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

Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time **September 25, 2022**

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

Melrose - Spring Hill -
Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:

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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 3:15 pm St. Andrew
- Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception
- Saturdays 4:15 pm St. Mary
- Or by appointment. Call the 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
If you are interested in the RCIA program, contact Deacon Ernie Kociemba 320-248-5124
Email: kociemba@meltel.net

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.

SEEING BEYOND YOUR SUFFERING

"There was a rich man who dressed in purple garments and fine linen and dined sumptuously each day. And lying at his door was a poor man named Lazarus, covered with sores, who would gladly have eaten his fill of the scraps that fell from the rich man's table. Dogs even used to come and lick his sores." *Luke 16:19-21*

From one perspective, Lazarus was existing in a very undesirable state. He was poor, starving, and miserable. He was covered with sores that dogs would lick. This is very descriptive language used by Jesus and it's helpful to do your best to imagine this miserable physical state that Lazarus was in.

The key to this story is that even though Lazarus was in a miserable physical condition, his soul was in the hands of God. We know that to be true, because we are told that when he died, he was "carried away by angels to the bosom of Abraham" (Luke 16:22).

This story provides us all with an opportunity to look at what is most important in life. The rich man had all he wanted in this life but clearly lacked charity on account of the fact that he ignored the physical needs of Lazarus. For that reason, the rich man was spiritually impoverished, whereas Lazarus was spiritually prosperous.

When you can keep your eyes on what is most important in life, spiritual wealth, it will make the many other hardships you endure less burdensome. Perhaps you will never be in the same physical condition as Lazarus, but you may encounter other great pains and hardships in life. When this happens, the tendency may be to become fixated upon those sufferings and to take your eyes off your interior union with God.

Reflect, today, upon how you would deal with living like Lazarus. Reflect upon what your own "sores" are in life. They may be varied in type, degree and number from those of other people's sufferings, but they will be encountered in your life. As you identify your suffering, turn your eyes from it to the presence of God in your soul, and allow His presence to fill you with the riches of His grace.

Lord, I offer to You my suffering and pain, my misery and hurt. Help me to always keep my eyes on You and to seek satisfaction only in the riches of Heaven. Fill my heart, especially, with love of You and charity for others so that I will be truly rich in what matters most. Jesus, I trust in You.

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ACC Mass Times and Intentions ~ September 26 - October 2

St. Mary - Melrose

Mo	6:30 pm	**Misa en Español**
		†Patricia Mireles
		†Miguel A Hernandez
Tu	7:30 am	††Tom & Jean Rebrovich
We	7:30 am	†John Tarhaar
Th	7:30 am	†Joseph "Joe" Blenker
Fr	8:30 am	†Jean Hellermann
Sa	5:00 pm	†Jerome Butkowski
*Su	10:00 am	†Dolores Klasen
		For the People
Su	12:30 pm	**Misa en Español**
		†Julia Cervantes

Sacred Heart - Freeport

We	8:15 am	Allen & Myrna Notch
		55th Anniversary
Fr	**10:00 am**	†Ed Hiltner
Sa	**8:00 am**	†Loretta Renneker
Su	8:00 am	†Deceased Job Family

Immaculate Conception - New Munich

Th	8:15 am	†Gary Fichtinger
Sa	4:00 pm	For the People

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tu	8:15 am	†Alice McKenney
Su	10:00 am	†Anthony Hartung

St. Michael - Spring Hill

Tu	8:00 am	Good Harvest
Su	10:00 am	†Angeline Welle

St. Andrew - Greenwald

Th	8:00 am	†Francis Uphus
Sa	4:00 pm	†Gary Winter

St. John - Meire Grove

We	8:00 am	†Robert Luetmer
Su	8:00 am	†Loretta Nathe

NO Adoration
Sacred Heart - Freeport
Friday, September 30

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

One In Faith Area Catholic Community News

Parish News:
~ St. Mary ~ St. Michael ~ St. Andrew ~ ~ St. John ~

♦**Votive Candle Cost** Due to the price of votive candles, the candles are now $3, which barely covers the church cost. Thank you for your donation.

♦**Terebinth Refuge Speaker** will be at all Masses on October 1 & 2 in Melrose, Greenwald, Meire Grove, & Spring Hill. We will have a speaker during the homily time from Terebinth Refuge. There will be an opportunity for a free will offering after Mass.

Greenwald Elevator Softener Salt Sale The Greenwald Elevator is having a salt sale with proceeds going to SJSA. Salt can be ordered now through October 6 and can be ordered by the bag or pallet. Contact SJSA at 320-987-3133 or the Greenwald Elevator at 320-987-3159 to place your order. Pick-up day is Thursday, October 27 from 12:00 pm - 5:30 pm at the Greenwald Elevator.

Fall Quarter Craze Save the Date! Freeport Christian Women are excited to announce a Fall Quarter Craze on Monday, November 14. Hosted at the Freeport Community Center. Doors will open at 6:00 pm, and auction begins at 7:00 pm. Plan to join us for an evening of FUNraising!! More information about tickets coming soon!

Wreath and Poinsettia Fundraiser…

The Tri-Parish Youth will once again be selling wreaths and poinsettias. Please support our youth by placing an order. Orders can be placed by contacting one of our youth or by calling the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143.

RCIA Rites of Christian Initiation for those wishing to become or explore the Catholic Faith will meet on Monday, October 24 at 7:00 pm in St. Mary's Catholic Church. For details you may contact the Parish Office or Deacon Ernie Kociemba at kociemba@meltel.net or call 320-248-5124.

One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunities…

♦**Part-Time Custodial Help** Sacred Heart School is hiring part-time custodial help. The position is available immediately. Potential candidates could move into the position slowly working with and/or subbing for Rich Primus for several months before taking it over. Call the school office at 836-2591 for application information.

Parish News:
~ Sacred Heart ~ Immaculate Conception ~ ~ St. Rose of Lima ~

•**Adoration** There will be **NO** Adoration on Friday, September 30.

•**Card Players Wanted** Sacred Heart School offers a variety of After School Activities which the students may sign up for. One of these is Card Club, and we are looking for community members who would be interested in teaching and playing card games with a small group of children after school on the 1st Thursday of each month beginning in October. Call the school office at 836-2591 if interested.

•**Parish Fiscal Year Financial Reports** for July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022 are in the back of the church for anyone who wishes to view. On the back of the financial report are the parish statistics that are sent to the diocese annually giving the number of Catholics in the parish. If you have any questions, please contact Amy at 320-836-2143.

Public Square Rosary...

•Meet outside the St. Rose Church on Saturday, October 8 at 12:00 pm.
•Meet at the pavilion in downtown Freeport on Saturday, October 15 at 9:00 am.
•Meet at the Grotto in Spring Hill on Saturday, October 15 at 10:00 am.

Sacred Heart Catholic United Financial PVT #101 will sponsor a Matching Grant Breakfast for the benefit of Sacred Heart School on Sunday, October 9 in the Sacred Heart church basement from 8:30 am - Noon. Menu includes: Sausage, Pancakes with various toppings, Eggs, Applesauce & Beverage. Mark your calendars and plan to come and enjoy this delicious breakfast! Tickets will be $10 for adults and $5 for children 6-10.

Worldwide Marriage Encounter October 7-9 This event will be held in Buffalo, MN at Christ the King Retreat Center. Looking for a way to increase the love and romance in your marriage? Do you need time just for the two of you? A Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend Experience may be the answer! Instead of simply listening to lectures about how to improve your marriage, you will learn a practical communication technique and have an opportunity to rediscover your hopes and dreams for your marriage. Find more information at www.wwme.org or call Brent & Tracy Chessen at 612-756-8720.

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Church of St. Mary

Physical Address: 755 Kraft Drive SE
Melrose, MN 56352

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Total……..……..	**$20,517.81**
Regular Adult Offering…….…….	8,378.00
Loose…….	1,175.81
Phase II …….	0.00
Matching Funds…….	10,280.00
Designated Funds…….	684.00
St. Mary's School Endowment……	**$70.00**
Phase II Building ……..	**$47,211.85**
Phase II Matching Funds……	**$73,064.00**
Rectory……...	**$79,779.65**
Total: Phase II/Rectory…..……..	**$200,055.50**

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

09-18	$25	Steve Hinnenkamp - Melrose
09-19	$25	Mark N. Fuchs - Melrose
09-20	$25	Jacob Primus - Melrose
09-21	$50	Pete Klaphake - Sauk Centre
09-22	$25	Don Anderson - Melrose
09-23	$25	Mike Koetter - Melrose
09-24	$25	Mike Feldewerd - Melrose

Died in the Hope of Resurrection…

†Sharon Gamradt, 72
†Ralph Inderrieden, 79

Finance & Leadership Meetings St. Mary's Finance committee will meet on Thursday, September 29 at 5:30 pm followed by the Leadership committee at 6:30 pm at St. Mary's Church.

Anointing of the Sick Blessing We will be having the Anointing of the Sick on Sunday, October 9 after Masses.

Our 1st Annual Parish Get Together was a great time! Both young and old came together to enjoy wonderful weather, awesome music, tasty food, a pinata and each other. (And the Vikings defeated the Packers!) Thanks to the Parish Life Committee for putting this event together.

St. Mary's Annual Calendar Raffle As in previous years, two calendars were mailed to each family of our parish. Additional calendars are available at the Parish Office, Magnifi Financial - Melrose Branch, Freeport State Bank-Melrose Branch.

Church of the Sacred Heart

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

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Adult Envelopes...……..	$2,699.46
Plate……	473.91
Total Weekly Contributions	**$3,173.37**
Other Donations	
Votive…….……..……..	$153.00
Human Development……	10.00

Parish Events

Su	09/25	8:00 am	Baptism
Su	09/25	9:00 am	Baptism
Su	09/25	10:00 am	NET Retreat - NM
Tu	09/27	5:30 am	Men's Group
Tu	09/27	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting - SR
We	09/28	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation
We	09/28	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
Fr	09/30	7:45 am	**NO** Individual Confessions
Fr	09/30	9:00 am	**NO** Adoration
Fr	09/30	10:00 am	Grandparents Day Mass
Sa	10/01	8:00 am	First Saturday Mass
Su	10/02	6:00 pm	High School Youth Night

Baptized in Christ…

•We welcome **Boyd Riley Arnold,** the son of Zachary & Holly Arnold, to our parish. Boyd Riley was baptized on Sunday, September 18.

•We welcome **Ryker Gary Eastman,** the son of Benjamin Eastman & Courtney Klaphake, to our parish. Ryker Gary was baptized on Sunday, September 18.

Parish Choir All are welcome and encouraged to join.

Practice at 6:30 pm	**Sing at 8:00 am**
Tuesday, October 4	Sunday, October 9
Tuesday, October 18	Sunday, October 23

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.

***Gift cards make great gifts!**

♦ Loot for Learning (Sacred Heart School, Freeport- 320-836-2591)

♦ SMS$4Kids (St. Mary's School, Melrose- 320-256-4257)

♦ Scrip (St. John's/St. Andrew's School, Greenwald- 320-987-3133)

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 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.

Church of Immaculate Conception

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

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦♦

Adult Envelopes ……..	$1,626.96
Plate …….	181.00
Total Weekly Contributions	**$1,807.96**
Other Donations	
Votive……..…….	$185.00
Human Development……	175.00

Parish Events

Su	09/25	10:00 am	NET Retreat
Tu	09/27	5:30 am	Men's Group - FR
Tu	09/27	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Meeting - SR
We	09/28	6:00 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We	09/28	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr	09/30		Catholic Order of Foresters Breakfast Prep
Sa	10/01		Catholic Order of Foresters Breakfast Set up
Sa	10/01	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions
Su	10/02	7:00am	Catholic Order of Foresters Breakfast
Su	10/02	6:00 pm	HS Youth Night - FR

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 ……	$906.54
Plate ……..	101.00
Total Weekly Contributions	**$1,007.54**
Other Donations	
Building/Maintenance..…….	$20.00

Parish Events

Su	09/25	10:00 am	NET Retreat - NM
Su	09/25	11:00 am	Baptism
Tu	09/27	5:30 am	Men's Group - FR
Tu	09/27	7:10 pm	Knights of Columbus Mtg.
We	09/28	6:00 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We	09/28	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr	09/30	7:30 pm	Rosary
Su	10/02	6:00 pm	HS Youth Night - FR

Church of St. Michael

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

♦♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦♦

Total ……	**$12,120.65**
Regular Adult Offering ……	698.00
Children…….	0.00
Plate/Loose ……	70.00
Candles……..……..	237.00
Fuel Fund……	162.00
Belgrade Coop……	166.65
Fall Fund Drive……..	1,780.00
Lawnmower……..……	9,000.00
Human Development……	7.00

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, October 2 - 10:00 am

(S) Sam Orbeck & Jack Orbeck
(L) Katherine Orbeck
(U) Mark Schoneberg & Bob Terres
(EU) (B) Melvin Kalthoff
(Sacristan) Sharon & John Schulzetenberg
(RL) Kathy Welle
(CC) Mark Schoenberg & Rick Terres
(HK - Sept. 18 - Oct. 1) Amy Orbeck, Betty Orbeck, & Kim Orbeck

Weddings… Congratulations to Grant & Allison (Wieling) Rieland who were married at Immaculate Conception on Saturday, September 17. May God bless you with many years of happiness together.

Baptized in Christ… Crew Allen Welle

Save the Date… St. Michael's Annual worn-a-bit sale & bake sale is set for October 28, 29, and 30.

Matching Fund Breakfast St. Leo Court # 786, Catholic Order of Foresters, of New Munich will sponsor a Matching Fund Breakfast in the Immaculate Conception Church basement. Menu: Ham, fried potatoes, eggs, etc. Serving from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm Sunday, October 2. Proceeds go toward: Church Building Maintenance. Contact: 837-5239.

Bake Sale: St. Ann's Christian Women will hold a bake sale after Mass on Saturday, October 1 and in conjunction with the Catholic Order of Forester's Breakfast on Sunday, October 2, in the church basement. Parish members with the last names beginning A-M are asked to bring baked items (no items that need refrigeration please) to the church basement Saturday afternoon or Sunday morning. If you choose not to bake, you are asked to donate $5.00.

Confirmation Social: After the Confirmation Mass on Saturday, October 8, the Christian Women will host a social in the church basement. Servers requested: Donald & Kelly Vornbrock, Mike & Donna Welle, Paul & Brittany Welle, Roger & Joyce Welle, Tom & Michelle Wenker. Please bring a pan of bars. Thank you in advance for serving. Please join us in honoring the Confirmands of the Immaculate Conception, Sacred Heart and St. Rose of Lima parishes. Everyone is welcome. Contact with any questions: Jean Hopfer, Christian Women President.

Church Expansion with Handicap Accessibility Immaculate Conception parish is looking at preserving the beautiful gift of the church that our forefathers built for us. As we look to the future we would like to do the same for generations to come by adding a gathering area and making the church handicap accessible for all people to be able to join us. Information packets have been mailed to all the parishioners and more information will be added to the website in the near future. At this time, we are looking for feedback and financial support from the parish. Please prayerfully consider supporting this project. Forward any feedback and pledge cards to the parish office as soon as possible.

"My child, remember that you received what was good during your lifetime while Lazarus likewise received what was bad; but now he is comforted here, whereas you are tormented. Moreover, between us and you a great chasm is established…"
(Luke 16:25-26)

When God created the world, He declared that it was good and He gave it to all humankind for us to enjoy. However, over the years, we have created a chasm between those who have great gifts and those who do not. In today's Gospel we see that with our own generosity we must bridge that gap between those who have much and those who have little.

Meet the Confirmation Candidates

These young men and women are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, October 8, at 4:00 pm in New Munich.
They now ask for our faith community's prayers, support and example of discipleship that they may be ready to live more deeply in the life of the Holy Spirit which they entered into at Baptism.
Please join us in praying for them.

Adien Burg is the son of Aaron & Ashley Burg. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Adien has chosen his grandfather, Jacob Gross, to be his sponsor because he looks up to him. Adien is involved in basketball. His faith is important to him because "It helps me serve others and be a good person.

Landen Eiynck is the son of Neil & Peggy Eiynck. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Landen's confirmation sponsor is his brother, Alex Eiynck. He choose him because "Alex is my brother and I look up to him spiritually." Landen's faith is important to him because "Jesus is the most important thing to me in the world."

Connor Engelmeyer is the son of Joe & Kim Engelmeyer. He is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. Connor is involved in basketball and coaching youth basketball at Melrose High School. He has chosen Derek Engelmeyer to be his confirmation sponsor. He chose him because he is responsible and is a good role model. Connor says his faith is important to him because "It guides me through though times."

Hailey Filla is the daughter of Nick & Amanda Filla. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. She has chosen Alecia Kabore for her confirmation sponsor because she knows all about Hailey, and she is like a second mom to her and will help her with anything. Her faith is important to her because "Without God you can do nothing, but with God you can do everything."

Kaleb Frieler is the son of Troy and Sue Frieler. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. He has chosen Gerald Gerads as his confirmation sponsor because "He puts Christ in everything he does. He also does a lot for his community and sees the best in everyone he helps." Kaleb is active in helping at the Sacred Heart Parish Festival. His faith is important to him because "I want to grow closer and stronger to God. I think if I pursue a life with Christ he'll make me happy and make the people around me happy. I also want to help people find the way to Christ."

Kendra Funk is the daughter of Roger & Susan Funk. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Kendra has chosen her sister, Alexis Funk as her sponsor because she is very involved in the church and Kendra has always gone to her to talk. She's a main role model in Kendra's life. Kendra is involved in NHS, musical, and track and field at Melrose High School. She also helps with VBS at the parish. Her faith is important to her because "It plays a huge role in my life and my behavior is affected by my faith. Whenever I start my day with Jesus, I'm more loving towards others."

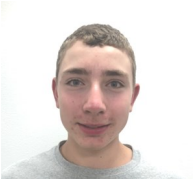
Gabrielle Goebel is the daughter of Loren & Carrie Goebel. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Gabrielle has chosen Ed Popp as her confirmation sponsor because he is her grandfather and he always gives advice and guidance on all areas of life. Gabrielle is involved with teaching faith formation to the elementary students. Her faith is important to her because, "I want to be a disciple of Jesus."

Chris Herdering is the son of Tom & Sandra Herdering. He is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. Chris chose Alex Burkel as his confirmation sponsor because he has a strong love for his faith and practices it well. Chris is involved in helping set up for the parish festival. Chris's faith is important to him because "I want to get to heaven and having a strong devotion to God will help me get there."

Ryan Herdering is the son of Wayne & Vicki Herdering. He is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. Ryan chose Michael Mayers to be his confirmation sponsor because he goes to church weekly and is someone Ryan looks up to. Ryan is involved with NHS, basketball, and baseball at Melrose High School. He also helps with set up and take down at the parish festival. His faith is important to him because "God is great."

Brooks Holdvogt is the son of Gerald & Naomi Holdvogt. He is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. Brooks has chosen his godfather, Pierre Jensen, to be his confirmation sponsor because he is a good role model. "He is good to everyone he meets and he is a person I want to try to be." Brooks is involved in musical, knowledge bowl, and FFA at Melrose High School. His faith is important to him because "When I have been going through hard times, I feel better that Jesus is with me."

Hannah Hoppe is the daughter of Joe & Barb Hoppe. She is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. Hannah chose Pam Pundsack as her confirmation sponsor because "I always have had her at my side to help me succeed. Pam is there anytime to help me, listen to me, give me advice, and always is supporting me." Hannah is involved in volleyball, gymnastics, and softball at Melrose High School. Her faith is important to her because "God will always be there, not matter what. God will never go away through good and bad times , he will come through to help me in any way and give me hope and love."



Jonathon Job is the son of David & Alice Job. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Jonathon chose Andrew Holdvogt to be his confirmation sponsor because he is very dedicated to his faith and always makes time for Mass, even if he is very busy. Jonathon is involved in FFA at Melrose High School. He is an altar server in the parish. His faith is important to him because "When I am going through hard times, I can always rely on my faith."

Westin Middendorf is the son of Chris & Deana Middendorf. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Westin has chosen Jessica Tomczik to be his confirmation sponsor because "I thought she was the best person I could pick and because she is nice and religious." Westin is involved in baseball at Melrose High School. His faith is important to him because "I attract good things because I believe and expect good things to come."

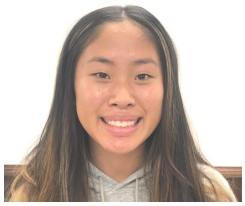
Morgan Nathe is the daughter of William & Amanda Nathe. She is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. Morgan has chosen Nicole Reuter to be her confirmation sponsor because she is her godmother and she means the world to her. "I know if I have or need her for anything she will be there and /or help me with any questions about God." Morgan is involved in synchronized swimming as a manager. Morgan's faith is important to her because "God guides my life and my actions and He loves me unconditionally."

Theresia Nathe is the daughter of Jeff Nathe & Nichole LeClaire. She is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. Theresia has chosen Barb Nathe to be her confirmation sponsor because "She loves God and I want her to help me become closer to God." Theresia is involved in diving, gymnastics, and softball at Melrose High School. Her faith is important to her because "I want to become closer to God."

Anna Neu is the daughter of Don & Kelly Neu. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Anna has chosen, her grandmother, Mary Jane Blommel, to be her confirmation sponsor because she is strong in her faith and Anna knows she will always lead her in the direction of God. Anna is involved in musical, speech, NHS, Student Council, and yearbook at Melrose High School. She also helps with Children's Liturgy in the parish. Her faith is important to her because "It helps me find hope, knowing that God is always with me."

Autumn Oevermann is the daughter of Corey & Tina Oevermann. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. Autumn has chosen Roger Goebel to be her confirmation sponsor because he is like a second father to her and she knows he'll always support her no matter what. Autumn's faith is important to her because "I've grown up learning it and have always wanted to keep it a part of me, so I can always have something to lean on when I need on when I need help or guidance." Autumn is involved in musical, speech, and synchronized swimming, where she is a manager at Melrose High School. She also helps with VBS in the summer.

Olivia Schmiesing is the daughter of Eric & Laurie Schmiesing. She is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. She has chosen Rachael Zink as her confirmation sponsor because she is a good role model. Olivia is involved in NHS, volleyball, and track at Melrose High School. Her faith is important to her because "I want to grow closer to God."



Alyssa Stordahl is the daughter of Todd & Patty Stordahl. She is a member of St. Bartholomew Parish, Villard. Alyssa has chosen Kathy Meyer to be her confirmation sponsor because she is her godmother and supports her in her Catholic faith. Alyssa is involved in volleyball, track, and NHS at Melrose High School. Her faith is important to her because "I want to trust that God is with me even when I'm stressed."

Katelynn Toenyan is the daughter of Jason & Sarah Toenyan. She is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. She has chosen Jenny Zwilling to be her confirmation sponsor because "She is my aunt and I want to live my faith out like she does. I also want to be compassionate and caring like her." Katelynn is involved in volleyball at Melrose High School. She also is a member of the Youth Leadership Team in the parish. Her faith is important to her because "I want to stay close to God and live my life like Him."

Blaise Welle is the son of Peter & Anne Welle. He is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. He has chosen his grandfather, Dave Welle, to be his confirmation sponsor because he spends time with him doing farm work or fishing. He is also a good example of being faithful. Blaise is involved in baseball, trap shooting, FFA, and NHS at Melrose High School. He is also a member of the Tri-Parish Youth Group. His faith is important to him because "Being with God, praying with Him, and going to Mass gives you purpose."

Eddie Wenker is the son of Tom & Shelly Wenker. He is a member of Immaculate Conception Parish. He has chosen his brother, Noah Wenker to be his confirmation sponsor because he is role model for him. Eddie is involved in basketball, NHS, and Spanish at Melrose High School. His faith is important to him because "Making it to heaven is the whole point of life and without my faith, my life would be pointless."

Keagan Williams is the son of Chris & Sara Williams. He is a member of St. Rose of Lima Parish. He has chosen Deb Goebel to be his confirmation sponsor because he feels like she lives her life in faith and is very dedicated to it. Keagan is involved in trap shooting at Melrose High School. His faith is important to him because "I want to grow closer to God and I just feel it is important to have it in your life."

These young women are preparing to receive the Sacrament of Confirmation on Sunday, October 16, at 2:00 pm in Wadena.

Macy Davis is the daughter of Jason & Heather Hoeschen. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. She has chosen Judith Koep to be her confirmation sponsor because she sets a good example and she is very close to God. Macy is involved in tennis at Melrose High School. Her faith is important to him because "I want my relationship with Christ to be very strong."

Arianna Hoeschen is the daughter of Jason & Heather Hoeschen. She is a member of Sacred Heart Parish. She has chosen, her sister, Jayda Davis to be her confirmation sponsor because she is close to her and goes to her for advise about her faith. Arianna is involved in soccer, student council, and NHS at Albany High School. Her faith is important to her because "I can get close to God and get to heaven."

Breathe into me, Holy Spirit,
that my thoughts may all be holy.
Move in me, Holy Spirit, that my work, too,
may be holy.
Attract my heart, Holy Spirit,
that I may love only what is holy.
Strengthen me, Holy Spirit,
that I may defend all that is holy.
Protect me, Holy Spirit,
that I may always be holy.

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Regular Adult Offering ……	1,310.00
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Plate/Loose ……..	55.00
Votives…….	9.00
Fuel……..	222.00
School Support…….	5.00
Human Development……..	70.00

Liturgical Ministries
Saturday, October 1 - 4:00 pm

(S) Sophia Kasper & Leo Kasper
(L) Linda Heinze
(U) Bob Worms & John Worms
(GB) Pat & Deb Keller
(EU) (B) Herman Lensing
(HK - October) *Angie Kelzer, Julie Kulzer, Rose Lensing, Mariann Lucken, Lorene Meyer, & Patricia Murphy

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Total ……	**$2,252.25**
Regular Adult Offering ……	1,605.00
Children ……	3.25
Plate/Loose ……	109.00
Votives ……..	30.00
Fuel……..…..……	325.00
Human Development…….	180.00

Liturgical Ministries
Sunday, October 2 - 8:00 am

(S) Mya Nathe & Tyler Nathe
(L) Doug Meyer
(U) John Primus & Ray Primus
(GB) Kurt & Heidi Meyer
(EU) (B) John Nathe & Abby Zenzen
(HK-October) *Ruth Klaphake, Mary Kay Leukam, Theresa Loxtercamp, Sheri Luetmer, Irene Marthaler, & Charlene Meyer

Died in the Hope of Resurrection…
Ruth Mary Gramke, 83

All Are Invited! Catholic United Financial Potato Pancake Supper Sunday, October 16. St. John the Baptist Church Basement, Meire Grove. Serving from 3:00 - 7:00 pm. Potato pancakes, sausage, applesauce, potato salad, relishes, frosted bread, and dessert. Take-outs available.

Church Cleaning... All members of St. John the Baptist, male and female, are invited to help clean the church basement on Monday, September 26, starting at 6:00 pm. If you can't make it, we'll finish up on Tuesday, September 27, starting at 9:00 am. Thanks in advance for helping make our church look nice for the upcoming Potato Pancake Supper on Sunday, October 16.

Hispanic Ministry

Uno en Fe ~ Formación de Fe y Ministerio Juvenil

(Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill)
Faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

•**Grados 7 & 8: Próxima Clase** Miércoles, 28 de Septiembre de 7:15 - 8:30 pm en la Iglesia de St. Mary. La clase será con el padre Vince. Estudiantes y algunos padres. **Note!** Esta es la clase que fue movida del 21 de Septiembre al 28!

•**Confirmación: Primera Clase** Miércoles, 28 de Septiembre de 7:00 - 8:30 pm en la Iglesia St. Mary's. Estudiante y un adulto (ya sea su padrino o un adulto). Socialización Opcional, juegos, y cena (para el Estudiante y el adulto) también está disponible la cena de 5:30 - 6:45 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!

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

Si desea, ofrecer una misa por un ser querido, o si desea recibir algún sacramento de bautismo omatrimonio, 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 pregunta por Blanca Barrgan.

Retiro Koinonia en español se llevara a cabo del 14-16 de Octubre en el Centro TEC al Norte de Littel Falls, para más información en como inscribirse o para preguntar por el costo. Llame al Diacono Jesús Hernández 320-267-6028 o la señora Blanca Barragan 320-256-4207.

The Scriptures This Week

Year C, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	Jb 1:6-22	Lk 9:46-50
Tu	**Saint Vincent de Paul, Priest**	
	Jb 3:1-3,11-17,20-23	Lk 9:51-56
We	Jb 9:1-12,14-16	Lk 9:57-62
Th	**Saints Michael, Gabriel and Raphael, Archangels**	
	Dan 7:9-10,13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a	Jn 1:47-51
Fr	**Saint Jerome, Priest and Doctor of the Church**	
	Jb 38:1,12-21;40:3-5	Lk 10:13-16
Sa	**Saint Thérèse of the Child Jesus, Virgin and Doctor of the Church**	
	Jb 42:1-3,5-6,12-17	Lk 10:17-24
Next Sunday -	**Twenty-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time**	
	Hab 1:2-3;2:2-4	2 Tm 1:6-8,13-14
		Lk 17:5-10

Prayer Requests…

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

May They Rest in Peace:
†Sharon Gamradt
†Ralph Inderrieden
†Ruth Mary Gramke

Banns of Matrimony:
I Emily Filla♥Clayton Schreifels, 10-15 FR
II Teresa Dehmer♥Joseph Pistorius, 10-8 M
III Jessica Wolbeck♥Kyle Mord, 10-1 M

For the Sick:
Rita Huls, Dolores Gysberg, Rachael Zink, Lilah Job, Nick Rothstein, Terry Thorp

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's	256-3878

Faith Formation/Youth Ministry

Faith Formation:

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa: Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

- **Grade 2: Next Class:** Wednesday, September 28 at 6:00 pm - Classroom Lesson. Meet at Tri-Parish Office in Freeport.
- **Grade 7-11: Next Class:** Wednesday, September 28 at 7:00 pm. Please meet in the body of Sacred Heart Church.
- **Grade 11: The Rite of Confirmation** will take place on Saturday, October 8 at 4:00 pm at the Church of the Immaculate Conception.
- **Notice of Safe Environment Training** Each year the United States Conference of Bishops in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People require that our Catholic Schools and Faith Formation programs offer training for all children about personal safety. We will be having this training for grades 1-6 on October 5. If a parent chooses not to have their child(ren) take part in this program, a Declination Statement must be signed and returned to the Faith Formation office prior to the date of training. You can find the Declination Statement form on our website under the Faith Formation tab.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove: Contact Information: faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- **Grades 7 & 8: Next Class** Wednesday, September 28 from 7:15 - 8:30 pm at St. Mary Church. Class will be with Fr. Vince. Students and some parents. **Notice!** This is the class that was moved from September 21 to the 28 instead!
- **Confirmation: First Class** Wednesday, September 28 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm at St. Mary Church. Students and an adult (either a parent or sponsor/mentor). Optional socializing, games, and supper (for students & adults) available before class from 5:30 - 6:45 pm.

Youth Ministry:

Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima: Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

- **Outdoor Movie Night** Sunday, October 2 at 6:30 pm on the Sacred Heart Parish Grounds. Students in grades 9-12 are welcome to join us for an outdoor movie night, weather permitting. In case of inclement weather, we will move the event to the church basement. We will be watching the movie, *Fatima*. *Fatima* is based on historical events, three young shepherds in Fatima, Portugal, report visions of the Virgin Mary, inspiring believers and angering officials of the Church and the government, who try to force them to recant their story. Popcorn & lemonade will be provided. Bring a lawn chair or blanket.

Catholic Schools News

PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz
PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle
SHS BOARD: Nick Shaw, Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho, Jenelle Herkenhoff and Julie Job
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www.shsfreeport.org

- **Mid-quarter Reports** will be sent home on Monday, September 26.
- **Sacred Heart School Grandparents' Day** will be celebrated on Friday, September 30 beginning with Mass at 10:00 am. There will be a short program after the Mass followed by lunch in the church basement. The students will be free to leave after lunch with their grandparents.
- **Sacred Heart Students** are in the process of requesting donations to support them in our Care-A-Thon which will take place on Friday, October 7. The students are also collecting prayer requests which we will pray for at a prayer service after we finish the cemetery cleaning in each of the parishes. Our goal this year is to collect $16,000.

PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking
PRINCIPAL: Autumn Nelson
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Naomi Klaphake
Phone: 320-256-4257
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- **Coborn's More Rewards:** St. Mary's School received a check for $1,371.92 from Jordan Haukos, store director of the Melrose Coborn's store. If you haven't already signed up and designated St. Mary's School as the school you want your points to be donated to, you can still do this. Go to www.morerewards.com to sign up.
- **Grandparents Day** will be celebrated at St. Mary's School on Wednesday, October 19. Little Saints through 6th grade will begin the day with Mass at church at 8:30 am, followed by a program at 10:15 am at church, and ending the day with lunch at 12:00 pm at school.

Sacred Heart School
Calendar Raffle Winners

09-25	$25	Bethany Worms - Albany
09-26	$25	Richard Ludwig - Eden Valley
09-27	$25	Gary & Mary Ann Harren - Freeport
09-28	$25	Michelle Gross - Sauk Rapids
09-29	$25	John Miller - Hugo
09-30	$25	Mary P. Hoppe - Freeport
10-01	$25	Keith Eisenshenk - Sartell

PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking
PRINCIPAL: Mary Miller
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- **SJSA All-School Mass** SJSA All-School Mass is Saturday, September 24 at 4:00 pm at St. Andrew's in Greenwald.
- **Greenwald Elevator Softener Salt Sale** The Greenwald Elevator is having a salt sale with proceeds going to SJSA. Salt can be ordered now through October 6 and can be ordered by the bag or pallet. Contact SJSA at 320-987-3133 or the Greenwald Elevator at 320-987-3159 to place your order. Pick-up day is Thursday, October 27 from 12:00 - 5:30 pm at the Greenwald Elevator.
- **Animal Blessing** Blessing of the Animals will be Friday, October 7 at 2:00 pm between the church and school. All are welcome!
- **SJSA Workathon** will be held Friday, October 14. The students will be raking lawns and picking up trash in Greenwald. If you would like your yard raked, please contact the school at 320-987-3133. Please support our students as they seek pledges to obtain our goal of $15,000 for this fundraiser.

One In Faith Area Catholic Community News (Continued from page 2)

National Relic Tour Relics of St. Manuel Gonzalez Garcia and Blessed Carlo Acutis will be available for veneration in parishes around the Diocese of St. Cloud between September 30 and October 5. The relics are on tour as part of the National Eucharistic Revival, a three year focus on the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist. St. Mary Parish in Alexandria will be the first stop on the diocesan tour with a youth event Friday, September 30, titled "Evening with the Saints" at 6:00 pm; veneration on Saturday, October 1, from 9 am to 5:00 pm, followed by 5:00 pm Mass, and resuming veneration until 6:30 pm. Additionally, the relics will be displayed again at 7:30 am Sunday, October 2, pausing during the 8:00 am and 10:00 am Masses, and resuming veneration after Mass until noon. On Tuesday, October 4, the relics will be on display and available for public veneration at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud in the upper church following the 7:00 am Mass. There is also a regularly scheduled daily Mass at 12:05 pm and a special evening Mass at 6:30 pm, both held in the upper church. The final opportunity to venerate the relics in the diocese will take place at Our Lady of Victory Parish in Fergus Falls on October 5 from 3:00 to 8:00 pm. Crookston Bishop Andrew Cozzens will present a talk at 6:00 pm on the National Eucharistic Revival, which he chairs, as part of a joint Regional Ministry Gathering event. All are welcome.

Growing Rural Hope Where Anger Flourishes The current political and social ethos of rural America is widely characterized by anger, outrage, and resentment. Sociologists have also noted that these communally-manifested emotions seem to respond more readily to rituals (such as political rallies) than to policy change, argument, or data presentation. Join us as we engage these currents of rural American life and explore the liturgical and sacramental cultivation of one antidote to a toxic political and social climate conditioned by anger: the Christian virtue of hope. Friday, October 7, 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, email theologyday@csbsju.edu or visit www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday.

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A Regional Ministry Gathering is being planned in Fergus Falls on Wednesday, October 5. This is a joint event with the Diocese of Crookston. Bishop Andrew Cozzens, bishop of Crookston and chair of the National Eucharistic Revival for the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops, will be the keynote speaker and will share with us his vision for the three-year initiative. More details to come.

The Diocesan TV Mass and parish livestream Masses

have been a lifeline for the homebound. Other ministries of the Appeal continue their work in support of faith formation, family life, our Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Looking For A Way To Help Your Parish? We are looking for help with Mass ministries. There are many opportunities for you to help with the Mass. You can be a sacristan and be behind the scenes setting up and taking down for Mass. You can share the Word of God by becoming a lector. You can be commissioned to distribute communion by being an Extraordinary Eucharistic Minister. There is also need for servers and ushers. Please prayerfully consider taking on one of these roles. Contact your parish office if you are interested in helping with any of these ministries.

Happy Moments
Praise God.
Difficult Moments
Seek God.
Quiet Moments
Worship God.
Painful Moments
Trust God.
Every Moment
Thank God.

Happenings Around the Area

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

September 25, Sunday
♦Albany Legion Post 482 Smorgasbord Breakfast serving from 8:00 am - Noon at Church of Seven Dolors Parish Hall, Albany.

September 27, Tuesday
♦Red Cross Blood Drive in Melrose at the American Legion from 12:30 - 6:30 pm.
♦Bologna Daze! 5:30 – 7:30 pm at Bucky's Bar in Elrosa. Music by Fr. Marv Enneking, Merle Felling, Donnie Brang, and Ruben & Dave Nathe. Menu: bologna, potato wedges, sauerkraut, baked beans, homemade bread, and dessert. $9 all you can eat!

September 28, Wednesday
♦Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

October 1, Saturday
♦St. John the Baptist Catholic Church in Swanville has there 38th Craft/ Raffle event at the Swanville School Commons area from 9:00 am - 3:00 pm. If you want to set up a booth for this event to display your crafts, please call Sharee Pelzer at 320-573-4271 or email her at cpelzer@leedstone.com.

October 2, Sunday
♦St. Leo Court # 786, Catholic Order of Foresters, of New Munich sponsor Matching Fund Breakfast in the Immaculate Conception Church basement. Menu: Ham, fried potatoes, eggs, etc. Serving from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm. Proceeds go toward: Church Building Maintenance. Contact: 837-5239.
♦Quilt Bingo and Hand Stitched quilts at St. Mary's church in Upsala starting at 1:00 pm. 20 games for $10 blackout extra. Free lunch served after. Proceeds will go to St. Mary's Mission Group. Building is handicap accessible.

October 5, Wednesday
♦Feet First Clinic at the Senior Center in Freeport. New appointments please call 320-836-2450. Free will offering.
♦Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

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