

ONE IN FAITH COMMUNITY OF

ST. Andrew-Greenwald, St. John-Meire Grove, St. Mary-Melrose & St. Michael-Spring Hill

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME - JANUARY 22, 2017

A message from the parish council...

Thank You for your attendance at the presentations last weekend! We felt your support and we are grateful for how well they went. Hopefully this format can be effective and modified in the future.

A summary of Parish Council portion of the presentation:

- The Parish Council has one agenda. We will do our best: to obtain, process, evaluate, communicate and decide regarding our beloved and beautiful Church of St. Mary. I personally am impressed with the quality of the thoughtful discussions, the respect of our church (building and community) and the value given to each point of view. This group is impressive and I have full confidence that we can do a good job.
- We are acutely aware of the voices that have spoken thus far. We spend a large amount of time discussing the letters, calls and our personal conversations collectively. Letters and emails sent to the rectory are distributed in an efficient matter.
- We are trying to process potential risks and benefits of restoration and other options. The physical building may have limits regarding access and federal codes, Vatican II liturgical space mandates, diocese building committee and Bishop requirements, physical structure, additional costs during construction, costs of maintenance now and in the future. Ongoing discussions with our builder and architect continue. We pray to be open minded regarding all options.
- We have no other agenda and there has been no internal conflict or secret decisions made within the Parish Council.
- We really, really (really) appreciate the support of parish members. We want to listen and share information as best as we can. Most of the time one piece of information comes with at least five questions and thus not suitable for mass distribution.
- Although it seems like an eternity, the information and our tasks are relatively new to us. We have been working with this for a relatively short time period. We are learning how to proceed.
- We are part of this parish. We pray that we can serve our parish with confidence and trust as we remember and honor the past, live today and look to the future.

Updates posted on Parish Website:

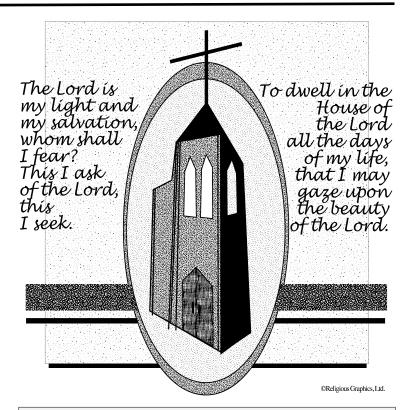
- Time Line Brochure (please read)
- Forensic Report (please read)
- Video of 10:30 a.m. presentation PENDING
- Video of parish council update at the Spanish Mass PENDING
- Timothy Johnston will be back Sunday, Jan. 22 to do his presentation after the Spanish Mass. Spread the word.

(Presentation to be videotaped and posted online in Spanish)

- If you want copies of these, please contact the parish office.

What's happening:

- Contacting Liturgical Design Consultants regarding the interview process.
- Working with Architect regarding code issues of restoration option.
- Contacting Diocese Communications director regarding presentations.
- Confirming meeting with insurance representative.
- Receiving and reviewing reactions from our Church Community.
- The list changes daily.....



ONE IN FAITH COMMUNITY MASS SCHEDULE JAN. 23-29, 2017

MELROSE—Church of St. Mary

SMS (St. Mary's Gym)

Monday, 6:30 p.m. Misa en Español (SMS)

Tuesday, 7:30 a.m. ††Richard & Marie Winning (SMS)

Wednesday, 7:30 a.m. †Clara Rahn (SMS) Thursday, 7:30 a.m. †Alcuin Gangl (SMS)

Friday, 8:30 a.m. †Barbara Igers /All School (SMS)

Saturday, 5:00 p.m. For the People (SMS) †Ron Kettler (SMS)

Sunday, 9:00 a.m.
Sunday, 10:30 a.m.
Sunday, 12:30 p.m.

†Orville Rieland / Pine Villa
†Lorraine Kraker (SMS)
Misa en Español (SMS)

GREENWALD—Church of St. Andrew

Thursday, 11 a.m. ††Leon and Anne Slominski

Sunday, 10 a.m. †Cyril Schwieters

MEIRE GROVE—Church of St. John

Wednesday, 8 a.m. †Bertha Bueckers/Adoration after Mass

Sunday, 8 a.m. †Mary Monroe

SPRING HILL—Church of St. Michael

Tuesday, 8 a.m. †Arnold Stang Saturday, 8 p.m. †Chris Welle

All St. Mary's Masses are celebrated at St. Mary's School Gym.

All are welcome!

CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE

Died in the Hope of Resurrection - Barbara Igers, 80. Marie Welz, 97. Kindly remember them in your prayers.

Liturgy

Parish Choir rehearses Wednesday evening at 5 p.m. in the St. Mary's School music room.

Musicians for the weekend of Jan. 28/29

5 p.m. - Catholic Schools Mass; 8 a.m. - Cantor; 10:30 a.m. - Cantor

Servers Schedule

5 p.m. - Jackson Seanger, Sam Wehlage; 8 a.m. - Evan Wiechmann, Daniel Kapsner; 10:30 a.m. - Josh Klaphake, Dominic Stommes Weekday's, Jan. 24 - 26 - Alexis Baumann, Ria Nelson

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

Sponsors this week: Cornerstone, Kraemer Lumber Co. Inc.

- 01/15 Jon & Jodi Maus, Melrose—\$25
- 01/16 Gary & Sandy Toenyan, Melrose—\$25
- 01/17 Jeff Wessel, Melrose—\$25
- 01/18 Elmer Sinderman, Melrose —\$25
- 01/19 Dave & Cindy Hemmesch, Melrose—\$25
- 01/20 Bill Hinnenkamp, Melrose—\$25
- 01/21 Allen & Kiersten Wimmer, Melrose —\$25

Thank you to all who supported our Calendar Raffle.

1,440 calendars were sold.

Faith Formation - St. Mary's

Grades 1-6 meet Wednesday, Jan. 25 as scheduled—after school

YOUnite is this Wednesday, Jan. 25 from 7-9 p.m. at St. Mary's School for grades 7-12 of our entire cluster. Join us for a night discovering "What is Love?" with various discussions about what it means to love as Jesus did. Fun and games (and food!) also in store!

NO Children's Liturgy of the Word during the 10:30 Mass next Sunday, Jan. 29 due to our Catholic Schools Week celebrations.

Our next Youth Mass will be held in Meire Grove on Wednesday, Feb. 1. All students wishing to sing with Don Brang please come at 6 30 p.m. to practice. Mass is at 7:30 and the entire faith community is invited to attend.



Youth Ministry News

Grades 6-12 are invited to 5th Quarter on Friday, Jan. 27 from 8:30 - 11 p.m. at St. Mary's School Gym. Open gym,

food, music, and more. Free event, bring friends!

Registration forms for Castaway Retreat 2017 are available NOW! Grades 9-12 are encouraged to attend this great retreat in Detroit Lakes on March 31-April 2. Cost is \$145 and registration forms can be found at Faith Formation, Parish Center, parish website or on JAMM Youth Ministry Facebook page. Forms due by Feb. 8. Don't miss this awesome retreat! Contact Kristen for more info. Chaperones are needed for the senior high Castaway Retreat from March 31-April 2. Contact Kristen if you're interested!

The youth would like to thank the entire One In Faith community for all the items which were placed under the Giving Tree. The area food shelf wishes to extend a big thank you to everyone for the large dona-

We are in need of host families for the NET (National Evangelization Team) on March 18 & 19. Contact Ruth for info. 320-429-1460.

Mission Society quilting day has been changed to Wednesday, Jan. 25 at the Melrose Senior Center. Lunch provided. Contact Kitty Mueller at 256-3604 with questions. Please join us.

Stewardship Church of St. Mary

Regular Adult Offering	\$12,038.00	
Solemnity of Mary		
Initial Offering		
Total		
Additional Gifts Received		
Loose	807.02	
Children	31.81	
St. Cloud Visitor	51.00	
Sponsor a Child		
Total additional gifts received		
Total Regular Offering	\$12,100.00	
Budgeted Regular Offering		
Shortfall YTD (7/01/16-01/15/2017)		
Thank you to the Freeport State Bank for their generous dona-		

St. Mary's School News

tion of \$1,500.

Celebrate Catholic Schools Week: All are invited to the Family Fun Night, Friday, Jan. 27, 6:30 to 8:30 p.m. Children's

Mass: St. Mary's School Gym, Saturday, Jan. 28, 5 p.m. School Breakfast sponsored by the parents at the Melrose American Legion, Sunday, Jan. 29, 8:30 a.m. to12:30 p.m.

Purchase a Catholic United Financial Raffle Ticket for \$5 and win \$20,000. Tickets may be purchased from any school parent, at the school or at the parish office. All sales from this raffle stay with St. Mary's School. The prizes and expense for the raffle are paid for by Catholic United Financial.

Halos to the Freeport State Bank for the Christmas gift of \$1,500. Thanks to everyone who clips and collects Big G Boxtops for St. Mary's School. Our last Box Tops for Education December 2016 Payout was \$975.80. We continue to collect Country Hearth Proof of Purchase UPCs. The last payout to St. Mary's School was \$25. Please cut and save Coborn's Labels for Learning Points. To date we have collected 82,000 points. Our goal is to collect 222,501 points by June 30. This is one more point than we collected last year. All these labels can be dropped in the Sunday collection. Thank you!

ELEMENTARY SCHOOL PRINICIPAL

St. Mary's Catholic School is seeking a visionary principal to build faith formation and educational excellence for our school. The principal oversees administration of all aspects of the elementary school ministry in grades pre-K through 6, providing faith and educational leadership in the Roman Catholic tradition to the school community. Experience in elementary education and a master's degree preferred. For a complete job posting or to submit resume. including educational background, past employment and references, please email stmarys@stmarysofmelrose.com or send to Father Marvin Enneking, Human Resources, Church of St. Mary, 402 2nd St. SE, Melrose, MN 56362.

Save the date for St. Mary's Catholic School 15h Annual Auction 4 Education - Saturday, March 4, Melrose American Legion. 4:30 to 8 p.m. Dinner; 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. Silent Auction; 7:45 p.m. "Bag of Cash" Drawing; 8 p.m. Live Auction starts.

SMS\$ St. Mary's School sells local and national cash cards at face value and the vendor/retailer donates a percentage of the sale back to our school. Stop by the school office or call 256-4257 with questions. We would love your support!

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW GREENWALD

Stewardship Church of St. Andrew Total \$2,443.00 Reg. Adult Offering 1,245.00 Loose 42.00 Children 6.00 Votives/Candles 10.00 School Support 140.00 Solemnity of Mary 150.00 Christmas 850.00

Liturgical Ministries – Sunday, Jan. 29, 10 a.m. – (S) Megan Frieler, Savannah Finken; (L)(U)(GB) SJ-SA students; (EM) (b) Kris Winter.

St. John's-St. Andrew's School News
St. John's-St. Andrew's Steak and Wine
Dinner and Auction is Saturday, Feb.
18 at the Greenwald Pub. Tickets are \$25 and
are available at the Greenwald Pub, QPC,
Extra Innings-Spring Hill, Freeport State
Bank-Greenwald Branch and SJSA school
office. Come and join us for an evening of
delicious food, fellowship and a super fun
live auction!

Auction items – if you have an item or service you'd like to donate for Steak and Wine, please call the school office at 987-3133. SJSA was blessed with a \$1,500 Christmas gift from Freeport State Bank and a \$500 Christmas gift from the Greenwald Rec Club. Thank you both for supporting our Catholic School!

SJSA Students and families are selling Catholic United Financial raffle tickets for \$5 each. All proceeds go directly to St. John's-St. Andrew's Catholic School. Raffle ticket prizes include a 2017 Jeep Compass or \$20,000 cash! Raffle tickets are also available in the school office.

SJSA will celebrate the start of Catholic School's Week with a Kick-Off Mass on Sunday, Jan. 29 at 10 a.m. at St. Andrew's Church in Greenwald.

Congratulations to sixth grader Lauren Dehmer, who will represent St. John's-St. Andrew's in the Melrose District Spelling Bee on Jan. 24.

St. John's-St. Andrew's students participated in the Zaner-Bloser National Handwriting Contest. Grade level winners were: Jada Worms-Kindergarten, Laina Young-1st grade, Isaiah Gilk-2nd grade, Ryan Notch-3rd grade, Miranda Meyer-4th grade, Alexa Toenyan-5th grade and Lauren Dehmer-6th grade. All grade-level winners have now advanced to the National Contest which will announce winners in April.

CHURCH OF ST. JOHN MEIRE GROVE

Stewardship Church of St. John		
Total	\$2,555.25	
Reg. Adult Offering	769.00	
Loose	138.50	
Children	1.50	
Votives	63.00	
Fuel Fund	105.00	
Church Rental	125.00	
Crib Money	3.25	
Stole Fee		
Christmas	1.050.00	

Liturgical Ministries – Sunday, Jan. 29, 8 a.m. – (S) John Brang, Cahil Haskamp; (L) Missy Illies; (U) Herb Imdieke, Jerry Imdieke; (GB) Jeff and Tammy Klaphake; (EM) (b) Jim Leukam.

St. John's Parish Council meets Tuesday, Jan. 24 at 7:30 p.m. The Finance Committee meets at 7 p.m.

Thank you to the Freeport State Bank for their generous donation of \$750 each to the Churches of St. Andrew, St. John and St. Michael for their Christmas collections.

Save the Date: Sunday, April 9, 2017 (Palm Sunday). St. John's Annual Spring Supper, serving baked chicken, dressing, real mashed potatoes, homemade pies and all the trimmings.

YOU ARE INVITED

Melrose Lions Breakfast, Jan. 22, serving 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at the St. John's, Meire Grove church basement.

22nd Annual Sacred Heart School Freeport, Prime & Wine Dinner & Auction, Saturday, Jan. 28, starting at 4:30 p.m. Visit www.shsfreeport.org for more info.

St. Mary's School, Melrose - pancake and sausage breakfast, Sunday, Jan. 29, at the Melrose American Legion. Serving 8:30 a.m.-12:30 p.m. Adults \$8; children 6-12 \$4 and under 5 free.

St. Andrew's CUF Ham & Egg Breakfast, Feb. 12, 8:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m., Greenwald Pub, Greenwald. Also serving sweet rolls and fried potatoes.

St. John's-St. Andrew's School Steak & Wine Dinner & Auction, Saturday, Feb. 18, Greenwald Pub.

St. Mary's School 15th Annual Dinner & Auction, Saturday, March 4, 4:30-11:30 p.m., Melrose American Legion.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL SPRING HILL

Stewardship Church of St. Michael	
Total	\$1,393.00
Reg. Adult Offering	492.00
Loose	15.00
Votives	65.00
Donations	15.00
Fuel Fund	52.00
Crib Money	4.00
Christmas	750.00

Liturgical Ministries – Saturday, Jan. 28, 8 p.m. – (S) Travis Bertram, Samantha Lieser; (L) Ralph Klassen; (U) Roger Meyer, Harvey Neubauer; (EM) (b) Gary P. Lieser; (RL) Kathleen Meyer; (CC) Stan Heinen, Melvin Kalthoff; (HK) Kathy (Ron) Welle, Terri Winter, Lisa Wuertz.

St. Michael's Catholic United Financial will be serving coffee and cookies after Mass on Saturday, Jan. 14 in the church basement. Everyone is invited.

St. Michael's Catholic United Financial will be having a meeting on Sunday, Jan.15 at 7:30 in the church basement. All members are invited.

St. Michael's Men's Society annual meeting, Jan. 29, 8 p.m. in the church basement.

Honoring Marriage Day

will be celebrated at St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Cloud on Saturday, May 6 at 1 p.m. for couples celebrating 5, 25, 40, 50 and 60 year anniversaries in 2017. Couples fitting this criterion please call Jean at the parish office at 320-256-4207 by January 27...

The Marriage Preparation Course for the Sauk Centre/Melrose Deaneries will be March 11 and 12 at Holy Family School cafeteria in Sauk Centre. Please use center door on the south side. Sessions begin on Saturday at 8 a.m. and continue throughout the day until 5 p.m. (Saturday sessions includes Mass). Classes resume on Sunday at 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. All sessions must be attended in order to receive the certificate. Cost of the course is \$175 per couple, payable to St. Paul's Church. This can be sent in with the registration information. Pre-registration is required. To register mail in the following information: Name and address of each individual (include phone numbers and email addresses; date of birth; religion; occupation; and years of education. Mail to: St. Paul's Church Office, 304 Sinclair Lewis Ave., Sauk Centre, MN 56378. The couple will receive a detailed schedule prior to the marriage course.



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