



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

The Ascension of the Lord

May 21, 2023

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

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Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:**

Hours: Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm
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ACC Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements 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.



Dispelling Doubts

“All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, teaching them to observe all that I have commanded you. And behold, I am with you always, until the end of the age.” Matthew 28:18-20

These are the parting and final words our Lord spoke while on earth. As soon as He spoke to them, He ascended into Heaven to remain with His Father forever, preparing a place for us so that we could join Him one day. Never again on earth would the disciples hear Jesus speak to them or see Him in physical form. Though He would soon send the Holy Spirit upon them and speak clearly to them interiorly through prayer, they would not encounter His audible voice and physical presence once again until Heaven.

Just prior to the passage quoted above, we read that the disciples did two things. One was ideal; the other was not. We read: “When they saw him, they worshiped, but they doubted.” Of course, the fact that they worshiped Him is ideal, but the fact that they doubted is somewhat shocking and disappointing. After all that they went through with our Lord, after all they witnessed and heard, they still doubted. They witnessed Jesus cure leprosy, restore sight to the blind, heal the crippled, preach with a new authority, convert sinners, raise the dead, and even rise from the dead Himself. And after all of this, they still had doubts.

Perhaps their doubts are recorded in this final encounter with our earthly Lord because it reveals to us our own ongoing doubts. Perhaps the real doubters are not only the disciples but also each one of us.

When you look into your own conscience, what do you see? Do you see a person with perfect faith and trust in God? Or do you see a person who seeks to worship

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ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ MAY 22-28

ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm Misa en Español
Por el bienestar de las Familias Sanchez Martinez y Jimenez Pesqueda
Tu 7:30 am †Irene Braun
We 7:30 am †Richard Imdieke
Th 7:30 am †Valeria Braun
*Fr 8:30 am St. Mary's School Mass
†Jeffrey Hinnenkamp
††Elmer & Ron Kettler For the People
*Sa 5:00 pm †Dolores Pundsack
Su 12:30 pm Misa en Español
Por la salud de Belester Vazquez Sobreira

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am †Lori Ettl
Fr 8:15 am ††Lawrence & Laura Scherping
Su 8:00 am For the People

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th 10:00 am SJSA School Mass
†David Backes
Sa 4:00 pm †††Melvin, Erma, & Dennis Poepping

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am †Clarence Von Wahle
Sa 4:00 pm Jim & Linda Schmiesing Thanksgiving Mass

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am †Norbert Gramke
Su 8:00 am †Amy Granby

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Carla Wolbeck
Su 10:00 am †Dec. & Liv. of Al & Rose Wiechman Family



ADORATION

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa
Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception - New Munich

Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 am

Sacred Heart - Freeport

NO Adoration Friday, May 26

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am St. Michael's Society
Su 10:00 am †Werner Gruber

*Mass will be livestreamed.

Visit onefaith.org for the YouTube link.

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish News:

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

◆The Diocese has requested that we have a special collection next weekend, May 27 & 28, for the Holy Father Peter's Pence. The offerings are intended to support the activities of the Holy Father, the Pope, who is concerned both with the needs of evangelization and with the material needs of poor dioceses, religious institutes, and faithful in serious difficulties.

Parish News:

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

◆Youth Leadership Team We are looking to add more people to the Youth Leadership Team and are seeking out students in grades 9-12 to serve on our core team. This is a leadership program for high school students interested in serving, leading, and supporting their peers as they develop a deeper experience of Jesus Christ and the Catholic church. Applications to join the Youth Leadership Team are available on our website sacredheartfreeport.org, under the faith formation tab. I want to invite you to prayerfully consider joining our team. If you have any questions, please call Chrystal at the Parish Office.

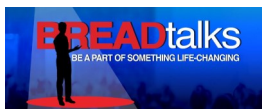


Office Closure The Parish Offices in Melrose and Freeport will be closed on Monday, May 29 in observance of Memorial Day.

VBS Training Tuesday, May 30 from 6:30 - 7:30 pm. If you signed up to help with Vacation Bible School or would like to help, please join us for training in the Sacred Heart Church Basement. If you have any questions, please contact Chrystal Sand at 320-836-2143.

Young Adults ages 18-30, join us on Wednesday, May 24 from 7:00-8:30 pm at the Freeport Parish Office. We will be watching and discussing an episode of the Chosen series. Contact Katie at 320-333-9871 or Alyssa at 320-429-0770 with questions or for more information.

BREADtalks Be a part of something life-changing These in-person-only events are modeled after the popular Ted Talks. Local speakers will share their "eucharistic love stories" followed by a main speaker who will give a longer talk on a eucharistic theme. Come join us for these free, faith-filled gatherings! The next event is on Sunday, May 21 at 2:00 pm at Bad Habit Brewing Co., St. Joseph.



Catholic Rural Business Award - Social Concerns is seeking nominations for the Catholic Charities' Rural Business Award. This award is given to a Catholic business owner in the diocese who lives out their Catholic faith in how they run their business and are involved in their parish and community. More information and a nomination form are available at: https://www.ccstcloud.org/services/social-concerns or reach out to JoAnn.Braegelman@ccstcloud.org or socialconcerns@ccstcloud.org to learn more. Deadline is June 1. The selected business owner will be honored at the Rural Life Celebration this August.



Vacation Bible School June 5-9 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport from 9:00 - 11:30 am. Send your children, ages 4 through entering grade 5, for an out of this world good time! This summer's theme is Stellar. Children will be "Shining Jesus' Light." Stellar is filled with Bible stories, music, games, and other fun ways to learn that God is with you every day, no matter what.

Cor Jesu (Heart of Jesus) First Fridays Novena Join people from around the diocese for a Cor Jesu (Heart of Jesus) First Fridays Novena - an evening of Mass, adoration, and reconciliation at 6:30 pm on Friday, June 2 at St. Mary Catholic Church in Alexandria. Visit www.studio.org/Eucharistic-Revival for more information.

"Hopeful Hearts" Fun, Food, & Fund Day Looking for a fun day out? Enjoy Silent Auctions? Head down to St. Andrew's Parish in Elk River for the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's annual Fun, Food, & Fund Day on Thursday, June 15. Registration and auction open at 9:00 am. Kent Yoder will speak on "The Eucharist: Our Source, Our Summit, and Our Hope" at 9:45 am, and enjoy entertainment by "The Hopeful" while you "shop." Mass and lunch will follow, with auction closing at 1:15 pm. Registration is \$20. Contact Lora Knafla at (320) 393-2701 to register or mail check payable to St. Cloud DCCW to Lora at 11719 16th Ave. NW, Rice, MN 56367 by June 8. NOTE: If anyone is interested in car-pooling to FFF at Elk River, contact Jean Hopfer at 320-837-5239, by June 12.

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

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

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

Total.....	\$45,649.15
Regular Adult Offering.....	14,111.00
Plate/Loose	1,124.90
Cinco de Mayo/New Rectory.....	2,456.25
Designated Funds.....	27,957.00
Phase II Building	\$47,826.85
Rectory.....	\$79,779.65
Phase II Matching Funds.....	\$147,419.50
Total: Phase II/Rectory.....	\$275,026.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

05-14	\$250	Elmer & Virginia Meyer - Melrose
05-15	\$25	Robert & Edna Kramer - Melrose
05-16	\$25	Chris Rempel - Big Lake
05-17	\$25	Kelly Hinnenkamp - Melrose
05-18	\$25	Jan Schwieters - Melrose
05-19	\$25	Joann Ritter - Melrose
05-20	\$25	Dan Atkinson - Freeport



Died in the Hope of Resurrection... †David Bierschbach, 50

St. Mary's Parish Raffle Tickets will be sold in the gathering area at the 5:00 pm and 10:00 am Masses on the following weekends: June 3/4, June 10/11, and June 17/18. Please help support our 32nd annual raffle fundraiser. Thank you.

Chairs For Sale! We have an abundance of used folding chairs that we are selling for \$3 each while supplies last. Please call the parish office at 320-256-4207 if interested.



Cemetery Volunteer Day at St. Mary's will be Monday, May 22, at 6:00 pm. In case of bad weather, it will be Tuesday, May 23. Please bring lawn mowers, weed trimmers, leaf blowers, rakes, and brooms. We request that old flowers that are not attached to tombstones be removed by Volunteer Day.

Eucharistic Minister to the Homebound: If you are bringing communion to someone in our community, we would like to know about it and provide you with some training. Please call Terri Ellering at 320-293-6240 to get up to date in this very important ministry. Also if you have a pyx that you are not using anymore, feel free to drop it off at the parish office. Thank you!

Ascension of the Lord: Dispelling Doubts con't from pg 1



God but also struggles with doubts? A doubt is a lack of faith. It is different from a difficulty, an uncertainty, or a confusion. A doubt is an action by which we positively make the choice to start down the path of disbelief. It's more than a weakness; it's a choice and not a good one.

The good news is that these doubting disciples eventually received something that eliminated every doubt from their minds. They received the Holy Spirit, and this gift of God began to dispel every temptation to doubt as they received the Gifts of the Holy Spirit. In particular, the gifts of Wisdom, Understanding, and Knowledge would deepen their faith in God and enable them to both worship and believe.

As we celebrate the Ascension of our Lord, reflect, today, upon the

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

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

Adult Envelopes.....	\$3,749.62
Plate.....	487.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$4,236.62
Other Donations	
Votive.....	\$212.00
School Support.....	50.00

Parish Events

Su	05/21	7:00 pm	"500" Card Party
Tu	05/23	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting - SR
We	05/24	7:00 pm	Young Adult Group
Fr	05/26		NO Individual Confessions
Fr	05/26	8:15 am	6th Grade Graduation
Fr	05/26		NO Adoration

Baptized in Christ... We welcome **Kepner Luke Overman**, the son of Jared & Emma Overman, to our parish. Kepner Luke was baptized on Sunday, May 14.

Welcome to our Parish... We welcome Jesse & Jennifer Kuechle, and their children Andrew, Madelyn, & Isabella, to our parish.

Community Garden The garden is tilled. Rows are marked and are ready for planting. There are a few rows left. If you are interested in reserving any rows, call the Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143. Each row is spaced 5 feet apart.



Festival News Sacred Heart Festival will be on Sunday, July 16. The day will begin with a polka Mass at 9:00 am followed by a parade at 10:30 am with all the festivities to follow. The theme for this year's parade is "Cartoons Through the Years." If you are interested in putting a float in the parade, contact Andy Grieve at 320-260-5615.



North and South Entrance Remodel has begun. The elevator will be accessible during this time. Please note that some of the entrances will be closed from time to time until the project is complete.

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

image of these disciples worshiping God and doubting at the same time. If this image strikes a chord within you, then pay attention to it. It is good to worship God, but it is also good to humbly admit where you lack perfect faith. Where you see this lack of faith, hold onto the hope that, just like these disciples, you will receive the full outpouring of the promised Holy Spirit in your life so that every doubt will be dispelled, and you will receive true Wisdom, Understanding, and Knowledge in their fullness.

My Ascended Lord, You entered the glories of Heaven, body and soul, as Your disciples looked on. They worshiped You but also struggled with doubts. Help me to also worship You with my whole being. As I do, reveal to me my lack of faith and trust in You and dispel these sins by the outpouring of the Holy Spirit. Jesus, I trust in You.

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆	
Adult Envelopes	\$2,196.08
Plate.....	201.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,397.08
Other Donations	
Building/Maintenance.....	\$57.50

Parish Events	
Tu 05/23	7:10 pm K of C Meeting - SR
We 05/24	7:00 pm Young Adult Group - FR
Th 05/25	7:00 am Adoration
Sa 05/27	3:30 pm Individual Confessions

Work on the New Addition and Handicap Accessibility has begun. Please prayerfully consider making a monetary contribution to this project that will be an asset to the community for years to come.

Immaculate Conception Raffle and More is Saturday, June 10. Raffle tickets have been distributed. If you need more, stop by Worms Lumber & Ready Mix or New Munich Gas & Grocery. This year we are excited to have a cake walk, and we are asking parishioners with last names beginning with A-M to please provide one cake or baked good item. Funeral group 7 will be asked to help work at the cake walk and food stand. They will be notified with details as the date gets closer. Feel free to contact Tatum Holdvogt (507-259-6022) with any questions. Thank you!

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆	
Adult Envelopes	\$2,066.54
Plate.....	327.50
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,394.04
Other Donations	
Votive.....	\$15.00
Building/Maintenance.....	40.00

Parish Events	
Tu 05/23	7:00 am Adoration
Tu 05/23	7:10 pm K of C Meeting
We 05/24	7:00 pm Young Adult Group - FR
Fr 05/26	7:30 pm Rosary

Volunteer Help Needed The St. Rose of Lima Parish Festival Committee is looking for a third couple to assist with planning and helping with this year's festival. If you have any questions or want to help, please contact Mark and Bev Wiechman at 320-836-2918 or Adam and Jackie Wiechmann at 320-293-0423 or 320-250-0401.

Sponsor a Votive Candle The parish is looking for someone to sponsor the following candles: 4 on the Blessed Virgin Mary Statue Stand and 4 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.

Thank you to the Christian Women who helped make the evening a success and the three young boys who served Mass for our West Central Deanery Meeting which St. Rose hosted on April 26.
 ~Marilyn Bergmann, CW Pres

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆	
Total	\$837.50
Regular Adult Offering.....	637.00
Children.....	20.50
Plate/Loose	80.00
Maintenance.....	25.00
Perpetual Fund.....	75.00

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, May 28 - 10:00 am


(S) Sam Orbeck or Jack Orbeck
(L) Katherine Orbeck
(U) Rick Terres & Robert Van Drehle
(EM) Karen Rademacher
(Sacristan) Ruth Heinen
(RL) Tony & Mary Gruenes
(CC) Sandra Gruber & Kathy LeClaire
(HK: May 28 - June 10) Jeanette Kalthoff, Jenny Kalthoff, & Luann Kalthoff

Baptized in Christ... Paisley Brenda Lieser

Thank you to the *Christian Women* for purchasing the graduation gifts for our graduating Seniors.

St. Michael's Parish House There will be a half hour meeting right after the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, June 4 to share information and receive input on future plans for the parish house. All St. Michael's parishioners are invited to attend.





"I am praying for them..."
 John 17:9

Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation - not just our last resort. Pray for friends and family, and especially for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you. Teach others how to pray. It has been said that teaching someone how to pray is the best gift you can give someone.

Lord,
Hear Our
Prayer

The Scriptures This Week
 Year A, Weekdays - Cycle I

Mo	Acts 19:1-8	Jn 16:29-33
Tu	Acts 20:17-27	Jn 17:1-11a
We	Acts 20:28-38	Jn 17:11b-19
Th	Acts 22:30; 23:6-11	Jn 17:20-26
Fr	Saint Philip Neri, Priest	
	Acts 25:13b-21	Jn 21:15-19
Sa	Acts 28:16-20, 30-31	Jn 21:20-25
Next Sunday - Pentecost Sunday		
	Acts 2:1-11	1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13 Jn 20:19-23

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$1,251.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,128.00
Plate/Loose	99.00
Votives.....	24.00

Liturgical Ministries
Saturday, May 27 - 4:00 pm

(S) Sophia Kasper & Leo Kasper
 (L) Herman Lensing
 (U) Bill Frieler & Duane Frieler
 (GB) Joe & Sharon Schwieters
 (EM) Clarine Beier
 (HK - May) *Amy Frieler, Sara Dehmer, Rita Eveslage, Amber Fleischhacker, Betty Frieler, and Linda Frieler

Thank you to the *Christian Women* for purchasing the graduation gifts for our graduating Seniors.

Mass Time Change... The Thursday daily Mass time will be **10:00 am**, (not 8:00 am) at St. Andrew's this week due to it being the SJSA 6th grade graduation Mass.

GO
 and
Make
Disciples
 OF
ALL Nations
 Matthew 28:19



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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆


Total	\$1,776.87
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,475.00
Children.....	2.25
Plate/Loose	155.00
Votives.....	65.00
Graduation Crosses.....	79.62

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, May 28 - 8:00 am

(S) Morgan Funk & Paige Funk
 (L) Jim Leukam
 (U) Andrew Primus & John Primus
 (GB) Marcy Lensing Family
 (EM) Karl Meyer & Sue Meyer
 (HK - May) *Brenda Nathe, Virginia Nathe, Geri Primus, Cindy Schneider, Karen Schneider, and Virginia Meyer


Died in the Hope of Resurrection...
 †LuVerne Aloys "Sonny" Meyer, 88

Corpus Christi Mass and Procession
 Sunday, June 11 at 8:00 am.
 Root beer floats in the Meire Grove Community Park following the conclusion of the Procession. All are invited.




Thank You to *St. John's Society* for purchasing the graduation gifts for our graduating Seniors.

Mary is the Queen of May and we, in Meire Grove, will be continuing our tradition of praying the rosary each Wednesday evening, in the month of May, at our Lady of Lourdes grotto. (Located on the south side of church.) The rosary begins at 7:00 pm. Chairs will be provided. In case of inclement weather, we will pray the rosary inside of church. Everyone from all parishes are invited to join us!



HISPANIC MINISTRY

Formación en la fe: Información de contacto: Faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com
 •**Vea el Ministerio Juvenil de ACC para información juvenil.**

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!

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

Clínica de Salud Gratis. Cada tercer jueves del mes en el Centro Hispano de Waite Park, de 2 a 5:30 pm se atiende con cita o sin cita. 106 7th Ave North, Waite Park, 56387. Llame hoy para programar una cita. 320-492-2220.

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

Melrose Community Garden if you are interested in reserving a plot, please call Mary at 320-217-3030.

May 21, Sunday
 ◆"500" Card Party at Sacred Heart Church basement in Freeport. Start time is 7:00 pm. Lunch will be served. All are welcome to join.

May 23, Tuesday
 ◆**Bologna Daze** at Bucky's Bar serving from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Music by Donny Brang & Marcie Welle. \$10 all you can eat bologna, potato wedges, sauerkraut, baked beans, homemade bread and dessert.

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

May 28, Sunday
 ◆**Grey Eagle/Swanville Knights of Columbus** is sponsoring a breakfast at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Grey Eagle. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm.

May 31, Wednesday
 ◆**Quilting** at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.
 ◆**Jeff Cavins** will speak 6:30 pm to 7:45 pm at St. Andrew, Elk River 566 4th St NW, Elk River, MN 55330. This event is free for those that wish to attend. Topic for this meeting is "Hope: An Anchor for Your Soul."

June 4, Sunday
 ◆**Fr. Kenneth Popp** will be celebrating his Retirement and 40th Anniversary with a 10:30 am Mass at St. Joseph's Church, Pierz, MN with a lunch to follow. Fr. Popp invites anyone that would wish to celebrate with him to come.

Public Rosary will be prayed weekly

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

- Tuesday at 7:00 am in English in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesday at 1:00 pm in English in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesday at 7:00 pm in English at Our Lady of Lourdes Grotto in Meire Grove.
- Thursday at 7:00 am 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 in the gathering space in the St. Rose of Lima Church.

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa:

Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

- **Faith Formation Registration:** Registration packets were mailed out. If you have not received your packet, contact the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport, 320-836-2143. You can drop off forms and payment at the Tri-Parish Office or mail to PO Box 155, Freeport, MN 56331.



YOUTH MINISTRY

One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:

Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org or faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- ♥ **Kickball & Cookout for Grades 6-12** Wednesday, May 31 from 6:30-8:30 pm at the Sacred Heart Parish Grounds. Join us for kickball, a meal together, and fellowship. If you would like to attend and have not signed up, please contact Chrystal at 320-836-2143.

- ♥ **Vocation Camp for Young Men June 20-22, 2023** 9:00-9:30 am check in. Young men in grades 7-10 are invited. This camp is at the beautiful Mead family residence on the lake with swimming, fishing, skits, campfire prayer, Mass, Adoration, vocation stories, and more. Cost: \$40. Camp families are welcome to join for Mass on Thursday, June 22 at 11:00 am with a potluck lunch to follow. Questions, please contact Julie Jacobs at jjacobs@gw.stedio.org or call 320-251-5001. Deadline: Thursday, June 1. Register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023VocationCamp>.

- ♥ **MN Twins and Feed My Starving Children Trip** will be on Thursday, June 22. We will package food in the morning and head to Target Field for a Minnesota Twins game vs. Boston Red Sox. Pick up will be in Freeport at 7:00 am and return around 5:00 pm. Sign up forms are available on the bulletin boards in all 7 parishes of the ACC and on the parish websites. Deadline for sign up is Monday, May 22.

- ♥ **5th Annual Nun Run June 27-29, 2023** Fr. Doug would like to invite young women (ages 16-22) who are interested in religious life to join the "2023 Nun Run." Cost: \$25. Register at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/2023NunRun>. If you have any questions, please contact the Vocations Office at 320-251-5001.

- ♥ **Valleyfair and Feed My Starving Children Trip** will be on Monday, July 10. We head to Valleyfair for the morning and will package food in the afternoon. Pick up will be in Freeport at 8:15 am and return around 8:15 pm. Sign up forms are available on the bulletin boards in all 7 parishes of the ACC and on the parish websites. Deadline for sign up is Friday, June 23.



- ♥ **3G Girls, God, & Good Times Catholic Benedictine Camp** July 17-19, 2023 Girls in grades 6-12 are invited to meet other girls who love God and love to have fun! Counselors are all College of Saint Benedict students who volunteer their time and come back year after year. Cost: \$280. Questions, please contact Sister Laura Suhr, camp director at 320-363-7100 or 3gcamp@csbsju.edu. Deadline to sign up is Thursday, June 29.

- ♥ **Paschal Challenge August 19, 2023** 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, & 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.

- ♥ **Youth in Theology & Ministry (YTM) June 16-21** Students who have completed Grades 9-12 are encouraged to attend. YTM is a 9-day institute where young people are encouraged to think theologically, learn more about their faith and vocation, all while enjoying



- the beauty of Saint John's University campus in Collegeville, MN. More than ever, young people need a place where they can ask questions, learn more about themselves, and be a part of a beloved community. The full cost is \$650 per student, \$50 due upon registration. However, there are some scholarship funds available. If cost is the only deterrent, contact us today to talk about scholarship opportunities! For more information or to register visit, <https://mailchi.mp/12645cff3fd3/send-your-highschoolers-to-ytm-this-june?e=fff1681c2b>.

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♥**Wednesday, May 24 - K-6 Students** will be going on a Field Trip to the Minnesota Zoo. The field trip is planned and organized for us by the Freeport State Bank.

♥**Thursday, May 25 - SHS Field Day** - A variety of outdoor Track, Field, & Recreational activities are planned, followed by the traditional volleyball game (Teachers vs 6th graders).

♥**Friday, May 26 - 6th Grade Graduation Mass** at 8:15 am followed by brunch for 6th grade students and parents. 6th grade students are dismissed after Mass.

♥**Outdoor Picnic Lunch** will be served for grades K-5 students from 11:15 am to 12:15 pm. Their dismissal for the year will be at the end of the day.

♥**May 30-31 - Teacher Workshop Days.**



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♦**The SMS State of the School Report** is included as an insert in the bulletin or can also be accessed by scanning the QR code or visiting the school website under the tab, current families. <https://www.smsmelrosemn.org/>

♦**St. Mary's Sixth-grade Promotion** will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church on Tuesday, May 23, at 7:00 pm. A reception sponsored by the Christian Women will follow the Mass.

♦**The Last Day of School** is Friday, May 26.

♦**Thank You** for you continued support of the SMSS\$4Kids program. The last day to order this school year will be June 4. Orders can be picked up at the school on Friday, June 9. We will start selling scrip again at church in September.

♦**Thank You** for the generous donations coming in for replacing all 16 heating units in the school. The total cost of the project is \$300,000. The Church and School will contribute \$75,000 each from their budgets and are looking to raise another \$150,000. We have raised \$45,360.

♦**There are Still Openings** for prospective 2023-2024 Little Saints and students in Kindergarten through 6th grade. If interested call 320-256-4257 or email anelson@smsmn.org



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♦**SJSA Kindergarten Graduation** is Monday, May 22 at 1:45 pm.

♦**Congratulations** to our 6th grade graduates Morgan Funk, Paige Funk, Ethan Hellickson, and Jada Worms. A Graduation Mass will be **Thursday, May 25 at 10:00 am** at St. Andrew's Church. An all-school picnic will follow the Mass.

♦**Mass Time Change** - Please note the student **Mass on Thursday, May 25 is at 10:00 am** rather than 8:00 am. The change is for the 6th grade Graduation Mass. All are welcome!

♦**Freeport State Bank** is sponsoring a field trip to the Minnesota Zoo for SJSA School K-6 students on Tuesday, May 23. Thank you to Jim Hemker, and Marlene Blommel for providing and organizing this field trip for us.

♦**Thank you to the St. Cloud Rox Baseball Team and Magnifi Financial** for sponsoring the Rox Reading Program. SJSA students participated in the program earning bookmarks, backpacks, and free Rox Tickets.

♦**Last Day of School** - The last day of school at SJSA is Thursday, May 25. Summer office hours will vary. If you need to be in contact with the school, please leave a message at 320-987-3133 or email Mary at sjsamarym@gmail.com.

Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

05/14 \$100 Ruth Wiechmann - New Munich
 05/15 \$25 Kyle & Brooke Rademacher - Freeport
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 05/18 \$25 Mary Monroe - Melrose
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to be added to this list.



For the Sick:

Beatrice Massmann, Dorine Sunderman, Laura Hoppe, Lynn Bussmann MacRae, Shari Salina, Rachael Zink, Rita Huls, Joan Schlicht, Thomas Stangler, Jr., Jon Tuft

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I Jessica Solum♥Cole Bushman, 6-10 New Munich
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 III Stephane Hernandez Jimenez♥German Hernandez Montanez, 5-27 Melrose

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Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School June 5-9 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. Students entering grade 6 through adults are invited to prayerfully consider joining us for an amazing start to your summer! If you are interested in helping and haven't signed up, contact Chrystal at the Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143.

Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143.

Jeff Cavins is Returning to St. Andrew in Elk River You are invited to join us and bring a friend. May 31: Hope: An Anchor for Your Soul from 6:30 - 7:45 pm in the Worship Space.

Retrouvaille Weekend This event will be held at Best Western Hotel, Eagan, MN June 2-4. Thinking about separation or divorce? Hurting? Angry? Feel helpless? Retrouvaille is a lifeline for troubled marriages. Couples learn the tools to rediscover each other and heal their marriage. 100% confidential. Any questions contact TCRRegistration@tcr-mn.org. Find out more information and register at <http://www.helpourmarriage.org>.



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