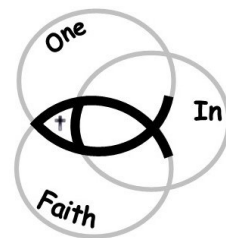


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St. Mary - Melrose, Sacred Heart - Freeport
 Immaculate Conception - New Munich
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Fr. Marvin Enneking, Pastor ~ Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor ~ Fr. Arockiya Newton, Parochial Vicar

Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

February 6, 2022

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www.stclouddiocese.org

Freeport Office:

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 Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Adoration

Sacred Heart - Freeport
 Fridays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

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

- ♦Fridays 7:45 am Sacred Heart
- ♦Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception
- ♦Or by appointment. 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 ~ FEBRUARY 7 - 13

ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm **Misa en Español**
 †Jesús Chávez Vargas
 Cumples años de Sergio Hernández

Tu 7:30 am †Ann M. Roehrl

We 7:30 am †Jerry Primus

Th 7:30 am ††Norbert & Leona Schaefer

Fr 8:30 am †Fr. Ken Thielman

Sa 5:00 pm †Lucille Mae Moore
 For the People

*Su 10:00 am †Steve O' Callaghan
 ††Ed & Virginia Keller & Family

Su 12:30 pm **Misa en Español**
 ††María Fernández, Álvaro Ambriz
 ††Ángel & Andrés Rodríguez

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am †††Charlie, Shirley, &
 Karl Heidgerken

Fr 8:15 am †Irene Harren

Su 8:00 am †††Al, Dorothy, & Joyce Schmid

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am ††Elmer & Tony Wolbeck

Sa 4:00 pm For the People

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Harvey Rohe

Su 10:00 am †Dec. Members of the
 Tony Hartung Family

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am †Ann Loehr

Su 10:00 am †Stacy Orbeck

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th 8:00 am †Luverne Winter

Sa 4:00 pm ††Fritz & Marilyn Uphus

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am †Aloys (Red) Meyer

Su 8:00 am ††Denis & Emily Schneider Family

*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit
oneinfaith.org for the YouTube link.



CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)

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

Weekly Contributions

Total.....	\$10,033.14
Regular Adult Offering.....	8,816.61
Loose.....	878.50
Phase II.....	20.00
Designated Funds.....	318.03
St. Mary's School Endowment.....	\$0.00
Phase II Building	\$108,121.85

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

01-30	\$25	Dave & Cindy Hemmesch - Melrose
01-31	\$25	Janice Ahrens - Melrose
02-01	\$25	Donna Sand - Melrose
02-02	\$25	Barry Meyer - Freeport
02-03	\$25	Alvina Gerads - Melrose
02-04	\$25	Gary & Eileen Middendorf - Melrose
02-05	\$25	Patrick Geertsema - Melrose



Baptized in Christ... Emmett Lee Jensen

NO Refreshments will be served after Masses at St. Mary's in February as per the Bishop's letter. Hopefully we will be able to begin after Mass hospitality in March. Be safe and well! Thank you!

St. Mary's Mission Society will meet on Wednesday, February 9 in the conference room at 10:30 am. All are welcome!

Christian Women Rescheduled the February meeting to March 15 at 6:00 pm at St. Mary's.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)

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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆**Weekly Stewardship**◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes.....	\$2,947.38
Plate.....	402.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$3,349.38

Other Donations

Votive.....	\$98.25
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Parish Events

Tu 02/08	6:00 pm	Bible Study
We 02/09	10:00 am	Bible Study
We 02/09	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation
We 02/09	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
Fr 02/11	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr 02/11	9:00 am	Adoration

Exterior Church Maintenance This limestone and exterior of the church needs upkeep. The limestone needs to be washed, repaired, and then sealed. This Spring the hope is to begin this project. The project is estimated at \$50,000. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this must needed restoration of this historical church.

Candlemas... The Presentation of the Lord There are candles available for purchase in the front of church.

Anointing of the Sick will take place at the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 13. For those that would like the laying of hands for this anointing, please sit in the front few pews.

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.....	\$1,451.96
Plate.....	62.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,513.96

Other Donations

Building/Maintenance.....	\$87.50
Votive.....	180.00

Parish Events

Mo 02/07	5:00 pm	New Munich Fire Department Meeting
Tu 02/08	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
We 02/09	10:00 am	Bible Study - FR
We 02/09	9:00 am	Quilting
We 02/09	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation - FR
We 02/09	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Th 02/10	9:00 am	Quilting
Sa 02/12	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions

Candlemas... The Presentation of the Lord There are candles available for purchase in the front of church.

Anointing of the Sick will take place at the 4:00 pm Mass on Saturday, February 12. For those that would like the laying of hands for this anointing, please sit in the front few pews.

May He Rest in Peace... Our parish offers prayers and sympathy to the family of †**Donald "Don" Gaebel**, who passed away Wednesday, January 26. A Memorial Funeral Mass was held here on Tuesday, February 1.



Weddings... Congratulations to Kurt & Katie (Kruger) Mayers who were married at Immaculate Conception on Saturday, January 29. May God bless you with many years of happiness together.

Quilting... We will begin quilting on Wednesday and Thursday, February 9 and 10 at 9:00 am. The following weeks will go to Tuesday, Wednesday, and Thursday also at 9:00 am until we are through. If you do not sew, we would appreciate volunteers to bring lunch.

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.....	\$1,237.69
Plate.....	252.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,489.69

Other Donations

Central MN Catholic Magazine.....	\$25.00
School Support.....	100.00

Candlemas... The Presentation of the Lord There are candles available for purchase in the front of church.

Anointing of the Sick will take place at the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, February 13. For those that would like the laying of hands for this anointing, please sit in the front few pews.

Dish Towels... We are planning on selling dish towels at our festival again this year; so if anyone is interested in embroidering them they are in the new addition of the church. They have been cleaned and ready for sewing.

Parish Events

Tu 02/08	9:00 am	Quilting - Group 4
Tu 02/08	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
Tu 02/08	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
We 02/09	10:00 am	Bible Study - FR
We 02/09	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation - FR
We 02/09	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr 02/11	7:30 pm	Rosary
Sa 02/12	10:30 am	Private Event

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 questions or want to help, please contact Chris and Lisa Atkinson at 763-221-4172 or 763-300-0065, or Bev and Mark Wiechman at 320-836-2918.



CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)

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

Weekly Contributions

Total.....	\$844.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	622.00
Children.....	3.00
Plate/Loose.....	44.00
Fuel Fund.....	20.00
Maintenance.....	35.00
Church Use.....	100.00
St. Cloud Visitor.....	20.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, February 13 - 10:00 am

(S) Celia Schoenberg & Gabby Schoenberg (L) Katherine Orbeck
 (U) Ron Welle & Steve Welle (EU) (B) Melvin Kalthoff
 (Sacristan) Kathy Welle
 (RL) Kathy Welle
 (CC) Sandra Gruber & Kathy LeClaire
 (HK - Feb. 6-13) Deanna Welle, Diane Welle, & Donna Welle

Rosary Rally Please join us on Saturday, February 19 at 10:00 am at St. Michael's Church for a Rosary in honor of Saint Jacinta and Saint Francisco. This is the Saturday nearest to their feast day.

Year-end Contribution Statements are in the back of church, please pick yours up. If not picked up by February 13, remaining envelopes will be mailed.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)

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

Weekly Contributions

Total.....	\$1,214.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,100.00
Plate/Loose.....	22.00
Votives.....	12.00
Maintenance.....	10.00
Fuel.....	10.00
School Subsidy.....	10.00
Organ Donations.....	50.00

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, February 12 - 4:00 pm

(S) Logan Frieler & Megan Frieler (L) Lauren Dehmer
 (U) Peter Van Beck & David Welle
 (GB) Paul & Kathy Buermann (EU) (B) Dustin Gregory
 (HK-February) *Mary Opatrny, Kristin Pattinson, Joan Rademacher, Rose Ann Rademacher, Joyce Schoenberg, & Sharon Schwieters

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SJSA 31st Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction will be held February 11 & 12 at the Greenwald Pub. Tickets are \$30 and are available at the following places: SJSA School, QPC in Meire Grove, Freeport State Bank - Greenwald, and the Greenwald Pub. Live auction will be Saturday, February 12. Online auction with fewer items will run from February 3-10. If you would still like to donate to the auction, contact one of the people listed below: Steven & Katie Hellickson, auction chairs 320-491-2849 Adam & Jenny Kalthoff, auction co-chairs 320-290-1489 Dustin & Asha Gregory, auction co-chairs 320-333-6277.

Catholic United Financial #324 Matching Grant Breakfast

St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial is sponsoring a Matching Grant Ham & Eggs Breakfast, also serving sweet rolls and fried potatoes on Sunday, February 13 at the Greenwald Pub (handicap accessible). Serving from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Eligible for matching Grant up to \$1,000 by Catholic United Financial. Sales Representative Tim Parks 320-351-3535.

Looking For Donations... St. Andrew's Parish has purchased a new electric piano/organ. Donations so far total \$1,320, total cost of the piano/organ was \$3,329. Please consider giving to the piano fund and put it in an envelope marked "Piano/Organ." Thank you for all the donations so far!

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)

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

Weekly Contributions

Total.....	\$1,476.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,105.00
Children	0.25
Plate/Loose.....	110.00
Votives.....	41.00
Fuel.....	200.00
St. Cloud Magazine.....	20.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, February 13 - 8:00 am

(S) Faith Meyer & Kayla Meyer (L) Kaylee Nathe
 (U) Herb Imdieke & Jerry Imdieke
 (GB) Gary & Irene Marthaler
 (EU) (B) Jim Leukam & Dan Meyer
 (HK-February) *Cindy Schneider, Karen Schneider, Linda Schneider, Joy Silbernick, Julie Wehlage, & Geri Primus

Save the Date: Sunday, April 3 at 1:00 pm Bingo – cash or ham prizes. Parish Raffle Drawing and Bake sale.

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HISPANIC MINISTRY

Uno en Fe ~ Formación de Fe y Ministerio Juvenil (Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill)

•**Grados 7-8: Próxima clase:** Miércoles 9 de Febrero de 7:15 a 8:30 pm. Reúnase en la Iglesia de Santa María. Estudiantes y algunos padres. Tema de la noche: la invitada Morgan Kempenich enseña sobre música y liturgia, y Ambiente seguro con la otra invitada Jenny Nietfeld (si no desea que su hijo asista a la noche sobre ambiente seguro, puede completar el formulario de declinación en el sitio web One In Faith).

•**Confirmación-** Miércoles, 9 de Febrero Estudiantes y Padrino/ Patrocinador de 7:00 - 8:30 pm en la Iglesia de St. Mary's . Tema de la noche: Q & A con el !Padre Marv!

Ministerio Juvenil ACC

•**Retiro Castaway para los grados 9-12:** Viernes -Domingo, 25-27 de Marzo en el Castaway Club en Detroit Lakes, MN. Castaways ha sido una experiencia energizante para nuestra joven Iglesia, en la Diócesis de St. Cloud por más de 48 años. Este retiro es un fin de semana lleno de oraciones poderosas, obras de teatro divertidas, oradores inspiradores, música increíble, una misa increíble y muchas oportunidades para el crecimiento de la fe. Reúnase con más de 300 personas y haga nuevos amigos, tómese el tiempo para relajarse, reír, comer comida fantástica y renovar su espíritu mientras fortalece su relación con Dios.

Misa y Bendición para los Matrimonios por el Obispo Donald Kettler Sábado, 14 de Mayo a la 1:00 pm en la Iglesia de St. María en Melrose.

•**Rosario y Oración** con la comunidad de Oración Santa María los siguientes tres jueves del mes a las 6:30 pm. Dirigida por el Señor Oscar Nolasco. ¡Todos son bien venidos!

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

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.



Oración por nuestro nuevo obispo El obispo Donald Kettler cumplió 75 años en noviembre pasado y, según la tradición, presentó su solicitud de jubilación. El Papa Francisco nombrará un obispo sustituto, que puede llevar algún tiempo. Oramos por el obispo Kettler, por su reemplazo y por todos los involucrados en el proceso de selección.

Padre Celestial, enviaste a Jesús para pastorear a Tu pueblo y al Espíritu Santo para hacer de Tu pueblo uno. Mire con favor a aquellos que seleccionarán a nuestro nuevo obispo.

Dales Tu visión y deja que su juicio sea claro. Diles tu voluntad. Te agradecemos por nuestros pastores pasados y las bendiciones que han sido para la gente de esta diócesis.

Señor, envía tu Espíritu Santo para ungir a nuestro nuevo obispo para que pueda continuar la obra de renovación en la Iglesia y unir a nuestras parroquias, sacerdotes y personas

en el amor, la verdad y la sabiduría. Dale un verdadero corazón de pastor como el de Jesús, para que pueda dar fuerza a los débiles, sanar a los quebrantados de corazón,

consolar a los solitarios, traer de vuelta a los vagabundos y ser un poder contra la maldad de nuestros días. Te lo pedimos en el poderoso nombre de Jesús.

Amén



Señor, oro para ser guiado a y por tí.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz **PRINCIPAL:** Kristie Harren
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle
SHS BOARD: Amy Wilwerding, Emily Smith, Nick Shaw,
 Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho
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**Sacred Heart School
 Calendar Raffle Winners**

01-30	\$25	Jacilyn Wiechmann - Freeport
01-31	\$25	Tanner Klaphake - Albany
02-01	\$25	Jessica Tomczik - St. Cloud
02-02	\$25	Stacy O'Neil - St. Cloud
02-03	\$25	Doug & Judy Albers - Kimball
02-04	\$25	Nona Vornbrock - Albany
02-05	\$25	Mary Hoppe - Albany

- ♥ **Wednesday, February 9 - All School Mass** will be planned by Mrs. Maus and the Kindergarten students.
- ♥ **Wednesday - Friday, February 9-11** - The 6th grade students, Mrs. Christie Zink, and parent chaperones will be going to Long Lake Conservation Camp near Palisade, MN. The camp is an environmental learning center, and the students learn a lot about nature, explore the outdoors, and enjoy a variety of winter-time activities.
- ♥ **Thursday, February 10 - School Board Meeting** at 7:30 pm.
- ♥ **Sacred Heart School is participating in the Catholic United Financial Catholic Schools Raffle thru February 27.** Tickets sell for \$5, and you have the chance to win the grand prize of \$20,000 cash or a 2022 Ford Escape. Other prizes include a \$5,000 vacation, Smart TV's, Amazon gift cards, and more. Tickets are available from all Sacred Heart families or the school office. Catholic United Financial pays for the expenses involved with this fundraiser and all the money raised selling tickets stays at SHS.



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

- ♦ **Thank you** for your recent support of the SMS Catholic Schools Week Breakfast. Halos to the SMS parents for their work in making the breakfast a success. Thank you to Amanda and Luke Fuechtmann for chairing the event.
- ♦ **Thank you** to Jason and Mindy Arnzen who organized Family Fun Night and all the parents who volunteered to make it a fun, safe, and community-building event for all families.
- ♦ **St. Mary's 6th graders** will be joining students from Sacred Heart and St. Agnes in Osakis for a three day environmental learning experience at Long Lake Conservation Camp near Aitkin, MN. Please keep them in your prayers. Thank you for supporting this opportunity for the children by dropping off your aluminum cans.
- ♦ **Parents with Prospective Little Saints** (3-5 year olds) for the 2022 - 2023 school year are asked to call 320-256-4257. Registration for Preschool - sixth grade will begin in March. If you are new to the community or just considering sending your child to St. Mary's School, please call to schedule a visit or to receive registration materials.
- ♦ **Mark your calendar:** March 5, Auction4Education at the Melrose Legion. We will be celebrating 20 years with a Tailgating theme. Catch N Cash \$100 raffle tickets can be purchased after the 10:00 am Mass, school, church office, or local businesses. Visit our auction website for more details. <http://www.bidpal.net/smsmelrose>.



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking **PRINCIPAL:** Mary Miller **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:** Kristen Pattinson
SJSA BOARD: Janice Funk, Kurt Meyer, Bridget Kasper, Amy Frieler, Kristin Zimmer, Kate Kelzer, Trista Roelike
 Phone: 320-987-3133 www.sjsaschool.org

- **SJSA is now taking registration** for the 2022-2023 school year. We are always happy to welcome new families. Please call the school at 320-987-3133 for more information and questions.
- **SJSA received a check** for \$526 from the Arvig Internet School Partnership Program. Thank you to all who support this program. The School Partnership Program gives customers the option to donate \$1 a month from their internet payment each month - at no extra cost to them - to a school of their choice in the Arvig service area. Go to www.arvig.com to sign up.
- **Catholic United Financial Catholic Schools Raffle** January 14 - February 27. Tickets are \$5 and are available from any SJSA family or at the school. If you would like to purchase tickets from the school, please call 320-987-3133. Prizes include \$20,000 in cash or a 2022 Ford Escape, \$5,000 Dream Vacation, Mall of America Weekend, Smart TVs, Amazon Gift Cards & more!
- **The 31st Annual Steak and Wine Dinner and Auction** to support SJSA is February 11 and 12 at the Greenwald Pub. The live auction will be Saturday, February 12. The online auction runs February 3-10. Dinner tickets are \$30 and can be picked up at SJSA, the Greenwald Pub, Freeport State Bank-Greenwald Branch, and QPC Meire Grove. Take outs and curbside pick-up are available. Donny Brang will provide live music on Saturday night from 5:00 - 7:30 pm.

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa Faith Formation

- **Grades 1, 3-6:** Next Class: Wednesday, February 9 - Home Lesson.
- **Grade 2:** Next Class: Wednesday, February 9 at 6:00 pm. Meet at Sacred Heart Parish Office.
- **Grades 7-10:** Next Class: Wednesday, February 9 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Meet in the body of the church. Bring your bible, notebook, and pen.



Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove Faith Formation

- ♦ **Grades 7-8:** Next Class: Wednesday, February 9 from 7:15 - 8:30 pm. Meet at St. Mary's Church. Students and some parents. Topic of the evening: Guest speaker Morgan Kempenich teaches about music & liturgy & Safe Environment with guest speaker Jenny Nietfeld. If you do not want your child to attend the safe environment evening, you can complete the declination form on the One In Faith website.
- ♦ **Confirmation:** Next Class: Wednesday, February 9 Students and mentor/sponsor from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at St. Mary's Church. Topic of the evening: Q & A with Fr. Marv!

YOUTH MINISTRY

ACC Youth Ministry

- ◆ **Castaway Retreat for Grades 9-12:** Friday - Sunday, March 25-27 at the Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes, MN. Castaways has been an energizing experience for our young Church in the Diocese of St. Cloud for over 48 years. This retreat is a weekend filled with powerful prayer, fun skits, inspirational speakers, awesome music, an incredible Mass, and many faith-growing opportunities. Come together with over 300 others and make new friends, take time to relax, laugh, eat fantastic food, and renew your spirit while strengthening your relationship with God.

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS



Now Hiring St. Mary's School is seeking applicants for a full-time administrative assistant with immediate employment. The Administrative Assistant is responsible for the effective and efficient operation of the school office and should have a solid understanding of school office procedures. If interested please send a letter of interest, resume, and two letters of recommendation to: Autumn Nelson St. Mary's School 320 5th Ave. SE Melrose, MN 56352 or email anelson@smsmn.org.

Prayers Requested for Fr. John Schwieters, OFM. Please include Fr. John Schwieters, OFM, in your prayers. In August 2021, Fr. John suffered a traumatic brain injury, a bleeding brain stroke and a cardiac event. He was hospitalized in intensive care for weeks and eventually was discharged to his Franciscan Convento (monastery) in Santerem, Brazil (on the Amazon River). He is continuing his long and slow recovery as he is cared for by his Franciscan community. His course is slow and his community is very invested in his care and improvement. Fr. John is originally from Freeport. He was ordained and said his first Mass at the Church of St. Mary in 1970. He has celebrated many Masses in our Catholic Communities over the last 50 + years. He has been serving the people of the Amazon since his ordination. Thank you for your prayers.

A Divine Design: Marriage and Natural Family Planning!



Natural Family Planning cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. It's effective, healthy, and marriage building. Sauk Centre on Monday, February 21 & March 21 at 6:30 pm at St. Paul's Church or CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at uphus.nfp@gmail.com or 320-290-8751. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

Apples and Oranges? An Interreligious Approach to Loving God and Neighbor

The reality of religious pluralism that there are many religions, that many good and sincere people practice these many religions, and that these many religions will remain many—invites us to grow in our love for God and neighbor by encountering what is true, good, and holy in these traditions. But where and how do we begin this interreligious learning? With examples from Buddhism, Hinduism, Islam, and Judaism, we will explore the possibilities religious pluralism and comparative theology provide. Friday, February 18, presentation from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm, Emmaus Hall, Saint John's University, Collegeville. Synchronous Event. Free event. Registration is required please call 320-363-3560, visit www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday or email theologyday@csbsju.edu.

“Amazing Grace” Retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo are held 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.

- Women's Silent Retreat February 25-27 (Weekend)
- Women's Silent Retreat March 1-3 (Lenten Midweek Ash Wednesday)
- Married Couples Weekend March 4-6 (not a silent retreat)
- Men's Silent Retreat March 11-13 (Weekend)
- Women's Silent Retreat March 15-17 (Midweek)

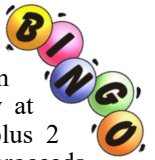


Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, February 8 at 6:00 pm and Wednesday, February 9 at 10:00 am at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. We will study the readings and Gospel for Sunday, February 13. All are welcome.

Catholic Men's Conference 2022 This event will be held February 26 at St. Francis Xavier, Sartell. This year's theme is “Saint Joseph's Men.” Our keynote speaker will be Monsignor Thomas Richter, pastor of Queen of Peace Church in Dickinson, ND. Cost is \$35. Details will be posted on our website as they become available: <https://stcdio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2022/>. Registration is now open at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CMC2022>.

Please Join the Tri-Parish Confirmation Class

on Sunday, February 27 at Sacred Heart Church Basement for Bingo. Free Lunch from 12:00 - 1:00 pm with a purchase of a card. Bingo will start promptly at 1:00 pm. Cash prizes. \$10 per card for 20 games plus 2 black-out games. No checks or credit cards please. All proceeds will be divided between Rachael Zink and Nick Rothstein.



Bishop's Annual Appeal Please remember the diocesan ministries that, through your generosity, continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. Keep them thriving by making a gift at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

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

Worldwide Marriage Encounter

“Yet, O LORD, you are our father; we are the clay and you the potter; we are all the work of your hands.” Let us strive to become the work of his hands by attending a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend. The next weekends are February 11-13 in Buffalo, MN and February 18-20 in Windom, MN. For more information, call Brent & Tracy Chessen at 612-756-8720 or visit them at northmnwwme.org.



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

“Then I heard the voice of the Lord saying, ‘Whom shall I send? Who will go for us?’ ‘Here I am,’ I said, ‘send me!’” (Isaiah 6:8)

Every day, in little ways and in big ways, God asks, “Whom shall I send?” Whether it is someone to take on a new ministry, to give a friendly smile to a stranger or to say a word of encouragement to a friend, God constantly provides opportunities to help someone in need. God is always talking to us; we just need to pay more attention. When you hear God calling have the courage to walk through the door and say, “Here I am, Lord.”

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)



*Lord, I pray to be Led
to and by you.*

Prayer Requests...

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

May They Rest in Peace: †Donald “Don” Gaebel

Banns of Matrimony:

I Brianna Lieser♥Adam Heinze, 2-26 SH

II Jessica Kerfeld♥Michael Lehner, 2-19 SR

For the Sick:

Rachael Zink, Nick Rothstein, Alice Doll

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

- ◆Sacred Heart - Jennie Hiltner.....836-2528
- ◆Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink.....837-5321
- ◆St. Rose of Lima - Kayla Harren.....333-8461
- ◆St. Mary's256-3878



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.
- ◆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.

The Scriptures This Week

Year C, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	1 Kgs 8:1-7,9-13	Mk 6:53-56
Tu	1 Kgs 8:22-23,27-30	Mk 7:1-13
We	1 Kgs 10:1-10	Mk 7:14-23
Th	Saint Scholastica, Virgin 1 Kgs 11:4-13	Mk 7:24-30
Fr	1 Kgs 11:29-32;12:19	Mk 7:31-37
Sa	1 Kgs 12:26-32;13:33-34	Mk 8:1-10
Next Sunday - Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Jer 17:5-8	1 Cor 15:12,16-20 Lk 6:17,20-26

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

February 6, Sunday

- ◆Sauk Center Lions Breakfast at the Sauk Centre Senior High School. All you can eat menu includes pancakes, french toast, hashbrowns, and sausage.
- ◆Music by Leroy & Joe from 12:30 - 3:30 pm at the Melrose American Legion.
- ◆BARGO from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Free card with drink or food purchase.

February 11/12, Friday/Saturday

- ◆SJSA Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction at the Greenwald Pub.

February 13, Sunday

- ◆Greenwald Catholic United Financial Breakfast at the Greenwald Pub. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. See St. Andrew's, Greenwald section for more information.
- ◆Sweetheart Dance Nite Owls from 1:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion.

- ◆BARGO from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Free card with drink or food purchase.

February 17, Thursday

- ◆Freeport Senior Citizens meeting at 1:30 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. Bingo and 500 will be played.

February 20, 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.

February 25, Friday

- ◆St. John the Baptist in Swanville has their Dinner/Auction at the Sobieski Community Center. Early-Bird Dinner Tickets are still only \$15, and you are in the \$500 and \$100 cash drawings. After Sunday, February 20 the tickets are \$20 and only so many will be sold at the door, and you will NOT be in the cash drawing. Call 320-547-2920 in the morning if you have any questions.

One in Faith ACC Schools Gift Card Programs

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

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