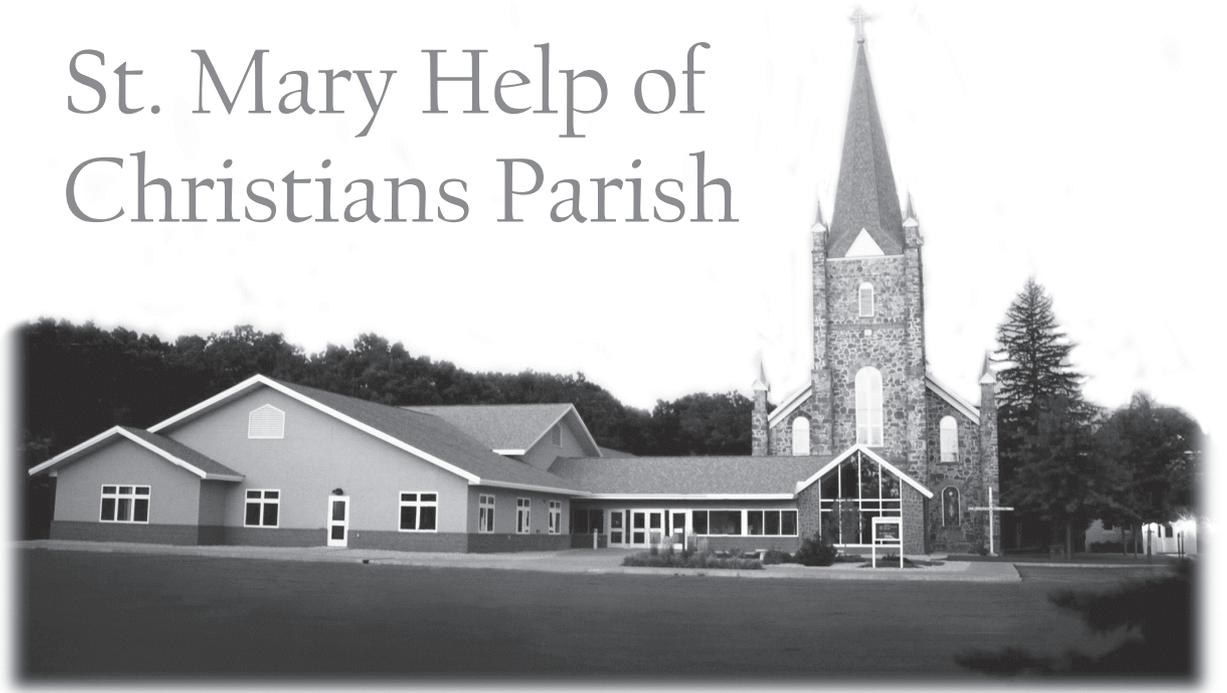


St. Mary Help of Christians Parish



October 4, 2015

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*

Kelly Kirks,

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 October 12,
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.

Oct. 4, 2015 – 27th Sunday in Ordinary Time - Gen 2:18-24, Heb 2:9-11, Mk 10:2-16

“What God has joined together, no human being must separate” (v. 9). This is the heart of Jesus’ teaching on marriage. Marriage is a divine institution, it is a sacrament, it is sacred, and it is a mystery. How many of us are aware of these dimensions of the institution of marriage? Even if we are aware, how many of us live that mystery on a day to day basis? Marriage should not depend on our whims and fancies, even though it seems that in some quarters it is so. We downplay the importance of marriage in our modern civilization, and hence, divorce is a very common practice. It shows that we fail to understand the true value and the significance of marriage. Whether we like it or not, Jesus’ teaching is very clear, direct, open and specific.

The second part of today’s Gospel reading speaks about the way Jesus received and blessed the children. Even though it seems there is no direct connection between the two themes of today’s reading, they are very connected: the Integrity of Marriage and the Blessing of the Children. In marriages where there is deep integrity, the children are truly blessed.

Further, Jesus is giving us a shortcut to enter into the kingdom of God: “Whoever does not accept the kingdom of God like a child will not enter it” (v. 15). Let us not have a double standard. Let us grow more and more in simplicity and openness so that we, too, may get into the kingdom of God. ~Fr. Jose~

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 October

- 5:00pm Al & Doris Pilarski
- 8:00am Francis & Nancy Kettner
- 10:00am Jerry Welinski & Mark Blommel

Ushers/Greeters - Month of November

- 5:00pm Jerry & Linda Koltes
- 8:00am Ed & Mary Lou Meyer
- 10:00am Volunteers Needed

Servers This Weekend, October 3 & 4

- 5:00 pm Brooke Wilson & Kendra Wilson
- 8:00 am Tyler Gohmann & Logan Gohmann
- 10:00 am Kate Schreifels & Aryahana Schwinghammer

Servers Next Weekend, October 10 & 11

- 5:00 pm Isaac Voigt & Trevor Voigt
- 8:00 am Julia Knapek & Bryce Knapek
- 10:00 am Everett Yarke & Thatcher Yarke

Readings for This

Sunday, Oct. 4

- Genesis 2:18-24
- Hebrews 2:9-11

Mark 10:2-16 or 10:2-12

Readings for Next

Sunday, Oct. 10

- Wisdom 7:7-11
- Hebrews 4:12-13

Mark 10:17-30 or 10:17-27

Parish Support

Adult	\$4,039.54
Youth	14.31
Campaign for Human Dev.	25.00
Votive Lights	36.50
Funeral Fund	410.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00



Thank you to Scott Massmann who was Trustee for the past few years. We appreciate all your time and talent that you gave to the parish.

Thank you to Tami Voigt for accepting the position as the new Trustee.

Thank you to Knife River, Vern Tschida, & Jeff Tschida for the donation of the cement by the new fence by the school.

Thank you to Fr. Jose, Tom Zieglmeier, LeRoy Hanisch, Scott Hanisch, Joe Voigt, Al Witte, Brad Gohmann and Jerry Welinski, for helping with taking down the fence, pouring the cement and putting the fence back up.

Thank you to Jerry Koltes and Paul Gohmann for repairing the four windows in the entry way of the church.

Banns of Marriage:

II - Daniel Haselkamp & Devan Johnson

Nursery Next Sunday, October 11:

Mary Danielson & Amber Linn

Baptism: Congratulations

Thatcher Bernard son of Eric & Kaila Schmitt

Mass Intentions for the Week

- 5 Monday - No Mass
- 6 Tuesday - No Mass
- 7 Wednesday - No Mass
- 8 Thursday **10:00 am** For all Grandparents
- 9 Friday 8:00 am +Erma Benoit
- 10 Saturday 5:00 pm +Jackie Zieglmeier
- 11 Sunday 8:00 am +Tim Tschida
10:00 am Parishioners

Fr. Jose will be gone on Retreat: Sunday after Masses until Wednesday afternoon at the annual Clergy Conference at Arrowwood in Alexandria. Please keep Father in your prayers. In case of an emergency call Shelly 252-1799 or 654-1557.



The Week Ahead

Wednesday, October 7

7:00pm “Bah Humbug” Cast Meeting

Thursday, October 8

10:00am School Mass - Grandparents Day

Welcome Grandparents!

Saturday, October 10

5:00pm Confirmation Presentation

5:00pm 50th Anniversary -

Jerry & Cathy Kilanowski

6:00pm-10:30pm Harvest Celebration - Parish Center

Next Sunday, October 11

8:00am Confirmation Presentation

10:00am Kids Choir

We would like to thank everyone involved in our granddaughters’ benefit. Without the support of our church family it would not have been a success. We are truly grateful to everyone and blessed to be part of this church family. THANK YOU!

Kevin & Tami Voigt

Parish Breakfast and Bake Sale: Our next Parish Breakfast and Bake sale will be Sunday, October 18th serving from 8:00-11:30. If you are able to work the breakfast, please call Greg Hopke at 654-1010. Group 5 (Kr-L) Betty Lommel and Dawn Laudenschach will be in charge of the Bake Sale.

Volunteer

Looking for volunteer(s) to shovel the sidewalks, this winter, on the weekends

before the Masses when needed. This would be a great opportunity for students looking for service hours for faith formation. Please call the Parish Office if you are willing to help.

Area Events:

- ◆ ACT-OBERFEST Variety Show! **Sunday, Oct. 4th, 2-4 p.m. at the Falls Ballroom in Little Falls** entertainment for the entire family. There will be food available for purchase, and free refreshments. **No tickets needed, but all guests will have an opportunity to contribute to *Generation Next*, a fund for diocesan youth retreats and faith activities.** For more information, call the foundation (320) 258-7653.
- ◆ Friday, Oct. 9th-Sunday, Oct. 11th, Parish Rummage Sale at the Church of Immaculate Conception-Rice. See bulletin board for details.
- ◆ Saturday, Oct. 10, KC Spaghetti Dinner 4:30pm-6:30pm, Church of the Holy Spirit. See bulletin board for details.



Greetings from SMHOCS.

We will be honoring Grandparents this week with a special mass and

lunch to follow, Thursday, October 8th at 10 a.m.

The school’s largest fundraiser, the Harvest Celebration, will be held on Saturday, October 10th at the Parish Center at 6:00-10:30 p.m. This is an opportunity for all of the parish community to support the Catholic education of the students at St. Mary Help of Christian School. Please consider purchasing raffle tickets and attending the Harvest Celebration.

Catholic Community Schools Update:

Question: How will this affect my parish financially?

Answer: It’s too early to say. The expectation, however, is that parishes will continue to provide strong financial support to their schools. CCS is aiming for a model of support that is fair and equitable for all the parishes involved.

Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal

Religious



Education Program

Faith Formation - Jan Minke

Liturgy of the Word for Children will begin today. All children in pre-school through 1st grade are invited to join us

during the 10:00 Mass. After the opening prayer, they are called forward and go as a group to the Youth Room. There they pray, sing and hear the day’s Gospel reading in a way that is easier for them to understand. They return to the church at the time of the offering. (This does not replace classroom instruction for 1st graders.)

This weekend we begin the presentation of our **2nd Year Confirmation Candidates**, which will continue through next weekend. As these students enter their final year of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation they stand before us to pledge their commitment to the process, our parish, and to living out their lives as followers of Jesus Christ. Please pray for them as they walk this journey to full initiation into the Catholic Faith. We also ask you to sign the poster in the back of church so that they can see how we all support them!

Sacramental preparation is such an important time in our lives. The Church views the parents role in passing on the faith to their children as a privilege and an obligation. It is the parish’s role to help and support them. Please pray for the families with children in 1st Reconciliation and Confirmation in a special way at this time. Thank you.

Classes this week, Wed. Oct. 7:

1st -6th gr. 6:15-7:20p.m.

7th-9th gr. 7:25-8:30p.m.



Youth Group - Deb Klaverkamp

Grades 9 – 12 – don’t miss your opportunity to sign up for the Senior High Diocesan Youth Rally!

Registrations in the back of church.

College Students and Young Adults – Sign up now for the Young Adult Day!

YES night this week! No youth group! If you are part of the YEP team come to the school at 5:30 – we will have pizza & prayer as we prepare for the evening!

Any questions? Call or text Deb 828-0807