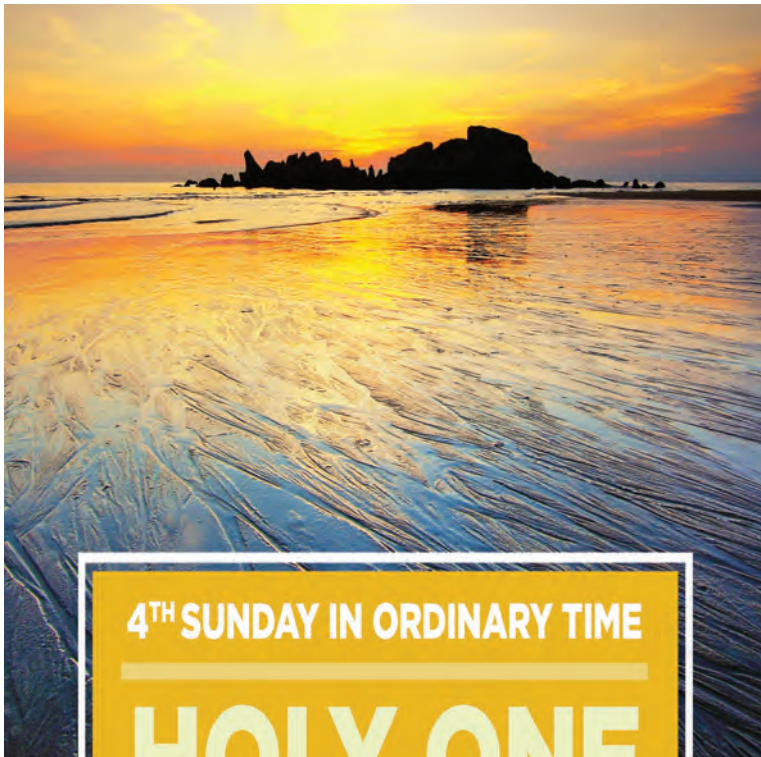


St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

January 28, 2018



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

HOLY ONE

He cried out, "What have you to do with us, Jesus of Nazareth? Have you come to destroy us? I know who you are—the Holy One of God!" - Mk 1:24

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Lisa Ludescher,

Youth Coordinator

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)

CEMETERY

JERRY KOLTES 320-252-1354

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.

MARRIAGE PREP

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

BAPTISM PREP CLASS

February 5, 2018

at 6:30pm. Call the

Parish Office to register.

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.

Mk 1: 21-28.18. Authority of Jesus

“He taught them as one having authority, and not as the scribes.” (MK 1:22) Does that mean that the scribes taught without authority? Surely, No. But they have to prove that they have authority. For that they used quotations and citations from Old Testament to support their teaching authority. Hence their teaching authority was dependent on some other authorities, authority of the OT. When the prophets spoke, they said, “Thus says the Lord.” It shows that they spoke on behalf of the Lord. It is not their own words. They are only spoke persons or ambassadors of God. In themselves they have no authority. As for Jesus, his authority stems from himself because he is Word made flesh. He is God himself. When Jesus spoke, they heard God himself. When he commanded even the demons obeyed. This is the difference between the teachings of the Scribes and Jesus. Jesus has authority in himself, but all others have only derived authority.

What is the aim with which Jesus used authority? His authority is one to save and not to destroy. He exercised power to save. This is the measuring stick to know the quality of authority – how far they are saving. Dictators will silence the trouble makers. The governments and even religious leaders will try to silence, but Jesus fights and saves. The one who cried out “are you here to destroy us?” was saved from his own demons. This is the good news: He has come to heal and save us from the demons that haunt us.

When you have power from within, who can frighten you? None. That is Jesus. He has the power given from above and not from below, not from humans. It makes the difference.

So too the prophets, they never feared because God was with them and they always were accountable to God. Let Jesus be with us always, then what in the world, do we need to be afraid of.

Let us be with him, so that we can draw power from him to face anything that comes on the way. Let us pray, Lord, touch, heal and save us from all the sins and sinful tendencies. ~Fr. Jose~

Readings for This Sunday, January 28

Deuteronomy 18:15-20
1 Corinthians 7:32-35
Mark 1:21-28

Readings for Next Sunday, February 4

Job 7:1-4, 6-7
1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22-23
Mark 1:29-39

Eucharistic Ministers, This Weekend Jan. 27 & 28

5:00pm M. Kapsner
8:00am T. Fritz
10:00am J. Stang

Eucharistic Ministers, Next Weekend Feb. 3 & 4

5:00pm K. Moran
8:00am S. Massmann
10:00am J. Wicker

Ushers/Greeters - Month of January

5:00pm Richard & Joan Jendro
8:00am Jerry & Karen Powell
10:00am Jim Schmidt & Utley Kronenberg

Ushers/Greeters - Month of February

5:00pm Roger & Pat Kunkel
8:00am Tom Denne & Doug Kilanowski
10:00am Dale Hurre & Dan Hiemenz

Servers This Weekend, January 27 & 28

5:00pm Madison Streit & Morgan Streit
8:00am Everett Yarke & Hayden Hemmesch
10:00am Hannah Carlson & Hailey Keske

Servers Next Weekend, February 3 & 4

5:00pm Trey Toenjes & Truman Toenjes
8:00am Jack Massmann & Will Massmann
10:00am Thatcher Yarke & Cora Yarke

*****Because of the cold/flu season, we will have communion in one species for the time being.*****

 **Mass Intentions**

- 29 Monday - No Mass
- 30 Tuesday - 6:00pm +Tim Tschida
- 31 Wednesday - 8:00am +Lyness & +Odelle Held
- 1 Thursday - 8:00am +Doris Rosha
- 2 Friday - 8:00am +Leona Storms
- 3 Saturday - 5:00pm +Doug Schwinghammer
- 4 Sunday - 8:00am Christian Women
10:00am Parishioners



The Week Ahead

Tuesday, January 30

12:00 Senior Soup Luncheon
German Dinner Planning Meeting following the 6:00pm Mass

Friday, February 2

5:45pm Doors open for movie night sponsored by Catholic United Financial. “Homeward Bound” will be the movie playing.

Saturday, February 3

Blessing of Throats

Sunday, February 4

Blessing of Throats
Christian Women Breakfast following the 8:00am Mass

Parish Support

Adult	\$4,228.70
Youth	9.61
Votive Lights	22.90
Food Shelf	566.04
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	43.00



Greetings from SMHOCS,

As we begin Catholic Schools Week, we praise and thank God for the gift of our faith, the gift of one another, and the gift to freely proclaim the name of Jesus in our parish Catholic school. We are proud of our Catholic traditions and practices. Our faith-filled educators are devoted to the physical, intellectual and spiritual growth of our students. We are blessed with over 120 students, all evolving through a strong value-centered Catholic education.

Please consider enrolling your child at SMHOCS, call the school office for more information – 251-3937. Families are invited to learn more about our PreK-6 school at our open house night on Tuesday, January 30th from 4:30-6:00 p.m.

We will be joining other Catholic Schools in our Diocese this week for Mass at CHS. Please join us next week, February 7th. Students in grade 6 will be assisting with the liturgy.

Raffle tickets for the Catholic United Financial Raffle are now on sale. The tickets are \$5 each. All proceeds from the raffle go directly to St. Mary Help of Christians School.

Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal

Movie Night: Thank you to all who attended the Movie Night on January 12. A FUN time was had by all! Thanks again to Catholic United Financial who sponsored the movie, door prize, popcorn, and juice! Thanks also to Breezy Pines 4H Club for helping with setup and concessions. CUF will again be sponsoring Movie Night on Friday, Feb. 2nd. Doors will open at 5:45pm. We will be showing the movie “Homeward Bound.”

Thank you ... There were 159 people served at the breakfast this past weekend, the profit was \$742.17. A special thank you to the confirmation candidates, Girl Scouts, Boy Scouts, and Cub Scouts (and parents) that volunteered. In addition, thank you to the regular volunteers who made this breakfast a success, your gift of time is appreciated!. Thank you also to those that came and enjoyed the breakfast. The next Parish breakfast will be February 18th, Valentine Breakfast.

Thank you - The Breakfast Committee.

Queen of Heaven - Mary’s Battle for You

Join fellow parishioners for this 8 part program Thursday mornings starting Feb 8th after the 8am Mass. Find in *Queen of Heaven* the loving mother who leads us closer to Jesus. Learn about her life in Scripture and her important role up to the present day. Invite a friend to discover *Queen of Heaven* with you or come on your own!

\$10,000 Raffle Update: Your chances of winning \$10,000 is 1 out of 300. Tickets are available in the parish office, M-F, 7:30am-Noon! The social will be on Saturday, February 10, from 6:00pm-9:00pm.



Faith Formation: Jan Minke

Today is the Confirmation Retreat for those being Confirmed this year. Please keep them in your prayers as they grow in faith and love. Classes this week, Wed. Jan. 31

1st-8th gr. 6:30-8:00p.m.

Please continue to help your children with learning their prayers. The rich and beautiful prayers that have been handed down through the ages are a wonderful gift to each generation. Committing them to memory makes them a wonderful support that helps us through life’s journey. We have sent home the diocesan guidelines for learning these beautiful prayers. Praying them every night makes it easy to learn them.



Condolences to Kathy McDowall and family on the death of her husband, to **the family and friends** of William McDowall;

to **Carol Diehl and family** on the death of her brother-in-law, Melvin Niewind;

to **Marcy Voss and family** on the death of her brother, Delbert Spanier;

to **Herman Roerick and family** on the death of his mother, Theresa Roerick;

to **Rocky Keske and family** on the death of his father, Harold Keske;

to **Janice Krippner and family** on the death of her mother, Elizabeth Host

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

5th, 25th, 40th, 50th & 60th Anniversaries:

If you are celebrating any of these anniversaries this year (2018), please call the Parish Office, 252-1799 by January 31st, 2018, to let us know so that your name can be sent to the Office of Marriage and Family. You will then be receiving an invitation for a Mass offered by Bishop Kettler on Saturday, May 5, 2018 at 1:00pm.

Senior Soup Luncheon will be on Tues., Jan. 30th at 12:00. Come to eat, to socialize, to play cards. Stay only as long as you like. Bring a friend and enjoy the day!

St. Ann’s Christian Women Annual Breakfast will be held on Sunday, February 4, following the 8am Mass. All women who are members of St. Ann’s Christian Women are invited to come. If you are interested in becoming a member of the St. Ann’s Christian Women group, please call Lisa Rosha at 320-251-3326.

Catholic Men’s Conference, Saturday, February 3 Men of Integrity, A Call to Responsibility -

Held at St. John’s University, Colledgeville from 8:00am to 5:00pm. Keynote speaker, Damon Owens. Join men of all ages and walks of life to explore new ways to renew your faith. Register online at www.stcdio.org

Garage Sale: The shed next to the Rectory garage is open to drop off items for the garage sale. The garage sale will be held February 24th & 25th.