

# St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

December 8, 2019



## 2nd Sunday of Advent

# CRY OUT



John wore clothing made of camel's hair and had a leather belt around his waist. His food was locusts and wild honey.

MATTHEW 3:4

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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.

## December 8, 2019

As you may have seen after our masses last weekend, By His Mercy books were for sale, collections of testimonies about ways in which Catholics have witnessed God's mercy. If you did not get one, you can pick one up for \$15 at the St. Cloud Book Shop or Christian Corner Books and Gifts. All proceeds go to St. Cloud Vocations!

They will be sold at the following parishes this weekend and the next:

December 7th and 8th: St. John Cantius in St. Cloud

December 14th and 15th: St. Peter in St. Cloud, St. Paul in St. Cloud

*Fr. Matthew Crane*

### Readings for Next Sunday, December 15

Isaiah 35:1-6a, 10

James 5:7-10

Matthew 11:2-11

### Parish Support - Weekend of Nov. 23/24

Adult	\$3,749.03
Youth	18.62
ArchDiocese Military Services	472.76
Votive Lights	62.50
Catholic Charities	75.00
Fall Collection	480.00
Hall Rent	2,735.00
Christmas Flowers	80.00
FF	55.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00

### Parish Support - Weekend of Nov. 30/Dec. 1

Adult	\$3,817.01
Youth	39.00
Votive Lights	54.00
Fall Collection	500.00
Christmas Flowers	60.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00

### Eucharistic Ministers - Next Weekend December 15

5:00pm R. Hemmesch, D. Hemmesch, M. Kapsner

8:00am S. Massmann, T. Fritz, S. Laudenbach

10:00am A. Spielmann, J. Stang, T. Schmidt

### Servers - Next Weekend December 15

5:00pm Hayden Hemmesch & Claire Hemmesch

8:00am Will Massmann & Taylor Sowada

10:00am Luke Ashbrook & Jordan Gulden

### 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 & Uteley Kronenberg

## Mass Intentions

9 Monday - No Mass

10 Tuesday - 6:00pm ☩ Lorraine Jarnot

11 Wednesday - 8:00am ☩ Rainer Landwehr

12 Thursday - 8:00am ☩ Frank & ☩ Bernice Voigt

13 Friday - 8:00am ☩ LeRoy Young

14 Saturday - 5:00pm ☩ Judi Finneman

15 Sunday - 8:00am ☩ Eileen Dahlin

10:00am Parishioners

## Looking Ahead:

### Monday, December 9

8:00am Mass assisted by Grade 4

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

### Tuesday, December 10

Quilting

6:00pm Mass

### Wednesday, December 11

6:00pm-6:30pm Evening Prayers and Confessions

Faith Formation Grades 1-8 - 6:30pm-7:45pm

### Thursday, December 12

**5:00pm-6:00pm** Evening Prayers and Confessions

6:00pm Seating for "The Sound of Music"

6:30pm Dinner

7:30pm Show

### Friday, December 13

**5:00pm-6:00pm** Evening Prayers and Confessions

6:00pm Seating for "The Sound of Music"

6:30pm Dinner

7:30pm Show

### Saturday, December 14

6:00pm Seating for "The Sound of Music"

6:30pm Dinner

7:30pm Show

### Sunday, December 15

1:30pm Seating for "The Sound of Music"

2:00pm Show

### Monday, December 16

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

### Tuesday, December 17

Quilting

6:00pm Mass

St. Ann's Christian Women Potluck Christmas Party following the 6:00pm Mass

### Wednesday, December 18

**\*\*NO MORNING MASS\*\***

**NO EVENING PRAYERS OR CONFESSIONS**

Faith Formation Grades 1-8 - 6:30pm-7:45pm

### Thursday, December 19

**\*\*NO MORNING MASS\*\***

SMHOC School Christmas Program at 1:00pm & 6:30pm

**NO EVENING PRAYERS OR CONFESSIONS**

### Friday, December 20

8:00am SMHOC School Mass assisted by Gr. 5

**NO EVENING PRAYERS OR CONFESSIONS**

### Sunday, December 22

8:30am-11:30am Breakfast with Santa.

Bake Sale - Group 3 (He-J) will be in charge of the Bake Sale with Linda Henkemeyer & Joan Jendro as chairs.



**Greetings from SMHOCS...**

Please join us as we celebrate Eucharist as a school family on Monday, December 9<sup>th</sup>.

*We are excited to announce the SMHOCS annual Christmas program will be presented on Thursday, December 19<sup>th</sup>*

*at 1:00 p.m. and 6:30 p.m. All are invited to come and enjoy the students' musical performance.*

Our annual Birthday Party for Jesus will take place following Mass on Friday, December 20<sup>th</sup>. All are welcome to join us for cake and caroling in the school gym.

The students will begin Christmas break on December 23<sup>rd</sup> and will resume classes on Thursday, January 2<sup>nd</sup>. The school office will also be closed during this time.

*Sincerely, Kelly Kirks, Principal*



**Breakfast with Santa**

Our annual Breakfast with Santa is Sunday, December 22. Breakfast will be served from 8:30am to 11:30am. If you can help with the breakfast, please sign up on the parish website or call Greg Hopke.

Group 3 (He-J) will be in charge of the Bake Sale with Linda Henkemeyer and Joan Jendro as chairs.



**Christmas Eve Mass:**

Tuesday, December 24 at 6:00pm

**Christmas Day Mass:**

Wednesday, December 25 at 8:00am & 10:00am

**New Years Eve Mass:**

Tuesday, December 31 at 6:00pm

**New Years Day Mass:**

Wednesday, January 1, 2020 at 8:00am & 6:00pm

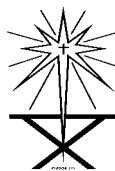
**\*\*Incense will be used at the 6:00pm Christmas Eve Mass\*\***

**Bringing up the gifts -** If you or your family would like to bring up the gifts during mass, please call the Parish Office to get signed up.

**Prayer Blankets** are made with care and concern for those who receive the blanket. The prayer blanket brings comfort to the suffering and peace to the fearful. It is a symbol of being covered with love and prayers from our parish community. If you or someone you know are in need of a prayer blanket, they are in the meeting room in the cupboard, or call the Parish Office.

**The Church of St. Mary in Upsala** is hosting a Women's Night of Worship Mon, Dec. 9 starting with Mass at 6:30pm followed by Worship Hour 7:30 – 8:30pm. Social with refreshments to follow. Childcare is available.

**St. Anthony Church in St. Cloud** is serving breakfast on Sunday, December 15, from 8:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m. in the Parish Center, 2410 1<sup>st</sup> St N, St. Cloud. The menu features fresh and smoked sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, pancakes with fruit toppings, fresh fruit, rolls, hash browns, coffee, and milk or orange juice. Adults \$8, Students grades K-12 and preschool eat for free this month!



**Faith Formation - Tracy Yarke**

**Classes this week:**

Grades 1-8--- 6:30-7:45pm

*At this Christmas when Christ comes, will He find a warm heart? Mark the season of Advent by loving and serving the others with God's own love and concern. ~Mother Teresa*

**\$10,000 Raffle Kick Off – This weekend Dec. 7 & 8**

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

**MORE** opportunities to win this year! **THREE** Top prizes! 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 after all masses this weekend or in the Parish Office, M-F, 7:30am-Noon. Hope to see you there!

**Advent Giving Tree** Consider donating to one of the charities SMHOC is sponsoring this year: Anna Marie's Alliance, Elevate (formerly Birthline) and Quiet Oaks Hospice. There are tags on the tree marked with a requested donation. Please take a tag, purchase the item(s) and place the unwrapped item (s) with it's tag under the tree. All donations should be turned in on or before Wed. Dec 18. Thank you for helping make Christmas a happier time for those in need. You are blessed in giving.



**The Baptism Class** scheduled for Monday,

December 9, has been canceled due to no registrations. The next Baptism Class will be, Monday, February 10th, 2020 at 6:30pm. Please call the Parish Office, 252-1799, to register.

**St. Ann's Christians Women Potluck:** The Christian Women's Christmas Potluck dinner will be on Tuesday, December 17th, following the 6:00pm mass in the Parish Center. Please bring a dish or dessert to share at this fellowship event!

**The 2019 Bishop's Annual Appeal** is coming to a close on December 31. If you still have a pledge balance, please complete your pledge payments as soon as possible. For those who make charitable contributions at the end of the year, please consider gifts to your Parish and to the Bishop's Annual Appeal. Your financial support is greatly appreciated. To donate, visit [www.stedio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stedio.org/annualappeal) or mail a gift to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302.

**Father Jose's address -** Many of you have called asking if I could print Father Jose's address during the holidays. Here it is:

Father Jose Edayadiyil, VC  
1027 Twin Oaks St  
Bensenville, IL 60106

Please note the zip code has changed since his address was last printed in the bulletin. ~Shelly