

July 14, 2019

FIFTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

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

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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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St. Mary's
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Tracy, MN 56175
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Masses:
• 8:30 a.m. Mon.
• 8:30 a.m. Sun.
• 8:30 a.m. 1st Sat.
Confessions: Half-hour
before all Masses

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

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>
Mon. July 15	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy <i>+Margaret Gilb</i>
Tues. July 16		Healing & Deliverance Prayer Day at St. Michael's in Milroy
Wed. July 17	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy <i>+Leona Peterson</i>
	7:00 p.m.	Education Committee Meeting at St. Mary's Rectory in Tracy
Thur. July 18	8 – Noon	Adoration at St. Michael's in Milroy
	8:30 a.m.	Mass at Country View in Walnut Grove <i>+Tudy Will</i>
Fri. July 19	8:30 a.m.	Mass at St. Mary's in Tracy <i>Joe & Rosemary VanKeulen</i>
Sat. July 20		
Sun. July 21	SIXTEENTH SUNDAY OF 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>+Brooklyn Larsen</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>+Ronald T. Krueger</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

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, Woman with ALS, & 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.*

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.



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.

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.

SUMMER FESTIVAL, Sunday, July 28, 2019, 10:30 a.m. Mass followed by CHICKEN & HAM DINNER, 11:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. Take outs available, Adults - \$12, Ages 6-12 - \$7, Ages 5 & under - \$3, Our Famous Dressing/ColeSlaw/Corn/Mashed Potatoes & Gravy/Ice Cream/Beverage. Bingo*Raffles*Games*Food & Beer Stand*Live Music Country Store*Softball Tournament, Kids Pedal Pull starting at 2:30. Presented by CHURCH OF THE JAPANESE MARTYRS, Leavenworth, MN.



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!

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!

SEEKING CATECHISTS! St. Mary's and St Michael's are looking for Religious Education teachers for the upcoming school year. This is such an amazing way to share your Faith and interact with our Youth. Contact Diann or Suzanne for more information.

ST. MARY'S PARISH: It is time to start Children's Liturgy Planning for the upcoming school year. If you are interested in participating, please contact Diann Timmerman.



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: July 5 - \$100 Jolynn Johns; July 12 - \$100 Elise Lanoue.

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: 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.

ST. MARY'S CHURCH MEMORIAL in memory of Mary M. Ford Smith.

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.

ST. MARY'S CCW GARDENS AND QUILTS TOUR thanks everyone that contributed in any way to this parish event. Many hands make light work and you were all important and appreciated! Facts and figures will appear in next weeks bulletin!

MONTH SEVEN - - Developing Baby – Spiritual Adoptions.

“I can look around!” Beginning this month the baby uses all four senses. His eyelids open and close and the eyes look around. The baby can hear, taste, touch, cough, yawn and hiccup. He now recognizes his own mother's voice. His grip is even stronger now that it will be after his birth. The hair on his head is growing longer and the downy covering on the rest of his body is disappearing. During this time the baby will receive antibodies from his mother providing him immunity to a wide variety of diseases. He is about 15 inches in length. Thank you for praying!

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

OUR GIFTS TO GOD: July 7, 2019

Adult: \$3,950.00 **Youth:** \$9.00 **Loose Plate:** \$683.00 **TOTAL:** \$4,642.00
Total needed/week: \$3,923.07

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, July 21, 2019 at 10:30 a.m.

Gifts: Carson Lanoue Family

Lectors: Brittany Peterson

Cantor: Carla VanDeWiele

Eucharistic Ministers: Lota Hannasch, Mary Jo Henkel, Richard & Sandy Tuszynski, Marianne Boerboom

Servers: Nevin Marten, Weston Marten, Sarito Canto

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

Money Counters: July 22, 2019 – Jan Griffith & Patty Lessman

Prairie View Nursing Home Communion: July 24 – Fr. Mark, July 31 – Alita, Aug. 7 - Dick



NEWS FROM ST. MICHAEL'S IN MILROY

FUNERAL WAS HELD FOR LARRY ZWACH, on Saturday, July 13th. Condolences to his family and friends.

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.

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, at St. Michael's Church, 10:00 a.m. – Noon on Saturday, July 20, 2019. 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 July 7, 2019 – The Contributions will be Noted Next Week.

Adult: \$ **Student:** \$ **Loose Plate:** \$ **TOTAL:** \$
Total needed/week: \$1,500.00

Liturgical Ministers for Sunday, July 21, 2019 at 8:30 a.m.

Gifts: Don & Jean Schmidt

Organist: Doris Cauwels

Cantor: Jean Schmidt & John Schmitt

Lector: Bob Dolan

EHMC: Andrea Dolan, Joni Baune, Katy Lightfoot, Ann Felton, Jill Karsten, Stacy Schuh

Servers: John Schmitt, Tanner Hauger, Brody Hauger

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

Money Counters: Melvin & Bev Welu, Ron Schmidt

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From Fr. Steffl:

This last week was a “big one” for Funerals at Holy Redeemer in Marshall. It gives me an opportunity to say how glad I am **when people call for the Anointing of the Sick and the Prayers for the Dying**. The Church has some very nice prayers that are meant to help those who are seriously sick in the Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick, and the Prayers of the Dying. I try, in Funeral homilies, to reference the fact that this Sacrament and these Prayers help us to “be ready” as so many times Jesus exhorts us in the Gospels to be ready for when He calls us from this life. As priests, the Church expects us to place a priority on the spiritual care of the dying. Please call the office to ask for a priest to come. For the Anointing of the Sick, I make a point of offering it in a communal way for those who need it twice a year at the nursing home and assisted living facilities in town, but you can always request it, and I would especially encourage those who are having serious surgery to do so. (I like to tell people – don’t assume the priest knows you or someone close to you knows that you are sick and in need of a visit, but please call!) The Anointing of the Sick is for those who are seriously sick or advanced in age, and the prayers of the dying, what are often called “Last Rites” are an additional set of prayers that are meant to accompany the dying in their final preparations to meet the Lord. I am always surprised at how much these prayers do help to give peace to those who are seriously sick and dying, which is what they are meant to do.

This last week, a group of youth from the parishes went to **Catholic Heart Work Camp**, an annual summer mission trip experience. Thanks to all who helped with organization, fund-raising, and doing what needs to be done to make this a good opportunity for our youth. I hope we will be able to post some pictures soon on the website.

Work on the St. Mary’s, Tracy **kitchen renovation is moving along well**, and on schedule. As I wrote in past weeks, the next step in this project is to raise money to replace the carpeting in the basement hall. The rough estimate we have for this is about \$20,000. If the money cannot be raised at this time, it will be our next goal. If you have not given to the kitchen renovation project, you call still give to this final stage. Please visit with Jan LaVoy or Elise Lanoue for more information.

Last weekend, I was able to offer the Mass in both **Milroy and Tracy** on Sunday. With the scope of my duties, I don’t have a chance to do so very often, but I am glad to have the chance. Both St. Mary’s and St. Michael’s have such great potential and identity as parishes, and I have been so glad to be a part of the many good things that are here at St. Mary’s Church and School and St. Michael’s Church!

