

ONE IN FAITH Area Catholic Community of

St. Mary - Melrose, Sacred Heart - Freeport **Immaculate Conception - New Munich** St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa, St. Michael - Spring Hill St. Andrew - Greenwald, St. John - Meire Grove

Solemnity of the Ascension of the Lord

May 12, 2024

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Freeport, MN 56331

Bulletin Announcements

Deadline: Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email information to: bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

7:45 am Sacred Heart ◆Fridays

◆Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception

◆Saturdays 3:30 pm St. Andrew ◆Saturdays 4:30 pm St. Mary

•Or by appointment. Call the Parish Office.

Marriage

Couples are to begin preparation 6-12 months in advance and must call the respective Parish Office before setting a date. Diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes are required.

Baptism & RCIA

If you are interested in having your child baptized or participating in the RCIA program, contact the respective Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick, Home Bound Communion Pastoral Visitation Joining/Leaving a Parish

If you have any of the above or other pastoral needs, please call the respective Parish Office or check the parish websites.

Consecrated in the Truth

"Consecrate them in the truth. Your word is truth. As you sent me into the world, so I sent them into the world. And I consecrate myself for them, so that they also may be consecrated in truth." John 17:17–19

What does it mean to "consecrate" something or someone? Consecration is, of course, a very familiar term within our faith. We speak of the

bread and wine being consecrated and becoming the Body, Blood, Soul and Divinity of Jesus our Lord. The consecration of the mere earthly substances of bread and wine transform them into God Himself. Thus, "consecration" is a powerful word.

Another familiar use of this word is in reference to those women who have been called by God to enter religious life so as to dedicate themselves to God as spouses of Christ. They become "Consecrated Religious" through their solemn lifelong vows. They are dedicated, taken out of the world and presented to Christ in a unique way.

Among the laity, there are many who have consecrated themselves to our Blessed Mother, or to the Sacred Heart, or to our divine Lord through some other special form of devotion. In all of these cases, to "consecrate" is to dedicate, set aside and make holy. Another translation for the word "consecrate" above is "sanctify."

To "Sanctify them in the truth" is to make them holy by the truth. This is Jesus' prayer in the above-quoted passage. This line comes from Jesus' beautiful High Priestly Prayer in which He prays to the Father for His disciples and for all who will eventually become His disciples—and that includes you! Jesus' prayer is not only effective as a prayer, it is also effective as a lesson on holiness. How do we become holy? Simple. We allow the Word of the Father to consecrate us in truth. In other words, we allow God's holy Word to engage us, challenge us, change us, call us from sin, point us to Heaven and transform every aspect of our lives. God's Word is the Truth, and we will become holy if we are transformed by this Truth.

In what ways do you need the Truth, spoken by the Father in Heaven, to engage you? What are the truths of our faith that you especially need to know, accept, profess and believe? One of the best ways to answer this question is to commit yourself to an in-depth, prayerful reading of the Word of God. By prayerfully reading the Scriptures, you will open yourself to all that God wants to reveal to you. And as the voice of God speaks to you through His Word, you will be invited to change. His Word will combat the confusion and lies of the world and the evil one and set you upon the path to holiness, to true sanctity and interior consecration.

Reflect, today, upon the transforming power of the Word of God. Reflect upon how fully you have allowed His Word to speak to you, call you out of the world, set you apart for holiness and direct you toward Himself. Engaging the Word of God must become your daily spiritual food, and it must paint for you the picture of your glorious life to which you are called.

My Jesus, Word of the Father, You are Truth Itself. You are the Living Word Who has come to set us free. Give me the grace I need to listen to Your holy voice so that Your Truth will engage me in the depths of my soul, transforming me into the person You have called me to be. I open myself to You, dear Lord, and to all You wish to say to me. Jesus, I trust in You.



IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

For the People

†††Mae, Lawrence, & John Wiechmann

ACC Mass Times and Intentions \sim May 13 - 19

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ADORATION

St. Mary - Melrose			
Mo	6:30 pm	Misa en Español	
		†Julia Cervantes	
		†Guadalupe Martinez	
		†Maria Faranillo	
Tu	8:00 am	†Lynn Bussmann MacRae	
We	8:00 am	†Ken Oevermann	
Th	8:00 am	†Marcy Blenker	
*Fr	8:30 am	SM School Mass	
		†††Sandy, Margaret, & Jerry Sand	
Sa	5:00 pm	†Lucille Mae Moore	
		For the People	
*Su	11:00 am	Bilingual Baccalaureate Mass	
		††Albert & Cyrilla Brixius	
Su		NO Misa en Español	

SACRED HEART - Freeport

8:15 am SH School Mass ††George & Marie Heidgerken Family 8:15 am Fr †Claude Hoeschen Su

8:00 am ††John & Marcella Briol St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa Tu 8:15 am †Dec./Liv. Members of the Alphonse & Rose Klaphake Family 10:00 am †Dec./Liv. of the Al & Rose Wiechman Family St. Michael - Spring Hill 8:00 am †Dec. Members of the Gruber Family

10:00 am Su †Jerome Terres

8:15 am

4:00 pm

St. Andrew - Greenwald 8:00 am SJSA School Mass †Dec. Members of the Kraemer Family 4:00 pm Sa ††Rosie & Perry Meyer

St. John - Meire Grove We 8:00 am †John Nathe

8:00 am Su ††Raphael & Dolores Imdieke

*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit: oneinfaith.org for the YouTube link.

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa No Adoration Tuesday, May 14

Immaculate Conception - New Munich No Adoration Thursday, May 16

St. Mary - Melrose

First Thursday of the month 6:30 pm in Spanish (en Español)

> Sacred Heart - Freeport Fridays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm



One In Faith Area Catholic Community News

Parish News:

~ St. Mary ~ St. Michael ~ St. Andrew ~ St. John ~

- Baccalaureate Mass Everyone is invited to join us in celebrating our high school graduates from the One in Faith 4-Parish Cluster with an 11:00 am bilingual Baccalaureate Mass on Sunday, May 19, at St. Mary's. There will be NO 10:00 am or 12:30 pm Mass at St. Mary's on May 19. We will also be celebrating our high school graduates from Spring Hill with a 10:00 am Mass at St. Michael's on the same day, May 19.
- •No Mass at St. Michael's There will not be a 10:00 am Mass at St. Michael's in Spring Hill on Sunday, June 2.

Special Recognition Mass for Sr. Janine Braun On

Wednesday, May 22 at 8:15 am at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport, there will be a very SPECIAL Mass and celebration with Bishop Patrick Neary. We are going to recognize and

celebrate Sister Janine Braun for all her years at Sacred Heart School. Sr. Janine is the last religious Sister that was still teaching

in a Catholic School in the St. Cloud Diocese. We would like to invite all community members, friends, family, and any SHS alumni to attend Mass and a social after Mass to show Sr. Janine how much she is loved and appreciated.

Rosary in May The St. John's Church in Meire Grove will be praying the rosary each Wednesday evening throughout the month of May at 7:00 pm. We will be praying by our grotto on the south side of the church. Chairs will be provided. In case of inclement weather, we will pray inside by Mary's altar. Everyone from ALL parishes is invited!

Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School June 10 - 14 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. Students entering grade 6 through adults are invited to prayerfully consider joining us for an amazing start to your summer! Registration forms are available on the Tri-Parish website. Deadline to sign up is May 15. Don't miss the best week of the summer!



An Epoch in Time, history book of St. Rose of Lima Parish, is available at the parish offices in Freeport and Melrose. Cost \$35

Parish News:

~ Sacred Heart ~ Immaculate Conception ~ St. Rose of Lima ~

- •2023 Baccalaureate Masses will be celebrated during the Masses the weekend of May 18/19.
- •Tri-Parish Directory We are looking to have a "Directory Team" composed of individuals from all 3 parishes to head up and work as a team to put together a new Tri-Parish Directory. If interested, please contact the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143.
- •Low Gluten Hosts are available for individuals that have a gluten intolerance. Please note, these hosts still contain gluten, less than 0.001% gluten, and are not completely gluten free. If you would like to have more information about the low gluten hosts, please contact the Parish Office in Freeport. When you are planning to have a low gluten host for Mass, it will be necessary to have the host within a pyx (the parish can provide a pyx) and placed upon the altar for consecration. You will need to let Father know that you are present prior to Mass, and that you will be in his Communion line.

One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunities...



•St. Mary's School Teaching Position: St. Mary's School is actively searching for exceptional, licensed teachers to join our amazing staff for the 2024-2025 school year. We're looking for a full-time elementary teacher and a part-time media teacher. Do you know someone who's graduating this spring

or wants to change careers? Please spread the word! If interested, please email anelson@smsmn.org with your resume and references.

•Sacred Heart School Early Childhood Teacher Positions: Sacred Heart School in Freeport is seeking faith filled, energetic and caring candidates to fill positions for Early Childhood teachers for our new toddler room for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants must be able to demonstrate teacher qualifications as defined by MN State Licensing and Human Services, and be willing to work with a dedicated, motivated and well experienced team. Interested persons should send a cover letter, resume, three letters of recommendation, and references to: Sacred Heart School, Attn: Kristie Harren, PO Box 39, Freeport, MN 56331 or kharren@shsfreeport.org or call 320-290-1426. Join our team today! Positions are open until filled, so seize the opportunity and apply now.

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CHURCH OF ST. MARY **Physical Address:** 755 Kraft Drive SE Melrose, MN 56352

******* Weekly Offerings *********		
Total	\$7,160.10	
Regular Adult Offering	5,497.00	
Plate/Loose	1,243.10	
Designated Funds	420.00	

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle			
05-05	\$25	Don & Marcene Austing - Melrose	
05-06	\$25	Doris Frieler - Melrose	
05-07	\$25	Ervin & Sharon Muellner - Burtrum	
05-08	\$25	Harriet Froelich - Melrose	
05-09	\$25	Marlene Lieser - Melrose	
05-10	\$50	Victor & Florence Middendorf - Melrose	
05-11	\$25	Lyle & Sharon Barthel - Melrose	

Baptized in Christ...

Edward Botello Zitlali Guadalupe Botello Parra Melanie Nicole Figueroa Botello Milo Alan Figueroa Botello Vivian Quinn Preusser

Died in the Hope of Resurrection...

†Robert "Bob" Hollermann, 92

Save the Date: The entire St. Mary's parish will be celebrating Fr. Mary's retirement with a combined Mass at 10:00 am on Sunday, June 23. Entertainment and food will be available following Mass. There will **not** be a 12:30 pm Mass that day. All are welcome!



Niche Columbarium A 96 niche columbarium has been installed in St. Mary's cemetery. Please contact the parish office with any questions or to purchase a niche.

St. Mary's Parish Raffle is underway for the June 29 drawing. Flyers have been mailed to all parishioners. Please help support this very important annual fundraiser for the parish, this is the 33rd year. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold for a top prize of \$20,000!

Cemetery Volunteer Day will be Monday, May 20 at 6:00 pm. In case of bad weather, it will be Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 pm. Please bring lawn mowers, leaf blowers, weed trimmer, rakes, and brooms. We



request that old flowers not attached to tombstones be removed by clean up day. We also request any items lying around tombstones to be removed for easy cleanup.

Prayer Requests...

Please call the parish office to be added to this list.

Banns of Matrimony:

- Jessica Ruiz♥Elver Garcia, 5/25 M
- II Felipa Ruiz Garcia ♥Romeo Garcia Luis, 5/25 M
- III Taryn Van Heel♥Zachary Tomsche, 5/18 M
- III Angeline Satterlund♥Luke Zink, 5/18 NM

For the Sick: Dorothy Schneider, Petra Oevermann, Lori Austing, Sandy Welle, Joe Soenneker, Ethan Zink, Kyle Lieser, Fran Hinnenkamp

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

•Sacred Heart - Judy Caveny	248-8830
•Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink	837-5321
•St. Rose of Lima - Kayla Harren	333-8461
•St. Mary's	256-3878

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

Physical Address: 106 3rd Avenue NE Freeport, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2191

**************** Weekly Offerings ************** Total..... \$5,430.08 Regular Adult Offering..... 4,535.08 Plate/Loose..... 467.00 Votive 73.00 School Support.... 250.00 Easter.... 20.00 Ascension..... 35.00 Peter's Pence.... 50.00

Parish Events 05/12 8:30 am Youth Music Ministry Practice - SR We 05/15 6:30 pm **Choir Practice** We 05/15 7:00 pm Young Adult Group 7:45 am Individual Confessions 05/17 9:00 am 05/17 Adoration

SHS Spring Fling

Reminder: St. Joseph Members return all raffle tickets, sold and unsold, to the collection basket, Parish Office in Freeport, Rich Primus, or Tim Linn by Friday, May 24. Drawing is Monday, May 27.

Community Garden If you are interested in reserving rows in the community garden, please call the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143. Each row is spaced 5 feet apart & and will be assigned on a first call basis.

6:30 pm

Festival Co-Chairs NEEDED!! Sacred Heart is looking for a couple or a few individuals to step forward to help chair the summer festival on Sunday, July 21. This is an important fundraiser for the parish. Prayerfully consider becoming a part of this call to help the parish. Please contact Matt Herdering 320-250-3441 or Chris Klaphake 320-250-6229.

A Mothers' Day Prayer

I thank you God for my mother. I thank you that she gave me life and nurtured me all those years. She gave me my faith, helping me to know you and to know Jesus and his ways. She taught me how to love and how to

sacrifice for others. She taught me that it was okay to cry and that I should always tell the truth.

Bless her with the graces she needs and which you want to give her today. Help her to feel precious in your eyes today and to know that I love her. Give her strength and courage, compassion and peace. Bless her this day with your love.







CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

Physical Address: 650 Main Street New Munich, MN 56356 Church Basement 320-837-5217

♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦			
Total	\$2,529.31		
Regular Adult Offering	2,106.69		
Plate/Loose	173.00		
School Support	50.00		
Building/Maintenance	34.62		
Catholic Home Missions	5.00		
Boiler	155.00		
Ascension	5.00		

Parish Events

Su	05/12	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry
			Practice - SR
We	05/15	7:00 pm	Young Adult Group - FR
Th	05/16	-	No Adoration
Th	05/16	7:00 pm	Choir Practice
Fr	05/17	6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Sa	05/18	10:30 am	Wedding Prep
			Satterlund/Zink Wedding
Sa	05/18	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions

Expansion & Elevator Project...

The outside concrete work has been completed. Landscaping and railings are remaining. Currently, we are at \$895,000 in donations (of which \$200,000 is a loan from the New Munich Investors) plus \$69,000 in outstanding pledges. We are awaiting the final invoice. The overall cost with architect fees is expected to be close to \$1,100,000. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this project that will serve generations to come.

CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA

Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17 St. Rosa, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2537

♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦		
Total	\$2,018.42	
Regular Adult Offering	1,686.92	
Plate/Loose	231.50	
Easter	100.00	

Parish Events

Su	05/12	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry
			Practice
Tu	05/14		No Adoration
We	05/15	7:00 pm	Young Adult Group - FR
Fr	05/17	7:30 pm	Rosary

VOLUNTEERS ar

Chair Couple Needed We are still looking for a third chair couple for the fall festival. If you would like to join, please reach

out to: Adam or Jackie Wiechmann 320-293-0423 or 320-250-0401, Devin or Christine Middendorf 320-223-2642. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this.



CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL

Physical Address: 102 St. Michael Avenue N. Spring Hill, MN 56352
Church Basement 320-987-3405

***** Weekly Offering *****		
Total	\$1,760.00 994.00 18.00 143.00	
Regular Adult Offering	994.00	
Children	18.00	
Plate/Loose	143.00	
Fuel Fund	60.00	
Maintenance	45.00	
Sale of Cemetery Plot	60.00 45.00 500.00	

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 19 - 10:00 am

(S) Shantel Gruber & Kenny Niehoff

(L) Pete LeClaire

(U) Conrad Gruber & Adam Kalthoff

(EM) (B) Kathy Welle

(EM) (C) No Precious Blood

(Sacristan) Lisa Feldewerd

(RL) Marilyn Gruber

(CC) Doreen Schwieters & Tom Stalboerger (HK: May 12 - 25) Sandra Gruber, Ruth Heinen, & Norma Hemmesch



Baccalaureate Mass
Next Sunday, May 19, at
10:00 am. We will celebrate

Shawn Frieler and Isaac Lieser, our graduating seniors from St. Michael's.

Due to Corpus Christi at St. John's in Meire Grove, there will **not** be 10:00 am Mass at St. Michael's on Sunday, June 2.



"Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God."

- 1 John 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all

circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

Next Sunday - Pentecost Sunday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31

Saint Matthias, Apostle

Acts 1:15-17, 20-26

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11

Acts 25:13b-21

Acts 2:1-11 1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 or Gal 5:16-25 Jn 20:19-23 or Jn 15:26-27; 16:12-15

The Scriptures This Week

Year B, Weekdays - Cycle II

Jn 16:29-33

Jn 15:9-17

Jn 17:11b-19

Jn 17:20-26

Jn 21:15-19

Jn 21:20-25

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

Look for more information about these and other events in Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine or Local Paper or Online

May 15, Wednesday

Mo Acts 19:1-8

We Acts 20:28-38

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- ◆ <u>Quilting</u> at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome. **May 16, Thursday**
- <u>Pillow Cleaning</u> at the Melrose City Park large shelter from 7:00 am 3:00 pm. Sponsored by SJSA Catholic School.
- ◆ Freeport Senior Citizens meeting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. Bingo and 500 will be played.

May 17, Friday

◆All you can eat Fish Fry at the Melrose American Legion. Please join us from 4:30 - 7:30 pm. Take outs are available. Your support is appreciated!

May 22, Wednesday

- Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome. May 26, Sunday
- •<u>Breakfast</u> at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Grey Eagle. Sponsored by the Grey Eagle/Swanville Knights of Columbus. Serving from 8:30 am 12:30 pm. Free will donation.

May 29, Wednesday

- ◆ <u>Quilting</u> at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome. **June 5, Wednesday**
- ◆ Feet First Clinic at the Senior Center in Freeport. Please call to make an appointment 320-836-2450. Free will offering.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW

Physical Address: 211 W 2nd Avenue N. Greenwald, MN 56335 Church Basement 320-987-3160

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering **♦♦♦♦♦**

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Total	\$1,874.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,255.00
Children	1.00
Plate/Loose	97.00
Votives	6.00
Fuel Fund	505.00
School Subsidy	5.00
Catholic Home Mission	5.00

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, May 18 - 4:00 pm

- (S) Matthew Dehmer & Noah Dehmer
- (L) Julie Kulzer
- (U) Chuck Witner & Eric Dehmer
- (GB) Scott & Kristen Young
- (EM) (B) Kris Winter
- (EM) (C) No Precious Blood
- (HK May) *Kari Kasper, Deb Keller, Cassandra Kettner, Doris Kraemer, Angie Kulzer, & Julie Kulzer

Barley Day Meeting The St. Andrew's Christian Women will have a Barley Day meeting on Thursday, May 16, at 7:00 pm in the school basement.



CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

Physical Address: 20 State Highway 4 S. Meire Grove, MN 56352 Church Basement 320-987-3631

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering **♦♦♦♦**♦

Total	\$5,034.25
Regular Adult Offering	1,767.00
Children	0.25
Plate/Loose	118.00
Votives	44.00
Plaster Repair Donations	3,060.00
School Subsidy Report	45.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 19 - 8:00 am

- (S) Carter Kelzer & Logan Kelzer
- (L) Char Meyer
- (U) Nick Kelzer & Tom Loxtercamp
- (GB) Marvin & Rita Meyer
- (EM) (B) Jim Leukam & Char Meyer
- (EM) (C) No Precious Blood
- (HK-May)*Joni Imdieke, Sharon Imdieke, Kate Kelzer, Amy Klaphake, Ruth Klaphake, & Mary Kay Leukam

Corpus Christi Mass and Procession

Please see details under ACC news on page 6.

Plaster Repair The plaster project continues as issues above the choir loft are currently being addressed. Donations to provide financial support for this project would be greatly appreciated. Please indicate "Plaster Repair" on your donation. Thank you.



Defibrillator Training

There will be a free defibrillator training for the Meire Grove community at the Meire Grove

City Hall at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 23. There will be pre-registration sheets located in the back of church and the store. The defibrillator will be stored inside the front door of the Grove Place Apartments along Hwy 4.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

2024 día de oración para hombres y mujeres at Christ the King Retreat

Center, Buffalo, MN. Ven a pasar tiempo con El Señor 18 mayo Tiempo Ordinario 9:00



am a 4:30 pm Presentado por el Padre Hank Lemoncelli, O.M.I. Durante los días de oración de este año trataremos de profundizar nuestra comprensión del año litúrgico de la Iglesia. El día consistirá, intercambios en grupos, periodos de silencio, una comida en común. Donación sugerida: \$40.00; incluye almuerzo. REGÍSTRESE EN LÍNEA EN kingshouse.com/events/

Vigilia de Pentecostés El ministerio hispano de la iglesia de Santa María invita a toda la comunidad Hispana a una noche de adoración, esperando que Dios Espíritu Santo se derrame en nosotros y seamos llenados con sus dones como aquel día de Pentecostés. La cita es el próximo Sábado 18 de Mayo de 2024 a las 6:30pm. ¡Te esperamos a ti y a toda tu familia!

Misas de Bachillerato Todos están



invitados a unirse a nosotros para celebrar a nuestros graduados de la escuela secundaria del grupo de 4

parroquias One in Faith con una Misa de Bachillerato bilingüe a las 11:00 am el domingo 19 de mayo en St. Mary's. También celebraremos a nuestros graduados de la escuela secundaria de Spring Hill con una misa a las 10:00 am en St. Michael's. No habrá misa a las 10:00 am ni a las 12:30 pm en St. Mary's el 19 de mayo.

Adoración Eucarística y Concierto

Catolico La iglesia de Santa María invita a toda la comunidad Hispana a una noche de adoración eucarística y concierto catolico en compañía del predicador y cantante catolico Ramon Ochoa (el soldado de Cristo) el día Lunes 20 de Mayo de 2024 en las instalaciones de la iglesia. El evento comenzará con la Santa Misa a las 6:30pm. Este evento es totalmente familiar y no tiene ningún costo.

Oración para el día de las Madres

Te doy gracias Dios por mi madre. Te doy gracias porque ella me dio la vida y me nutrió todos esos años. Ella me dio la fe que me ayudó a conocerte a ti, a Jesús y sus caminos. Ella me enseñó a amar y a sacrificarme por los demás. Ella me enseñó que estaba bien llorar y que siempre debo decir la verdad. Bendicela con las gracias que ella necesita y las cuales tu quieres para ella el día de hoy. Ayúdala a sentirse valiosa ante tus ojos hoy y hazle saber que la amo. Dale fuerzas y coraje, compasión y paz. Bendicela este dia con tu amor.

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa:

Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

•Faith Formation Registration: If you missed registration night, your registration packet was mailed to you. Please turn in all registration forms and fees for 2024/2025 by Friday, May 17 to avoid an increase in costs. You can drop them off at the Parish Office in Freeport or mail to PO Box 155, Freeport.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

Contact Information:

faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

•Registration If you haven't already, please register your child(ren) for next year's Faith Formation program sometime before the end of May (materials cost less if we buy them now, in Spring!). Registration forms can be found online or can be picked up and returned to the Parish Office.

YOUTH MINISTRY

One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:

Contact Information:

csand@catholic-centered.org or faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- ▼Valleyfair and Feed My Starving Children Trip will be on Monday, July 8. We head to Valleyfair for the morning and will package food in the afternoon. Pick up will be in Freeport at 8:15 am and return around 8:15 pm. Sign-up forms are available on the Tri-Parish website, sacredheartfreeport.org. Deadline for sign-up is Monday, June 24.
- **Diocesan Youth Council 2024-2025 applications being accepted:** This council is made up of youth in grades nine through 12 from a variety of parishes from across the diocese. Youth meet five or six times annually. The DYC helps plan and assist in the implementation of diocesan sponsored youth ministry events. These events are primarily, but not exclusive to, the Diocesan High School Youth Day, the Middle School Youth Rally/Lock-in and the High School Castaway Retreat. Please visit https://stcdio.org/cem/ faith-formation/leadershiptraining/ to download DYC Applications and invite your high school youth to consider serving on the DYC. Contact Kent Schmitz with any questions at: 320-251-0111, ext. 4 or kent.schmitz@gw.stcdio.org.

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Vacation Bible School June 10 - 14 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport from 9:00 - 11:30 am. Send your children, ages 4 through entering grade 5, for an under the water good time! This summer's theme is Scuba. Children will be "Diving into friendship with

God." Scuba is filled with Bible stories, music, games, and other fun ways to learn that God is with you every day, no matter what. Registration forms are available Tri-Parish website. Deadline to signup is May 15. Don't miss the best week of the summer!

Corpus Christi Celebration Mass St. John the Baptist Church/Meire Grove invites everyone to the Corpus Christi Celebration Mass on Sunday, June 2, at 9:00 am with Bishop Patrick Neary presiding. A procession to the four chapels of the cemetery will follow the Mass. There will be a couple of golf carts available for those that have difficulty walking. Following the procession, the Meire Grove Band will provide a concert and the parish members will serve a luncheon so folks can listen to the concert and dine at the same time. The luncheon theme is "Country Picnic" consisting of Pulled Pork Sandwiches, potato salad, chips, pickles, carrots and bars. No cost. Hope you will join us!

NFP, it's time! It's time to give Natural Family Planning a chance! The benefits are many. It's environmentally safe and has no harmful side-effects. Most importantly, NFP respects God's plan for married love. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in:



Sauk Centre on Thursday's, May 16 and June 20 at St. Paul's Church or CentraCare Health - Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at <u>uphus.nfp@gmail.com</u> or 320-290-8751. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

Sacred Heart Festival will be on Sunday, July 21. The day will begin with a polka Mass at 9:00 am followed by a parade at 10:30 am with all the festivities to follow. The theme for this year's parade is "Old Tube TV Shows." If you are interested in putting a float in the parade, contact Andy Grieve at 320-260-5615.



House Blessing... If you are interested in having your house blessed by Fr. Dan call the Tri-Parish Office, Freeport (320-836-2143).

One In Faith ACC Pastoral Council Meeting

The One In Faith Pastoral council will meet Tuesday, May 14 at 7:00 pm at the Church of St. Mary, Fireside Room. If you are wanting to be added to the agenda please contact Lisa Wuertz at plwuertz@meltel.net.



Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo holds retreats throughout the year. Enhance your faith life with one of the Christ the King Retreat Center retreats below. For more information or to

register, please call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com.

- •Men & Women's Day Retreat: Preparation for Pentecost May 16
- •Women's Silent Retreat June 3-6 (4 day Midweek \$350)
- •Sisters' Intercommunity Retreat June 11-16 (\$700)

Let us seek the light of God's glory; let us give praise to His name. Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. The next English retreat will be held May 17-19, cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

Vocation Camp for Young Men Grades 7-10 We seek to

provide an engaging environment where young Catholic men are able to listen to the voice of Jesus Christ. We desire to instill in their lives the faith and trust to follow Him no matter where He may lead. Tuesday-Thursday, June 18-20. This camp is at the beautiful Mead family residence on the lake. The days will be filled with physical and spiritual activities. Check in 9:00 - 9:30 am.



Note: Camp families are welcome to join for Mass on Thursday, June 20 at 11:00 am with a potluck lunch to follow. Cost \$40 scholarship available. Questions please contact Julie Jacobs at Julie.Jacobs@gw.stcdio.org or call 320-251-5001. Deadline to register is Tuesday, June 4. Register at https://www.surveymonkey.com/ r/2024AvonCamp



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



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- **◆School Liturgy** on Wednesday, May 15 will be planned by Mrs. Benson and the 5th grade students.
- **◆The SHS 6th Graders** will have 7th grade orientation at Melrose Middle school on Wednesday, May 15.
- **▼May Birthday Dinner** will be celebrated on Thursday, May 16.
- **SHS Spring Fling** on Friday, May 17! All Tri-Parish families are welcome. We will have a concession stand and music by DJ Pete.
- **▼Toddler Registration is Still Open** and we just have a few spots left. If you are looking for care for your toddler ages 16 33 months, please call or stop in at the Sacred Heart School office 320-836-2591.
- **▼Thank You and Welcome** Ms. Emma Blashack, our first grade teacher, has

decided to move back home and has accepted a position in her hometown. We would like to thank her for her two years of service at SHS and wish her the very best in her next chapter. She will be missed by many! With this news, we knew we could not wait to move along the hiring process. We are happy to announce that for the 2024-2025 school year our 6th grade teacher will be Mrs. Christie Zink, our 3rd grade teacher will be Mrs. Tatum Holdvogt, and our 1st grade teacher will be Ms. Gwen Welle. While change is never easy, and replacing three staff members in one year definitely is challenging, we are excited for the opportunities the next school year has to offer and I know God has great plans for all involved. While we will all miss the wisdom of Sr. Janine, the musical talents and dad jokes of Mr. K, and the snarkiness and kind energy of "Ms. B," we look forward to our next chapter.

- ◆Special Mass Wednesday, May 22 at 8:15 am at Sacred Heart Church. We will be having a very SPECIAL Mass and celebration with Bishop Patrick Neary. We are going to recognize and celebrate Sister Janine Braun for all her years at Sacred Heart School. Sr. Janine is the last religious Sister that was still teaching in a Catholic School in the St. Cloud Diocese. We would like to invite all community members, friends, family and any SHS alumni to attend Mass and a social after Mass to show Sr. Janine how much she is loved and appreciated.
- **▼SHS Employment Opportunities**—See the ACC section of this bulletin.

LOOKING AHEAD:

- •SHS Pre-K Graduation is on Thursday, May 23.
- •SHS 6th Grade Graduation and the last day of school will be on Friday, May 31.



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- ◆Thank You to Melrose Feed Mill and Pete Rothfork for donating \$3,500 to assist in paying for bussing to spring field trips. We are grateful for this opportunity as it makes the learning experiences outside of the classroom affordable for families.
- We will Celebrate the 2nd Graders at SMS receiving their First Holy Communion at the May 17, 8:30 am, School Mass.
- ◆St. Mary's Sixth-Grade Promotion will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church on Tuesday, May 28, at 7:00 pm. A reception sponsored by the Christian Women will follow the Mass.
- **SMS** Employment Opportunity—See the ACC section of this bulletin.



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- •St. John's St. Andrew's School Board Meets Tuesday, May 21 at 7:30 pm in the school basement.
- Freeport State Bank has Scheduled a Field Trip for SJSA to The Amaz'n Farmyard on Tuesday, May 21. We are thankful to Marlene Blommel and Jim Hemker for providing this fun outing for our students, staff, and parent chaperones.
- •Harry's Pizza Sale Pick-up is Saturday, May 18 from 9:00 - 10:00 am in the school basement.



Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners!

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*Gift cards are great gift ideas!







Public Rosary...

We have many intentions to pray for and much to be thankful for.

All are invited and welcome!

- Tuesdays at 7:30 am in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in the church in Melrose.
- Every Thursday except the first Thursday at 6:30 pm in Spanish in the church in Melrose.
- Fridays at 7:30 pm at the church in St. Rosa.
- 30 minutes prior to each weekday and weekend Mass in Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa, and Spring Hill.
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