordained priests is an invitation to the laity to share in praying for and thanking priests for their "Yes" to being a priest. Priesthood Sunday is sponsored by the USA Council of Serra International. On Sept. 27



and 28, thank your priests! You can do so verbally or with a card, and pray for all priests.

## Children's Holy Hour, Oct. 3

Families of HNOJ, come together for a joyful hour of family formation on the first Friday of each month from October to May (except for January and April), from 4-5 pm. Meet in the Emmaus Rooms for a brief introduction, then head to the main Church for 20-30 minutes of Eucharistic Adoration, a prayerful encounter



with Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, followed by a fun and engaging family faith activity. All are welcome, including squirmy and noisy toddlers and babies — bring everyone to grow closer to Jesus together!

No sign up required. All families are invited on Friday, Oct. 3. from 4-5 pm.

## Men's Retreat, Oct. 4

Join the men of Holy Name of Jesus as we explore "Worth It." Sometimes it feels like we make a lot of compromises between our lives and our faith. We can be prone to take the easiest, least expensive, most efficient path, but that is rarely the path of faith. At the



Men's Retreat this year we are going to explore the idea that what we do to worship God is worth it. Every sacrifice is worth it. Every prayer is worth it. Faith in God is always an incredible value, no matter the cost. The big secret is the bigger the cost, the more it is worth it.

Come, join the Men's Retreat on Saturday, Oct. 4, from 8 am-12:30 pm as we ponder "Worth It." The cost is only \$40 and includes breakfast, talks, sharing, and hanging out. Scholarships are readily available, just email Chris at ckostelc@hnoj.org. Registration is open at hnoj.org/mensretreat

## A Praiseworthy Offering, Oct. 4-5

As disciples of Christ, we grow together by following Jesus and inspiring one another to live out our faith. We are called to be good stewards of the resources God has entrusted to us through prayer, participation, and our



generosity, using them to build His Kingdom.

Please watch your mailbox for more information about this year's annual Stewardship Invitation on Oct. 4-5. We invite you to prayerfully reflect on how you can share your gifts in this Praiseworthy Offering. More information at hnoj.org/stewardship2025

## The Chosen Bible Study for Teens

Teens: do you want to strengthen your faith, rest after a long week, and spend time with friends? Come see the Bible come alive through watching episodes of *The Chosen* and discussing different events from the Bible with your friends! We will have snacks, soda, and dessert.



This event is open to all senior high students! Please RSVP to eedwards@hnoj.org. We will meet on Thursdays, Oct. 9, 16, and 30 (more dates to come), from 6-8 pm.

## Friday Night Alive, Oct. 10

Friday Night Alive (FNA) is a monthly gathering at HNOJ for middle schoolers to get to know each other through fun activities and to grow in their relationship with Christ through prayer and listening to relatable talks given by our high school core team. We begin with a meal at 5:30 pm and have a blast until 8:30 pm.

FNA nights are free of charge and open to all 5th-8th grade youth. This is a great time for middle schoolers to bring a friend! Walk-ins are welcome, but RSVPs are appreciated to help us get an accurate food count. To RSVP, please email Luke Klavins at Iklavins@hnoj.org.

## Altar Server Training, Oct. 10 or 11

Calling all altar servers! We have our first training on Friday, Oct. 10, from 3:15-4:45 pm, and a second option on Saturday, Oct. 11, from 10:30 am-12 pm. We have a few changes, updates, and clarifications that we will go over, as well as running through some of the basics again so that we can do our best to make the Mass a prayerful experience for those in attendance.

For anyone in 4th-12th grade who is interested in becoming an altar server, this training is for you as well, we would love to have you join us! Altar servers assist the priest in serving the people of God, and it is a beautiful way to participate in the Mass.

Please fill out the QR code form or go to hnoj.org/liturgical-ministries and select what Mass times you can help with this year.

## Parish News

## Women's Night at HNOJ, Oct. 2

Women's Night at HNOJ is a new ministry this year. We will offer an evening (generally the first Thursday of the month) for socializing, prayer, and growing in faith. What to expect: a speaker, small group discussion, fellowship, laughter, snacks, and drinks. No cost to attend, but we will have a free-will offering to cover snacks, wine, soda, and sparkling water.



What the evening will look like: 7 pm Social time

7:20-8:30 pm Speaker and smaller group discussion 8:30-9 pm Adoration in the church (stay for 5 minutes or 30 minutes)

On Thursday, Oct. 2, we will hear from speaker Liz Kostelc, and our saint inspiration will be St. Thérèse of Lisieux. No RSVP needed, just come and invite a friend!

## Men's Night, Oct. 23

Men's Night at HNOJ Kicks off Oct. 23. Each Men's Night includes optional Rosary at 6 pm with dinner at 6:30 and a message at 7 and all wrapped up by 8 pm. Last year we had great turn out and a large number of guys participate. The food is outstanding every single time and we always serve bacon. Because why not bacon? This year's theme and speaker list will be announced at the kickoff night.

Please RSVP online at https://www.hnoj.org/mensnight so we can get a count for food. Even if you don't RSVP, we'll have a plate and seat for you.

## Scripture of the Week



"But you, man of God, pursue righteousness, devotion, love, patience, and gentleness."

(1Timothy 6:11)

All three of the readings touch on the same theme: the pursuit of doing the right thing - seeking righteousness. The First Reading from Amos is a wakeup call for our distant past - it is time to get serious about what God has called us to be and do. St. Paul in our Second Reading from First Timothy is the present reality of living our lives - and it ties this call to the life and ministry of Jesus Christ as our example of how to live.

Our Gospel is the parable of Lazarus and the rich man. In a very real sense, we see our own future in the person of the rich man when we do not heed the call of the prophets or the call of other Christians. Past, present, future - all roads align. The old adage, "we are in this world but not of it" taken from Jesus's words in John 17:14, certainly applies here - we must live our lives pointed at eternity just as Jesus did. We do have to live <u>in</u> this world, but we can seek the things above - we can seek to submit our will to the will of our Father and His Son and so claim our heritage as being not <u>of</u> this world.

Weekly reflections by parishioner Jon Hickman

## Join a Fall Small Group

This Fall, our small groups will gather once again with the shared goal of following Jesus more closely. Each group will look a little different – different content, ages, and backgrounds – but they will be united in their purpose: to be formed in Christ.

The options for this season's content all focus on the primacy of Sunday as God's "day of delight":

- Fr. Mike Schmitz's homily series (video or podcast)
- Bishop Barron's "What Christian's Believe" (book)
- John Mark Comer's "Practicing the Way" (video and/or book)

Each of these will spark rich discussion within your group and personal reflection with God, helping you answer the question: "What does life in Christ look like for me?"

Our prayer is that you will join us in this season of re-dedication – allowing yourself to be intentionally formed as God's chosen people.

Find out more, and sign up today at hnoj.org/smallgroups2025 or contact Tim at tlyngdal@hnoj.org.



## In Our Parish and Our Community

## Box of Joy, Oct. 8-29

From Oct. 8-29. HNOJ will be collecting items for Box of Joy (a Catholic gift giving ministry). Last year's project was a great success and this year we would love to bless even more kids with a gift. It is your generosity that makes this project a success!



Please bring your new and unused items (school supplies. toys, apparel, toiletries) to HNOJ from Oct. 8-29.

Please save the date for our Box of Joy packing party which will take place on Wednesday, Oct. 29, from 5-7 pm. (Faith Formation Family Activity Night with Fine Dining). For more information, please direct questions to Jennifer Wendt at jwendt@hnoj.org. Thank you for your generosity!

## KC's Pancake Breakfast, Oct. 12

The Knights of Columbus are hosting a pancake breakfast on Sunday, Oct. 12. Breakfast is served from 9:30 am to 12:30 pm. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausages, and tater tots! Beverages include coffee, tea, milk, and juice. The cost is a free-will



offering that will go toward pro-life pregnancy centers.

Please come enjoy a wonderful breakfast! For more information or questions contact Tom Silver at 612-508-1088 or silvertom1948@yahoo.com.

## NPH and Pampered Chef

As you begin your holiday shopping, you might consider shopping with Pampered Chef! It's a win-win since 30% of your purchase will benefit Nuestros Pequenos Hermanos (NPH). The fundraiser will remain open through the holidays, and your products ship immediately. Please help share the link so others can do their holiday shopping while benefitting NPH, too. Go to www.pamperedchef.com/party/nph2026

## **Back to School Help for Ascension**

Holy Name of Jesus has been a longtime supporter of Ascension School in North Minneapolis. This year, Ascension teachers have put together a "Wish List" of items needed in their classrooms, and the opportunity to give has never been easier! Just go to hnoj.org/ascension and click on the "Back to School Classroom Wish List" link, which will bring you to an Amazon site with all of the school supplies



requested. Select whatever items you'd like to give, and upon checkout, you can have them sent directly to the school. Easy! Ascension teachers and scholars thank you for your generosity.



## Preparing for Heaven, Oct. 17

All parishioners are invited to a special October Senior Event: Preparing for Heaven. This event is open to everyone, not just seniors! This free seminar is co-hosted by Holy Name of Jesus and the Catholic Community Foundation of Minnesota. Local experts will provide an overview of end-of-life topics which we as Catholics are called to consider and care for, including sacramental preparation, funeral and burial planning, estate planning, charitable legacy giving, and stewardship as a way of life at HNOJ. Coffee and rolls will be served. Afterwards, meet us for lunch at Robert's Cafe. Please sign up at the welcome desk or call the parish office to help us plan accordingly.

#### Second Collection This Weekend

Please note. this second collection was scheduled to take place Sept. 6-7, but was moved to Sept. 27-28.

Archbishop Hebda is asking all parishes of the Archdiocese to join in a nationwide special appeal for humanitarian relief and pastoral support in Gaza.

Funds from this special appeal will support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association. Both organizations are already wellestablished with the Catholic Church in the region to allow them to respond quickly and efficiently.

Please see envelopes in pews this weekend, or you can go online to hnoj.org/give and select Gaza aid.

## Cemetery Clean Up: Please Have Items Removed by Oct. 26

We will be doing a fall clean-up of the cemetery in early November, so please remove any items of value by Oct. 26. Winter wreaths may be put on graves after Nov. 9. Thank you for helping us to be good stewards in the care of the final resting place of our deceased loved ones.

#### Benilde Open House, Oct. 13

You are invited to an Open House at Benilde-St. Margaret's

School on Monday, Oct. 13, from 6-8 pm. BSM is a school grounded in the Catholic faith where students are known, named, loved, and encouraged to do their best every day! Visit bsmschool.org or contact us at 952-915-4345 or admissions@BSMschool.org for more information and to RSVP.



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