

# St. Mary Help of Christians Church

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## Divine Mercy Sunday

**PARISH:** 320-252-1799  
**SCHOOL:** 320-251-3937  
**WEBSITE:** [www.SMHOC.org](http://www.SMHOC.org)  
**PRAYER LINE:** 320-558-6187

### 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

June 12, 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.*



**Readings for This Sunday, April 23**

Acts of the Apostles 2:42-47  
 1 Peter 1:3-9  
 John 20:19-31

**Readings for Next Sunday, April 30**

Acts of the Apostles 2:14, 22-33  
 1 Peter 1:17-21  
 Luke 24:13-35

**Ushers/Greeters - Month of April**

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

**Ushers/Greeters - Month of May**

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

**Servers This Weekend, April 22 & 23**

5:00pm Madison Streit & Zack Streit  
 8:00am Nick Jenniges & Angela Witte  
 10:00am Jackson Pogatshnik & Colin Irlbeck

**Servers Next Weekend, April 29 & 30**


5:00pm Isaac Voigt & Trevor Voigt  
 8:00am Brooke Wilson & Kendra Wilson  
 10:00am Seth Walls & Maya Walls

**Parish Support**

Adult	\$3,710.00
Youth	9.35
Easter Collection	14,743.80
Easter Youth Collection	51.07
Easter Flowers	50.00
St. Cloud Visitor	34.00
Holy Land	75.00
Catholic Relief Services	25.00
Rice Bowl	848.08
Home Missions	25.00
Votive Lights	52.75
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00

**Mass Intentions for the Week**

24 Monday - No Mass  
 25 Tuesday - No Mass  
 26 Wednesday - No Mass  
 27 Thursday - No Mass  
 28 Friday - No Mass  
 29 Saturday - 5:00pm +Fritz Rosha  
 30 Sunday - 8:00am +Tim Tschida  
 10:00am Parishioners



**Monday, April 24**  
 Blood Drive

**Tuesday, April 25**  
 12:00 Senior Soup Luncheon

**Friday, April 28**  
 5:00pm - Church Meat Raffle at the Club Almar

**Saturday, April 29**  
 Senior Citizens Dinner following the 5:00pm Mass

**Sunday, April 30**  
 10:00am Confirmation Sending Forth Mass

**Monday, May 1**  
 7:00pm Confirmation Rehearsal at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud

**Tuesday, May 2**  
 2nd Graders & Parents First Eucharist Retreat starts with Mass at 6:00pm

**Thursday, May 4**  
 8:00am SMHOC School Mass & School Volunteer Appreciation  
 Nocturnal Adoration

**Saturday, May 6**  
 5:00pm Mass - First Eucharist

**Sunday, May 7**  
 8:00am & 10:00am Masses - First Eucharist  
 2:00pm Confirmation at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud



**Parish Breakfast and Bake Sale is going on today. Stop in for a delicious breakfast and fellowship**

**Fr. Jose will be gone on retreat from Monday, April 24th - Friday, April 28th. In case 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.**



**Congratulations to Tyrel Peterson on entering into full communion with the Catholic church on Holy Saturday. Welcome to our faith family!**



**Greetings from SMHOCS...**

Kindergarten Round Up is this Friday, April 28<sup>th</sup> beginning at 9:30 am. Families with children who are ready to start school in the fall are encouraged to come spend the morning with us! Please contact the school office for more information.

**Service Saturday** is scheduled for Saturday, April 29<sup>th</sup>. Service at SMHOCS is at the core of the commitment we make to living the Gospel. Throughout the year, we work to foster an enthusiasm for service to others in the name of Christ. In experiencing service to others, we deepen our understanding of who is our neighbor and an understanding of what it is to love that neighbor. Service Saturday is an opportunity for us to serve senior citizens and other neighbors in need of assistance in our community. Please contact the school if you are in need of house hold projects. (251-3937)

**Please note that there will be no children's Mass this week.**

*Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal*

*Thank You*

**Thank you:** to *Melanie Krippner, Cyndi Walls, Angie Landwehr, Janelle Ahlert, Eileen Annis, Nancy Meyer and anyone else* who helped with the Tuesday night suppers during Lent; to *Lloyd*

*Rosha* for making the beautiful wooden crosses for the centerpieces; to *Fr. Jose* for answering our questions; to *Jerry Koltes* for all the woodworking projects he completes for us; to *all the volunteers* who helped decorate the church for the Easter Season; to *Jerry Welinski* for building the tomb; to *Alicia Gohmann and Shelly Gohmann* for painting the tomb; to *the ushers, servers, lectors, musicians, Eucharistic Ministers* for assisting at the Masses during Holy Week and the Easter Masses. Your assistance helped make our services beautiful; to *St. Ann's Christian Women* for hosting the reception after the Easter Vigil.

*In Sympathy*

**Condolences:** to *Allen & Amy Faber*

and family on the loss of their son, Asher Michael Faber;

to *Dave Bloch* and family on the death of his sister Agnes Stock;

to *Rollie Wettstein* and family on the death of his son-in-law, Martin Corbin.

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

**If you are homebound/hospitalized or unable to attend Mass because of illness or age, please call the Parish Office at 252-1799 to request a home visit and/or Eucharist to be brought to you.**

~Fr. Jose~



**Vacation Bible School**

Mark your calendars. June 12th-16th SonRock Kids Camp VBS is coming!!!



**Faith Formation: Jan Minke**

Faith Formation students will assist in the 10:00 Mass today.

**Easter Party** today in the Gathering space. Thank you to the 4-H members for all their help!

Classes this week Wed. April 26: last night of classes

1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup> gr. 6:15- 7:20p.m.

7<sup>th</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> gr. 7:25-8:30p.m.

In today's readings we hear about Jesus appearing to the disciples. He offers them peace and the Holy Spirit. He also institutes the sacrament of Reconciliation. We hear that Thomas was not there, and questions whether Christ was really there. A week later Jesus comes again and this time Thomas is there. He actually touches Jesus in order to believe. And then Jesus talks about us.

"Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." But how often are we more like Thomas than the "blessed"? How often do we question Christ's true presence in our lives? We come and touch Jesus every time we receive the Eucharist. Do our children understand this? Jesus said, "As the Father has sent me, so I send you." He sends us to spread the Good News of the Gospel. Where do we start? Right here in our families, in our community. It's the best news ever! Jesus is alive! We are His family!! We are saved!! When the priest holds up the body of Christ and says "Behold the Lamb of God, behold Him who takes away the sins of the world. Blessed are those called to the supper of the Lamb" Let us declare in our hearts, "My Lord and my God."

Next Sunday, April 30<sup>th</sup>, 10:00am Mass is the **Sending Forth Mass for all Confirmation students being Confirmed on May 7<sup>th</sup>**. Please be here by 9:40am and meet in the Parish Center for instructions.

**Monday, May 1<sup>st</sup> is Confirmation rehearsal** at 7:00p.m. at St. Mary's Cathedral downtown. All those being Confirmed on the 7<sup>th</sup> must be there. Please arrive on time so that we can begin on time.

**Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup> is First Eucharist Retreat and Rehearsal beginning at 6:00p.m. with Mass.**

VBS registrations are available in the back of church. Youth (Grades 7 and up) that are interested in volunteering, please sign up with the youth volunteer form.

**April is Donate Life Month** and brings awareness to organ and tissue donation. Currently 124,000 await transplants to save their lives. Please take steps to donate life and sight and provide hope to those who wait by checking the box on driver's license.

~SMHOC Parish Health Ministry~

