

ASCENSION

A Newsletter from the Church of the Ascension

Our stewardship envelopes have arrived!

If you use the envelopes for your giving, please pick them up in the back of church over the next couple of weekends. If you would like to start using weekly envelopes, please call the parish office at 612.529.9684 to request them!

¡Nuestros sobres de corresponsabilidad han llegado!

Si usted utiliza los sobres para sus ofrendas, por favor recójalos en la parte de atrás de la iglesia durante los próximos fines de semana. Si desea comenzar a usar sobres semanales, por favor llame a la oficina parroquial al 612.529.9684 para solicitarlos.

Pray for us Ruega por nosotros

Por los enfermos y los que están sufriendo de nuestra comunidad.

For the sick and suffering in our community:

**Janet Kuhl,
Lee O'Daniel,
Maureen
Fitzgerald, Joan
Seymour.**

Por nuestros amados difuntos, que descansen en los amorosos brazos de Jesús.

For all of our beloved dead, may they rest in the loving arms of Jesus.



Help us spread the news!
¡Ayúdanos a difundir la noticia!

Pre-K starting at Ascension Catholic School

Ascension is excited to announce that we will be opening an early childhood education program in February! The program will serve children ages 3 to 5 years old. The Ascension pre-kindergarten will use hands-on learning experiences to develop the whole child—socially, emotionally, cognitively, creatively and spiritually. Along with developing school readiness, preschoolers will foster a joy of lifelong learning through play-based, faith-filled, child-centered learning. School year and year-round options are available. For more information or to enroll your child, please contact Kay Hannon at ECLC@acamn.org or 612-424-6217.

Pre-K a partir de la Escuela Católica Ascensión

¡Ascensión va a abrir un programa de educación de la primera infancia en febrero! El programa atenderá a niños de 3 a 5 años de edad. El preescolar de la Ascensión utilizará prácticas de aprendizaje para desarrollar al niño en su totalidad: social, emocional, cognitiva, creativa y espiritual. Junto con el desarrollo de la preparación para la escuela, los preescolares fomentarán la alegría de aprender durante toda la vida a través de un aprendizaje basado en el juego, lleno de fe y centrado en el niño. Hay opciones disponibles para el año escolar y para todo el año. Para más información o para inscribir a su hijo, póngase en contacto con Kay Hannon en ECLC@acamn.org o 612-424-6217.

Hospitality Ministry volunteers needed

Se Necesitan Ministros de Hospitalidad

All are invited to meet other parishioners after our 9:30 and 11:30 a.m. Sunday Masses in the lower level of the church while enjoying a beverage and Cookie Cart specialty! Some Sundays will be purely informal, and others will have a conversational focus. Come and get to know others in the community! We also are seeking more volunteers for this ministry of after-Mass hospitality. Please indicate your interest by completing the form at ascensionmpls.org or contact Gerardo at 612-219-6181.

Todos están invitados a conocer a otros feligreses después de las misas dominicales en la parte

debajo de la iglesia. ¡Tendremos café, agua y jugo para acompañar las galletas del Cookie Cart! Algunos domingos serán informal y otros con un enfoque de conversación.

¡Vengan a conocer a otros en nuestra comunidad! También estamos buscando más voluntarios para este ministerio. Favor de contactar a Gerardo a 612-219-6181 para más información o para apuntarse.



YOU'RE INVITED | ESTÁS INVITADO

Pilgrimage for Healing and Liberation

Pilgrimage spanned the many cultures and religions of the medieval world. It was a truly global phenomenon of the Middle Ages. Today, making a pilgrimage still appeals to people, whether religiously affiliated or not, and medieval routes continue to attract travelers. Moreover, pilgrimage is now being used in justice work as an embodied practice that can support liberation and racial healing.

The Pilgrimage for Healing and Liberation will investigate pilgrimage practices of hospitality and cross-cultural encounter from the deep past to the present day. This series of hour-long webinars is preparing a group from the University of Notre Dame for in-person pilgrimage in April to Chicago, where they will walk in the footsteps of Father Augustus Tolton, the first self-identified African-American man to be ordained a Catholic priest. We will remember Tolton's witness to the Gospel and his perseverance in the face of endemic racism as he strove to realize the church's mission to be "truly Catholic" and inclusive of all people.

The webinars are

- **Feb. 10: Becoming a Pilgrim People.**
- **March 3: Sacred Art and the Journey Toward Justice.**
- **March 24: The Black Madonna for Racial Liberation.**

All are from 11 a.m. to noon (central time). Go to <https://tinyurl.com/5a8kybzc> for more information or to register.

Newly Married Retreat

Building Authentic Intimacy

Saturday, Feb. 4, 9 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., Our Lady of Grace, Edina

Couples married for 0-7 years are invited to attend the 2023 Archdiocesan Newly Married Retreat. Keynote speakers are Pat and Kenna Millea of The Martin Center for Integration. Speakers' topics are "Building Authentic Intimacy" and "Deepening Emotional Connections." Breakout topics include practical parenting tips, intimacy and building a Catholic culture in the home. Cost is \$45/couple and includes lunch and a workbook. Register by Tuesday, Jan. 31, at archspm.org/nmr.



Episcopal Ordination of Bishop-elect

Fr. Michael John Izen

Tuesday, April 11, Cathedral of Saint Paul

On Jan. 5, Pope Francis named Father Michael John Izen, a priest of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, as an auxiliary bishop of the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. Learn more: archspm.org/bishop-elect-izen/