



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

The Transfiguration of the Lord

August 6, 2023

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

Melrose - Spring Hill - Greenwald - Meire Grove Office:

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Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Freeport, MN 56331

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 & RCIA

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

Anointing of the Sick, Home Bound Communion

Pastoral Visitation

Joining/Leaving a Parish

If you have any of the above or other pastoral needs, please call the respective Parish Office or check the parish websites.



The Glory of the Transfiguration

Then Peter said to Jesus in reply, "Rabbi, it is good that we are here! Let us make three tents: one for you, one for Moses, and one for Elijah." He hardly knew what to say, they were so terrified. Then a cloud came, casting a shadow over them; from the cloud came a voice, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Mark 9:5-7

Just prior to the Transfiguration, Jesus began to reveal to His disciples that He would suffer greatly, be rejected by the elders, be killed and then rise on the third day. This caused much fear for the disciples as they grappled with this unsettling revelation from our Lord. And even though Jesus remained firm with them and even rebuked Peter for his fear, Jesus also gave three of His disciples a very precious gift.

After much traveling, preaching, miracle working and private conversations about His passion with the Twelve, Jesus invited Peter, James and John to go with Him up a high mountain to pray. These disciples most likely had no idea what they would soon encounter. As they made the difficult and arduous journey, their minds must have been pondering not only the mighty deeds done by Jesus in the previous months but also His words about the suffering to come. As they struggled with this, much to their amazement, Jesus "was transfigured before them, and his clothes became dazzling white." Suddenly Moses and Elijah appeared before them, representing the Law and the prophets. These two Old Testament figures appeared as a way of saying to these disciples that everything that Jesus was telling them was to take place to fulfill all that had been foretold about Him from of old. Perhaps Jesus thought that if His disciples would not fully listen to Him, then seeing Moses and Elijah would help. But Jesus went even further. The Voice of the Father Himself thundered and said, "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Thus, if these disciples would not ultimately listen to Jesus alone, or if even Moses and Elijah failed to convince them, then the last hope was the Father Himself. And Jesus delivered such a grace.

The Transfiguration was a true mercy. These disciples had never seen anything like it before. But it was most likely this act of mercy that ultimately helped them to

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ACC MASS TIMES AND INTENTIONS ~ AUGUST 7 - 13

ADORATION

ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm **Servicio de Comunion en Español**
 Tu 7:30 am †Edward Mueller
 We 7:30 am †Bill Massmann
 Th 7:30 am †Henry Pohlmann
 Fr 7:30 am †Arthur Hinnenkamp
 Sa 5:00 pm †Ralph Inderrieden
 For the People
 *Su 10:00 am ††Frank & Evangeline Hartung
 Su 12:30 pm **Misa en Español**
 Por la salud de Belester
 Vazquez Sobreyra

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am ††Joe & Minnie Blenker
 †Karl Middendorf
 Fr 8:15 am †Mildred "Millie" Nienaber
 Su 8:00 am ††Ed & Irene Harren

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am †Virgil Boecker
 Sa 4:00 pm For the People

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Steve Tschida Anniversary
 Su 10:00 am †Esther Beuning

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am **NO MASS**
 Su 10:00 am For a Good Harvest

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th 8:00 am **NO MASS**
 Sa 4:00 pm ††Helen & Frank Gruber
 ††Leo & Bernetta Heinen

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am **NO MASS**
 Su 8:00 am †Deceased Relatives of
 Denis & Emily Schneider



St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa
 Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am

Immaculate Conception - New Munich
 Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 am

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

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

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Employment Opportunities in the One In Faith ACC ...



♦ **Bookkeeper** The Parish Office in Melrose has an immediate opening for a bookkeeper. The position is 20 hours a week in the Melrose office. Primary duties include paying and recording bills, tracking and reporting donations and income, payroll and providing reports as needed. Contact Pam at pam@stmarysofmelrose.com or call 320-256-4207.

♦ **Building, Grounds & Maintenance** The Church of St. Mary's in Melrose has an immediate opening for a Building, Grounds & Maintenance Person. Primary responsibility would be the year-round upkeep of the parish buildings, grounds, and equipment. This person would oversee other maintenance and custodial workers as well as volunteer helpers. To apply, please contact Pam at pam@stmarysofmelrose.com or call 320-256-4207.

♦ **Childcare Assistants** Sacred Heart School ECC is hiring assistants in our childcare program for the upcoming school year. There is a possibility of hours in both Before and After School Care. Students 16 years or older and adults may apply. Call the school office at 320-836-2591 for application information.

♦ **Music Teacher** Melrose Area Schools is hiring a music teacher for the upcoming school year. The position would involve traveling to the Catholic Schools in the district. If you are interested in the full position, call Melrose area schools at 320-256-5160. If you would be interested in just a part-time position and would like to teach music at Sacred Heart School a few days a week, call Kristie Harren at 320-836-2591.

Young Adults ages 18-30, join us on Wednesday, August 9 at 7:30 pm. Contact Katie at 320-333-9871 or Alyssa at 320-429-0770 for location and details.



Natural Family Planning for August A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in Sauk Centre: Thursday, August 17 at 6:30 pm. For additional sites, information, or to register, visit www.stcdio.org/omf/nfp or contact Sheila Reineke at 320-252-4721 ext. 308.

Parish News:

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



• **Baking Enthusiasts** Do you love to bake? There are times throughout the year when we need baked goods for different events. These events range from funerals, faith formation, and young adult gatherings. If you would be willing to be added to a list and be contacted to help provide baked goods for these gatherings, contact the Tri-Parish Office, 320-836-2143.

• **Youth Leadership Team** We are looking to add more people to our Youth Leadership Team and are seeking out students in grades 9-12 to serve on our core team. We would like to especially add a few males to our team. This is a leadership program for high school students interested in serving, leading, and supporting their peers as they develop a deeper experience with Jesus Christ and the Catholic church. Applications to join the Youth Leadership Team are available on our website sacredheartfreeport.org, under the faith formation tab. I want to invite you to prayerfully consider joining our team. If you have any questions, please contact Chrystal at the Parish Office.



**Feast of the Assumption
 Mass Schedule:**

Monday, August 14
 •7:00 pm Immaculate Conception, New Munich
Tuesday, August 15
 •7:30 am St. Mary, Melrose
 •8:00 am St. Andrew, Greenwald
 •8:15 am St. Rose of Lima, St. Rosa
 •6:30 pm St. Mary - Spanish, Melrose
 •7:00 pm Sacred Heart, Freeport
 •7:30 pm St. John the Baptist, Meire Grove
 •7:30 pm St. Michael, Spring Hill outdoor Mass with Bishop Neary


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

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offerings ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Total.....	\$19,676.68
Regular Adult Offering.....	8,411.29
Plate/Loose	610.50
Designated Funds.....	10,654.89
School Heaters (Goal: \$150,000).....	\$98,665.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

07-30	\$25	Joyce Maus - Pierz
07-31	\$25	Susan Pundsack - St. Cloud
08-01	\$25	Allie Geertsema - Clearwater
08-02	\$25	Margie Hinnenkamp - Melrose
08-03	\$25	Adam Walz - Moorhead
08-04	\$25	Lori Drossel - Melrose
08-05	\$25	Ron & Therese Herdering - Melrose



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART
 Physical Address: 106 3rd Avenue NE Freeport, MN 56331
 Church Basement 320-836-2191

◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offerings ◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes.....	\$4,027.62
Plate.....	2,838.02
Total Weekly Contributions	\$6,865.64
Other Donations	
Votive	\$227.00
School Support.....	150.00

Parish Events

Fr	08/11	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	08/11	9:00 am	Adoration

2024 Sacred Heart Festival will be on Sunday, July 21, 2024.

Baptized in Christ... Rhett Ronald Welle & Lynnly Ann Welle

Fellowship... There will be refreshments served after all the Masses this next weekend, August 12-13 at St. Mary's. Please plan to come and stay awhile!!



Rectory Update: Framing of the rectory is planned to begin on Monday! That will be followed by plumbing and electrical rough in. We greatly appreciate the community support!



The Glory of the Transfiguration

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accept the hard truth that Jesus was trying to teach them about His coming suffering and death. If the Father in Heaven Personally gave witness to Jesus, then everything that Jesus had said was trustworthy.

As we read through the Gospels and the many teachings God has given us through the Church, think about whether there are some teachings with which you struggle? Or in your own life, on a personal level, are there some things you know God wants of you but you find it difficult to accept? When confusion sets in, that means we are not listening, are not fully hearing what God is saying to us or are not understanding. And though we will not see the Transfigured Lord with our eyes and hear the Voice of the Father with our ears as these three disciples did, we must choose to believe all that God has said as if it were the Transfigured Lord, with Moses and Elijah, and the Father Himself speaking clearly and directly to us. "This is my beloved Son. Listen to him." Those words were not only spoken for the good of the disciples, they are also spoken to us.

Reflect, today, upon this powerful experience given to these disciples by our Lord. Try to place yourself in the scene so as to witness Jesus transfigured in the most glorious way, with Moses and Elijah and with the thundering Voice of the Father. Allow the Father to speak also to you, telling you that all He has spoken through the Scriptures, the Church and within your own conscience is true. Allow this revelation to convince you on the deepest level to acknowledge not only the divinity of Jesus but also to "Listen to Him" in every way.

My transfigured Lord, You are glorious beyond imagination, and You revealed a small glimpse of this glory to Your disciples to help them trust You more fully. May I also trust in You more completely, knowing that all You have spoken to me is true. Please remove any doubt and fear in my life so that nothing keeps me from embracing Your holy will. Jesus, I trust in You.

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



◆ **Outdoor Mass** with Bishop Neary Tuesday, 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 IMMACULATE CONCEPTION
 Physical Address: 650 Main Street
 New Munich, MN 56356
 Church Basement 320-837-5217

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes	\$1,846.08
Plate.....	153.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,999.08

Other Donations

Building/Maintenance.....	\$57.50
School Support.....	20.00

Parish Events

Th 08/10 7:00 am Adoration
Sa 08/12 3:30 pm Individual Confessions

God's Housekeepers for the Month of August: Dorothy Rademacher, Lynn Van Drehle, Annette Roering, and Megan Gaebel. The first person on the list should contact the others to schedule a cleaning time. Thank you for being "God's Housekeepers" for our church this month.



New Addition Update: The Interior Design Committee is meeting to make decisions on paint, carpet, etc. for the interior of the new addition. Things are coming along nicely with the project. The elevator shaft is completed and the walls will be next.

CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA
 Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17
 St. Rosa, MN 56331
 Church Basement 320-836-2537

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes	\$1,551.54
Plate.....	418.08
Total Weekly Contributions	\$1,969.62

Parish Events

Tu 08/08 7:00 am Adoration
Fr 08/11 7:30 pm Rosary



Pink Cash Raffle Tickets
 Return sold tickets and money at church or drop off at St. Rosa Lumber.

St. Rose Fall Festival tickets are available in the gathering space of the church along with the work schedule. Anyone needing more tickets contact Bev Wiechman at 320-836-2918.

St. Rose of Lima Parish Jubilee
 ♦Mark your calendars for our 125th Jubilee celebration to be held on Sunday, October 1, 2023. More details will follow at a later date.
 ♦Looking for assistance with the updated parish history book: Pictures of the St. Rosa school from the outside. Any early class pictures especially any before 1957. Pictures can be dropped off at the parish office in Freeport or given to Cheryl Wiechman. They will be scanned/copied and returned. Thank you!

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$735.75
Regular Adult Offering.....	350.00
Children.....	27.00
Plate/Loose	32.00
Votives.....	176.75
Fuel.....	10.00
Maintenance.....	110.00
Sold Items From Rectory.....	30.00

Liturgical Ministries
 Sunday, August 13 - 10:00 am

- (S) Shantel Gruber & Olivia Kalthoff
- (L) Ralph Klassen
- (U) Allen Lieser & Jeff Lieser
- (EM) (B) Karen Rademacher
- (EM) (W) Mark Schoenberg & John Schulzetenberg
- (Sacristan) Kathy Welle
- (RL) Kathy Welle
- (CC) Dennis Orbeck & Marvin Rademacher
- (HK: August 6 - 19) Kim Meyer, Linda Meyer, & Sue (David) Meyer

Feast of Assumption Mass Please join Bishop Neary and the St. Michael's parish for an our door Feast of Assumption Mass at 7:30 pm on Tuesday, August 15. Poor Clares collection will be taken, all are welcome! Bring a chair and friends. In case of inclement weather, Mass will be in the church. Refreshments will be served after Mass.

Rosary Rally Please join us for a rosary rally on Saturday, August 12, at 10:00 am in St. Michael's Church in Spring Hill. Everyone is welcome!

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

For the Sick: Shari Salina, Joe Salina, Lynn Bussmann MacRae, Beatrice Massmann

Banns of Matrimony:

- II Madeline Peterson♥Benjamin Kemper, 8/19 St. Rosa
- II Tiara Rademacher♥Maison Funk, 8/19 Albany
- II Colleen Tschida♥Zachary Wiechman, 8/19 Freeport
- II Sage Siben♥Jay Lieser, 8/19 Spring Hill
- II Beatrice Munoz♥Hilarion, 8/19 Melrose
- III Holly Hellermann♥Nicholas Scholz, 8/12 Melrose

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

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



One in Faith ACC Schools Gift Card Programs

A gift card rebate program that allows you to purchase your everyday items with gift cards and earn money for our area Catholic schools without paying any extra money! A percentage of each gift card will be donated back to the area Catholic schools. Each school has a variety of local and national gift cards available to purchase.

***Gift cards are great for school shopping!**





Prayer for Rain



O Mighty God,
 Your fingerprints
 are scattered across
 all of creation.
 Through each thing
 You have created,
 You show Your
 glory. Your caring
 and gentle nature are on display for all
 to see and experience. You open the
 heavens and bring the waters down from
 above. Lord, this very day we ask that
 You open the flood gates. Bring down
 nourishing rains, that the land may be
 quenched and bring forth much fruit.
 Amen.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$2,158.62
Regular Adult Offering	1,935.00
Plate/Loose	72.00
Votives.....	47.00
Easter.....	25.00
Catholic Women Grad. Crosses...	79.62

Liturgical Ministries**Saturday, August 12 - 4:00 pm**

(S) Savannah Finken & Zachary Rieland
(L) Linda Heinze
(U) Jon Worms & Jeff Ahrens
(GB) Clarine Beier & Mary Opatrny
(EM) (B) Dustin Gregory
(EM) (W) Herman Lensing & Mary Opatrny
(HK - August) * Rose Lensing, Mariann Lucken, Lorene Meyer, Patricia Murphy, Doris Nathe, & Sandy Niehoff

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

August 9, Wednesday

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

August 15, Tuesday

◆**Freeport Lions Club** is sponsoring the American Red Cross Blood Drive at the Freeport Community Center from 12:30 to 6:30 pm. Give the precious gift of life. Appointments are needed. We are always in need of people with type "O" blood. Schedule your appointment online at redcross.org or call Janet Butkowski at 320-836-2837 or 320-282-2904.

August 16, Wednesday

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

August 17, Thursday

◆**Freeport Senior Citizens meeting** at 1:00 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. Bingo and 500 will be played.

August 20, 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.

August 23, Wednesday

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

August 24, Thursday

◆**The Melrose Area Senior Center** is sponsoring a Cream Can Supper from 5:30 - 6:30 pm at the Senior Center, located in the lower level of the Melrose City Center. The cost is \$10. You must prepay at the City Center by August 21. Seating is limited.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

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

◆◆◆◆ Weekly Offering ◆◆◆◆

Total	\$3,013.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	1,298.00
Children.....	3.25
Plate/Loose	171.00
Votives.....	41.00
Community Park.....	1,000.00
Steeple Repair.....	500.00

Liturgical Ministries**Sunday, August 13 - 8:00 am**

(S) Mya Nathe & Tyler Nathe
(L) Rita Meyer
(U) Tim Meyer & Jeron Nathe
(GB) Tim & Sue Meyer
(EM) (B) Char Meyer & Abby Zenzen
(EM) (W) Elmer Meyer & Daryl Zenzen
(HK - August) *Mary Kay Leukam, Ruth Klaphake, Theresa Loxtercamp, Sheri Luetmer, Irene Marthaler, & Charlene Meyer



Thank You to everyone who donated to the roof and steeple maintenance project that was completed earlier this summer. A special thank you to the Meire Grove Athletic Club for their donation of \$5,000. These donations will aid us in having enough funds for future projects.

Parish Garage The shingles on the parish garage were starting to show their age, so it was decided to replace them with a steel roof. Thank you to the parishioners who donated their time and labor to install the steel roof. The only cost to the parish was the cost of the materials. The roof looks wonderful.

- ◆**Noche de apertura de la Formación en la Fe:** ¡miércoles 6 de septiembre en St. Mary's en Melrose!
- ◆**Familias de Primera Comunión:** ¡Por favor asistan a las 6:00 pm! Habrá una orientación especial para el año de Primera Comunión. Esta es una reunión muy importante, por lo que pedimos que asistan todos los estudiantes de la Primera Eucaristía, así como 1 padre / tutor.
- ◆**Confirmación Familias:** ¡Por favor asista a las 7:15 pm! Habrá una orientación especial para el año de Confirmación. Esta es una reunión muy importante, por lo que pedimos que asistan todos los estudiantes de Confirmación, así como 1 padre / tutor.
- ◆**Familias con estudiantes en los grados 1, 3-10:** ¡Por favor asistan a las 6:00 o a las 7:15 pm!
- ◆**Comenzaremos cada una de las dos sesiones** con una bendición de estudiantes. Luego le daremos información esencial para el año, así como calendarios y materiales para cada nivel de grado. ¡Ven unos minutos antes o quédate un poco tarde, para jugar algunas bolsas de frijoles y comer algunas golosinas!
- ◆**Consulte la aplicación Remind** y su correo para obtener más información!
- ◆**Grado 10:** NET Retreat Save the Date 2023-2024 Los estudiantes de 10 grado reservan la fecha del sábado 23 de septiembre de 11 am a 5 pm en la iglesia de New Munich para el Retiro NET requerido.

HISPANIC MINISTRY**Se busca ayuda**

Una oportunidad de empleo en Faith ACC ...

◆**La Oficina Parroquial en Melrose tiene una apertura inmediata para un contador.** El puesto es de 20 horas a la semana en la oficina de Melrose. Las tareas principales incluyen pagar y registrar facturas, rastrear e informar donaciones e ingresos, nómina y proporcionar informes según sea necesario. Para presentar una solicitud, envíe una carta de interés y un curriculum vitae a: pam@stmarysofmelrose.com o llame al 320-256-4207 si tiene preguntas.

◆**La Iglesia de Santa María en Melrose está contratando para una persona de construcción, terrenos y mantenimiento.** La responsabilidad principal sería el mantenimiento durante todo el año de los edificios, terrenos y equipos de la parroquia. Esta persona supervisaría a otros trabajadores de mantenimiento y custodia, así como a ayudantes voluntarios. Para presentar una solicitud, envíe una carta de interés y un curriculum vitae a: pam@stmarysofmelrose.com o llame al 320-256-4207 si tiene preguntas.

Si desea, ofrecer una misa por un ser querido, o si desea recibir algún sacramento de bautismo o matrimonio, favor de hablar con el Padre Arockiya Newton o con el Diacono Jorge Carrillo o el Diacono Jesús Hernández. O llama a la oficina 320-256-4207.

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



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

Formación en la fe: Información de contacto: Faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa:

Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

- **Faith Formation Registration:** Registration packets were mailed out. If you have not received your packet, contact the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport, 320-836-2143. You can drop off forms and payment at the Tri-Parish Office or mail to PO Box 155, Freeport, MN 56331.
- **Grade 10:** NET Retreat Save the Date 2023-2024 10th graders save the date of Saturday, September 23 from 11:00 am-5:00 pm for the required NET Retreat. This retreat will be held at Immaculate Conception in New Munich.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove:

Contact Information: faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- **Opening night of Faith Formation:** Wednesday, September 6 at St. Mary's in Melrose!
- **First Communion Families:** Please Attend at 6:00 pm! There will be a special orientation to the First Communion year. This is a very important meeting, so we ask that all First Eucharist students attend, as well as 1 parent/guardian.
- **Confirmation Families:** Please attend at 7:15 pm! There will be a special orientation to the Confirmation year. This is a very important meeting, so we ask that all Confirmation students attend, as well as 1 parent/guardian.
- **Families with students in grades 1, 3-10:** Please attend either at 6:00 or at 7:15 pm!
- **We will start each of the two sessions** with a blessing of students. Then we will give you some essential information for the year, as well as calendars and materials for each grade level. Come a few minutes early or stay a little late, to play some bean bags and eat some goodies! Check the Remind App and your mail for more information!
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YOUTH MINISTRY

One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:

Contact Information:

csand@catholic-centered.org or
faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

- ♥ **Kickball & Cookout** Wednesday, August 16 from 5:30-7:30 pm at Sacred Heart Parish Grounds. Join us for kickball, a meal together, and fellowship. Students in grades 6-12 are welcome to join us. Contact Chrystal if you would like to join us.
- ♥ **Paschal Challenge** for young men in grades 9-12 August 19 at the Church of St. Paul, Sauk Centre, MN. Follow Jesus and experience the Last Supper, the Way of the Cross, and His Resurrection in a **WHOLE** new way! Led by Fr. Greg Paffel, Fr. Doug Liebsch, & Seminarians – 8:30 - 9:00 am registration. Families are welcome to attend closing Mass at 5:00 pm with a meal to follow. Cost: free.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz
PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:
Kathy Welle
SHS BOARD:

Nick Shaw, Jamie Engelmeyer,
Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho,
Jenelle Herkenhoff and Julie Job

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Kristen Pattinson

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- ♥ **It's getting to be that time...** already! School supplies are getting stocked in stores. If you're ready to begin school shopping but you've misplaced your copy of the SHS school Supply list, check out the school website at www.shsfreeport.org.
- ♥ **Open House for ECC** will be on Wednesday, August 30 and K-6 Open House will be on Thursday, August 31. The first day of school will be Tuesday, September 5.
- ♥ **Sacred Heart School ECC** is hiring assistants in our childcare program for the upcoming school year. There is a possibility of hours in both Before and After School Care. Students 16 years or older and adults may apply. Call the school office at 320-836-2591 for application information.

Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

07/30 \$25 Jake & Kelsey Primus - Melrose
07/31 \$40 Eric Luethmers - Albany
08/01 \$25 Marcus Needham - Bettendorf, IA
08/02 \$25 Trisha Hoppe - Sauk Centre
08/03 \$25 Mary Ann Harren - Freeport
08/04 \$25 Kevin Zierden - Melrose
08/05 \$25 Adam & Misty Goebel - Richmond

- ♦ **The Minnesota Nonpublic School Accrediting Association** accredits St. Mary's School. The school submits an annual report to maintain its accreditation. The 2022-2023 annual progress report was found to be in compliance with all MNSAA requirements. Parents and parishioners can be proud of the quality of education offered at St. Mary's Catholic School. Thank you for your support!
- ♦ **We are pleased to announce** that \$1,900 has been received from the Living the Promise funds for Catholic schools, which is facilitated by the Catholic Foundation for the Diocese of St. Cloud. We will use the money to purchase book libraries for kindergarten and 1st grade classrooms.
- ♦ **SMSS4Kids** is available again.
- ♦ **Open House** for parents and students is Tuesday, August 29, from 4:00 - 7:00 pm.
- ♦ **First Day Of School** for all preschool - 6th grade students will be Tuesday, September 5.
- ♦ **School Supply Lists** can be found on School Speak or our school website, www.smsmelrosemn.org.

- ♦ **Mark your calendars!** SJSJA Open House for Preschool is Wednesday, August 30 from 4-5 pm. Open House for grades K-6 is Thursday, August 31 from 4-7 pm with a parent meeting at 6:00 pm. The first day of school for the 2023-2024 school year is Tuesday, September 5.
- ♦ **St. John's - St. Andrew's Catholic School** is open to all students preschool - 6th grade. SJSJA is dedicated to providing a Christ-centered learning environment to foster the growth and development of each child.
- ♦ **Preschool Helper Needed** SJSJA is looking for a volunteer to help in our preschool classroom on Wednesdays for 8:00 am - 2:30 pm. If you are interested, please email Mary at sjsamarym@gmail.com or call the school at 320-987-3133.



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Give yourself and someone you love the gift of a Central Minnesota TEC Retreat

Central Minnesota TEC is once again hosting three-day TEC retreats at its center just north of Little Falls. Consider gifting yourself with a TEC retreat. If you are searching, struggling, looking for some direction, in need of support, desiring

Christ-centered friendships, and/or want to deepen your relationship with God – A TEC retreat is just the answer. TEC retreats are designed for both youth (age 16+) and adults. For full TEC schedule and details, go to www.cmtec.org, or call 320-532-4455.

Rural Life Celebration This year’s event will take place on Sunday, August 20, beginning with an outdoor Mass starting at 10:30 am. It will be held on the beautiful grounds of St. Nicholas Parish in Belle River. Mark your calendars! Mass will include a collection for the Rural Life Fund, as well as honoring the Catholic Century Farm Award and Rural Business Award recipients. Meal and family-friendly activities to follow Mass. The event is free.

Mini Holy Family Fest 2023 God-Centered Family Fun!

August 18 - 20, Holy Family Church, Little Falls. Camping, Mass Confessions, Eucharistic Adoration, Adult/Teen Talks, Games, Rosary Bonfire, and much more. Speakers: Noelle Garcia & David McHugh, Luke & Elizabeth Spehar, AFC Staff. Spiritual Retreat Masters: Bishop Patrick Neary, C.S.C., Fr. Doug Liebsch, Fr. Benjamin Kociemba, Fr. Patrick Hoeft, Fr. Scott Pogatchnik. For registration form/agenda call 320-6932-5720, email: holyfamilybp@gmail.com or go to havenofmercycatholic.org

“Shepherd Me, O God” Retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo are held 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 & Women’s Silent Retreat Augusts 18-20 (Weekend)

Catholic Advocacy Network is an initiative of the bishops of Minnesota put on by MNCatholic.org. The organization interacts directly with our legislators to influence legislation. All parishioners are encouraged to join the organization. Members will be informed of legislation that is concerning to the bishops of Minnesota and are provided with tools to reach out to legislators about such legislation. MNCatholic.org is not party affiliated, nor do they want you to change your party. They want you to influence legislators and help change how they pass laws. If you do not want to become involved, at least become informed! Visit MNCatholic.org for more information.

Rural Catholic Middle Ages Singles Group: Join us for prayer, topical information, discussions, and social activities for people ages 30-60 who are looking to socialize with other single adults. We meet at 8:00pm on the second Saturday of each month at All Saints-St. Mary’s Church basement in Holdingford (on River Street). The next meeting is on August 12th. Call or text Janel @ 320-290-2877 for more information.



Bishop’s Annual Appeal

Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of July 24, the diocese has raised \$1,160,894 in

gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000, with gifts from 6,398 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit www.stedio.org/annualappeal.

SAVE THE DATES!

•**Eucharistic Congress** The Diocese of St. Cloud will host a Eucharistic Congress September 7 - 9. The three-day event includes a day for clergy formation on September 7, the Feast of St. Cloud, which will be held at Sacred Heart in Freeport. The second day will be a diocesan-wide retreat day at Seven Dolors in Albany, and the third day is a family-friendly outdoor experience with speakers, activities, Mass, processions, adoration and music by the band SONAR at Lake George in St. Cloud. More information is forthcoming. Stay tuned!

•**2024 Sacred Heart Parish Festival** will be Sunday, July 21, 2024.

Stewardship as a Eucharistic Way of Life. This virtual event is Wednesday, August 23, from 6:00 – 8:00 pm. Join us for this exploration of the Eucharist as a guide for living a life of stewardship and developing a deeper relationship with Jesus Christ. Fr. Greg Paffel and Blanca Barragan will delve into the Four Pillars of Stewardship (Prayer, Hospitality, Formation and Service) and how they come to life in our celebration of the Eucharist. The Diocese of St. Cloud welcomes all who are interested in learning more about stewardship. This free event will be presented in English and Spanish. Registration is required for this free event. For more information or to register, visit: <https://stedio.org/event/2023-stewardship-day-stewardship-as-a-eucharistic-way-of-life/>.



True happiness isn’t a destination, true

happiness is the journey to Jesus. Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. The next English weekend will be held

September 22-24, 2023, cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

The Scriptures This Week
Year A, Weekdays - Cycle I

Mo	Nm 11:4b-15	Mt 14:13-21
Tu	Saint Dominic, Priest Nm 12:1-13	Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14
We	Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35 Mt 15:21-28	
Th	Saint Lawrence, Deacon and Martyr 2 Cor 9:6-10	Jn 12:24-26
Fr	Saint Clare, Virgin Dt 4:32-40	Mt 16:24-28
Next Sunday - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a	Rom 9:1-5 Mt 14:22-33

Public Rosary

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.

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