

# St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

December 29, 2019



## The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph

# RISE

“Rise, take the child and his  
mother and go to the land of  
Israel, for those who sought  
the child’s life are dead.”

MATTHEW 2:20

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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. Matthew Crane, *Pastor*

Kelly Kirks, *Principal*

Shelly Gohmann, *Secretary*

Kathy Waletzko,

*Music Director*

Tracy Yarke

*Promoter of Catechesis*

### MASS SCHEDULE

**Saturday 5:00 pm**

**Sunday 8:00 & 10:00 am**

**Tuesday 6:00 pm**

**Wed. Thurs. Fri 8:00 am**

### EVENING PRAYER & RECONCILIATION

**Mon., Wed., Thurs., &  
Fri., - 6:00pm-7:00pm**

**Saturday - 4:00-4:30pm**

(New Sacristy)

### 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.

### CEMETERY

JERRY KOLTES 320-252-1354

### BAPTISM PREP CLASS

February 10, 2020 at 6:30pm.

Call the Parish Office to  
register.

### MARRIAGE PREP

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

### 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.*

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### Readings for January 1 - Solemnity of Mary

Numbers 6:22-27

Galatians 4:4-7

Luke 2:16-21

### Readings for Next Sunday, January 5, 2020

Isaiah 60:1-6

Ephesians 3:2-3a, 5-6

Matthew 2:1-12

### Eucharistic Ministers - New Year's Eve

6:00pm D. Holovnia

### Eucharistic Ministers - New Year's Day

8:00am E. Kiffmeyer

6:00pm J. Wicker

### Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend January 4/5

5:00pm E. Annis, A. Carlson, C. Diehl

8:00am E. Zipp, G. Rosha, C. Ziegler

10:00am D. Dold, D. Meyer, J. Schmidt

### Servers - New Year's Eve

6:00pm Bryce Knapek & Natalie Knapek

### Servers - New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary

8:00am Colby Faber & Clay Faber

6:00pm Thatcher Yarke & Cora Yarke

### Servers - Next Weekend January 4/5

5:00pm Hannah Carlson & Truman Toenjes

8:00am Angela Witte & Matthew Witte

10:00am Zach Meyer & Allie Meyer

### Ushers/Greeters - Month of December

5:00pm Vic & Patty Funk

8:00am Adrian & Judy Ethen

10:00am Joshua & Bethany Schwinghammer

### Ushers/Greeters - Month of January

5:00pm Richard & Joan Jendro

8:00am Jerry & Karen Powell

10:00am Jim Schmidt & Mike Thull

**Holiday Office Hours:** The Parish Office will be closed January 1st, 2020.

### **5th, 25th, 40th, 50th, 60th or MORE Anniversaries:**

If you are celebrating any of these anniversaries in 2020, please call the Parish Office, 252-1799 by January 31st, 2020 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 2, 2020.

## Mass Intentions

30 Monday - No Mass

31 Tuesday - New Year's Eve

6:00pm ☩ Steve & ☩ Shirley Kirchner

1 Wednesday - New Year's Day - Solemnity of Mary  
Mother of God

8:00am ☩ Lloyd, ☩ Doris & ☩ Pat Rosha

6:00pm Parishioners

2 Thursday - 8:00am ☩ John Zipp

3 Friday - 8:00am ☩ Lorriane Klaverkamp

4 Saturday - 5:00pm Parishioners

5 Sunday - 8:00am St. Ann's Christian Women

10:00am ☩ Charlie Schmidt

## Looking Ahead:

### Monday, December 30

6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions

### Tuesday, December 31 - New Year's Eve

Quilting

6:00pm Mass

### Wednesday, January 1, 2020 - New Year's Day

Parish Offices Closed

Mass at 8:00am & 6:00pm

### Thursday, January 2

6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions

Nocturnal Adoration

### Friday, January 3

6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions

**The ACC Group met on** Thursday, 12-5-2019, at the St Nicholas Church Basement. We finished up the 4 goals that the Group would like to implement to begin this journey together.

- ◆ Strengthening Our Celebration of the Sacraments creating vibrant liturgical celebrations that engage people of all ages and will help all Parishioners to deepen their relationship with Christ.
- ◆ Develop an identity for our Area Catholic Community, create a name for the group.
- ◆ Our Faith Formation programs will create continuity between all parishes under the direction of one Director by June of 2020.
- ◆ Develop a communication plan for sharing information and correspondence throughout our ACC Group.

These 4 goals were submitted to the Diocese the week of 12-16-2019. Please reach out to your ACC Representative for any questions or concerns.

**\$10,000 Raffle** - Our Annual Raffle drawing and Social is Saturday, February 8, 2020 from 6:00pm-9:00pm.

**MORE** opportunities to win: Prize 1 - \$5,000.00;

Prize 2 - \$3,000.00; Prize 3 - \$2,000.00

Seller of #1 Top prize wins \$500.00.

Every 50<sup>th</sup> ticket drawn, will receive their \$100.00 back!

Opportunity to get into social **FREE** by selling ten (10)

tickets, otherwise social admission is \$10.00 per person

Providing tasty hors d'oeuvres and adult beverages.

Tickets are \$100.00 and are available in the Parish

Office, M-F, 7:30am-Noon.





### **Greetings from SMHOCS...**

Our first student assisted liturgy of 2020 will be on Wednesday, January 8<sup>th</sup> at 8:00 a.m. The students in grade three will be assisting with the music and readings. There will be a social for these students and our preschoolers and their families following Mass in the school gym. Please come and celebrate the Eucharist with the school community.

*New Year's Blessings to all of you –  
Kelly Kirks, Principal*

**Thank you** to everyone who helped minister in any way at our Christmas celebrations. Thank you to the choirs, musicians, soloists and all those who provided the beautiful music at all our Christmas Masses. Special thanks to those who helped with setting up the manger scene and those who decorated the church. May God bless all of you who are so willing to share of your time and talents with our parish community.

**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!

**Nocturnal Adoration Breakfast:** The Annual Breakfast for Nocturnal Adoration Members is Sunday, January 12, 2020 following the 8:00am Mass.

### **Catholic Charities Mardi Gras Celebration -**

January 25 – Purchase Your Tickets Today! – Join Catholic Charities for their 2020 Mardi Gras Celebration at the River's Edge Convention Center in St. Cloud. Show your support for Catholic Charities' and our Central Minnesota community while enjoying great food, friends, and entertainment! This year's celebration includes a silent auction, wine pull, music by the Vista Jazz Band and the Fabulous Armadillos, and more. We hope to see you there! For more information and to purchase tickets, visit [cstcloud.org/mardi-gras](http://cstcloud.org/mardi-gras)

### **Additional Extraordinary Ministers needed on**

**Sundays** – The Saint Cloud Hospital Spiritual Care Department is accepting applications for individuals to be part of our volunteer team. Additional Extraordinary Ministers are needed on Sundays to bring Holy Communion to Catholic patients during their hospital stay. We invite you to prayerfully consider if you are being called to this ministry. Minimum availability is one Sunday per month and the time commitment that day varies due to patient census. For questions or to learn more about this ministry, please contact Anita Fischer, Chaplain, at 320-251-2700 ext. 54621.

**Catholic Century Farm Awards** – The Diocese is now taking applications for the diocese's second annual Catholic Century Farm Awards. If your family has been working the same land for 100 years or more, please visit the following link for requirements and application form: [https://cstcloud.formstack.com/forms/catholic\\_century\\_farm\\_award](https://cstcloud.formstack.com/forms/catholic_century_farm_award). Recipients will be honored at the annual Rural Life Celebration in August.



### **Faith Formation - Tracy Yarke**

2<sup>nd</sup> Grade Families: Please mark your calendars for the First Communion Parent Meeting following Tuesday night mass on January 7<sup>th</sup>. There will be no class this week as we are on Christmas break.

**Youth Envelopes for 2020** have been distributed. If your child did not receive them and you wish for them to have them, please call the Parish Office.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** There is still time to make your end-of-year charitable donations. All gifts received go directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and are not used for any other purpose. To donate, visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal) or mail a gift to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

**Vespers for Life** will be held Sunday, January 19th at the Church of St. Anthony, 2405 N 1st St, St. Cloud. The event will include the rosary at 3:30 p.m. and vespers at 4:00 p.m. Bishop Donald Kettler will preside at the vespers service. The service includes music, prayer, scripture and reflection for the over 60 million children who have been aborted since 1973. Monetary donations accepted to Mother Mary's Fund to assist crisis pregnancy centers in the Diocese of St. Cloud. Visit: [http://omf.stcdio.org/th\\_event/vespers-for-life-2020](http://omf.stcdio.org/th_event/vespers-for-life-2020)

**March for Life, Wednesday, January 22** – Join the Diocese on the bus for a prayer service and the March for Life on January 22 at the Cathedral of St. Paul. The bus will leave after the 7:15 a.m. Mass at St. Anthony Parish parking lot in St. Cloud picking up at several locations in the diocese. We'll be back at St. Anthony's at 4:00 p.m. Check our website for the most up-to-date information. A free-will offering will be accepted to help defer the cost of the bus. To reserve a space for the bus ride, register online or contact the Office of Marriage & Family at 320-252-4721 Visit: [http://omf.stcdio.org/th\\_event/march-for-life-2020/](http://omf.stcdio.org/th_event/march-for-life-2020/).

**Catholic Men's Conference Catholic Men's Conference** – will be held on Saturday, February 22 Saturday, February 22 at St. John's University from 8:30 a.m.-5:00 p.m. This year's theme is "The Real Presence: Bringing Christ to the World." Our keynote speaker will be Michael Havercamp, D.Min. Michael is the national liaison between the Catholic Church and Young Life. He has a phenomenal conversion story and is a skilled Catholic evangelist. For more information, visit: [http://omf.stcdio.org/th\\_event/2020](http://omf.stcdio.org/th_event/2020)

