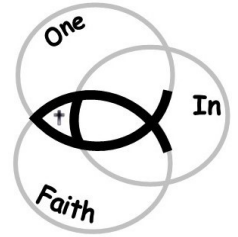


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**St. Mary - Melrose, Sacred Heart - Freeport
Immaculate Conception - New Munich
St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa, St. Michael - Spring Hill
St. Andrew - Greenwald, St. John - Meire Grove**



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

Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 13, 2020

Melrose Office:

Hours: Monday - Friday 7:00 am - 3:00 pm
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Email: stmarys@stmarysofmelrose.com
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Facebook: Church of St. Mary, Melrose
Mailing Address: 402 2nd St. SE
Melrose, MN 56352

Fr. Marv: 320-256-3108

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arockiyanewton@gmail.com

Deacon Ernest Kociemba:

Adult Sacramental Preparation

Blanca Barragan: Admin. Asst, Melrose/
Hispanic Ministry

Sheryl Braun: Bookkeeper, Melrose/
Admin. Asst., GR/MG/SH

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211 2nd Ave. N.
Greenwald, MN 56335

Carol Winter: Administrative Assistant,
GR/MG/SH



St. Cloud Diocese Website
www.stclouddiocese.org

Freeport 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.com
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Freeport, MN 56331

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New Parishioners

Please contact the respective parish office to register.

Leaving Our Parish?

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

Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements to:

bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

By appointment only. Call the respective parish office.

Marriage

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

Baptism

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

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

RCIA

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

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

ACC MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTION ~ SEPTEMBER 14-20, 2020

ST. MARY - Melrose

Monday, 6:30 pm Misa en Español MG
†por todas las Almas del Purgatorio
Tuesday, 7:30 am †Richard Hellermann MG
Wednesday, 8:00 am †Elmer Mullner MG
Thursday, 7:30 am †Dorine Wiebolt MG
Friday, 8:30 am †LeRoy Kemper - All School
SMS***
Saturday, 5:00 pm †††††Gene, Jim, Clarence,
& Bernice Theiler, Don &
Ryan Pflipsen MG
Sunday, 10:00 am For the People MG
Sunday, 12:30 pm Misa en Español MG
†Jose Luis Montañez

All School Mass will be held outside, weather permitting. If moved inside, community members will not be able to attend.

SACRED HEART - Freeport

Wednesday, 8:15 am †Elmer Wolbeck
Friday, 8:15 am †Caroline Engelmeyer
Sunday, 8:00 am Gary & Mary Ann Harren
50th Wedding Anniversary

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Thursday, 8:15 am †Marcella Nierenhausen
Saturday, 4:00 pm †Alan Van Drehe

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tuesday, 8:15 am †Mary Jo Blommel
Sunday, 10:00 am For the People

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tuesday, 8:00 am Stan & Ruth Heinen
Anniversary
Sunday, 10:00 am †Jim "Schultz" Stalboerger

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Thursday, 8:00 am †Francis "Fritz" Uphus
Saturday, 8:00 pm †Ken Kulzer

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

Wednesday, 8:00 am †Frank Faber
Sunday, 8:00 am †Amy Granby



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

CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)
Physical Address: 402 2nd Street SE; Melrose, MN 56352

Weekly Stewardship

Total.....	\$12,985.52
Regular Adult Offering.....	4,297.00
Loose.....	343.30
New Church (actual funds).....	8,249.08
Support a Child.....	10.00
Assumption.....	35.00
Human Development.....	25.00
World Missions.....	26.00
St. Mary's School Endowment.....	\$0.00

Baptized in Christ: Gabriella Gianna Wensmann

Died in the Hope of Resurrection: Richard "Rick" Klaphake, 65

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

Sponsors this week: Econ-O-Wash Laundromat & State Farm

09-06	\$25	Gene & Betty Rademacher - Melrose
09-07	\$50	Rochelle Nemitz - Melrose
09-08	\$25	Butch & Carol Klaphake - Melrose
09-09	\$25	Dennis Rademacher - Melrose
09-10	\$25	Elmer & Virginia Meyer - Melrose
09-11	\$25	Amy Schaefer - Melrose
09-12	\$25	Doug & Amy Kloth - Melrose



Church of St. Mary Parish Council Message...

Welcome Morgan!!!

•We are excited to welcome Morgan Kempenich as our new Director of Liturgy and Music. Morgan is a recent graduate of the College of St. Benedict / St. John's University and grew up in Watertown, Minnesota. In her new position with St. Mary's, she will work with us as we grow in faith. Some of her responsibilities as our Director of Liturgy and Music are:

- ♦ Plan and coordinate all liturgies, music, and musicians.
- ♦ Foster the development of the musical gifts of parishioners.
- ♦ Collaborate with the pastor and faith formation personnel in preparation and celebration of First Reconciliation, First Communion, and Confirmation.
- ♦ Meet with couples and families to prepare and celebrate wedding and funeral liturgies.



- ♦ Oversee the use and maintenance of church sound, video, and musical equipment.
- ♦ And Much More!

•Please welcome Morgan as she joins us!

•We all can work together as this new chapter begins. This chapter will be exciting, and we will have the opportunity to grow in our faith. Being open to this collaboration with Morgan will be an excellent way for us to grow together!

•We are companions on the journey!!



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.....	\$2,655.00	Other Donations	
Plate.....	87.00	Votive.....	\$145.10
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,742.00	School Support.....	1,025.00
		Building/Maintenance.....	85.00
Amount Needed for Budget**.....	\$5,399.00		
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit).....	(2,657.00)		
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(19,257.75)	**Total year budget is spread equally over 52 weeks, including Holy Days	

Parish Events

Mo 09/14 9:30 am SHS Music Classes
 We 09/16 9:30 am SHS Music Classes
 We 09/16 6:00 pm 2nd Grade FF Parent Mtg.
 We 09/16 7:00 pm Confirmation Class
 Fr 09/18 9:00 am Adoration
 Su 09/20 11:30 am Baptism
 Su 09/20 12:30 pm Baptism

Venezuela Mission Appeal On the Tri-Parish website and Tri Parish Facebook page, there is a video by Fr. Stan Wieser regarding a Mission Appeal for Diocesis de Maracay. You can send your

donations directly to the St. Cloud Mission Office, 11 South 8th Avenue, St. Cloud, MN 56301. There are also donation envelopes available in the back of the Tri-Parish churches.

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.....	\$1,865.00	Other Donations	
Plate.....	21.00	Building/Maintenance.....	\$100.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,886.00		
Amount Needed for Budget**.....	\$3,404.00	**Total year budget is spread equally over 52 weeks, including Holy Days	
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit).....	(1,518.00)		
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(14,163.00)		

Parish Events

Tu 09/15 7:30 pm Catholic Order of Foresters Mtg
 We 09/16 12:00 pm Christian Women Meeting
 We 09/16 6:00 pm 2nd Grade FF Parent Mtg. - FR
 We 09/16 7:00 pm Confirmation Class - FR

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - NEW MUNICH (CONTINUED)

Christian Women Meeting St. Ann's Christian Women will be having their fall meeting on Wednesday, September 16 at 1:00 pm in the church basement. All parish women are invited to attend the meeting. We will adhere to social distancing standards. Anyone interested in joining the Christian Women, please contact Jackie Massmann at 651-214-0270 or email: sacwpresident@gmail.com.

2020 Immaculate Conception Parish Raffle Quilt proceeds \$1,215.00 and Cash Raffle proceeds are \$18,728.66. Thank you to all those who bought and sold raffle tickets to make this another successful year. The raffle proceeds were within \$600.00 of 2019 totals. A list of the Raffle winners will again be available in the back of the church in New Munich. ~Raffle Committee

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**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.....	\$1,700.00	Building Project	
Plate.....	60.50	Total Raised to Date.....	\$610,396.80
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,760.50	Total Due + Interest.....	81,801.42
Amount Needed for Budget**.....	\$1,995.00	**Total year budget is spread equally over 52 weeks, including Holy Days	
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit).....	(234.50)		
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(2,925.50)		

Parish Events

Su 09/13 11:00 am Baptism
We 09/16 6:00 pm 2nd Grade FF Parent Mtg. - FR
We 09/16 7:00 pm Confirmation Class - FR

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**CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)**

Physical Address: 102 St. Michael Avenue N; Spring Hill, MN 56352 *Church Basement* 320-987-3618

Weekly Stewardship

Total.....	\$1,268.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,154.00
Children.....	2.00
Plate/Loose.....	20.25
Votives.....	42.00
Maintenance Fund.....	50.00

We Welcome Mark Schoenberg who was elected the new Parish Council member.

America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally by the grotto in Spring Hill will be held on Saturday, October 10. Bring chairs if needed.

Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, September 20 - 10:00 am

(L) Pete LeClaire
(U) Rick Terres & Robert Van Drehle
(RL) Kathleen Meyer
(CC) Peter Wuertz & Roger Meyer
(HK-Sept 20-27) Mary Nietfeld, Amy Orbeck, & Betty Orbeck

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

Worn-A-Bit Sale There will not be a Worn-A-Bit Sale this year.

**CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)**

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

Weekly Stewardship

Total.....	\$935.50
Regular Adult Offering.....	915.00
Plate/Loose.....	2.00
Votives.....	18.50

Died in the Hope of Resurrection: James "Jim" Haskamp, 76

Mass Time Change Please note the Mass time change - Mass will be held at 8:00 pm on Saturday, not 10:00 am on Sunday.

Liturgical Ministries - Saturday, September 19 - 8:00 pm

(L) Kathy Gilk
(U) Eric Dehmer & Dan Eveslage
(HK-Sept.) *Bev Winter, Carol Winter, Kris Winter, Donna Worms, Laurel Worms, & Kristen Young

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

Greenwald Barley Day Raffle Tickets have been sent out. If you haven't received yours, please contact one of the Christian Women officers.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)*Physical Address:* 20 State Highway 4 S; Meire Grove, MN 56352 *Church Basement* 320-987-3205**Weekly Stewardship**

Total.....	\$1,117.35
Regular Adult Offering.....	820.00
Children.....	0.75
Plate/Loose.....	172.25
Votives.....	64.35
School Subsidy.....	60.00

In case you missed Emma Meyer's presentation on her upcoming year and a half long missionary trip to Honduras and would like to learn more about the organization, please visit: farmofthechild.org. To donate, make check payable to: Farm of the Child with "Emma Meyer" on the memo line. Mail to: Farm of the Child, 100 South Ashley Drive, Suite 600, Tampa, FL 33602. Thank you in advance for your prayers of support.

Liturgical Ministries - Sunday, September 20 - 8:00 am

(L) Rita Meyer
(U) Kurt Meyer, Tim Meyer, & Jeron Nathe
(HK-Sept.) *Karen Meyer, Geri Meyer, Sue Meyer, Charlene Meyer, Irene Marthaler, & Sheri Luetmer

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

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

Janitor Needed St. John's Parish is looking for a Janitor, and if they have any questions to contact Tom Loxtercamp at 320-987-3233.

**HISPANIC MINISTRY**

Nos gustaría crear una lista de personas interesadas en aprender a utilizar el equipo de nueva tecnología en la nueva iglesia. Este equipo incluye:

1. micrófonos y bocinas (para los músicos)
2. también la "pared LED" (esa es la pantalla de video que estará junto al altar, donde mostraremos la letra de las canciones y la letra de las oraciones especiales durante la Misa. Vamos a necesitar una persona en cada Misa para sentarse junto a la computadora portátil que estará en la parte trasera de la iglesia durante la Misa. Para cada canción que cantamos durante la Misa, esta persona se desplazará hacia abajo en la página de la computadora, de modo que la letra de cada canción aparezca en la pantalla de video para la gente (para ver);

3. también las cámaras que pueden hacer una grabación de la Misa (por ejemplo, si alguien se va a casar en la iglesia y quiere que se grabe su boda, podremos hacerlo; o si nos cierran nuevamente por COVID, y queremos permitir que la gente vea la Misa en Internet, podremos hacerlo)

Cualquier interesado favor de llamar a Blanca para anotarse en la Lista 320-256-4207. El entrenamiento será en Noviembre.

Bautizados en Cristo:

Isabella Garcia Botello
Liam Francisco Botello

Melany Botello Rojas
Edgar Armando Torres

Uno en Fe ~ Formación de Fe y Ministerio Juvenil
Formación en la fe (Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill)
Grados 1-11:

- **INSCRIPCIÓN:** Aún se aceptan inscripciones. Comuníquese con Chrystal o Amy al 320-836-2143 si no ha recibido su paquete.
- El correo de inicio de año se envió a finales de esta semana. El sobre incluye el calendario de este año junto con otra información importante. Tómese el tiempo para leer esto detenidamente. Comuníquese con Amy o Chrystal en la oficina parroquial si tiene alguna pregunta.

Grado 12-

- La confirmación será el domingo 27 de septiembre a las 2:00 pm en Sacred Heart, Freeport.
- La práctica de confirmación para estudiantes solo será el miércoles 23 de septiembre en Sacred Heart, Freeport.

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

El Rosario se rezara cada Miércoles a la 1:00 pm en Inglés y los Jueves a las 7:00 pm en español, a un lado de la casa del Padre, según nos lo permita el tiempo. Las intenciones del rosario serán por la salud de nuestra comunidad de la parroquia, y por nuestro país, y por todas las intenciones personales.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

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

**Sacred Heart School
Calendar Raffle Winners**

09-06	\$20	Judy Meyer - Freeport
09-07	\$20	Bill/Sue Smith - Albany
09-08	\$50	Glen/Doris Winter - Melrose
09-09	\$20	Marcia Gilbert - Shakopee
09-10	\$20	Michele Gross - Sauk Rapids
09-11	\$20	Ruth Wieling - Melrose
09-12	\$20	Katie Boyle - Morris

♥ **School Days continue to go well at SHS.** Total enrollment is 15 in 3-4 year old PreK, 17 in 4-5 year old PreK, and 104 students in grades K-6.

♥ **Thursday, September 24 - Looking Ahead - School Picture Day.**

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS CONT'D.



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

- ♦ **Substitute Custodian Needed** St. Mary's School is looking for someone interested in subbing as a custodian. The hours are from 10:00 am - 2:30 pm. Contact Autumn for more details or if you are interested at 320-256-4257.
- ♦ **Our annual Prayer-a-Thon/Marathon** event will be held on October 2. The pledges raised by our students will help with everyday operating costs. The prayer requests collected by our students are prayed throughout the year in the classrooms. All donations and prayers can be sent to St. Mary's School, 320 5th Avenue SE.
- ♦ **Each year the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops** in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People require that our Catholic schools offer training for all children and youth about personal safety. In addition, each adult member that works or volunteers in the school also completes a Safe Environment training and has a background check done.
- ♦ **Thank you** again for recycling your aluminum cans at the St. Mary's can drop off. We have received \$241.25 since the beginning of July.
- ♦ **We also received \$104.44 from Amazon Smile.** To shop at AmazonSmile simply go to smile.amazon.com. On your first visit, choose St. Mary's School, Melrose to receive 0.5% on eligible purchases. You can help SMS even more by using scrip with your Amazon Smile purchase.



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

- **Tuesday, September 15 - School Board Meeting** - 7:30 pm in the school basement.
- **SJSA Harry's Pizza Sale** - SJSA families are selling Harry's Pizzas through September 23. If you would like to order pizza, contact an SJSA family or call the school at 320-987-3133. Pizza pick-up is Saturday, October 3 from 9:00 am - 10:00 am in the school basement.
- **Scrip Available** - SJSA has a variety of local and national Scrip gift cards. Call the school office with questions or your Scrip order.
- **Incentive Programs:**
 - * **Box Tops for Education** - download the app and scan your receipt for eligible items to support SJSA.
 - * **Loaves for Learning** - clip bar codes and turn them into the school office or collection boxes in the back of St. John's, St. Andrew's, or St. Michael's Churches.
 - * **Coborn's MORE Rewards** - designate SJSA in your MORE Rewards account.
 - * **Aluminum Can Recycling** - please deposit cans in the trailer in the south parking lot of St. John's Church.

FAITH FORMATION / YOUTH MINISTRY

Director of Faith Formation: Amy Hoeschen

Asst. Director of Faith Formation: Chrystal Sand

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa

- **Registration** - Registrations are still being accepted. Please contact Chrystal or Amy at 320-836-2143 if you have not received your packet.
- **Grades 1-10** - Beginning of year mailing was sent out late this week. Mailing includes this year's calendar along with other important information. Please take the time to read this thoroughly. Contact Amy or Chrystal at the parish office with any questions.
- **Grade 11 - Next Class** - Wednesday, September 16 at 7:00 pm. Please meet in the Sacred Heart Church Basement. Bring pen/pencil and a notebook. Meet the candidate is due this evening.
 - Homework** - Question of the week answered.
 - Confirmation** - will be on Saturday, October 10 at 4:00 pm at Sacred Heart, Freeport.
- **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 7-10 on September 30 and grades 1-6 on October 7. 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, Meire Grove, Greenwald

Grades 1-11:

- **Registration** - Registrations are still being accepted. Please contact Chrystal or Amy at 320-836-2143 if you have not received your packet.
- **Beginning of year mailing was sent out late this week.** Mailing includes this year's calendar along with other important information. Please take the time to read this thoroughly. Contact Amy or Chrystal at the parish office with any questions.
- **Grade 12** - Confirmation will be on Sunday, September 27 at 2:00 pm at Sacred Heart, Freeport. Confirmation practice for students only will be on Wednesday, September 23 at Sacred Heart, Freeport.



ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Catholic Charities Senior Dining is piloting the Senior Dining Frozen Meal Expansion Project, with meals being made available at several locations across Central Minnesota in September. The project is partially funded under a contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act. Local pick up sites and dates are:

- Sauk Centre: September 18, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm – Central Minnesota Credit Union of Sauk Centre, 1181 Main St S, Sauk Centre, MN 56378
- Freeport: September 23, 2:00 pm - 3:30 pm – Freeport Senior Citizen Center, 312 2nd Ave SW, Freeport, MN 56331

ProLife Billboards Thank You! We want to extend a huge thank you to all who have donated toward the cost of the 3 ProLife Billboards found along I-94. Despite there being no Stearns County Fair, we have been blessed with a wonderful response to the request for donations. We have collected \$5,980 of the total \$7,800 contract, leaving a remaining balance of \$2,120. If you are interested in donating toward the remaining balance, please contact JoAnn Hartung at 320-224-9600 for more information or simply drop a donation in the collection basket, noting it is for the ProLife Across America Billboards. Thank you for helping save babies!



Sacred Heart School 1K/5K Run and Walk The 10th Annual Sacred Heart School 1K/5K Fun Run and Walk is coming up soon - Join us on Saturday, September 26 for a fun event for the whole family. We are looking for individuals and businesses to help sponsor the event. We would like to get all expenses covered with donations so the registration fees can ALL go back to the school and to the children. If you are willing to donate, please send your donation to Sacred Heart School, PO Box 39, Freeport, MN 56331. You can register for the event by going online at SignMeUp.com/SacredHeartRun or pick up a registration form at school. Walkers are more than welcome, no need to run the race. Get active on a nice fall morning and support Sacred Heart School. Thank you in advance for your generosity, and we look forward to seeing you on Saturday, September 28. The 1K starts at 10:30 am and the 5K will follow around 11:00 am. If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to contact Amy Van Beck at 320-290-8801 or amyvanbeck@hotmail.com.

America Needs Fatima Rosary Rally by the grotto in Spring Hill will be held on Saturday, October 10. Bring chairs if needed.

Thank you from Sacred Heart School for the cash donation designated for the purchase of library books that promote Racial Awareness and Inclusion. The donor is a graduate of SHS and a member of a local girl scout troop.

Thanks to all who have been donating aluminum cans for SHS to recycle. Interesting note: Since COVID-19 became a part of everyone's lives in March, we have collected almost \$300 for recycled cans. Thank you to Freeport Gas and Grocery for keeping the collection container on their property and to Albany Recycling for picking up the bags of cans regularly.

The Journey of Loss and Grief When Jesus' friend Lazarus dies, the Gospel of John tells us that "Jesus wept" (Jn 11:35). We experience many losses in our lives, and the death of someone we love is just one of them. We also lose relationships, roles, bodily functions, and communities. Grief is a normal response to loss, yet grief is chaotic and hard, so much so that we want to avoid it. But grief is the only way through loss. How can we better understand the journey of grief and how to take it in a faithful way? How does God call us to grieve and, finally, from our grief? **Sunday, September 20, Webinar presentation from 12:00 - 2:00 pm. Free event. Registration is required:** theologyday@csbsju.edu, www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, or 320-363-3560.

Honoring Marriage Day is **CANCELLED** for this year. This celebration was originally rescheduled for September 26 and is cancelled due to the continued risk posed by the coronavirus.

Save a Marriage. Are you or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille can help. The next program starts September 18 at the Country Inn & Suites in St. Cloud, MN. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website www.helpourmarriage.org for more information. Preregistration is required. Space is limited.

Face Coverings With regard to public liturgies, the Governor's executive order **requires** that people coming to Mass wear a face covering upon entering the church, during Mass, and when exiting the building. The order grants some exemptions from the mandate, including children ages 5 and under and people who are unable to wear or tolerate a face covering due to medical or mental health conditions or other reasons (Minnesota Department of Health Stay Safe MN Guidance for Gatherings: Faith-based Communities, Places of Worship, and Ceremonies July 28, 2020).



Whether or not to wear a face covering is a personal decision, and while wearing one is believed to help protect our brothers and sisters in Christ, it is important that we do not judge each other on whether or not we are choosing to wear a face covering. Let us remember that God is bigger than this, and we should not let this issue divide us. Let us rise above it in unity to give glory to God.

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



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

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

- Wednesday at 1:00 pm in English at the Grotto near the rectory in Melrose.
- Thursday at 7:00 pm in Spanish at the Grotto near the Rectory in Melrose.
- Friday at 7:30 pm in English at the Grotto in St. Rosa (cancelled in case of rain).
- Saturday at 9:00 am in English at the shelter on Main Street in Freeport.



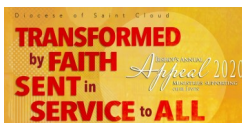
Loot for Learning Bowling is a great way to stay active this winter! Before heading over to Melrose Bowl this fall and winter, stop by Décor & More or Sacred Heart School and purchase a gift card to cover the bowling, snacks, and meals you will be having. By doing this one extra step, Sacred Heart School is benefiting from 5% of your purchase. The Loot to Go program is a great way to support Sacred Heart School by purchasing the items you would have anyway!



ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)

Catholic men face a spiritual crisis today. Join us to explore our calling to be better husbands, better fathers, better Catholics. "Into the breach" is a 12 session video-based program of spiritual growth and reflection offered Sunday evenings starting on October 4. All Catholic men are invited! Find more information and registration at www.mnknights.org. Seek greatness. Seek Virtue. Seek Holiness. Step Into the Breach! Sponsored by the MN Knights of Columbus. I encourage all Catholic men to check this out. You do not have to be a member of the Knights nor will you be pressured to join. ~ *Thank you, Richard Sand*

Bishop's Annual Appeal The diocese recently mailed a letter to households that have yet to donate to the appeal. We are a Eucharistic people transformed by faith and sent in service to all, yet no one can do it alone. We need Christ, we need the Holy Spirit, and we need each other. Please consider a gift to support ministries that nurture our faith and bring people together. Your support — whatever the amount — will make a difference in the lives of so many others. Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.



Natural Family Planning Learn God's Plan for Marriage! It's about love. It's about life. It's about freedom. It's about gift. Discover the beauty of creation as man or woman by learning Natural Family Planning. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in **Sauk Centre** on September 21 at 6:30 pm at 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!



Faith Enrichment

Q: Why ten Hail Marys for each mystery? Why five mysteries for each rosary?

A: The numbers come from the book of Psalms. There are 150 Psalms, and we pray 150 Hail Marys (ten for each mystery, times five mysteries, times three sets of mysteries).

Grandparents Day is celebrated today, Sunday, September 13. Grandparents hold a special place in many peoples' hearts. Let us pray for all grandparents and thank them for all they do for us.



HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

September 15 - 17, Tuesday - Thursday

♦Women's Silent Mid-Week Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$160 per person (\$30 non-refundable deposit per person required). Visit www.kingshouse.com or call 763-682-1394 to register.

September 17, Thursday

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

September 18 - 20, Friday - Sunday

♦Women's Silent Weekend Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$160 per person (\$30 non-refundable deposit per person required). Visit www.kingshouse.com or call 763-682-1394 to register.

September 25 - 27, Friday - Sunday

♦Men's Silent Weekend Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$160 per person (\$30 non-refundable deposit per person required). Visit www.kingshouse.com or call 763-682-1394 to register.

September 29 - October 1, Tuesday - Thursday

♦Women's Silent Mid-Week Retreat at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo, MN. \$160 per person (\$30 non-refundable deposit per person required). Visit www.kingshouse.com or call 763-682-1394 to register.

October 6, Tuesday

♦Melrose Blood Drive at Freeport Community Center from 12:30 - 6:30 pm. Schedule appointments at redcross.org. Contact Sally for any questions 320-291-2994.

The Scriptures This Week

Year A, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	Nm 21:4b-9	Phil 2:6-11 Jn 3:13-17
Tu	1 Cor 12:12-14,27-31a	Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35
We	1 Cor 12:31-13:13	Lk 7:31-35
Th	1 Cor 15:1-11	Lk 7:36-50
Fr	1 Cor 15:12-20	Lk 8:1-3
Sa	1 Cor 15:35-37,42-49	Lk 8:4-15
Next Sunday—		
	Is 55:6-9	Phil 1:20c-24,27a Mt 20:1-16a

Prayer Requests...

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

May They Rest in Peace:

†Richard "Rick" Klaphake

†James "Jim" Haskamp

Banns of Matrimony:

I Myranda Nelson♥Steve Beuning, 10-03 FR

I Diana Bertram♥Tylor Carlson, 10-03 SH

For the Sick:

Kristin Kerfeld, Jim Haskamp, Joyce Schmidt, Laura Beuning, Larry Mareck, Arliss Notch, Arlene Arnzen, Frances Fischer, Jesse Job, Dorothy Feldewerd, Harold Stangler, Lornie Middendorf, Luci Christanson, Abby Gertken, Larry Gaebel, Nick Hoppe, Walter Beuning, Glen Bueckers, Mary Ann Zierden, Dick Austin, Sue Worms, Joan Schlicht, Ashtyn Fiedler

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