

St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

March 5, 2017



1st Sunday of Lent

Then the devil took him up to a very high mountain, and showed him all the kingdoms of the world in their magnificence, and he said to him, "All these I shall give to you, if you will prostrate yourself and worship me." At this, Jesus said to him, "Get away, Satan!" *Mt 4:8-10a*

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SCHOOL: 320-251-3937
WEBSITE: www.SMHOC.org
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PARISH STAFF

Fr. Jose Edayadiyil, *Pastor*
Kelly Kirks, *Principal*
Shelly Gohmann, *Secretary*
Jan Minke,
Faith Formation Director
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

RCIA "RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS"

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

BAPTISM PREP CLASS

April 10, 2017 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.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Call the parish office for more information.

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.

A time to consider the giving up of what we are, for what we may become.

LENT



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Readings for This Sunday, March 5

Genesis 2:7-9, 3:1-7
Romans 5:12-19 or 5:12, 17-19
Matthew 4:1-11

Readings for Next Sunday, March 12

Genesis 12:1-4a
2 Timothy 1:8b-10
Matthew 17:5

Ushers/Greeters - Month of March

5:00pm Al & Doris Pilarski
8:00am Len & Sue Meyer
10:00am Rocky Keske & Lisa or Brandon Rosh

Ushers/Greeters - Month of April

5:00pm Jerry & Linda Koltos
8:00am Francis & Nancy Kettner
10:00am Jerry Welinski & Mark Blommel

Servers This Weekend, March 4 & 5

5:00pm Logan Haselkamp & Jady Kivel
8:00am Thatcher Yarke & Everett Yarke
10:00am Alaina Thull & Elizabeth Thull

Servers Next Weekend, March 11 & 12

5:00pm Brooke Wilson & Kendra Wilson
8:00am Tyler Gohmann & Logan Gohmann
10:00am Hayden Hemmesch & Hannah Carlson

Thank you ...At the February Parish Breakfast we served 151 people with a profit of \$562.21. Thank you to all the volunteers for making the breakfast successful. Thank you also to those that came and enjoyed the breakfast. The next Parish breakfast will be March 19th.

Thank you - The Breakfast Committee.



We will be cleaning the Church on Saturday, March 18th starting at 8:00am

Mass Intentions

- 6 Monday - No Mass
- 7 Tuesday - 6:00pm +Ellen Voigt
- 8 Wednesday - 8:00am +Mary Anderson
- 9 Thursday - 8:00am +Paul Holthaus
- 10 Friday - 8:00am Deceased Members of Soltis & Schneider Families
- 11 Saturday - 5:00pm +Virgil Koenig
- 12 Sunday - 8:00 am Parishioners
10:00 am +Harvey Laudenbach



The Week Ahead

Tuesday, March 7

9:00am Stations of the Cross with the SMHOC School Students
Quilting
6:00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross and Soup & Bread Supper

Parish Support

Adult	\$4,530.20
Youth	16.90
Votive Lights	55.00
Visitor	122.00
February Meat Raffle	1,000.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00

Congratulations to the winners from the \$10,000

Raffle: \$10,000 Winner: Ed Bialon; \$500 to seller of winning ticket: Shirley Laudenbach; \$100 Winners: Julie & Debbie Moran; Andra & Brian Knapke; Bob & Joan Schwinghammer; Mark R. Laudenbach; Jean Leighton; Amanda & Mariah Laudenbach; Adeline Laudenbach; Gary & Marlene Laudenbach; Mert & Bill Gohman. Thank you to everyone who bought and sold tickets this year. Thanks also to the Trustees and the Finance Council for chairing this event; to the member of the Finance and Parish Council for donating the baskets for the silent auction and the wine for the games. Thank you to Eileen Annis, Jim & Lisa Ludescher, Marilyn Hurre, Joan Kiffmeyer, Elaine Kiffmeyer, Angie Landwehr, and Millie Annis for preparing and serving the hors d' oeuvres; to Mary Prom and the Club Almar for donating the refreshments; to Mark and Mary Kapsner for snacks for the snack table; to Gary, Donna & Greg Dold for bartending; and to those who stayed after the social and helped clean up, Thank you! We are grateful to all those who participated in any way to make it a fun and successful event.



Baptism Congratulations to:
Caleb Robert son of Daniel and Devan Haselkamp



Greetings from SMHOCS,

Registrations for 2017-18 are still being accepted. Please contact the school office to schedule a visit and learn more about our academic programs preK-6 (251-3937).

Please join our school community as we celebrate the Eucharist on Wednesday, March 8th. The students in first grade will be assisting with the Mass.

Thank to all of those who supported SMHOCS in the Catholic United Financial Raffle. The drawing will take place this week!

Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal

Meet the Catholic Community Schools superintendent finalists

Come meet the three finalists for superintendent of Catholic Community Schools on Tuesday, March 7, at St. Augustine Church, 442 2nd St. SE, St. Cloud.

The finalists for superintendent are: Mike Mullin, president of Cathedral in St. Cloud; Anne Penny, principal of St. Charles Catholic School in Winnipeg, Manitoba; and Kevin Powers, principal of St. Margaret of Scotland School, Chicago.

The candidates will introduce themselves and answer questions during two separate sessions. The first session, from 1-4 p.m., is for school principals, parents, parishioners, members of the superintendent search committee and other stakeholders. The second session, from 6-9 p.m., is for school faculty and staff, parents, parishioners, the CCS board of directors and other stakeholders.

Schools participating in Catholic Community Schools are All Saints Academy (St. Cloud and St. Joseph campuses), Cathedral (St. Cloud), Holy Cross (Pearl Lake), St. Elizabeth Ann Seton (St. Cloud), St. Francis Xavier (Sartell), St. Katharine Drexel (St. Cloud), St. Mary Help of Christians (St. Augusta) and St. Wendelin (Luxemburg).

For more information, contact Linda Kaiser at 320-251-0111.

Koinonia is a retreat opportunity for people to encounter Jesus Christ through an experience of Christian community. The theme of the Koinonia weekend is the Paschal Mystery – the death and resurrection of Jesus. We take this central teaching of our faith and show how it applies to our daily lives. He calls us each by name...to be one with each other. Join us in this Christian living experience designed especially for adults age 20 and older.

Retreats are held in Belle Prairie at the TEC center 3 miles north of Little Falls. The next retreat will be held on March 10-12, 2017. Fr. Ernie Martello will be the spiritual director for the retreat. The weekend starts at 5:30 pm Friday and ends Sunday afternoon. Applications can be downloaded from the website: centralmnkoinonia.org or by calling Dorie Reiter at 320-217-2476. Or send an email to cmkoinonia@gmail.com to get an application. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Scholarships are available for those in need.



Faith Formation: Jan Minke

Classes today, Sunday, March 5:
Laudenbach/ Schreifels Confirmation
Class 6:00-8:30p.m.

First Year Confirmation class 6:30pm-9:00pm
in the Parish Center

Classes this week, Wed. March 8:

Schmidt/Kronenberg Confirmation Class 6:00-8:30p.m.

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

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

'Welcome Home' is our theme for Lent this year.

What does that have to do with Prayer,
Fasting and Almsgiving?

Everything. Our Catholic identity, our true selves in the Catholic faith, is deeply rooted in tradition, symbolism and ritual. The Lenten practices of prayer, fasting and almsgiving are ways that we recharge and realign our lives with God's plan for our lives. We come "home" to get a fresh start, to come together with other believers to confirm our faith and acknowledge our human weaknesses and look outside our selves to our brothers and sisters that need us. This year in Faith Formation we will be looking at all the blessings that we have and how we are meant to use them in service to Christ and to each other.



Condolences: to ***Ryan Haehn*** and family on the death of his mother,

Carol Haehn

Eternal rest grant unto her O Lord, and may the perpetual light shine upon her

**Saint John's Abbey Guesthouse, Colledgeville MN
Abbey Lenten Retreat, March 24-26, 2017**

Lenten Direction from Saint Paul

Led by Prior Bradley Jenniges, OSB

What might St. Paul say to us today during this season of renewal of our personal relationships to Christ and as we seek the renewal of our church communities?

All are welcome! The retreat starts with supper on Friday at 5:30 p.m. and concludes after lunch on Sunday at 1:00 p.m. The cost is \$195 for a single room, and \$340 for a double room (\$170 per person).

To learn more or to register for this retreat, contact the Spiritual Life Office at 320-363-3929 or go online: www.abbeyguesthouse.org.

Firearms Safety begins Monday, March 20th at 7pm at the St. Augusta Legion. Must be at least 11 years old to attend. Any questions call Doug at 333-0819.

Legion Post 621 summer baseball: Want to play legion baseball this summer? Come play for St. Augusta! New uniforms and no fee this year! See future postings for player meetings before the season. Contact for more information: (call or text) Richard Thompson: (320) 237-1376 Mitch Voigt: (320) 310-5203