

## Men on a Mission – March 4, 2016

Men on a Mission hosted a prayerful, praiseful evening at its new location in the SCSU Newman Center in St. Cloud last Friday, March 4. The event featured Deacon Craig Stich of Battle Lake and Our Lady of the Lake Parish there.



Introduced by Dan Mead of Ecclesia Domestica, Dcn. Craig's talk was titled "My Mother Mary", and centered on the role of the Blessed Virgin Mary in his life. He spoke about his reversion to the Catholic faith of his youth, although he called the happenings that led to it his 'introduction' to the faith. In 2007 he consecrated his life to Jesus through Mary, and told us about the insights he gained from Louis de Montfort and from the book called 33 days to Morning Glory.

Amazing events highlighted his talk, including a found money clip with serious cash in it, his call to the diaconate in 2007, a Toronto prayer partner that eventually led to very strange text messages as he studied for his Holy Orders, and an amazing apparition of Mary during his prayer time at Our Lady of the Lake.

*In this month devoted to the patron saint of Ireland – St. Patrick – who used the three leafed shamrock to explain the Holy Trinity, Deacon Craig had a symbol for our time: the three sided fire triangle. Just as it takes fuel, heat and oxygen to make fire, our God is made up of the Father, Son and Holy Spirit. Take one away, or focus on one at the expense of the others, and we do not have God.*

The evening would not be complete without the praise music of Keven D., nor the heartfelt testimony of John S. Kevin O. closed out our session with a call to stand for our faith, and an invitation to taste it further at the upcoming Ecclesia Domestica Retreat in Little Falls on April 7-10.

Thank you Deacon Craig for your Holy Orders, and shining the light of Our Lady on our path to Jesus!



**Don't miss the next Men on a Mission in June, 2016.**