

March 17, 2019
SECOND SUNDAY OF LENT

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St. Mary's
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Masses:
 • 8:30 a.m. Wed.
 • 8:30 a.m. Fri.
 • 10:30 a.m. Sun.
 Confessions:
 • 2:00 p.m.
 2nd & 4th Sat. of the
 Month

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Masses:
 • 8:30 a.m. Mon.
 • 8:30 a.m. Sun.
 • 8:30 a.m. 1st Sat.
 Confessions:
 • 8:00 a.m. Sun.

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UP COMING AT OUR LADY OF THE PRAIRIE AREA FAITH COMMUNITY:

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
Mon. Mar. 18	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy +Earl LaVoy Spirit Day at St. Mary's School
Tues. Mar. 19		Healing & Deliverance Prayer Day at St. Michael's in Milroy
Wed. Mar. 20	8:30 a.m.	School Mass, Gr. 1st/2nd, at St. Mary's in Tracy +Pearl VanDeWiele <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. 21	8 – Noon	Adoration at St. Michael's in Milroy
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Country View in Walnut Grove +Living & Deceased Members of FCSLA
	5:30 p.m.	St. Mary's Administration Council Meeting at St. Mary's Rectory in Tracy
	7:00 p.m.	Education Committee Meeting at St. Mary's Rectory in Tracy
Fri. Mar. 22	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy +Sharon DeVetter SCRIP order/pick up at St. Mary's School
Sat. Mar. 23	<u>2:00 p.m.</u>	<u>Confessions at St. Mary's in Tracy</u>
Sun. Mar. 24	8:00 a.m.	<u>Confessions at St. Michael's in Milroy</u>
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy +Brooklyn Larsen
	<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 Joe & Rosemary VanKeulen

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 DeBlieck, 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, Difficult Pregnancy, Lisa Driessan, Rachel Ewertz, Gavin Fischer, Mike Foley, Kelly Garner, Phillip Goblisch, 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.

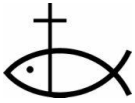
THE LUCAN LIONS CLUB, LUCAN BOOSTER CLUB AND THE LUCAN COMMUNITY ARE HONORING LION'S CLUB MEMBER *FIRST SGT JOSH GOCHE* on his return from combat active duty at Lucan's Annual St. Patrick's Celebration on Sunday, March 17, 2019. He and his family will first be honored guests at the Lion's Scrambled Egg & 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

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – MARCH 6 – APRIL 14, 2019

Join in the 40 Days for Life to pray, fast, and stand for life and the end of abortion.

Where – Planned Parenthood, 451 E. Germain St. St. Cloud, MN

When – 7:00 am to 7:00 pm. Monday through Friday, with a closing rally on Saturday, April 13 from noon to 2:00 pm. at St. Augustine cafeteria. For more information contact Judy 320-453-7592 judy4life@meltel.net



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.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS – ST. MICHAEL’S: Religious Ed students will be hosting Stations of the Cross every Wednesday night during Lent. Please join the students! Stations will take place in the church starting at 6:50.

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 World's Finest Chocolate in Milroy on March 17th.

CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP: There will be a paperwork meeting for all students attending CHWC on Sunday, March 24th @ 4 pm. in the computer lab at St. Mary’s School. A Parent must attend to complete this paperwork. An additional email will be sent to all CHWC students with information.

RECONCILIATION: Wednesday, April 3rd St. Mary’s and St. Michael’s students grades 2nd-12th are joining together for reconciliation. This will be at St. Mary’s from 6-8 pm. There will be 3 Priests here to celebrate the sacrament. Feel free to join us for prayer, adoration and confession. There will still be classes for K-1 at St. Michael’s and St. Mary’s. Please contact us with any questions.

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:

Monday, March 18th

Spirit Day ~ wear your St. Mary’s clothing. Junior Achievement, grades 5&6, 10:00-11:00.

Tuesday, March 19th

Junior Achievement, grades 5&6, 10:00-11:00. Kindergarten goes to Prairie View Senior Living, 10:00-10:45.

Band Lessons today.

Wednesday, March 20th

Mass, 8:30, prepared by grades 1&2. Please wear appropriate clothing for mass, grades K-6.

Kindergarten Round-Up, 9:30 – 11:00. Junior Achievement, grades 5&6, 10:00-11:00

Thursday, March 21st

Junior Achievement, grades 5&6, 10:00-11:00. Mrs. LaVoy and the “Passing Game” @ 1:30, all students.

Band Lessons. Education Committee Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

Friday, March 22nd

Preschool “Donuts for Dads”, 9:00-10:00. Junior Achievement, grades 5&6, 10:00-11:00.

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.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: Mar. 8 \$100 – Dale Johnson III.; Mar. 15 \$100 – Nancy Hewitt.

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 Fridays, at 2:00 p.m. Everyone is invited to attend.

MONTH THREE - DEVELOPING BABY

"I grabbed my hand!" The baby can now squint, swallow and move his tongue. He sleeps and awakens. Fingernails and toenails form and he now has his own unique set of fingerprints. Sensitive to touch, he will tightly grasp an object placed in the palm of his hand. He breathes amniotic fluid to help develop and strengthen the respiratory system, but he gets the oxygen he needs through the umbilical cord. The baby you are praying for weighs one ounce and is about 3 inches in length.

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!

ST. MARYS ROAST BEEF & PORK DINNER Sunday, March 31 serving from 11-1.

Dine In, Take Out or Delivery in Tracy city limits by calling 629-3841.

Join in the Raffle and Silent Auction during the event!

ST. MARY'S members please contact Keith Schons 629-4289 if you would like to donate toward the meat or place your donation in a well marked envelope in the collection. Your guild chairman will be calling with necessary jobs for the dinner as well as pie donations. Contact Gwen Johnson 507 829-9321 if you have a specific position you would like to work. If you have items to donate to the Silent Auction, please leave in the parish office Mon-Fri 8-12 or call Jan LaVoy 507 829-2755. Items that are in for your bidding at the dinner include:

- Great Plains Zoo in Sioux Falls 2 Adult & 2 children passes
- Prairie's Edge Casino & Resort at Granite Falls 1 night stay & \$25 buffet at Firefly Lounge
- SMSU Mustang bobble head & 3 Let's Ride Mustang T-shirts
- Grand Falls Casino & Golf Resort 1 night stay and lunch buffet for 2
- Children's Museum of Southern MN a one day family pass
- Sioux Falls Stampede 4 tickets for a seasonal game
- Minnesota Zoo 2 admission tickets
- Old Log House Theater 2 tickets
- SDSU Jacks vs Delaware football game Sat. Sept 7 2 tickets
- St. Mary's Prizes—Front Row seating at the SMS Christmas program, 1 year Prime parking spot, Prime 2019 Box Car Day parade spot.
- Many more to come!

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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD: Mar. 10, 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. 24, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Gifts: Clara & Elizabeth Buyck & Family

Lector: Molly Peterson

Cantor: Jen LaVoy

Eucharistic Ministers: Lisa Schaar – Just 1 (NO PRECIOUS BLOOD)

Servers: Sarita Canto, Noah Knakmuhs, Lauren Knakmuhs

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

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

Prairie View Nursing Home Communion: Mar. 27 – Fr. Mark, Apr. 3 – Dick, Apr. 10 – Linda



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 Wednesdays, at 6:50 p.m.. Everyone is invited to attend.

BABY SHOWER for Chloe Dolan (wife of Isaac Dolan) Sunday, March 24th at 11:00 AM.

St. Michael's Church -“ It's a Boy” Everyone welcome!

THE MILROY BLOOD MOBILE will be Thursday, March 28 from 2 – 7pm at the Milroy School.

Call Carole Snyder at 507-336-2436 or 507-828-9676 to make an appointment or be a walk-in.

There is a great need for blood donations so even if you haven't given before, please consider it now.

SUNDAY. MARCH 17TH. COFFEE AND ROLLS AT ST. MICHAEL'S FOLLOWING 8:30 MASS.

Proceeds to be used for the Needy. This year we will have the proceeds go towards “The Banquet” in Sioux Falls. Everyone Welcome.

ST. MICHAEL'S CHURCH CLEANING dates are Friday April 5th 6:00 – 8:00 PM (hoping Men come also to clean the high places) and Saturday, April 6th. from 8:00 – 10:00 AM.. If these dates don't work for you please come during the week prior and the work sheets will be on the counter in the basement. Just mark off what jobs were completed. Thanks. Hope to see everyone there. (Many hands make light work)

Stewardship Report for Mar. 10, 2019 – NO CONTRIBUTIONS - NO MASS - WEATHER

Total needed/week: \$1,500.00

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, Mar. 24 at 8:30 a.m.

Gifts: Lucas Walling Family

Organist: Carole Snyder

Cantor: Neil Dolan

Lector: Neil Dolan

EHMC: Linda Dolan, Anthony Dolan

Servers: Andrew LaVoy, Sydney LaVoy, Brianna Duscher

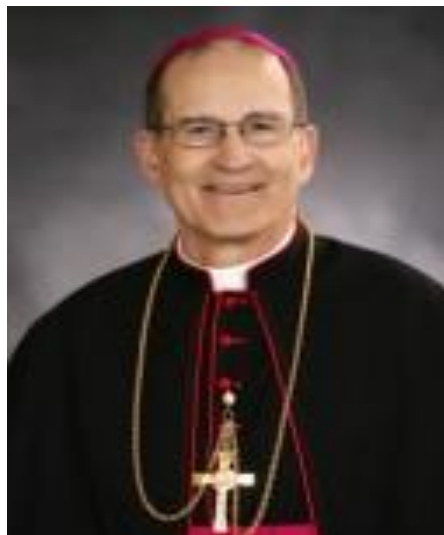
Ushers: Ron Schmidt, Jacob Welu, Cory Schmidt, Andy Schmidt

Money Counters: Melvin & Bev Welu, Ron Schmidt

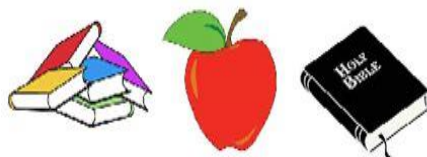
From Fr. Steffl:

This weekend has an insert in the bulletin titled “Ten Tips for a Better Confession.” It is my hope that it will provide some nice assistance in receiving that Sacrament this Lent, as well as my hope that we could all grow in a true love and appreciation of what that Sacrament offers us, not only in this penitential season but hopefully in a regular way throughout the whole year.

Next Sunday, March 24th after the 10 am Mass at Holy Redeemer, is the annual “Breakfast with the Bishop.” The Bishop will be here to say the 10 am Mass and then be in Carlin Hall for this annual event which moves around the diocese. Please consider attending this annual event as a way to show continued support for Catholic education in the Diocese of New Ulm



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