

St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

May 1, 2016



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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Jose Edayadiyil, *Pastor*
Kelly Kirks, *Principal*
Shelly Gohmann, *Secretary*
Jan Minke,
Faith Formation Director
Deb Klaverkamp,
Youth Coordinator
Kathy Waletzko,
Music Director

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday 5:00 pm
Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am
Tuesday 6:00 pm
Wed. Thurs. Fri 8:00 am

RECONCILIATION

Saturday - 4:00-4:30pm
(New Sacristy) or by
appointment

NEW PARISHIONERS

Call the parish office for
more information.

RCIA "RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS"

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

BAPTISM PREP CLASS

June 13, 2016 at
7:00pm. Call the Parish
Office to register.

MARRIAGE PREP

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

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.*

May 1st – 6th Sunday of Easter – Acts 15:1-2, 22-29, Rev 21:10-14, 22-23, Jn 14:23-29

Human beings are in search. We search, but often miss. It is peace - shalom - that we all look for. All are in search for peace. What is peace? After a day's tiring work going to relax, after a hectic week's work relax by going to the cabins. It is today's culture. It is the peace of the world. For our world avoidance of trouble is peace, refusal to face unpleasant things is peace. This is the peace of the world. But none of them will give us the lasting peace. The true peace or Shalom comes from God alone. Jesus speaks about peace the day before he is being tortured and killed. What is peace when chaos, suffering and persecution are at the door step? It is there that the peace should reign. How is that possible? The Spirit of God makes it possible. He is the comforter. Peace is the gift of the Risen Lord. It is not something the world can offer. Jesus is the prince of peace. From manger to the cross and beyond we find him offering us the peace. He has the Peace. It is what he wished. Jesus offers the peace which conquers our fears and anxieties. Nothing and nobody can take us from the peace and joy of Jesus Christ. No sorrow or grief, no danger, no suffering can make it less. In today's world we may hunt for peace everywhere, but we may not find it. It is God's gift. Let us open our hearts to receive the peace that the Spirit of God offers us.

~Fr. Jose~



MASS INTENTIONS FOR THE WEEK

- 1 Sunday 8:00 am Christian Women
10:00 am Parishioners
 - 2 Monday - **No Mass**
 - 3 Tuesday - 6:00 pm +Walter & +Alice Korman
 - 4 Wednesday - **No Mass**
 - 5 Thursday - 8:00 am +Larry Reiter
 - 6 Friday - **No Mass**
 - 7 Saturday 5:00 pm +Richard Hellermann
 - 8 Sunday 8:00 am +Jeanette Cater
10:00 am Parishioners
 - 9 Monday - **No Mass**
 - 10 Tuesday 6:00 pm +Len Kenning
 - 11 Wednesday 8:00 am - **No Mass**
 - 12 Thursday 8:00 am +Marie & +Mady Mehr
 - 13 Friday 8:00 am - **No Mass**
 - 14 Saturday 5:00 pm +Marcella Schill
 - 15 Sunday 8:00 am Parishioners
10:00 am +Louise & +Camryn Gohmann
- Please watch the bulletin for weekday Mass schedules.*

Parish Support

Adult	\$4,050.00
Youth	30.10
Home Mission	606.00
Votive Lights	46.50
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00

Readings for This Sunday, May 1

Acts of the Apostles 15:1-2, 22-29
Revelation 21:10-14, 22-23
John 14:23-29

Readings for Next Sunday, May 8th

Acts of the Apostles 7:55-60
Revelation 22:12-14, 16-17, 20
John 17:20-26

Monday, May 2
6:30pm Home & School Mtg.

Thursday, May 5
8:45-11:00 Bible Study
Nocturnal Adoration

Ushers/Greeters - Month of May

- 5:00pm Lloyd & Doris Rosha
- 8:00am Allen Hiemenz & Kevin Voigt
- 10:00am Volunteers

Ushers/Greeters - Month of June

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

Servers This Weekend, April 30 & May 1

- 5:00 pm Laura Klaverkamp & Otto Klaverkamp
- 8:00 am Tyler Gohmann & Logan Gohmann
- 10:00 am Luke Ashbrook & Karissa Lintgen

Servers Next Weekend, May 7th & 8th

- 5:00pm Madison Fruth & Kaden Fruth
- 8:00am Colby Faber & Clay Faber
- 10:00am Jackson Pogatschnik & Paul Meyer



Nursery Next Sunday, May 8:

Lisa & Brandon Rosha

Incase of an emergency, please call the parish office, 252-1799, M-F, 7:30am-12:00pm.

After hours, if it is an emergency, you can call Shelly at 654-1557.

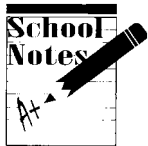


Thank you to Mark Blommel and Dawn Laudenbach for their time and commitment to the Parish Council and Board of Education. We appreciate all you have done. We welcome Jim Janey to Parish Council and Laura Haehn to the Board of Education.



Condolences to: *the family and friends* of Marie Meemken, and *the family and friends* of Carol Winkelman.

Eternal rest grant unto them O Lord, and let the perpetual light shine upon them.



Greetings from SMHOCS...

We wish to congratulate all of the children receiving the Sacrament of the Eucharist for the first time. May Jesus be a constant presence in each your lives.

The students in second grade, our First Communicants, will be assisting with the student liturgy at 8:00 a.m. on Thursday, May 5th.

During this Month of Mary, teachers are helping students recognize the important role our Blessed Virgin Mary plays in our lives. We look to her as a witness of true selflessness, faith and devotion.

Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal

Any youth that would like to sing for the “Light A Fire” Mass on Pentecost at 10am is invited for rehearsal on Wednesday, May 11th from 5:30-6:15pm in church. Hope to see you there!

Thank you ... Thank you to all the hard working volunteers that helped with the Parish Breakfast on April 17th. The Girl Scouts and Boy Scouts and their families that used the breakfast as a community service project, Thank you! We served 201 people with a profit of \$1,115. Also thank you to all who came and enjoyed the breakfast. The next Parish breakfast will be in September.

Year recap ... for the seven breakfasts this year we made a profit of \$6,674 and served over 1,400 people. A BIG thank you to all the individuals who have continued to volunteer to help with the breakfasts from the past years and all the new faces that have come forward to help.

Thank you - The Breakfast Committee.

Thank you to all the people who donated at the Blood Drive on April 11th. The need is constant. The units collected will help many. Thank you also to the St. Augusta Lions for funding the drive.

Come join us for the Annual Novena Masses for good weather and crops at the Assumption (Grasshopper) Chapel in Cold Spring EVERY Thursday evening in May and June. Rosary at 7:00pm Mass at 7:30pm The Chapel has been designated as a holy site for the Holy Doors for this ‘Year of Mercy.’

From Bishop Donald J. Kettler: On Thursday, May 19, 2016, at 7:00pm at the Cathedral of St. Mary, St. Cloud, the Diocese of St. Cloud will celebrate its first “Blue Mass” to honor, thank, and pray for emergency responders. I encourage members of your community who serve in the field of public safety, to join us for this celebration. It is important for us to gather and pray for those who serve and to give thanks for their service. Following the liturgy, there will be a light reception in the lower level of the Cathedral of St. Mary which will provide an opportunity for hospitality and expressions of gratitude.

Religious Education Program

Faith Formation: Jan Minke

This weekend our 2nd graders are receiving Holy Communion for the first time. What an important day in their lives! This is the second of our three Sacraments of initiation. We share their joy and welcome them to the table! May we all feel that same excitement each time we approach the altar to receive the Bread of Life!

Another year of Faith Formation classes has come to an end. **Thank you** to all of our catechists for Grades 1-8 who gave their gifts sharing their love and their faith with our young people. Bethany Koenig, Brady Blonigen, Janel Anderson, Josie Anderson, Kim Vaverek, Becky Reiter, Sharon Schuldt, Alissa Gunnerson, Nadine Streit, Lexi Theis, Laura Klaverkamp, Vicky Prom-Becker, Victoria Ashbrook, Liz Bloom, Isabella Johannes, Vikki Johannes, Louise May, Jenny Bromenschenkel, Ricky Klaverkamp, Cassie Kronenberg, Lisa Rosh, Mary Henkemeyer, Tina Hanisch, Katelyn Kilanowski, Becky Eickoff, Ruth Fritz, and Dan Minke.



VBS: Anyone who is planning to volunteer to help with VBS this year please come to our planning meeting on Wed. May 4, at 7:00 p.m. in the Youth Room. Please fill out the appropriate form. (Green or blue) This year’s theme is The Kingdom of the Son - a prayer safari!

Catholic United Financial Update

CUF wants to congratulate the students that received a post high school scholarship for 2016-2017. Congratulations: Josie Anderson, Mariah Koenig and Raelin Kronenberg.

Thank you to everyone that helped with the CUF garage sale and for those that purchased items. \$3,000 of the funds raised will be used to assist in repairing the church windows and the matching grant of \$1,000 will be donated to the school.

Please remember to mark your calendars for October 2nds CUF luncheon.

Volunteers Needed we are in need of more adult servers to serve at funeral masses. If you are willing to help, please call the Parish Office, 252-1799.

Baptism Congratulations to:

Haiden Michelle daughter of Jeffrey Welk & Gara Thomas-Small

Adlee Marie daughter of Scott & Julie Spainer

St. Augusta Lion’s Garage Sale - May 26th & 27th The Lion’s will be collecting items from the community in the shed next to Fr. Jose’s garage. Thank you for helping us out!