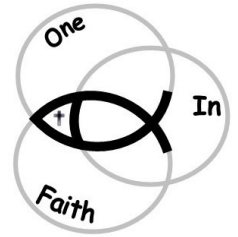


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The Baptism of the Lord

January 9, 2022

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Freeport Office:

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Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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Adoration

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

New Parishioners

Please contact the respective parish office to register.

Leaving Our Parish?

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

Bulletin Announcement Deadline

Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements to:

bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

♦Fridays 7:45 am Sacred Heart

♦Saturdays 3:30 pm Immaculate Conception

♦Or by appointment. Call the respective parish office.

Marriage

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

Baptism

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

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

RCIA

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

Deacon Ernie Kociemba 320-248-5124

Email: kociemba@meltel.net

ACC MASS SCHEDULE/INTENTION ~ JANUARY 10 - 16

ST. MARY - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm **Misa en Español**
Por la Salud y bienestar de la
Familia Martínez Sánchez
Tu 7:30 am †Helen Grahek
We 7:30 am ††Joe & Lucy Olson
Th 7:30 am ††Sylvester & Alvina Woeste
Fr 8:30 am †Colleen Butte
Sa 5:00 pm †Loren Rittter/For the People
*Su 10:00 am ††Ray & Agnes Maus
Su 12:30 pm **Misa en Español**
†Imelda Aguilar
†Rosario Zamora

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am †Patricia "Pat" Schleper
Fr 8:15 am †Madeline Blommel
Su 8:00 am †Dwayne Elfering

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am ††Ed & Carmella Worms
Sa 4:00 pm ††Walter & Pauline Bushman

ST. ROSE OF LIMA - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Rosie Middendorf
Su 10:00 am For the People

ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am Liv./Dec. Members of
St. Mary's Mission
Su 10:00 am †Jim (Shultz) Stalboerger Anniv.

ST. ANDREW - Greenwald

Th 8:00 am †Jim Haskamp
Sa 4:00 pm ††Ervin & Virginia Klaphake

ST. JOHN - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am †Joe Schneider
Su 8:00 am †Joyce Yarke



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

CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)*Physical Address:* 755 Kraft Drive SE; Melrose, MN 56352**Weekly Contributions**

Total.....	\$25,000.80
Regular Adult Offering.....	9,906.00
Loose.....	1,172.80
Votive Candles.....	237.00
Phase II.....	2,680.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	922.00
Christmas.....	3,430.00
Thanksgiving.....	250.00
Religious Retirement.....	220.00
Rectory Fund.....	6,000.00
Initial Offering.....	126.00
St. Cloud Visitor.....	37.00
Ascension.....	20.00

St. Mary's School Endowment.....	\$100.00
Rectory Fund Collected to Date.....	\$73,200.00
Phase II Building	\$30,636.85
Thanksgiving.....	\$18,111.96
Christmas.....	\$29,988.00

ACC Meeting ACC Pastoral Council members: the 1st meeting of 2022 is on January 11 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church in Melrose.

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

01-01	\$25	John & Linda Koecimba - Grey Eagle
01-02	\$25	Joe & Audrey Spengler - Albany
01-03	\$25	Dave Thull - Maple Grove
01-04	\$25	Cindy Tschida - Albany
01-05	\$25	Cory & Jenna Middendorf - Melrose
01-06	\$25	Nick & Kate Kelzer - St. Cloud
01-07	\$25	Dan & Debbie Hellermann - Melrose
01-08	\$25	Ralph Eickoff - Freeport



Looking for Help... St. Mary's is looking for someone to take minutes at Parish Council meetings on the fourth Thursday of the month and submit to the parish office. Call the Melrose Office if interested.

Tuesday Morning Spirituality Group is beginning a new session. Come check it out!!! We have interesting discussions where we learn from one another. Come January 11 at 10:00 am at St. Mary's. Hope to see you there!

St. Mary's Mission Society will meet on Wednesday, January 12 in the conference room at 10:30 am. All are welcome!

Confirmation Prayer Tree Please take a dove off the prayer tree and pray for a candidate preparing for confirmation.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)*Physical Address:* 106 3rd Avenue NE; Freeport, MN 56331 *Church Basement 320-836-2191***◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆Weekly Stewardship◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$3,485.38
Plate.....	236.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$3,721.38

Other Donations

Votive.....	\$133.00
Christmas Envelopes.....	3,950.00
Solemnity of Mary Envelopes.....	825.00
Solemnity of Mary Plate.....	49.00
Epiphany Supplies.....	148.00
Central MN Catholic Magazine.....	50.00
Building/Maintenance.....	75.00



Blessed Epiphany Chalk Please remember the chalk from Epiphany is blessed. After using the chalk, please either return to the church, the Tri-Parish Office, or bury in the ground.

Parish Events

Tu 01/11	6:00 pm	Bible Study
We 01/12	10:00 am	Bible Study
We 01/12	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
Fr 01/14	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr 01/14	9:00 am	Adoration
Su 01/16	7:00 pm	"500" Card Party

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Limestone Repair and Maintenance The limestone and exterior of the church needs upkeep. This spring we hope to begin this project. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this much needed restoration of our 100+ year old church, maintaining what our forefathers gave us for generations to come.

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - NEW MUNICH (NM)*Physical Address:* 650 Main Street; New Munich, MN 56356 *Church Basement 320-837-5217***◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆Weekly Stewardship◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆**

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1,928.96
Plate.....	82.00
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,010.96

Other Donations

Building/Maintenance.....	\$87.50
Christmas Envelopes.....	2,765.00
Solemnity of Mary Envelopes.....	950.00
Solemnity of Mary Plate.....	90.00

Parish Events

Tu 01/11	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
Tu 01/11	6:30 pm	Christmas Tree Take-Down
We 01/12	10:00 am	Bible Study - FR
We 01/12	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Sa 01/15	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions



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Christmas Tree Take-down at Immaculate Conception will be Tuesday, January 11 starting at 6:30 pm. All are welcome to come to help.

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Thank You to the anonymous donor for funding changing the church lighting over to LED lighting. This has brightened up the space and will help in future lighting costs.

2022 Calendars are available near the church entrances.

CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA - ST. ROSA (SR)*Physical Address:* 28905 County Road 17; St. Rosa, MN 56331 *Church Basement 320-836-2537*◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆**Weekly Stewardship**◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆◆

Adult Envelopes.....	\$1,972.69
Plate.....	232.75
Total Weekly Contributions	\$2,205.44

Other Donations

Christmas Envelopes.....	\$685.00
Solemnity of Mary Envelopes.....	412.00
Solemnity of Mary Plate.....	46.00
Building/Maintenance.....	1,360.00

Food for Thought The St. Rose Christian Women are doing a cash fund drive for Food For Thought. This is a program to provide food for local students whom teachers have noticed are coming to school on Mondays without having adequate access to food over the weekends. Please send donations to St. Rose Christian Women c/o Carrie Kerfeld, Treasurer, 30257 Co. Rd. 17, Melrose, MN 56352.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)*Physical Address:* 102 St. Michael Avenue N; Spring Hill, MN 56352 *Church Basement 320-987-3405***Weekly Contributions**

Total.....	\$3,734.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	320.00
Plate/Loose.....	39.00
Solemnity of Mary	175.00
Christmas.....	2,450.00
Freeport State Bank.....	750.00

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Catholic United Financial is sponsoring coffee & rolls in St. Michael's Church basement after 10:00 am Mass on January 16, all are welcome.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)*Physical Address:* 211 W 2nd Avenue N; Greenwald, MN 56335 *Church Basement 320-987-3160***Weekly Contributions**

Total.....	\$7,300.00
Regular Adult Offering.....	945.00
Plate/Loose.....	131.00
Votives.....	9.00
Cemetery Fund.....	1,000.00
Fuel Fund.....	1,000.00
Christmas.....	2,295.00
Maintenance Fund.....	525.00
School Subsidy.....	20.00
Organ Donations.....	220.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	405.00
Freeport State Bank.....	750.00

The 31st Annual Steak and Wine Dinner and Auction for SJSA will be February 11 & 12 at the Greenwald Pub. Tickets are \$30 and are available at the following places: SJSA School, QPC in Meire Grove, Freeport State Bank - Greenwald, and the Greenwald Pub. Live auction will be Saturday, February 12. Online auction with fewer items will run from February 3-10. If you would still like to donate to the auction, contact one of the people listed below:
Steven & Katie Hellickson, auction chairs 320-491-2849
Adam & Jenny Kalthoff, auction co-chairs 320-290-1489
Dustin & Asha Gregory, auction co-chairs 320-333-6277

Parish Events

Tu 01/11	9:00 am	Quilting
Tu 01/11	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
We 01/12	10:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
We 01/12	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr 01/14	7:30 pm	Rosary



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Quilting... It's that time of year again. Group 1 will be quilting on January 11. All are welcome, lunch is provided. To schedule your groups quilt call Sara Arvig 320-333-6221.

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Liturgical Ministries Sunday, January 16 - 10:00 am

(S) Celia Schoenberg & Gabby Schoenberg (L) Lisa Wuertz
(U) Roger Meyer & Mark Schoenberg (EU) (B) Conrad Gruber
(Sacristan) Kathy Welle (RL) Tony & Mary Gruenes
(CC) Dennis Orbeck & Marvin Rademacher
(HK - Jan. 9-16) Jamie Terres, Jane Terres, & Maggie Terres

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Thank you to the Freeport State Bank for their generous donation of \$750 to our Parish.

Confirmation Prayer Tree Please take a dove off the prayer tree and pray for a candidate preparing for confirmation.

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, January 15 - 4:00 pm

(S) Zachary Rieland & Taylor Young (L) Cassandra Kettner
(U) Arnold Niefeld & Daniel Niefeld
(GB) Jeff & Wanda Ahrens
(EU) (B) Dustin Gregory
(HK-January) *Patricia Murphy, Lorene Meyer, Doris Nathe, Sandy Niehoff, Alma Niefeld, & Janice Niefeld

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Thank you to the Greenwald Recreation Club for their donation of \$1,000 to the fuel fund. It is very much appreciated!!

Thank you to the Freeport State Bank for their generous donation of \$750 to our Parish.

St. Andrew's Parish has purchased a new electric piano/organ for on the choir. If you'd like to donate toward the organ, please put it in an envelope and mark it Electric Piano/Organ. Thank you!

Confirmation Prayer Tree Please take a dove off the prayer tree and pray for a candidate preparing for confirmation.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)*Physical Address:* 20 State Highway 4 S; Meire Grove, MN 56352 *Church Basement* 320-987-3631**Weekly Contributions**

Total.....	\$4,818.25
Regular Adult Offering.....	994.00
Children	3.25
Plate/Loose.....	156.00
Votives.....	43.00
Solemnity of Mary.....	705.00
School Subsidy.....	45.00
Steeple Lighting.....	60.00
Crib.....	22.00
Stole Fee.....	100.00
Christmas.....	1,740.00
Snow Contract.....	200.00
Freeport State Bank.....	750.00

Team Leader/Raffle Committee Meeting... There will be a meeting of the Team Leaders of St. John's Society, Catholic United Financial, and the Raffle Committee to discuss our fundraisers for 2022 in the church basement immediately after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, January 9, 2022. Please plan to attend if you are an officer/team leader. There will be coffee and muffins served.

ACC Meeting ACC Pastoral Council members: the 1st meeting of 2022 is on January 11 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church in Melrose.

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, January 16 - 8:00 am

(S) Carter Kelzer & Logan Kelzer (L) Kurt Meyer
 (U) Don Schneider & Ken Schneider
 (GB) Jim & Kay Leukam
 (EU) (B) Jim Leukam & Dan Meyer
 (HK-January) *Virginia Meyer, Heidi Meyer, Martha Meyer, Rita Meyer, Brenda Nathe, & Virginia Nathe

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Thank you to the Freeport State Bank for their generous donation of \$750 to our Parish.

Special Thanks to Jim Leukam for building the beautiful new outdoor nativity displayed on the lawn in front of St. John's Church and to all those responsible for the indoor Christmas decorating. Your sharing of time, talent, and treasure has added greatly to our Christmas celebrations.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Uno en Fe ~ Formación de Fe y Ministerio Juvenil (Melrose, Meire Grove, Greenwald, Spring Hill)

•**Estudiantes de Primera Comunión / Reconciliación:** Sábado 15 de Enero Celebración del Sacramento de la Primera Reconciliación a las 9:00 am en la Iglesia de Santa María. Los estudiantes y las familias (hermanos, tías, tíos, abuelos, etc.) están invitados.

•**Grados 1, 3-6: Próxima clase:** Miércoles 12 de Enero de 6:00 a 7:00 pm en la iglesia de Santa María. Estudiantes y padres: "Seguir a Jesús en nuestra vida cotidiana: un ambiente seguro y amar a su prójimo" (Si no desea que su hijo participe en la noche del ambiente seguro, imprima y complete el formulario de declinación en el sitio web de One in Faith y devuélvanoslo.)

•**Grado 9 y 10: Próxima clase:** Miércoles 12 de Enero Estudiantes y algunos padres de 7:15 pm a 8:30 pm en la iglesia de Santa María. Introducción a la Ética Católica / Cristiana.

•**Confirmación:** 15 o 16 de Enero Rito de llamada para estudiantes de confirmación en las misas de fin de semana en su propia parroquia. Estudiantes y padres.

Ministerio Juvenil ACC

•**Jr. High / Sr. Rally Juvenil Superior:** Domingo 30 de Enero de 2022; 8:15 am - 4:45 pm. Se invita a los grados 6-12 a reunirse para celebrar nuestra fe "Juntos" y divertirse. Celebraremos ser Católicos a través de la Eucaristía, aprender sobre nuestra fe y divertirnos a través de la actividad y la oración. Connor Flanagan será el orador principal del evento. El costo es de \$ 20. La fecha límite para registrarse es el 19 de enero. Los formularios de registro están disponibles en las mesas de anuncios de las 7 parroquias.

Árbol de Oración para los Estudiantes de Confirmación:

por favor tome una paloma de papel del árbol y ore por ese candidato que se prepara para su confirmación.

Reunión ACC Miembros Del Consejo Pastoral del ACC primera reunión del 2022 es el 11 de Enero a las 7:00 pm en la Iglesia de Santa María en Melrose.

Rosario y Oración con la comunidad de Oración Santa María los siguientes tres jueves del mes a las 6:30 pm. Dirigida por el Señor Oscar Nolasco. ¡Todos son bien venidos!

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

Padre Omar Guanche y el comité Kinonia en Español te invitan a un **Retiro de Invierno**. Llamado "Jesús vino a Salvarte" Sábado 22 de Enero de 1:00 pm a 8:30 pm. En el Chávez Event Center, 220 1st Ave S. Long Prairie, MN 56347, nos acompañara Mario Alberto Pérez, artista Católico. No te lo pierdas. Para cualquier pregunta llama al 320-335-1981

Misa y Bendición para los Matrimonios por el Obispo Donald Kettler Sábado 29 de Enero a la 1:00 pm en la Iglesia de Santa María de Melrose.

Clínica de Salud Gratis. Cada tercer Jueves del mes en el Centro Hispano de Waite Park, de 2 a 5:30 pm se atiende con cita o sin cita. 106 7th Ave North, Waite Park, 56387. Llame hoy para programar una cita. 320-492-2220.



Oración por nuestro nuevo obispo El obispo Donald Kettler cumplió 75 años en noviembre pasado y, según la tradición, presentó su solicitud de jubilación. El Papa Francisco nombrará un obispo sustituto, que puede llevar algún tiempo. Oramos por el obispo Kettler, por su reemplazo y por todos los involucrados en el proceso de selección.

Padre Celestial, enviaste a Jesús para pastorear a Tu pueblo y al Espíritu Santo para hacer de Tu pueblo uno. Mire con favor a aquellos que seleccionarán a nuestro nuevo obispo. Dales Tu visión y deja que su juicio sea claro. Diles tu voluntad. Te agradecemos por nuestros pastores pasados y las bendiciones que han sido para la gente de esta diócesis. Señor, envía tu Espíritu Santo para ungir a nuestro nuevo obispo para que pueda continuar la obra de renovación en la Iglesia y unir a nuestras parroquias, sacerdotes y personas en el amor, la verdad y la sabiduría. Dale un verdadero corazón de pastor como el de Jesús, para que pueda dar fuerza a los débiles, sanar a los quebrantados de corazón, consolar a los solitarios, traer de vuelta a los vagabundos y ser un poder contra la maldad de nuestros días. Te lo pedimos en el poderoso nombre de Jesús. Amén

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz **PRINCIPAL:** Kristie Harren
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 Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho
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Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

01-02	\$25	Ann Yoerg - Clearwater
01-03	\$25	Virgil Schleper - Freeport
01-04	\$25	Lori Lemm - Avon
01-05	\$25	Bryce Feyta - St. Cloud
01-06	\$25	Judy Gaebel - Freeport
01-07	\$25	Ben Schmitz - Albany
01-08	\$25	Kurt Goebel - Burtrum

- ♥ **Wednesday, January 11 - All School Mass** will be planned by Mr. Hippman and the 1st grade students.
- ♥ **Thursday, January 13 - School Board Meeting** at 7:30 pm.
- ♥ **Sunday, January 16 - Catholic Schools Week** Sacred Heart School will kickoff their Catholic Schools Week celebration with the Catholic Schools Week Mass at 8:00 am in Freeport. SHS students will participate in the ministries and provide the music. The Sacred Heart School Board will serve rolls, coffee, and milk in the church basement after Mass.
- ♥ **Sacred Heart School Prime and Wine Dinner/Auction** will be held on Saturday, January 22 at the Freeport Community Center. There will be an online Silent Auction as well as a live auction at the Community Center after the meal. \$50 Cash Raffle tickets (top prize being \$10,000) and dinner tickets are being sold now by Sacred Heart School families or call the school office at 320-836-2591.



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

- ♦ **Thank you** to all businesses and individual people who donated money to St. Mary's School during this holiday season. We are thankful for your continued support for education and the students at St. Mary's School. We are fortunate to have a community that is committed to education.
- ♦ **We are excited to announce** that we are planning to gather again in person for the SMS Auction4Education this year, however, things will look different than they have in the past. We had two huge successes last year that will continue for this year's auction. First, we will have the \$100 cash raffle with a grand prize of \$20,000. Raffle tickets will be available starting this weekend after all Masses until they are all sold. Tickets are also available for sale now at St. Mary's School/Church, All Stars, Central Minnesota Credit Union - Melrose, Kraemer Lumber, St. Rosa Lumber, and True North. Winners will be drawn on March 5 at the Legion. Second, the online platform for bidding was a success as people from anywhere were able to bid on items. We will be incorporating the silent auction on our auction website, while the classroom projects will be auctioned off live, in person, at the Legion. To celebrate our 20th year, our theme is "Tailgating for 20 Years". Instead of a sit-down dinner, a tailgating experience is being planned with a free-will offering. Please come dressed in your best tailgating attire. Visit our auction website for more details. <http://www.bidpal.net/smsmelrose>



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking **PRINCIPAL:** Mary Miller **ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT:** Kristen Pattinson
SJSA BOARD: Janice Funk, Kurt Meyer, Bridget Kasper, Amy Frieler, Kristin Zimmer, Kate Kelzer, Trista Roelike
 Phone: 320-987-3133 www.sjsaschool.org

- **The 31st Annual Steak and Wine Dinner and Auction** to support SJSA is February 11 and 12 at the Greenwald Pub. The live auction will be Saturday, February 12. The online auction runs February 3-10. Dinner tickets are \$30 and can be picked up at SJSA, the Greenwald Pub, Freeport State Bank-Greenwald Branch, and QPC Meire Grove. Take outs and curbside pick-up are available. Donny Brang will provide live music on Saturday night from 5:00-7:30 pm.
- **Save your Pennies!** The SJSA student Council will be having a "Penny War" Catholic Schools Week January 31 - February 4. This is the student's service project for Catholic Schools Week. All proceeds will go to The American Red Cross. If you would like to contribute, please drop your pennies (cash or checks also accepted) at the school during Catholic Schools Week.

FAITH FORMATION/ YOUTH MINISTRY

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa Faith Formation

- **Grades 1-6: Next Class:** Wednesday, January 12 - Home Lesson.
- **Grade 2: Next Class: Note Date Change:** Wednesday, January 12 at 6:00 pm. **Note Location Change:** Meet at Sacred Heart Parish Office.
- **Grades 7-10: Next Class:** Wednesday, January 12 from 7:00 - 8:30 pm. Meet in the body of the church. Bring your bible, notebook, and pen.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove Faith Formation

- ♦ **First Communion/Reconciliation Students:** Saturday, January 15 Celebration of the Sacrament of First Reconciliation at 9:00 am at St. Mary's Church. Students and families (siblings, aunts, uncles, grandparents, etc.) are all invited.
- ♦ **Grades 1, 3-6: Next Class:** Wednesday, January 12 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church. Students and parents: "Following Jesus in our Everyday Lives: Safe Environment & Love Your Neighbor" (If you do not wish to have your child participate in the Safe Environment evening, please print and complete the declination form on the One in Faith website and turn it into us.)
- ♦ **Grade 9 & 10: Next Class:** Wednesday, January 12 Students and some parents from 7:15 - 8:30 pm in St. Mary's Church. Introduction to Catholic/Christian Ethics.
- ♦ **Confirmation:** January 15 or 16 Rite of Calling for Confirmation Students at weekend Masses at your own parish. Students and parents. Please take a dove off the Confirmation prayer tree and pray for a candidate preparing for confirmation.

ACC Youth Ministry

- ♦ **Jr. High/Sr. High Youth Rally:** Sunday, January 30, 2022; 8:15 am - 4:45 pm. Grades 6-12 are invited to come together to celebrate our faith "Together" and have some fun. We will celebrate being Catholic through Eucharist, learning about our faith, and having fun through activity and prayer. Connor Flanagan will be the keynote speaker for the event. Cost is \$20. Deadline to register is January 19. Registration forms are available on the bulletin boards in all 7 parishes.



ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

ACC Meeting ACC Pastoral Council members: the 1st meeting of 2022 is on January 11 at 7:00 pm at St. Mary's Church in Melrose.

Updating Contact Information It has become a trend to move away from landlines to cell phones. Please notify the respective parish office to add new cell phone numbers, new addresses, and any other information that has changed. If you are receiving contribution envelopes and do not wish to, or have not been receiving them and want to, please contact the respective parish office.



Catholic Men's Conference 2022 This event will be held at St. Francis Xavier, Sartell. This year's theme is "Saint Joseph's Men." Our keynote speaker will be Monsignor Thomas Richter, pastor of Queen of Peace Church in Dickinson, ND. Cost is \$35. Details will be posted on our website at <https://stcdio.org/event/catholic-mens-conference-2022/> as they become available. Registration is now open at <https://www.surveymonkey.com/r/CMC2022>



Sacred Heart School is seeking a long-term maternity substitute teacher beginning approximately March 1. A qualified individual must have a Minnesota teacher's license and be strong in his/her Catholic Faith as the position is for 2nd grade and involves preparation for the Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist. Contact Mrs. Kristie Harren: email at kharren@shsfreeport.org or call 320-836-2591.

Prayer Requests for the Sick If you or a loved one would like to be added to the prayer list, please call one of the parish offices or email: bulletin@catholic-centered.org.

Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, January 11 at 6:00 pm and Wednesday, January 12 at 10:00 am at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. All are invited to join us in studying the readings and Gospel for Sunday, January 16.



Bulletin Advertisements Thank you to all who have chosen to advertise on the back of our One In Faith Area Catholic Community bulletin for the upcoming year! It is greatly appreciated, and we hope it is beneficial to your business as well. There are still spots open on the back of the bulletin. If you are interested in advertising or have questions, please contact Amy Hoeschen at 320-836-2143.

Parish Ministries There are many opportunities for parish members to serve their parish community. Contact your Parish Office to find out how you can help or to sign up.

Free Bus to State Capitol for Pro-Life Rally

Sauk Centre MCCL is sponsoring a free bus to the State Capitol on Saturday, January 22 for the Pro-Life Rally. The bus will pick up from WalMart parking lot in Sauk Centre at 9:15 am, then at St. Mary's in Melrose at 9:35 am, and at Charlies in Freeport at 10:00 am. We may meet with a Senator and Representatives after the rally, but at this time I do not know that for sure. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Mary at 320-250-9904 or JoAnne at 320-429-0074. Please dress warm and bring a bag lunch.



Bishop's Annual Appeal Have you read The Central Minnesota Catholic magazine? Do you follow the Diocese of St. Cloud on Facebook, YouTube, Twitter, or Instagram? Have you visited the diocesan website for resources? All of these communication tools inform us of the latest Catholic news and are supported by the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Keep the news coming by contributing at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Retrouvaille – As a peer ministry of couples helping other couples who are living in hurting marriages, the Retrouvaille program focuses on teaching couples communication skills that can help them work on their differences. For more info. visit www.helpourmarriage.org.

9 Days for LIFE Novena – Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena (January 19 - 27), *9 Days for Life*. Sign up for 9 Days for LIFE Novena Resources which include daily intentions, brief reflections, and more at <https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-for-life>.

Stewardship as a Way of Life: "John answered them all, 'I baptized you with water; but he who is mightier than I is coming... He will baptize you with the Holy Spirit'" Luke 3:16

The Catechism states that "Jesus' immersion in the water is a sign for all human beings of the need to die to themselves to do God's will." In other words, as baptized Catholics, there is only one gift that we need to give to Jesus - the gift of ourselves. Surrender yourself to God, place your trust in Him, and allow the Holy Spirit to work through you for the greater glory of God.



A Divine Design: Marriage and Natural Family Planning! Natural Family Planning cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. It's effective, healthy, and marriage building. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in Sauk Centre on Monday, January 17 at CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at 320-290-8751 or uphus.nfp@gmail.com. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

Prayer for Our New Bishop.... Bishop Donald Kettler turned 75 in November 2019, and according to tradition, submitted his request for retirement. A replacement bishop will be appointed by Pope Francis and may take some time. We pray for Bishop Kettler, for his replacement, and for all involved in the selection process.



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

In the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen

"Amazing Grace" 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's Silent Retreat January 14-16 (Weekend)
- Men's Silent Retreat January 21-23 (Weekend)
- Women's Silent Retreat January 28-30 (Weekend)
- Men's Silent Retreat February 4-6 (Weekend)
- Women's Silent Retreat February 25-27 (Weekend)
- Women's Silent Retreat March 1-3 (Lenten Midweek Ash Wednesday)



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

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)

The Scriptures This Week

Year C, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	1 Sm 1:1-8	Mk 1:14-20
Tu	1 Sm 1:9-20	Mk 1:21-28
We	1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20	Mk 1:29-39
Th	1 Sm 4:1-11	Mk 1:40-45
Fr	1 Sm 8:4-7,10-22a	Mk 2:1-12
Sa	1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19;10:1a	Mk 2:13-17
Next Sunday - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time		
	Is 62:1-5	1 Cor 12:4-11
		Jn 2:1-11

Prayer Requests...*Please call the parish office to be added to this list.***Banns of Matrimony:**

I Katie Kruger♥Kurt Mayers, 1-29 NM
 III Allison Hukriede♥Mathew Lieser, 1-15 SH

For the Sick:

Rachel Zink, Nick Rothstein, Alice Doll, Rosalie Frie, Ralph Muellner

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

- ♦Sacred Heart - Jennie Hiltner.....836-2528
- ♦Immaculate Conception - Bernice Zink.....837-5321
- ♦St. Rose of Lima - Kayla Harren.....333-8461
- ♦St. Mary's256-3878



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 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.

One in Faith ACC Schools Gift Card Programs

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

***Gift cards make great gifts!**

- ♦ **Loot for Learning** (Sacred Heart School, Freeport)
Cards available at: Sacred Heart School - 320-836-2591
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- ♦ **SMS\$4Kids** (St. Mary's School, Melrose)
Cards available at: St. Mary's School - 320-256-4257
- ♦ **Scrip** (St. John's/St. Andrew's School, Greenwald)
Cards available at: SJSA School - 320-987-3133



The heavens were opened and the voice of the Father thundered: This is my beloved Son, listen to him.

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

January 9, Sunday

- ♦Rod & Gun Club Breakfast at The Greenwald Pub, serving sausage, ham, eggs, & potatoes from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm. Cost is \$9.

January 16, Sunday

- ♦Melrose Lions Club will be having a Ham & Eggs Breakfast from 8:00 am to 12:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Proceeds go for community projects.
- ♦Vespers for Life at the Church of St. Anthony 2405 North 1st Street, St. Cloud. Rosary starts at 3:30 pm followed by Vespers at 4:00 pm.
- ♦“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.

January 21, Friday

- ♦Fish Fry serving from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm at the American Legion.

January 22, Saturday

- ♦March for Life at the Cathedral of St. Paul 239 Selby Ave. St. Paul. Sauk Centre MCCL is sponsoring a free bus to the state Capitol for the Pro-Life Rally. The bus will pick up from WalMart parking lot in Sauk Centre at 9:15 am, then at St. Mary's in Melrose at 9:35 am, and at Charlies in Freeport at 10:00 am. We may meet with Representatives and Senator after the rally, but at this time I do not know for sure. To reserve a seat on the bus, please call Mary at 320-250-9904 or JoAnne at 320-429-0074. Please dress warm and bring a bag lunch.

- ♦Sacred Heart School Prime and Wine Dinner/Auction at the Freeport Community Center.

January 29, Saturday

- ♦Honoring Latino Marriage Day at St. Mary's, Melrose at 1:00 pm.

February 1, Tuesday

- ♦The Freeport Lions Club is sponsoring the American Red Cross Blood Drive at the Freeport Community Center from 1:00 - 7:00 pm. Give the precious gift of life. Masks will be required. Temperatures will be checked. 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.

February 2, Wednesday

- ♦Feet First Clinic at the Senior Center in Freeport. New appointments please call 320-836-2450. Free will offering.

February 11/12, Friday/Saturday

- ♦SJSA Annual Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction at The Greenwald Pub.

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