



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

Sixteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

July 20, 2025

Fr. Daniel Walz, Pastor
Fr. Mitchell Bechtold, Pastor
Fr. Oswaldo Roche, Parochial Vicar

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

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Friday 8:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Bulletin Announcements

Deadline: Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email information to: bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

- ◆Fridays 7:45 am Sacred Heart
- ◆Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception
- ◆Saturdays 3:30 pm St. Andrew
- ◆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 & OCIA

If you are interested in having your child baptized or participating in the OCIA program, contact the respective Parish Office.

Anointing of the Sick **Homebound 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.

Serving with



Jesus entered a village where a woman whose name was Martha welcomed him. She had a sister named Mary who sat beside the Lord at his feet listening to him speak. Luke 10:38-39

It's interesting that it was Martha who welcomed Jesus, but it was Mary who sat at His feet listening to Him. As the story goes on, we discover that Martha took her responsibility of hospitality seriously; she was very busy preparing a meal. But it appears that Mary needed a different form of hospitality from our Lord Himself. As Martha prepared to feed Jesus so as to care for His physical hunger, Mary sought to be fed by our Lord so as to feed her spiritual hunger. And interestingly, it was the generosity of Martha who was diligent in preparing the meal that made it possible for her sister to receive the spiritual food she longed for.

When we read this story, we can easily become critical of Martha because she complained to Jesus about her sister. It is easy to see Martha's frustration in her words, "Lord, do you not care that my sister has left me by myself to do the serving? Tell her to help me." And though Martha may have been a little impatient, Jesus' response to her was gentle and corrective. "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." What was that "better part?" It was Mary's prayerful attentiveness to Jesus. She was hungry for His teaching, and Jesus offered it to her in a very personal and loving way. And though this image of Mary before Jesus is a beautiful image to ponder and to use as a model of our own prayer, there is also something important to be said about Martha's role in making Mary's prayer possible.

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ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ JULY 21 - 27

ADORATION

ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo	6:30 pm	Misa en Español †Juan Luis y †Martina de la Cruz
Tu	7:30 am	†Erma Kettler
We	7:30 am	†Edward Mueller
Th	7:30 am	†Souls in Purgatory & the End of Abortion in Minnesota
*Fr	7:30 am	†Mary Elfering
Sa	5:00 pm	†Ron Kettler
*Su	9:00 am	†Ron Heinen
Su	11:30 am	Misa en Español †Esperanza Mireles

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We	8:15 am	†Genevieve Dumont
Fr	8:15 am	Living/†Deceased Members of the Elmer & Florence Austing Family
Su	8:00 am	†Ed & †Agnes Job

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th	8:15 am	†Thomas Holdvogt
Sa	4:00 pm	For the People

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu	8:15 am	†Judy & Loral Vos & Family
Su	10:00 am	†John Stoermann

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu	8:00 am	Living & †Deceased Members of St. Mary's Mission Society
Su	10:00 am	†Gene Athmann

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th	8:00 am	†Leona Bertram
Sa	4:00 pm	†Lloyd Lucken

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We	8:00 am	†Poor Souls Society
Su	8:00 am	For the People

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

First Tuesday of the month
7:00 - 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception - New Munich

First Thursday of the month
7:00 - 8:00 am

St. Mary - Melrose

First Thursday of the month 6:30 pm
in Spanish (en Español)

Sacred Heart - Freeport

Fridays 9:00 am - 1:00 pm



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

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Parish News:

~ St. Mary ~ St. Michael ~ St. Andrew ~ St. John ~

•**Missionary Visit** The Servants of the Lord and the Virgin of Matará Sisters, a missionary Institute of religious sisters, will be speaking at our parishes for a mission appeal on July 26-27. Founded in 1988, these missionary sisters strive to go where the presence of religious sisters is most needed. Sister Joy of Martyrs, SSVM, will be sharing about her mission in Brazil where she works with children and poor families in human and religious development. Thank you for prayerfully considering how you are able to support this important missionary effort.

One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunity...

•**Director of Faith Formation and Youth Ministry (DFFYM)** Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima is seeking a PT/FT DFFYM. Individuals interested in this position are asked to send a letter of interest and resume to ahoeschen@catholic-centered.org. For more information, please contact Amy Hoeschen PO Box 155, Freeport, MN 56331 or call 320-836-2143.

•**Hiring After Care Assistants** Do you enjoy working with school-age children? Sacred Heart School is hiring part-time Assistants for the After Care Program this fall. Hours would be 3:00 - 5:30 pm. Call the school office at 320-836-2591 for application information.

Volunteer Help Needed: Deliver Meals on Wheels in Melrose two Mondays and two Tuesdays each month. Contact Catholic Charities Senior Dining at 320-845-4070 for more information.



Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo holds retreats throughout the year. Enhance your faith life with one of the retreats below. For more information or to register, please call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com.

- Men's & Women's Silent Weekend Retreat - August 1-3 "Being Disciples of Jesus in Charity, Justice, and Prophecy - Why Being Good-Heart if not Enough" Presented by Fr. Ron Rolheiser, OMI
- Men's & Women's Retreat - August 8-10 "A Weekend Away"
- Men's & Women's Silent Weekend Retreat - August 22-24 "Fingers Crossed" Presented by Fr. Charlie Lachowitzer

Parish News:

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

•**St. Joseph the Worker Council Knights of Columbus** will not meet on Tuesday, July 22. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, August 26.

•**Children's Liturgy of the Word** With the school year right around the corner, we are looking for help with Children's Liturgy of the Word in Freeport, New Munich, and St. Rosa during weekend Masses. If you like working with children and sharing your faith with them, this could be the ministry for you. We need to have one confirmed member and one youth present during Children's Liturgy of the Word. If a Mass time in one of the parishes is better for you, you are more than welcome to help in that parish. If we do not have volunteers to carry out this ministry, it will not be available to your young people. Please contact the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport if you are interested in helping with this ministry.

•**August Ministry Schedule** was mailed or emailed to all ministers. It is also available on the Tri-Parish website. If you are unable to fulfill your ministry, please find a replacement. Thank you for sharing your time and talent with our parish.

•**Photo Directory** Have you scheduled your photography session yet? Several new days have been added to the schedule in Freeport. You may schedule your photography appointment online by going to www.ucdir.com, click on photography appointment scheduling login on the right side, enter "mn568" in the Church Code field and enter "photos" in the Church Password field. (Please note that the code and password are case sensitive.) There will be no cost to have your family picture taken; and just for participating you will receive a complimentary 8x10 portrait and a photo directory.

♦New dates are July 24, 25, and 26 at Sacred Heart.

Voices of Hope - Bishop's Annual Appeal 2025: Please remember the diocesan ministries that, through your generosity, continue to build the kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota. They are not possible without your help. Please keep them thriving by making a gift at www.stedio.org/annualappeal.

CHURCH OF ST. MARY

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

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

Total.....	\$19,206.31
Regular Adult Offering	16,644.45
Plate/Loose	875.86
Designated Funds	1,686.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

07-13	\$25	Paula Lange, St. Cloud
07-14	\$25	Shar & Dan Goihl, Grey Eagle
07-15	\$25	Florence Tschida, Grey Eagle
07-16	\$25	Jason & Elisha Seanger, Melrose
07-17	\$25	Gabriella Thull, Maple Grove
07-18	\$25	Devin & Elisha Kemper, Albany
07-19	\$25	Jake & Jordan Enneking, Rockville

**Baptized in Christ...**

♥Gabriel Martinez Vega, ♥Francesca Botello, ♥Emmalyn Laura Herdering, ♥Blair Catherine Petermeier, ♥McKenzie Rose Nathe

Public Rosary...

**We have much to pray for and even more to be thankful for.
All are invited and welcome!**

- Sundays at 7:30 am in the church in Meire Grove.
- Mondays at 7:00 am in the church in Meire Grove.
- Tuesdays at 7:00 am in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesdays at 1:00 pm in the church in Melrose.
- Every Thursday except the first Thursday at 6:30 pm in Spanish in the church in Melrose.
- Fridays at 7:30 pm at the church in St. Rosa.
- 30 minutes prior to each weekday and weekend Mass in Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa, and Spring Hill.
- 20 minutes prior to each weekday and weekend Mass in Greenwald.

**CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART**

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

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

Total.....	\$5,191.54
Regular Adult Offering	3,623.54
Votive	49.00
Texas Flood Relief	1,434.00
School Support	75.00
Building/Maintenance	10.00

Parish Events

Su	07/20	9:00 am	Parish Festival
Tu	07/22		Directory Photos
We	07/23		Directory Photos
Th	07/24		Directory Photos
Fr	07/25	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	07/25	9:00 am	Adoration
Fr	07/25		Directory Photos
Sa	07/26		Directory Photos

All Festival Raffle Tickets Must Be Turned In

Please sell or buy the 10 grand raffle tickets that were included in your festival packet. The Grand Raffle is the most productive part of our festival. 100% of each ticket sold goes directly to the parish. If your packet was mailed to you, please consider sending in the order form to purchase tickets in support of our parish, especially if you are unable to make it to the festival. **PLEASE NOTE: All sold and unsold raffle tickets, grand and quilt, must be turned in and accounted for no later than 3:00 pm Sunday, July 20.**



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Because Martha was diligent in taking care of the duties of hospitality, Mary felt the freedom to sit at Jesus' feet. Perhaps the ideal response from Martha would have been to notice that Mary was being spiritually fed by our Lord and to rejoice in that fact, giving her the continued freedom to sit at Jesus' feet. If Martha would have realized this, then she would have continued working in the background so that her sister could continue listening to Jesus. But even though Martha did interrupt this sacred moment for her sister, the fact remains that her initial diligence in taking care of preparing the meal did give Mary some time alone with Jesus.

In a similar way, we will all be given various opportunities in life to take care of the daily mundane tasks that are needed within a family or community. It is easy to fall into the trap of thinking that unless everyone does their equal part, then things are not fair. But being "fair" should not be our focus. True charity, especially within the family, means that, first and foremost, we look for opportunities to better the lives of those around us. For example, spending extra time cleaning a home so that others can enjoy it more adds much to family life. Or spending hours preparing a nice meal for family or friends may afford everyone the opportunity of time well spent together. These are only a couple of the countless ways that our diligence and generosity toward others is fruitful, especially within family life.

Reflect, today, upon these two women and the unique calling they each were given at the time of Jesus' visit to their house. One was called to be fed by our Lord as she sat at His feet. The other was called to work hard so as to make it easier for her sister to receive that spiritual nourishment. Know that both of these callings are important. For that reason, if God calls you to be more like Martha at times, rejoice in that fact and work hard at serving in many ways. If God calls you to be more like Mary at times, then rejoice in those moments and sit prayerfully at the feet of our Lord, being fed by His holy Words.

My gentle Lord, when You came to the home of Martha and Mary, You fed Mary with Your Word and fed Martha by your gentle correction. I thank You for these two women and the roles they both play in teaching me how to love and to serve. May I always be diligent in my service to others, and may I always embrace every moment that You invite me to sit at Your feet in prayer.

Jesus, I trust in You.

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CHURCH OF IMMACULATE CONCEPTION

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$3,302.51
Regular Adult Offering.....	2,354.33
Texas Flood Relief	850.68
School Support	10.00
Building/Maintenance.....	87.50

Parish Events

Fr 07/25 6:00 pm Wedding Rehearsal
Sa 07/26 1:00 pm Karls/Thomas Wedding
Sa 07/26 3:30 pm Individual Confessions

Baptized in Christ... We welcome **Leo Joseph Nathe**, the son of Bryce and Taylor Nathe, to our parish. Leo Joseph was baptized on Sunday, July 13.

Died in the Hope of Resurrection...
†Ronald "Ron" Hoppe, 82

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

July 20, Sunday

◆**Sacred Heart Parish Festival**, Freeport. See page 7 for more details.

July 24, Thursday

◆**Freeport State Bank 25th Annual Golf Classic** See page 7 for more details.

July 24-25, Thursday-Friday

◆**Religious Art, Artifacts, and Framed Paintings Rummage Sale** at Collegeville St. John's Parish Center from 9:00 am - 4:00 pm. All proceeds go to the St. Joseph Food Shelf.

July 27, Sunday

◆**St. Rita Parish Bazaar** in Hillman Mass at 10:30 am followed by games, food, and entertainment. Auction at 2:30 pm and Grand raffle at 5:00 pm.

July 29, Tuesday

◆**Bologna Daze** at Elrosa Bar & Lounge serving from 5:00 - 7:30 pm. Music by local musicians. \$11 all you can eat. Sponsored by: Elrosa Senior Citizens. Last Tuesday of the month through September.

August 2, Saturday

◆**CORNFEST** at St. James Parish - Jacobs Prairie. Serving from 4:00 - 8:00 pm. Activities: silent auction, quilt auction at 5:30 pm, and cash raffle at 8:00 pm.

August 2 & 3, Saturday & Sunday

◆**Greenwald Barley Days** Saturday will begin with a polka Mass at 7:30 pm with a band and festivities to follow. Sunday will begin with a parade at 11:00 am with all the other festivities to follow. The theme for the parade is "The Excitement, Wonder and Amusement of a Carnival." If interested in putting a float in the parade, contact Linda Heinze at 320-333-3823.

CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$2,705.46
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,318.46
Texas Flood Relief	1,387.00

Parish Events

Fr 07/25 7:30 pm Rosary

Quilting Group Chairs Please bring all quilts to the 10:00 am Mass on Sunday, July 27. Festival chairs will be there to collect them after Mass. Please contact Devin & Christine Middendorf 320-223-2642, or Michael & Jessica Lehner 320-292-6415, or Devin & Elisha Kemper 320-527-3707 for alternative arrangements or questions.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$1,487.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,410.00
Plate/Loose	7.00
Maintenance Fund	70.00

Liturgical Ministries

Sunday, July 27 - 10:00 am

(S) Kenny Niehoff & Noah Terres
(L) Ralph Klassen
(U) Peter Wurtz & Randy Barten
(EM) (B) John Schulzetenberg
(EM) (C) Sharon Schulzetenberg
Nick Waldorf
(Sacristan) John & Sharon Schulzetenberg
(RL) Kathy Welle
(CC) Peter Wurtz & Roger Meyer
(HK: July 13 - 26) Joyce Meyer, Kim Meyer, & Linda Meyer

EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer) St. Michael's now has the option for EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)! If you are interested in signing up to handle your contributions to the church in this way, please pick up a form at the church, check the parish website (oneinfaith.org/stmichaels), or stop in the parish office. The first transaction is scheduled for August 15, 2025. Please have signed forms to the office by Monday, August 11.

St. Michael's Christian Women will have their yearly meeting Tuesday, July 29. There will be a Mass at 7:30 pm followed by lunch and meeting at Extra Innings! There will be no morning Mass that day! Hope to see you all there!

Parish Census If you have not already done so, please complete the parish registration form you received in the mail and return it to the parish office by Thursday, July 31. If you did not receive a letter and want to be registered at St. Michael's, please call the parish office at 320-256-4207.

One in Faith ACC Is Invited to Celebrate the Feast of the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary



- ◆ **Outdoor Mass** with Bishop Neary Friday, August 15 at 7:30 pm at St. Michael's Parish in Spring Hill.
- In case of inclement weather, Mass will be held in church.
- Poor Clares collection will be taken.
- Bring your own chair.
- Refreshments will be served after Mass.
- Everyone is welcome! Please bring a friend!**

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$3,125.00
Regular Adult Offering	985.00
EFT	1,350.00
Plate/Loose	166.00
Votives	4.00
Lawn Spraying	20.00
Cemetery	600.00

Liturgical Ministries

Saturday, July 26 - 4:00 pm

(S) Sophia Kasper & Lydia Kasper
(L) Herman Lensing
(U) Herb Inderrieden & Matthew Kasper
(GB) David & Marilyn Welle
(EM) (B) Herman Lensing
(EM) (C) Mary Opatrny & Mike Barten
(HK - July) *Mary Opatrny, Kristen Pattinson,
Joan Rademacher, & Rose Ann Rademacher

Greenwald Barley Days will be held August 2-3. See "Happenings Around the Area" on page 4 for more information.

The Lord said to her in reply,
"Martha, Martha, you are
anxious and worried about
many things.

There is need of only one thing.
Mary has chosen the better
part and it will not be taken
from her."

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$1,604.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,425.00
Plate/Loose	72.00
Votives.....	57.00
School Support	50.00

Liturgical Ministries

Sunday, July 27 - 8:00 am

(S) Isaac Zenzen & Collin Kelzer
(L) Karen Meyer
(U) Marvin Meyer & Tim Meyer
(GB) Jeron & Brenda Nathe
(EM) Karl Meyer & Sue Meyer
Abby Zenzen & Daryl Zenzen
(HK - July) *Janice Funk, Kathy Illies,
Darlene Imdieke, Joni Imdieke, Sharon
Imdieke, & Kate Kelzer

EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)

St. John's now has the option for EFT (Electronic Funds Transfer)! If you are interested in signing up to handle your contributions to the church in this way, please pick up a form at the church, check the parish website (oneinfaith.org/stjohns), or stop in the parish office. The first transaction is scheduled for August 15, 2025. Please have signed forms to the office by Monday, August 11.



Orden de iniciación cristiana para adultos: se invita a todas las personas que no han recibido ningún sacramento de iniciación (bautismo, confirmación y primera comunión) o personas que deseen convertirse en Católicos a que hablen con el diácono Jorge Carrillo para pedir información sobre el programa y comenzar a planear sus preparación.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

¡Necesitamos servidores! Los invitamos a que se unan a cualquier ministerio parroquial para ofrecer su tiempo y talento al Señor y a su Iglesia. Los ministerios en los que ustedes pueden servir son: ministros extraordinario de la comunión, lectores, sacristanes y monaguillos. Si están interesados hablen con cualquier diácono o llamen a la oficina parroquial para más información.

Padrinos de Bautismo:

a todos los padres de Familia que desean bautizar a sus hijos, les recordamos que los padrinos de bautismo deberán ser católicos confirmados y practicantes. Esto significa que deben ser mayor de 16 años, deben estar confirmados, asistir frecuentemente a Misa, si están casados deben estar casados por la Iglesia y si son solteros deben ser solteros no separados. Para más información hable con el diácono Jesus Hernandez o hable a la oficina parroquial.

Quinceañeras: el Padre Mitchell Bechtold ha decidido que las bendiciones al cumplir los XV años se realizarán solo por los Diáconos. No se realizará la celebración de la Santa Misa simplemente se celebrará la liturgia de la palabra y la bendición. Este tipo de celebraciones no tendrán ningún costo, simplemente una donación voluntaria para el Diácono. Si tiene preguntas hable con los diáconos o llame a la oficina parroquial.

The Scriptures This Week

Year C, Weekdays - Cycle I

Mo	Weekday (<i>Saint Lawrence of Brindisi, Priest and Doctor of the Church</i>) Ex 14:5-18	Mt 12:38-42
Tu	Saint Mary Magdalene (<i>Feast</i>) Sg 3:1-4b or 2 Cor 5:14-17	Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
We	Weekday (<i>Saint Bridget, Religious</i>) Ex 16:1-5, 9-15	Mt 13:1-9
Th	Weekday (<i>Saint Sharbel Makhluf, Priest</i>) Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b	Mt 13:10-17
Fr	Saint James, Apostle (<i>Feast</i>) 2 Cor 4:7-15	Mt 20:20-28
Sa	Saints Joachim and Anne, Parents of the Blessed Virgin Mary (<i>Memorial</i>) Ex 24:3-8	Mt 13:24-30
Next Sunday - Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Gn 18:20:32	Col 2:12-14 Lk 11:1-13

Prayer Requests...

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

Banns of Matrimony:

- I Kristie Revering♥Michael Terres, 8-9 FR
- II Adelaida Martinez Tapia♥Jose Antonio Valencia Hernandez, 8-2 M
- III Julia Karls♥Daniel Thomas, 7-26 NM
- III Otnila Vivas♥Jorge Godoy Camargo, 7-26 MG

For the Sick: Kathy Elfering, Sandy Welle, Joyce Hauser, Dorothy Schneider, Michelle Russel, Lori Austing

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

Sacred Heart - Judy Caveny	320-248-8830
Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink	320-837-5321
St. Rose of Lima - Kayla Harren	320-333-8461
St. Michael - Sharon Schulzetenberg	320-248-7702
St. Mary's	320-256-3878

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa:

Contact Information: faithformation@catholic-centered.org

- **Grade 10: NET Retreat 2025-2026** 10th graders save the date of Saturday, September 20 from 11:00 am - 5:00 pm for the required NET Retreat. This retreat will be held at Immaculate Conception in New Munich.
- **Faith Formation Registration:** If you missed registration night, your packet was mailed to you. If you didn't receive it, contact the parish office. Please turn in all registration forms and fees for 2025/2026 as soon as possible. You can drop them off at the Parish Office in Freeport or mail to PO Box 155, Freeport.



Faith Formation
Registration

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

Contact Information: faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- **Registration for Faith Formation 2025-2026:** If you haven't already registered your child(ren) for the 2025-2026 Faith Formation Year, registration forms may be picked up and dropped off at the St. Mary's Church Office or found online at www.oneinfaith.org. The registration form is for First Communion preparation classes, Confirmation preparation classes, and regular Faith Formation classes. Thank you!

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz
PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:
 Amy Van Beck
SHS BOARD:
 Myranda Beuning, Bethanie Ettle,
 Ben Kalthoff, Tamara Welle,
 Lindsay Frieler, and Chris Klaphake

www.shsfreeport.org School Phone: 320-836-2591
 Toddler Center Phone: 320-836-2585

♥ **We are looking for some short-term help** in the SHS kitchen for the month of September as one of the cooks will be out recovering from a surgery. Please contact the school if you are able to help out for one month in our kitchen.

♥ **Freeport State Bank Golf Classic** will be on Thursday, July 24! All are welcome - sign up a team, sponsor a hole etc. We would love to have you join us to support our local Catholic Schools. See page 7 for more info.

♥ **Thank You** to the Freeport Lions for the donation to help cover the transportation costs for our Summercare Program so they can enjoy some fun field trips throughout the summer.

♥ **Thank You** to the Great Melrose Community Foundation for their donation of \$1,000 to be used in our Toddler and Infant program.

♥ **The SHS Office Will be Open Periodically** throughout the summer. You can stop in, email avanbeck@shsfreeport.org or call if you need anything.

♥ **Wishing** you all a fun and safe summer break!



PASTOR: Fr. Mitchell Bechtold
PRINCIPAL: Autumn Nelson
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:
 Briana Worms
SMS BOARD:

Jenn Lubarski, Cindy Hemmesch,
 Jake Primus, Pat Christenson,
 Lindsey Gruber, and Greta Rademacher
 Phone: 320-256-4257
www.smsmelrosemn.org

♥ **We are looking forward to seeing you** at the Freeport State Bank Golf Classic this Thursday. See page 7 for more info.

♥ **If you need to contact the school** over the summer, email anelson@smsmn.org or call 320-256-4257 and leave a message.

♥ **There are Still Openings** for prospective 2025-2026 Little Saints and students in Kindergarten through 6th grade. If interested, call 320-256-4257 or email anelson@smsmn.org.



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♥ **We Hope You Can Join Us** for the Freeport State Bank Golf Classic on Thursday, July 24. See page 7 for more info.

♥ **Barley Days** If you have items to donate for the games or goodies for the cake walk, please drop them off at the school Saturday, August 2 or the morning of Sunday, August 3. Any questions, call the school at 320-987-3133 or email Kristen at sjsakristenu@gmail.com.

♥ **Summer Office Hours Will Vary** please call 320-987-3133 and leave a message or email Mary at sjsamarym@gmail.com or Kristen at sjsakristenu@gmail.com with any school related business.

Sacred Heart School

Calendar Raffle Winners!



07/13	\$25	Todd Pakiz - New Prague
07/14	\$25	Trisha Hoppe - Melrose
07/15	\$25	Steve Worms - New Munich
07/16	\$25	Veronica Monti - Long Prairie
07/17	\$25	Gina Quinn - Sauk Centre
07/18	\$25	Lisa Bielejeski - Bradenton, FL
07/19	\$25	Jeremy Scherping - Melrose



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ONE IN FAITH ACC NEWS CON'T FROM PG 2

Humanae Vitae Mass and Award Reception Join the celebration at Saint Mary's Cathedral in Saint Cloud on Sunday, July 24. We will celebrate the 57th Anniversary of *Humanae Vitae* with Mass at 7:00 pm with Bishop Patrick Neary presiding. A reception will follow, with the presentation of the 2025 Humanae Vitae Award to Father Daniel McCaffrey. For more details, visit <https://stcdio.org/event/2025-humanae-vitae-mass-award-reception/>



Adore @ George Outdoor Adoration at Lake George with Fr. Derek Wiechmann Tuesday, August 26. Schedule: 3:00 pm start with Exposition, Reading and Homily, Divine Mercy Chaplet. 4:00 pm Silent Prayer, Prayer Teams, Confession available. 6:00 pm Praise and Worship. 7:15 pm Benediction and Closing Prayer. Bring a lawn chair or blanket and a bottle of water. Unless there is lightening, the event will happen rain or shine at Lake George 1101—7th Street S., St. Cloud. Located at the south end of the lake. *"It is true that going out on to the street implies the risk of accidents happening, as they would to any ordinary man or woman. But if the church stays wrapped up in itself, it will age. And if I had to choose between a wounded church that goes out on the streets and a sick, withdrawn church, I would definitely choose the first one."* Pope Francis, 2012

Holy Family Mini-Fest 2025, Little Falls, August 15 - 17. Reconnect with God. Be supported in your faith. Have fun as a family. Come experience the beauty and wonder of God alongside fellow Catholics at the historical Holy Family Church and Belle Prairie Park along the Mississippi River. For more information contact hfoffice@havenofmercycatholic.org or Cindy Loidolt at 320-639-1210.

44th Annual Sacred Heart Parish FESTIVAL & PARADE

Freeport, MN

JULY 20, 2025

9:00 AM - OUTDOOR POLKA MASS

With LAVERNE & THE STARLITES
(Bring Your Lawn Chairs)

10:30 AM - PARADE

THEME ~ "MINNESOTA WINTER"

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if you are interested in entering a float.

11:30 AM - FOOD & GAMES

BEER GARDEN, BURGERS, HOT DOGS,
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11:45 AM - LIVE ENTERTAINMENT

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4:00 PM - GRAND RAFFLE DRAWING

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Grand Raffle Tickets - \$20 each
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Faith as Small as a Mustard Seed Can Move Mountains.

Are you climbing a mountain in your life right now? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a weekend retreat program that commemorates the Paschal Mystery in a community setting. The next weekend is scheduled for September 19-21, 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.



Freeport State Bank 25th Annual Golf Classic Thursday, July 24



Supporting the One In Faith ACC Catholic Schools

100% of the proceeds from hole sponsorships, entry fees and donations benefit:

Sacred Heart School, Freeport
St. Mary's School, Melrose
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We invite you to participate in any or all of the following:

•**Sponsor a Hole** - \$140 – A sign will be placed at one of the tee boxes to recognize you, your company or both.

•**Hole-in-One Contest** – Chance to win a 2025 Chevrolet Trax 1LS

•**Best Ball Scramble** is a 9 hole rain or shine event. A 3:00 pm shot gun start with a meal served around 5:30 pm at Meadowlark Country Club, Melrose. (Golf - \$60 per person – includes green fees, meal, drink tickets, gift bag and prize drawings.) Team and Individual registrations accepted. Golfers of all skill levels are welcome.

•New this year, a **BEST DRESSED** contest, take that as you wish. Show us your creativity!! During dinner we will vote on the individual or team who has the best outfit or best theme. Winners will receive a Traveling Trophy they can defend in 2026.

•**Donor** – If you are unable to attend or sponsor a hole but would like to make a cash donation it would be greatly appreciated. A list of donors/sponsors will be posted at the event.

Contact: Jen 320-256-7208 or Sharon 320-836-2126 if you'd like to golf, sponsor a hole, join for a meal, donate or have questions.

**Thank you for your commitment and support of
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