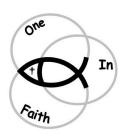
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St. Mary - Melrose, Sacred Heart - Freeport **Immaculate Conception - New Munich** St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa, St. Michael - Spring Hill St. Andrew - Greenwald, St. John - Meire Grove



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Fifth Sunday of Easter May 2, 2021

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GR/MG/SH



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Friday 9:00 am - 12:00 pm

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New Parishioners

Please contact the respective parish office to register.

Leaving Our Parish?

If you are leaving our parishes, please call the respective parish office so we can update our census.

Bulletin Announcement Deadline Tuesday before 9:00 am

Email announcements to:

bulletin@catholic-centered.org

Confession Times

By appointment only. Call the respective parish office.

Marriage

Couples are to begin preparation 6-12 months in advance and must call Deacon Ernie before setting a date. Diocesan Marriage Preparation Classes are required.

Baptism

St. Mary, St. Michael, St. Andrew, St. John: Call Deacon Ernie.

Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, St. Rose of Lima: Call Freeport Office.

RCIA

Call Deacon Ernie if you are interested in the RCIA program.

Deacon Ernie Kociemba 320-248-5124 Email: kociemba@meltel.net

ACC Mass Schedule/Intention ~ May 3 - 9

St. Mary - Melrose

Mo 6:30 pm Misa en Español ††Alfonso y Gabino Ramírez

††Leander & Julianna Kettler Tu 7:30 am

We 7:30 am †Eric Merger

††Tom & Jamie Seanger 7:30 am †Ronald Thieschafer 8:30 am Fr †Jerome Butkowski 5:00 pm

For the People *Su 10:00 am †††Donald, Jeanette, &

James Mayers Su 12:30 pm Misa en Español

†Angelica Hernandez

SACRED HEART - Freeport

We 8:15 am ††Henry & Adella Blommel 8:15 am †††Lawrence, Laura & Lori Scherping Su 8:00 am ††Ann & Roman Zwack

IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - New Munich

Th 8:15 am †Beatrice Funk Sa 4:00 pm †Virgil Boecker

St. Rose of Lima - St. Rosa

Tu 8:15 am †Greg Hartung Su 10:00 am For the People

St. Michael - Spring Hill

Tu 8:00 am †Jerome Terres Su 10:00 am †Mary Ann Schulzetenberg

St. Andrew - Greenwald

Th 8:00 am †Deceased Relatives of David & Marilyn Welle

8:00 pm †††Mark, Tony & Darlene Kulzer

St. John - Meire Grove

We 8:00 am †††Mae, Lawrence & John Wiechmann

8:00 am †Clara Frieler





Adoration

Sacred Heart - Freeport - Fridays from 9:00 am - 2:00 pm

*Mass will be livestreamed. Visit <u>oneinfaith.org</u> for the

YouTube link.



CHURCH OF ST. MARY - MELROSE (M)

Physical Address: 755 Kraft Drive SE; Melrose, MN 56352

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$8,685.57
Regular Adult Offering	4,767.00
Loose	1,013.00
Child Envelopes	3.00
New Church (actual funds)	2,146.00
Rectory	0.00
Blinds	25.00
Votive Candles	112.00
Support a Child	25.00
Improvement Fund	110.00
Home Mission	141.00
Easter	310.00
Rice Bowl	8.57
Cemetery Clean Up	25.00
St. Mary's School Endowment	\$0.00
Rectory Fund Collected to Date	\$41,075.00 \$2,575.00

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle

Sponsor this week: Melrose Main Street Repair & Kraemer Lumber Co. Inc.

04-25 \$25 Elmer & Virginia Meyer - Melrose
04-26 \$25 Andy & Paula Rademacher - Melrose
04-27 \$25 Josh Thieschafer - Melrose

04-28 \$25 Karen Klaphake - Melrose 04-29 \$25 Doug & Amy Kloth - Melrose

04-30 \$25 Jeron & Amanda Hellermann - Melrose 05-01 \$25 Debbie Kraus - Melrose



Died in the hope of Resurrection:

Jean Louise Hellermann, 71 Brian "BT" Toenyan, 48

Thank You to all that have contributed to the blinds. The total cost of the project is \$10,412. We have collected \$2,575 to date. If you wish to donate, please mark your envelope "blinds." Thank you!



CHURCH OF THE SACRED HEART - FREEPORT (FR)

Physical Address: 106 3rd Avenue NE; Freeport, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2191

Weekly Stewardship					
Adult Envelopes	\$2,629.62	Other Donations			
Easter	100.00	School Support	\$90.00		
Plate	801.00	Votive	65.56		
Total Weekly Contributions \$3,530.62		Central MN Catholic Magazine	25.00		
•		Basement	10,100.00		
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$5,399.00	Catholic Home Missions	10.00		
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(1,868.38)	.38) **Total year budget is spread equally over			
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$(9,056,91)	.91) 52 weeks, including Holy Days			

Ministry Volunteers Needed: Sacred Heart Parish is in need of Rosary Leaders, Ushers, and Sacristans for our weekend Masses.

Please prayerfully consider signing up to assist with one or more of

these ministries. If you are interested in assisting with these or any

Church Basement Update: Drop ceiling is complete. Flooring

installation has begun. Thank you to all who have contributed to this

other ministry in our parish, please contact the Freeport Office.

project. Please prayerfully consider contributing to this project.

Parish Events

Fr 05/07 9:00 am Adoration Fr 05/14 9:00 am Adoration



Community Garden...If you are interested in reserving rows in the community garden, please call the Freeport Office at 320-836-2143.

Each row is spaced 5 feet apart and will be

assigned on a first call basis.

Vacation Bible School will be held in June. Volunteers are needed. See One in Faith ACC News section for more details.

Freeport Christian Women will hold their annual meeting on Sunday, May 16 immediately following the 8:00 am Mass. The meeting will be held at the Freeport Senior Center. A light brunch will be served. The Christian Women welcome new members. If you are interested in joining or have any questions, please contact Brenda Goebel at 320-836-2650 or Marlene Blommel at 320-836-2948.

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CHURCH OF THE IMMACULATE CONCEPTION - NEW MUNICH (NM)

Physical Address: 650 Main Street; New Munich, MN 56356 Church Basement 320-837-5217

	Weekly Sto	<u>ewardship</u>
Adult Envelopes Plate Total Weekly Contributions		Other Donations Catholic Home Missions
Amount Needed for Budget** This Week's Surplus/(Deficit) Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$3,404.00 (1,298.34) \$(23,236.20)	**Total year budget is spread equally over 52 weeks, including Holy Days

Ministry Volunteers Needed: Immaculate Conception Parish is in need of Servers, Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Lectors, and Sacristans for our weekend Masses. Please prayerfully consider signing up to assist with one or more of these ministries. If you are interested in assisting with these or any other ministry in our parish, please contact the Freeport Office.

Parish Events

Sa 05/08 3:30 pm Individual Confession Sa 05/15 3:30 pm Individual Confession Sa 05/15 5:00 pm CUF Fellowship

Baptized in Christ....We welcome **Cash Alan Frieler**, the son of Christopher & Brittany Frieler, to our parish. Cash Alan was baptized on April 24.

Vacation Bible School will be held in June. Volunteers are needed. See One in Faith ACC News section for more details.



CHURCH OF ST. ROSE OF LIMA - ST. ROSA (SR)

Physical Address: 28905 County Road 17; St. Rosa, MN 56331 Church Basement 320-836-2537

We	ekly Ste	<u>wardship</u>	
Adult Envelopes	\$1,535.00	Other Donations	
Plate	149.00	Other Special Needs	\$100.00
Total Weekly Contributions \$1,684.00		Catholic Home Missions	5.00
		Central MN Catholic Magazine	25.00
Amount Needed for Budget**	\$1,995.00		
This Week's Surplus/(Deficit)	(311.00)	**Total year budget is spread equa	
Fiscal YTD Surplus/(Deficit)	\$27,171.63	52 weeks, including Holy Da	ys

Mother's Day Carnation Sale: St. Rose Christian Women will be having a Carnation Sale Mother's Day, May 9 after Mass. Proceeds will go to benefit the Melrose Area Food Shelf. Suggested donation \$2.



Parish Events

Su 05/02 11:00 am Baptism Fr 05/07 7:30 pm Rosary Fr 05/14 7:30 pm Rosary

Ministry Volunteers Needed: St. Rose of Lima Parish is in need of Servers, Extra Ordinary Eucharistic Ministers, Ushers, and Sacristans for our weekend Masses. Please prayerfully consider signing up to assist with one or more of these ministries. If you

are interested in assisting with these or any other ministry in our parish, please contact the Freeport Office.

Vacation Bible School will be held in June. Volunteers are needed. See One in Faith ACC News section for more details.

CHURCH OF ST. MICHAEL - SPRING HILL (SH)

Physical Address: 102 St. Michael Avenue N; Spring Hill, MN 56352 Church Basement 320-987-3405

Weekly Stewardship			
Total	\$735.00		
Regular Adult Offering	669.00		
Children	2.00		
Plate/Loose	0.00		
Fuel Fund	10.00		
Maintenance Fund	50.00		
Easter Flowers	4.00		

New Ministry Schedules are available in the back of church and on the One in Faith website. If you're interested in any of the ministries, please contact Fr. Marv or leave your name at the Greenwald Parish Office.

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 9 - 10:00 am

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE

(S) Celia Schoenberg, Gabby Schoenberg (L) Katherine Orbeck

(U) Jeff Lieser, Roger Meyer

(EU) (B) Darlene Schoenberg

(Sacristan) Ruth Heinen

(RL) Kathy Welle

(CC) Sandra Gruber, Kathy LeClaire

(HK-May 2 - 9) Irene Bertram, Jane Bertram, Sherry Bertram

Price Increase: As of 7-01-21 the price of a cemetery lot for a parishioner will go from \$100.00 per lot to \$200.00 per lot. Contact Pete LeClaire 987-3643.

CHURCH OF ST. ANDREW - GREENWALD (GW)

Physical Address: 211 W 2nd Avenue N; Greenwald, MN 56335 Church Basement 320-987-3160

Weekly Stewardship	
Total	\$1,337.50
Regular Adult Offering	1,140.00
Children	10.00
Plate/Loose	55.00
Votives	17.50
Maintenance Fund	20.00
Home Missions	95.00

<u>Liturgical Ministries Saturday, May 8 - 8:00 pm</u>

PLEASE NOTE TIME CHANGE

(S) Austin Kulzer, Isaac Kulzer (L) Julie Kulzer

(U) Bill Frieler, Duane Frieler (EU) (B) Dustin Gregory

(HK-May) * Linda Trisko, Sharon Schwieters, Margaret Silbernick, Amy Stueve, Sheri Thull, Kristen Pattinson

New Ministry Schedules are available in the back of church and on the One in Faith website. If you're interested in any of the ministries, please contact Fr. Marv or leave your name at the Greenwald Parish Office.



CHURCH OF ST. JOHN - MEIRE GROVE (MG)

Physical Address: 20 State Highway 4 S; Meire Grove, MN 56352 Church Basement 320-987-3631

<u>Weekly Stewardship</u>	
Total	\$1,759.75
Reg. Adult Offering.	1,330.00
Children	.25
Plate/Loose	83.00
Votives	71.50
Maintenance Fund	
Home Missions	200.00

New Ministry Schedules are available in the back of church and on the One in Faith website. If you're interested in any of the ministries, please contact Fr. Marv or leave your name at the Greenwald Parish Office.

Liturgical Ministries Sunday, May 9 - 8:00 am

- (S) Tyler Nathe, Luke Funk
- (L) Karen Meyer
- (U) Ray Primus, Dennis Schmiesing
- (EU) (B) Daryl Zenzen, Nick Kelzer

(HK-May) *Janice Funk, Abby Zenzen, Ann Brang, Kathy Illies, Darlene Imdieke, Joni Imdieke

May is the month of the Virgin Mary. We will be praying the rosary each Wednesday evening at 7:30 pm by the outdoor grotto in Meire Grove, beginning on May 5 and ending on May 26. All parishes are welcome to join us. You do not have to bring a chair. We will furnish them for you. In case of inclement weather, we will be praying it inside the church. Hope to see you there!

HISPANIC MINISTRY

Él ha resucitado. La muerte no pudo retenerlo. Regocíjate en la resurrección de Jesucristo.



Las formas de registro para la Primera comunión y la confirmación pueden ser encontradas en la oficina de la parroquia de lunes a viernes de 7:00 am - 3:00 pm. O en el sitio de internet www.oneinfaith.org.



Oración por nuestro nuevo obispo El obispo Donald Kettler cumplió 75 años en noviembre pasado y, según la tradición, presentó su solicitud de jubilación. El Papa Francisco nombrará un obispo sustituto, que puede llevar algún tiempo. Oramos por el obispo Kettler, por su reemplazo y por todos los involucrados en el proceso de selección.

Padre Celestial, enviaste a Jesús para pastorear a Tu pueblo y al Espíritu Santo para hacer de Tu pueblo uno. Mire con favor a aquellos que seleccionarán a nuestro nuevo obispo. Dales Tu visión y deja que su juicio sea claro. Diles tu voluntad. Te agradecemos por nuestros pastores pasados y las bendiciones que han sido para la gente de esta diócesis. Señor, envía tu Espíritu Santo para ungir a nuestro nuevo obispo para que pueda continuar la obra de renovación en la Iglesia y unir a nuestras parroquias, sacerdotes y personas en el amor, la verdad y la sabiduría. Dale un verdadero corazón de pastor como el de Jesús, para que pueda dar fuerza a los débiles, sanar a los quebrantados de corazón, consolar a los solitarios, traer de vuelta a los vagabundos y ser un poder contra la maldad de nuestros días. Te lo pedimos en el poderoso nombre de Jesús. Amén

El rosario en español se rezara los jueves a las 6:30 pm. Después del rosario tendremos la comunidad de Oración Santa María, dirigida por el Señor Oscar Nolasco. ¡Todos son bien venidos!

Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. (GMG) desea recordar a los propietarios o inquilinos de viviendas residenciales el Programa de Asistencia Energética (EAP). Este programa financiado con fondos federales ayuda a pagar los costos de calefacción del hogar para los clientes que califican por ingresos. Comuníquese con su proveedor de servicios EAP local para presentar una solicitud. Para obtener ayuda para encontrar su proveedor de EAP local, llámenos al 888-931-3411. Las solicitudes deben recibirse o enviarse antes del 31 de mayo de 2021 para que se procesen para los beneficios del año del programa 2020-2021. Puede encontrar más información en línea en el sitio web del Departamento de Comercio de Minnesota en https://mn.gov/commerce/



¿Están buscando un fin de semana perfecto? ¿Un fin de semana para acercarse más? ¿Quieren aprender una técnica de comunicación que le permita a cada pareja explorar áreas importantes de su relación en un espíritu de amor y comprensión? Un fin de semana del Encuentro Matrimonial Mundial es exactamente lo que buscan. Se pueden escapar de

las distracciones de la vida cotidiana y concentrarse en su matrimonio. Los proximos fines de semana son Oct 8-10, 2021 in Buffalo, MN. Para aplicar visite http://ncmarriagediscovery.org/faqs-es.php o para más información pónganse en contacto con Diego y Claudia Gonzalez: 704-698-1010 o Claudiagg@ymail.com.

Sacred Heart School

Calendar Raffle Winners

Diane Herkenhoff - St. Rose

Jay Wegleitner - Freeport

Tina Heidgerken - Melrose

Brandon Cruz - Albany

Troy & Jenn Tomford - Grey Eagle

Dr. James Williams - Sauk Centre

Kathy VonWahlde - Sauk Centre

\$25

04-26 \$25

04-27 \$25

04-28 \$25

04-29 \$25

04-30 \$25

05-01 \$25

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS NEWS



PASTOR: Fr. Dan Walz PRINCIPAL: Kristie Harren ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kathy Welle SHS BOARD: Amy Wilwerding, Emily Smith, Rick Goebel, Jamie Engelmeyer, Tamara Welle, Lisa Moscho Phone: 320-836-2591 Fax: 320-836-2514 www.shsfreeport.org

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♥ Wednesday, May 5 - School	Liturgy	WIII	be	pianned	ру	IVITS.	Benson	ana	ιne
5th grade students.									

▼ Kindergarten for 1/2 day will be on Wednesday, May 5 from 9:00 am - 12:00 pm at
Sacred Heart School. Students registered to attend Kindergarten in the 2021-2022 school
year have been invited to spend a half day in the Kindergarten room to experience what
school will be like for them next year.

- ▼ Move up Day for students in K-5 at Sacred Heart School will also be on Wednesday, May 5. After Mass the students will "Move Up" and spend the morning in the classrooms they will be in for the upcoming school year.
- ▼ Field Trip/Tour of Camp Ripley. In cooperation with the Melrose American Legion, a Field Trip/Tour of Camp Ripley near Little Falls has been arranged for Sacred Heart School 5th & 6th grade students on Friday May 7. We appreciate this opportunity being provided for our students.



PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking PRINCIPAL: Autumn Nelson ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Jenn Ellering Phone: 320-256-4257 www.smsmelrosemn.org

- Congratulations to the 2nd graders who made their First Holy Communion this Sunday: Courtney Ellering, Callan Rademacher, Ari Rahn, and Camila Carrillo.
- During the Season of Lent, the school children collected \$821.74 which was shared with the Melrose Food Shelf, Fr. Schwieters, Fr. Ohmann, and Simply Love International.
- Thank you to Melrose Bowl for allowing all of our students to experience the sport of bowling during the month of May.
- Halos to Melrose Lions Club for their donation of \$2,550 to purchase an interactive flat panel.
- Save the Date! Bishop Donald Kettler will be at St. Mary's School on Friday, May 14 to celebrate with the school at 8:30 am Mass. All are welcome.

PASTOR: Fr. Marvin Enneking PRINCIPAL: Mary Miller ADMINISTRATIVE ASSISTANT: Kristen Pattinson SJSA BOARD: Janice Funk, Kurt Meyer, Jeron Nathe, Bridget Kasper, Kathy Gilk, Amy Frieler, Kristi Zimmer Phone: 320-987-3133 www.sjsaschool.org

* Thank you to the Green Grove Rod & Gun Club for their generosity in sponsoring a field trip for the SJSA students and staff to Prairie Woods Environmental Learning Center on April 26. The rain stayed away and we had a beautiful day of exploring ponds, learning about mammals and insects, seeing waterfowl, hiking, fat tire biking and enjoying the prairies and ponds of Central Minnesota.

- * SJSA 3rd-6th graders held an in-house speech festival on Friday, April 30 for their parents, SJSA staff, and students. Due to COVID restrictions, the Area Catholic Schools Speech Festival was not held this year.
- * Mass with Bishop Kettler... Bishop Kettler will celebrate Mass with the SJSA students on Thursday, May 6 at 8:00 am at St. Andrew's Church. All are welcome.
- * May Days SJSA Student Council has planned "May Days" for the week of May 3-7. The week has themed dress-up days and a variety of fun activities.
- * Aluminum Can Recycling SJSA received a check for \$150 for aluminum can recycling. Thank you to all who recycle with SJSA! The recycling can trailer is in the south parking lot of St. John's Church in Meire Grove.



FAITH FORMATION/ YOUTH MINISTRY

Freeport, New Munich, St. Rosa

• Faith Formation Registration: Registration packets were mailed out, please look for your registration packet in the mail. If you have not received your packet, contact the Freeport Office, 320-836-2143. Please turn in all registration forms and fees for 2021/2022 by May 12 to avoid an increase in costs. You can drop them off at the Freeport Office or mail to PO Box 155, Freeport.



ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS

Position Openings/Volunteers Needed...



♦ Hiring Part-Time Pre-School Teacher: Sacred Heart School is hiring a part-time Pre-School teacher for the upcoming school year (approximately 15-20 hours per week). Call the school office at 320-836-2591 for application information.

♦ St. John's - St. Andrew's Catholic School in

Greenwald has an opening for an energetic, faith-filled Preschool/ Kindergarten teacher for the 2021-2022 school year. This position is four days teaching Kindergarten and one day teaching preschool. Please send a letter of interest, resume, copy of MN teaching license, and 3 references to Mary Miller at sisamarym@gmail.com.

- ♦ Volunteers Needed for Vacation Bible School June 7-11 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport. Students entering grade 6 through adults are invited to prayerfully consider joining us for an amazing start to your summer! Registration forms are available on the bulletin boards at Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima churches, as well as at http://www.sacredheartfreeport.org/UpcomingEvents.html. Deadline to sign up in Friday, May 14.
- ♦ Parish Ministries There are many opportunities for parish members to serve their parish community. Contact the parish office to find out how you can help or to sign up.

Bishop's Annual Appeal Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the appeal. As of April 19, the Appeal raised \$936,413 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 6,322 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.

Exposition of Sacred Relics Treasures of the Church



Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will present and teach on an extraordinary Vatican collection of over 150 relics, some as old as 2000 years. (Fr. Carlos has the "largest traveling display of (sacred) relics in the world.") Among the treasures will be relics of Sts. Peter and Paul, St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi,

St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a portion of the Veil of Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. Throughout history, many healings have been worked in the presence of relics; and many have come about through this ministry. Do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, metals, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members, which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. Check out the website for more information. https://treasuresofthechurch.com/. Please follow Covid guidelines, masks are mandatory. Fr. Carlos will be in Minnesota doing several expositions, 4 in the St. Cloud Diocese:

- Assumption Parish, Eden Valley, Wednesday, May 5 at 6:30 pm
- Sts. Peter & Paul, Gilman, Thursday, May 6 at 6:30 pm
- St. Mary's, Milaca, Saturday, May 8 at 1:00 pm
- St. Andrew's, Elk River, Sunday, May 9 at 3:00 pm

Emmaus Institute...As Catholics, we have the greatest story to tell - the story of Jesus Christ. Our parishes, now more than ever, need well-formed leaders to help tell the story. Do you feel called to be a witness in your parish or community? The Emmaus Institute invites you to develop your faith with others seeking the same goal. For more information, visit www.stcdio.org/Emmaus-Institute or contact Kristi Bivens at 320-258-7642 or kbivens@gw.stcdio.org.



Vacation Bible School June 7-11 on the grounds of Sacred Heart Church in Freeport from 9:00-11:30 am. Send your children on a full steam ahead adventure! This summer's theme is Rocky Railway. Children will discover that through life's ups and downs, "Jesus' Power Pulls Us Through." Rocky Railway is filled with Bible stories, music, games, and

other fun ways to learn that God is with you every day, no matter what. Registration forms are available on the Sacred Heart, Immaculate Conception, and St. Rose of Lima bulletin boards, as well as at http://www.sacredheartfreeport.org/UpcomingEvents.html. Deadline to sign up in Friday, May 14. Covid guidelines will be followed. Don't miss the best week of the summer!

Loot for Learning Do you have a gift for Mother's Day yet? Are you taking mom out to Charlie's or buying her a flowering basket or other special items to make her day? Before you head out to make that purchase, stop by Décor and More in Freeport or Sacred Heart School to purchase a gift certificate or prepaid gift card to make the purchase. When you do this Sacred Heart School benefits 1%, 5% or even 15% of your purchase. What a great way to support Sacred Heart School without it costing you any more than you would have spent anyway!

Retreats at Christ the King Retreat Center in Buffalo are held throughout the year. Enhance your faith life with one of the retreats below. For more information or to register, please call 763-682-1394 or visit www.kingshouse.com.

- •Women's Silent Retreat, May 14-16
- •Hope Day (Dealing with Loss), May 20
- •Women's Silent Retreat, May 24-27

Save The Date: October 23, 2021 *Diocesan Ministry Day 2021* One Body: Gathered, Nourished, Sent. We've got Spirit! Yes, we do! We've got Spirit. How about you? This year, Diocesan Ministry Day will be a rousing celebration of all that we are as a diocese. This rally -themed day, to be held at Saint John's Abbey and University, will honor the gifts of each of our parishes and ACCs. Save the date to come and cheer on the whole diocese and be filled with the love of community and the spiritual gifts of our faith. All are welcome to attend this event. Stay tuned for more details.



The Legion Auxiliary of Melrose will be distributing poppies in Melrose and Freeport on May 14 and 15. All donations are donated to our Veterans.

Greater Minnesota Gas, Inc. (GMG) would like to remind residential homeowners or renters of the Energy Assistance Program (EAP). This federally funded program helps pay for home heating costs for income qualifying customers. Please contact your local EAP service provider to apply. For help finding your local EAP provider, call us at 888-931-3411. Applications must be received or postmarked by May 31, 2021 to be processed for benefits for the 2020-2021 program year. You can find more information online at the Minnesota Department of Commerce website at https://mn.gov/commerce/.

Natural Family Planning: Good for the Body, Great for the Soul! Learn about the benefits of Natural Family Planning (NFP) as you plan your family in harmony with nature and God's plan for marriage. NFP is effective, natural, and healthy! A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation

Method will be offered in Sauk Centre on Monday,

May 17 at 6:30 pm at CentraCare Health – Sauk Centre Hospital. For more information, or to register, contact Jill and Isaac Uphus at uphus.nfp@gmail.com or 320-290-8751. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. *Note: Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up!

ONE IN FAITH AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY NEWS (CONTINUED)

House Blessings Call the Freeport Office if you are interested in having your house blessed by Fr. Dan.

Praver for Our New Bishop....Bishop Donald Kettler turned 75 in November 2019, and according to tradition, submitted his request for retirement. A replacement bishop will be appointed by Pope Francis and may take some time. We pray for Bishop Kettler, for his replacement, and for all involved in the selection process.



Heavenly Father, You sent Jesus to shepherd Your people and the Holy Spirit to make Your people one. Look with favor upon those who will select our new bishop. Give them Your vision and let their judgment be clear. Speak Your will to them. We thank You for our past shepherds and the blessings they have been for the people of this diocese. Lord, send Your

Holy Spirit to anoint our new bishop that he may continue the work of renewal in the Church, and unite our parishes, priests, and people in love, truth, and wisdom. Give him a true shepherd's heart like that of Jesus, that he may give strength to the weak, heal the broken hearted, console the lonely, bring back the wandering, and be a power against the evil of our day. In the powerful name of Jesus we pray. Amen

HAPPENINGS AROUND THE AREA

Look for more information about these and other events in Central Minnesota Catholic Magazine or Local Paper

May 1 - 10, Saturday - Monday

◆Rocori Senior Center 2021 Online Quilt Auction. Bidding starts May 1 at 6:00 pm and ends on May 10 at 7:00 pm. 20 Beautiful quilts all hand quilted. Minimum bid is \$250. Bidding increments of \$25 per bid. Cash or check Local pick up only. Auction link: 32auctions.com/rocoriseniorcenter

May 2, Sunday

- ◆St. Francis Catholic United Financial is sponsoring our annual Matching Grant Breakfast. Serving from 9:00 am - 12:30 pm. Menu consists of sausage from Paul and Kathy's Supermarket in Upsala, pancakes, scrambled eggs, hash browns, and sweet rolls from Albany Home Bakery. A free will offering is being taken. Because of COVID restrictions this year, we will only be doing take outs. St. Francis is located 15 miles north of Albany on State Highway 238.
- ◆The Knights of Columbus will be serving a take-out breakfast in Heritage Hall of the Church of Saint Joseph in St. Joseph, MN. The robust menu, including pancakes, eggs, caramel rolls, sausage, fruit, hash browns and more, will be available from 8:30 am - 12:00 pm. Cost is \$10 per adult, \$4.00 ages 6-12 and 5 and under eat free.

May 5, Wednesday

- ◆Feet First Clinic will be held monthly. New appointments call 320-836-2450. Masks are required.
- ◆Blood Drive at the American Legion in Melrose. 12:30 6:30 pm. Call Sally at 320-291-2994 or please visit RedCrossBlood.org enter Sponsor Code: Melrose.
- ♦ Month of the Virgin Mary. We will be praying the rosary each Wednesday evening during the month of May at 7:30 pm by the outdoor grotto in Meire Grove. All parishes are welcome to join us. You do not have to bring a chair. We will furnish them for you. In case of inclement weather, we will be praying it inside the church. Hope to see you there!

May 20, Thursday

◆Freeport Senior Citizens meeting at 1:30 pm at the Freeport Senior Center. All area seniors welcome. 500 and bingo played.

May 22, Saturday

◆Plant Exchange Community Event Open to the public from 9:00 - 11:00 am. At the Sauk River Park. Bring your extra outdoor perennials and take home new plants. Indoor plants and annuals welcome too. Please identify your plants with a label. Sponsored by Melrose Senior Center.



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Public Rosary will be prayed weekly. We have many intentions to pray for and much to be thankful for. All are invited and welcome!

- Tuesday at 7:00 am in English in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesday at 1:00 pm in English in the church in Melrose.
- Wednesday at 7:30 pm in English at the outdoor grotto in Meire Grove.
- •Thursday at 7:00 am in English in the church in Melrose.
- •Thursday at 6:30 pm in Spanish in the church in Melrose.
- •Friday at 7:30 pm in English at church in St. Rosa.

The Scriptures This Week

Year B, Weekdays - Cycle I

Mo	1 Cor 15:1-8	Jn 14:6-14
Tu	Acts 14:19-28	Jn 14:27-31a
We	Acts 15:1-6	Jn 15:1-8
Th	Acts 15:7-21	Jn 15:9-11
Fr	Acts 15:22-31	Jn 15:12-17
Sa	Acts 16:1-10	Jn 15:18-21
Next	Sunday	

Acts 10:25-26,34-35,44-48 1 Jn 4:7-10 Jn 15:9-17

Prayer <u>Requests...</u>

Please call the parish office to be added to this list.

May They Rest in Peace:

†Jean Louise Hellermann,†Brian "BT" Toenyan

Banns of Matrimony:

I Michaela Worms♥Austen Storms, 5-22 GW II Brittany Madelko♥Bradley Welle, 5-15 SH

For the Sick:

Rosemary Zierden, Janice Derichs, Leanard Frieze, LeRoy Wolbeck, Walter & Laura Beuning

Contact Persons for Prayer Line Requests:

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