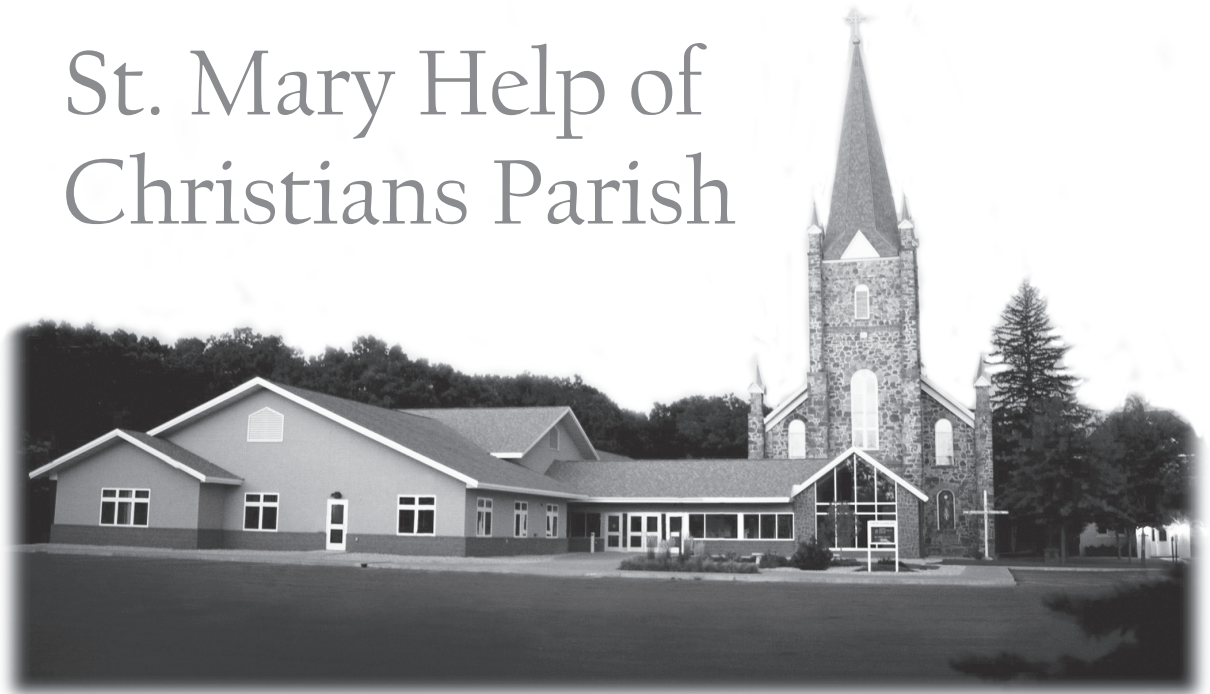


St. Mary Help of Christians Parish



24588 COUNTY ROAD 7, ST. AUGUSTA, MN 56301

MISSION STATEMENT

*We, the people of St Mary Help of
Christians Parish,
are called to love and serve the
Lord through our lives.*

*Established in 1856, the church is
the cornerstone
around which we have built our
community of faith.*

*We encourage all to participate
through
worship, education, and sharing
of their gifts and talents.*

*With the strength of our families,
the optimism of our youth, and
the wisdom of our seniors,
we strive to be advocates of the
“Good News”
as we continue to grow and
change.*

March 2000

PARISH OFFICE:

320-252-1799

School: 320-251-3937

Website: www.SMHOC.org

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Jose Edayadiyil, *Pastor*

Ken Roshia, *Deacon*

Bonnie Van Heel,

School Principal of K-6

Shelly Gohmann,

Parish Secretary

Jan Minke,

Faith Formation Director

Deb Klaverkamp

Youth Coordinator

Kathy Waletzko,

Music Director

WORSHIP:

LITURGY SCHEDULE

Weekend Mass:

Sun. 8:00 & 10:00am

Sat. evening at 5:00 pm

Daily Mass: 8:00 am

Wednesday,

Thursday & Friday

Tuesday evening 6:00 pm

RECONCILIATION

Saturday at 4:15pm or by
appointment

NEW PARISHIONERS

We welcome you as a new
member of our faith
community. Call the parish
office for information.

BAPTISM PREP

Sessions held 2nd Monday
every other month. Next
session is June 22, 2015
Call the Parish Office to
register.

MARRIAGE PREP

Arrangements must be
made at least 6 months
before wedding. Call the
Parish Office.

RCIA “RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS”

Anyone interested in
becoming a member of
the Catholic Faith call the
Parish Office.

June 14 - 11th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Ez 17:22-24, 2 Cor 5:6-10, Mk 4:26-34

Jesus was a man of parables. “With many such parables he spoke the word to them as they were able to understand it.” A parable was the common man’s literary style during Jesus’ time. They could understand the mystery through the imagery of parables because the parables that Jesus used were at the core of the experience of the people. So it helped them to get to the heart of his teaching, especially, those teachings related to the divine mysteries which were otherwise not understandable – was beyond the understanding of the ordinary man. In a way, the parables gave flesh to Jesus’ teaching. “Without parables he did not speak to them.” Hence, he was a man of parables.

Parables are used to reveal the mystery of God. The kingdom of God is a mystery. The mystery of the Kingdom of God is about a totally different world order. To bring home the idea of the Kingdom, Jesus speaks of the mystery of the seed –seed as a parable. The man plants, waters and fertilizes. But the process that is going on within the seed (sprouts, grows, and yield fruits, and dies) is a total mystery to the farmer – “he knows not how” (Mk 4:27). The man scatters the seed and he does his share. But the seed grows of itself. We are that seed. The fire/the Spirit of God enables the seed, which we are, to grow. He implanted that spark of God within us so that we can sprout, grow and produce fruits. The mustard seed grows into a huge tree from just a tiny seed. It is a mystery. We are that mystery which can grow to any height. The mystery of the word - it is sown in our hearts and it grows. We need only to do our share meditating over the word – day and night. Then it will grow, giving life and shelter to many. Let us not be bothered about how it grows. But let us prepare the ground, plant, water and manure so that it can grow. As in the case of the heroes of the faith, the word that was planted in their hearts grew enriching many. So in our lives, too, faith is that mustard seed that can grow beyond proportion and imagination. Let the hearing and pondering on the word of God help us to grow in faith day by day having its roots on the ground and branches high up in the sky, giving glory to God and service to His children.

~Fr. Jose~

Readings for This Sunday, June 14

Ezekiel 17:22-24
2 Corinthians 5:6-10
Mark 4:26-34

Readings for Next Sunday, June 21

Job 38:1, 8-11
2 Corinthians 5:14-17
Mark 4:35-41

New Parish Festival Booth - The Jewelry Shoppe

If you have any unwanted new or old jewelry, please consider donating to this new booth. A drop box will be in the back of church. Thank you! If you have any questions, please contact Eleanor Heyda at 229-7410



Meat Raffle -

Join us Friday, June 19 at 5:00pm at the Club Almar for the Meat Raffle. Dawn Laudenbach and Brian Knapek are chairing.



Parish Festival - June 27 & 28, 2015

- Pray for good weather
- Please help us advertise
- Raffle: Please pick up your raffle tickets.
- Bountiful Baskets: or money donations for the festival silent auction, call Diane Koenig 253-4110 or Ellen Zipp 252-0650.
- Crafts, Fancywork & Plants: any donations are appreciated, questions, call Lloyd & Doris Roshia 251-3326.
- 1K & 5K - Saturday, June 27 registration forms are in the entryway of the church.
- Questions or concerns about the Festival call Festival Chairs: Terry & Sheila Lutgen 529-0169
Victor & Patty Funk 253-8967
Doug & Keri Laudenbach 291-5299



Mass Intentions for the Week

Monday - No Mass
Tuesday 6:00 pm Virgil Koenig
Wednesday 8:00 am Erma Benoit
Thursday 8:00 am Wilfred & Marcella Zielgmeier
Friday 8:00 am Bonnie Benoit
Saturday 5:00 pm Wilfred Reimann
Sunday 8:00 am Utley Kronenberg Sr.
10:00 am Parishioners

Parish Festival: We ask that you please turn in your raffle tickets along with your other donations by Wednesday, June 24. Group Leaders will be calling their group to remind them of turning in their raffle tickets, and also to get a list of the pie and cake count. Group Leaders, please turn in your lists before Wednesday, June 24. Thank you for helping make our Festival a success.

Weekly Schedule

Tuesday, June 16
 Youth Group to Valley Fair
Friday, June 19
 5:00 Meat Raffle at Club Almar
Next Saturday & Sunday
 Food Shelf Collection



VBS Was a BLAST!! Sonspark Labs was a science based program with lessons about our amazing God from Creation to the early church! The theme was "God's plan for you is Jesus!" We had a wonderful time with 126 participants, 51 youth volunteers and 26 adult volunteers! And of course we couldn't have done it without the generous donations from our parishioners and other generous groups and businesses. Thank You to All!

Parish Support

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| Adult | \$6,133.00 |
| Youth | 21.30 |
| Peter's Pence | 5.00 |
| Votive Lights | 49.52 |
| Stole Fees | 20.00 |
| Windows | 2,725.00 |
| Organ Restoration | 1.00 |
| School Endowment | 1.00 |

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| Our Parish's Stewardship | |
| Amount Needed per Budget | \$6,923.00 |

Harvest Bank is having their annual cookout on Friday, June 26 from 4:00pm-7:30pm. Come mingle with your neighbors and help celebrate 25 years of Harvest Bank being a part of the community.

Thank you: to Rick Taufen for taking time to paint the basketball posts on the playground. Thanks also to Josh Laudenbach for having the backboards on the basketball court repaired. We appreciate your generosity!

From the Mission Office: Thank you to all who donated to The Catholic Relief Services Collection and the Rice Bowl Collection.



Area Festivals

Sunday, June 14 - Jacobs Prairie
 Sunday, June 14 - Belle Prairie
 Saturday, June 20 - New Munich

Cemetery Regulations - Please remember that flowers may be on the graves at our cemetery till June 15th. If the flowers are not attached to the gravestone, they will be discarded.



Next Baptism Class is Monday, June 22, at 7:00pm. Please call the Parish Office to register.

Nursery Next Sunday, June 21:
 Nancy Schmidt & Jackie

Looking for Volunteer(s):

- Someone to be co-group leader for Group 1 (A-D) and Group 4 (K-Ko).
- Co-Chair Help for the Snack Shack during Parish Festival.



If you are willing to volunteer in any of these areas, please call the Parish Office. Thank you!



Tuesday the Youth Group will be going to Valleyfair. Bus loads at 9:00 a.m. We will return around 9:00 pm. If you and/or your family would like to join us call or text Deb to see if there are any spots remaining (828-0807).

Our next youth event will be the homeless night sleep out! Sign up today!

Summer Events forms are in the back of church. If you are going into grades 7-12 pick up a form and join us for some amazing summer events!

Scrip WILL NOT be sold the Parish Festival weekend, June 27 & 28. Orders needed before the 4th of July need to be placed by June 21.

Summer is here and we know how busy everyone can get. Please check your schedules to see if you are a lector, usher/greeter, Eucharistic minister, or if your child is serving, etc. If you can not make your scheduled time, please find a substitute.

Ushers/Greeters - Month of June

5:00pm Richard & Joan Jendro
 8:00am Ed & Mary Lou Meyer
 10:00am Jim Schmidt & Travis Jenniges

Ushers/Greeters - Month of July

5:00pm Ricky Klaverkamp & Tanner Toenjes
 8:00am Jerry & Karen Powell
 10:00am Tom Denne & Bruce Braun

Servers This Weekend, June 13 & 14

5:00 pm Ayanna Heaton & Alexis Jelen
 8:00 am Brady Kenning & Alexis Streit
 10:00 am Logan Haselkamp & Tyler Haselkamp

Servers Next Weekend, June 20 & 21

5:00 pm Karissa Lintgen & Seth Walls
 8:00 am Bryce Knapke & Julia Knapke
 10:00 am Kate Schreifels & Anna Ludescher