

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-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

September 4, 2022

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

Melrose - Spring Hill -Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:

Hours: Monday - Tuesday 7:00 am - 3:00 pm Wednesday - Thursday 9:00 am - 3:00 pm Friday 7:00 am - 9:00 am

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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 3:15 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.



"Which of you wishing to construct a tower does not first sit down and calculate the cost to see if there is enough for its completion?" Luke 14:28

Are you prepared for all that the Lord wants of you? This short rhetorical question above is Jesus' way of saying that you ought to be prepared. If you were to build a tower you would hopefully be prudent enough to plan ahead, making sure you had enough resources for its completion. So it is with the spiritual life. It is essential that we make sure we have all the resources we need to make the choice to follow Christ.

This raises the question, "What resources do I need to follow Christ?" The answer is simple. Jesus says at the end of this Gospel, "In the same way, anyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple" (Luke 14:33). In other words, if we want to have all that we need to fulfill the will of God in our lives, we must surrender everything to God.

Being a disciple of Christ is not something we can do halfheartedly, even though there are many who attempt this. When we choose to follow Him, it must be wholehearted. We must be "all in," so to speak. Otherwise, we will never be able to accomplish all that our Lord asks of us. He is a demanding God in the sense that He wants everything from us. But this demand on the part of our Lord is completely for our own good. We need to give Him everything if we want happiness and fulfillment in life.

Reflect, today, upon how ready and willing you are to give every last part of your life to Christ. Are you willing to say "Yes" to Him no matter what? Are you willing to hold nothing back and "renounce all your possessions" if He were to ask? You may possess many things, and even though our Lord may not call you to give up all possessions in a literal and physical way, you must still surrender everything you have and everything you are to Him. Only then can He give you what you need to accomplish His most glorious will.

Lord, my life is Yours. Please give me the grace to surrender everything that makes up my life to You without reserve. I surrender to You my life, my finances, my possessions, my family, my labors and my entire future. All is Yours, dear Lord. Do with me what You will. Jesus, I trust in You.

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ACC Mass Times and Intentions ~ September 5 - 11

St. Mary - Melrose

SI. MAKY - MEHUSE			
Mo	6:30 pm	Misa en Español	
	_	††Roberto y Fernando Montanez	
Tu	7:30 am	††Jamie & Brenda Seanger	
We	7:30 am	††Jim & JoAnn Doyle	
Th	7:30 am	†Ernest Meyer	
Fr	8:30 am	†Ronald Thieschafer	
Sa	5:00 pm	†Dennis Kraemer	
		For the People	
*Su	10:00 am	††Urban & MaryAnn Primus	
Su	12:30 pm	Misa en Español	

SACRED HEART - Freeport

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We	8:15 am	†LaVern "Vern" Scherping
Fr	8:15 am	†Dorene Feldewerd
Su	8:00 am	†Bernie Laing

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

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Th	8:15 am	†Regina Von Wahlde
Sa	4:00 pm	For the People

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tu	8:15 am	†Joyce Eveslage
Su	10:00 am	†Greg Hartung

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu	8:00 am	†Sylvester Welle
Su	10:00 am	Wedding Anniversary
		Stanley & Ruth Heinen

St. Andrew - Greenwald

Th	8:00 am	†Marilyn Uphus
Sa	4:00 pm	†††Victor, Bertha &
	•	John Schoenberg

St. John - Meire Grove

We	8:00 am	Intension for John &
Su	8:00 am	Virginia Nathe †Mary Yarke †Frank Faber

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

†Gomecindo Botello †Jovita Becerra



Adoration

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

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

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

◆ Mass in the Haybarn Youth in grades 7-12, along with their families, are invited to the St. Mary's Youth Ministry kickoff event which will be "Mass in the Haybarn" on September 18! Mass will be at 4:00 pm and will be followed by a bonfire and outdoor games. Please bring your own hotdogs for roasting, buns and beverages. We will provide chips and dessert!! This evet is being hosted at Hellermann Acres (31969 Co Rd 175, Melrose 56352).

Office Closure The parish offices in Melrose and Freeport will be closed on Monday, September 5 in observance of Labor Day.

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.



Thank You St. Michael Parish, Spring Hill would like to express gratitude and appreciation to the extremely generous donors, of our Area Catholic Community, for their contribution to the Poor Clare Sisters at our outdoor Mass on the Feast of Assumption Day. Thank you for your support.

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.

Be Not Afraid! Of course, you don't have to have a faith crisis to attend a Koinonia retreat. Some of us just like to meet new people and share our gifts and talents. Maybe that is what you like to do, too. Central Minnesota Koinonia is a Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and designed for adults. The next weekend is scheduled for September 23-25, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

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Parish News:

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

- •St. Cloud Novena Please return the novena booklets to the church after you are finished with them. Thank you.
- •Men's Group Are you looking for a Men's program to grow in your personal/communal faith? The "That Man is You" men's program is coming to the Tri-Parishes in September. The theme this year is "Becoming a Man After God's Own Heart." The "That Man is You" approach is unique in both its structure and program. The time together begins with breakfast, followed by a video (about 30 minutes), and then small-group discussion. Program content includes instruction that incorporates "current social and medical science with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints." The focus is to build up Christian families. This program is open to all men of the Tri-Parishes, Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima. Any man is welcome to come, married, single, old, and young. Feel free to tell your friends and encourage them to come, too! The first meeting is September 13 from 5:30-7:00 am, Freeport Church basement. Please contact Chris Atkinson at 763-221-4172 or 320-256-3901 for more information and to sign up.
- •Women's Book Study Would you like to become more deep in your faith with likeminded women, while being prayed over and feeling more peace in your life? If so, you are welcome to join the Gather In Grace Women's Book Study that meets one Sunday a month for eight months. We will be reading, *Having a Mary Heart in a Martha World*. The first gathering will be on Sunday, September 18 at 6:00 pm at the Tri-Parish Office. We will discuss chapters one & two. This group is led by Sara Van Beck, and all women age 18 and older are welcome. Dates for the remaining sessions will be handed out the first evening. The book study will run from September-April. The cost will be \$9.99 to cover the cost of the book, if you need one purchased. Please contact the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143 to sign up. Deadline to sign up is Wednesday, September 7.
- •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

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

******** Weekly Offerings ********			
Total	\$18,458.38		
Regular Adult Offering.	5,401.00		
Loose	1,063.00		
Phase II	0.00		
Matching Funds	10,660.00		
Designated Funds	1,334.38		
St. Mary's School Endowment	\$500.00		
Phase II Building	\$47,211.85		
Phase II Matching Funds	\$61,795.00		
Rectory	\$79,779.65		
Total: Phase II/Rectory	\$188,786.50		

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

08-28	\$25	John Faber - Adrian
08-29	\$25	Missy Bueckers - Freeport
08-30	\$25	Bob Meyers - Melrose
08-31	\$25	Elmer & Virgina Meyer - Melrose
09-01	\$25	Jason Kraemer - Melrose
09-02	\$25	Marcella Hinnenkamp - Melrose
09-03	\$25	Herman Westendorf - Melrose



Died in the Hope of Resurrection...

†Rose B. Pundsack, 94 †Paul Thomas Spaeth, 84

Baptized in Christ... Kason Spenser Leukam

Parish Retreat Join our fellow parishioners for our 2022 Parish Retreat on September 24. The parish is a place of many social activities. Participating in these activities nurture our sense of community and belonging. At these events, greeting and talking with these parishioners, especially new parishioners, is an important function of all members. Our parish retreat will include a presentation by Anna Kampa, "Hospitality from the Heart," confession, and 5:00 pm Mass. Please RSVP by September 19 at 320-256-4207 or stmarys@stmarysofmelrose.com.

Thank You Morgan was here with us as we entered into our beautiful new church 2 years ago, walking into the challenge of a church dedication right off the bat! And, as if that weren't enough, she walked into all the commotion from COVID19! Morgan, we thank you for your splendid contributions to our liturgies with your musical talent. You will be missed. Also, we are grateful for Jacob's role in our music ministry as cantor and choir director. We wish you, Morgan, the absolute best in your future endeavors.

You're Invited to St. Mary's first Parish Get Together! Come for food, music, entertainment, and fellowship! Sunday, September 11 from 4:00 - 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church. Brats, hot dogs, chips and salsa, lemonade, apple cider, and water will be served. All St. Mary's



Parishioners welcome! Free will donations accepted! Musical entertainment will be provided by "just the 3 of us."



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART

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

******* Weekly Offerings ********		
Adult Envelopes	\$2,923.46	
Plate	489.00	
Total Weekly Contributions	\$3,412.46	
Other Donations		
Limestone Repair	\$100.00	
Votive	144.50	
School Support	535.00	

			Parish Events
We	09/07	5:30 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation
			Parent/Student Interviews
We	09/07	7:00 pm	Grade 11 Faith Formation
We	09/07	7:30 pm	Youth Night
We	09/07	7:30 pm	Faith Formation Parent Meeting
Fr	09/09	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	09/09	9:00 am	Adoration
Su	09/11	8:00 am	Baptism

Baptized in Christ... We welcome **Franklin Duane Michael Mages**, the son of Steven & Melanie Herkenhoff-Mages, to our parish. Franklin Duane Michael was baptized on Sunday, August 28.

Children's Liturgy We are excited to begin offering Children's Liturgy again. It will begin on Sunday, September 11. The program is formatted for pre-k through those preparing for First Holy Communion. We would like to invite those in that age group to participate in Children's Liturgy. For those who have received the Sacrament of the Eucharist, we ask that they remain and are



active participants in the Mass. There will be no Children's Liturgy in the summer. It will take place from September through May.

Parish Choir will begin in September. The choir sings at the 8:00 am Mass twice a month, with practice at 6:30 pm on the Tuesday before, as well as for other special Masses. For September, the choir will sing on September 11 and 25 with practices on September 6 and 20. New members are welcome and encouraged to join.

Prayer Requests...

Please call the parish office to be added to this list



May They Rest in Peace:

†Rose B. Pundsack

For the Sick:

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

CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

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Adult Envelopes	. \$2,261.96
Plate	. 156.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,417.96
Other Donations	
Building/Maintenance	. \$67.50
Assumption	
Elevator Addition	. 25.00

Parish Events

Tu	09/06	6:00 pm	Catholic United Financial
			Meeting
We	09/07	5:30 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We	09/07	7:00 pm	Grade 11 FF - FR
We	09/07	7:30 pm	Youth Night - FR
We	09/07	7:30 pm	FF Parent Meeting - FR
Sa	09/10	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions

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 by September 15, 2022.

New Munich Parish Choir will practice at 7:00 pm on Thursday, September 15. This is a wonderful time to join the choir. If you love to sing, or have any interest in playing an instrument for Mass, please come to practice or speak to Calli at 320-290-4583. We would love to have you sing with us!

God's Housekeepers for September: Joan Kurtz, Laurie Schmiesing, Mary Hoppe, and Sandy Zierden. The first person on the list should contact the others to schedule a cleaning time.



CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA

Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17 St. Rosa, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2537

******** Weekly Offering ******** 305.00 Plate **Total Weekly Contributions** \$1,468.46 **Other Donations** Assumption..... \$20.00 Building Remodel..... 100.00

Parish Events

Su	09/04	10:00 am	St. Rose of Lima Festival
We	09/07	5:30 pm	Grade 2 FF - FR
We	09/07	7:00 pm	Grade 11 FF - FR
We	09/07	7:30 pm	Youth Night - FR
We	09/07	7:30 pm	FF Parent Meeting - FR
Fr	09/09	7:30 pm	Rosary
Su	09/11	11:00 am	Catholic United Financial
			Meeting

Christian Women Meeting.....The

St. Rose Christian Women will be meeting on Tuesday, September 13 at 7:00 pm in the church basement. We are looking for a Vice President and a Secretary. Please plan to join us!

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 ST. MICHAEL

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

******** Weekly Offering ********

Total	\$2,887.00
Regular Adult Offering	585.00
Children	1.00
Plate/Loose	46.00
Men's Society	1,120.00
Assumption	20.00
Maintenance	115.00
Lawnmower	1,000.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, September 11 - 10:00 am

- (S) Sam Orbeck & Jack Orbeck
- (L) Ralph Klassen
- (U) Adam Kalthoff & Melvin Kalthoff
- (EU) (B) Sandra Gruber

(Sacristan) Ruth Heinen

(RL) Kathy Welle

(CC) Peter Wuertz & Roger Meyer

(HK - Sept. 4 - 17) Amanda Moscho, Ruth Moscho, & Mary Nietfeld

Thank you to everyone who donated their time and equipment for the church parking lot. Also thank you to those who donated cash or supplies that were needed to complete these projects. Your time and generosity is very much appreciated.

Leadership Council Meeting St. Michael's Parish Leadership Council meeting will be Tuesday, September 6 at 7:30 pm in the church basement.

Financial

Catholic United Catholic United **Matching Grant Breakfast**

St. Michaels will be hosting a matching grant breakfast on Sunday, September 11. St. Michaels members may return their payment for their tickets before that Sunday by putting them in the collection here at St. Michaels. Any unused tickets may be returned this way also. If you have other questions, please call Tony Gruenes at or Diane 320-987-3591 Welle 320-241-7089. Thank you for supporting St. Michaels!



CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW

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

******** Weekly Offering ********

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Total	\$1,418.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,350.00
Plate/Loose	31.00
Votives	17.00
Assumption	10.00
Maintenance	10.00

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, September 10 - 4:00 pm

- (S) Logan Frieler & Megan Frieler
- (L) Herman Lensing
- (U) Peter Van Beck & James Wehlage
- (GB) Pete & Linda Heinze
- (EU) (B) Kris Winter

(HK - September) *Ronnie Inderrieden, Deb Keller, Bridget Kasper, & Kari Kasper

"Everyone of you who does not renounce all his possessions cannot be my disciple." (Luke 14:33)

When we first hear this statement, it seems that Jesus is making an unrealistic demand upon us. How can we renounce all of our possessions? We need them to live. However, what we must renounce is the belief that they belong to us. Everything that we have belongs to God alone. All of our resources are entrusted to us not only for our own use, but also so that we can help others. Once we renounce the idea that we possess or are entitled to anything, it is much easier to share the many gifts that God has given us. Then we truly are His disciples.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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

******** Weekly Offering ******** Regular Adult Offering 1,448.00 Children 0.25 83.00 Plate/Loose

Votives 61.50 Assumption..... 130.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, September 11 - 8:00 am

- (S) Carter Kelzer & Logan Kelzer
- (L) Missy Illies
- (U) Kurt Meyer & Marvin Meyer
- (GB) Martha Meyer Family
- (EU) (B) Daryl Zenzen & Nick Kelzer
- (HK-September) *Amy Klaphake, Joni Imdieke, Sharon Imdieke, Kate Kelzer, Kathy Klaphake, & Marcy Klaphake

Baptized in Christ...Mia Rose Gilbert

Thank you to everyone who worked for regions. Your help and support was very much appreciated. ~Meire Grove Baseball

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

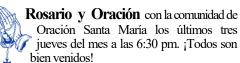
Uno en Fe ~ Formación de Fe y Ministerio Juvenil

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

- •Reserve! El Retiro NET que es requerido para estudiantes de los gordos 10 y 11 que no asistieron al retiro del año pasado: 25 de Septiembre 10:00am - 4:00 pm. (La Diócesis de St. Cloud requiere que los estudiantes que deseen ser confirmados asistan a un retiro en algún momento. Los estudiantes de nuestras parroquias generalmente asisten a este retiro en el grado 10, el año anterior a la Confirmación, pero si es un estudiante del grado 11 no ha ido a un retiro, todavía puedes asistir a este.)
- •Primera Comunión: Primera Clase Sábado, 10 de Septiembre de 9:30 - 11:00 am en la Iglesia de St. Mary. Solo estudiantes.
- Grados 9 v 10: Primera Clase Miercoles, Septiembre 7 de 7:15 - 8:30 pm en la Iglesia de St. Mary. Service work: Trabajo de servicio: Estudiantes y algunos padres.

Bautizados en Crito:

Jesus Omar Dias Chavez Gloria Yumaira Diaz Chavez Yadiel Diaz Chavez



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 1 Cor 5:1-8 Lk 6:6-11 **Tu** 1 Cor 6:1-11 Lk 6:12-19 **We** 1 Cor 7:25-31 Lk 6:20-26 Th The Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary Mi 5:1-4a or Rom 8:28-30 Mt 1:1-16,18-23 or 1:18-23

Saint Peter Claver, Priest 1 Cor 9:16-19.22b-27

Lk 6:39-42 1 Cor 10:14-22 Lk 6:43-49

Next Sunday - Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Ex 32:7-11,13-14 1 Tm 1:12-17

Lk 15:1-32 or 15:1-10



Sacred Heart School **Calendar Raffle Winners**

08-28 \$25 Theresa Tschida - Grey Eagle

08-29 \$25 Amy Rausch - Paynesville

Ervin Feldewerd - Melrose 08-30 \$25 08-31 \$25 Lauren Scepaniak - Melrose

09-01 \$25 Brenda Tschida - Melrose 09-02 \$25 Mary Hoeschen - Freeport

09-03 \$25 Joni Van Beck - Melrose

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

FAITH FORMATION:

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

- •Parent Meeting: Wednesday, September 7 at 7:30 pm, we will be having a mandatory parent meeting. This meeting is for parents of students in grades 1-10. We will be going over different things that will be implemented this year for Faith Formation. Please have at least one parent present for this important meeting. The meeting will be held in the body of Sacred Heart Church.
- •Grade 2: First Communion Student and Parent Interviews Wednesday, September 7. Please see schedule that was mailed with beginning of the year information or contact Chrystal at the office for scheduled time.
- •Grade 10: NET Retreat Save the Date 2022-2023 10th graders save the date of Sunday, September 25 for the required NET Retreat.
- •Grade 11: Next Class: Wednesday, September 7 at 7:00 pm. Please meet in the music room at Sacred Heart School.
 - Reminder: Meet the Candidate and Confirmation Name are due September 7.
 - The Rite of Confirmation will take place on Saturday, October 8 at 4:00 pm at the Church of the Immaculate Conception.

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

- ◆Save the Date! Required NET Retreat for 10th graders and any 11th graders who did not attend last year's retreat:

 September 25 from 10:00am 4:00 pm. (The Diocese of St. Cloud requires students who wish to be confirmed to attend a retreat at some point. Students in our parishes usually attend this retreat in 10th grade the year before Confirmation but if you are an 11th grader and you have not yet gone to a retreat, you can still attend this one.)
- ♦ First Communion: First Class Saturday, September 10 from 9:30 11:00 am at St. Mary Church. Students only.
- ◆ Grades 9 & 10: First Class Wednesday, September 7 from 7:15 8:30 pm at St. Mary Church. Service work: Students and some parents.

Youth Ministry:

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

• Rosary Keychain Making Night: Wednesday, September 7 from 7:30-8:30 pm in Sacred Heart Church Basement.

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

Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

- **▼Welcome to the start** of the 2022-2023 school year at SHS 27 students in PreSchool and 106 students in grades K-6.
- ◆Welcome to the SHS teaching staff:

 PreSchool Mrs. Sara Van Back & Mrs.

 Heidi Feldewerd, Kindergarten Mrs.

 Amanda Maus, 1st Grade Ms. Emma

 Blashack, 2nd Grade Mrs. Kaitlyn Berg,

 3rd Grade Mr. Jesse Kuechle, 4th Grade
 Mrs. Laura Moening, 5th Grade Mrs.

 Gina Benson, 6th Grade Sr. Janine Braun.

 Mrs. Char Mayer and Mrs. Yvonne Beste

 are Paras working in various classrooms,

 and Christie Zink is our IT professional.
- **▼There will be No School** on Monday, September 5 Labor Day.
- ◆School Liturgy on Wednesday, September 7 will be planned by Sr. Janine and the 6th grade students.

Looking Ahead:

- **There will be No School** for students at SHS on Monday, Sept. 12 The teachers will be participating in a workshop training for the new math curriculum.
- training for the new math curriculum.

 *Start of School year information meeting for Kindergarten parents will be held on Monday, September 12 at 7:00 pm.
- ▼Fundraiser Meeting for all K-6 parents will be held on Monday, September 12 at 7:30 pm.



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- ◆No school Monday, September 5 Labor Day.
- First School Mass will be on Friday, September 9, at 8:30 am. All are welcome!
- •No School Monday, September 12, Math training for staff
- •St. Mary's Staff for the 2022-2023 school year. Ms. Dana - Little Saints Teacher, Ms. Madelyn - Little Saints Assistant Teacher, Ms. Hallie Feldewerd-Preschool Aide, Ms. Frank Heinze -Kindergarten, Ms. Bri and Mrs. Nelson-1st grade, Mr. Thell - 2nd grade, Mrs. Wolff - 3rd grade, Mrs. Kloth - 4th grade, Ms. Hellermann - 5th grade, Ms. Pundsack - 6th grade, Ms. Naomi - Administrative Assistant. Ms. Bri Worms media, Ms. Amanda Hellermann intervention specialist and Kids Time Coordinator. Matt Grossinger and Duane Rothstein - Custodians. We are also fortunate to have 4 Foster Grandparents. Julie Boeckers, Linda Klein, Anita Schwinghammer, and Judy Heinze.



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- •Thank you to all our families who attended our Open House. We are excited for the start of the new school year.
- First Day of Preschool is Wednesday, September 7.
- •Congratulations to the SJSA School Board Officers for 2022-2023 President- Kurt Meyer, Vice President Kathy Gilk, Secretary Janice Funk, Finance Committee Kurt Meyer, Trista Roelike, Public Relations/Marketing Committee Kathy Gilk and Kristi Zimmer, Personnel Committee Trista Roelike, Kristi Zimmer, Environmental/Recycling Committee Kate Kelzer Representatives to Parish Council Kate Kelzer-St. John's and Kathy Gilk St. Andrew's
- •Harry's Pizza Sale SJSA is selling Harry's Pizza September 6-23. If you would like to order pizzas, please call the school office at 320-987-3133. Pizza pick-up is Saturday, October 1 from 9:00 10:00 am at the school.
- •Thank you to the families who sorted aluminum cans from the Johnny Holm concert and Barley Days. And, thank you to the parents for getting the cans to the recycling center. We received checks for \$102.60 and \$78.10 for your efforts!
- •No school at SJSA Labor Day, Monday, September, 5.

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED FROM PAGE 2)

Sacred Heart School 1K / 5K Run and Walk:



The 12th annual Sacred Heart School 1K/5K Fun Run and Walk is coming up soon – Join us on Saturday, September, 24 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 online 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 24. The 1K starts at 10:30 am and the 5K will follow around 11:00 am. Freeport Fall Fest will have many family activities to keep you busy in the morning and after the race, so plan to stay in town and enjoy the day! If you have any questions or need more information, feel free to contact Amy Van Beck at 320-290-8801 or amyvanbeck@hotmail.com.

Save the Date October 5 A Regional Ministry Gathering is being planned in Fergus Falls. 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.

Catholic Women's Conference

Need some time for yourself this fall to focus on your faith? Then you won't want to miss the upcoming Catholic Women's Conference on Saturday, September 17, at St. Mary's Parish in



Alexandria. The Diocese of St. Cloud, in partnership with the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women, is hosting "Eucharistic, God's Greatest Gift." Spend the day with International speakers, Marge Steinhage Fenelon and Leah Jacobson, who will inspire you and set your faith on fire. The day also includes Mass with Bishop Kettler, lunch and afternoon breakout sessions. Go to stedio.org for registration and more information.

Rural Catholic Singles Group Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for single people ages 19-59. We 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 September 10 meeting topic is Conflict Resolution. Fire and Fellowship in the back yard after. Bring a lawn chair and beverages and snacks if you wish. Water and snacks will be provided. Call or text Janel at 320-290-2877 for more information.



Retrouvaille Weekend

This event will be held in St. Cloud September 23-25. Retrouvaille Marriage Help: Thinking about

separation or divorce? Hurting? Angry? Feeling helpless? Retrouvaille is a lifeline for troubled marriages. Couples learn the tools to rediscover each other and heal their marriage. 100% confidential. Find out more information and register at http://www.helpourmarriage.org.

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

Engaged Couples Retreat This event will be held at Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids, MN on Saturday, September 10 from 9:00 am to 6:00 pm. Doors will open at 8:30 am. See our website for more details visit https://stcdio.org/engaged-couple-marriage-preparation/ or call 320-252-4721 with questions.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

September 7, 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.

September 11, Sunday

- ◆Matching Grant Breakfast and Bake Sale at St. Michael's Parish in Spring Hill. Serving from 9:00 am 12:30 pm. Sausage, eggs, potatoes, and more. Advance tickets only \$9. Bring family and friends. Children 5 and under eat free, ages 6-12 \$4.
- ◆Fall Festival at St. Mary of Mt. Carmel Church in Long Prairie. Lunch served 11:00 am 1:00 pm. Mexican Food Tent at 1:00 pm. Music from 12:00 2:30 pm. Cash Raffle, barrel train rides, root beer floats, cake walk, beer/wine garden, bingo, bouncy house and kids games. Youth and Adult Cornhole tournament. To sign up please call or text Amy 320-760-4559, Scott 320-309-4608, or Tyler 320-808-0427.
- •Forever Young Choir Concert at St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Melrose at 7:00 pm. Admission is a free will offering and a food shelf item.

September 13, Tuesday

- ♦ Melrose Area Senior Center is sponsoring a trip through Jeanne B Tours to "Plowin' Thru," Church Basement Ladies Show at the Ames Center in Bloomington, MN, on September 13. Cost per ticket is \$105 for the first 25 members to register. Registration at the Melrose City Center, checks payable to Jeanne B Tours.
- Forever Young Choir Concert at Our Saviors Lutheran Church in Albany at 7:00 pm. Admission is a free will offering and a food shelf item.

September 14, Wednesday

•Quilting at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All are welcome.

September 15 - 18, Thursday - Sunday

•48th Annual Albany Pioneer Days Threshing Show will be held at the Stearns County Pioneer Club Showgrounds just north of Albany. Check the website www.albanypioneerdays.com for details.

September 15, Thursday

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

September 16, Friday

•Diocesan Stewardship Day 2022. This one-day retreat will include presentations, reflection time, and celebration of the Eucharist. To register: https://www.surverymonkey.com/r/53D7LW6. For more information, visit our website: https://stcdio.org/stewardship. Registration deadline is Friday, September 9.

September 18, Sunday

- "500" Card Party at Sacred Heart Church basement in Freeport. Start time is 7:00 pm. Lunch will be served. All are welcome to join.
- ♦St. Donatus Catholic Church in Brooten Annual Turkey & Ham Dinner at the Padua Pub Reception Hall in Padua. Serving from 11:00 am 1:30 pm. Menu includes: roast turkey and ham, real mashed potatoes, gravy, dressing, fresh corn, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner rolls, homemade pie, and dessert. Take outs will also be available.
- ◆Forever Young Choir Concert at First Lutheran Church in Sauk Centre at 7:00 pm. Admission is a free will offering and a food shelf item.

October 27, Thursday

♦ Join the Melrose Area Senior Center as we travel with Jeanne B Tours for a delightful "mystery" day! The trip begins at 8:30 am and includes deluxe motorcoach, guide, lunch, any admissions per itinerary. Sign up at the Melrose City Center, the deadline to sign up is **September 15**. Questions, please contact Jeanne at 320-345-1581.

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