



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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 21, 2024

Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor
Fr. Mitchell Bechtold, Pastor
Fr. Oswaldo Roche, 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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Freeport - New Munich - St. Rosa Office:

Hours: Monday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm
Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Website: www.sacredheartfreeport.org

Facebook: Tri Parish

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.



Zeal and Determination

When he disembarked and saw the vast crowd, his heart was moved with pity for them, for they were like sheep without a shepherd; and he began to teach them many things. Mark 6:34

Both Jesus and the Twelve Apostles had been working very hard. The Twelve had been out on mission to many of the neighboring towns preaching, healing the sick and casting out demons. Upon the completion of their mission, they returned to Jesus and reported all that they had done. Jesus, in turn, invited them to “Come away by yourselves to a deserted place and rest a while.” But the crowds heard about their departure by boat and quickly went to the other side of the Sea of Galilee so that they would arrive before Jesus and the Twelve.

The passage quoted above reveals the internal reaction that Jesus had toward the crowds as He and the Twelve disembarked from the boat. Though they had attempted to go away together to a quiet place for rest, the crowds were intent on being with them. Jesus, of course, was not upset that the crowds had spoiled His attempt to find some quiet time with the Twelve. Instead, His heart was moved with compassion. He could see that the people were hungry for more and were “like sheep without a shepherd.” For that reason, Jesus immediately began to feed them with His teachings.

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ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ JULY 15 - 21 **ADORATION**

St. MARY - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm **Misa en Español**
 †Maria Ramirez
 †Josefina Ramirez
 Tu 7:30 am ††Kevin & Rick Schulzetenberg
 We 7:30 am †Charles Gebeke
 ††Jim & Ruth Graham
 Th 7:30 am †Jeffrey Hinnenkamp
 Fr 7:30 am †Larry Thostenson
 Sa 5:00 pm †Vernon Dickhaus
 For the People
 *Su 10:00 am †Donna Scholz
 Su 12:30 pm **Misa en Español**
 †Marty Martinez

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am †Deceased & Living Christian
 Women Members
 Sa 4:00 pm For the People

St. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Kevin Athmann
 Su 10:00 am †Jeanette Kerfeld

St. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am †Lorraine Schwieters
 Su 10:00 am †Deceased Family Members of
 Mark Schoenberg

St. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th 8:00 am Fred & Doris Kraemer
 Thanksgiving Mass
 Sa 4:00 pm †Ralph Inderrieden

St. JOHN - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am ††Leo & Anna Mae Schneider
 Su 8:00 am †Luella Marthaler
 †Joan Marthaler

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

First Tuesday of the month
 7:00 - 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception - New Munich

First Thursday of the month
 7:00 - 8:00 am

St. Mary - Melrose

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

Sacred Heart - Freeport

Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am †Sue Worms
 Fr 8:15 am †Larry Ostendorf
 Su 8:00 am †Deceased Members of the
 Herman & Veronica Notch & the
 Elmer & Rosalia Elfering Families

***Mass will be livestreamed.**

Visit: oneinfaith.org for the YouTube link.

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish News:

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

•Contact Information for Fr. Marv Enneking:

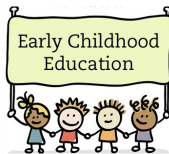
St. Rita
 16691 371st Avenue
 Hillman, MN 56338-9802
 320-277-3807

•Contact Information for Fr. Arockiya Newton:

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arockiyanewton@gmail.com

One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunities...

•Sacred Heart School Toddler Room Teaching Assistant: Are you passionate about working with young children and making a positive impact on their early development? Sacred Heart School is looking for a caring and dedicated Toddler Room Teaching Assistant to join our warm and welcoming community. As a Catholic school, we believe in nurturing not just the minds, but also the hearts and spirits of our students. Our mission is to create a loving and supportive environment where every child can thrive, and we need your help to make this happen. All inquiries can be sent to kharren@shsfreeport.org.



One in Faith ACC Dramatic Presentation...

Robert Bolt's play "A Man for All Seasons" presents the conflict faced by St. Sir Thomas Moore in 1500 England. The play calls for a cast of 12 to 15 people between the ages of late teen to adult. Those interested in working on a One in Faith ACC production of the play should contact Herman Lensing at hj_lensing@meltel.net or text/call 320-493-3023.

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



Parish News:

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

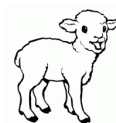
•August Ministry Schedule was mailed or emailed to all ministers. It is also available on the Tri-Parish website. If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, please find a replacement. Thank you for sharing your time and talent with our parish.

•Children's Liturgy of the Word With the school year right around the corner, we are looking for help with Children's Liturgy of the Word in Freeport, New Munich, and St. Rosa during weekend Masses. If you like working with children and sharing your faith with them, this could be the ministry for you. We need to have one confirmed member and one youth present during Children's Liturgy of the Word. If a Mass time in one of the parishes is better for you, you are more than welcome to help in that parish. If we do not have volunteers to carry out this ministry, it will not be available to your young people. Please contact the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

•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.

"They Were Like Sheep Without A Shepherd."

Do these words of Christ challenge you to give your all for Him and lead the flock as a priest? Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at 320-251-5001 or Julie.Jacobs@gw.stcdio.org. That with dedicated spirits, we ask the Lord to provide an abundance of vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life to help lead His flock, we pray to the Lord.




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

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

Total.....	\$6,161.00
Regular Adult Offering	4,167.00
Plate/Loose	852.00
Designated Funds	1,142.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

07-14	\$25	Tom & Joni Maleska - Melrose
07-15	\$25	Linda Klein - SMS
07-16	\$25	Donald R. Meyer - Melrose
07-17	\$25	Stacy Funk - Melrose
07-18	\$25	Ashley Masloski - Lakeville
07-19	\$25	Janice Ahrens - Melrose
07-20	\$25	Ruth Johnson - SMS



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
 Physical Address: 106 3rd Avenue NE Freeport, MN 56331
 Church Basement 320-836-2191

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

Total.....	\$4,538.85
Regular Adult Offering.....	3,923.85
Plate.....	480.00
Votive.....	113.00
Building/Maintenance	22.00

Parish Events


Su	07/21	9:00 am	Parish Festival
Tu	07/23	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting - NM
Fr	07/26	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	07/26	9:00 am	Adoration

Baptized in Christ...
 ♥Dariel Botello Alvarado
 ♥Howard Kyle Lieser

St. Mary's Parish Raffle is underway again! Flyers for the Sunday, September 8 drawing have been mailed to all parishioners who haven't already purchased tickets. 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! Tickets are available at Magnifi - Melrose, Freeport State Bank - Melrose, Kraemer Lumber, and the parish office. They will also be sold before and after Masses throughout August.

All Festival Raffle Tickets Must Be Turned In...
 Please sell or buy the 10 grand raffle tickets that were included in your festival packet. The Grand Raffle is the most productive part of our festival. 100% of each ticket sold goes directly to the parish. If your packet was mailed to you, please consider sending in the order form to purchase tickets in support of our parish, especially if you are unable to make it to the festival. **PLEASE NOTE: All raffle tickets, sold and unsold, must be returned no later than 3:00 pm Sunday, July 21.**

St. Joseph Society News The sponsored rosary request will be on KASM radio Monday, August 19 thru Sunday, August 25. All members behind in dues please update them and get them to current status. \$10 per year. Contact Andy Welle 320-290-0430.




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

- For the Sick:** Sandy Welle, Joyce Hauser, Ron Heinen, Petra Oevermann, Lori Austing
- Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:**
- Sacred Heart - Judy Caveny 320-248-8830
 - Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink 320-837-5321
 - St. Rose of Lima - Kayla Harren 320-333-8461
 - St. Mary's 320-256-3878


Thank You The family of Christopher (Chris) Welle extends our sincere thanks and appreciation to all who supported us throughout the days surrounding the sudden and unexpected death of our father, son, brother, and uncle. The support of family, friends, neighbors, co-workers and community is valued far beyond words at a time like this. Thank you to Fr. Dan and the musicians (Yvonne Beste, Karen Heitzman, and Sarah Dahl) for the compassionate and comforting funeral Mass, and to Jan Butkowski and the members of Sacred Heart Parish who hosted and served the funeral lunch. Your prayers, support, kindness and compassion will not be forgotten.

Festival Co-Chairs for Next Year are Still NEEDED!!
 Sacred Heart is still looking for a couple or a few individuals to step forward to help chair our summer festival. 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.



Public Rosary...
 We have many intentions to pray for and much to be thankful for.
 All are invited and welcome!

- Mondays at 7:00 am in the church in Meire Grove
- 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.



"Come with me by yourselves to a quiet place and get some rest."
 -Mark 6:30

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

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

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$3,110.31
Regular Adult Offering.....	2,315.69
Plate/Loose	505.00
Building/Maintenance	134.62
School Support	30.00
Boiler.....	125.00

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$1,925.65
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,433.85
Plate/Loose	476.80
School Support.....	5.00
Special Needs.....	10.00

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$977.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	909.00
Children	4.00
Plate/Loose	64.00

Parish Events


Tu 07/23	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
Th 07/25		No Adoration
Sa 07/27	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions

Parish Events

Tu 07/23		No Adoration
Tu 07/23	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting - NM
Fr 07/26	7:30 pm	Rosary

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, July 28 - 10:00 am
 (S) Gabby or Celia Schoenberg
 (L) Ralph Klassen
 (U) Pat Bertram & Randy Bertram
 (EM) (B) Kathy Welle
 (EM) (C) Adam Kalthoff & Conrad Gruber
 (Sacristan) Kathy Welle
 (RL) Kathy Welle
 (CC) Chico Welle & Steve Welle
 (HK: July 21 - August 3)
 Vanessa Lieser, Pam Loehr, & Joyce Meyer

May She Rest in Peace Our parish offers prayers and sympathy to the family of †Lois “Giggles” Rieland, who passed away Sunday, July 7. Her funeral was celebrated here on Saturday, July 13.

Sponsor a Votive Candle

 The parish is looking for someone to sponsor one of the candles on the St. Rose of Lima Statue Stand. There are also other candles available to be sponsored for the upcoming months. If you are interested, please contact the Tri-Parish Office. The suggested donation for a month is \$16.

Expansion and Elevator Project At this time, the parish has taken a loan out for \$150,000 from the Diocese and a \$200,000 from the New Munich Investors. There are a number of different ways you can help out. Here are a few options: make a single donation, make a designated monthly loan payment, pledge a payment over a predetermined time frame, etc. Please prayerfully consider making a contribution to this project.

Quilting Group Chairs: Please bring all quilts to the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, July 28. Festival chairs will be there to collect them after Mass.

Annual Meeting The Christian Women will have their annual meeting on Tuesday, August 13. There will be Mass at 7:30 pm followed by a light meal and a short meeting. If there is anyone that would like to join the Christian Women please contact Sandra Gruber, Ruth Moscho, or Jeanette Kalthoff.

No Mass There will not be an 8:00 am Mass in Spring Hill on Tuesday, August 13, due to the evening Mass that day.

43rd Annual
Sacred Heart Parish
FESTIVAL & PARADE
 Freeport, MN
JULY 21, 2024
9:00 AM—OUTDOOR POLKA MASS
 BY “LAVERNE & THE STARLITES
 (BRING YOUR LAWN CHAIRS)
10:30 AM—PARADE
 THEME ~ “OLD TUBE TV SHOWS”
 call Andy Grieve at 320-260-5615, or email freeportmnpolka@gmail.com
 if you are interested in entering a float
11:30 AM— FOOD & GAMES
 BEER GARDEN, BURGERS, HOT DOGS,
 KID’S GAMES & INFLATABLES, ETC.
11:45 AM LIVE ENTERTAINMENT
 BY JULIO GOLDSTEIN BAND
4:00 PM—GRAND RAFFLE DRAWING
& QUILT RAFFLE DRAWING
 GRAND RAFFLE TICKETS—\$20 EACH
 QUILT CHANCES—\$5 EACH

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

July 21, Sunday
 ◆43rd Annual Sacred Heart Parish Festival and Parade, Freeport. 9:00 am Outdoor Polka Mass, 10:30 am Parade, 11:30 am Food & Games, 11:45 am Live Entertainment, 4:00 pm Grand Raffle & Quilt Raffle Drawings.

July 24, Wednesday
 ◆Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

July 25, Thursday
 ◆Freeport State Bank Golf Classic at Meadowlark Country Club, Melrose. Best Ball Scramble, rain or shine event will have a 3:00 pm shot gun start. 100% of the proceeds from hole sponsorships, entry fees and donation benefits: Sacred Heart School, Freeport; St. Mary’s School, Melrose and St. John’s - St. Andrew’s School, Greenwald. Contact: Marlene 320-256-7208 or Sharon 320-836-2126 if you’d like to golf, sponsor a hole, join for a meal, donate or have questions. Thank you for your commitment and support of Catholic Schools.

July 30, Tuesday
 ◆Bologna Daze at Elrosa Bar & Lounge serving from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Music by Jerry & Joyce. \$10 all you can eat bologna, potato wedges, sauerkraut, baked beans, homemade bread and dessert. Sponsored by: Elrosa Senior Citizens.

July 31, Wednesday
 ◆Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$1,125.00
Regular Adult Offering	995.00
Plate/Loose	30.00
Cemetery.....	50.00
School Subsidy Support.....	50.00

Liturgical Ministries
Saturday, July 27 - 4:00 pm

(S) Sophia Kasper & Lydia Kasper
 (L) Linda Heinze
 (U) Tim Lucken & Dave Nathe
 (GB) Dave & Doris Nathe
 (EM) (B) Clarine Beier
 (EM) (C) Dustin Gregory & Herman Lensing
 (HK- July) *Janice Nietfeld, Mary Opatrny, Kristen Pattinson, & Joan Rademacher

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$1,560.95
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,392.70
Children.....	0.25
Plate/Loose	146.00
Votives.....	22.00

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, July 28 - 8:00 am

(S) Morgan Funk & Paige Funk
 (L) Rita Meyer
 (U) Chad Funk & Gene Imdieke
 (GB) Jeremy & Shannon Groetsch
 (EM) (B) Karl Meyer & Sue Meyer
 (EM) (C) Elmer Meyer & Abby Zenzen
 (HK- July) *Heidi Meyer, Karen Meyer, Martha Meyer, Rita Meyer, & Brenda Nathe

Parish Leadership will meet on Tuesday, July 23, at 7:30 pm. Finance will meet at 7:00 pm.

HISPANIC MINISTRY



Preparación Bautismal:

Invitamos a todos los Padres que desean que sus hijos reciban el Sacramento del Bautismo a que se registren para tomar las clases de preparación. Una vez confirmada la fecha de la próxima clase se les enviará un mensaje de aviso. Para más información habla con el Diacono Jesus después de misa o hable a la oficina parroquial de 8:00 am a 12:00 pm para asistencia en Español.

Aprendiendo a Evangelizar:

Invitamos a todas las personas que hablan Español a una clase que nos prepara y nos enseña a conocer más a profundidad nuestra Fe Católica. Si usted está interesado o interesada, los esperamos aquí en la iglesia todos los Sábados de 8:00 a 9:30am.

¡Necesitamos servidores!

La comunidad Hispana de la Iglesia de Santa María crece más constantemente, y como Iglesia estamos llamados a servirnos los unos a los otros, por eso queremos invitarlos a que se unan a cualquier Ministerio Hispano. Ejemplos: Ministerio de Proclamadores de la Palabra, Ministerio de Audio y Video, Ministerio de la Sagrada Eucaristía, Ministerio de Música, entre otros. Todos podemos involucrarnos más en nuestra Iglesia y servir a Dios y a nuestros Hermanos de una manera especial. “El que quiera ser primero, que se haga servidor de sus Hermanos” - Marcos 10, 44



Zeal and Determination

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A helpful point to ponder in this passage is that the people who gathered were described as a “vast crowd.” From the subsequent passage in Mark’s Gospel, we learn that when Jesus finished teaching them many things, He performed the miracle of the multiplication of fish and bread and fed 5,000 men, not counting the women and children. Given the fact that the estimated ratio at that time of adult men to women and children was at least 5:1, the crowd could have been as large as 25,000 people. For a spontaneous gathering of people in a remote area by the Sea of Galilee, that is a huge number. This is especially the case, since it is estimated that there were only about 1,500 people living in Capernaum at that time. People had flocked to our Lord from very far away.

This vast and spontaneous gathering reveals to us the hunger that Jesus instilled in the hearts of very many people. Some of these people had already heard Jesus speak and had witnessed His miracles. Others were those to whom the Twelve had just preached in the surrounding villages. The Twelve had spoken clearly and convincingly by the power of the Holy Spirit about Jesus, and many people responded, wanting to know more about our Lord.

As you ponder the enthusiasm of so many people, try to compare that with your own enthusiasm for Jesus. Are you driven to seek Him out with the same passion and zeal that consumed these first followers? Or do you find that your zeal and enthusiasm are lacking at times? This vast crowd, with their zeal and determination to seek out our Lord, should be a source of inspiration and self-examination for us all.

Reflect, today, upon this vast crowd. Try to see yourself joining them. Ponder yourself being so moved by the preaching of the Apostles that you become single-focused in your determination to be fed by Jesus’ holy teaching. If it is hard to imagine yourself acting this way, then humbly acknowledge that you may need more zeal for Jesus in your life. Pray that these holy desires become stirred up within you, and do all that you can to foster such zeal.

My compassionate Lord, the vast crowds sought You out to listen to You and to be fed by Your holy Word. They burned with a desire to be with You, and You responded to them with great mercy. Please fill my heart with the same zeal and desire for You. Teach me, Lord, feed me and draw me close to You. Jesus, I trust in You.

Él les dijo: “Vengan ustedes solos a un lugar apartado y descansen un poco.”

— Marcos 6:31

¿Pasas tiempo, todos los días, solo y en silencio escuchando cómo Dios te llama? Si no, te estás perdiendo una maravillosa oportunidad de desarrollar una relación más personal con Él. A menos que hablemos y, lo que es más importante, escuchemos a Dios todos los días, ¿De qué otra manera sabremos cómo nos está llamando? Considere hacer un retiro este año, pase un tiempo “a solas” con Dios.

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Coming Soon July 31– August 4 is the Stearns County Fair. If you happen to be out checking the 4-H animals or any other exhibits don't forget to grab a tray of fried bread to help support our Pro-Life Across America Billboards!



Attention Youth entering grades 9-12 & College Freshman. MCCL Pro-Life Summer Leadership Camp at Camp Koronis, Paynesville. 4 Days of Education (2 full days & 2 partial days) August 11-14, including guest speakers & sessions covering topics of abortion & other right to life issues. It equips students to make a difference in their schools & communities in a summer camp environment with games & fun outdoor activities. The cost is \$100 (includes meals, accommodations, materials, a t-shirt) but could be covered by either KC's or 40 Days For Life. Contact Judy Haag Judy4life@meltel.net 320-453-7592. For more details go to www.mccl.org/camp.

Living Our Faith on God's Holy Land Diocese of St. Cloud Office of Social Concerns 2024 Rural Life Celebration Sunday, August 18 at the Samantha and Nathan Middendorf Farm 17655 Co Rd 36, Long Prairie. During the month of August we celebrate and honor God's creation. Join us as we come together for faith, food and fellowship beginning with a 1:30 pm outdoor Mass with Bishop Neary, C.S.C followed by a meal and ice cream. Enjoy family friendly entertainment. There will be a special collection to support the rural life fund and a presentation of the Catholic Century Farm and Catholic Rural Business Awards. Please bring your own chair if you are able. This event will happen rain or shine. If you have any questions, contact Kateri Mancini at kateri.mancini@gw.stcadio.org.

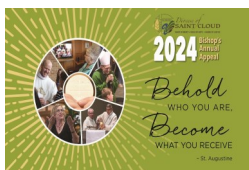


Eucharistic Adoration Changes With the National Eucharistic Revival coming to a close, there will be some changes to the Adoration schedule for Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima. Effective July 21, 2024, the Adoration schedule will be as follows:

- ♦ **St. Rose of Lima** 7:00 - 8:00 am First Tuesday of each month
- ♦ **Sacred Heart** 5:30 - 8:30 pm Praise and Worship once a month October-April (watch bulletin for dates)
- ♦ **Immaculate Conception** 7:00 - 8:00 am First Thursday of each month
- ♦ **Sacred Heart** 9:00 am - 1:00 pm Every Friday

Mini Holy Family Fest August 16-18, 2024 on the Grounds of Holy Family Parish, Little Falls. The fest is for the whole family, camping, on-site lodging, Holy Mass, Adoration, confessions, music, food, games, children and youth programs. To register go to <https://afc.org/catholic-family-retreat-weekend/>. For more information go to havenofmercycatholic.org/mini-family-fest to watch last year's video or you can call 320-632-5720 or email: hfoffice@havenofmercycatholic.org.

Bishop's Annual Appeal The Bishop's Annual Appeal proudly supports respect-for-life efforts in the diocese. Your generosity helps make this possible. To donate, visit www.stcadio.org/annualappeal or mail to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.



Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 30-60 who are looking to socialize with other single adults. We will meet at 7:00 pm on Saturday, August 10 at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). Call or text Janel at 320-290-2877 for more information.



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

- register, please call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com.
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The Scriptures This Week
Year B, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	Saint Mary Magdalene Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Tu	Mi 7:14-15, 18-20	Mt 12:46-50
We	Jer 1:1, 4-10	Mt 13:1-9
Th	Saint James, Apostle 2 Cor 4:7-15	Mt 20:20-28
Fr	Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary Jer 3:14-17	Mt 13:18-23
Sa	Jer 7:1-11	Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time 2 Kgs 4:42-44	Eph 4:1-6 Jn 6:1-15

YOUTH MINISTRY

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Contact Information:

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♥**Paschal Challenge** for grades 9 - 12 August 17 at the Church of St. Paul, Sauk Centre, MN. Follow Jesus and experience the Last Supper, the Way of the Cross, and His Resurrection in a WHOLE new way! Led by Fr. Greg Paffel, Fr. Doug Liebsch, and Seminarians – 8:30-9:00 am registration. Families are welcome to attend closing Mass at 5:00 pm with a meal to follow. Cost: Free. Deadline to register is August 3. Register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2024PaschalChallenge>.

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 call the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143 if you still need to register.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

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♥**Freeport State Bank Golf Classic** will take place on Thursday, July 25. See the "Happenings Around The Area" section of this bulletin for more information.

♥**SHS Office will be Open Periodically** throughout the summer mostly in the mornings a few days a week. If you need something you can also use fast direct.

♥**Wishing you all a fun and safe summer!**

♥**SHS Employment Opportunities**—See the ACC section of this bulletin.

♦**Thank You** to Freeport State Bank for sponsoring the Golf Classic on Thursday, July 25. See the Happenings Around the Area section for more details.

♦**If You Have Any Questions** during the summer, please call 320-256-4257 or email Autumn at anelson@smsmn.org.

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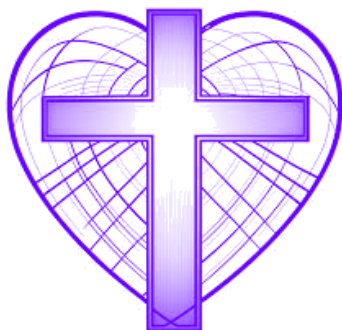
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♦**Sjsa Summer Office Hours** will vary. If you have any questions, please email Mary at sjsamarym@gmail.com. You may also call the school at 320-987-3133 and leave a message on the school office answering machine. Thank you and have a safe and fun summer!

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HE SAID TO THEM, "COME AWAY BY YOURSELVES TO A
DESERTED PLACE AND REST A WHILE."

- Mark 6:31

Do you spend time, every day, alone and in silence listening to how God is calling you? If not, you are missing out on a wonderful opportunity to develop a more personal relationship with Him. Unless we talk, and more importantly, listen to God every day, how else will we know how He is calling us? Consider making a retreat this year, spending some "alone" time with God.



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