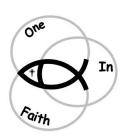
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Fr. Marvin Enneking, Pastor, Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor, Fr. Arockiya Newton, Parochial Vicar

Third Sunday of Lent

March 7, 2021

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New Parishioners

Please contact the respective parish office to register.

Leaving Our Parish?

If you are leaving our parishes, please call the respective parish office so we can update our census.

Bulletin Announcement Deadline Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements to: bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

By appointment only. Call the respective parish office.

Marriage

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

Baptism

St. Mary, St. Michael, St. Andrew, St. John: Call Deacon Ernie.

Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, St. Rose of Lima: Call Freeport Office.

RCIA

Call Deacon Ernie if you are interested in the RCIA program.

Deacon Ernie Kociemba 320-248-5124 Email: kociemba@meltel.net

ACC Mass Schedule/Intention ~ March 8-14, 2021

St. Mary - Melrose

Monday, 6:30 pm Misa en Español

†Ermila Montañez

Tuesday, 7:30 am †Jeanette Fuchs

Wednesday, 7:30 am †Juliana Kettler

Thursday, 7:30 am ††Lawrence & Melania Wenning

Friday, 7:30 am

†Richard Hiltner

Saturday, 5:00 pm †Jerome Butkowski

*Sunday, 10:00 am †Terri Neutzling/For the People

Sunday, 12:30 pm Misa en Español

†††Baltazar & José Martínez

y Enriqueta Vázquez

SACRED HEART - Freeport

Wednesday, 8:15 am† Alma Schulte Friday, 8:15 am †Valeria Mareck Sunday, 8:00 am †LuVern Fuechtmann

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Thursday, 8:15 am †Virgil Boecker Saturday, 4:00 pm For the People

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tuesday, 8:15 am L/D CUF Members

Sunday, 10:00 am ††Dorothy & Cyril Wiechmann

St. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tuesday, 8:00 am †Marcella Klassen Sunday, 10:00 am †Marlene Lieser

St. Andrew - Greenwald

Thursday, 8:00 am ††Tony & Mark Kulzer Saturday, 4:00 pm †Olivia Schwieters

St. John - Meire Grove

Wednesday, 8:00 am †Ernie Meyer Sunday, 8:00 am †Sam Schneider

*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit oneinfaith.org or Church of St. Mary, Melrose Facebook page.

Adoration at Sacred Heart - Freeport on Fridays from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

Stations of the Cross – March 8-14, 2021

Tuesday, 8:45 am St. Rose of Lima Wednesday, 9:00 am Sacred Heart

Wednesday, 7:00 pm Immaculate Conception

Wednesday, 7:30 pm St. Michael

Thursday, 8:45 am Immaculate Conception

Friday, 8:45 am Sacred Heart

Friday, 6:30 pm St. Mary - Spanish (English booklets available if you want to follow along) Friday, 7:30 pm St. Andrew

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

- Wednesday at 1:00 pm in English in the church in Melrose.
- Thursday at 6:30 pm in Spanish in the church in Melrose.
- Friday at 7:30 pm in English at church in St. Rosa.

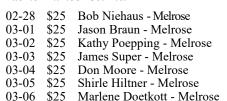
CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)

Physical Address: 755 Kraft Drive SE; Melrose, MN 56352

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$16,529.08
Regular Adult Offering.	5,802.00
Loose	490.00
Child Envelopes	0.00
New Church (actual funds)	9,319.08
Votive Candles	187.00
Religious Retirement	25.00
St. Cloud Catholic Magazine	236.00
Support a Child	300.00
Eastern Europe	20.00
Catholic Relief	10.00
Home Mission	10.00
Improvement Fund	40.00
Christmas	25.00
Thanksgiving	20.00
Easter	25.00
Catholic Charities	20.00
Rectory Fund	0.00
St. Mary's School Endowment	\$4,500.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

Sponsor this week: Metrose Main Street Repair & Kraemer Lumber Co. Inc.





If you are considering giving a contribution through your IRA, please be sure to use the new Church address: 755 Kraft Drive SE, Melrose, MN 56352. You will also want to remind your bank to reference who it is for on the check, so that proper credit can be given. Thank You!

Pastoral Council Nominations and Elections will take place in mid-March thru mid-April. This is just a reminder that if you are not sure if you are registered with St. Mary's, call the Melrose Office and confirm or get registered if you would like to become a parishioner. St. Mary's welcomes one and all. You must be a parishioner to be nominated or to vote for a person that has been nominated for the Pastoral Council. Also in this same time frame, there will be School Board nominations and elections. These will follow the same schedule and requirements as the Parish Council elections. We will be open for nominations the weekend of March 13 and 14. There will be slips available at all Masses that weekend. You may also mail in your nominations to the Melrose Office starting on March 13 and be received by March 17.

Baptized in Christ:

McKenzie Beverly Lieser Max Mathew Schulzetenberg

Rectory Fund Collected to Date.....

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)

\$40,000.00

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

Weekly Stewardship			
Adult Envelopes	\$3,468.00	Other Donations	
Easter	100.00	Votive	\$113.08
Thanksgiving	100.00	Central MN Catholic Magazine	75.00
Christmas	100.00	School Support	220.00
Plate	434.00	Building/Maintenance	30.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$4,202.00	Basement Remodel	1,125.00
		Easter Flowers	60.00
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$5,399.00	Catholic Home Missions	10.00
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,197.00)	Catholic Relief Fund	10.00
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(13,624.00)	Rice Bowl	10.00
		Peter's Pence	10.00
**Total year budget is spread equ	ually over 52	Holy Places	10.00
weeks, including Holy Days		Christmas Flowers	10.00
		Catholic Endowment	30.00

Parish Events

We 03/10 Stations of the Cross following Mass We 03/10 10:00 am Bible Study We 03/10 7:00 pm Faith Formation Fr 03/12 9:00 am Stations of the Cross & Adoration



The Family of Alma Schulte would like to thank everyone for your prayers and support for the death of Mother, Grandmother, and Great Grandmother. Thank you to Fr. Dan Walz for the beautiful Mass, Dianne Kerfeld and Yvonne Beste for the beautiful music, Norb and Audrey Overman, and all who helped in any way. Thank you and God Bless you all.

~Alma Schulte Family

St. Joseph Society Raffle is underway. See ACC News section for details.

Church Basement Update The old flooring and wall paneling have been removed. The bathroom demolition has been completed. This week they will be working on the outside walls and prepping for the plumbers and electricians. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this project.

Items for Sale 2 hollow 3 foot doors with door jams and one set of casings per door, 3 toilets and 2 urinals. If interested in any or all of these items, please contact Ron Bertram or the Freeport Office for more information.

Lenten Project: *Feed My Starving Children* If you are interested in donating to our Tri-Parish Lenten Project, drop an envelope marked Lenten Project in the Sunday collection or at the Freeport Office. SHS also takes up a collection every Wednesday during Lent at the 8:15 am Mass.

Novena to St. Joseph The Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated on Friday, March 19. The Novena to St. Joseph begins on Wednesday, March 10. Novena booklets can be found in the back of the church.

Sacrifice – to do zealously, to serve God, to offer sacrifice. The act of giving up something that you want to keep especially in order to get or do something else or to help someone. Lent is a time to think about sacrifice and what it can do to you as a person. When you give yourself fully to God during Lent, you will be amazed at the wonderful transformation that occurs.

Christian Women are excited to announce a Spring Quarter Craze on Monday, March 29. Hosted at the Freeport Community Center. Doors will open at 6:00 pm and auction begins at 7:00 pm. Tickets go on sale on Monday, March 22 and will be available at Décor & More in Freeport. Only 75 tickets will be sold, and all safety protocols will be in place at the event. Join us for an evening of FUNraising!!

St. Joseph Society Members You can return your raffle tickets through the Sunday collection or mail to: Rich Primus 34108 Cty. Rd. 10 Albany, MN 56307. If you need additional raffle tickets, contact Tim Linn at 320-836-2401.

Church of the Immaculate Conception - New Munich (NM)

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

Weekly Stewardship			
Adult Envelopes	\$2,071.00	Other Donations	
Plate	136.00	School Support	\$50.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,207.00	Central MN Catholic Magazine	25.00
		Easter Flowers	45.00
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$3,404.00	Steeple Repair	20,330.00
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,197.00)	Feed My Starving Children	25.00
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(21,219.65)		
**Total year budget is sp	read equally ov	ver 52 weeks, including Holy Days	

Parish Events

We 03/10 10:00 am Bible Study - FR We 03/10 7:00 pm Faith Formation - FR We 03/10 7:00 pm Stations of the Cross Th 03/11 Stations of the Cross following Mass Sa 03/13 3:30 pm Individual Confessions

Lenten Project: *Feed My Starving Children* If you are interested in donating to our Tri-Parish Lenten Project, drop an envelope marked Lenten Project in the Sunday collection or at the Freeport Office. SHS also takes up a collection every Wednesday during Lent at the 8:15 am Mass.

Parish Seamstresses & Crafters This year the Parish & Quilt Raffle will be on June 12, so it is time again to plan for the "Quilt & Fancy Work" raffle. If any of you have fancy or crafty items (doilies, afghans, towels, etc.) to donate for the raffle – please call or contact me before March 23, so we will have time to get the raffle tickets printed with the information on them and have them ready to send out with the parish raffle tickets. Thanks in advance for sharing your talents. Also, if anyone would like to donate cash toward the expenses of the quilt, we'd appreciate that very much. *Jean Hopfer, Raffle Chm. 320-837-5239*

The Christian Women Spring Bake Sale is traditionally held with the Lion's Breakfast. This is one of two bake sale fundraisers we have each year. Due to COVID-19 we are not able to hold the bake sale. We know that this is a challenging financial time for some. If you are able, parish members with the last names beginning N-Z are asked to please contribute \$5 or more to the virtual bake sale. Make your checks out to 'St. Ann's Christian Women' and send to the Freeport Office or place in the collection basket. Thank you for your generosity!

Christian Women Meeting Spring quarterly meeting of St. Ann's Christian Women of New Munich will be held in the church basement on March 21 at noon. All parish women are invited to attend the meeting. Please remember to bring your \$5 yearly dues (No dues after 75 years of age), place your Christian Women Dues envelope in the collection basket, or mail/drop-off at the Freeport Office. If you are unsure if you owe any dues, please contact Jackie Massmann at 651-214-0270. Thank you!

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A heartfelt thank you to the anonymous donor who generously donated \$20,000 to the much needed repair of our steeple. This substantial donation is anticipated to meet the last of the financial obligations the church will incur for this project and will allow us to move forward with the repair this summer! Thank you to this donor and everyone who made a financial contribution to the repair of our steeple.

New Munich Christian Women are collecting Pennies for "Water For Life." Pennies will be collected during the Lent season. The money collected goes to Catholic Relief Services. Additional information has been posted on Christian Women Bulletin Boards at each entrance. Please drop pennies off at the Freeport Office or call Jackie Massmann at 651-214-0270. Thank you in advance for your support.

"Hope does not disappoint us, because God has poured out his love into our hearts by the Holy Spirit, who he has given us."

Romans 5:5



CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA - ST. ROSA (SR)

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

Weekly Stewardship			
Adult Envelopes	\$1,444.00	Other Donations	
Plate	171.00	Central MN Catholic Magazine	\$50.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,615.00	Easter Flowers	20.00
		Feed My Starving Children	50.00
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$1,995.00		
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(380.00)	Building Project	
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$16,380.12	Total Due + Interest	\$14,062.52
**Total year budget is	spread equally	y over 52 weeks, including Holy D	ays

St. Rose Quilters Come quilt anytime during the week or join the group on Mondays starting at 9:00 am. As usual, everyone is welcome. New this year, bring your own lunch. Call Sara Arvig to schedule your groups to quilt 320-333-6221.

Lenten Project: *Feed My Starving Children* If you are interested in donating to our Tri-Parish Lenten Project, drop an envelope marked Lenten Project in the Sunday collection or at the Freeport Office. SHS also takes up a collection every Wednesday during Lent at the 8:15 am Mass.

<u>Parish Events</u>

Mo 03/08 9:00 am Quilting - Group 11
Tu 03/09 Stations of the Cross following Mass
We 03/10 10:00 am Bible Study - FR
We 03/10 7:00 pm Faith Formation - FR
Fr 03/12 7:30 pm Rosary

St. Rose of Lima Festival News We are seeking a third couple to join the festival committee. If anyone is interested or has further questions, please call Sara Arvig 320-333-6221, Scott Wiechman 320-285-3060, Chris Atkinson 763-221-4172, or Lisa Atkinson 763-300-0065.

Novena to St. Joseph The Feast of St. Joseph will be celebrated on Friday, March 19. The Novena to St. Joseph begins on Wednesday, March 10. Novena booklets can be found in the back of the church.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)

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

Weekly Stewardship		
Total	\$1,461.45	
Regular Adult Offering	1,046.00	
Children	2.00	
Plate/Loose	30.00	
Fuel Fund	20.00	
Maintenance Fund	50.00	
Ash Wednesday	60.00	
Belgrade Co-op	253.45	

Baptized in Christ:

Abel Duane Lieser

Spring Hill Baseball Team's Annual Sausage & Ham Supper will be held on Sunday, March 7, 2021. Serving 4:00 – 8:00 pm. This year's supper will be a drive-through around the St. Michael's church in Spring Hill and the food will be delivered to people's vehicles outside.

Stations of the Cross will be held every Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm.

Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, March 14 - 10:00 am

(L) Gary P. Lieser

(U) Chico Welle & Ron Welle

(RL) Kathleen Meyer

(CC) Mark Schoenberg & Rick Terres

(HK-Mar. 7-14) Kathy (Chico) Welle, Kathy (Ron) Welle, & Tia Welle

Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass,

St. Mary's Mission and St. Michael's Men's Society please put your dues in an envelope marked <u>Mission Dues</u> or <u>Men's Society Dues</u> in the collection basket. Thank you.

Easter Flower Offering If anyone would like to make a monetary donation in memory of a loved one, please use the Easter Flower Offering envelope in your packet. If writing a check, make it out to St. Michael's Parish. Indicate in the memo line <u>Easter Flowers</u>. Please have your envelope in by March 21. If you prefer to purchase and bring in Easter flowers, please have them in the back of the church by March 29. Thank you!

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)

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

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$882.50
Regular Adult Offering	695.00
Plate/Loose	40.00
Votives	27.50
Fuel Fund	20.00
Maintenance Fund	50.00
Candles	10.00
St. Cloud Visitor	40.00

Communal Reconciliation Service at St. Andrew's Parish, March 10 at 7:30 pm.

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:30 pm on Friday night in St. Andrew's, Greenwald and St. John's, Meire Grove alternately.

St. Andrew's Parish Council will meet on Tuesday, March 9. Council meets at 7:30 pm and Finance Committee meets at 7:00 pm.

Liturgical Ministries - Saturday, March 13 - 4:00 pm

(L) Linda Wenker

(U) Jim Uphoff & Peter Van Beck

(HK-Mar.) *Alma Nietfeld, Janice Nietfeld, Patricia Murphy, Doris Nathe, Irene Nathe, and Sand Niehoff

Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.

St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial – Due to COVID-19, St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial has decided to cancel the Annual Matching Grant Breakfast. Letters have been sent out to the parishioners requesting donations representative of the amount normally spent on tickets, bake sale, etc. These donations will be eligible for up to \$1000 in Matching Grant Funds from Catholic United Financial. All Proceeds will go to St. Andrew's Parish. Donations can be put in the collection addressed to St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial. Any and All donations are welcome.



CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)

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

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$1,630.75
Regular Adult Offering	1,010.00
Children	3.75
Plate/Loose	15.00
Votives	42.00
Fuel Fund	160.00
Maintenance Fund	120.00
Rice Bowl	40.00
Central/European Church	30.00
Ash Wednesday	210.00

St. John's Parish is looking for a Janitor and if they have any questions to contact Tom Loxtercamp at 987-3233.

Firearms safety class for Green Grove Rod and Gun Club will begin on Monday, March 29 at Meire Grove City Hall at 6:30 pm. Due to COVID restrictions, class size is limited to 25 and masks must be worn. Prior registration can be made by calling Matt Silbernick at 320-470-0944.

Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, March 14 - 8:00 am

(L) Jim Leukam

(Ú) Andrew Primus, John Primus, & Ray Primus

(HK-Mar.) *Virginia Nathe, Brenda Nathe, Virginia Meyer, Rita Meyer, Martha Meyer, & Karen Meyer

3 ushers needed to cover all doors - be sure to find a replacement if you won't be there.

Until further notice, there will be no Servers, Gift Bearers, or Eucharistic Ministers at Mass.

Chicken Dinner donations and raffle tickets, along with payments (\$5.00/ raffle ticket), are due by February 27. There are boxes at all 3 entrances of the church to place your items in. Please join us for the Raffle Drawing to be held immediately following the 8:00 am Mass in the church basement on Palm Sunday, March 28. Thank you for your generous support of our spring fundraiser!

Stations of the Cross will be held at 7:30 pm on Friday night in St. Andrew's, Greenwald and St. John's, Meire Grove alternately.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Formación de Fe (Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill)

- Primera Reconciliación/Primera Comunión: Próxima clase: Sábado 3 de abril a las 10:00 am Iglesia de Santa María. Sólo estudiantes.
- ♥ Grados 1, 3-8: Durante el mes de marzo, complete el recorrido por la iglesia de San Martín o la Abadía de San Juan y su paquete/asignación de nivel de grado para el mes.
- ▼ Grado 9: Próxima clase: 10 de marzo a las 7:00 pm vía Zoom. Orador invitado sobre relaciones saludables e insalubres. Estudiantes y padres.
 - Durante el mes de marzo complete el recorrido a la iglesia de San Juan (MG) o San Andrés (GW) y su paquete/asignación de nivel de grado para el mes.
- Grado 10: Próxima clase: 10 de marzo a las 7:00 pm vía Zoom. Orador invitado sobre relaciones saludables e insalubres. Estudiantes y padres.
- ♥ Grado 11: Próxima clase: 10 de marzo a las 7:00 pm. Nos vemos en la Iglesia de Santa María. Sólo estudiantes.
 - La hoja de información del proyecto de servicio vence el miércoles 10 de marzo.
- Mirando hacia adelante: Estaciones de la Cruz el miércoles 17 de marzo a las 7:00 pm para todas las familias de Formación de Fe.

Recordatorio Debido a las nuevas regulaciones del COVID-19, requerimos el uso de mascara cuando atendamos a la Misa en la Iglesia.

El rosario en español se rezara los jueves a las 6:30 pm. Después del rosario tendremos la comunidad de Oración Santa María, dirigida por el Señor Oscar Nolasco. ¡Todos son bien venidos!

A partir del 22 de febrero, la Iglesia de Santa María estará abierta todos los días de 7:00 am a 7:00 pm horas. Todos son bienvenidos a Orar dentro de estos horarios.

Estaciones de la Cruz/Viacrucis se estarán haciendo todos los viernes a las 6:30 pm durante la cuaresma. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!



CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle SHS BOARD: Amy Wilwerding, Emily Smith, Rick Goebel, Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

▼Wednesday, March 10 - School Liturgy will be planned by Sr. Janine and the 6th grade class.

▼Thursday, March 11 - School Board Meeting at 7:30 pm.

Friday, March 12 - No School for students and staff. ECC will be open for Child Care.

◆Friday, March 12 - Meat Raffle for the benefit of Sacred Heart School at the Pioneer Inn at 6:00 pm. Come join the fun!



Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

02-28 \$25 Deb Engen - Remer 03-01 \$25 Alvssa Hoeschen - S

03-01 \$25 Alyssa Hoeschen - St. Rosa 03-02 \$25 Karmen & Lee Michels - Hilbert, WI

03-03 \$25 Bob & Janet Carlquist - St. Michael

03-04 \$25 Stacey Funk - Melrose

03-05 \$25 Larry Hoeschen - Freeport

03-06 \$25 Len Frieze - Albany



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking PRINCIPAL: Autumn Nelson ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Jenn Ellering Phone: 320-256-4257 www.smsmelrosemn.org

- Thank you to everyone that supported the 19th Annual Auction for Education. Your gifts of time, talents, and treasures are greatly appreciated. Profits from the night will be shared as they become available.
- Thank you for supporting our Coborn's Coupon Book fundraiser. We still have some books left that can be purchased through the Melrose Parish Office or School.
- All are invited to the Living Stations being presented by the students of St. Mary's School on Wednesday, March 17 at 1:00 pm in the church.
- Parent-Teacher Conferences are scheduled for March 23 and 25.
- During Lent, families at SMS will be collecting dollars and coins to give to four different organizations: Melrose Food Shelf, Fr. Schwieters, Fr. Ohmann, and Simply Love International. If you would like to participate in giving to one of these organizations, you can drop your coins off at the Melrose Parish Office or school.



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking PRINCIPAL: Mary Miller ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kristen Pattinson SJSA BOARD: Janice Funk, Kurt Meyer, Jeron Nathe, Bridget Kasper, Kathy Gilk, Amy Frieler, Kristi Zimmer Phone: 320-987-3133 www.sjsaschool.org

- * Parent Teacher conferences will be Thursday, March 11 from 2:30 7:00 pm.
- * No School at SJSA on Friday, March 12.
- * Stations of the Cross SJSA students will lead Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 19 at 2:00 pm at St. Andrew's Church in Greenwald.
- * Harry's Pizza Sale SJSA students are selling Harry's Frozen Pizzas. If you are interested in purchasing delicious pizza, please contact an SJSA family or the school office at 320-987-3133 by Wednesday, March 10.
- * SJSA is accepting registration for the 2021-2022 school year. If you would like to visit SJSA, please call the school office at 320-987-3133, and we would be happy to arrange a tour for you. New families are always welcome!
- * SJSA Student Council Lenten Project The students are collecting personal care items for the Melrose Area Food Shelf through March 28. Items needed are: shampoo, conditioner, toothbrushes, toothbrushes, toothbrushes, toothbrushes, and dish soap.

FAITH FORMATION/ YOUTH MINISTRY

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa

- Grade 2 First Communion Mass Sunday, March 21 at 10:00 am at Sacred Heart.
- Grades 1-6 Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 Home Lesson.
- Grades 7-8 Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Please bring notebook, Bible, and pen to class and meet at Sacred Heart School.
- Grade 9 Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Please bring workbook and pen to class and meet at Sacred Heart School.
- Grade 10 Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Please bring workbook and pen to class and meet in the body of Church.
 - Sponsor Affidavits are due on March 10.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Meire Grove, Greenwald

- **▼** First Reconciliation/First Communion:
 - ▶ Next Class: Saturday, April 3 at 10:00 am St. Mary's Church. Students only.
- **♥** Grades 1, 3-8:
 - During the month of March, complete the St. Martin or St. John's Abbey church tour and your grade level packet/assignment for the month.
- **▼** Grade 9:
 - ▼ Next Class: March 10 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Guest speaker on healthy & unhealthy relationships. Students and parents.
 - ▶ During the month of March, complete the St. John (MG) or St. Andrew (GW) church tour and your grade level packet/assignment for the month.
- ▼ Grade 10: Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm via Zoom. Guest speaker on healthy & unhealthy relationships. Students and parents.
- ▼ Grade 11: Next Class: Wednesday, March 10 at 7:00 pm. Meet at St. Mary's Church. Students only.
 - **▼ Service Project Information Sheet** is due Wednesday, March 10.
- ▶ Looking Ahead: Stations of the Cross on Wednesday, March 17 at 7:00 pm for all Faith Formation families.

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Lent Materials A variety of materials, including books, brochures with schedules for Masses, confessions, and Stations of the Cross, and other items are available in the back of the churches. Feel free to pick up what you need to enhance your Lenten experience this year.

Bible Study Fr. Dan is leading the study of the Gospel of Mark Wednesdays at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport from 10:00 - 11:00 am. All are welcome to join.

House Blessings Contact the Freeport office if you would like Fr. Dan to bless your home.

Safe Haven Sunday - Equipping the Family: Safety Through Connection The most powerful tool we have when it comes to teaching our children about the beauty of their sexuality in the digital age is conversation. Real, honest, "look them in the eyes" conversations about their deep questions. In the digital age, passive parenting is not an option – the internet never rests. The Diocese of St. Cloud and the churches in the One in Faith Area Catholic Community are setting aside this weekend, March 6 and 7, to celebrate Safe Haven Sunday in order to provide free resources to assist you with confidentially talking to your children about internet dangers, as well as their online and offline choices. Safe Haven Sunday is celebrated through prayer and reflection within the context of the Mass. Copies of Covenant Eyes' most recent book, Connected: How Strong Family Relationships Lead to Internet-Safe Kids, is available in the back of all churches in the ACC. This book includes a free seven-day text-to-opt-in program that provides practical tips for caring adults to create safer digital environments for themselves and young people. Simply text SECURE to 66866 to begin receiving guidance today! Thank you for celebrating with us! If you have any questions about this awareness weekend, please visit https://stcdio.org/marriage-and-family/ marriage-and-family-resources/safe-haven-sunday-march-7-8-2020resources/.

Chrism Mass The annual Chrism Mass will be celebrated on Thursday, March 25 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. Because of COVID restrictions, attendance at this Mass is by invitation-only. The Mass will be livestreamed on the Cathedral's Facebook page. This special Mass takes its name from the chief anointing oil, the holy chrism, which can only be consecrated by the bishop. At the chrism Mass, Bishop Donald Kettler will bless the oils that will be used for the sacraments of baptism, confirmation, holy orders, and the anointing of the sick. Also at the Mass, priests of the diocese will come together to renew their priestly vows.

SHS Lenten Collection for Feed My Starving Children See details under Church of the Sacred Heart.

Parish Ministries There are many opportunities for parish members to serve their parish community. Contact the parish office to find out how you can help or to sign up.

Sacred Heart St. Joseph Society Raffle Since we are unable to hold our annual fish fry, we are holding a raffle. Prizes include a top prize of \$250, as well as 3 other cash prizes and 6-\$50 gift certificates to local restaurants. Drawing will be held on Monday, April 12. Tickets are just \$2 and can be purchased from any St. Joseph Society member or at the Freeport Parish Office. Thank you for your support.

Loot for Learning St. Patrick's Day is fast approaching! Before you head to the store to purchase your green treats or comed beef and cabbage, make sure to stop and pick up a prepaid gift card to cover the cost of those purchases. Gift cards for Coborn's/Cash Wise, Teal's Market, or Walmart are all available at Décor and More or Sacred

Heart School anytime they are open. Just a little bit of effort can make a BIG difference for the students at Sacred Heart School.

SMS\$4Kids We have a variety of local and national gift cards SMS available to purchase. We will be selling scrip after Masses the first sawebend of every month. These work great for gifts but also to do your everyday shopping. If you have questions, call the school office at 320-256-4257. We appreciate your support.

The Knights of Columbus St. Joseph the Worker Council will, as in past years, during Lent be promoting a food drive. "The Forty Cans for Lent" food drive will take place in the parishes of Sacred Heart, Freeport, Immaculate Conception, New Munich, and St. Rose of Lima in St. Rosa. There will be totes located in each of the parishes throughout the Lenten season. Please consider a donation as a part of your almsgiving during Lent. Thank You. ~Knights of Columbus

St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial – Due to COVID-19, St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial has decided to cancel the Annual Matching Grant Breakfast. Letters have been sent out to the parishioners requesting donations representative of the amount normally spent on tickets, bake sale, etc. These donations will be eligible for up to \$1000 in Matching Grant Funds from Catholic United Financial. All proceeds will go to St. Andrew's Parish. Donations can be put in the collection addressed to St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial. Any and all donations are welcome.





ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)

Bishop's Annual Appeal Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the appeal. As of March 1, the Appeal raised \$561,190 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 3,957 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.stcdio.org/appeal.

40 Days for Life St. Cloud Lenten Campaign February 17 to March 28. Daily Prayer Vigil held from 7:00 am - 7:00 pm Monday - Friday on the public sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood. For more information, contact Judy Haag judy4life@meltel.net or call 320-453-7592. We welcome/encourage parish or student or family groups any hours that work for them. Call Judy for help lining up something for your group out on the site or "just come & pray."

Retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo are held throughout the year. Enhance your Lenten experience with one of the retreats below. For more information or to register, please call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com. Men's Retreat Weekend, March 12-14

Have you ever stopped to think about heaven, and that everyone who is in heaven is a saint? We often think only about the canonized saints. But everyone of us was created by God to be a saint. Every Lent the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women (DCCW) sponsor a Lenten Retreat. This year we are sponsoring an online virtual retreat on "The Saints Within Us." The retreat will be held on Saturday, March 13, beginning at 9:00 am. To register for the retreat, go to stclouddccw.org and click on the link at the bottom of the screen. The retreat is free, but freewill donations are appreciated.

Prayer for Our New Bishop Bishop Donald Kettler turned 75 last November, and according to tradition, submitted his request for retirement. A replacement bishop will be appointed by Pope Francis and may take some time. We pray for Bishop Kettler, for his replacement, and for all involved in the selection process.

Heavenly Father, You sent Jesus to shepherd Your people and the Holy Spirit to make Your people one. Look with favor upon those who will select our new bishop. Give them Your vision and let their judgment be clear. Speak Your will to them. We thank You for our past shepherds and the blessings they have been for the people of this diocese. Lord, send Your Holy Spirit to anoint our new bishop that he may continue the work of renewal in the Church, and unite our parishes, priests, and people in love, truth, and wisdom. Give him a true shepherd's heart like that of Jesus, that he may give strength to the weak, heal the broken hearted, console the lonely, bring back the wandering, and be a power against the evil of our day. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray.

Honoring Marriage Day has been rescheduled to Saturday, October 2 for couples celebrating their 5, 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60 plus anniversaries. Location and time to be announced. Call your respective parish if you wish to sign up for this event.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

March 7, Sunday

•Spring Hill Baseball Team's Annual Sausage & Ham Supper will be held at the St. Michael's church. Serving from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. This year's supper will be a drive-through around St. Michael's Church in Spring Hill, and the food will be delivered to people's vehicles outside.

March 12, Friday

- ◆Fish Fry at the Melrose American Legion. Serving 5:00 8:00 pm. Take outs available 320-256-3581.
- ♦ Meat Raffle sponsored by the Freeport Lions with proceeds to Sacred Heart School will be held at Pioneer Inn at 6:00 pm.

March 18, Thursday

• Freeport Senior Citizens meeting at 1:30 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. 500 and bingo played.

March 26, Friday

♦ Meat Raffle sponsored by the Freeport Lions with proceeds to Sacred Heart School will be held at Pooch's Corner Pub at 7:30 pm.

Catholics at the Capitol There is no time more important than now to speak out in defense of life and dignity at the State Capitol! Even just a handful of people can influence the laws passed by our elected officials; just imagine the impact of every Catholic



voice joining together! Catholics at the Capitol is designed for YOU! Whether you are an "old pro" in the political arena, exasperated with divisive politics, or someone who doesn't know where to begin, "CatCap" will fortify your faith, provide you with the hope needed to heal the cynicism and division in politics, and equip you to speak with your lawmakers. The event will be held on Thursday, April 15. Tickets are \$20; children and students under the age of 22 can register at no cost. A free-will offering will be accepted if you ride one of the buses provided by the Diocese of St. Cloud. Find out more information at: https://stcdio.org/event/catholics-at-the-capitol-2021/

Daily Readings Publications With hymnals no longer being available in



churches, parishioners are looking for new ways to follow along with the Mass readings. Publications which include the daily readings and related reflections are available for purchased subscription. Some of the publications are offering free or reduced fee trial

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Sacrament of Confession

For individual confessions, please see the parish sections for opportunities or call one of the parish offices.

Communal Celebration with Individual Confession will be celebrated as

Wednesday, March 10 7:30 pm - St. Andrew, Greenwald Wednesday, March 24 5:30 & 7:00 pm - St. Mary, Melrose Friday, March 26 7:00 pm - Sacred Heart, Freeport

The Scriptures This Week

Year B, Weekdays - Cycle I

Mo 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab Lk 4:24-30 Dn 3:25, 34-43 Mt 18:21-35 Tu Dt 4:1, 5-9 Mt 5:17-19 We Th Jer 7:23-28 Lk 11:14-23 Hos 14:2-10 Fr Mk 12:28-34 Lk 18:9-14 Hos 6:1-6

Next Sunday—

2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23 Eph 2:4-10 Jn 3:14-21

Prayer Requests...

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



For the Sick: Bryan Goebel, Janice Derichs, Leanard Frieze, LeRoy Wolbeck, Walter & Laura Beuning, Alma Schulte

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

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