

March 10, 2019
FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT

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Holy Redeemer Church

503 W. Lyon St.
Marshall, MN
56258
507-532-5711

Masses:

- 7:00 a.m. Tues.-F.
- 5:00 p.m. Sat.
- 8 & 10 a.m. Sun.
- 12:30 p.m. Spanish
- 6:00 p.m. Sun.

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Confessions:

- 9 a.m. & 4 p.m.
Saturdays



St. Mary's Church

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Masses:

- 8:30 a.m. Wed.
- 8:30 a.m. Fri.
- 10:30 a.m. Sun.

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Confessions:

- 2:00 p.m.
2nd & 4th Sat. of the
Month

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- 8:30 a.m. Mon.
- 8:30 a.m. Sun.
- 8:30 a.m. 1st Sat.

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Confessions:

- 8:00 a.m. Sun.

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St. Paul's Church
P.O. Box 236
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56180

Masses:

- 8:30 a.m. Thurs.
At Country View
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UP COMING AT OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE AREA FAITH COMMUNITY:

Sun. Mar. 10	FIRST SUNDAY OF LENT	
	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Confessions at St. Michael's in Milroy</u>
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy +Margaret Gilb
		2ND COLLECTIONS – BLACK AND INDIAN MISSIONS-MILROY & TRACY
	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>	<u>CCW Rosary at St. Mary's in Tracy</u>
	10:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy +Wayne Steffes
Mon. Mar. 11	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy +Kevin Redding Spirit Day at St. Mary's School
	6:00 p.m.	Catholic Daughter Meeting in Carla Hall at Holy Redeemer after Mass
Tues. Mar. 12		Healing & Deliverance Prayer Day at St. Michael's in Milroy
	1:30 p.m.	Mission Group meets in St. Mary's Church Hall in Tracy
Wed. Mar. 13	8:30 a.m.	School Mass, Gr. 3rd/4th, at St. Mary's in Tracy +Weisbrich Family <u>St. Michael's Religious Education in Milroy</u>
	6:00-7:00 p.m.	Gr. K-6
	7:15-8:30 p.m.	Gr. 7-12
		<u>St. Mary's Religious Education in Tracy</u>
	6:30-7:30 pm.	Gr. K-12
Thurs. Mar. 14	8 – Noon	Adoration at St. Michael's in Milroy
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Country View in Walnut Grove +Janice Doubler
Fri. Mar. 15		NO SCHOOL – SPRING BREAK
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy +Jason Steffes
Sat. Mar. 16	<u>9:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Confessions at St. Michael's in Milroy</u>
Sun. Mar. 17	SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT	
	<u>8:00 a.m.</u>	<u>Confessions at St. Michael's in Milroy</u>
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy +John Schuh
	<u>10:00 a.m.</u>	<u>CCW Rosary at St. Mary's in Tracy</u>
	10:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy +Ernie Thooft

Baptisms: Contact Priest to set up a date.

Marriages: Contact Priest at least six months in advance of proposed wedding date.

Hospitalized or ill parishioners: Contact Priest.

New Ulm Diocese Catholic Charities: Counseling & Adoptions toll-free 1-866-670-5163

Pray for safety for all those serving in the military from our families and from our communities especially: Aaron Moudry, Samantha & Lucas Karnes, Troy Sik, Joe Goodnow, Stuart Stroman, Patrick Carnahan, Brad & Andrea Bond, Travis Davis, Martin Hamsa, Cole DeBlicke, Patricia Baker, Pat Weisbrich, and Troy Baumann.

Prayer Network prayers for healing for all the sick and other needs in the area faith community especially: Sandy Alcorn, Don Alex, Kevin & Kim Arnold, Bob Brewers, Maia Brooks, Linda Bruns, Piyaunch "Bee" Chompsob, Scott Daggett, Loanne Johns Dale, Delmar Debbaut, Paul DeSmith, Lisa Driessan, Rachel Ewertz, Gavin Fischer, Mike Foley, Kelly Garner, Phillip Goblis, Theresa Hansen, Glad Henning, Emilie Hissam, Rachel Hubner, Vera James, Nick Jenniges, Joe, Lillian Johannes, Alyssa Kirk, Barb Knutson, Leonard Lanoue, Jim Larsen, Nathan Lewis, Carol Louwagie, Kristine Lunsford, Vonnie & Chuck Lutz, Beatrice Maeyaert, Ray Maeyaert, Bob McCoy, Fr. Bob Mraz, Al Rolling, Amy Sik, Someone Needs Healing, Someone Having Surgery, Ron & Evie Stadick, Lawrence Stassen, Dee Thatcher, John Thomas, Maurice VanDeWiele, Cathy Verly, Lloyd Welu, Tudy Will & for 4 special intentions. *If you know of someone who should be now removed from the sick list, please let the rectory know. Names will be left on the list for 1 month and then taken off, if you wish them put on again please contact the office we will gladly put them on again.*



OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE FAITH COMMUNITY NEWS:

NOTE: PLEASE HAVE ANY ANNOUNCEMENTS FOR THE BULLETIN IN BY WEDNESDAY 10:00 A.M. PLEASE SEND ALL BULLETIN INFORMATION TO THE CHURCH OFFICE - e-mail use: stmary@iw.net or call the office 629-4075.

IF YOU HAVE ANY INFORMATION FOR THE AFC WEBSITE – E-MAIL IT TO BECKY LANOUE AT stmary@iw.net.

DID YOU MISS GETTING THE SUNDAY BULLETIN?– Feel free to look up the website to find the Sunday Area Faith Community bulletin, the Area Faith Community monthly calendar, and other information at the OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE WEBSITE: www.ourladyoftheprairie-afc.org.

CCW NEWS

TRACY: Next Large Function—St. Elizabeth: Betty VanKeulen & Mary Jo Henkel

Next Small Function – St. Elizabeth: Betty VanKeulen & Mary Jo Henkel

SHEPHERD OF THE FIELD for 2017-18: For St. Mary's in Tracy – Fr. Ron Huberty, Church of Sts. Peter & Paul, P.O. Box 49, Ivanhoe, MN 56142-0049, Ordination Date July 15, 1990, Birthday June 2.

MILROY: Next Funeral is Circle 1.

SHEPHERD OF THE FIELD for 2017-18: For St. Michael's in Milroy –Rev. Germain Rademacher, Ridgeway, 720 23rd St. N. Apt. 201, New Ulm, MN 56073, Ordination Feb. 23, 1958, Birthday Dec. 4.

"IT FELT LIKE A HONEYMOON... I couldn't wait to get home and see her at the end of the day." - husband who attended a Worldwide Marriage Encounter. Bring back the honeymoon in your marriage. The next available **Weekends** are Apr 26-28, 2019 in HUTCHINSON, MN and Nov 15-17, 2019 in OWATONNA, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

COME AND ENJOY BRUNCH WITH BISHOP JOHN M. LEVOIR

The 5th Annual Benefit for Catholic Schools – Brunch with the Bishop will be on Sunday, March 24, 2019, at 11:00 a.m. (serving will end at noon). The brunch will be held at Church of the Holy Redeemer (Roncalli Room), 503 W Lyon Street, Marshall. Bishop John M. LeVoir will assist in serving the brunch and greeting those attending. Guests will be asked for a free-will offering. Free-will donations will be allocated with 75% of the donations benefitting the diocesan endowments supporting Catholic schools and 25% to the local hosting school, Holy Redeemer. Donors will also have the opportunity to specify the allocation of any additional contributions. No reservations necessary.

THE CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS of the Americas local Court St. Joan of Arc #1291 is offering a \$500.00 scholarship to a 2019 graduating Catholic girl who plans to continue her formal education. She must be a member of Holy Redeemer Parish or any of the adjacent Catholic parishes that do not have a Catholic Daughter Court. Applications are available at the Holy Redeemer Parish office or from Lois Novosad, 710 N 6th St., Marshall, MN 56258. Phone:507-532-5236. Complete forms, including letters of recommendations, must be returned to Lois Novosad no later than April 15th.

WIDOWED, DIVORCED OR SEPARATED?? Beginning Experience of SW MN, is offering a Weekend Retreat that provides an individual with the opportunity to encounter self and to grow with a purpose to achieve inner peace. The experience is to help close the door gently on the past and move on with renewed hope and purpose. The weekend retreat will be held at Shetek Lutheran Ministries and is scheduled for April 12th-14th. Deadline for registrations is April 5th. Email swmnbe@gmail.com. Or call/text MaryAnn 507-828-2866, Laurie 507-829-4004, Tim 507-530-6379.

THE LUCAN LIONS CLUB, LUCAN BOOSTER CLUB AND THE LUCAN COMMUNITY ARE HONORING LION'S CLUB MEMBER *FIRST SGT JOSH GOCHE* on his return from combat active duty at Lucan's Annual St. Patrick's Celebration on Sunday, March 17, 2019. He and his family will first be honored guests at the Lion's Scrambled Egg & Ham Breakfast serving from 9-12:30 at the Lucan Community Center. Following the Breakfast at 1 p.m., 1st Sgt Goche will be Grand Marshall at the 33rd Annual Lucan Booster Club St. Patrick's Parade St. Patrick's Special and following the Parade there will be free Youth Activities at the Community Center for children 4+. Come one! Come ALL and join the celebration.

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL will be holding Bingo at Holy Redeemer Church on Sunday, March 17 in Carlin Hall. Lunch begins at noon. Warm ups begin at 12:30 p.m. with games starting at 1 p.m. The payout is 50 %. All are welcome to play. They will receive a matching grant for Holy Redeemer School and Faith Formation. Lori Timmerman, Elementary Faith Formation Coordinator, Holy Redeemer, Phone: (507) 532-3602.



AREA FAITH COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

The Banquet, 7th-12th graders: Please consider joining us at the Banquet in Sioux Falls on March 20th. If you are interested in going, please contact Suzanne/Diann, or sign up in the back of church ASAP. A permission form will be needed if you plan to attend. There will be regular Faith Formation class for the students that do not attend.

We are also seeking monetary donations for this meal that we will be serving. If you are interested in donating, you can pick up an envelope in the back of church marked "The Banquet". Please mark your name on your donation.

Rice bowls will be collected at the end of the Lenten season at mass or your child can bring them to class. Please use this as an opportunity to teach your children about giving alms to those in need.

1st Communion Students/Families: Mark your calendars for the 1st Communion Retreat on April 13th tentatively from 1:30-4:00pm. Please work on your packets that will need to be turned in at the retreat. If you haven't gotten Baptismal information in, please get that turned in ASAP.

Catholic Heart Work Camp will be selling rolls and World's Finest Chocolate in Milroy on March 10th.

Confirmation students: Please keep working on your Mass notes. You can turn them in at Mass in Milroy or to your teacher on Wednesday nights.



ST. MARY'S AREA FAITH COMMUNITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

Sunday, March 10th, St. Mary's School Basketball Banquet, 5:30 in the church basement.

Monday, March 11th, Spirt Day ~ wear your St. Mary's clothing.

Tuesday, March 12th, Band Lessons today.

Wednesday, March 13th, Mass, 8:30, prepared by grades 3&4. Please wear appropriate clothing for mass, grades K-6.

Thursday, March 14th, We have school today!

Friday, March 15th, No School ~ Spring Break! Stations of the Cross, 2:00.

ALUMINUM CANS FOR THE TECHNOLOGY FUND for St. Mary's School can be dropped off in the wagon behind St. Mary's Church.

SCHOOL MEMORIALS in memory of Lennard Nydell and Adeline Meulebroeck.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: Mar. 1 \$100 – Kody Kirsh: Mar. 8 \$100 – Dale Johnson III.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A STUDENT'S TUITION? Tuition at St. Mary's school is only \$1,875.00 a year for one child, or about \$200 a month. What a great investment in the future! Contact the school or parish office if you would like to help. Thank you



NEWS FROM ST. MARY'S IN TRACY

LOCKING THE CHURCH: St. Mary's basement will be locked at about 2:30 p.m. and the upper church about 6 p.m. If you need to get a pie see Jan LaVoy or one of the staff to let you in. If you need to get inside for meetings or other needs, contact Keith Schons 507-629-4289 or Jan LaVoy 507-829-2755 to get the doors opened for you.

IF YOU ARE UNABLE TO ATTEND CHURCH, and live in Tracy, you may receive communion weekly. Please contact Jeanine Vandendriessche @ 507- 212- 2018 for information.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, at St. Mary's in Tracy, are held on Friday, at 2:00 p.m. .Everyone is invited to attend.

A GIFT FROM YOUR CCW! CCW is providing Lenten Books. Please pick one up as you go out of Mass. Thank you all!

MONTH TWO - DEVELOPING BABY

"I can suck my thumb now". The developing baby is now called a "fetus". She is making rapid progress developing all her external and internal organs. During the second month baby teeth form and fingers and toes are developing. Her ears, nose, lips and tongue can now be clearly seen. Brain waves can be recorded. The skeleton changes from cartilage to bone. The central nervous system is now functioning and so forty muscle sets begin their first exercise. By 8 weeks all body systems are present. This little one can now suck her thumb and is about two inches long. Thank you for praying for this precious little baby.

Denise Weedman - Reverence Life Commission

Remember that Prayer Shawls are available in the back of Church.

TRACY AREA GARDENS AND QUILTS TOUR AND RAFFLE COMMITTEE has set the date for July 10, 2019 with a July 11 rain date. Please mark your calendars! Plans are being made to tour in the Lake Shetek/Garvin area. Anyone knowing of places for hosting or anyone offering quilts for display please contact Jolynn Johns, Elise Lanoue or any of the other committee members. Thank you to Becky Averill for remaining on the committee for this event and welcome aboard to Rose Goltz and Fr. Mark Mallak for joining this directional committee. We will need many, many other willing hands to make this event a success. Please feel free to offer assistance if there is something you would like to help us with or please be willing to accept an invitation to service when the time comes. Thank you to Kim Roggatz for continuing to man the facebook page, to Denise Weedman for offering clerical service and Jan LaVoy for offering to help where needed.

MISSION OF LOVE PROJECT 19TH YEAR, look whatever \$2.00 donated can do. Provide corn, beans, rice to feed a FAMILY for a week at our Diocesan Mission at San Lucas Toliman in Guatemala. Also provide some school supplies. Imagine what \$10, \$20, \$30, \$40, \$50 or more can do. 100% goes to the mission and tax deductible. Make checks MISSION OF LOVE, put in envelope with your NAME and drop in collection at St. Mary's Parish or school office or give to Alita Lenertz. Your name goes on each card and sent to the mission. What a great Lenten alms given, also memorials for loved ones. Please be generous, note poster as you enter church You may contact Alita Lenertz, 507-629-4145 or 507-993-2654. Thank you!

MARK YOU CALENDARS NOW!! ST. MARY'S DINNER, RAFFLE & SILENT AUCTION will be held this year on Sunday, March 31. Contact Keith Schons 629-4289 if you would like to donate to the meat or place your donation in a well marked envelope in the collection. If you have a specific area you would like to work at please call Gwen Johnson 507 829-9321, Silent Auction items can be donated anytime. Please leave in the parish office Monday thru Friday 8-12 or contact Jan LaVoy 507 829-2755 to let her know that you are donating something. We are looking this year for more assistance with the Silent Auction. If you would like to help out in this way please call Jan LaVoy 507 829-2755 or Elise Lanoue 629-3252. Some exciting items are coming in for your bidding at our St. Mary's Dinner Silent Auction March 31. **Items presently in are:** SMSU Mustang bobble head and three Let's Ride Mustang T Shirts; *Grand Falls Casino and Golf Resort* has given a one night stay and lunch buffet for two; *Children's Museum of Southern Minnesota at Mankato* a one day family pass; *Sioux Falls Stampede* has offered 4 tickets for a seasonal game; *Minnesota Zoo* two admission tickets; *Old Log House Theater* two tickets valid until February of 2020. These along with our St. Mary's prizes: Front row seating at the SMS Christmas program, one year parking and the spot in front of St Mary's for the 2019 Box Car Day parade. Keep watching as this list will be updated as things come in!

COFFEE IS ALWAYS AVAILABLE, ground & whole beans, \$10/bag. Contact Alita Lenertz, 507-629-4145.

OUR GIFTS TO GOD: Mar. 3, 2019

Adult: \$5,219.00

Youth: \$1.00

Loose Plate: \$131.00

Total for week: \$5,351.00

Total needed/week: \$,3923.07

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, Mar. 17, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Gifts: Noah Johnson & Family

Lector: Brittany Peterson

Cantor: Carla VanDeWiele

Eucharistic Ministers: Dave Lenertz, Heidi Morgan, Bev Kosse, Gloria VanOverbeke, Lisa Schaar

Servers: Hallee Roggatz, Brok Roggatz, Madison Johnson

Ushers: Dan Brewers, Dave Vandendriessche, Mitchell Benson, Rod Benson

Money Counters Mar. 11, 2019 – Pat Hansen & Kathy Swift

Prairie View Nursing Home Communion: Mar. 20 – Alita, Mar. 27 – Fr. Mark, Apr. 3 - Dick



NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL'S IN MILROY

ADORATION is held at St. Michael's Every Thursday from 8:00 – Noon in the CHAPEL at the Rectory. Everyone is encouraged to come spend some time with Jesus. If not an hour – just come for a short visit. **HE LONGS TO SEE US!**

STATIONS OF THE CROSS, at St. Michael's in Milroy, are held on Wednesday, at 6:50 p.m.. Everyone is invited to attend.

Stewardship Report for Mar. 3, 2019

Adult: \$1,650.00

Student: \$2.13

Loose Plates: \$62.00

Total for week: \$1,714.13

Total needed/week: \$1,500.00

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, Mar. 17 at 8:30 a.m.

Gifts: Adam Snyder Family

Organist: Doris Cauwels

Cantor: Camille Dolan, Margaret Dolan

Lector: Jen Coudron

EHMC: Cheryl Lanoue, Robin Hauger

Servers: John Schmitt, Tanner Hauger, Brody Hauger

Ushers: Ron Schmidt, Jacob Welu, Cory Schmidt, Andy Schmidt

Money Counters: Melvin & Bev Welu, Ron Schmidt



From Fr. Steffl:

After writing about the finances, it was brought to my attention that the way we report them in our bulletin is rather confusing, including things that don't need to be reported in the bulletin or that don't go to paying our bills such as Mass intention money, gifts and memorials to the school, Catholic Heart Work Camp money, etc. We need an average collection of \$3923.07 in Tracy for 52 Sundays to be able to pay our parish and school obligations. The money we raise for other fundraisers is ear-marked for expenses that go beyond this bottom-line amount we need of \$3923.07. I am sorry if this was not as clear as it could be. For Milroy, that weekly average amount needs to be \$1500. Our financial year (fiscal year) is from July 1, 2018 to June 30, 2019, and this Sunday is the 36th Sunday of 52 for the year.

So, beginning this week, it will be reported in the bulletin:

St. Mary's, Tracy St. Michael's, Milroy

Adult Offerings:

Youth:

Loose Plate:

Total for week:

Total needed/week: \$3923.07

\$1500.

Thank you for your stewardship, we remember that what we give is our gift to God for all He has given to us!

The speaker for the Holy Redeemer mission, John Pridmore told us that he is not able to get the necessary travel permissions to come from Ireland this year, so we are hoping to schedule him for Lent of 2020. Because of the late cancellation, it would be impossible to find a replacement. But for Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday – the days we were going to have the mission talks, we will have Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament from 6:30 pm – 8 pm each evening. I would like to encourage everyone to find some time to spend with the Lord, and since these days were kept open for the mission, it seems like a great Adoration opportunity.

We published times for Stations of the Cross. If you are not able to come to a communal Stations of the Cross, stop in the church to pray them privately. We will leave some Stations books in the back of each church for people to use.

