

July 7, 2019

FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Our Lady of the Prairie & Bread of Life Area Faith Communities

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St. Mary's
Church
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Tracy, MN 56175
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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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Tracy, MN 56175
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Monday - Friday

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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. July 7	FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	<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 <i>+Melissa Bratsch</i>
	<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 <i>+George Landuyt</i>
Mon. July 8	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy <i>+Family of David and Carole Snyder</i>
	6:00 p.m.	Catholic Daughters Meeting in Carlin Hall at Holy Redeemer After Mass
Tues. July 9		Healing & Deliverance Prayer Day at St. Michael's in Milroy
Wed. July 10	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy <i>Bob McCoy Birthday!</i>
Thur. July 11	8 – Noon	Adoration at St. Michael's in Milroy
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Country View in Walnut Grove <i>+Rys Family Living & Deceased</i>
Fri. July 12	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy <i>+Dolores Cooreman</i>
Sat. July 13	<u>2:00 p.m.</u>	<u>Confessions at St. Mary's in Tracy</u>
Sun. July 14	FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME	
	<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 <i>+Mary Lanoue</i>
	<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 <i>+Sharon DeVetter</i>

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: David Algyer, Kevin & Kim Arnold, Linda Bruns, Loanne Johns Dale, Paul DeSmith, Rachel Ewertz, Mike Foley, Linda Fultz, Phillip Goblisch, Rose Goltz, Joanie Gruver, Charles Hannasch, Glad Henning, Joseph Horner, Kristen Peterson Kaiser, Bob Kirsh, Mae Kirsh, Mark Lutterman, Rodney Maguire, Bob McCoy, Bonnie Schirlinger, Audrey Sik, Neil Steninkamp, Bryan Thill, Lisa Thill, Mike Thomas, Christina VanDeWiele, Maurice VanDeWiele, Sloan Wohlman & special intentions for 3 families. *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: <https://www.ourladyoftheprairie-afc.org>.

CCW NEWS

TRACY: Next Large Function— St. Agnes: Sandy Tuszynski & Carolyn Vandendriessche

Next Small Function – St. Lillian: Jane Carlson & Carol Buyck

SHEPHERD OF THE FIELD for 2018-19: 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 2018-19: 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.



VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL 2019!

August 5th – 7th

St. Michael's Church, Milroy

Mon.-Tues. 8:30 am -3:00 pm

Weds. 8:30 am-12:00 pm

7 pm Program at St. Michael's Church on Wednesday Evening

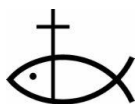
“MANY MARRIAGES WOULD BE BETTER IF THE HUSBAND AND THE WIFE CLEARLY UNDERSTOOD THAT THEY ARE ON THE SAME SIDE.” ~ ZIG ZIGLAR. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter** Weekend restores communication in marriages. The next available Weekends are Sep 14-15, 2019 in Marshall, MN and Nov 15-17, 2019 in OWATONNA, 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.

BIBLE STUDY FOR MOMS. The group is for Moms of all ages. We will meet on Tuesdays at 8:00 PM starting on June 11th thru July 23rd, seven Tuesdays, in **Tracy Alliance Church**. Parenting can be hard and Moms feel the weight of that responsibility. *Mom Set Free* is a study about looking to God for strength and wisdom to equip Moms to parent in the way God intends. Women can order a Bible study workbook *Mom Set Free* on Amazon or Lifeway, but workbooks are not required to attend. No RSVP needed, please come join us. Contact Molly Peterson with questions at (605) 421-0867.

BEGINNING EXPERIENCE OF SW MN/MARSHALL, a peer ministry support group for widowed, separated and divorced people is offering its "Coping With Life Alone" Series for ten weeks beginning July 15, 2019. This series is designed for those wishing to work through the grieving process following the loss of a loved one. The Monday night sessions begin at 7:00 P.M. at the First Lutheran Church on Church and "A" Street in Marshall, MN. Registration will be held starting at 6:30 P.M. on July 15 and July 22. Registration is then closed for that session. The support group is open to people of all denominations. There is a \$75 fee to cover the cost of materials. If you wish to pre-register or have other questions, contact us at: swmnbe@gmail.com or call: Laurie W:507-829-4004, Tim L: 507-530-6379, MaryAnn S:507-828-2866.

BLOOD DRIVE at Tracy United Methodist Church, Fellowship Hall, 162 Morgan Street, Wednesday, July 17, 2019, 12:00 pm to 6:00 pm. Please contact Sue at (507) 629-3291 to schedule your appointment.

NACEL OPEN DOOR is seeking a host family for one of the students that would attend the Tracy High School in the fall, 2019-2020. Mia of Germany, Sibilla, Serena and Eleonora of Italy, and Khanh of Vietnam. Please contact Julienne Antes at 507-304-2143 for more information and to choose your student.



AREA FAITH COMMUNITY RELIGIOUS EDUCATION NEWS

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS: You may hand in your service hours and Mass notes at any time. Additional forms are available in the back of the church. Thanks to the students and sponsors that have gotten started on this. Summer is a great time to work on service hours. Need ideas?? See Suzanne or Diann.

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL is coming to St. Michael's August 5th – 7th. If you have grandchildren, friends or neighbors who are not in our parish who would like to attend, registration forms are in the back of church, please take one and share! We are grateful to all our volunteers and donations we have received already! Thank you for your support of this year's VBS!

THIS WEEK OUR YOUTH ARE IN KANSAS CITY, KS for the Catholic Heart Work Camp! They left on July 6th and will return on the 13th. They will be serving the people of the area. Some of the jobs that they have done in the past and may be doing this week are: painting, cleaning, sorting food and clothes at food shelves, and building ramps for wheelchairs. Please pray for our group that they have an amazing week of service and personal growth. We are so thankful for your support of our fundraisers and encouragement. This group will be the hands and feet of our AFC.

IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT THAT MAY BE INTERESTED IN ATTENDING CATHOLIC HEART WORK CAMP next summer, please contact Diann or Suzanne. We have opportunities this summer to start earning toward next year's trip!



ST. MARY'S AREA FAITH COMMUNITY CATHOLIC SCHOOL:

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 WEEKLY CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS: June 28 - \$100 Scott Johnson; July 5 - \$100 Jolynn Johns.

WOULD YOU LIKE TO SPONSOR A STUDENT'S TUITION? Tuition at St. Mary's school is only \$1,925.00 a year for one child, or about \$214 a month. What a great investment in the future! Contact the school or parish office if you would like to help. Thank you

SUMMER SCRIP SCHEDULE: July 12, Scrip Order Due to Brockway Clinic by NOON: Aug. 2 – Pickup Scrip Order at Brockway Clinic by NOON: Aug. 9. Scrip box will be moved back to St. Mary's office Monday, Aug. 19th. Scrip Order Due to St. Mary's by 9:00 am: Sept. 6 – Pickup Scrip Order at St. Mary's after 9:00 am: Sept. 13. Any questions, call Mary at 507-828-7930.



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.

PARKING: We would like to encourage people to begin to use our lot directly behind the church for parking. Please feel free to drive on either side of the rhubarb and park your car. The tree in the center has been taken down and stump will be removed soon. As we use this for parking, please leave a driving space on each side of the rhubarb. Do not block the two drives to this lot. The plan is to eventually gravel this area as funds would allow us to do so.

OUR KITCHEN PROJECT IS MOVING ALONG NICELY. We are in the processing of painting and the flooring is also being worked on. There may be times in the next couple weeks where if you need a pie you may have to go through the front church entrance to get them. We are still looking for donations as we are hoping to put new carpet in the main dining hall sometime this year. We are looking for an additional \$20,000 to complete this project.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS DURING THE KITCHEN REMODEL: The Caboose has been very generous in offering the use of their facility at no cost should there be a funeral at St. Mary's this summer. They will allow us to bring in our salads, cakes and workers. All other food would have to be prepared and purchased through them. This information has been shared with the funeral directors in Tracy. Any questions please call Elise Lanoue. Please support and say thank you to Diane, John and Doug for their generosity and understanding of our situation.

THE TIME IS ALMOST HERE!! ST. MARY'S CCW GARDENS AND QUILTS TOUR is this Wednesday, July 10 from 2-8 pm in the Garvin/Lakes area. We are hoping to be Blessed with another beautiful day. Tickets & maps will be available at all sites that day. Look for signage along Hwy 59 beginning 1 mile North of Garvin for 8 miles South to Vallhalla Road. Bitton's Roadhouse in Garvin will also have tickets available. The \$15.00 fee gives you a slice of St. Mary's pie and ice cream which will be served at Bitton's. You may stop for pie at anytime during your day. Quilts of Valor will also have their quilts for veterans displayed at Bitton's. Good Luck to all who purchased chances for our Garden Tour Raffle. If you missed an opportunity, raffle prizes will be displayed at Bitton's as well as sold at each site. Raffle will be held on July 11 and you need not be present to win. In case of rain, on the 10th tours are planned to be held the following day--July 11. We hope that you can join us on Wednesday, be it as a guest or a worker. Thank you to all who have opened their gardens, featured their quilts, volunteered or were able to answer with a "yes" when asked to assist in our day.
SEE YOU WEDNESDAY!

GARDENS AND QUILTS TOUR RAFFLE: Raffle tickets will be available next Sunday, July 7 at the 10:30 mass. Prizes include a 60x70 Cuddle Throw, a Garden Wagon Package or 2 St. Mary's pies. Buy a \$2.00 chance and one of these could be yours! Raffle prizes will be displayed and tickets will be sold the day of the tours at Bitton's Roadhouse.

MONTH SIX - "I'm sitting up straight now!" The baby's oil and sweat glands are functioning: these help regulate body temperature. A white film layer covers the baby and protects her delicate skin from the surrounding amniotic fluid and from scratches as she twists and turns. This waxy substance will be quickly absorbed into her skin soon after she is born. She can now respond to a sound. Her lungs are fairly well developed and she would stand a good chance of survival if born at this time. Her weight is approaching two pounds and she is about 14 inches long. Thank you for praying!

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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD: June 30, 2019

Adult: \$5,264.10 **Youth:** \$-0- **Loose Plate:** \$133.00 **TOTAL:** \$5,397.10
Total needed/week: \$3,923.07

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, July 14, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Gifts: Larry & Bonnie Buysse

Lectors: Tom Lenertz

Cantor: Audrey LaVoy

Eucharistic Ministers: Heidi Morgan, Jeanette Lanoue, Jim & Jeanine Vandendriessche, Jolynn Johns

Servers: Xavier Koenig, Ben Koenig, Zoe Koenig

Ushers: Gary Peterson, Bernie Boerboom, Tony Rolling, Mitchell Rolling

Money Counters: July 15, 2019 – Charlene Lenertz & Pat Hansen

Prairie View Nursing Home Communion: July 17 – Marianne, July 24 – Fr. Mark, July 31 - Alita



NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL'S IN MILROY

ADORATION is held in St. Michael's Rectory on Thursday Mornings from 8:00 – Noon. We are in need of some help covering some of the time slots due to vacations.

THERE WILL BE A BLOOD DRIVE in Milroy on Monday, July 8, from 2:00 – 6:00 at the Legion Hall on Main Street. This will be for whole blood only – no double red. Please consider donating even if you haven't before. You can call Carole Snyder at 336-2436 to make an appointment or walk-in any time.

STUFF THE BUS: Please help! – For the month of July - St. Michael's will be collecting school supplies to help students in the area including public, private & charter schools. We are working through **United Way**. Collected Supplies and backpacks will be distributed to participating schools within this service area. School staff ensures that they reach the children in need. Last year 4,000 students in 25 schools in this area received supplies including Milroy Public School, St. Mary's & Holy Redeemer.

A box will be in the entrance of the Church. Thanks for your support. If you wish to help sort or help in any way contact

http://volunteer.unitedwayswmn.org/agency/detail/?agency_id=31967

BABY SHOWER for JAMES PAUL OURADA

Mother and Dad: Jason and Allison (Rasmussen) Ourada

Place: St. Michael's Church - Time: 10:00 AM – Noon

James was born: June 14th, in Rochester MN

Bring a book instead of a Card – sign the book with a note from you – we will remember and share your special gift even when you're not there. Registered at Walmart. Hope you can join us.

BRIDAL SHOWER for Jenna Meissner, Bride-to-be of Lucas Dolan

Date: July 14th, at St. Michael's church basement - Time: 10:00 AM

Jenna is registered at Target and Amazon. COME and JOIN US!

Stewardship Report for June 23, 2019

Adult: \$790.00 **Student:** \$-0- **Loose Plate:** \$57.00 **TOTAL:** \$847.00

Stewardship Report for June 30, 2019

Adult: \$800.00 **Student:** \$-0- **Loose Plate:** \$37.00 **TOTAL:** \$837.00

Total needed/week: \$1,500.00

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, July 14, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Gifts: Cory Schmidt Family

Organist: Carole Snyder

Cantor: Tianna Karsten & Grace Dolan

Lector: Don Schmidt

EHMC: Ken Lanoue, Cheryl Lanoue, Jean Schmidt, Robin Hauger, Linda Dolan, Anthony Dolan

Servers: Brady Larsen, Braylon Timmerman, Grace Dolan

Ushers: Larry Karsten, Bob Dolan, Dean Vroman, Greg Debbaut

Money Counters: Melvin & Bev Welu, Ron Schmidt

From Fr. Steffl:

As we approach the beginning of the next school year, it is good to put the “hint” out about the RCIA program. RCIA means “Rite of Christian Initiation” and it is the **set of classes that parishes offer each year for those who are interested in knowing more about the Catholic Faith**, and entering into the Catholic Church. I always try to explain that just because someone wants to know more about the Church and might come to the classes, doesn’t mean that they are obligated to join – no pressure, just an opportunity to learn. Perhaps you know of someone you can “plant a seed” with who has expressed some interest in the Church. The goal of the classes is to give individuals the information they need to properly discern whether they should enter the Catholic Church, and let us know if you or someone you know is interested in this.

There is a missionary priest from India who works in the Diocese of New Ulm, and he is **willing to take Mass intentions for other priests from his religious community**. If you would like to have some Mass intentions offered and are willing to have them sent off to these priests, please bring them into the parish office. In addition to having Masses offered for deceased relatives and friends, it is also a great support to those who do missionary work.

“TEACH ME GOODNESS, DISCIPLINE, AND KNOWLEDGE” These are the words above the Holy Redeemer School Chapel entrance. This gives me a chance to write a few words of encouragement about **St. Mary’s School and Catholic education** that we are able to provide. Those words are a nice summary of what our school in Tracy also wants to provide. Our Catholic school cannot compete with the facilities and resources of the public school, but what we strive to provide goes far beyond those “exterior” things that money can buy – it is about providing an environment that will build a foundation that is based on Our Lord Jesus Christ and the Catholic Faith. The ability to pray before each class, to have religion classes each day, to go to Mass together weekly, pray the Rosary and Stations of the Cross – all these things are what our Catholic School can provide that cannot be found elsewhere. We strive to provide not only an “education” but a “formation” in our Catholic Faith which includes each of those three things mentioned above the chapel door – goodness in the model of Jesus the “Good Shepherd,” a “discipline” that is formed by the Good News, and a “knowledge” that comes with study that bridges the gap between knowledge and wisdom. Please join me in praying for our Catholic School, our teachers, and join me in encouraging families to make use of our Catholic School, and if you know of someone, please suggest or encourage them towards Catholic education and our Catholic school.

STEWARDSHIP FORMS – Tracy Parishioners received a form in the mail a few weeks ago, and many have already turned them in. We are in the process of putting the information together, as the sheets come back. The more we are involved, the more the parish will feel like the spiritual home it is meant to be.

