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Second Sunday of Lent **March 13, 2022**

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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 ~ March 14 - 20

St. Mary - Melrose

Mo	6:30 pm	**Misa en Español** †Javier Acevedo
Tu	7:30 am	†Juliana Kettler
We	7:30 am	†Bernice Doege
Th	7:30 am	†Tom Jacobson
Fr	8:30 am	†Ray Ostendorf
Sa	5:00 pm	†Albert Brixius †Russ Roelike/For the People
*Su	10:00 am	††Lander & Juliana Kettler & Family
Su	12:30 pm	**Misa en Español** †Salvador Sanchez †Julia Cervantes

Sacred Heart - Freeport

We	8:15 am	Liv./Dec. Catholic United Financial Members
Fr	8:15 am	†Joyce Eveslage
Su	8:00 am	††Roger & Agnes Notch

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

Immaculate Conception - New Munich

Th	8:15 am	Liv./Dec. Catholic Order of Foresters Members
Sa	4:00 pm	For the People

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tu	8:15 am	†Paige Luethmers
Su	10:00 am	†Helen Blommel

St. Michael - Spring Hill

Tu	8:00 am	†Joe Seifermann
Su	10:00 am	†Mary Ann Terres

St. Andrew - Greenwald

Th	8:00 am	†Olivia Schwieters Anniv.
Sa	4:00 pm	†Francis Uphus

St. John - Meire Grove

We	8:00 am	†Amy Granby
Su	8:00 am	††Otto & Adam Loxtercamp

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

Stations Of The Cross
March 14 - 20

Tu	3-15	8:45 am	St. Rose of Lima, St. Rosa
We	3-16	9:00 am	Sacred Heart, Freeport
We	3-16	7:00 pm	Sacred Heart, Freeport
We	3-16	7:15 pm	St. Mary, Melrose (Led by Faith Formation students. They plan to do 3-4 Stations.)
We	3-16	7:30 pm	St. Michael, Spring Hill
We	3-16	7:30 pm	St. John, Meire Grove
Th	3-17	8:45 am	Immaculate Conception, New Munich
Fr	3-18	9:00 am	Sacred Heart, Freeport.
Fr	3-18	2:00 pm	St. Andrew, Greenwald (Led by SJSA Students)
Fr	3-18	6:30 pm	St. Mary, Melrose (Spanish)

CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)

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

Weekly Contributions

Total	**$13,364.51**
Regular Adult Offering	8,916.00
Loose	1,207.76
Phase II	440.00
Designated Funds	2,800.75
St. Mary's School Endowment	**$0.00**
Phase II Building	**$37,611.85**
Rectory	**$73,295.00**
Total: Phase II/Rectory	**$110,906.85**

Died in the Hope of Resurrection… †Aaron Joseph Schmitz, 46

Christian Women will have their meeting on Tuesday, March 15 at 6:00 pm at St. Mary's.

St. Mary's survey is available at the St. Mary's website. You can fill it out online or you can print it and give it back at the parish office. Deadline is Friday, April 8.

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

03-06	$25	Gail J. Elizabeth - Melrose
03-07	$25	Jim Middendorf - Melrose
03-08	$25	Gail Schlicht - Melrose
03-09	$50	Greg Middendorf - Albany
03-10	$25	St. Mary's Church - Melrose
03-11	$25	Dustin & Jenna Frieler - Melrose
03-12	$25	Archie & Regina Meemken - Melrose

Full-Time Custodian Wanted St. Mary's Church is seeking applications for a full-time custodian. The custodian is responsible for the effective and efficient operation and maintenance of the church and school buildings, grounds, and equipment. A boiler license is required, or applicant must be willing to obtain one. Interested persons must complete an application which is available at the parish office. Open until filled.

CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)

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

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Adult Envelopes	$3,890.38
Plate	386.00
Total Weekly Contributions	**$4,276.38**

Other Donations

Votive	$206.30
Central MN Catholic Magazine	100.00
School Support	100.00
Easter	50.00
Easter Flowers	135.00
Rice Bowl	50.00
Ash Wednesday - Food Shelf	558.26

Baptized in Christ…

•We welcome **Wyatt Matthew Kalthoff**, the son of Ben & Kate Kalthoff, to our parish. Wyatt Matthew was baptized on Sunday, March 6.

•We welcome **Paisley Rose Klaphake**, the daughter of Madison Klaphake, to our parish. Paisley Rose was baptized on Sunday, March 6.

Welcome to our Parish… We welcome Gerard & Mary Kay Huhne to our parish.

Exterior Church Maintenance The limestone and exterior of the church needs upkeep. The limestone needs to be washed, repaired, and then sealed. The hope is to begin this project in the spring. The project is estimated at $50,000. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this much needed restoration of this historical church.

St. Joseph's Society will have their annual meeting on Sunday, March 20 at 9:00 am (right after Mass) in the church basement. New members are welcome. Coffee and rolls will be served.

Parish Events

Su 03/13	8:30 am	Lion's Breakfast
Tu 03/15	6:00 pm	Bible Study
Tu 03/15	6:30 pm	Choir Practice
We 03/16	9:00 am	Stations of the Cross
We 03/16	10:00 am	Bible Study
We 03/16	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation
We 03/16	7:00 pm	Faith Formation
We 03/16	7:00 pm	Stations of the Cross
Fr 03/18	7:45 am	Individual Confessions
Fr 03/18	9:00 am	Stations of the Cross
Fr 03/18	9:00 am	Adoration
Su 03/20	9:00 am	St. Joseph's Society Meeting
Su 03/20	1:00 pm	Family Event
Su 03/20	7:00 pm	"500" Card Party

HEIFER INTERNATIONAL

Lenten Project: ***The Heifer Project*** To contribute to this Lenten Project, place donations in an envelope marked "Lenten Project." Drop envelope in the collection or mail it to or drop it off at the Tri-Parish Office. To learn more about the project, visit www.heifer.org.

Lenten Food Drive Knights of Columbus, St. Joseph The Worker Council will be collecting food items as well as gifts of money for the Food Shelf through the 40 Cans For Lent Program. There will be a tote placed in each of the churches in our Tri-Parish to place your donation during the Lenten Season. Your participation in this program is greatly appreciated!

"I am the Lord who brought you from Ur of the Chaldeans to give you this land as a possession" **(Genesis 15:7)**

Just as the Lord gave Abraham, Moses, and the Israelites a land to possess, He has also given each of us a home. Whether your home is grand or humble, it is a gift from God. Abraham prepared a great sacrifice to the Lord in gratitude for the home God gave him. How do you show your gratitude to God for the home He has given you? Do you make a sacrifice of any kind? Do you return any of your finances to God, investing equally in your eternal home just as you invest in your earthly home?

CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - NEW MUNICH (NM)

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

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Adult Envelopes.....	$3,641.16
Plate.....	157.00
Total Weekly Contributions	**$3,798.16**

Other Donations

Building/Maintenance.....	$267.50
Central MN Catholic Magazine.....	50.00
Easter Flowers.....	145.00
Lenten Project.....	20.00
Ash Wednesday - Food Shelf.....	313.00

Welcome to our Parish… We welcome Kurt & Katie Mayers to our parish.

Parish Seamstresses & Crafters: This year the Parish & Quilt Raffle will be on June 11, so it is time again to plan for the "Quilt & Fancy Work" raffle. If any of you have fancy or crafty items (doilies, afghans, towels, etc.) to donate for the raffle, please call or contact me before Tuesday, March 22, so we will have time to get the raffle tickets printed with the information on them and have them ready to send out with the parish raffle tickets. Thanks in advance for sharing your talents to contribute to the Christian Women's main source of funds. Also, if anyone would like to donate cash toward the expenses of the quilt, we'd appreciate that very much. *Jean Hopfer, Raffle Chm.* 320-837-5239

Parish Events

Tu 03/15	9:00 am	Quilting
Tu 03/15	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
We 03/16	9:00 am	Quilting
We 03/16	10:00 am	Bible Study - FR
We 03/16	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation - FR
We 03/16	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Th 03/17	8:45 am	Stations of the Cross
Th 03/17	9:00 am	Quilting
Th 03/17	7:30 pm	Choir Practice
Sa 03/19	3:30 pm	Individual Confessions

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CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA - ST. ROSA (SR)

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

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Adult Envelopes.....	$1,843.46
Plate.....	279.00
Total Weekly Contributions	**$2,122.46**

Other Donations

Central MN Catholic Magazine.....	$50.00
Easter Flowers.....	40.00
Ash Wednesday - Food Shelf.....	203.00
Church Remodel.....	100.00

Thank You The family of Paige Luethmers would like to express our deep gratitude for all who have been there for us during this extremely difficult time. A very special thank you to Fr. Dan Walz for the beautiful celebration of life Mass and for coming to pray with Paige at the house. Thank you to Hannah Gilk and Laura Salzl for the beautiful music, Steve Wiechman for serving Mass, and the St. Rose Parishioners that helped prepare and serve the delicious meal. Thank you to Mark and Ralph at the Patton Schad Funeral Home, Mel Mages for sharing her talents, and Jean Renneker and Melissa Luethmers for the best care Paige could have ever received. We so appreciate all the prayers, food, gifts, memorials, cards, hugs, and kind words. We are truly blessed with amazing family, friends, and community. May the Angels hold Paige close and may her beautiful spirit shine bright in Heaven. God Bless you All. *~Dan, Reid, Dale, Lisa, Sam, Amy, Adam, Brenna, Ken, Kathy, Eric, Melissa, Payton, Logan, Brad, Nicole, Tegan, and Breckyn*

Interior Renovation Project The project is ambitious and will result in a beautiful interior to start our next 125 years. By the time the Festival occurs this fall, we hope to have some of the major pieces of the project completed, including the removal of the step-up at the front of the church, the painting, and some of the other elements. Certain pieces will take a bit longer but will be completed by the 2023 celebration of our quasquicentennial, our 125th anniversary of the founding of our church. Next Sunday, members of the Renovation Committee will be available in the Gathering Area with drawings, pictures, and conversation. Next week, we will share financial information about the project. Questions? Wish to make a donation? Wish to volunteer? Contact the Parish Office.

Parish Events

Tu 03/15	8:45 am	Stations of the Cross
Tu 03/15	9:00 am	Quilting
Tu 03/15	6:00 pm	Bible Study - FR
We 03/16	10:00 am	Bible Study - FR
We 03/16	6:00 pm	Grade 2 Faith Formation - FR
We 03/16	7:00 pm	Faith Formation - FR
Fr 03/18	6:00 pm	Wedding Rehearsal
Fr 03/18	7:30 pm	Rosary
Sa 03/19	9:00 am	Wedding Pictures
Sa 03/19	2:00 pm	Engelmeyer/Kemper Wedding
Su 03/20	11:00 am	Catholic United Financial Member

Donation Drive The St. Rose Christian Women will again be doing a joint donation drive for Services for Homeless Youth and Pathways for Homeless Youth. Services for Homeless Youth is a Catholic Charities Program that assists youth ages 16 to 24 transition from homelessness to housing. They are in need of basic essentials for first homes; items like dishes, small kitchen appliances, sheets, towels, bedding, kitchen linens, and cleaning supplies. They also could use bus passes or gas cards, gift cards, and of course, cash donations are always needed. Pathways 4 Homeless Youth is a youth resource center serving homeless youth ages 16 to 24 in the St. Cloud area. They are in need of easy to prepare food, hygiene items, feminine hygiene items, shaving supplies, sports bras in all sizes, diapers, wipes, and cash donations are welcome here too. There is a tote in the gathering area of St. Rose Church through Lent.

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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	**$2,327.00**
Regular Adult Offering	1,633.00
Children	2.00
Plate/Loose	12.00
Ash Wednesday	155.00
Fuel Fund	180.00
Maintenance Fund	20.00
Wedding	250.00
St. Cloud Magazine	20.00
School Subsidy	5.00
Eastern Europe	50.00

Feast Day of St. Joseph Please join us on Saturday, March 19 at 10:00 am at St. Michael's Church for the Rosary for families and traditional marriage in honor of St. Joseph (feast day).

Spaghetti Dinner & Bake Sale at St. Michael's Parish, Spring Hill on Sunday, April 3, serving from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. There will also be a Parish Raffle Drawing.

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, March 20 - 10:00 am

(S) Sam Orbeck & Zack Orbeck **(L)** Katherine Orbeck
(U) Stan Heinen & Dan Hemmesch
(EU) (B) Darlene Schoenberg
(Sacristan) Sharon & John Schulzetenberg
(RL) Tony & Mary Gruenes
(CC) Mark Schoenberg & Rick Terres
(HK - March 13-20) Terri Winter, Lisa Wuertz, & Mary Wuertz

St. Michael's Men Society annual meeting is Tuesday, March 15 at 6:00 pm in Extra Innings meeting room.

Cash Raffle Tickets have been distributed. Please return the ticket stubs, money, and any unsold tickets to Sue Meyer, Duane Moscho, Karen Rademacher, or put in the St. Michael's Collection marked "cash raffle" by Sunday, March 27. Thank you for your participation!

Stations of the Cross on Wednesday evenings at 7:30 pm during Lent. No Stations during Holy Week. 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	**$2,328.31**
Regular Adult Offering	2,088.00
Children	5.00
Plate/Loose	78.31
Votives	17.00
Ash Wednesday	110.00
School Subsidy	10.00
St. Cloud Magazine	20.00

Liturgical Ministries Saturday, March 19 - 4:00 pm

(S) Lauren Dehmer & Mathew Dehmer **(L)** Julie Kulzer
(U) Pat Keller & Zach Rieland
(GB) Mathew & Bridget Kasper
(EU) (B) Herman Lieser
(HK-March) *Sheri Thull, Margaret Silbernick, Amy Stueve, Linda Trisko, Lee Uphoff, & Joni Van Beck

Looking For Donations… St. Andrew's Parish has purchased a new electric piano/organ. So far the donations that have come in total $1,520.00 which is about 1/2 way to the goal of $3,329.00, the total cost. Please continue giving to the piano fund, put it in an envelope and mark it "Piano/Organ." Thank you for all the donations so far!

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	**$2,107.75**
Regular Adult Offering	1,245.00
Children	3.25
Plate/Loose	184.00
Ash Wednesday	375.00
Votives	40.50
School Subsidy	70.00
Operation Rice Bowl	90.00
Steeple Lighting	60.00
Eastern Europe	40.00

St. John's Catholic United Financial will be having coffee & rolls today after Mass, followed by a short meeting. Everyone is welcome!

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, March 20 - 8:00 am

(S) Carter Kelzer & Logan Kelzer **(L)** Kurt Meyer
(U) Karl Meyer & Marvin Meyer
(GB) Kurt & Heidi Meyer
(EU) (B) Karl Meyer & Char Meyer
(HK-March) *Abby Zenzen, Ann Brang, Janice Funk, Kathy Illies, Dalene Imdieke, & Joni Imdieke

Bake Sale ~ Bingo ~ Parish Raffle Sunday, April 3 in the Meire Grove Church Basement. 12:00 pm - Bake Sale, 12:15 pm - Lunch available (Hot Turkey Sandwiches on Homemade Buns, etc.) and included in the cost of Bingo; Lunch provided by Catholic United Financial. 1:00 pm - Bingo starts 20 games for $10 prizes included ham, turkey, or cash. 2:00 pm - Parish Raffle Drawing.

HISPANIC MINISTRY

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

•**Grados 1, 3-6: Próxima clase:** Miércoles, 16 de Marzo de 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Estudiantes y padres. Proyecto de Servicio de Cuaresma/Pascua!

•**Grados 9-10: Próxima clase:** Miércoles, 16 de Marzo de 7:15 - 8:30 pm. reúnase en la Escuela de Santa María. Estudiantes y algunos padres. Comenzaremos rezando las estaciones de la cruz. Todos están invitados a rezar las estaciones de la cruz! Todos son bienvenidos a hacer las Estaciones de la Cruz! Tema de la semana: La Iglesia y la Comunión de los Santos.

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

Materiales de Enriquecimiento de cuaresma hay una variedad de libros en la entrada de la Iglesia así como las cajitas de Arroz. Por favor llévese estos materiales para que tenga un gran experiencia de cuaresma.

Vía crucis Todos los viernes de cuaresma en la iglesia de Santa María a las 6:30 pm. ¡Todos están invitados!

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!

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.

Misa y Bendición para los Matrimonios por el Obispo Donald Kettler Sábado, 14 de Mayo a la 1:00 pm en la Iglesia de St. María en Melrose.

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS

SACRED HEART SCHOOL FREEPORT

PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz **PRINCIPAL:** Kristie Harren
ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle
SHS BOARD: Amy Wilwerding, Emily Smith, Nick Shaw, Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho
Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

♥ **All School Mass** Wednesday, March 16 will be planned by Mrs. Benson and the 5th grade students. This will also be the Teaching Mass for the month, and Father Dan will be concentrating on the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick during his homily.

♥ **Birthday Dinner** for March birthdays, Thursday, March 17.

Sacred Heart School Calendar Raffle Winners

03-06	$25	Lucy Rieland - Melrose
03-07	$25	Joy Skeldon - St. Cloud
03-08	$25	Meredith Atkinson - Minneapolis
03-09	$25	Ben Atkinson - Melrose
03-10	$25	Teresa Tschida - Grey Eagle
03-11	$25	Joe Engelmeyer - Melrose
03-12	$25	Mike & Laura Kerfeld - Melrose

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL Melrose, MN

Learn. Laugh. Believe. Succeed.

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

♦**Attend our Winter Open House** for preschool through 6th grade on Monday, March 14, from 5:30 - 7:00 pm, and discover the benefits of Catholic education. Call 320-256-4257 or email sms@smsmn.org to schedule a tour during the open house or anytime.

♦**Parent - Teacher Conferences** are scheduled for March 22 and 24.

♦**During Lent,** families at SMS will be collecting dollars and coins to give to four different organizations: Melrose Food Shelf, Fr. Schwieters and Fr. Ohmann, Simply Love International, and Food for Thought. If you would like to participate in giving to one of these organizations, you can drop your coins off at the Parish Office in Melrose or school.

♦**All are invited** to the Living Stations being presented by the students of St. Mary's School on Wednesday, April 6 at 1:00 pm in the church.

SJSA ST. JOHN'S ST. ANDREW'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

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

- **SJSA School Board** will meet Tuesday, March 15 at 7:30 pm in the school basement.
- **Lenten Project** SJSA Student Council is collecting items for Chemo Care Bags for adults and children. Items needed are: children's and adult coloring books, mittens, puzzle books, lap blankets, and canvas tote bags. Please drop off items at the school by Friday, April 8.
- **Stations of the Cross** SJSA students will lead Stations of the Cross on Friday, March 18 and Friday, April 1 at 2:00 pm at St. Andrew's Church in Greenwald.
- **Kindergarten "Rodeo Round-Up"** is Monday, April 4 from 7:45 am - 2:30 pm. Prospective Kindergarten students will spend the day with the current Kindergarten class to see what a day in Kindergarten is like. A healthy snack and hot lunch will be served. Please call the school at 320-987-3133 for more information.
- **Pre-school Open House** for students ages 3-5 is set for Wednesday, April 20 from 3:00 - 5:30 pm. More information to come! Call the school at 320-987-3133 for more information.
- **SJSA Student Lenten Project** SJSA students are collecting personal care items for the Melrose Area Food Shelf. Items needed are shampoo, conditioner, hand soap, body wash, toothpaste, and toothbrushes. If you would like to donate, please drop items off at the school by Friday, April 8.

FAITH FORMATION/YOUTH MINISTRY

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa Faith Formation

- **Grades 1, 3 - 6: Next Class:** Wednesday, March 16 - Home Lesson.
- **Grade 2: Next Class:** Wednesday, March 16 at 6:00 pm. Meet at the Tri-Parish Office in Freeport.
  - **First Communion Retreat:** Saturday, March 26 from 9:00 am - 1:00 pm at Sacred Heart Church Basement.
- **Grades 7 - 10: Next Class:** Wednesday, March 16 from **6:45** - 8:30 pm. Meet in the body of the church. Bring your bible, notebook, and pen. **Reminder: We will begin with Stations of the Cross so arrive by 6:45 pm.**

Melrose, Spring Hill, Greenwald, Meire Grove Faith Formation

- **Grades 1, 3-6: Next Class:** Wednesday, March 16 from 6:00 - 7:00 pm. Students and parents. Lent/Easter service project!
- **Grades 9-10: Next Class:** Wednesday, March 16 from 7:15 - 8:30 pm. Meet at St. Mary's Church. Students and some parents. We will begin class by praying some of the Stations of the Cross. Parishioners are welcome to join us for the Stations! Topic of the week: The

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Bible Study will meet on Tuesday, March 15 at 6:00 pm and Wednesday, March 16 at 10:00 am at Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. We will study the readings and Gospel for Sunday, March 20. All are welcome.

Material Needed If you have leftover material that you aren't using, drop it off at the Freeport Senior Center any Wednesday afternoon. We will make blankets and donate them to different organizations.

Help Wanted...

- St. John's - St. Andrew's Catholic School in Greenwald has the following teaching positions open for the 2022-2023 school year: Preschool/Kindergarten (four days Kindergarten and one day preschool) and Third/Fourth grade (combined classroom). If interested, please email your resume, two letters of reference, and a copy of your teaching credentials to Mary Miller at sjsamarym@gmail.com.
- Sacred Heart School will be hiring individuals for positions for Summer Care Director and Assistants. Requirements for the Director position are minimum age 18 as well as experience/ education in Child Care. For the assistant position, the minimum age is 16.

Thank You confirmation class for your hard work during the Bingo Fundraiser and dedication as it is so appreciated! Thank you to all who participated, donated, or continue to pray! I am so thankful to have you all in my life! ~*Thank you, Rachael Zink*

Please join us for BINGO at St. Mary's Church in Melrose on Sunday, March 27 at 6:30 pm. Cost is $15 for 20 games. Kids 12 and under are FREE! Cash and meat prizes. Free lunch includes hot turkey sandwich, chips, and cookie/bar. Beverages are available for sale. Variety games played will be Good Neighbor Bingo and Blackout. There will also be a quilt raffle. Fun for the entire family. Sorry, no checks, cash only. Proceeds go to the St. Mary's Mission Society of Melrose.

Sacred Heart School Designer Bag Bingo is planned for Saturday, March 19 at the Freeport Community Center. Doors open at 3:30 pm. A variety of vendors, food, and beverages will be available. Bingo games will begin at 5:30 pm. Come out and enjoy the fun and win some fantastic Designer Bags as well as other prizes. Tickets are $40. Call the school office at 320-836-2591 to reserve your tickets.

Best Lent Ever 2.0 For the first time ever, Dynamic Catholic is offering two options to feed your soul this Lent. Choose between ***The Generosity Habit*** or ***Difficult Teachings: The 40 Most Challenging Teachings of Jesus*** or both. Sign up for the daily reflections at https://www.dynamiccatholic.com/lent/best-lent-ever.html. You can also order the books that will accompany the reflections.

Schulze Family Foundation - $25,000 Matching Grant Challenge Sacred Heart School is excited to announce that we have been selected to participate in a $25,000 Challenge Grant offered by the Schulze Family Foundation. We need all the help we can get to hit the target of the $25,000 matching grant money. Here is how it works: All new donations given over and above standard annual donations counts towards our goal of $25,000. Matching funds are given ONLY if we achieve our goal of $25,000, which would turn our total earned into $50,000. We are very excited and appreciative of this unique opportunity. The hope for this money would be to enhance our Science curriculum by creating a STEM lab and offering our students additional opportunities to learn about science, technology and mathematics. Please call the school office at 320-836-2591 for more information. All donations must be received by **March 30, 2022** to count for the challenge.

40 Days for Life Spring Campaign 40 Days for Life is a focused pro-life effort that consists of 40 days of prayer and fasting, 40 days of peaceful vigil, and 40 days of community outreach, opening and closing rally details and vigil sign up information, visit https://stcdio.org/respect-life/forty-days-life/.

Lent Materials A variety of materials, including books, brochures with schedules for Masses, confessions, and Stations of the Cross, and Rice Bowls are available in the back of the churches. Feel free to pick up what you need to enhance your Lenten experience this year.

JRLC Day on the Hill Don't forget the Day on the Hill is almost here! Join the Catholic bishops on Minnesota, along with Protestant, Jewish, and Muslim leaders and community members from throughout the state, for the annual Join Religious Legislative Coalition (JRLC)'s Day on the Hill on Tuesday, March 15. The event will be held virtually again this year from 6:30 - 8:30 pm. There will be opportunity for multi-faith prayer, hearing from a fantastic speaker, and sharing from the JRLC leaders about key advocacy priorities that all the participating religious communities have agreed on. It is a great opportunity to use our strength in numbers to make positive change in our state stemming from our common faith-based-justice beliefs! More information and registration is available at https://jrlc.org/2022-day-on-the-hill. A donation of $10 is asked for, but no one will be turned away due to financial concerns. You may also contact Social Concerns if you are in need of a scholarship.

Marriage Encounter Times have been stressful! Attend the April 2-3 Marriage Encounter and bring newfound hope, enrichment, trust, and joy to your marriage! Weekends are held at Mt. Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651-454-3238.

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SACRAMENT OF CONFESSION

Communal Celebration with Individual Confession

- Wednesday, March 30, 5:30 & 7:30 pm—*St. Mary, Melrose*
- Wednesday, April 6, 7:30 pm—*St. John, Meire Grove*
- Friday, April 8, 7:00 pm—*Sacred Heart, Freeport*

Individual Celebration (Also available by appointment. Call Melrose Office 320-256-4207 or Freeport Office 320-836-2143)

- Fridays during Lent - 7:45 am—*Sacred Heart, Freeport*
- Saturdays during Lent - 3:30 pm—*Immaculate Conception, New Munich*
- Saturdays during Lent - 3:30 pm—*St. Andrew, Greenwald*
- Saturdays during Lent - 4:30 pm—*St. Mary, Melrose*
- Saturday April 2 before & after First Saturday Mass—*Sacred Heart, Freeport*
- Tuesday April 5 before & after 8:15 am Mass—*St. Rose of Lima, St. Rosa*
- Thursday, April 7 before & after 8:15 am Mass—*Immaculate Conception, New Munich*
- Friday, April 8, 5:30 pm—*St. Mary, Melrose*
- Friday, April 8, 7:30 pm—*St. Michael, Spring Hill*
- Tuesday, April 12, 7:30 pm—*St. John, Meire Grove*
- Wednesday, April 13, 5:30 pm—*St. Mary, Melrose*
- Wednesday, April 13, 7:30 pm—*St. Andrew, Greenwald*

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.

The Scriptures This Week

Year C, Weekdays - Cycle II

Mo	Dn 9:4b-10	Lk 6:36-38
Tu	Is 1:10,16-20	Mt 23:1-12
We	Jer 18:18-20	Mt 20:17-28
Th	Jer 17:5-10	Lk 16:19-31
Fr	Gn 37:3-4,12-13a,17b-28a	Mt 21:33-43,45-46
Sa	**Saint Joseph, Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary**	
	2 Sm 7:4-5a,12-14a,16	Rom 4:13,16-18,22 Mt 1:16,18-21,24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Next Sunday - Second Sunday of Lent		
	Ex 3:1-8a,13-15	1 Cor 10:1-6,10-12 Lk 13:1-9

Prayer Requests…

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

May They Rest in Peace:

†Aaron Schmitz

Banns of Matrimony:

III Elisha Engelmeyer♥Devin Kemper, 3-19 SR

For the Sick:

Martha Butkowski, Rachael Zink, Nick Rothstein, Alice Doll

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's ……..256-3878

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- **Scrip** (St. John's/St. Andrew's School, Greenwald)
  Cards available at: SJSA School - 320-987-3133

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

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

March 13, Sunday

- Freeport Lions Breakfast. Serving from 8:30 am to 12:00 pm in the Sacred Heart Church basement. Proceeds go to community projects.
- St. John's Catholic United Financial will be serving coffee & rolls after 8:00 am Mass. Followed by a short meeting. Everyone is welcome!
- BARGO from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Free card with drink or food purchase.

March 16, Wednesday

- Quilting at the Freeport Senior Center at 1:00 pm.

March 17, Thursday

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

March 18, Friday

- Fish Fry at the Melrose American Legion. Serving from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

March 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.
- BARGO from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Free card with drink or food purchase.

March 23, Wednesday

- Quilting at the Freeport Senior Center at 1:00 pm.

March 25, Friday

- Fish Fry at the Melrose American Legion. Serving from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

April 1, Friday

- Fish Fry at the Melrose American Legion. Serving from 5:00 - 8:00 pm.

April 3, Sunday

- Spaghetti Dinner & Bake Sale at St. Michael Parish, Spring Hill. Serving from 11:00 am - 1:00 pm. There will also be a Parish Raffle Drawing.
- BARGO from 2:00 - 4:00 pm at the Melrose American Legion. Free card with drink or food purchase.

April 4, Monday

- Firearms safety informational meeting for Green Grove Rod and Gun Club will be held at 6:30 pm at Meire Grove City Hall. Must be 11 years of age to participate. For questions, please call Matt Silbernick 320-470-0944, Brian Schmiesing 320-293-7976, or Brian Yarke 320-267-4371.

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