

## 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

#### Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

**February 4, 2024** 

Fr. Marvin Enneking, Pastor Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor Fr. Arockiya Newton, Parochial Vicar

#### Melrose - Spring Hill -Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:

**Hours:** Monday - Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm

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Mailing Address: PO Box 155 Freeport, MN 56331

#### **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

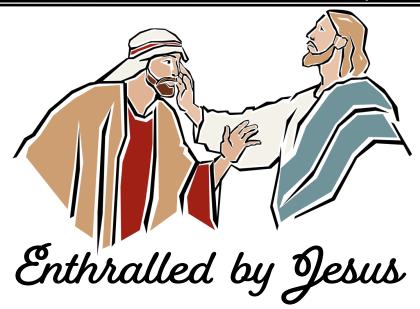
Couples are to begin preparation 6-12 months in advance and **must** call the respective Parish Office **before setting a date**. Diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes are required.

#### **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.



When it was evening, after sunset, they brought to him all who were ill or possessed by demons. The whole town was gathered at the door. He cured many who were sick with various diseases, and he drove out many demons, not permitting them to speak because they knew him. Mark 1:32–34

Jesus was in the home of Simon Peter whose mother-in-law He had just cured. "The whole town gathered at the door" when evening came. This was Jesus' first time being in Capernaum after beginning His public ministry, and already people were flocking to Him in droves. The next morning, Jesus got up before dawn and went away alone to pray. Soon, some of the disciples found Him and told Him that, once again, the whole town was looking for Him.

The excitement was great. So many were amazed. And their amazement at Jesus was not simply a form of curiosity. It was an amazement fueled by faith, which is why Jesus was able to perform so many miracles there. The people quickly realized that Jesus was the One of Whom the prophets of old had spoken. He was the Messiah, and the people gave Him their full attention.

This is a good image for us to ponder. As you think of the crowds and their unwavering desire to be near our Lord, consider your own desires pertaining to God. Do you regularly find yourself consumed with a desire to find our Lord, to be with Him, to listen to Him and to receive His grace and mercy? Or are you tempted to see Jesus and the practice of your faith as boring and uninteresting? One of the unfortunate effects of modern technology is that we easily become fascinated by and intrigued with many superficial things. Perhaps it's the latest short video on a mobile app, or the latest episode of a favorite television series, or a new post by a friend on social media. There are many things today that compete for our attention, intrigue us and even amaze us. Is Jesus one of those things in your life?

In our modern world of constant stimulation and entertainment, we need to understand the difference between being amazed at the latest pop trend and being amazed by the grace and divine actions of our Lord. When we come face-to-face with the power of God in our lives, we will be amazed in a way that fulfills and satisfies us on the deepest level. It will be a spiritual amazement, which is a gift of the Holy Spirit. And the satisfaction we receive from this form of amazement is transforming, deep and sustaining. But when we turn to lesser and more sensory "amazements" common within our world today, we will find that they last only for a moment, and we are quickly left dry and wanting for more.

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#### ACC Mass Times and Intentions ~ February 5 - 11

#### ADORATION

St. Mary - Melrose Immacui					
Mo	6:30 pm	Misa en Español	Th	8:1:	
	•	†Javier Acevedo	Sa	4:00	
Tu	8:00 am	†Dale Webleitner	ο T		
We	8:00 am	†Dorine Sunderman	St. I	COSI	
Th	8:00 am	†Mary Ann Arnzen	Tu	8:1:	
*Fr	8:30 am	SMS Mass			
		†Bill Massmann	Su	10:00	
Sa	5:00 pm	††Dolores & Richard Hiltner For the People	St. N	Иісн	
*Su	10:00 am	†Irene Braun	Tu	8:00	
Su	12:30 pm	Misa en Español	Su	10:00	
	1	†Juana Alvarez †Demesio Ramirez	<b>St.</b> <i>A</i> Th	8:00	
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We	8:15 am	SHS Mass	Sa	4:00	

For the People

5 am †Brian Zink 00 pm †Ethan Gerads E OF LIMA - St. Rosa †Dec./Liv. Members of the Christ & Bertha Engelmeyer Family 00 am †MaryAnn Engelmeyer HAEL - Spring Hill †Joe Sieferman 00 am 00 am †Marcella Lieser rew - Greenwald 00 am SJSA School Mass †Dennis Fehn †Allison Ende 00 pm †Marie Kampsen St. John - Meire Grove 8:15 am Fr †Ed Hennen We 8:00 am †Sam Schneider

LATE CONCEPTION - New Munich St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am Immaculate Conception - New Munich No Adoration Thursday, February 8 St. Mary - Melrose First Thursday of the month 6:30 pm in Spanish (en Español) Sacred Heart - Freeport Wednesdays 5:30 - 8:30 pm Fridays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm \*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit: oneinfaith.org for the YouTube link.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

can be found on page 3.

#### ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

††Edward & Pauline Imdieke

8:00 am

#### **Parish News:**

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

- Additional Collection Next weekend, February 10 and 11, we will be taking up a second collection for the Bishop's Annual Appeal. There is an envelope in your bulletin today for this collection.
- Year-end Contribution Letters have been mailed. Your church appreciates that you generously share your treasure along with time and talent. Thank you!

The Spirituality Group meets Tuesday at 10:00 am in the conference room at St. Mary's. We have begun to read and discuss Bishop Neary's Pastoral Letter, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." We welcome anyone from anywhere to join us. Come check it out!

**Theology on Tap** Join us on Tuesday, February 6 at 7:00 pm at Pooch's Corner Pub in Freeport. Fr. Dan / THEOLOGY will be giving a small presentation on the topic "What ON TAP is purgatory?" Following that presentation, he will have an open Q & A. Any questions are welcome; they do not need to relate to the topic previously discussed. If you want to order food, you should arrive early to do that.

Go and Make Disciples Grade 11 though young adults are invited to a monthly Faith Formation event from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport. We will have a meal and discuss the Catholic Mass. Our next gathering will be on Wednesday, February 7. Come and bring a friend for a fun filled faith enrichment night.

**Thank You** from Sacred Heart School to everyone who Thank participated in any way to make our Wine and Dine Dinner/Auction the successful event it was. Whether you You gave a cash donation or an item for the auction, purchased cash raffle tickets or dinner tickets, bid online for the silent auction,

or in person at the live auction, participated in the 50/50 and Bucket Raffles, we truly appreciate your support. Thank you to the Freeport Community Center for allowing us to use your facility, D'Lish for catering the awesome meal, Dan Winter and crew for your auction services, and the Freeport Rec Club for your donation of bar proceeds. Most of all, we appreciate all who were able to attend and join in on the evening of good food, fun, and fellowship. Please see page 4 for cash raffle winners.

#### **Parish News:**

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

- •Men's Group that meets on Sunday nights is taking a two week break. We will next meet on Sunday February 18.
- •Year-end Contributions Statements have been mailed out. You will also find an Electronic Financial Church Support form. This form allows you to electronically support the church on a monthly or semi-monthly basis.
- •Candlemas...The Presentation of the Lord There are candles available for purchase in the front of church for use in your homes.
- Anointing of the Sick will take place at the weekend Masses on February 10/11. For those that would like the laying of hands for this anointing, please sit in the front few pews.
- Needed: Sacristans The three parishes in our community are in need of sacristans. Sacristans are called to "prepare the feast and celebration" through the preparation and purification of Eucharistic vessels. Sacristans also perform other duties done behind the scenes that are essential to the orderly celebration of Mass. Sacristans are also needed for weekday, First Saturday, and Funeral Masses. Please prayerfully consider volunteering to be a sacristan for your parish. Contact the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport if you are interested or have questions.
- •Attention: All Sacristans We will be holding training sessions for all sacristans of our Tri-Parish the weekend of February 10/11 after all Masses. All Tri-Parish sacristans are expected to attend one of the trainings. The training will be the same at each location, so you may attend the one that best fits your schedule. We will be updating you on procedures and changes.
- •St. Joseph the Worker Knights of Columbus would like to thank everyone that supported their December calendar raffle. To the members that bought or sold tickets and everyone that purchased tickets. In 2023 over \$5,000 was donated most of this to our Tri-Parish. Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose each received \$1,000. The Tri-Parish youth received over \$1,000 which was used for the Mass servers outing. Keep Christ in Christmas contest T-shirts and prizes, youth Christmas caroling bus expense, and National Catholic Youth Conference (NCYC). Also \$500 to Henery Statz seminarian tuition fund. Again thank you and to all Catholic men that are not Knights we are always looking for new members contact Steve Mages, Richard Sand, or Dave Mueller.

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

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Jacob & Kelsey Primus - Melrose

Lenore Jenc - Sauk Centre

# St. Mary's Calendar Raffle Sam Hadden - Vernal, UT Dan Presswood - Baytown, TX Chris Ellering - Grey Eagle

02-02 \$25 Lori & Thomas Krebs - Melrose 02-03 \$25 Jerome & Kim Duevel - Melrose

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Baptized in Christ...

Giovanni Hernandez Orozco Jovanny Jacob Maldonado Mendoza

#### Died in the Hope of Resurrection...

†Belester Vazquez Sobreyra, 63

**Ministry Schedules** St. Mary's ministry schedules through May 26 are ready on the Ministry Scheduler Pro app and in the kiosks at church.

**Fellowship...** There will be refreshments served after the Sunday Masses this next weekend, February 11 at St. Mary's. Please plan to come and stay awhile!!

**St. Mary's Mission Society Meeting** will be on Wednesday, February 14 at St. Mary's Church at 8:45 am. All are welcome!

#### The Scriptures This Week

Year B, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	Saint Agatha, Virgin and Martyr	
	1 Kgs 8:1-7, 9-13	Mk 6:53-56

 Tu
 Saint Paul Miki and Companions, Martyrs

 1 Kgs8:22-23, 27-30
 Mk 7:1-13

 We
 1 Kgs 10:1-10
 Mk 7:14-23

 Th
 1 Kgs 11:4-13
 Mk 7:24-30

Fr 1 Kgs 11:29-32; 12:19 Sa Saint Scholastica, Virgin

1 Kgs 12:26-32; 13:33-34 Mk 8:1-10

#### Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Lv 13:1-2, 44-46 1 Cor 10:31—11:1 Mk 1:40-45



## Ash Wednesday Liturgy Schedule

Mk 7:31-37

Wednesday, February 14

8:00 am	St. Andrew, Greenwald - SJSA School Mass
8:15 am	Sacred Heart, Freeport - SHS Mass
8:30 am	St. Mary, Melrose - SMS Mass *Livestreamed
12:00 pm	Immaculate Conception, New Munich
6:30 pm	St. Mary, Melrose - Spanish Mass
7:00 pm	St. Rose of Lima, St. Rosa
7:30 pm	St. John the Baptist, Meire Grove
7:30 pm	St. Michael, Spring Hill
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#### CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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

********** Weekly Offerings ******	*****
Adult Envelopes	\$6,186.54
Plate	331.75
Total Weekly Contributions	\$6,518.29
Other Donations	
Votive	\$340.00
School Support	130.00
Central MN Catholic Magazine.	100.00
Christmas.	120.00
Easter.	100.00
Thanksgiving.	100.00
Building/Maintenance	60.00
Catholic Relief Services.	15.00
Rice Bowl.	20.00
Holy Land	10.00
Easter Flowers.	10.00
Catholic Home Missions	25.00
Assumption.	15.00
Peter's Pence	15.00
Ascension.	10.00
Mission Sunday	20.00
All Saints	10.00
All Souls	10.00
Christmas Flowers	15.00

	<u>Parish Events</u>				
1	Su	02/04	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry Practice - SR	
1	Tu	02/06	6:30 pm	Choir Practice	
1	We	02/07	5:30 pm	Adoration	
1	We	02/07	6:00 pm	Faith Formation Grades 1-6	
1	We	02/07	7:00 pm	Faith Formation Grades 7-10	
1	We	02/07	7:00 pm	Go & Make Disciples	
1	Fr	02/09	7:45 am	Individual Confessions	
1	Fr	02/09	9:00 am	Adoration	
1	Su	02/11	9:00 am	Sacristan Training	

**Festival 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.

Sponsor a Votive Candle The parish is looking for someone to sponsor the following candles for the month of February: the military remembrance candle by the votive

stand and 1 candle by the Our Lady of Guadalupe print. If you are interested, please contact the Tri-Parish Office. The suggested donation for a month is \$16.

#### **Prayer Requests...**

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

For the Sick: Joe Soenneker, Ethan Zink, Lynn Bussmann MacRae, Joe Salina, Fran Hinnenkamp, Kyle Lieser

#### **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 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦♦			
Adult Envelopes	\$2,325.62		
Plate	260.00		
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	\$2,585.62		
Other Donations Boiler	\$30.00		
Duilding/Maintanana	\$30.00		

<u>Parish Events</u>				
Su	02/04	8:30 am Youth Music Ministry		
		Practice - FR		
Tu	02/06	9:00 am Quilting		
We	02/07	9:00 am Quilting		
We	02/07	6:00 pm FF Grades 1-6 - FR		
We	02/07	7:00 pm FF Grades 7-10 - FR		
We	02/07	7:00 pm Go & Make Disciples - FR		
Th	02/08	9:00 am Quilting		
Th	02/08	7:00 pm Choir Practice		
Sa	02/10	3:30 pm Individual Confessions		
Sa	02/10	5:00 pm Sacristan Training		

New Update Addition Window installation is complete. Finishing work on the interior is underway. Currently, we are just shy of \$956,000 towards the 1-million dollar goal. Please prayerfully consider helping the parish reach this.

God's Housekeepers for the month of February: Karen Sand, Stacy Hoppe, Michelle Wenker, & Terri Hoppe. The



first person on the list should contact the others to schedule a cleaning time. Thank you for being "God's Housekeepers" for our church this month.

**Thank You** to the Catholic United Financial for their donation of \$2,000 towards the boiler. This brings the boiler fund to \$18,100. Overall cost for boilers and installation was \$55,000. Thank you to all who have supported this cause.

Quilting in the Immaculate Conception Church basement begin on Tuesday, February 6 at 9:00 am and will

continue on Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday every week until we have sewed 6 quilts. If you do not sew, we would appreciate volunteers to bring lunch. Call Julie Bueckers at 320-250-0088 for details.



#### CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA

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

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<b>♦♦♦♦♦</b> Weekly Offering <b>♦♦♦♦♦</b>			
Adult Envelopes	\$1,729.62		
Plate	291.00		
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,020.62		
Other Donations			
Central MN Catholic Magazine	\$25.00		
School Support	10.00		

#### **Parish Events**

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Su	02/04	8:30 am	Youth Music Ministry
			Practice
Su	02/04	10:00 am	Baptism
Tu	02/06	7:00 am	Adoration
Tu		9:00 am	Quilting
Tu	02/06	5:30 pm	Quilting
We	02/07	6:00 pm	FF Grades 1-6 - FR
We	02/07	7:00 pm	FF Grades 7-10 - FR
We	02/07	7:00 pm	Go & Make Disciples - FR
Fr	02/09	7:30 pm	Rosary
Su	02/11	11:00 am	Sacristan Training

Baptized in Christ... We welcome Mia Beth Arnzen, the daughter of Nathan & Emily Arnzen, to our parish. Mia Beth was baptized on Sunday, January 28.

Sponsor a Votive Candle The parish is looking for someone to sponsor 1 candle on the St. Rose of Lima Statue Stand. If you are interested, please contact the Tri-Parish Office. The suggested donation for a month is \$16.

Pathways 4 Youth During the month of February, St. Rose Christian Women are doing a donation drive for the Pathways 4 Youth Program. This is a resource center for youth ages 16-24 experiencing or at risk of homelessness in the St. Cloud area. They offer a safe, secure, non judgmental space and services to meet individuals' needs and to support their growth. They also assist youth with area resources and building connections within the community. There will be a tote for Greatest Need donations in the Gathering Area. Please reference the list on the tote for their needs. For any monetary donations, please send to St. Rose Christian Women, c/o Sarah Herdering 41404 Co Rd 167, Melrose, MN 56352. Thank you!



**Festival Quilts** For those who work during the day and wish to quilt, come Tuesday evenings. A light supper of soup will be provid-

ed at 5:30 pm. With quilting to follow until about 8:00 pm. A seasoned quilter will be available to guide beginners and provide basic supplies. NOTE: No evening quilting February 27.

#### CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL

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

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦♦			
Total	\$1,007.00		
Regular Adult Offering	716.00		
Children	17.00		
Plate/Loose	109.00		
Fuel Fund	135.00		
Maintenance	30.00		

#### **Liturgical Ministries** Sunday, February 11 - 10:00 am

(S) Sam Orbeck & Kenny Niehoff

(L) Lisa Wuertz

(U) Peter Wuertz & Randy Barten

(EM) (B) Nick Waldorf

(EM) (C) Kathy Welle & Adam Kalthoff

(Sacristan) Lisa Feldewerd

(RL) Kathy Welle

(CC) Peter Wuertz & Roger Meyer

(HK: February 4-17) Diane Welle, Donna

Welle, & Kathy (Chico) Welle

Visiting the Shut-Ins St. Michael's Catholic United Financial will be visiting the shut-ins on Saturday, February 10. For anyone that would like to join us, we will be meeting at the church at 12:30 pm.

#### **Sacred Heart School Cash Raffle Results**

\$20,000 - Preston Thom

\$3,000 - Jesse Johannes/ Mike Ritter

\$2,000 - Jessia Etter

\$1,000 - Rodney Atkinson

\$500 - Cindy Hess/ MaryAnn Spanier

\$500 - Peter Wiechman

\$500 - Ethan Harren

\$500 - Craig Tschida

\$500 - Amy Orbeck/ RJ Leyendecker

\$500 - Krista Zachman

\$500 - Jenelle Herkenhoff

\$250 - Paul Weller/BT/JP/KC/JL

\$250 - Sarah Moscho

\$250 - Tony Scepaniak

\$250 - Gary & Judy Meyer

\$250 - Jeff Kunstleben

\$250 - Dave & Kathy Welle

\$250 - Ben & Kate Kalthoff

\$250 - Sara Moscho

\$250 - Kathy Luethmers

Thank you to everyone who purchased raffle tickets!

#### 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	\$2,191.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,635.00
Plate/Loose	220.00
Votives	21.00
Donations	200.00
Fuel Fund	25.00
Maintenance	70.00
St. Cloud Visitor	20.00

#### Liturgical Ministries Saturday, February 10 - 4:00 pm

- (S) Matthew Dehmer & Noah Dehmer
- (L) Kathy Gilk
- (U) Dale Winter & Ron Winter
- (GB) Eric & Sara Dehmer
- (EM) (B) Mary Opatrny
- (EM) (C) Clarine Beier & Dustin Gregory
- (HK February) \*Clarine Beier, Lisa Bertram, Joyce Bertram, Kathy Buermann, Sara Dehmer, & Rita Eveslage

#### CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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

#### **♦♦♦♦♦** Weekly Offering **♦♦♦♦♦**

Total	\$1,869.25
Regular Adult Offering	1,395.00
Children	0.25
Plate/Loose	160.00
Votives	24.00
Maintenance	290.00

#### Liturgical Ministries Sunday, February 11 - 8:00 am

- (S) Faith Meyer & Miranda Meyer
- (L) Rita Meyer
- (U) Mike Wehlage & Daryl Zenzen
- (GB) Marvin & Karen Schneider
- (EM) (B) Abby Zenzen & Daryl Zenzen
- (EM) (C) Nick Kelzer & Jim Leukam
- (HK February) \*Heidi Meyer, Karen Meyer, Martha Meyer, Rita Meyer, Virginia Meyer, & Brenda Nathe

### **Public Rosary...**

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

All are invited and welcome!



- 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.

#### One In Faith ACC Catholic Schools Dinner & Auction Fundraisers

•33rd Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction to support St. John's-St. Andrew's Catholic School at The Greenwald Pub on Friday, February 9 and Saturday, February 10. Tickets cost \$35 and are now available at the school, QPC in Meire Grove, Freeport State Bank in Greenwald, as well as the nights of the event at the Pub. Online auction prior to the event. Live auction Saturday night. Donny Brang will play live music BOTH nights! More information to come!

◆22nd St. Mary's Annual Auction 4 Education is March 2 at the Legion. Food is served with free will offering from 5:30-8:30 pm; turkey and pulled pork sandwiches, salads, chips, and dessert. Cash Crop Raffle drawing is at 7:00 pm. Classroom projects will be on the live

auction at 8:30 pm. Virtual auction is open February 25 through March 2. All items will be available to view and pick up at the Legion. Entertainment at 5:30 pm by the "Teachers and the Preacher – Sing-a-long" and 7:30 pm by Rueben Nathe and Brady Van Drehle. Dress in your best Down on the Farm attire. Please join us for an evening to celebrate and support St. Mary's School! Visit our auction website for details. http://www.bidpal.net/smsmelrose.

#### HISPANIC MINISTRY

**Formación en la fe:** Información de contacto: Faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- •Grados 7/8: Próxima clase: Miércoles 7 de febrero por la noche, 7:15 8:30 pm, Iglesia de Santa María, estudiantes y algunos padres.
- •Confirmación: Próxima clase: Miércoles, 7 de febrero, 7:00 8:30 pm, Iglesia de Santa María, Estudiantes y mentor/padrino u otro adulto. Tema: ¿Dónde está el Espíritu Santo en mi vida?
- •Primera Comunión: Próxima clase: Sábado, 10 de febrero, 9:30 11:00 am, Iglesia de Santa María, solo estudiantes.
- •Vea el Ministerio Juvenil de ACC para información juvenil.

#### Festival de Familias Diocesana:

Favor de orar por el éxito del Festival de Familias Diocesana que se llevará a cabo el próximo domingo (11 de febrero). Que las familias de nuestra diócesis se acerquen unas a otras en la fe y fomenten su relación con un Dios amoroso que los acompaña en su vida diaria.

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



**Rosario y Oración** con la comunidad de Oración Santa María los últimos tres jueves del mes a las 6:30 pm. ¡Todos son bien venidos!

### Enthralled by Jesus

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Reflect, today, upon the people in today's Gospel who were so enthralled by Jesus

that they continually sought Him out. Consider their excitement, their hope and their genuine joy at their discovery of the Messiah. As you think about them, consider whether you share in their excitement about Jesus. If that excitement is lacking, recommit yourself to seeking out our Lord. And where you see that excitement present, rejoice and give glory to God.

Most glorious Lord, Your love and mercy are truly amazing. Please help me to continually see this in my life and to continually become enthralled by Your presence in my life. May I run to You always, giving You my full attention and love. Jesus, I trust in You.

#### **FAITH FORMATION**

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

Contact Information: <a href="mailto:csand@catholic-centered.org">csand@catholic-centered.org</a>

- •Grade 1, 3 6 Next Lesson: Wednesday, February 7 at 6:00 pm. Classroom Lesson. Meet in the parish office
- •Grade 2: Next Class: Wednesday, February 7 at 6:00 pm. Meet at the Parish Office in Freeport.
- •Grade 7-10: Next Class: Wednesday, February 7 at 7:00 pm. Meet in your classroom.

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

Contact Information:

faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- •Grades 7/8: Next Class: Wednesday night, February 7, 7:15 8:30 pm, St. Mary's Church, Students and some parents.
- •Confirmation: Next Class: Wednesday, February 7, 7:00 8:30 pm, St. Mary's Church, Students and mentor/sponsor or another adult. Theme: Where is the Holy Spirit in my life?
- •First Communion: Next class: Saturday, February 10, 9:30 11:00 am, St. Mary's Church, Students only.

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

#### **One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:**

Contact Information:

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

- **♦ Skiing at Andes Tower Hills** Sunday, February 11 from 9:30 am 5:00 pm. We will have a fun filled afternoon skiing. Deadline to register is Wednesday, February 7. Registration forms are available on the Tri-Parish website: <a href="https://www.sacredheartfreeport.org">www.sacredheartfreeport.org</a>.
- ◆Castaway Retreat for Grades 9-12: Friday Sunday, March 22 24 at the Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes, MN. Castaway has been an energizing experience for our young Church in the Diocese of St. Cloud for 51 years. This retreat is a weekend filled with powerful prayer, fun skits, inspirational speakers, awesome music, an incredible Mass, and many faith-growing opportunities. Come together with over 300 others and make new friends, take time to relax, laugh, eat fantastic food, and renew your spirit while strengthening your relationship with God. Cost \$190. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, February 5 with a \$100 non-refundable deposit. Registration forms are available on the parish websites. Contact Chrystal Sand at csand@catholic-centered.org or 320-836-2143, or Pam Pundsack at pam@stmarysofmelrose.org or 320-256-9503 with questions.
- **▼Bible & Breakfast** meets each Wednesday (if there's school) in the Melrose High School ITV Room at 7:15 am. All students grades 7-12 are invited.

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

**Employment Opportunity** SMS Kids Time is looking for a few good people who love to work with children to come join the Kids Time family! Must be at least 16 years old, and enjoy doing fun activities with children!! If interested, please contact Ms. Amanda at ahellermann@smsmn.org or 320-256-4257 ex. 102.

#### Join a Historic Journey to Eucharistic Consecration

At critical times throughout Salvation History, God's people have been invited to consecrate themselves. We are at one of those critical times in history, and consecrating ourselves, our families, our country, and indeed, the whole world to the Eucharist may make all the difference. Sign up for BEST LENT EVER and be one of the first people in history to go on this journey! The program will



guide you through the book 33 Days to Eucharistic Glory. You can sign up and order the book at <a href="https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html">https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent.html</a>.

**Lenten Enrichment Materials and Lent Brochures** which include schedules for Ash Wednesday, Easter Triduum, confessions, Lent Service Projects, and more are available in the back of the churches. Feel free to take anything that will help you on your faith journey this Lent.



#### The Dogma of Hell - Last chance to order a book

Looking for a spiritual journey for the upcoming Lenten season? The One-In-Faith ACC is hosting a one-night book review of the book, The Dogma of Hell written by Fr. F.X. Schouppe.In short stories, Fr. Schouppe recounts true events as well as apparitions of the dammed to help us learn the truth about Hell. The book review will be held at the Immaculate Conception Church in New Mu-

nich on Thursday, March 7, 2024 at 7 pm. If interested, contact the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143 to reserve a book by Wednesday, February 7. Books will be ordered in the next week and be available for pick up at the Melrose or Freeport parish offices later this month. A free-will offering to cover the cost of the book will be available the night of the book discussion.

"The Dogma of Hell is the most terrible truth of our faith. There is a Hell. We are as sure of it as of the existence of God, the existence of the sun. Nothing in fact, is more clearly revealed than the Dogma of Hell."—Fr. François Xavier Schouppe, S.J.

#### Catholic United Financial Catholic Schools Raffle



Sacred Heart School is participating in the 2024 Catholic United Financial Raffle from now until February 18. Tickets are \$10 a chance and are available from SHS families as well as the school

office. This fundraiser is unique in that every dollar stays within our school and helps us fund programs that support Catholic education. Your ticket purchase not only supports our school, it gives you the chance to win one of many prizes totaling \$35,000. This year's grand prize is a brand-new 2024 Chevy Trax or \$20,000 cash—your choice! There are even more prizes to give away: NFL Vikings tickets package, a \$5,000 Dream Vacation package, passes to the Minnesota Zoo, and gift cards for brands like Nike, Coach, Best Buy, Sephora and more! Follow the Catholic United Financial Facebook page for more updates, successes and to watch the live stream of the ticket drawing on March 7: <a href="https://www.facebook.com/catholicunited">www.facebook.com/catholicunited</a>.

**2024 Catholic Men's Conference** Sharing our Eucharistic Journey Saturday, February 24 from 8:30 am - 3:15 pm at St. Francis Xavier, Sartell. We have an exciting speaker, Father Tim Donovan, who was ordained a priest for the Diocese of Orange, CA in 2017. Before entering the seminary, he was youth minister and continues to have a heart for sharing the Catholic faith. He is the founder and president of "Faith and Family Life Catholic Ministries." We will also have workshops presented by Father Matthew Crane, Deacon Mike Benda, and Deacon Ed Shoener (from Scranton, PA). Bishop Patrick Neary, C.S.C. will join us for the day and celebrate Mass with us. Cost is \$35. Registration Deadline is Wednesday, February 14. Visit <a href="https://www.stcdio.org/2024mensconference">www.stcdio.org/2024mensconference</a> or call 320-258-7615 to register.



**BINGO** Please join the Tri-Parish Confirmation Class on Sunday, February 25 at Sacred Heart Church Basement for Bingo. Free lunch from 12:00 - 1:00 pm with a purchase of a card. Bingo will start promptly at 1:00 pm. Cash prizes. \$10 per card for 20 games plus

2 black-out games. No checks or credit cards please. All proceeds will be divided between Katie Berg and the Aaron and Kim Schmitz Family.

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

#### **CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS**



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- **◆2nd Quarter Report Cards** will be sent home on Monday, February 5.
- ◆Grades 3-6 will be attending a GREAT theatre performance Percy Jackson, Lightning Thief on Tuesday, February 6.
- ◆School Liturgy on Wednesday, February 7 will be planned by Ms. Hoeschen and the 4th grade students.
- ▼February 7-9, the 6th grade students, Mrs. Harren, and parent chaperones will be attending the Long Lake Conservation Camp near Palisade, MN.
- ◆Sacred Heart School is Participating in the Catholic United Financial Catholic Schools Raffle. Tickets are available from any SHS family or the school office. (See ACC news for more information)

#### Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners!

01/28 \$25 Jan Herzog - Melrose 01/29 \$25 Jessica Renneker - Freeport

01/30 \$25 Sharon Schulzetenberg - Melrose

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- ◆Now that our Celebration of Catholic Schools Week is over, St. Mary's School thanks the families, parishioners, and friends who helped make our week special. In Catholic schools, we are all learners, servants, and leaders. These shared qualities are what make Catholic schools work. They are what make Catholic schools succeed. Thank you for being part of our community.
- ◆Thank You to Amanda and Luke Fuechtmann for chairing the Catholic Schools Week breakfast and Jason and Mindy Arnzen, who organized Family Fun Night.
- •St. Mary's 6th Graders will join students from Sacred Heart for a three day environmental learning experience at Long Lake Conservation Camp near Aitkin, MN. Please keep them in your prayers. Thank you for supporting this opportunity for the children by dropping off your aluminum cans. We use these funds to pay for the bus.
- ◆Attend our Winter Open House for preschool through 6th grade on Monday, March 11, from 4:00 7:00 pm and discover the benefits of Catholic education.
- Registration for Preschool-6th Grade will begin in February for current SMS families and in March for those families not currently enrolled at SMS. If you are new to the community or are considering sending your child to St. Mary's School, please call to schedule a visit or to receive the new registration materials in March. 320-256-4257.
- ◆SMS Kids Time is looking for a few good people who love to work with children to come join the Kids Time family! Must be at least 16 yrs old, and enjoy doing fun activities with children! If interested, contact Ms. Amanda at ahellermann@smsmn.org or 320-256-4257 ex. 102

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- •Congratulations to our second graders Hunter Christinsen, Andrew Gilk, Willow Gregory, Clara Kasper, and Connor Roelike who will receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation on Thursday, February 8.
- •Steak and Wine Matching Grant We have exciting news! The Joel and Cindi Schwieters Charitable Fund and John and Lynnea Schwieters and Family are providing a matching grant for the first \$50,000 raised at our Steak and Wine Auction. This includes cash donations, online, and live auction bids. Through this matching grant, your cash donations and auction bids have the potential to be doubled! The Online Auction starts Friday, February 2 at 6:00 pm and runs through 8:30 pm on Thursday, February 8 at 32auctions.com/SJSA2024. The live auction is Saturday, February 10 at 8:30 pm at the Greenwald Pub. Cash donations can be sent directly to the school at - SJSA PO Box 120 Greenwald, MN 56335 or made the night of the auction. Thank you for your support in helping us obtain our \$50,000 matching grant!

#### HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

#### February 4, Sunday

- ◆Quilt Bingo hand stitched quilts at St. Mary's Church in Upsala at 1:00 pm. 20 games for \$10. Blackout is extra. Lunch served after. Handicap accessible.
- ◆ <u>Sauk Centre Lions Breakfast</u> serving from 8:00 am 1:00 pm at the Sauk Centre Senior High School Cafeteria.

#### February 7, Wednesday

- ◆ Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.
- ◆ <u>Feet First Clinic</u> at the Senior Center in Freeport. New appointments please call 320-836-2450. Free will offering.
- ◆ <u>Melrose Area Senior Citizen Soup Luncheon</u> will be held form 11:30 am 1:00 pm at the Melrose Area Senior Center, located in the Melrose City Office Building. All are welcome. Freewill offering.

#### February 9 & 10, Friday & Saturday

◆33rd Annual Steak & Wing Dinner & Auction to support St. John's-St. Andrew's Catholic School at The Greenwald Pub. Tickets cost \$35 and are available at the school, QPC in Meire Grove, Freeport State Bank in Greenwald, as well as the nights of the event at the Pub. Online auction prior to the event. Live auction Saturday night. Donny Brang will play live music BOTH nights! More information to come!

#### February 10, Saturday

◆ <u>Valentine</u>'s <u>Mass and Dinner</u> St. Mary's in Upsala will be hosting the 10th annual Valentine's Mass and Meal. 5:15 pm Mass with a social gathering after. 7:00 pm Candlelit Prime Rib or Stuffed Chicken Breast dinner. Cost per couple is \$60 and the **reservation deadline is February 4**. Purchase tickets at the St. Mary's office or after Mass in the gathering space. All proceeds will support youth activities. Contact the Parish Office 320-573-2132.

February 11, Sunday

- Avon Boy Scout Troop 31 Annual Super Breakfast & Auction at St. Benedict's Church, Avon. Serving from 8:30 am 12:30 pm. Adults \$13. Children ages 5-12 \$6 and children 4 and younger are free.
- <u>Albany Legion Post 482 Smorgasbord Breakfast</u> at Church of Seven Dolors Parish Hall, Albany. Serving from 8:00 am 12:00 pm.

#### February 13, Tuesday

◆ <u>American Red Cross Blood Drive</u> sponsored by the Freeport Lions Club will be held at the Freeport Community Center from 12:30 - 6:30 pm. Appointments are needed. Schedule your appointment online at <u>redcross.org</u> or call Janet Butkoswki at 320-836-2837 or 320-282-2904.



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