

St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

March 22, 2020



4TH SUNDAY OF LENT



When Jesus heard that they had thrown him out, he found him and said, "Do you believe in the Son of Man?" - Jn 9:35

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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

April 13, 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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At this time our Parish Offices remain open, M-F, 7:30am-12:00. The church is open for prayer during this time. Please maintain the six (6) feet apart and no more than ten (10) people in the building at a time, not counting parish staff.

Father Matthew

Spiritual Resources/Prayers

- ◆ To view the diocesan-produced TV Mass online, or find the channel numbers vary based on location and type of TV service (cable, satellite, antenna), visit: www.stcdio.org/tvmass
- ◆ Livestream of daily Mass at St. John’s Abbey, Collegeville <https://saintjohnsabbey.org/live>
- ◆ Livestream of Pope Francis’ Masses <https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCxIsefy19g9A5SGWA4FvGIA/videos>
- ◆ *Give Us This Day*, a monthly publication centered on the Word of God, is making available at no charge a digital file of its periodical, which includes daily Mass texts: www.GUTD.net/Digital.
- ◆ Downloadable prayer card seeking intercession of Our Lady of Guadalupe (English) <http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/upload/prayer-coronavirus-2020-card.pdf> (Spanish) <http://www.usccb.org/about/communications/upload/prayer-coronavirus-2020-card-spanish.pdf>
- ◆ Text of pope’s prayer to Mary during coronavirus pandemic <http://thecentralminnesotacatholic.org/text-of-popes-prayer-to-mary-during-coronavirus-pandemic>

Mass Intentions

- 23 Monday - **No Public Mass**
- 24 Tuesday - **No Public Mass**
- 25 Wednesday - **No Public Mass**
- 26 Thursday - **No Public Mass**
- 27 Friday - **No Public Mass**
- 28 Saturday - **No Public Mass**
- 29 Sunday - 8:00am **No Public Mass**
10:00am **No Public Mass**

Looking Ahead:

- Monday, March 23**
6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions
- Tuesday, March 24**
6:00pm Mass followed by Stations of the Cross
- Wednesday, March 25**
No FF
6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions
- Thursday, March 26**
6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions
- Friday, March 27**
6:00pm-7:00pm Evening Prayers and Confessions

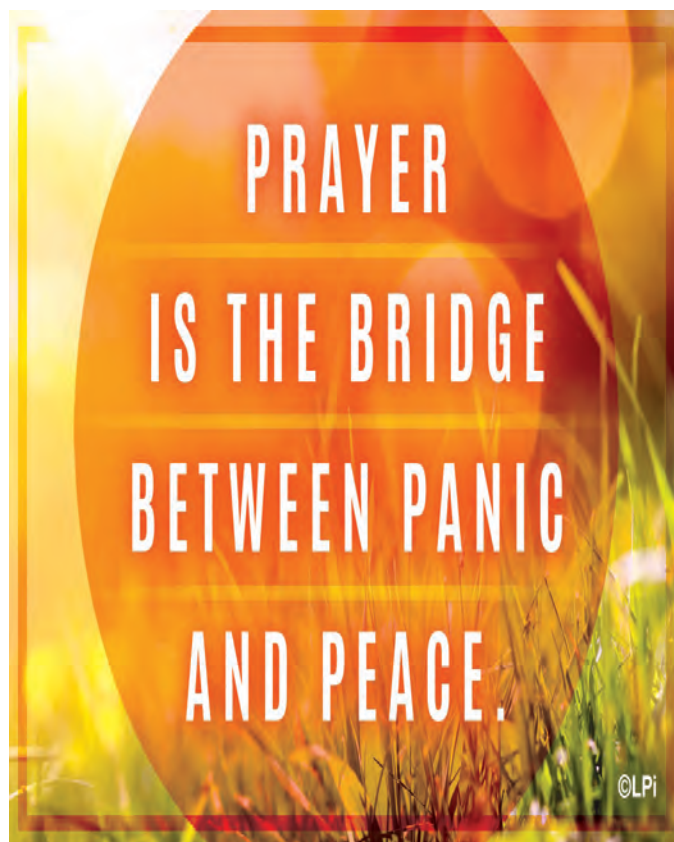
Parish Support

Adult	\$3,517.25
Youth	7.00
Votive Lights	44.55
Catholic Magazine	60.00
Catholic Relief Services	65.00
Easter Flowers	210.00
Organ Restoration	1.00
School Endowment	1.00



Parish Festival - June 27 & 28

- **Any donations of Crafts, Fancyworks & Plants** are greatly appreciated. Call Barb Legatt at 1-218-298-1823 if you have any questions or would like to volunteer to help work the Fancywork Stand.
- **Silent Auction/Basket Boutique** - It is time to start thinking about a theme basket or a silent auction item to donate to the parish festival in June. Any questions contact Cindy Zieglmeier 259-6696
- **Jewelry Stand** 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.





Greetings from SMHOCS,

I hope this message finds you healthy. I am sure you are aware of our school closure. The teachers and I have been working on a plan for an extended timeframe for distant learning, but it will be a continued process. I will do my best to reply to any questions in a timely manner. This is new territory for everyone.

The MN Commissioner of Education said it well in the news conference last Sunday, educators are the best problem solvers. I agree whole heartedly. Our teachers and staff are all creative, intelligent, and compassionate individuals who want what is best for our students. We have a challenging obligation ahead of us. We welcome your prayers and appreciate your patience. Families, please continue to check your email for updates. God Bless!

Kelly Kirks, Principal

The School Meat Raffle scheduled for Friday, March 27 at the Club Almar, has been canceled.

Divine Mercy Sunday will be celebrated at St. Mary’s Cathedral in St. Cloud on Sunday, April 19, from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. We are pleased to announce the schedule:

- 1:00 pm Opening Liturgy, Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament, Fr. Doug Liebsch presents *“Power of Forgiveness”*
- 2:00 pm Heather and Dan Pfannenstien present *“An Unexpected Journey”*
- 3:00 pm Chaplet of Divine Mercy, Fr. Matthew Crane Presents *“A Personal Encounter with Mercy”*, Benediction of the Blessed Sacrament

There will be Eucharistic Adoration and Confessions with several priests from 1:00 – 4:00 pm. All are welcome.

On April 18th, every step you take brings a victim of modern day slavery one step closer to freedom. Shear Dynamics Salon presents “A Walk Together: Uniting Against Human Trafficking!”, Saturday April 18th! Human trafficking is happening RIGHT HERE in our community, but together, we can put an end to it. Gather a team and walk to raise awareness, and bring healing and hope to victims. Earlybird registration ends March 21st. A Walk Together: Uniting against human trafficking...visit cmsac.org/awalktogether or sheardynamicsmn.com.

From the Mission Office: We are sorry to announce that due to the recent health concerns, it has been decided to postpone the delegations from Maracay and Homa Bay, as well as the Spring Mission Rally and Partnership Reunion. Thank you for all that you have done in the support of these events and activities.



Faith Formation - Tracy Yarke

No FF this week

Pray, Hope, Don't Worry ~St, Padre Pio

Thank you to Catholic United Financial for their recent donation of \$500.00 to purchase a new laptop or smart TV for the Faith Formation program. Your generosity is greatly appreciated!



Condolences to Kay Hinkemeyer and family on the death of her sister,

Terry Herron;

to **Patti Zabinski and family** on the death of her mother, Marilyn Mathison;

to **Francis Hurre and Rhea Woltman and families** on the death of their brother-in-law, John Patrick Healy.

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

Firearms Safety - begins, Monday, March 30th at 7:00pm at the St. Augusta Legion. Must be 11 years old to attend. Any questions, call Doug Kilanowski at 320-333-0819

Holy Humor:

- ◆ There was a very gracious lady who was mailing an old family Bible to her brother in another part of the country. “Is there anything breakable in here?” asked the postal clerk. “Only the Ten Commandments.” answered the lady.
- ◆ “Somebody has said there are only two kinds of people in the world. There are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good Morning, Lord,” and there are those who wake up in the morning and say, “Good Lord, it’s morning.”
- ◆ A Sunday School teacher began her lesson with a question, “Boys and girls, what do we know about God?” A hand shot up in the air. “He is an artist!” said the kindergarten boy. “Really? How do you know?” the teacher asked. “You know--Our Father, who does art in Heaven.
- ◆ A father and son were riding in their truck together one day and the son asked the father, “Dad, how high can you count?” The father replied, “Well I don’t know son--how high can you count?” The son immediately replied, “One thousand, five hundred, forty-two.” The father said, “Why did you stop?” The son shrugged his shoulders and said, “Well, church was over.”
- ◆ People are funny, they want the front of the bus, the middle of the road, and the back of the church.