



St. Augustine Catholic Church

601 NW 2nd Avenue
Cohasset, MN 55721

St. Joseph Catholic Church

315 SW 21st Street
Grand Rapids, MN 55744

FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS & TWENTY-FIFTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

SEPTEMBER 14 & SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

WELCOME!

Pastoral Office—St. Joseph

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Website: www.itascacatholic.org

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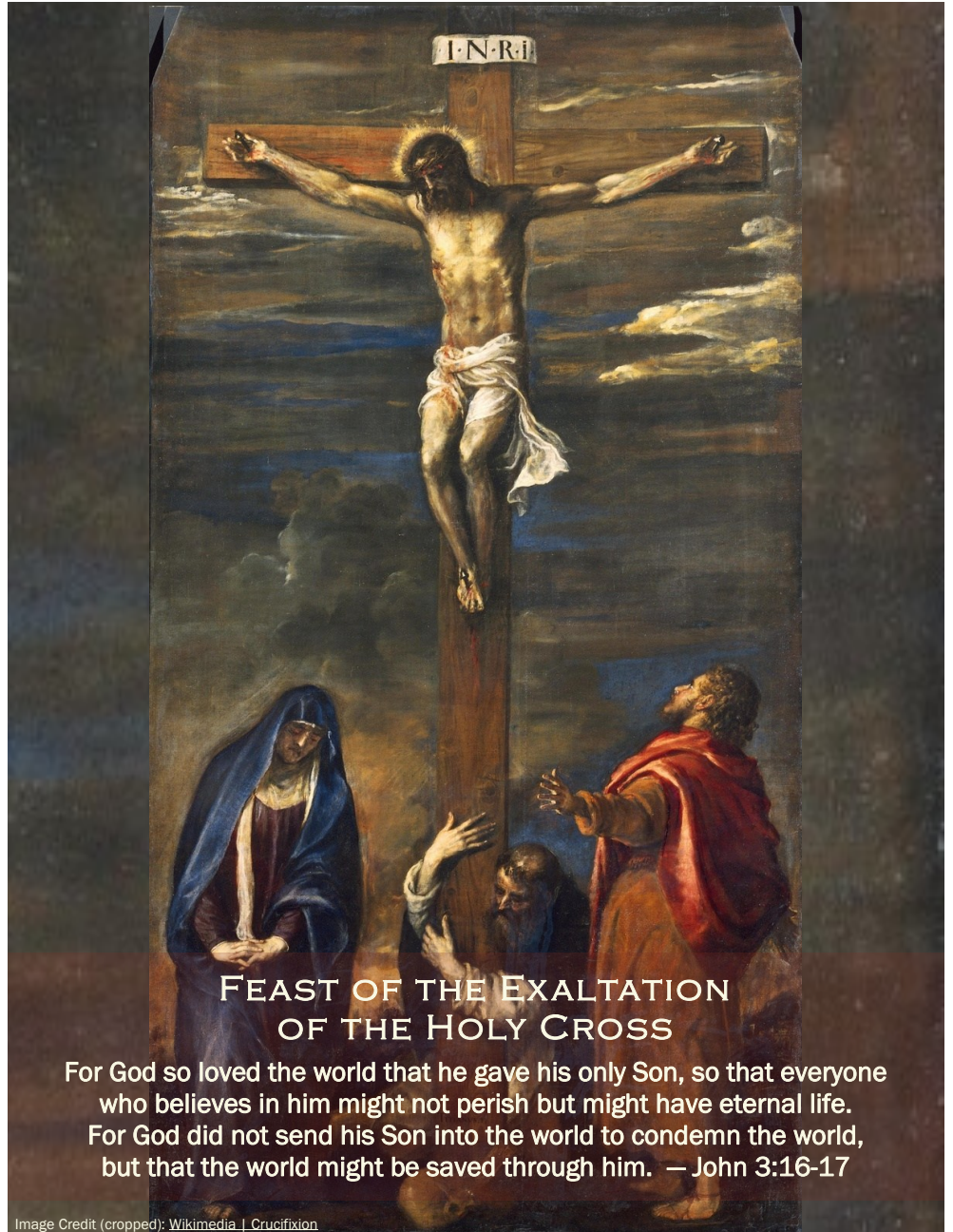
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Open Position

School Office: 218-326-6232

Principal: Nellie Goshey

Secretary: Carmen Watland



FEAST OF THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

For God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. — John 3:16-17

Image Credit (cropped): Wikimedia | Crucifixion

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday 5:00PM—St. Joseph
Sunday 8:30AM—St. Augustine
Sunday 10:30AM—St. Joseph

Weekday Mass Times

No Monday daily Mass | Jun 1—Aug 25
Tuesday 8:30AM—St. Augustine
Wednesday 5:30PM—St. Joseph
Thursday 9:00AM—St. Joseph
Friday 7:30AM—St. Joseph
1st Saturday 9:00AM—St. Joseph

Reconciliation

Saturday 11:00AM—St. Joseph
Sunday 7:45AM—St. Augustine
Wednesday 4:30PM—St. Joseph

A MESSAGE FROM DEACON STEVE SCHULER

May the peace of the Lord be with you always



Are you thinking about becoming Catholic or know someone else thinking about it? Here's how to join the Catholic Church. Dcn. Steve

To begin with, on behalf of Fr. Blake, myself, and really all members of St. Joseph & St. Augustine Catholic Community, we welcome your interest with enthusiasm and encourage you to explore joining the Catholic Church. There are approximately 1.4 billion Catholics worldwide, filling more than 221,700 parishes. Each year, thousands of adults like yourself might be feeling a spiritual pull, or might be drawn by the teachings of Jesus Christ and His Church, or the richness of the sacraments, or the beauty of the Mass, or who are simply interested in the Catholic faith.

The process of seeking baptism or to become full members of the Catholic Church is called, the Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA). It's a formation process in which you have the opportunity to: (1) Grow and develop your relationship with God; (2) study the Gospel - the Word of God - the Bible; (3) become familiar with the Catholic teachings, beliefs, and practices; (4) Profess our faith in Jesus Christ (and the Blessed Trinity); and (5) Grow in fellowship with one another.

I know this sounds like a lot, but don't worry, it's a journey over a lifetime. Someone once told me, learning to be a follower of Christ is not a sprint but a marathon. That's true. There are no tests or grades. No pressure or worries. We only ask for your participation in an ancient journey that is taken one step at a time.

OCIA is for individuals who have never been baptized, or come from another faith tradition, or were baptized Catholic but did not complete the Sacrament of Confirmation.

For those seeking baptism, OCIA leads toward becoming members of the body of Christ - adoption into the family of God - cleansing from original sin, infilling with the Holy Spirit, and reception of Jesus in the Holy Eucharist. For those already baptized in a different Christian tradition, OCIA leads toward full Communion with the Catholic Church, reception of the Holy Eucharist and strengthening in living a full Christian life with the power of the Holy Spirit through Confirmation.

The kickoff for OCIA will start:

Tuesday, September 23, 2025
6:30PM | Social Hall | St. Joseph

This will be an informational meeting, kind of a meet and greet. If you have any questions prior to the meeting, you are welcome to contact Fr. Blake (frblake@sjsgr.org or 218-999-6457) or myself (sschuler103@gmail.com or 218-259-1939).

Thank you for your interest in taking the first step in your journey to greater understanding of the Catholic faith. We trust that the Holy Spirit will guide your journey toward an ever-growing relationship with Our Lord, Jesus Christ. Fr. Blake, myself, and other volunteers would love to walk with you every step of the way in the OCIA process.

God Bless,
Deacon Steve Schuler

*...walk with you every step
of the way...*

MASS INTENTIONS



Sunday, September 14

8:30am—SA | Bernie Mann

10:30am—SJ | Our Parishioners

Monday, September 15

9:00am—SJ | Nadine Hopkins

Tuesday, September 16

8:30am—SA | Charlotte Guertin

Wednesday, September 17

5:30pm—SJ | Colleen Smith

Thursday, September 18

9:00am—SJ | Alex Whitefeather

Friday, September 19

7:30am—SJ | Rita Hooper

Saturday, September 20

5:00pm—SJ | Our Parishioners

Sunday, September 21

8:30am—SA | Maurice Lefebvre

10:30am—SJ | Mike Ives

Monday, September 22

9:00am—SJ | Ken Clifton

Tuesday, September 23

8:30am—SA | Monica & Joe
Swanson

Wednesday, September 24

5:30pm—SJ | Patricia Vogt

Thursday, September 25

9:00am—SJ | Rose Hooper

Friday, September 26

7:30am—SJ | Lennice Renner

Saturday, September 27

5:00pm—SJ | Georgianna Karppi

Sunday, September 28

8:30am—SA | Our Parishioners

10:30am—SJ | Gary Heinz

PRAYER Requests

ST. AUGUSTINE

Marlene Cole | 218-244-2828

ST. JOSEPH

Arluce Perrault | 218-326-6983

Maryann Clifton | 218-326-5968

Marge Petermeier | 218-244-9100

SCHEDULE CHANGE

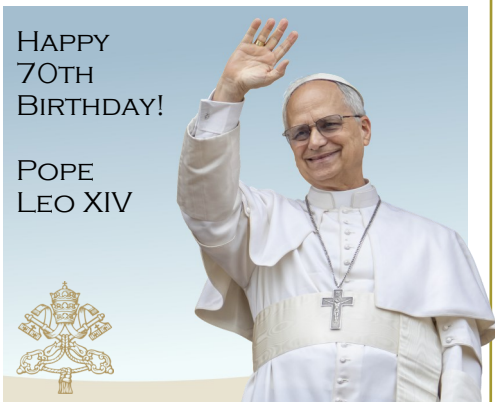


SATURDAY EVENING MASS TIME CHANGE | ST. JOSEPH

Beginning with October 4,
Saturday Evening Mass
will change to 4:30PM.
There will no longer be
a seasonal time change.

HAPPY
70TH
BIRTHDAY!

POPE
LEO XIV



ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS

Enter into the:
ORDER OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS
AND DISCOVER THE JOURNEY THE EARLY
CHRISTIANS TOOK TO BECOME A MEMBER OF
THE BODY OF CHRIST—HIS CHURCH.

Interested Persons are Welcome to Attend
Initial OCIA Session

Tuesday, September 23 | 6:30PM—8:00PM
Social Hall | St. Joseph Catholic Church

*If you or someone you know is
seeking baptism, is of another
Christian denomination and desires
Full communion with the Church, or
is yet to be confirmed, please contact
any member of the clergy.*

CLERGY

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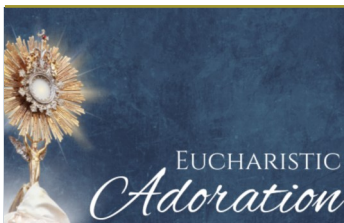
Dcn. Dan Goshey | 218-316-0607
dcn.dan.goshey@duluthcatholic.org

WELCOME

If you are a visitor or a newcomer, we are blessed to have you with us
and hope that you find a spiritual home with St. Augustine and St. Joseph
Catholic Churches. We are happy to have you join our parish cluster.

TO REGISTER YOU MAY INQUIRE WITHIN THE PARISH OFFICE OR GO TO OUR WEBSITE:

<https://www.itascacatholic.org/join-our-parish>



ST. AUGUSTINE—ADORATION | 6:30PM—7:30PM
First Thursdays

ST. JOSEPH—PERPETUAL ADORATION

IF YOU DESIRE A VACANT HOUR, PLEASE CHECK THE
SCHEDULE ON THE BULLETIN BOARD AT THE CHAPEL ENTRANCE.
INSTRUCTIONS ARE DISPLAYED.

**WE ARE EXPERIENCING
TECHNICAL DIFFICULTIES
WITH THE AUDIO FEED.**

OUR TEAM IS ACTIVELY WORKING
TO RESTORE IT.

**ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
WEEKEND MASS | AUDIO FEED
FACEBOOK CONNECTIVITY:**

We are experiencing technical difficulties
with the audio feed. Our team
is actively working to restore it.
Restoration time is currently undetermined.
We sincerely apologize for the inconvenience.

DAILY MASS READINGS

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 14:

Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1bc-2, 34-35,
36-37, 38; Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15:

1 Tm 2:1-8; Ps 28:2, 7, 8-9;
Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16:

1 Tm 3:1-13; Ps 101:1b-2ab,
2cd-3ab, 5, 6; Lk 7:11-17

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17:

1 Tm 3:14-16; Ps 111:1-2, 3-4, 5-6;
Lk 7:31-35

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18:

1 Tm 4:12-16; Ps 111:7-8, 9, 10;
Lk 7:36-50

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19:

1 Tm 6:2c-12; Ps 49:6-7, 8-10,
17-18, 19-20; Lk 8:1-3

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20:

1 Tm 6:13-16; Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 4, 5;
Lk 8:4-15

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 21, 2025

SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21:

Am 8:4-7; Ps 113:1-2, 4-6, 7-8; 1 Tm
2:1-8; Lk 16:1-13 or Lk 16:10-13

MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 22:

Ezr 1:1-6; Ps 126:1b-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5,
6; Lk 8:16-18

TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 23:

Ezr 6:7-8, 12b, 14-20; Ps 122:1-2,
3-4ab, 4cd-5; Lk 8:19-21

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24:

Ezr 9:5-9; Tb 13:2, 3-4a, 4befghn,
7-8; Lk 9:1-6

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 25:

Ghg 1:1-8; Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a
and 9b; Lk 9:7-9

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 26:

Ghg 2:1-9; Ps 43:1, 2, 3, 4;
Lk 9:18-22

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 27:

Zec 2:5-9, 14-15a; Jer 31:10,
11-12ab, 13; Lk 9:43b-45



**ST. AUGUSTINE & ST. JOSEPH
FAITH FORMATION
VOLUNTEER NEEDS
2025–2026**

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS, BOTH MEN
& WOMEN TO TEAM TEACH:**

- High School Girls Confirmation Class
- 7th Grade Boys Faith Formation Class
- 3rd Grade Faith Formation Class
- Kindergarten Faith Formation Class

**WE NEED VOLUNTEERS FOR KITCHEN
HELP & CLEAN-UP:**

- People to prepare and set up meals
- Person to be a dishwasher substitute
- People to be table washer alternates

The Volunteer Needs detail list and time commitments are available on the website and will be shared in Flocknote.

<https://www.itascacatholic.org/familyinfo>

*Whatever you do, do from the heart,
as for the Lord and not for others.*
—Colossians 3:23

PARISH UPDATES BY EMAIL

Are you missing out on emailed parish weekend updates every Thursday?

These updates contain:

- The latest Mass or schedule changes and event reminders
- Updates that don't make it into our bi-weekly bulletin
- And every so often we invite you to opt-in to parish groups like 'funeral bakers' or 'special event registrations'

To receive these Flocknote emails:

- Sign up on our website; scroll down and look for...



<https://tinyurl.com/SASJFlocknoteSignup>

More details to come.



**Knights of
Columbus**

**FAMILY FUN BINGO
Saturday, October 25**

**FAITH FORMATION
REGISTRATION PACKET & LINK**

*If you did not pick up a Faith
Formation packet after the Weekend
Masses—it is available upon request.*

**PLEASE CONTACT
FAITH FORMATION OFFICE:**

FAITH FORMATION DIRECTOR
LISA NEARY | 218-999-6455
LISA.NEARY@DULUTHCATHOLIC.ORG

FAITH FORMATION COORDINATOR:
AMY PAUTSCH | 218-999-6456
AMY.PAUTSCH@DULUTHCATHOLIC.ORG

 **We are in HIGH need
of FF Volunteers!**



Monday, October 6

Mobile Unit | St. Joseph parking lot

Please register/schedule online:

<https://www.mbc.org/>

or contact the local coordinator
for assistance in scheduling:

Laurie Lloyd—218-360-4664
dolloyd2@msn.com



If you would like to offer prayer support to end abortion, you are invited to join other prayer warriors who travel to the:

"WE Building for Women"

Duluth (32 E First Street)

7:00AM—7:00PM from

September 24—November 2.

This effort is ongoing throughout the year but additional prayer support is appreciated during October. In the past, St. Joseph & St. Augustine parish members have signed up for the first Saturday in October. You can sign up for an hour or more at: <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/duluth>

Local Contact: Catherine McLynn
218-326-1313 | cat@mclynn.net

Duluth Contact: Kathy Cory-Whitmyer
BSN, RN | 218-390-8560
mkcory-whitmyer@charter.net

***First Reconciliation
& First Holy Communion***



**St Augustine &
St Joseph
Catholic Churches**



2025–2026 Schedule

All children who are to receive their First Reconciliation and First Holy Communion need a parent/guardian to attend the **Required Parent-Only Meeting** to receive information and to register their child.

All students are encouraged to register and attend the Parish Family Faith Formation program.

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 24

6:00PM | ST. JOSEPH

Required Parent-Only Meeting

FOR QUESTIONS, PLEASE CONTACT:

Amy Pautsch

Faith Formation Coordinator

amy.pautsch@duluthcatholic.org

or call Faith Formation office at
218-999-6456

**2025 MONTHLY
MISSION CHALLENGE**

TO ACCOMPANY A PERSON OR PERSONS
NOT ACTIVE OR OUTSIDE OF OUR FAITH COMMUNITY
WITH INTENTIONAL ACTIONS, TO ATTAIN HEAVEN
TOGETHER, WITH THE HELP OF GOD.

**CHALLENGES HAVE THEIR ROOTS IN
SPIRITUAL AND CORPORAL
WORKS OF MERCY.**

*September Monthly Challenge
for Adults & Kids*

CORPORAL WORK OF MERCY

*alms to the poor
clothe the naked*



For complete details of the Monthly Mission Challenge, flyers are available at each parish's respective gathering space. Kids Monthly Mission Challenge, too.



*Couples from the Diocese of Duluth
that are celebrating the Marriage Milestone
of 5, 10, 15, 20, 25, 30, 35...50
and Beyond are invited to the
Annual Anniversary Mass and Luncheon
Saturday, October 18, 2025*

*4:30PM Mass at St. Joseph Catholic Church
with Bishop Daniel Felton
Dinner to follow at St. Joseph Social Hall
315 SW 21st Street, Grand Rapids, MN
(The dinner will be free for the celebrating couples.)*

RSVP by Wednesday, October 1

All are welcome at Mass but space for the dinner
is limited to the first 50 couples who reserve space.

For more information/registration, please visit:
<https://dioceseduluth.org/marriage-and-family-life>

**ST. AUGUSTINE
COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN**

THANK YOU TO EVERYONE
WHO ATTENDED THE
ST. AUGUSTINE CCW
FALL GATHERING

WATCH FOR SIGN UP SHEETS THE OCTOBER 26
BAZAAR/LUNCHEON NEEDS AND VOLUNTEER NEEDS
WILL BE IN THE SOCIAL HALL.

QUESTIONS:

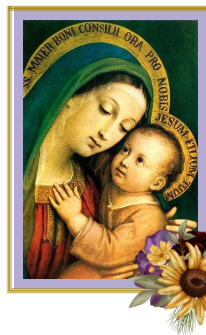
LEONA BARTEN—218-328-5520
LISA NEURURER—218-326-3759



**Memorial of
Our Lady of Sorrows**

September 15

**Monday Daily Mass
9:00AM | St. Joseph**



**DULUTH DIOCESAN
COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN
FALL CONFERENCE—THURSDAY, OCTOBER 9
9:00AM—2:00PM**

**KEEPING THE FAITH IN A
CHALLENGING WORLD**

**HOSTED BY: ST. JOSEPH CCW
HELD AT: ST. JOSEPH CATHOLIC CHURCH
315 SW 21ST STREET | GRAND RAPIDS**

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: LIZ KELLY

<https://www.lizk.org/about>

PRE-REGISTRATION ENCOURAGED: RSVP BY SEPTEMBER 25
(REGISTRATION FEE WILL BE PAID BY YOUR PARISH CCW)

ST. AUGUSTINE: SIGN-UP SHEET LOCATED ON COUNTER IN SOCIAL HALL
ST. JOSEPH: PLEASE CONTACT CONNIE ANDREWS 218-259-8615

PLEASE JOIN US! ALL WOMEN OF PARISH CLUSTER INVITED.

LUNCH WILL BE SERVED. FURTHER DETAILS—SEE [FLYER](#).

*"God is up to something interesting and new—in you.
Don't doubt it for a minute." —Liz Kelly*



**TALKS BY THE HANDMAIDS | SPIRITUAL DIRECTION
DAILY MASS | ADORATION | CONFESSION
FOR WOMEN OF THE DIOCESE OF DULUTH
SILENT RETREAT | DECEMBER 5—7**

TRINITY WOODS RETREAT CENTER
N10884 Hoinville Rd | Trego, WI

RSVP: \$200—Before October 1 | \$250—After October 1

Registration and more info, please email:
cathedral.handmaids@duluthcatholic.org

**ANNUAL COAT DRIVE
St. Joseph | October 3—17, 2025**



**Look for the donation table in
the upcoming weeks to drop off
CLEAN and in GOOD condition
cold weather gear: coats, snow
pants, gloves, hats and boots**

(always a great need...Especially kids sizes).

Each coat must be on a hanger.

No long coats and No wool coats, please.

Questions: Please contact
Laurie Lloyd 218-360-4664 or
Kathy Peltier 218-360-1543

OPEN DOOR COAT RACK HOSTED BY: UNITED METHODIST CHURCH
DISTRIBUTION AT UMC ON:
OCTOBER 22—9AM-6PM | OCTOBER 23—9AM-4PM



1700TH ANNIVERSARY OF THE COUNCIL OF NICAEA:

A Lecture by Dr. Paul Gavriluk

FRIDAY, OCTOBER 3 | 7:30PM

Mitchell Auditorium
The College of St. Scholastica
Duluth, MN

FREE AND OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Dr. Paul Gavriluk, eminent Orthodox theologian and holder of the Aquinas Chair in Theology and Philosophy in the Theology Department at the University of St. Thomas, St. Paul, Minnesota, will explore the main issues that continue to divide Catholic and Orthodox Churches, discuss the role of the Nicene Creed as the basis of our common faith, and propose a path to full communion.

Q&A to immediately follow the lecture.

For more information, contact:

Dr. Kevin Vaughan
Program Director | (218) 723-6047
kvaughan1@css.edu

Information on all public events at:

The College of St. Scholastica,
please visit SPOTLIGHT.CSS.EDU

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BIBLE STUDY: *The Bible Timeline*

October 20—April 20
Monday Evenings
(24 sessions)

6:00PM—8:00PM
St. Joseph Catholic Church
(Social Hall)

In *The Bible Timeline: The Story of Salvation*, presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end.

Using a unique color-coded chart, you will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our faith.

The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of the Bible in a way that will transform your life.

"I never would have read the Bible if it wasn't for this, and now I simply adore Scripture. It has given me such insight into the Catholic faith and helps me to understand its true beauty." —Kyle D.

COST: \$35.00
(covers the workbook)

Please Note: There is no cost if you already have the workbook from attending a previous Bible Timeline Study. You may reuse it, unless you wish to purchase a new workbook.

RSVP by Sept. 28: Registration forms are available in the gathering space at St. Augustine & St. Joseph.

Questions—Contact:
Teresa Matetich | 218-259-9673
teresa.matetich@gmail.com

REGISTRATION & PAYMENT OPTIONS

OPTION 1—OFFERING: Complete the registration form. Place in an enclosed envelope* accompanied by the \$35.00 (Cash or Check**). And place in the offering plate.

OPTION 2—SECURE MAILBOX: Complete the registration form. Place in an enclosed envelope* accompanied by the \$35.00 (Cash or Check**) and place in the Parish Secure Mailbox at St. Joseph.

OPTION 3—WESHARE (ONLINE): This option is for payment only. If paying online, you still need to complete the registration form—place in an enclosed envelope* and place in the secure parish mailbox.

<https://tinyurl.com/BibleTimelineStudy>

*Please write on the envelope: Bible Timeline Study or BTS

**Please make check payable to: St. Joseph Catholic Church and note in the memo line Bible Timeline Study or BTS.

Scholarships available.