

$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

May 19, 2024

Solemnity of Pentecost Sunday

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

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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 5:30 pm St. Andre • Saturdays 4:30 pm St. Mary

- Saturdays 4:30 pm St. Mary
- •Or by appointment. Call the Parish Office.

<u>Marriage</u>

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.



Jesus said to them again, "Peace be with you. As the Father has sent me, so I send you." And when he had said this, he breathed on them and said to them, "Receive the Holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive are forgiven them, and whose sins you retain are retained." John 20:21-23

Happy Pentecost! Today, throughout the world, our Church celebrates the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit upon Jesus' first followers and upon all of us. Why do we need the Holy Spirit in our lives? This is an important question to ponder. Today, as always, the Father, Son and Holy Spirit work as One God. It is the Father Who wills that we be reconciled to Him; it was the Son Who made this reconciliation possible; and it is the Holy Spirit Who now accomplishes the completion of this act in our lives. At the heart of that gift of salvation is the remission of our sins. The passage above clearly reveals to us that Jesus bestowed a unique gift of the Holy Spirit upon the Apostles, His first bishops, entrusting them with the ability to forgive sins in His name and by His power.

As we celebrate Pentecost, it is a good opportunity to prayerfully consider the action of the Holy Spirit in your life. One of the greatest ways that the Holy Spirit is potentially active in your life is through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Through that Sacrament, the Holy Spirit draws you to the Father and enables you to see and understand His perfect will, living more fully in union with the Son as a member of His Body.

The Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit are some of the other ways that the Holy Spirit helps us in our Christian walk. However, these gifts would be ineffective in our lives if we did not first receive the gift of forgiveness given through the Sacrament of Reconciliation. That is the first and most foundational action of the Holy Spirit and opens the door to every other gift. Perhaps that is why Jesus' first bestowal of the Holy Spirit focused upon the power given to His Apostles to forgive sins in His name.

Once we are reconciled to the Father and begin to live in a state of grace, the Holy Spirit will continue to deepen His relationship with us and bestow His help upon us for our Christian journey. This especially happens through the Seven Gifts of the Holy Spirit. The gifts most affecting our intellect are the Gifts of Wisdom, Understanding and Knowledge. Wisdom helps us to understand the inner life of the

ADORATION

ACC Mass Times and Intentions \sim May 20 - 26

St. Mary - Melrose			IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich	St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa
Mo	6:30 pm	Misa en Español	Th 8:15 am †Clarence Von Wahlde	Tuesdays 7:00 - 8:00 am
Tu	8:00 am	†Belester Vazquez Sobreyra †Arthur Hinnenkamp	Sa 4:00 pm †Thomas Holdvogt	Immaculate Conception - New Munich
We	8:00 am	†Jerry Frericks	St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa	Thursdays 7:00 - 8:00 am
Th *Fr	8:00 am 8:30 am	††Tom & Jamie Seanger SM School Mass	Tu 8:15 am †Ambrose Herdering Su 10:00 am †Claude Toenyan	<i>St. Mary - Melrose</i> First Thursday of the month 6:30 pm
Sa	5:00 pm	†Arlene Arnzen †Chad Toenyan	ST. MICHAEL - Spring Hill	in Spanish (en Español)
54	5.00 pm	For the People	Tu 8:00 am †Deceased/Living Members of	Sacred Heart - Freeport
*Su Su	10:00 am 12:30 pm	†Stanley Theis Misa en Español	St. Mary's Mission Society Su 10:00 am †Donnie Feldewerd	Fridays 9:00 am - 2:00 pm
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We	8:15 am	SH School Mass †Dennis Heidgerken Anniversary	†David "Bucky" Backes Sa 4:00 pm †Jerry Eveslage	f cod wh _o
Fr	8:15 am	†Deceased Members of the Eveslage Family	St. John - Meire Grove	The second
Su	8:00 am	For the People	We 8:00 am ††Henry & Marie Kampsen Su 8:00 am ††Raphael & Dolores Imdieke	

*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit: <u>oneinfaith.org</u> for the YouTube link.

One In Faith Area Catholic Community News

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

•No Mass at St. Michael's There will not be a 10:00 am Mass at St. Michael's in Spring Hill on Sunday, June 2.

Corpus Christi Celebration Mass St. John the Baptist Church/Meire Grove invites everyone to the Corpus Christi Celebration Mass on Sunday, June 2, at 9:00 am with Bishop Patrick Neary presiding. A procession to the four chapels of the cemetery will follow the Mass. There will be a couple of golf carts available for those that have difficulty walking. Following the procession, the Meire Grove Band will provide a concert and the parish members will serve a luncheon so folks can listen to the concert and dine at the same time. The luncheon theme is "Country Picnic" consisting of Pulled Pork Sandwiches, potato salad, chips, pickles, carrots and bars. No cost. Hope you will join us!

One In Faith ACC Employment Opportunities...



•St. Mary's School Teaching Positions: HELP WANTED: St. Mary's School is actively searching for exceptional, licensed teachers to join our amazing staff for the 2024-2025 school year. We're looking for a full-time elementary teacher and a part-time media teacher. Do you know someone who's graduating this spring or wants to change careers?

Please spread the word! If interested, please email anelson@smsmn.org with your resume and references.

•Sacred Heart School Early Childhood Teacher Positions: Sacred Heart School in Freeport is seeking faith filled, energetic and caring candidates to fill positions for Early Childhood teachers for our new toddler room for the 2024-2025 school year. Applicants must be able to demonstrate teacher qualifications as defined by MN State Licensing and Human Services, and be willing to work with a dedicated, motivated and well experienced team. Interested persons should send a cover letter, resume, three letters of recommendation, and references to: Sacred Heart School, Attn: Kristie Harren, PO Box 39, Freeport, MN 56331 or kharren@shsfreeport.org or call 320-290-1426. Join our team today! Positions are open until filled, so seize the opportunity and apply now.

House Blessing... If you are interested in having your house blessed by Fr. Dan call the Tri-Parish Office, Freeport (320-836-2143).

Parish News: ~ Sacred Heart ~ Immaculate Conception ~ St. Rose of Lima ~

•Tri-Parish Directory We are looking to have a "Directory Team" composed of individuals from all 3 parishes to head up and work as a team to put together a new Tri-Parish Directory. If interested, please contact the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143.

•Crosier Mission Special Collection Next weekend, May 25/26, Fr. Zawadi, a mission priest from the Crosiers, will be here to celebrate the Masses in our Tri-Parish and to share about their mission in the Democratic Republic of Congo. The mission includes more than 120 Congolese Crosiers, with at least 15 young men applying for Crosier postulancy each year. The Crosiers built and operate Holy Cross School, which educates 1,600 students from poor families, giving them a safe and loving place to be educated. The Crosiers seek financial assistance to continue educating children and teens, as well as the young men in seminary formation. All loose collection and any designated donations will be given to this mission. Please prayerfully consider donating to this special collection.

Special Recognition Mass for Sr. Janine Braun On



Wednesday, May 22 at 8:15 am at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport, there will be a very SPECIAL Mass and celebration with Bishop Patrick Neary. We are going to recognize and celebrate Sister Janine Braun for all her years at Sacred Heart School. Sr. Janine is the last religious Sister that was still

teaching in a Catholic School in the St. Cloud Diocese. We would like to invite all community members, friends, family, and any SHS alumni to attend Mass and a social after Mass to show Sr. Janine how much she is loved and appreciated.

Rosary in May The St. John's Church in Meire Grove will be praying the rosary each Wednesday evening throughout the month of May at 7:00 pm. We will be praying by our grotto on the south side of the church. Chairs will be provided. In case of inclement weather, we will pray inside by Mary's altar. Everyone from ALL parishes is invited!



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

*************** Weekly Offerings **************

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Total	\$16,237.60
Regular Adult Offering	14,501.00
Plate/Loose	877.60
Designated Funds	859.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

05-12 05-13 05-14 05-15 05-16 05-17 05-18	\$25 \$25 \$25 \$25 \$25 \$25	Veronica Juarez - Melrose Paul & Kim Olberding - Melrose Tim Schwieters - Melrose Bill Hinnenkamp - Melrose Donna Sand - Melrose Gail Schlicht - Melrose Nick Klaphake - Melrose	
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Died in the Hope of Resurrection... †James Kramer, 94 †Bernadette Arceneau, 74



Niche Columbarium A 96 niche columbarium has been installed in St. Mary's cemetery. Please contact the parish office with any questions or to purchase a niche.

Save the Date: The entire St. Mary's parish will be celebrating Fr. Marv's retirement with a combined Mass at 10:00 am on Sunday, June 23. Entertainment and food will be available following Mass. There will not be a 12:30 pm Mass that day. All are welcome!



Cemetery Volunteer Day will be Monday, May 20 at 6:00 pm. In case of bad weather, it will be Tuesday, May 21 at 6:00 pm. Please bring lawn mowers, leaf blowers, weed trimmer, rakes, and brooms. We request that old flowers not attached to tombstones be removed by clean up day. We also request any items

lying around tombstones to be removed for easy cleanup.

St. Mary's Parish Raffle is underway for the June 29 drawing. Flyers have been mailed to all parishioners. Please help support this very important annual fundraiser for the parish. This is the 33rd year. Only 1,000 tickets will be sold for a top prize of \$20,000!

Celebrating Years of Marriage We would like to recognize the following couples who were recognized at the Honoring Marriage Mass on Sunday, May 4 at Sacred Heart Parish in Sauk Rapids for their love and companionship as they celebrate their upcoming milestone marriages:

•Glenn & Ann Schwieters - 60 years on May 30 •Henry & Margaret Haider - 60 years on November 28 • Jim & Rosie Athmann - 50 years on September 21

• Eugene & Betty Rademacher - 50 years on October 12

"THERE ARE DIFFERENT KINDS OF SPIRITUAL GIFTS BUT THE SAME SPIRIT; THERE ARE DIFFERENT FORMS OF SERVICE BUT THE SAME LORD; THERE ARE DIFFERENT WORKINGS BUT THE SAME GOD WHO PRODUCES ALL OF THEM IN EVERYONE."

- 1 Corinthians 12:4-6

All of us are blessed, regardless of our own individual circumstances. God has given each of us many gifts. How we use those gifts is our gift back to God. For God's plan to work, each must do what we are called to do. Guess what? We are not all called to do the same thing! For God's plan to work you have to do what God is calling you to do and I have to do what God is calling me to do.

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

*********** Weekly Offerings ***********		
Total	\$4,279.08	
Regular Adult Offering	1,735.08	
Plate/Loose	473.00	
Votive	64.00	
Ascension	2,007.00	

Parish Events

We	05/22	7:00 pm	Young Adult Group
Fr	05/24	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr	05/24	9:00 am	Young Adult Group Individual Confessions Adoration



Thank You The Lent/Easter Liturgy committee would like to thank the Sacred Heart Christian Women for their donation of new spring/summer flowers for the altars. We appreciate the hard work you do at the Quarter

Craze to make the church and community a better place through your philanthropy and generosity.

Reminder: St. Joseph Members return all raffle tickets, sold and unsold, to the collection basket, Parish Office in Freeport, Rich Primus, or Tim Linn by Friday, May 24. Drawing is Monday, May 27.

Sacred Heart Festival (Sunday, July 21) News:

*Festival Co-Chairs NEEDED !! Sacred Heart is still looking for a couple or a few individuals to step forward to help chair this summer's festival. This is an important fundraiser for the parish. Prayerfully consider becoming a part of this call to help the parish. Please contact Matt Herdering 320-250-3441 or Chris Klaphake 320-250-6229.

*Schedule of Events: The day will begin with a polka Mass at

9:00 am followed by a parade at 10:30 am with all the festivities to follow. The theme for the parade is "Old Tube TV Shows." If you are interested in putting a float in the parade, contact Andy Grieve at 320-260-5615. Following the parade, there will be food, games, and entertainment.



- •Parish Festival Packets can be picked up from the back of the church. All parishioners, college age and older, have a packet which includes raffle tickets for you to buy or sell as well as the worklist for the day of the festival. Please check the worklist carefully. Parishioners going into grade 7 through adult are scheduled to help with the annual festival. If you are unable to work your shift, please find a replacement or switch with someone.
- •Crafters Needed The Festival Committee is requesting handmade craft donations that will be sold in the Quilt and More stand at the festival. You can drop items off at the Parish Office in Freeport. Any questions feel free to contact Jessica Goebel at 952-847-0520.



Community Garden If you are interested in reserving rows in the community garden, please call the Tri-Parish Office at 320-836-2143. Each row is spaced 5 feet apart and will be assigned on a first call basis.



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

**** Weekly Offering ****		
Total	\$3,232.31	
Regular Adult Offering	582.69	
Plate/Loose	205.00	
Ascension	2,380.00	
Building/Maintenance	64.62	

Parish Events

We	05/22	7:00 pm Young Adult Group - FR
Th	05/23	7:00 am Adoration
Sa	05/25	3:30 pm Individual Confessions

Expansion & Elevator Project... Thank you to all who have contributed to this project. Currently, we are at \$895,000 in donations (of which \$200,000 is a loan from the New Munich Investors) plus \$69,000 in outstanding pledges. We are awaiting the final invoice. The overall cost with architect fees is expected to be close to \$1,100,000. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this project that will serve generations to come.



ONE IN FAITH SUNDAY BULLETIN

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

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

\$1,984.17
661.92
362.25
960.00

Parish Events

7:00 am Adoration Tu 05/21 Young Adult Group - FR We 05/22 7:00 pm Fr 05/24 7:30 pm Rosary

OF Chair Couple Needed We are still looking for a third chair VOLUNTEERS couple for the fall festival. If you NEEDED would like to join, please reach out to: Adam or Jackie Wiechmann 320-293-0423 or 320-250-0401, Devin or Christine Middendorf 320-223-2642. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of this.

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

May 21, Tuesday

◆Bologna Daze at Elrosa Bar & Lounge serving from 5:30 - 7:30 pm. Music by Rueben Nathe & Friends. \$10 all you can eat bologna, potato wedges, sauerkraut, baked beans, homemade bread and dessert. Sponsored by: Elrosa Senior Citizens.

May 22, Wednesday

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

May 26, Sunday

• Breakfast at St. Joseph Parish Hall in Grey Eagle. Sponsored by the Grey Eagle/ Swanville Knights of Columbus. Serving from 8:30 am - 12:30 pm. Free will donation. May 29, Wednesday

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

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

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

Total	\$715.45
Regular Adult Offering	626.00
Children	9.45
Plate/Loose	80.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 26 - 10:00 am

(S) Olivia Kalthoff & Stella Schoenberg (L) Gary P. Lieser (U) Melvin Kalthoff & Jim Klassen (EM) (B) Adam Kalthoff (EM) (C) Conrad Gruber & Sandra Gruber (Sacristan) Kathy Welle (RL) Tony & Mary Gruenes (CC) Mark Schoenberg & Rick Terres (HK: May 12 - 25) Sandra Gruber, Ruth Heinen, & Norma Hemmesch



Congratulations to Sawyer > Frieler & Isaac Lieser, our graduating seniors from St. Michael's!

Due to Corpus Christi at St. John's in Meire Grove, there will **not** be 10:00 am Mass at St. Michael's on Sunday, June 2.

Celebrating 60 Years of Marriage

We would like to recognize Anton & Mary Gruenes who were recognized at the Honoring Marriage Mass on Sunday, May 4 at Sacred Heart Parish in Sauk Rapids for their love and companionship as they



celebrate their upcoming 60 year marriage milestone on June 20.

Prayer Requests...

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

Banns of Matrimony:

- Kenedy Meyer♥Erik Barten, 6/8 MG
- Ш Jessica Ruiz♥Elver Garcia, 5/25 - M
- Ш Felipa Ruiz Garcia♥Romeo Garcia Luis, 5/25 - M

For the Sick: Dorothy Schneider, Petra Oevermann, Lori Austing, Sandy Welle, Joe Soenneker, Ethan Zink, Kyle Lieser, Fran Hinnenkamp

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

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

The Scriptures This Week Year B, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo The Blessed Virgin Mary, Mother of the Church

	Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14	Jn 19:25-34
Tu	Jas 4:1-10	Mk 9:30-37
We	Jas 4:13-17	Mk 9:38-40
Th	Jas 5:1-6	Mk 9:41-50
Fr	Jas 5:9-12	Mk 10:1-12
Sa	Jas 5:13-20	Mk 10:13-16
Next	Sunday - Solemnity of The Most	Holy Trinity
	Dt 4:32-34, 39-40	Rom 8:14-17
		Mt 28:16-20

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

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

Total	\$2,091.00
Regular Adult Offering	1,745.00
Plate/Loose	140.00
Votives	11.00
Ascension	45.00
Maintenance	100.00
School Subsidy Support	50.00

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, May 25 - 4:00 pm

(S) Zachary Rieland
(L) Herman Lensing
(U) Dale Winter & Ron Winter
(GB) Jeff & Wanda Ahrens
(EM) (B) Dustin Gregory
(EM) (C) Herman Lensing & Mary Opatrny
(HK - May) *Kari Kasper, Deb Keller, Cassandra Kettner, Doris Kraemer, Angie Kulzer, & Julie Kulzer

Mass Time Change The Thursday, May 30, Mass at St. Andrew's has been moved to 10:00 am. All are welcome to celebrate the SJSA School 6th grade graduation Mass at that time.



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

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

Total	\$2,010.25
Regular Adult Offering	1,500.00
Children	0.25
Plate/Loose	160.00
Votives	45.00
Ascension	250.00
School Subsidy Support	5.00
Peter's Pence	50.00

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 26 - 8:00 am

(S) Isaac Zenzen
(L) Doug Meyer
(U) Dean Meyer & Doug Meyer
(GB) Jeron & Brenda Nathe
(EM) (B) Dan Meyer & Karl Meyer
(EM) (C) Elmer Meyer & Sue Meyer
(HK - May) * Joni Imdieke, Sharon Imdieke, Kate Kelzer, Amy Klaphake, Ruth Klaphake, & Mary Kay Leukam

HISPANIC MINISTRY



Adoración Eucarística y Concierto Catolico La iglesia de Santa María invita a toda la comunidad Hispana a una noche de adoración eucarística y concierto catolico en compañía del predicador y cantante catolico Ramon Ochoa (el soldado de

Cristo) el día **Lunes 20 de Mayo de 2024** en las instalaciones de la iglesia. El evento comenzará con la **Santa Misa a las 6:30pm.** Este evento es totalmente familiar y no tiene ningún costo.

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

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!

Celebrating Years of Marriage We would like to recognize the following couples who were recognized at the Honoring Marriage Mass on Sunday, May 4 at Sacred Heart Parish in Sauk Rapids for their love and companionship as they celebrate their upcoming milestone marriages:

♦ Cyril & Darlene Meyer - 60 years on September 2 ↓ Jim & Mary Kay Leukam - 50 years on June 14

St. John's Parish Leadership meeting Wednesday, May 22, at 7:30 pm in the church basement.

Plaster Repair The plaster project continues as issues above the choir loft are currently being addressed. Donations to provide financial support for this project would be greatly appreciated. Please indicate "Plaster Repair" on your donation. Thank you.

Corpus Christi Mass and Procession Please see details under ACC news on pg 6.

Defibrillator Training There will be a free defibrillator training for the Meire Grove community at the Meire Grove City Hall at 6:30 pm on Thursday, May 23. There will be pre-registration sheets located in the back of church and the store. The defibrillator will be stored inside the front door of the Grove Place Apartments along Hwy 4.



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Trinity more clearly. Understanding helps us to make sense of our lives and mission in the light of the Gospel. Knowledge helps us make practical decisions in accord with God's will.

The gifts of Fear of the Lord and Piety assist us in our love of God. Fear of the Lord helps us to see how our actions help or hinder our relationship with God, helping to motivate us to avoid all that harms this relationship and choose all that strengthens it. Piety helps us to see the great dignity and beauty of God and enables us to have a deep reverence for Him and for all of His people.

Counsel and Fortitude are also given by the Holy Spirit and help us to firmly move forward in faith and love. Counsel especially helps us with love of neighbor, and Fortitude adds the strength we need to do all that we are called to do in love with unwavering commitment.

As we celebrate the great Solemnity of Pentecost, reflect, today, upon the transforming power of the Holy Spirit. If you want to be open to the full outpouring of the Holy Spirit in your life and receive the many gifts you need for your journey of faith, then begin with the most fundamental gift. Begin with the Sacrament of Reconciliation. Ponder the words Jesus spoke in our Gospel today and know that by entrusting the grace to forgive sins in His name to His first priests, Jesus was also calling you to embrace that gift. The Holy Spirit wants you to be cleansed of all sin. Allow Him to do so and you will be amazed at all the grace that follows.

My glorious Lord, You promised to send the Holy Spirit upon us to lead us into all Truth and to reconcile us to the Father. You were faithful to that promise at Pentecost and now continuously bestow the Holy Spirit upon all who believe. Holy Spirit, please come upon me, especially by forgiving my sins in the Sacrament of Reconciliation and by filling me with Your sevenfold Gifts. Jesus, I trust in You.

FAITH FORMATION

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa: Contact Information:

csand@catholic-centered.org

•Faith Formation Registration:

If you missed registration night, your registration packet was mailed to you. Please call the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143 if you still need to register.

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove: Contact Information:

faithformation@stmarysofmelrose.com

•Registration If you haven't already, please register your child(ren) for next year's Faith Formation program sometime before the end of May (materials cost less if we buy them now, in Spring.). Registration forms can be found online or can be picked up and returned to the Parish Office.



YOUTH MINISTRY **One in Faith ACC Youth Ministry:**

Contact Information:

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

•Valleyfair and Feed My Starving Children Trip will be on Monday, July 8. We head to Valleyfair for the morning and will package food in the afternoon. Pick up will be in Freeport at 8:15 am and return around CHILDREN 8:15 pm. Sign-up forms are available on the Tri-Parish website, sacredheartfreeport.org. Deadline for sign-up is Monday, June 24.



♥Diocesan Youth Council 2024-2025 applications being accepted:

This council is made up of youth in grades nine through 12 from a variety of parishes from across the diocese. Youth meet five or six times annually. The DYC helps plan and assist in the implementation of diocesan sponsored youth ministry events. These events are primarily, but not exclusive to, the Diocesan High School Youth Day, the Middle School Youth Rally/Lock-in and the High School Castaway Retreat. Please visit https://stcdio.org/cem/faith-formation/ leadershiptraining/ to download DYC Applications and invite your high school youth to consider serving on the DYC. Contact Kent Schmitz with any questions at: 320-251-0111, ext. 4 or kent.schmitz@gw.stcdio.org.

Tri-Parish Youth Ministry (Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception & St. Rose of Lima): Contact Information: csand@catholic-centered.org

•Youth Leadership Team Applications are being accepted until June 30. This is a leadership program for high school students, grades 9-12 interested in serving, leading, and supporting their peers as they develop a deeper experience of Jesus Christ and the Catholic church. As a member of the Youth Leadership Team, you will gain the support of a Christian community, a sense of fulfillment and accomplishment, spiritual challenge, the joy of effecting others in a positive way, and personal growth, among other things. You will help plan and carry out youth events. You will be able to give input on what the youth would like to do for service and fun outings/ activities. This will be your opportunity to be a voice in learning about your faith. Applications are available on the Tri-Parish website, sacredheartfreeport.org.

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The Parish Office in Freeport will be closing at 11:30 am on Thursday, May 23 so the staff can participate in the National Eucharistic Revival Pilgrimage activities.

Young Adult Group will be meeting on Wednesday, May 22 at 7:00 pm at the Parish Office in Freeport. We will be looking at section 4 of As the Father Has Sent Me, So I Send You, A Pastoral Letter by Bishop Patrick Neary, CSC.



Sacred Heart Festival will be on Sunday, July 21. The day will begin with a polka Mass at 9:00 am followed by a parade at 10:30 am with all the festivities to follow. The theme for this year's parade is "Old Tube TV Shows." If you are interested in putting a float in the parade, contact

Andy Grieve at 320-260-5615. Following the parade, there will be food, games, and entertainment.

Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School June 10 - 14 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. Students entering grade 6 through adults are invited to prayerfully consider joining us for an amazing start to your summer! Please call the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143 if you would like to be a volunteer. Don't miss the best week of the summer!

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.



•Women's Silent Retreat - June 3-6 (4 day Midweek \$350) •Sisters' Intercommunity Retreat - June 11-16 (\$700)



Vacation Bible School June 10 - 14 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport from 9:00 - 11:30 am. Send your children, ages 4 through entering grade 5, for an under the water good time! This summer's theme is Scuba. Children will be "Diving into friendship with God." Scuba is filled

with Bible stories, music, games, and other fun ways to learn that God is with you every day, no matter what. Please call the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport at 320-836-2143 if you would like to attend. Don't miss the best week of the summer!

Poland, Pope, and Padres Pilgrimage Join Fr. Derek and Fr. Doug October 15-25 (October 25-28 Prague extension) for this pilgrimage. There will be an informational meeting June 8 after the 4:00 pm Saturday night Mass at Holy Spirit Catholic Church in St. Cloud. Visit www.jericochristianjourneys.com or Call JeriCo at 877-453-7426. There are still seats available!

Vocation Camp for Young Men Grades 7-10 We seek to

provide an engaging environment where young Catholic men are able to listen to the voice of Jesus Christ. We desire to instill in their lives the faith and trust to follow Him no matter where He may lead. Tuesday-Thursday, June 18-20. This camp is at the beautiful Mead family residence on the lake. The days will be filled with physical and spiritual activities.



Check in 9:00 - 9:30 am. Note: Camp families are welcome to join for Mass on Thursday, June 20 at 11:00 am with a potluck lunch to follow. Cost \$40 scholarship available. Questions please contact Julie Jacobs at Julie.Jacobs@gw.stcdio.org_or call 320-251-5001. Deadline to register is Tuesday, June 4. Register at https:// www.surveymonkey.com/r/2024AvonCamp

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Amy Van Beck SHS BOARD: Jamie Engelmeyer, Julie Job, Jessica Renneker, Tamara Welle, Lindsay Frieler, and Jenelle Herkenhoff Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

- •School Liturgy on Wednesday, May 22 will be planned by Ms. Hoeschen and the 4th grade students.
- ◆Special Mass Wednesday, May 22 at 8:15 am at Sacred Heart Church. We will be having a very SPECIAL Mass and celebration with Bishop Patrick Neary. We are going to recognize and celebrate Sister Janine Braun for all her years at Sacred Heart School. Sr. Janine is the last religious Sister that was still teaching in a Catholic School in the St. Cloud Diocese. We would like to invite all community members, friends, family and any SHS alumni to attend Mass and a social after Mass to show Sr. Janine how much she is loved and appreciated.
- **•SHS Pre-K Graduation** is on Thursday, May 23.
- ◆Thank You to the Freeport State Bank for sponsoring our end of the year field trip. This year we are going to the A Maze'n Farmyard on Tuesday, May 28.
- ◆**Toddler Registration is Still Open** and we just have a few spots left. If you are looking for care for your toddler ages 16 33 months, please call or stop in at the Sacred Heart School office 320-836-2591.

•SHS Employment Opportunities—See the ACC section of this bulletin.

LOOKING AHEAD:

•SHS 6th Grade Graduation and the last day of school will be on Friday, May 31.

Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners!

- 05/12\$100Chris Engelmeyer Melrose05/13\$25Brad Schulzetenberg Eagan05/14\$25Joe Jensen Sauk Centre05/15\$25Laura Beuning Freeport05/16\$25Lynn Barten Alexandria
- 05/17 \$25 Earl & Tammy Pundsack Melrose
- 05/18 \$25 Cole Reis Grey Eagle



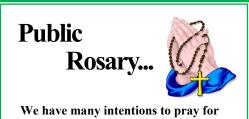
- •Field Trips The 5th and 6th Graders will be visiting the State Capitol, History Center, and James J. Hill House on Tuesday, May 21. On Thursday, May 23, the 3rd and 4th graders will visit the MN Zoo. The kindergartners, 1st and 2nd graders, have a trip planned to Safari North, and the preschoolers are visiting Hemker Zoo.
- •Thank You for your continued support of the SMS\$4Kids program. The last day to order this school year will be Sunday, May 26. Orders can be picked up at the school on Friday, May 31. We will start selling scrip again in September. You can continue to order e-gift cards throughout the summer. We made a profit of \$5,612 from the usage of the program this year.
- •School Board Elections will be held at the Masses on June 1 and 2. We thank Ali Arnzen, who has served on the School Board for the past three years. Cindy Hemmesch will be running for a second term along with Jenn Lubarski, a new candidate.
- •St. Mary's Sixth-Grade Promotion will be celebrated in St. Mary's Church on Tuesday, May 28, at 7:00 pm. A reception sponsored by the Christian Women will follow the Mass.
- The Last Day of School for all students is Friday, May 31.
- •SMS Employment Opportunity—See the ACC section of this bulletin.
- The SMS State of the School Report is included as an insert in the bulletin or can also be accessed by scanning the QR code or visiting the school website under the SMS K-6, School Information tab.

https://www.smsmelrosemn.org/



•St. John's - St. Andrew's School Board Meets Tuesday, May 21 at 7:30 pm in the school basement.

- •Freeport State Bank has Scheduled a Field Trip for SJSA to The A Maze'n Farmyard on Tuesday, May 21. We are thankful to Marlene Blommel and Jim Hemker for providing this fun outing for our students, staff, and parent chaperones.
- •SJSA Kindergarten Graduation is Tuesday, May 28 at 1:45 pm.
- •SJSA 6th Grade Graduation Mass is Thursday, May 30 at 10:00 am at St. Andrew's in Greenwald. <u>*Please note</u> the Mass time change for that morning. A family picnic will follow.
- •SJSA's Last Day of School is Thursday, May 30.



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

- Tuesdays at 7:30 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.

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