



# 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

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

January 29, 2023

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

**Melrose - Spring Hill -  
Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:**

**Hours:** Monday, Tuesday, & Thursday 8:00 am - 3:00 pm  
Wednesday 9:00 am - 5:00 pm  
Friday 9:00 am - 1:00 pm

**Office Phone:** 320-256-4207

**Email:** stmarys@stmarysofmelrose.com

**Website:** www.oneinfaith.org

**Facebook:** Church of St. Mary, Melrose

**Mailing Address:** 755 Kraft Drive SE  
Melrose, MN 56352

**Freeport - New Munich - St. Rosa Office:**

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

**Office Phone:** 320-836-2143

**Email:** triparish@albanytel.com

**Website:** www.sacredheartfreeport.org

**Facebook:** Tri Parish

**Mailing Address:** PO Box 155  
Freeport, MN 56331

**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 St. Andrew
- ◆Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception
- ◆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.



## to Perfection

*When Jesus saw the crowds, he went up the mountain, and after he had sat down, his disciples came to him. He began to teach them, saying:  
"Blessed are the poor in spirit, for theirs is the kingdom of heaven."*

Matthew 5:1-3

The Sermon on the Mount begins with today's reading in Chapter Five of Matthew's Gospel and continues through Chapter Seven. This beautiful sermon presents us with many familiar teachings of Jesus, such as the Beatitudes, the Lord's Prayer, and the Golden Rule. Jesus begins His sermon by going up a mountain and sitting down. The mountain is believed to be just north of the Sea of Galilee, just a few miles from Capernaum where Jesus often stayed during His public ministry. Today's Gospel presents us with the glorious and very high calling of the Beatitudes. This teaching on the Beatitudes sets the stage for the many other lessons Jesus taught.

The Beatitudes are certainly a teaching about morality, but the lessons are not the same as many of the moral teachings that the people were familiar with. Up until that time, morality was primarily seen as a list of forbidden practices. "Thou shall not..." was the general tone. However, the Beatitudes take morality to a much higher level. In this new teaching, Jesus did not start with that which was forbidden or that which was a violation of God's Law. Instead, He explained that reaching for these ideals brought forth the greatest fulfillment in life. Morality was not only a list of regulations one needed to avoid. At the heart, morality was now presented by our Lord as a glorious journey to perfection. The result of this journey was the attainment of the Kingdom of Heaven.

When you consider the moral life, how do you look at it? Do you see it more as a list of things you can't do? Or do you see it as a journey up the mountain of true holiness and fulfillment? The Christian life certainly forbids us to engage in many forms of sin and violations of God's Law. But unless we understand that the highest form of morality is given to fulfill us on the deepest level, then it will be easy to become discouraged by our calling.

Reflect, today, upon Jesus calling you to follow Him up the mountain of the Beatitudes. As you do, begin by considering this journey first from a physical point of view. It would have been much easier for His first hearers of this sermon to

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## ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ JANUARY 30 - FEBRUARY 5

### ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo	6:30 pm	<b>Misa en Español</b> †Gilberto Orozco Vazquez
Tu	7:30 am	†Albert Oevermann
We	7:30 am	†Aloys Bauer
Th	7:30 am	†Curtis Andres
Fr	8:30 am	<b>St. Mary's School Mass</b> †Ralph Inderrieden
Sa	5:00 pm	†Deceased Members of the Donald Mayer Family For the People
*Su	10:00 am	††Shawn & Doochie Salzl †Jerry Sand
Su	12:30 pm	<b>Misa en Español</b> †Miguel Partida

### SACRED HEART - Freeport

We	8:15 am	†Dec./Liv. Catholic United Financial Members
Fr	8:15 am	†LaVern "Vern" Scherping Anniversary
Sa	8:00 am	<b>First Saturday Mass</b> †Marjorie "Margie" Beste Anniversary
Su	8:00 am	†Loretta Renneker

### IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th	8:15 am	†Jim Hoffman
Sa	4:00 pm	For the People

### ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu	8:15 am	Paige Wiechman
Su	10:00 am	†Ben Roering

### ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu	8:00 am	†Bernice Welle
Su	10:00 am	†Dec./Liv. Members of St. Mary's Mission Society

### ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th	8:00 am	†Rosie Meyer
Sa	4:00 pm	†Robbie Uphoff

### ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We	8:00 am	<b>SJSA School Mass</b> †Clarine Stalberger
Su	8:00 am	†Aloys (Red) Meyer



### 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**

Wednesdays 5:30 - 8:30 pm

Fridays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

\*Mass will be livestreamed.  
Visit [oneinfaith.org](https://oneinfaith.org) for the YouTube link.

## ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

### One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunity...



♦The Church of St. Mary & St. Mary's School has an immediate opening for maintenance. We are looking for someone to provide general maintenance, repairs, lawn care, and snow removal for the church, rectory, and school buildings and grounds. Boiler license is preferred. We are open to full time or two part-time people to job share. If interested, please submit a resume to [hr@stmarysofmelrose.com](mailto:hr@stmarysofmelrose.com). Call 320-256-9503 with questions.

**You Are Invited** to participate in a Small Christian Community. We will be using the book *Restore - A Guided Lent Journal for Prayer and Meditation* by Sr. Miraim James Heidland, SOLT. Group will meet Monday nights from 6:00 - 7:30 pm at the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport. Meetings will be on February 20, March 6, 13, 20, 27, April 3 and 10. To register text or call Amy Hoeschen at 320-290-5088. Space is limited to 10 so register early.

### ACC Divine Mercy Sunday Celebration

Our ACC will be hosting Divine Mercy Sunday at the Immaculate Conception Church in New Munich on Sunday, April 16. We are seeking several individuals in the ACC to help coordinate this event. If interested, please contact Maureen Schaefer at 320-837-5419 by Friday, February 3.



**Go and Make Disciples** Students in grade 11 - age 25 are invited to a monthly Faith Formation event from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. We will meet in the Sacred Heart Church basement in Freeport on Wednesday, February 8. A light meal will be served, and we will and discuss different topics on the Catholic Faith. Come and bring a friend for a fun filled faith enrichment night.



**BINGO** Please join the Tri-Parish Confirmation Class on Sunday, February 26 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 Asha Gregory and an anonymous cancer patient who has requested the funds go to the Coborn's Cancer Center.

### Parish News:

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

- Year-end Contributions Statements** have been mailed out. Enclosed with this mailing is a ministry/stewardship sign up sheet. Please complete one form per family member grade 4-adult. There are more forms available in the back of each church and on the Tri-Parish website [sacredheartfreeport.org](https://sacredheartfreeport.org). You will also find an Electronic Financial Church Support form. This form allows you to electronically support the church on a monthly or semi-monthly basis.
- Candlemas...** The Presentation of the Lord is on February 2. Candles will be blessed during the 8:15 am Mass on Thursday, February 2, as well as during the weekend Masses on February 4/5 for use in your homes.
- St. Blaise Blessing of Throats** The Feast of St. Blaise is on February 3. The Blessing of Throats will be offered after the 8:15 am Mass on Friday, February 3, as well as after the weekend Masses on February 4/5.
- Anointing of the Sick** will take place at the weekend Masses on February 11/12. For those that would like the laying of hands for this anointing, please sit in the front few pews.
- Men's Group** will resume meeting on Tuesday, January 31 at 5:30 am in Sacred Heart Church Basement.
- 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](https://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 Crystal at the parish office.

**Christmas Cards** If you plan to throw away your Christmas cards, consider donating them to the Tri-Parish Youth Group. Each year the youth group makes Christmas cards using old Christmas cards. You can drop them off at the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport.

**CHURCH OF ST. MARY**

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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ **Weekly Offerings** ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

<b>Total</b> .....	<b>\$12,837.55</b>
Regular Adult Offering.....	10,026.00
Loose .....	829.55
Designated Funds.....	1,982.00

<b>Phase II Building</b> .....	<b>\$47,211.85</b>
<b>Phase II Matching Funds</b> .....	<b>\$144,343.25</b>
<b>Rectory</b> .....	<b>\$79,779.65</b>
<b>Total: Phase II/Rectory</b> .....	<b>\$271,334.75</b>

**St. Mary's Calendar Raffle**

01-22	\$25	St. Cecelia's Mission Group (Shirley Nathe) - Melrose
01-23	\$25	Jessica Blenker - Freeport
01-24	\$25	Kim & Pauk Olberding - Melrose
01-25	\$50	Joan Wander - Melrose
01-26	\$25	Daniel & Pat Groetsch - Albany
01-27	\$25	Janel Moening - Melrose
01-28	\$25	Linda Blommer - St. Joseph



**Baptized in Christ...** Elouise Lorraine Herdering



**Hearing Assistance Available** at St. Mary's. Please contact an usher if you wish to check out a receiver.

**St. Mary's Spirituality Group** invites you to join them as they explore the St. Cloud Diocese's Synod Responses. We meet at 10:00 am on Tuesdays in the conference room at church.

**St. Mary's Mission Society Meeting** will be on Wednesday, February 8 at St. Mary's Church at 8:30. All are welcome!

## 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)

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART**

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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ **Weekly Offerings** ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4,838.46
Plate .....	394.25
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$5,232.71</b>

**Other Donations**

Votive.....	\$95.00
Building/Maintenance .....	50.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	10.00
School Support.....	595.00

**Parish Events**

Su	01/29	10:30 am	Baptism
Tu	01/31	5:30 am	Men's Group
We	02/01	5:30 pm	Adoration
We	02/01	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation
We	02/01	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
Fr	02/03	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	02/03	9:00 am	Adoration
Fr	02/03	2:30 pm	Youth Choir Practice
Sa	02/04	8:00 am	First Saturday Mass
Sa	02/04	9:00 am	Baptism
Su	02/05	6:00 pm	Gather in Grace



**Thank you** to the new Festival Chairs, Matt & Ashley Herdering and Chris & Bethany Klaphake, for saying yes to chairing the Sacred Heart Parish Festival. We look forward to another fun filled day of festivities and community gathering.

**May He Rest in Peace...** Our parish offers prayers and sympathy to the family of †**Walter Beuning**, who passed away Wednesday, January 18. His funeral was celebrated here on Monday, January 23.

**The Scriptures This Week****Year A, Weekdays - Cycle I**

<b>Mo</b>	Heb 11:32-40	Mk 5:1-20
<b>Tu</b>	<b>Saint John Bosco, Priest</b> Heb 12:1-4	Mk 5:21-43
<b>We</b>	Heb 12:4-7,11-15	Mk 6:1-6
<b>Th</b>	<b>The Presentation of the Lord</b> Mal 3:1-4	Heb 2:14-18 Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32
<b>Fr</b>	Heb 13:1-8	Mk 6:14-29
<b>Sa</b>	Heb 13:15-17,20-21	Mk 6:30-34
<b>Next Sunday - Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time</b>		Is 58:7-10 1 Cor 2:1-5 Mt 5:13-16

**CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION**

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

## ♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦

Adult Envelopes .....	\$4,120.96
Plate .....	260.00
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$4,380.96</b>

Other Donations

Building/Maintenance.....	\$67.50
Central MN Catholic Magazine.....	50.00
Votive.....	126.00

Parish Events

Tu 01/31	5:30 am	Men's Group - FR
We 02/01	6:00 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We 02/01	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Th 02/02	7:00 am	Adoration
Sa 02/03	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions
Su 02/04	6:00 pm	Gather in Grace - FR

**Church Expansion with Handicap Accessibility Update:**

The parish intention is to go forward with the expansion. At this time, roughly \$554,000 has been pledged or is in hand. The parish financial committee still needs to meet with the diocese finance council for final approval. The date of this meeting is undetermined at this time.

**The Journey to Perfection**  
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simply stay in Capernaum and recline at table, listening to Jesus speak. But the physical journey up the mountain gives insight into the high calling of the moral life. It requires effort and determination. From there, try to imagine yourself listening to Jesus preach. Remind yourself that the Christian life is one of perfection in every way. This is our calling. But the fruit of perfection is the fulfillment in which God wants us to share. The easy life of sin leaves us dry and interiorly dead, but the hard journey to perfection leads us to the deepest fulfillment we could ever attain. Commit yourself to the journey and do not hesitate on the way, and you, too, will be rewarded with the Kingdom of Heaven.

*Lord of perfection, You call me to journey with You up the high mountain of holiness. May I always see this journey as one that is glorious and fulfilling. I choose the life of perfection to which I am called and pray that I will always be open to the deepest moral truths You wish me to live. Jesus, I trust in You!*

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**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 .....	\$1,561.54
Plate.....	209.00
<b>Total Weekly Contributions</b>	<b>\$1,770.54</b>

Other Donations

Votive.....	\$266.00
Special Needs.....	80.00

Parish Events

Tu 01/31	5:30 am	Men's Group - FR
Tu 01/31	7:00 am	Adoration
Tu 01/31	9:00 am	Quilting - Group 9
We 02/01	6:00 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We 02/01	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr 02/03	7:30 pm	Rosary
Su 02/05	11:00 am	Baptism
Su 02/05	6:00 pm	Gather in Grace - FR



**Quilting** Group 9 will quilt on January 31. All are invited to come quilt. Lunch is provided.

**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.



The St. Rose Christian Women are doing a cash fund drive during the month of January for "Food For Thought." This is a program to provide food for local students whom teachers have identified that are coming to school on Mondays without having adequate access to food over the weekends. All donations will be matched up to \$500 by the St. Rose Christian Women. Please make your check donations to: St. Rose Christian Women with a notation in memo "Food For Thought." C/O Carrie Kerfeld, Treasurer, 30257 Co. Rd. 17, Melrose, MN 56352. Carrie will also be available in the church gathering space at all 10:00 am Sunday Masses for donations during the month of January. Thank you in advance for your donation!

**CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL**

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

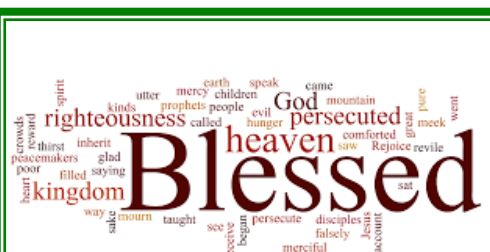
## ♦♦♦♦ Weekly Offering ♦♦♦♦

<b>Total .....</b>	<b>\$1,021.92</b>
Regular Adult Offering.....	311.00
Children.....	0.25
Plate/Loose .....	20.00
Votives.....	165.67
Maintenance.....	75.00
Christmas.....	450.00

Liturgical Ministries

**Sunday, February 5 - 10:00 am**

(S) Shantel Gueber  
(L) Gary P. Lieser  
(U) Robert Bertram & Conrad Gruber  
(EM) Sandra Gruber  
(Sacristan) Kathy Welle  
(RL) Tony & Mary Gruenes  
(CC) Dennis Orbeck & Marvin Rademacher  
(HK - February 5-18) Deanna Welle, Diane Welle, & Donna Welle



***"Blessed are the poor  
in spirit,  
for theirs is the  
kingdom of heaven."***

(Matthew 5:3)

The phrase "poor in spirit" can be confusing. Think of it in this sense - poor in spirit means depending on God's providence and not depending on our own self-reliance. Being detached from earthly things (power, money, and comfort) and being attached to heavenly things (charity, sacrifice, and mercy).

Denying ourselves from satisfying our desires and helping others obtain their basic needs.

**CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW**

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

## ◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total .....	\$467.00
Regular Adult Offering .....	390.00
Plate/Loose .....	54.00
Votives.....	23.00

**Liturgical Ministries****Saturday, February 4 - 4:00 pm**

(S) Logan Frieler &amp; Megan Frieler

(L) Kathy Gilk

(U) Eric Dehmer &amp; Dan Eveslage

(GB) Clarine Beier &amp; Mary Opatrny

(EM) Herman Lensing

(HK - February) \*Ruth Wehlage, Judy Wehlage, Marilyn Welle, Doreen Wenker, Lucy Wessel, & Bev Winter

**Ham & Eggs Breakfast** sponsored by St. Andrew's Catholic United Financial will be Sunday, February 12, from 8:30 am to 12:30 pm at the Greenwald Pub. Adult tickets are \$10 and Children Under 12 are



\$5. Proceeds go to parish subsidy. All are welcome!

**CHURCH OF ST. JOHN**

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

## ◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total .....	\$2,426.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,654.00
Children .....	3.25
Plate/Loose .....	137.00
Votives .....	52.00
Meire Grove Athletic Club (Choir)	500.00
Christmas Crib Money.....	80.00

**Liturgical Ministries****Sunday, February 5 - 8:00 am**

(S) Morgan Funk &amp; Paige Funk

(L) Karen Meyer

(U) Jerry Imdieke &amp; Nick Kelzer

(GB) Dan &amp; Char Meyer

(EM) Abby Zenzen &amp; Daryl Zenzen

(HK - February) \*Darlene Imdieke, Joni Imdieke, Sharon Imdieke, Kate Kelzer, Amy Klaphake, & Kathy Klaphake

**Save the Date:** Bake Sale, Bingo, and Raffle. On Sunday, April 16 in the church basement.

**HISPANIC MINISTRY**

**Formación en la fe:** Información de contacto: [Faithformation@stmarysofmeirose.com](mailto:Faithformation@stmarysofmeirose.com)

•**Clase de confirmación** - Miércoles por la noche, 1 de febrero, 7:00-8:15 pm Clase - Estudiantes y mentor/patrocinador o padre. Tema de la noche: Santos y elección de un nombre de Confirmación. Cena disponible a partir de las 5:30 pm tanto para estudiantes como para adultos.

•**Clase de Primera Comunión** - Sábado 4 de febrero por la mañana, 9:30-11:00 am. - Solo estudiantes.

**Asistencia Auditiva A Su Disposición**

Este establecimiento está equipado con un sistema de asistencia auditiva. Por favor solicite un receptor.

**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.



**Rosario y Oración** con la comunidad de Oración Santa María los últimos tres jueves del mes a las 6:30 pm. ¡Todos son bienvenidos!

**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



## St. John/St. Andrew School Steak & Wine Dinner/Auction Fundraiser

Friday & Saturday February 3 & 4 at The Greenwald Pub

Dinner will be served from 5:00 - 8:30 pm both nights  
(Tickets - \$35 per person (ticket valid for one meal either night) Choice of Steak, Walleye Fillet, or Chicken Cordon Bleu (with rice) all served with salad bar & potato)

(Dine in, take-out, or curbside pick-up available)

Tickets available at QPC Meire Grove, Freeport State Bank (Greenwald), Greenwald Pub, and SJSA.

Saturday Entertainment:

Live Music Provided by Donny Brang 5:00 - 7:30 pm

Live Auction will begin at 8:30 pm.

Online Silent Auction the week prior to the event  
(January 27- February 2). Check out the online auction at

[32auctions.com/SJSA2023](https://32auctions.com/SJSA2023)

**Prayer Requests...**

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

**Banns of Matrimony:**

I Nicole Roering♥Matthew Stassen, 2-18 FR

**For the Sick:**

Shari Salina, Rachael Zink, Rita Huls, Joan Schlicht, Thomas Stangler, Jr., Jon Tufte

**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](mailto:csand@catholic-centered.org)

- ♦ **Grade 1, 3-6: Next Class:** Wednesday, February 1 - Home Lesson.
- ♦ **Grade 2: Next Class:** Wednesday, February 1 - Classroom Lesson. Please meet at Tri-Parish Office in Freeport.
- ♦ **Grade 7-10: Next Class:** Wednesday, February 1 at 7:00 pm. Please meet in classrooms. Bring your Bible, books, and pens.

#### Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

Contact Information: [faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com](mailto:faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com)

- ♦ **Confirmation Class** - Wednesday night, February 1, 7:00-8:15 pm  
Class - Students and mentor/sponsor or parent. Topic of the night: Saints and choosing a Confirmation name. Supper available starting at 5:30 pm for both students and adults.
- ♦ **First Communion Class** - Saturday morning, February 4, 9:30-11:00 am. Students only.

### YOUTH MINISTRY:

#### One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:

Contact Information: [csand@catholic-centered.org](mailto:csand@catholic-centered.org) or [faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com](mailto:faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com)

- ♦ **Castaway Retreat for Grades 9-12:** Friday - Sunday, March 24-26 at the Castaway Club in Detroit Lakes, MN. Castaway 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. Cost - \$175. Deadline to sign up is Tuesday, February 7 with a \$90 non-refundable deposit. Registration forms are available on the bulletin boards of all 7 parishes. Contact Chrystal Sand at [csand@catholic-centered.org](mailto:csand@catholic-centered.org) or 320-836-2143 with questions.

## CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



**PASTOR:** Fr. Dan Walz  
**PRINCIPAL:** Kristie Harren  
**ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:**  
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- ♦ **School Liturgy** on Wednesday, February 1 will be planned by Sr. Janine and the 6th grade students.

- ♦ **Catholic United Financial Raffle** will begin this week and run through February 26. 100% of the money that we raise with this raffle stays at Sacred Heart School. Catholic United Financial takes care of all the prizes, tickets, advertising, etc. Tickets are \$5 for a chance to win great prizes that include a 2023 Chevy Trax or \$20,000 cash, 2 Shania Twain tickets, Smart TV, Nintendo Switch, Air Pods, Visa Gift cards and more. Tickets will be available from all Sacred Heart families as well as at the school and parish offices.



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- ♦ **Catholic Schools Week:** Today we begin the celebration of Catholic Schools Week. All are welcome to the school breakfast at the school gym from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm. During the week students will be writing letters to members of our community who take care of others: the Nursing Home, Rose View, Hospice, and Home Health Care workers, getting to know organizations within our parish, skiing and sledding, and all will participate in mini-courses taught by parents and other volunteers from our community.

- ♦ **Parents with prospective Little Saints** (3-5 year olds) for the 2023 - 2024 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 the new registration materials in March.

- ♦ **Mark your calendar:** March 4, Auction4Education at the Melrose Legion. We will be celebrating 21 years with a Hawaiian theme. "Hula for Moola" \$100 raffle tickets can be purchased after the Masses, school, church office, or local businesses. Visit our auction website for more details. <http://www.bidpal.net/smsmelrose>.



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- ♦ **Catholic Schools Week Service Project** SJSA students will be collecting pennies for a "Classroom Penny Challenge" January 30 - February 3. All proceeds will support the American Cancer Society. If you would like to support this project, please drop your pennies off at SJSA or send them with a student.

- ♦ **Thank you** to all those who support St. John's - St. Andrew's Catholic School with their time, talent, and treasure. We are thankful for you!

- ♦ **School Mass Change** Please note that this week's Student Mass is Wednesday at 8:00 am at St. John's in Meire Grove. The student's will be on a field trip Thursday and will not attend Mass at St. Andrew's.

- ♦ **Catholic Schools Week** January 29 through February 4. SJSA has a variety of activities to celebrate:

\***Sunday - All School CSW Kick-Off Mass** at 10:00 am at St. John's Church in Meire Grove.

\***Monday - Celebrate Our Community** students will make and send cards to community members and businesses. Hat Day, Ice Cream Social in the afternoon sponsored by Stearns County Dairy Association.

\***Tuesday - Celebrate Students** Jersey Day, with mini-courses in the afternoon.

\***Wednesday - Celebrate Our Nation** Student Mass in Meire Grove at 8:00 am. Color Challenge Day, Preschool Carnival in the afternoon.

\***Thursday - School Spirit Day** K-6th graders field trip to the Bell Museum in St. Paul, wear school shirts.

\***Friday - Cozy Day** Morning donut break with volunteers.

\***Friday evening and Saturday evening** Steak & Wine at the Greenwald Pub.



### Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

01/22	\$25	Jason & Heidi Hoppe - Melrose
01/23	\$25	Sherry Eveslage - Freeport
01/24	\$25	John Eveslage - Freeport
01/25	\$25	Amanda Filla - Kimball
01/26	\$25	Mary Stalboerger - Belgrade
01/27	\$25	Loren & Abbie Herkenhoff - Freeport
01/28	\$25	Renee Bertram - St. Cloud

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## Farewell Mass

WITH BISHOP KETTLER

SUNDAY, FEBRUARY 5  
AT  
9:30 a.m.

CATHEDRAL OF SAINT MARY | ST. CLOUD



All are invited to a farewell Mass with Bishop Donald Kettler. The bishop will celebrate the cathedral's 9:30 am Mass. A reception will follow in the lower church. Come and say thank you for his faithful service to the diocese and wish him well on his retirement!

**Rural Catholic Singles Groups:** Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities. There will be a meeting followed by fellowship, snacks, and games will follow after. Call or text Janel at 320-290-2877 for more information.

• **Singles ages 30-60** meet on the second Saturday of each month at 8:00 pm at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). The February 11 meeting topic is "Questions to Ask and Info to Know to Discern a Relationship."

• **Singles ages 18-30** meet at 7:00 pm on third Saturdays: Even months are at All Saints-St. Mary's Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street) and at St. Mary's Church in Upsala on odd months. The February 18 meeting will be an introduction evening.

**Married Couples Retreat:** February 10-12, 2023. Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse. "Real Presence in a Virtual World": Presented by Jim and Maureen Otremba. For more information, call 320-363-3929 or visit <https://www.abbeyguesthouse.org/home/news/married2023>



**February Marriage Encounter** The best gift a father can give his children is to love their mother! Bring the love in your marriage to a higher level during the month of love by attending the

February 11-12 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at [www.marriages.org](http://www.marriages.org).

## 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.

**Adoration at the State Capitol** Our work as faithful citizens must be led by prayer – Ora et Labora. This is not just a practice for Benedictine monks, but all Catholics. So, the Minnesota Catholic Conference invites you to join our staff for Adoration at the Capitol. By bringing Christ to the Capitol, we can together pray for our elected officials at their place of work. Join us each first Friday of the month from January to May for any amount of time from 9:00 am – 4:00 pm in the Governor's Dining Room located on the lower level of the Minnesota State Capitol. Note that in April, Adoration will take place on April 14 due to Good Friday. An RSVP is optional. For groups of more than 5 people, please email [policyteam@mncatholic.org](mailto:policyteam@mncatholic.org) so that we can make accommodations. Visit [https://www.mncatholic.org/first\\_friday\\_adoration](https://www.mncatholic.org/first_friday_adoration) for more information.



**BREADtalks** Be a part of something life-changing The Eucharistic Revival initiative is hosting a series of "BREAD Talks" in the diocese's five regional deaneries, each at a different brewery. At each of the events, modeled after the popular Ted Talks, local speakers will share brief testimonies — their "eucharistic love stories." Following their sharing, a main speaker will give a longer talk, about 20-30 minutes, on a eucharistic theme. These are in-person-only events. Come join us for these free, faith-filled gatherings!

- Sunday, February 19 at 2:00 pm at Sunken Ship Brewing, Princeton.
- Thursday, March 9 at 6:30 pm at Back Shed Brewing, Waite Park
- Sunday, April 16 at 2:00 pm at Thousand Lakes Brewing, Parkers Prairie
- Sunday, May 21 at 2:00 pm at Bad Habit Brewing Co., St. Joseph

## HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

### January 29, Sunday

- ♦ Greenwald Lions Pancake Breakfast at the Greenwald Pub. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm.
- ♦ St. Mary's Catholic Schools Week Breakfast from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Serving in the school gym. All are welcome.

### February 1, Wednesday

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

### February 3 & 4, Friday & Saturday

- ♦ 32nd Annual Steak & Wine Dinner and Auction for SJSA at the Greenwald Pub. Tickets are \$35. Online & Live Auctions. See One in Faith ACC News for more information.

### February 8, Wednesday

- ♦ Community Soup Luncheon hosted by the Melrose Area Senior Citizens, will be held at the Senior Center, from 11:30 am to 1:00 pm. Free will offering. Please consider volunteering to make soup or bread for this or future luncheons. Call Rosie Athmann 320-292-0233. Immediately following the luncheon, there will be a sketching class for anyone interested. Please sign up at the Senior Center.

- ♦ 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 "Dealing with Addictions."

### February 10, Friday

- ♦ Swanville's St. John the Baptist Catholic Church Dinner/Auction at the Sobieski Community Center. Dinner 6:30 pm Auction 8:00 pm. Tickets available by calling Val at 320-547-2920 in the morning. Early bird tickets are \$20 with a free beverage and a chance at \$100 & \$500 drawing. After February 5 tickets are \$25 with no free beverage or chance at drawings. Dinner is ham, chicken, aluski, potatoes & gravy, corn, coleslaw, roll and beverage.

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