

# St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

March 31, 2019



## 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday IN LENT



"He said to him, 'My son, you are here with me always; everything I have is yours. But now we must celebrate and rejoice, because your brother was dead and has come to life again; he was lost and has been found.'" - Lk 15:31-32

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**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)

### 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

April 8, 2019  
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.

Lk 15: 1-3,11-32

There was something in Jesus that attracted the tax collectors and sinners to him. They all found Jesus as a welcome host. They gathered around to hear him speak. This gathering around and eating together symbolize the “we feeling” that they had with Jesus. What was his message? “...there will be more joy in heaven over one repentant sinner than over ninety-nine righteous people” (verse 7). Jesus message was one of conversion and salvation of sinners. He spoke to the people in parables (v.3). This was to lead them to self-reflection and interiority.

But the Pharisees and Scribes did not expect Jesus to mingle with those branded sinners as it was a challenge to them and the positions they held. Their policy was to divide people so that they could keep their own luxuries and comfort of life. Jesus’ policy was to pull down all the barriers that separate people. Are we to create barriers to separate or bridges to connect individuals and communities? In verse 12, we find the father in the parable of the prodigal son was forced to divide the property between his sons. The younger son received his share and did not fare well. The division led to destruction. We are called, like Jesus, to be unifiers and to build bridges among people, communities and nations. ~Fr. Jose

**Readings for Next Sunday, April 7**

Isaiah 43:16-21  
 Philippians 3:8-14  
 John 8:1-11

**Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend April 6 & 7**

5:00pm K. Moran, P. Kunkel, C. Zieglmeier  
 8:00am G. Rosha, C. Ziegler, E. Zipp  
 10:00am R. Schreifels, T. Schmidt, A. Spielmann

**Servers Next Weekend - April 6 & 7**

5:00pm Taylor Sowada & Morgan Streit  
 8:00am Jackson Pogatshnik & Carter Pogatshnik  
 10:00am Gavin Haehn & Claire Spielmann

**Ushers/Greeters - Month of March**

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

**Ushers/Greeters - Month of April**

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

**Parish Support**

Adult	\$4,688.00
Youth	6.92
Visitor	17.00
Easter Flowers	200.00
Catholic Relief Services	50.00
Kiosk	3.00
Votive Lights	71.00
Hall Rent	150.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00



**Parish Festival June 22 & 23**

**Children’s Games**


Last year a group of people came together to make the children’s games a huge success. We would like to get a list of all those willing to help this year, if interested please contact Lori Laudenbach 290-7556 or [laudenbach@q.com](mailto:laudenbach@q.com)

**Security** - Help is needed for security on Saturday evening and overnight. Please consider helping for as many or few hours as you can.

**“Many Hands Make Light Work”**

**Mass Intentions**

- 1 Monday - **\*\*NO MASS\*\***
- 2 Tuesday - 6:00pm ☩ Adelaide Ruehle
- 3 Wednesday - 8:00am ☩ Eileen Dahlin
- 4 Thursday - 8:00am ☩ Delmar Rosha
- 5 Friday - 8:00am ☩ Ryan & ☩ Wendy Kiffmeyer
- 6 Saturday - 5:00pm Parishioners
- 7 Sunday - 8:00am St. Ann’s Christian Women
- 10:00am ☩ Camryn Gohmann



**The Week Ahead**

**Tuesday, April 2**  
 Quilting  
 5:45pm Rosary  
 6:00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross followed by Soup & Bread Supper

**Wednesday, April 3**  
 8:00am SMHOC School Mass assisted by Grade 5.  
 Faith Formation Grades 1-8, 6:30pm-8:00pm

**Thursday, April 4**  
 8:45am SMHOC School Stations of the Cross  
 Nocturnal Adoration

**Lent Schedule**

**Stations of the Cross** - Thursday Mornings, Apr. 4, and Apr. 11 with the SMHOC school children.  
**Soup and Bread Supper** - Following Tuesday evening Mass and Stations of the Cross, we will be offering a Soup & Bread Supper on Apr. 2, Apr. 9 & Apr. 16.  
**Reconciliation Times** -  
 Tuesday, April 9, 5:00pm-5:55pm  
 Wednesday, April 10, 8:45am-9:00am  
 Wednesday, April 10, 5:30pm-6:30pm  
**Holy Thursday - April 18** - Mass at 6:00pm  
**Good Friday - April 19** - Services at 6:00pm  
**Holy Saturday - April 20** - Mass at 8:00pm  
**Easter Sunday - April 21** - Mass at 8:00am & 10:00am

**Parish Offices will be closed** on Good Friday, April 19 & Easter Monday, April 22.

**The profit for the \$10,000 Raffle** was \$19,773.86.

**The next Baptism Class** is Monday, April 8th at 6:30pm. Please call the Parish Office at 320-252-1799 to register.



**Greetings from SMHOCS...**

Mark your calendars... Kindergarten Round Up is just around the corner (April 26-beginning at 10 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.

Please join us for the celebration of the Eucharist, Wednesday, April 3<sup>rd</sup>. Students in grade five will be assisting with readings and singing in the choir. All are welcome to join our school community to pray **the Stations of the Cross Thursday, March 28<sup>th</sup> at 8:45 a.m.** Father Jose will be leading us in this prayer time.

*Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal*

**The Jewelry Stand** for the Parish Festival is looking for new or gently used jewelry. If you have any items to donate, please put them in the box marked "Jewelry" in the coat room. Thank you!



**Condolences** to **Harold Zipp and family** on the death of his sister,

Eileen Dahlin;

to **Mike Kieke** on the death of his mother, to **Richard & Marion Kloepfner and family** on the death of their sister/sister-in-law, to **Kay Kroll and family & Pat Kieke and family** on the death of their sister-in-law, to **Family and Friends** of Edna Kieke; to **Dave Vetsch and family** on the death of his father, to **Patricia Kilian and family** on the death of her brother, Anthony Vetsch

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

**Thank you to all** the volunteers that helped with the German Dinner on Saturday, March 23. We served 217 people with a profit of \$1,936.35. From prepping to serving, from cleaning to cooking, we have so much to be grateful for in our Parish Community. Thank you also to those who came and enjoyed the dinner. ~The German Dinner Committee

**Thank you ...** There were 155 people served at the breakfast on March 17th, the profit was \$774.82. Thank you to all the great volunteers from the Parish and the Breezy Pine 4-H Club who help make the breakfast a success. Thank you to the many families that came and enjoyed the breakfast. The next Parish breakfast will be this fall.

~Thank you - The Breakfast Committee.

**Prayer Team Volunteers Needed at the St. Cloud Hospital** –

Prayer Team volunteers work in conjunction with hospital chaplains to bring intercessory prayer to pre-determined patients and their families. We meet Tuesdays and Thursdays afternoons from 2:30pm to 4:30pm. Please prayerfully consider being a Prayer Team volunteer. Contact the Spiritual Care Office at 320-251-2700, ext. 54621 or email, [wiehoffb@centracare.com](mailto:wiehoffb@centracare.com) for more information.



**Faith Formation: Jan Minke**  
**Classes this week, Wed. April 3:**

**1<sup>st</sup> – 8<sup>th</sup> gr. 6:30-8:00p.m.**

*Parents of 2<sup>nd</sup> graders in the Faith Formation program please be sure to stay and help your student with their banner on Wednesday, April 3.*

In the Gospel this week we hear a familiar story about the prodigal son. At Y.E.S. this week we talked a lot about the forgiving Father and the older son's difficulty with forgiveness. Forgiving others as we want to be forgiven is the trick. Have you ever asked your children about their challenges with forgiveness? For me, praying for someone that I need to forgive really helps me let go of hurts and move on.

**VBS News!!!**



Great news- we had a couple more people volunteer to help us in key places so we are going forward with planning!!

Mark your calendars for June 10-14.

Anyone else who would like to help that week please call Jan 252-1799 Mon.-Wed.

**Breakfast with the Bishop** is Wednesday, May 1, 2019 from 8am-9am at Gorecki Center at the College of St. Benedict in St. Joseph. If you are interested in reserving a seat or hosting a table, call Alice Coudron at 320-258-7656 or email [ACoudron@catholicfoundation.info](mailto:ACoudron@catholicfoundation.info)

**Lenten Organ Concert** - The Crosier Fathers and Brothers invite you to a **Lenten Organ Concert** on Sunday, April 7, at the Priory Church and National Shrine of St. Odilia in Onamia. Acclaimed organist Dr. Jacob Benda will perform *The Seven Last Words and Triumph of Christ* by Pamela Decker, a cycle of nine works that comprise meditations on the seven last words of Jesus on the cross, followed by the procession to the tomb, and the resurrection. The concert is free and begins at 3:30 p.m. Sung Lenten Vespers will follow the concert. All are welcome!

**Sunday, April 7 – Wednesday, April 10** - The first night of a parish mission titled "God's Story — Our Story" at St. Francis Xavier Parish in Sartell begins with a presentation at 6:30 p.m. Led by Father Dominic Roscioli, the mission continues through April 10.

**Area Fish Fries**

- Friday April 5 and April 12. Fish fry including hand-breaded fried fish, au gratin potatoes, baked vegetarian beans, coleslaw and rolls served from 4 to 7 p.m. at St. Anthony Parish in St. Cloud.
- Friday, April 12. St. Katharine Drexel School hosts fish fry including coleslaw, potato salad, chips and beans from 4 to 7:30 p.m. at St. Augustine Parish in St. Cloud.
- Friday, April 12. Fish fry of deep-fried fish, potato salad and baked beans from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. at St. Joseph School (32 W. Main St.) in St. Joseph.