



# 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

Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time

October 8, 2023

Fr. Marvin Enneking, Pastor

Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor

Fr. Arockiya Newton, Parochial Vicar

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Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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### Bulletin Announcements

Deadline: Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email information to: bulletin@catholic-centered.org

### Confession Times

- ◆Fridays 7:45 am Sacred Heart
- ◆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.

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OCTOBER 2023

## RADICAL SOLIDARITY



In the Gospel of John, shortly before he is to suffer his Passion, Jesus proclaims to his disciples: *"I give you a new commandment: love one another. As I have loved you, so you also should love one another"* (Jn 13:34). And it is love for one another that Jesus says will be the identifying characteristic of his disciples.

The Church's entire social doctrine is guided by the fundamental principle that every human life has innate dignity and incomparable value: "Every human being is the object of God's infinite tenderness, and he himself is present in their lives." As disciples of Christ, we are called to make a sacrificial gift of ourselves for the sake of our neighbor, for "to love someone is to desire that person's good and to take effective steps to secure it."

Fulfilling Christ's command to love one another takes shape in our practice of solidarity. Solidarity is the means by which we put our love for others into action, making the good of others our own. Solidarity "is not a feeling of vague compassion or shallow distress at the misfortunes of so many people... On the contrary, it is a firm and persevering determination to commit oneself to the common good...to the good of all and of each individual, because we are all really responsible for all."

In reaction to the overturning of *Roe v. Wade*, some areas of the country now protect the child in the womb, while others are doing all they can to increase access to abortion. At this critical moment, we have been entrusted with new *opportunities* and new *responsibilities* to build a civilization of authentic love. Our culture claims to offer women so-called "choice," but ultimately abandons mothers to make tragic and painful decisions alone. We must lead the way in showing the alternative: *"In firmly rejecting 'pro-choice' it is necessary to become courageously 'pro woman,' promoting a choice that is truly in favor of women. ... The only honest stance, in these cases, is that of radical solidarity with the woman. It is not right to leave her alone."*

Experience shows that when a mother is supported, "she is even capable of heroism." Radical solidarity compels us to come alongside vulnerable mothers in profound friendship, compassion, and support for both them and their preborn children. It requires us to address the fundamental challenges that lead an expectant mother to believe she is unable to welcome the child God has entrusted to her. We must do all we can to provide mothers, children, and families with the support they need to flourish. This cannot be accomplished by laws or policy alone, but requires the continual transformation of our own hearts, recognizing in every person the face of Christ, and placing their needs before our own.

Radical solidarity "refers to something more than a few sporadic acts of generosity. It presumes the creation of a *new mindset*." A culture of radical solidarity "gets involved by word and deed in people's daily lives... and it embraces human life, touching the suffering flesh of Christ in others." We each have our particular gifts, role, and obligation within the Body of Christ to help build a culture of life. We must honestly ask ourselves, "What radical, out-of-the-ordinary, actions have I taken to help a pregnant or parenting mother in need, or to proactively contribute to

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**ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ OCTOBER 9 - 15** **ADORATION**

**St. MARY - Melrose**  
 Mo 6:30 pm **Misa en Español**  
 †Leticia Orozco  
 Tu 7:30 am †Dec./Liv. Members of Herman & Margaret Hinnenkamp  
 We 7:30 am †Dale Wegleitner  
 Th 7:30 am **NO MASS**  
 \*Fr 8:30 am **SMS Mass**  
 ††Leo & Loretta Hinnenkamp  
 Sa 5:00 pm ††Bernie & Dorine Wiebolt  
 For the People  
 \*Su 10:00 am ††James & Betty Petermeier  
 Su 12:30 pm **Misa en Español**  
 Por el bienestar de Yasli Jimenez Pesqueda  
 †Josefina Sanchez Martinez

**IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich**  
 Th 8:15 am †Kimberly "Kim" Fuechtmann Anniv.  
 Sa 4:00 pm †Fran Thelen

**St. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa**  
 Tu 8:15 am †Laurel Quinn and Family  
 Su 10:00 am †Ethan Gerads

**St. MICHAEL - Spring Hill**  
 Tu 8:00 am **NO MASS**  
 Su 10:00 am †Marilyn Klaphake

**St. ANDREW - Greenwald**  
 Th 8:00 am **SJSA School Mass**  
 †Fran Thelen  
 Sa 4:00 pm †Asha Gregory

**SACRED HEART - Freeport**  
 We 8:15 am †Poor Souls in Purgatory  
 Fr 8:15 am ††Herman & Veronica Notch  
 Sa 6:00 pm Confirmads  
 Su 8:00 am For the People

**St. JOHN - Meire Grove**  
 We 8:00 am **NO MASS**  
 Su 8:00 am Mass of Thanksgiving  
 Denis & Emily Schneider

**\*Mass will be livestreamed.**  
 Visit: [oneinfaith.org](http://oneinfaith.org) for the YouTube link.



**St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa**  
 Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am  
**Immaculate Conception - New Munich**  
 Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 am  
**St. Mary - Melrose**  
 First Thursday of the month 6:30 pm  
 in Spanish (en Español)  
**Sacred Heart - Freeport**  
**NO Adoration** Wednesday, October 11  
 Friday, October 13 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

**ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS**

**Parish News:**  
 ~ St. Mary ~ St. Michael ~ St. Andrew ~ St. John ~

**Respect Life Month** There will be areas set up in our churches for the month of October (Respect Life Month) to collect items for Options for Women in Sauk Centre. Donations can be brought to any of the four churches. Needed items include new boy and girl clothes size 3 month to 4T, diapers of all sizes, wipes, baby formula (Enfamil or Similac), new car seats, baby wash, and baby healthcare items. Envelopes for cash donations are available and can be put in the collection or mailed in.

**Rite Of Christian Initiation For Adults (RCIA)** Do you have questions about the Catholic faith? Are you interested in becoming Catholic? RCIA will meet Tuesday, October 10 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Melrose. The Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA) is the Catholic Church's way of welcoming new members. It can also be the path to prepare for First Eucharist and/or Confirmation for baptized Catholics. RCIA is much more than a program. It is a learning and loving process in which conversion of the heart brings one to Jesus Christ. Please come to this meeting if you are interested in learning more about this program.

**Advertising Scam** We have been informed that some local businesses have received letters soliciting advertisements for local parishes. Some of the letters came from Local Catholic Churches in California. The parishes in our ACC have not authorized this solicitation. The ACC solicits for bulletin advertisements once a year, and those mailings will come directly from the One in Faith ACC. Please shred these letters if you received them. Thank you.

**St. Rose of Lima Parish History Book: An Epoch in Time** is ready for Pre-Order. Pick up an order form in the gathering space at St. Rose of Lima church or print one from the Tri-Parish Facebook page or website. Deadline to pre-order is Friday, October 13. Expected delivery early December.

**House Blessings...** Call the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport if you are interested in having your house blessed by Fr. Dan.



**Parish News:**  
 ~ Sacred Heart ~ Immaculate Conception ~ St. Rose of Lima ~

**•Adoration** at Sacred Heart on Friday, October 13 will close at noon, and there will be no adoration on Wednesday, October 11.  
**•All Souls' Remembrance** St. John's Abbey has invited our parishes to submit names of deceased loved ones as part of their All Souls' Remembrance ministry. In the entry of our parishes, there is a sign-up sheet to add deceased loved ones' names. We will collect these names through the month of October and submit them to St. John's for them to pray for these individuals during the month of November.

**Please Join Us For BINGO** at St. Mary's Church in Melrose on Sunday, October 22 at 5:30 pm. Cost is \$15 for 20 games. Cash and meat prizes. Free lunch includes hot turkey sandwich, chips, pickle and cookie. Beverages are available for sale. Variety games such as Good Neighbor Bingo and Blackout. There will also be a quilt raffle. Fun for the entire family. Sorry, no checks, cash only. Proceeds go to the St. Mary's Mission Society of Melrose.

**All Women of the West Central Deanery** are invited to Fall 2023 General Meeting on Tuesday, October 10 at Sts. Peter & Paul Church in Richmond. We will begin with Mass at 6:00 pm, followed by registration and beginning of Silent Auction with a meal at 7:00 pm and a meeting at 7:30 pm. Please RSVP for the meal to Jean Hopfer, President 320-837-5239 or [ecthull@albanytel.com](mailto:ecthull@albanytel.com) of Elaine Silver, Host Parish President 320-597-2062 or [noelsilve@meltel.net](mailto:noelsilve@meltel.net). All parishes are asked to donate one \$20, or two \$10 items for auction.

**Good for the Body, Great for the Soul!** Learn about the benefits of NFP as you plan your family in harmony with nature and God's plan for your marriage. NFP is effective, wholesome and healthy. October 19 at St. Paul's Church or CentraCare Health - Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at [uphus.nfp@gmail.com](mailto:uphus.nfp@gmail.com) 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!



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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offerings ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$11,030.50
Regular Adult Offering.....	9,450.00
Plate/Loose .....	1,209.50
Designated Funds.....	371.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

10-01	\$25	Gerald Koopmeiners - Melrose
10-02	\$25	LaVonne Hinnenkamp - Melrose
10-03	\$25	Dacia & Paul Patrick - St. Stephen
10-04	\$25	Rodney Middendorf - Sauk Centre
10-05	\$25	Tom Hellermann - Melrose
10-06	\$25	Chad Bueckers - Melrose
10-07	\$25	LuVerne & Jean Ritter - Melrose



**Baptized in Christ...**

Brooks James Moscho  
 Vivian Ella Kluempke  
 Ezequiel Abraham Hernandez Hernandez

**St. Mary's Mission Society Meeting** will be on Wednesday, October 10 at St. Mary's Church at 8:30 am. All are welcome!

**Rectory Update:** Sheetrocking is complete and the ceiling will be insulated next. They are working on soffit and fascia and will be starting on siding and brick. Exterior concrete will be coming soon. Thank you for the continued support of this project!



**October is Mission Month** All parishioners are members of the Mission Society. All, both male and female, are encouraged to attend our meetings. We meet the second Wednesday of the month at 8:30 am at St. Mary's. We are asking all parishioners to donate a free will offering to the Mission Society. We used to call it "dues." As we reflect on our MANY blessings, we realize we have been given much. We are called - as a parish - to respond to those in need. Place your donation in any envelope, write "mission" on it, and place it in the collection or bring it to the office. Or if you forget, there are mission envelopes in the gathering space for you to use. Please be generous in your support of the St. Mary's Mission Society! Thank you.

**St. Mary's of Melrose Christian Women** will meet Tuesday, October 17, at 6:00 pm in the conference room at the church.

**Stewardship Renewal Begins** Next weekend, we kick off our parish Stewardship Renewal with hearing from a parishioner who will share what stewardship has meant in his life. Reflect on how *you* are involved at Church of St. Mary. Do you serve in parish ministries? Do you come to parish-wide events? Are you taking steps to improve your spiritual life and further study our Catholic Faith? Soon, you will receive your Stewardship Renewal packet. Please prayerfully review these materials and discern where God is calling you in the coming year. On Commitment Sunday, October 28 -29, each parish family is asked to return their completed commitment card or complete a card online at our parish website, [www.oneinfaith.org/stmarys](http://www.oneinfaith.org/stmarys).

**Members of the Mission Society** will be present to sell chances for their **fall quilt** before and after the Masses on the weekend of October 14-15. Tickets are \$1.00/chance. Please consider supporting the missions with this fundraiser.

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART**

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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offerings ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes.....	\$5,314.62
Plate.....	434.00
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$5,748.62</b>


Other Donations

Votive .....	\$295.50
School Support.....	150.00
Building/Maintenance.....	185.00

Parish Events

Su	10/08	8:30 am	Catholic United Financial Breakfast
Su	10/08	9:00 am	Baptism
Su	10/08	7:00 pm	Men's Group
Mo	10/09	7:00 pm	Confirmation Music Practice
We	10/11		<b>NO</b> Adoration
We	10/11	6:00 pm	Faith Formation Grade 2
We	10/11	7:00 pm	Confirmation Practice
Fr	10/13	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	10/13	9:00 am	Adoration
Fr	10/13	1:00 pm	SHS Prayer Service
Fr	10/13	4:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Sa	10/14	2:00 pm	Mahler/Silbernick Wedding
Sa	10/14	6:00 pm	Confirmation Mass
Su	10/15	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry - SR
Su	10/15	7:00 pm	"500" Card Party
Su	10/15	7:00 pm	Men's Group

**Matching Grant Breakfast Today - October 8**

**Catholic United Financial**  Sacred Heart Catholic United Financial #101 is sponsoring a Matching Grant Breakfast for the benefit of Sacred Heart School today. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Menu includes Pep's Pork sausage, Swany White pancakes, scrambled eggs, etc. \$10 for adults, \$5 for ages 6-10 and 5 and under are free. All are invited to attend.

**"The stone that the builders rejected has become the corner stone..."**

Matthew 21:42

Jesus was rejected by the religious and political leaders of his day, as well as ordinary citizens, but he was still obedient to God, the Father. Similarly, living a stewardship lifestyle may cause you to be "rejected" by others, but we, too, are called to be obedient. Saying grace before a meal in a restaurant may attract some strange looks from some. But to others it is a sign that God is alive and well!

**Public Rosary**

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

*All are invited and welcome!*

- Tuesdays at 7:00 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.
- 20 minutes prior to each weekday and weekend Mass in Greenwald.





**CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**  
 Physical Address: 650 Main Street  
 New Munich, MN 56356  
 Church Basement 320-837-5217

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes .....	\$2,429.08
Plate.....	241.00
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$2,670.08</b>

**Other Donations**

Building/Maintenance.....	\$137.50
Cash Bazaar .....	915.00
Human Development.....	110.00

**Parish Events**

Su 10/08	3:00 pm	Baptism
Su 10/08	7:00 pm	Men's Group - FR
Mo 10/09	7:00 pm	Confirmation Music Practice-FR
We 10/11	6:00 pm	FF Grade 2 - FR
We 10/11	7:00 pm	Confirmation Practice - FR
Th 10/12	7:00 am	Adoration
Th 10/12	1:00 pm	SHS Prayer Service
Th 10/12	7:00 pm	Harvest Supper Planning Mtg.
Sa 10/14	11:00 am	Rosary Rally
Sa 10/14	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions
Sa 10/14	6:00 pm	Confirmation Mass - FR
Su 10/15	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry - SR
Su 10/15	7:00 pm	Men's Group - FR

**CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA**  
 Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17  
 St. Rosa, MN 56331  
 Church Basement 320-836-2537

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes .....	\$2,948.54
Plate.....	523.77
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$3,472.31</b>

**Other Donations**

All Saints .....	\$25.00
All Souls .....	50.00
Building/Maintenance .....	50.00
125th Jubilee .....	1,625.00

**Parish Events**

Su 10/08	7:00 pm	Men's Group - FR
Mo 10/09	7:00 pm	Confirmation Music Practice - FR
Tu 10/10	7:00 am	Adoration
Tu 10/10	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
We 10/11	6:00 pm	FF Grade 2 - FR
We 10/11	7:00 pm	Confirmation Practice - FR
Fr 10/13	1:00 pm	SHS Prayer Service
Fr 10/13	7:30 pm	Rosary
Sa 10/14	6:00 pm	Confirmation Mass - FR
Su 10/15	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry
Su 10/15	7:00 pm	Men's Group - FR

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,639.25</b>
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,375.00
Children.....	20.50
Plate/Loose .....	43.00
Votives.....	80.75
Maintenance.....	120.00

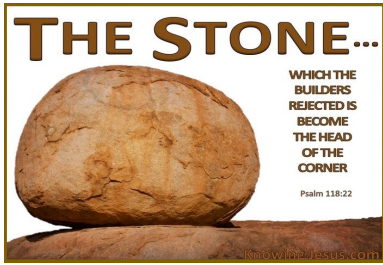
**Liturgical Ministries**  
**Sunday, October 15 - 10:00 am**

(S) Gabby or Celia Schoenberg & Olivia Kalthoff  
 (L) Lisa Wuertz  
 (U) Tyler Bertram & Conrad Gruber  
 (EM) (B) Jenny Kalthoff  
 (EM) (C) NO Precious Blood  
 (Sacristan) Ruth Heinen  
 (RL) Marilyn Gruber  
 (CC) Stan Heinen & Melvin Kalthoff  
 (HK: October 15-28) Karen Rademacher, Betty Schmidt, & Rhonda Schmidt

**New Addition Update** Granite work has been completed and the brick work will begin. Thank you to all of those who have financially supported this project.

**Boiler Replacement** In late winter 2023 one of the boilers went down. The search has been ongoing to find replacement parts or a compatible boiler. The final bids have come in and the cost will be \$54,000 to update the heating for the church. Please prayerfully consider donating to help cover the cost of this update.

**Confirmation Social** Saturday, October 14 after the 6:00 pm Mass in Freeport. St. Ann's Christian Women of New Munich will host a social in the Freeport church basement. Servers requested: Steven & Brenda Berling, Elmer & Juliana Boecker, Roger & Stephanie Boecker, James & Diane Boeckers, Ken & Pat Bushman. Please bring cake or bars. Thank you in advance for serving. Please join us in honoring the confirmands of our Tri-Parish confirmation class. Everyone is welcome.



**Rosary Rally** Please join us at 10:00 am on Saturday, October 14 at St. Michael's Church by the grotto for a rosary rally. Bring a chair if you need one.

**Rummage/Bake Sale** St. Michael's Annual Worn-A-Bit Rummage and Bake Sale is set for October 28 & 29. Volunteers needed!!

**Respect Life Month** con.'t from page 1  
**RADICAL SOLIDARITY**



a culture of life in some other way?"  
 Inspired by Christ's own example of love, may we "enter fully into the fabric of society, sharing the lives of all, listening to their concerns, helping them materially and spiritually in their needs, rejoicing with those who rejoice, weeping with those who weep." May we work together to bring about a culture of life through radical, sacrificial, Christ-like love.

To learn more about the call to radical solidarity—including ways that you can help support pregnant and parenting women in your community—visit [respectlife.org/radical-solidarity](https://respectlife.org/radical-solidarity).

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 1Pope Francis, *Evangelii gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, no. 274. 2Pope Benedict XVI, *Caritas in veritate (Charity in Truth)*, no. 7. 3Pope John Paul II, *Sollicitudo rei socialis (On Social Concern)*, no. 38. 4Pope John Paul II, *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, p. 207. 5Pope John Paul II, *Crossing the Threshold of Hope*, p. 207. 6Pope Francis, *Evangelii gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, no. 188. 7Pope Francis, *Evangelii gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, no. 24. 8Pope Francis, *Evangelii gaudium (The Joy of the Gospel)*, no. 269.

**One In Faith ACC**  
**America Needs**  
**Fatima Rosary**  
**Rally**

Praying the rosary for America:  
 As human efforts fail to solve America's key problems, we turn to God through His holy Mother asking His urgent help. The rosary will be prayed publicly at the following times and locations:

- Saturday, October 14 at 10:00 am at the St. Michael's Church by the grotto.
- Saturday, October 14 at 11:00 am on the Immaculate Conception parking lot. In case of rain, it will then be moved into the church.
- Saturday, October 14 at noon in the front of the St. Rose of Lima church next to the public kiosk.

Please try to attend at least one of the above public rosary rallies. Bring a lawn chair if needed.

**CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW**

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total .....	\$2,631.80
Regular Adult Offering .....	1,909.80
Children.....	50.00
Plate/Loose .....	116.00
Votives.....	21.00
Cemetery.....	400.00
Fuel Fund.....	100.00
School Subsidy.....	35.00

**Liturgical Ministries**

**Saturday, October 14 - 4:00 pm**

- (S) Isaiah Gilk & Jackson Gilk
- (L) Julie Kulzer
- (U) Daniel Nietfeld & Harold Rademacher
- (GB) Alan & Sandy Niehoff
- (EM) (B) Clarine Beier
- (EM) (C) NO Precious Blood
- (HK - October) \*Rose Ann Rademacher, Joyce Schoenberg, Sharon Schwieters, Margaret Silbernack, Amy Stueve, & Sheri Thull

**Basement Clean Out Sale** We need to clean out some of the basement for school needs and will be selling some pots, pans, roasters, and coffee pots we no longer need. The sale will be Friday, October 20 from 6:00 - 8:00 pm and Saturday, October 21 from 3:00 - 6:00 pm.

\$13 at door. Children 10 and under: \$6. Pre-school free. Tickets available from any St. John's Parishioner.

- Work Schedule:** Please check the work schedule. If you are unable to work, please find someone to work for you.
- Prep Work:** We will be starting at 7:30 am on Saturday, October 14 in preparation for the supper. Your help is greatly appreciated!
- Sold/Unsold tickets** and donations need to be turned in by October 15.

*"This event is eligible for a matching grant from Catholic United Financial of up to \$1,000."*

**HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA**

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

**October 8, Sunday**

◆**Sacred Heart Catholic United Financial Matching Grant Breakfast** for the benefit of Sacred Heart School, Freeport. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. \$10 adults, \$5 for ages 6-10 and 5 and under are free. All are invited to attend.

◆**Melrose Fire Department Pancake Breakfast** at the Melrose Fire Station. Serving from 8:00 am - 12:00 pm. Adult tickets are \$10, Children ages 5-13 \$7, and 5 and under are free. Kids coloring contest 2 random winners chosen to tour the fire station and ride to school in a fire truck. Open to kids in grades K-6. Pickup coloring sheet at Melrose City Office. One entry per kid. All proceeds go to Melrose Fire Relief Association.

**October 11, Wednesday**

◆**Quilting** at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

**October 14, Saturday**

◆**Fourth Annual Fall Festival** at Holy Family School in Albany from 3:00 - 9:00 pm.

**October 15, Sunday**

◆**"500" Card Party** at Sacred Heart Church basement in Freeport. Start time is 7:00 pm. Lunch will be served. All are welcome to join.

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN**

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total .....	\$1,883.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,371.00
Children.....	0.25
Plate/Loose .....	257.00
Votives.....	45.00
Fuel Fund.....	100.00
School Subsidy.....	50.00
Church Lighting.....	60.00

**Liturgical Ministries**

**Sunday, October 15 - 8:00 am**

- (S) Carter Kelzer & Logan Kelzer
- (L) Rita Meyer
- (U) Tom Loxtercamp & Dean Meyer
- (GB) Mike & Julie Wehlage
- (EM) (B) Char Meyer & Abby Zenzen
- (EM) (C) NO Precious Blood
- (HK - October) \*Virginia Nathe, Geri Primus, Cindy Schneider, Karen Schneider, Linda Schneider, & Joy Silbernack

**Potato Pancake & Sausage Supper**



St. John's Catholic United Financial Matching Grant Potato Pancake & Sausage Supper will be held Sunday, October 15, from 3:00 pm to

7:00 pm in the St John's church basement in Meire Grove. Adults: \$12 advance or

**HISPANIC MINISTRY**

**Formación en la fe:** Información de contacto: [Faithformation@stmarysofmeirose.com](mailto:Faithformation@stmarysofmeirose.com)

- Primera Reconciliación/Primera Comunión:** Próxima clase: sábado 14 de octubre de 9:30 a 11:00 am. Solo estudiantes.
- Grados 1, 3-6:** Próxima clase: miércoles 11 de octubre a las 6:00-7:00 pm. Estudiantes y padres.
- Grados 7/8:** Próxima clase: miércoles 11 de octubre de 7:15-8:30 pm. Estudiantes y algunos padres.
- Grados 9-10:** Ayuda con Food Shelf Fill-the-Truck (7/8 de octubre), OR Meire Grove Potato Pancake Supper (15 de octubre), OR St. Mary's Bingo (22 de octubre).
- Confirmación:** Limpieza de carreteras el sábado 14 de octubre de 10:30 a 11:45 am. Reúnase en el estacionamiento de St. John's, Meire Grove. Estudiantes y algunos padres.
- Día de la Juventud de la Escuela Secundaria Los jóvenes en los grados 9-12** están invitados a unirse a nosotros en el Día de la Juventud de la Escuela Secundaria de la Diócesis de St. Cloud el domingo 29 de octubre de 11:30 am a 7:45 pm en el Centro Cristiano Lake Geneva en Alexandria, MN. Los permisos están disponibles en todos los tableros de anuncios de la iglesia o en los sitios web de la iglesia. Los formularios de permiso deben presentarse antes del lunes 18 de octubre.

**Habrà Adoración al Santísimo** cada Primer Jueves del Mes a las 6:30 pm.



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**Si desea, ofrecer una misa** por un ser querido, o si desea recibir algún sacramento de bautismo o matrimonio, favor de hablar con el Padre Arockiya Newton o con el Diacono Jorge Carrillo o el Diacono Jesús Hernández. O llama a la oficina 320-256-4207.

**The Scriptures This Week**

**Year A, Weekdays - Cycle I**

<b>Mo</b>	Jon 1:1—2:2, 11	Lk 10:25-37
<b>Tu</b>	Jon 3:1-10	Lk 10:38-42
<b>We</b>	Jon 4:1-11	Lk 11:1-4
<b>Th</b>	Mal 3:13-20b	Lk 11:5-13
<b>Fr</b>	Jl 1:13-15; 2:1-2	Lk 11:15-26
<b>Sa</b>	Jl 4:12-21	Lk 11:27-28
<b>Next Sunday - Twenty-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		
	Is 25:6-10a	Phil 4:12-14, 19-20
	Mt 22:1-14 or 22:1-10	

## FAITH FORMATION

### Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa:

Contact Information: [csand@catholic-centered.org](mailto:csand@catholic-centered.org)

- **Grade 1, 3-6 Next Class:** Wednesday, October 11. Home Lesson.
- **Grade 2: Next Class:** Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00 pm. Meet in the parish office.
- **Grade 7-10: Next Class:** Wednesday, October 25 at 7:00 pm. Bring your Bible, books, notebook, and pen. Meet in your classroom.
- **Grade 11: Next Class:** Wednesday, October 11 at 7:00 pm. Confirmation Practice. Please meet in body of Sacred Heart Church.
  - **The Rite of Confirmation** will take place on Saturday, October 14 at 6:00 pm at the Church of the Sacred Heart.

### Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

Contact Information: [faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com](mailto:faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com)

- **First Reconciliation/First Communion: Next Class:** Saturday, October 14 at 9:30-11:00 am. Students only.
- **Grades 1, 3-6: Next Class:** Wednesday, October 11 at 6:00-7:00 pm. Students and parents.
- **Grades 7/8: Next Class:** Wednesday, October 11 at 7:15-8:30 pm. Students and some parents.
- **Grades 9/10:** Help with Food Shelf Fill-the-Truck (October 7/8), OR Meire Grove Potato Pancake Supper (October 15), OR St. Mary's Bingo (October 22).
- **Confirmation:** Roadside clean-up Saturday, October 14 from 10:30 - 11:45 am. Meet in St. John's parking lot, Meire Grove. Students and some parents.

## YOUTH MINISTRY

### One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:

Contact Information:

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- ♥ **Bible & Breakfast** meets each Wednesday (if there's school) at the Melrose High School Media Center at 7:15 am. All students grades 7-12 are invited. We will not meet October 11 and 18.
- ♥ **High School Youth Day** Youth in grades 9-12 are invited to join us at the St. Cloud Diocese High School Youth Day on Sunday, October 29 from 11:30 am - 7:45 pm at the Lake Geneva Christian Center in Alexandria, MN. Permission slips are available on all church bulletin boards or on the church websites. Permission forms are due by Monday, October 18.
- ♥ **Trick or Treating for the Food Shelf** Students in grades 7-9 will be Trick or Treating for the Food Shelf on Monday, October 31 from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. We will meet at Sacred Heart Church basement and will cover the towns of Freeport, New Munich, and St. Rosa. Permission forms are available on the website, [sacredheartfreeport.org](http://sacredheartfreeport.org). Deadline is October 11.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



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- ♥ **School Liturgy** on Wednesday, October 11 will be planned by Mr. Kuechle and the 3rd grade class.
- ♥ **Sacred Heart School Board** will meet on Thursday, October 12 at 7:30 pm.
- ♥ **Friday afternoon, October 13** Sacred Heart students and staff will be cleaning in the cemeteries in each of the parishes of our Tri-Parish for their SHS Care-A-Thon project. They will also have a prayer service in each parish for the prayer requests they received with donations. Thank you for supporting the students in the Care-a-Thon.

- ♦ **Thank you for your support** in our recent marathon/prayer-a-thon. We have surpassed our goal of \$23,000 and raised \$23,158. We have also collected over 505 prayers, which will be compiled into a book and prayed daily in the classrooms. We appreciate your continued dedication to a Catholic education for students in the Melrose Area.
- ♦ **Grandparents Day** will be celebrated at St. Mary's School on Tuesday, October 17. Kindergarten through 6th grade will begin the day with Mass at Church at 8:30 am, followed by a program at 10:15 am at Church (Little Saints will join us at this time), and ending the day with lunch at 12:00 pm at school.
- ♦ **There will be NO school** on Wednesday -Friday, October 18-20, due to Education MN and a District workshop day.
- ♦ **The Catholic Church recognizes** October as "Mission Month" and the Month of the Rosary. St. Mary's School children will pray the World Mission Rosary at Church on Wednesday, October 25, at 1:00 pm. All are welcome to join us as a community for this prayer.

- ♦ **SJSA Workathon** is Friday, October 13. The students will be raking lawns and picking up trash around Greenwald. If you live in Greenwald and would like your lawn raked, please call the school at 320-987-3133. Please support SJSA students as they seek pledges to obtain our \$17,000 fundraising goal.
- ♦ **SJSA Annual Oktoberfest** is Tuesday, October 17 from 5:30 - 8:30 pm in the St. John's Church basement in Meire Grove. There will be a live polka band, great food, fellowship, and a student performance at 7:30 pm. Come join us for a fun evening!
- ♦ **The Melrose Fire Department** will be bringing a fire truck to SJSA on Tuesday, October 10 as part of Fire Safety Week.
- ♦ **Steak & Wine Parent Meeting** is Monday, October 9 at 7:30 pm in the school basement. Please have at least one parent per family attend. Thank you!
- ♦ **Greenwald Elevator Softener Salt Sale** The Greenwald Elevator is having a salt sale with proceeds going to SJSA. Salt can be ordered now through October 13 and can be ordered by the bag or pallet. The pick-up date is November 2 at the Greenwald Elevator. Salt can be ordered through any SJSA family, by calling the school at 320-987-3133, or by calling or stopping by the Greenwald Elevator 320-987-3159. Thank you for supporting the Greenwald Elevator Salt Sale!

## Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners!

10/01 \$25 Dick Koll - Melrose  
10/02 \$25 Mag Lundy - Osceloa, IA  
10/03 \$25 Bonnie Theiler - Melrose  
10/04 \$25 Dale Goebel - Freeport  
10/05 \$25 Jeremy Scherping - Melrose  
10/06 \$25 Kyle & Brooke Rademacher - Freeport  
10/07 \$25 Marlene Herdering - Melrose



## ONE IN FAITH ACC NEWS CON'T FROM PG 2

**Presentation to Diocese about Our ACC** Our ACC (Area Catholic Community) of 7 parishes is asked to present information to the diocese in late November as to our greatest strengths, priorities, and some of the struggles we are enduring. The ACC Pastoral Council is asked to seek information from parishioners of all 7 parishes. This information will be reviewed and consolidated into the presentation. We welcome comments and concerns you may have and ask you to share them with your parish ACC Pastoral Council team member. The ACC Pastoral Council members are listed below for your convenience.

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**World Mission Sunday** The weekend of October 21/22 we will join Catholic parishes all over the world in celebrating World Mission Sunday. This year, Pope Francis asks us to respond to that call saying, "Hearts on Fire, Feet on the Move." We act in solidarity this day, as we pray and share our gifts to help build-up the church around the world where the witness of Christ and support of the poor is still needed most. Envelopes are available in your monthly packets or as your Sunday collection. All funds collected on World Mission Sunday support the pastoral, catechetical, charitable and evangelizing work of the Church in over 1,111 of the most in-need dioceses in 180 countries through the efforts of the Society for the Propagation of the Faith, a Pontifical Mission Society directed by Pope Francis and administered by the local St. Cloud Mission Office. Please plan to give generously. For more information on the mission needs of our world and mission activities of our diocese, visit: [www.stcloudmissionoffice.com](http://www.stcloudmissionoffice.com).



### Prayer Requests...

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

**For the Sick:** Meaghan Hickman, Shari Salina, Joe Salina, Lynn Bussmann MacRae, Beatrice Massmann

### Banns of Matrimony:

II Haley Van Beck♥Austin Schoenberg, 10/21 Melrose  
 III Sydney Mahler♥Matthew Silbernack, 10/14 Freeport

### Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

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 •Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink 837-5321  
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**Marriage Encounter** Don't try to change your spouse, just love them, love is what changes us. Please make the decision to enrich your marriage by attending the October 14-15 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Retreat Center. Register at: [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org). If you have any questions, please call Mary Jackson at: 651-454-3238.



**Men On Fire Men's Breakfast & Retreat** Saturday, October 28 from 8:00 - 11:30 am at The Church of St. Mary, Alexandria. Breakfast, Music, Keynote Speaker Fr. Peter Anderl "Men as Spiritual Leaders," Mass with Bishop Neary. Featured speakers: Randy Kinney, Mike Lentz, Mike Sponsler, Russ Craigmile, Jake Mach and Fr. Matt Kuhn. Register at [stmaryalexandria.org](http://stmaryalexandria.org)

**The Resurrection of the Dead, and the Life of the World to Come** Our faith tells us that with Christ's resurrection comes the promise that one day we, too, like him shall bodily arise. Yet, this belief in the resurrection also leaves us Christians with many questions: What will we look like in the life to come? Will we recognize our loved ones, and will they recognize us? What kind of existence can we expect? What is the difference between immortality, reincarnation, and resurrected life? How do judgment of the dead, hell, purgatory, and heaven fit into the picture? Drawing from Scripture and Tradition, Fr. Michael Patella will discuss the Christian doctrine of the resurrection of the dead along with its implications for us now and in the hereafter. October 13, presentation from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Emmaus Hall, Saint John's University, Collegeville. Free event. Registration is required: [www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday](http://www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday), 320-363-3560 or [theologyday@csbsju.edu](mailto:theologyday@csbsju.edu).



**40 Days For Life** Join us for Prayer Monday through Friday from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm at Planned Parenthood in St. Cloud. Closing Rally will be held on Saturday, November 4 from 10:00 am - 12:00 pm at vigil site then to St. Augustine.

**Messy Family Project Retreat** Empowering moms and dads to embrace their calling. Gain wisdom, inspiration, and practical tools that will help strengthen your family. This event will be held at the Church of St. Mary, Alexandria on October 13-14. Visit [www.stmaryalexandria.org](http://www.stmaryalexandria.org) for more information or to register.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal** Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of August 21, the diocese has raised \$1,252,711 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000, with gifts from 7,005 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit [www.stcloudio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcloudio.org/annualappeal).

### One in Faith ACC Schools Gift Card Programs

A gift card rebate program that allows you to purchase your everyday items with gift cards and earn money for our area Catholic schools without paying any extra money! A percentage of each gift card will be donated back to the area Catholic schools. Each school has a variety of local and national gift cards available to purchase.

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