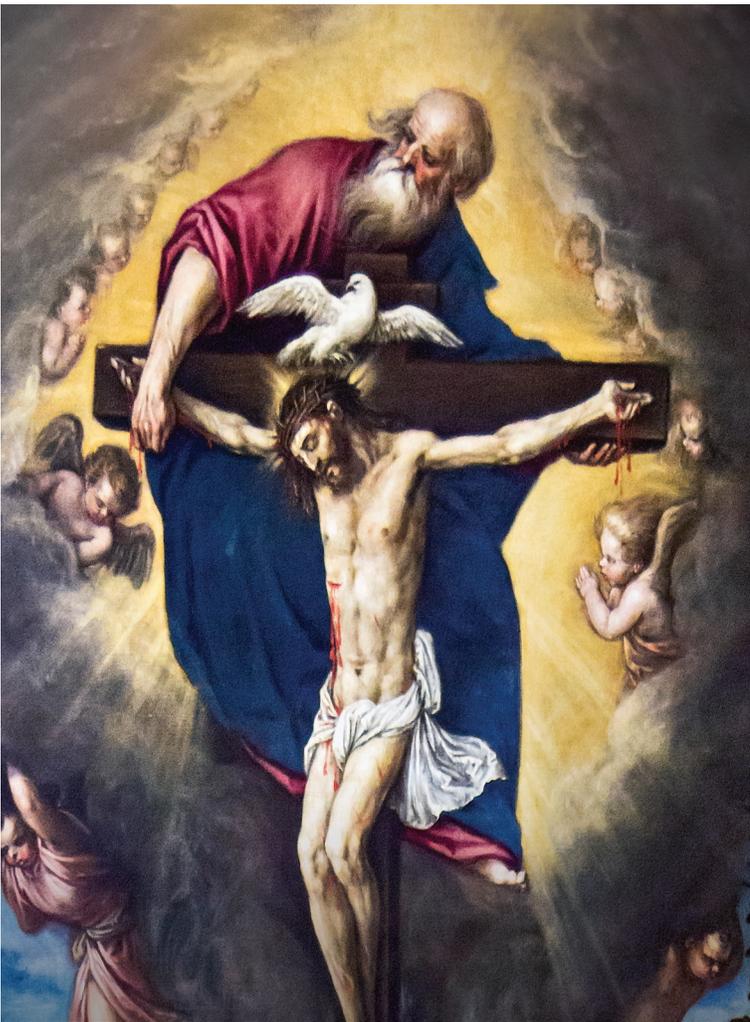


# St. Mary Help of Christians Church

24588 County Road 7, St. Augusta, MN 56301

June 7, 2020



## THE MOST HOLY TRINITY



God so loved the world that he gave his only Son, so that everyone who believes in him might not perish but might have eternal life. - Jn 3:16

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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**

### RCIA "RITE OF CHRISTIAN INITIATION OF ADULTS"

Anyone interested in becoming a member of the Catholic Faith call the Parish Office.

### BAPTISM PREP CLASS

June 8, 2020 at 6:30pm. Call the Parish Office to register.

### NEW PARISHIONERS

Call the parish office for more information.

### CEMETERY

JERRY KOLTES 320-252-1354

### 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.

## June 7, 2020

This past Thursday, June 4, I marked 9 years serving as a priest in the Diocese of Saint Cloud. Still, at only 36 years of age, I realize I don't yet have a lot of street cred. On the other hand, I do, I think, have far more experience with pastoring multiple parishes than anyone else at St. Mary Help of Christians. Therefore, as we move towards June 30, when I will become pastor of The Church of the Holy Cross in Pearl Lake and St. Wendelin's in Luxemburg, I want to use this space in the bulletin to point out a few issues that often arise when multiple parishes share a pastor, as well as the responsibility you as parishioners have to navigate those issues.

The first issue, and the key to all the others, is the need for each and every one of you to identify as Catholics. You are members of the Catholic Church, just as I am a priest of the Catholic Church. I was not ordained a priest of St. Mary Help of Christians and you were not baptized a parishioner of St. Mary Help of Christians. Likewise, I was not ordained a priest of Holy Cross in Pearl Lake, nor St. Wendelin's; you were not baptized parishioners of those parishes, nor were those persons who are currently registered in those parishes. We are all baptized with one baptism into the One Lord Jesus Christ.

We are all members of the one Body of Christ, the Church, which includes Bishop Kettler, the Pope in Rome, Catholics in Mexico and Vietnam, missionaries to The Amazon, Maronites in Lebanon, Chaldeans in Iraq, Trappist Monks in Belgium and Kentucky, Ukrainian Catholic immigrants in Toronto, and the parishioners of St. Nicholas in St. Nicholas, St. Anne's in Kimball, Holy Cross in Pearl Lake, St. Wendelin in Luxemburg and St. Mary Help of Christians.

That is not to say that we cannot have distinct sub-communities, like parishes, in the Church, but we all have the responsibility to never let those sub-communities divide the One Body of Christ. The eye and the hand are distinct, but the eye can never say to the hand, "I do not need you."

*Sincerely in Christ, Fr. Matthew Crane*

### Readings for Next Sunday, June 14

Deuteronomy 8:2-3, 14b-16a

1 Corinthians 10:16-17

John 6:51-58

### Baptism Congratulations to:

*Morgan Alec* son of Benjamin & Ana Zieglmeier

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** Thank you to everyone who is supporting diocesan ministries through the Appeal, especially during these trying times. Our prayers are with you as we all work together and open our parishes to the celebration of the Eucharist. As of April 29, the Appeal raised \$931,533 in gifts and pledges toward the goal \$1,300,000. Every dollar raised is used exclusively to support diocesan ministries.

## Mass Intentions

8 Monday - **No Mass**

9 Tuesday - 6:00pm ☩ Doug Schwinghammer

10 Wednesday - 8:00am ☩ Del Moeller

11 Thursday - 8:00am ☩ Lorraine Spoden

12 Friday - 8:00am ☩☩☩ John, Luella, & Bruce Klaverkamp

13 Saturday - 5:00pm Parishioners

14 Sunday - 8:00am ☩☩ Virgil & Marie Koenig

10:00am ☩☩ Al & Rosella Sis

## Looking Ahead:

### Tuesday, June 9

6:00pm Mass

### Wednesday, June 10

8:00am Mass

### Thursday, June 11

8:00am Mass

### Friday, June 12

8:00am Mass

### Saturday, June 13

5:00pm Mass

### Sunday, June 14

Mass at 8:00am & 10:00am

## Ushers/Greeters - Month of June

5:00pm Richard & Joan Jendro

8:00am Ed & Mary Lou Meyer

10:00am Jim Schmidt, Victoria and/or Luke Ashbrook

**\*\*For the remainder of the month of June, we will not be using Servers, Extraordinary Ministers of Holy Communion, or Sacristans.**

## Parish Support May 20-May 31

Adult	\$9,545.00
Youth	121.00
Votive Lights	82.00
Food Shelf	10.00
Stole Fees	150.00
Lighthouse Kiosk	4.00
Organ Restoration	2.00
School Endowment	2.00

**Baccalaureate Masses** - The weekend of June 13 & 14 we will celebrate the graduating seniors from our parish. The current public health measures preclude us from offering a reception. Just before the end of Mass, Father Matthew will offer a blessing especially for the graduates. Rules for Public Mass in Time of Pandemic apply. If you are attending a Mass that weekend, you will need to use the online sign-up on the parish website. There is a humble package from the parish for each of you. If you choose not to attend Mass, you may simply stop in when the church is open after June 12th to pick up the package.

**Cemetery Regulations** - Please remember that flowers may be on the graves at our cemetery until June 15th. If the flowers are not attached to the gravestone, they will be discarded.

**Holy Humor:**

- ◆ Attending a wedding for the first time, a little girl whispered to her mother, “Why is the bride dressed in white?” The mother replied, “Because white is the color of happiness, and today is the happiest day of her life.” The child thought about this for a moment then said, “So why is the groom wearing black?”
- ◆ A little girl, dressed in her Sunday best, was running as fast as she could, trying not to be late for Bible class. As she ran she prayed, “Dear Lord, please don’t let me be late! Dear Lord, please don’t let me be late!” While she was running and praying, she tripped on a curb and fell, getting her clothes dirty and tearing her dress. She got up, brushed herself off, and started running again! As she ran she once again began to pray, “Dear Lord, please don’t let me be late....But please don’t shove me either!”
- ◆ A Sunday School teacher asked her class why Joseph and Mary took Jesus with them to Jerusalem. A small child replied, “They couldn’t get a babysitter.”



**TEN THINGS GOD WON'T ASK YOU ON THAT DAY....**

1. God won't ask what kind of car you drove. He'll ask how many people you drove who didn't have transportation.
2. God won't ask the square footage of your house. He'll ask how many people you welcomed into your home.
3. God won't ask about the clothes you had in your closet, He'll ask how many you helped to clothe.
4. God won't ask what your highest salary was. He'll ask if you compromised your character to obtain it.
5. God won't ask what your job title was. He'll ask if you performed your job to the best of your ability.
6. God won't ask how many friends you had. He'll ask how many people to whom you were a friend.
7. God won't ask in what neighborhood you lived, He'll ask how you treated your neighbors.
8. God won't ask about the color of your skin, He'll ask about the content of your character.
9. God won't ask why it took you so long to seek Salvation. He'll lovingly take you to your mansion in heaven, and not to the gates of Hell.
10. God won't have to ask how many people you forwarded this to, He already knows your decision.



**ACT OF SPIRITUAL COMMUNION**

My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy sacrament, I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. **Amen**

**The Prayer Network** is available when you want spiritual help for your special need(s). Contact Marcia Roshia at 558-6187.



This week we wish to acknowledge: **Augusta Motor Works, St. Augusta Legion, and MTH - Minnesota Truck Headquarters.** Thank you for your support!