



# HOLY CROSS AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

*We should glory in the Cross of our Lord Jesus Christ, in whom is our salvation, life and resurrection, through whom we are saved and delivered. (Cf. Gal. 6:14)*

## Pastoral Leadership

- Msgr. Douglas Grams  
Rector/Pastor
- Msgr. John Richter  
Senior Associate
- Fr. Aaron Johanneck  
Parochial Vicar
- Fr. Cornelius Ezeiloaku  
Parochial Vicar
- Dcn. Rick Christiansen  
Permanent Deacon

## NUACS

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School (Pre K-6)  
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## AFC Pastoral Council

### Representatives

Cathedral.....Tim Rahe  
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Lester Braulick  
St. George.....Jeff Franta  
Penny Forst  
St. Gregory the Great....Linda Beranek  
Carol Hoffmann

**New Parishioners:** Welcome! We are happy to have you join us. Please call or stop by your parish office to register.

**Baptisms:** Call your parish office to schedule a Baptism. Preparation program required.

**Marriages:** Begin making plans with parish priest at least six months in advance.

**Outreach:** If you know of parishioners who are ill, hospitalized, or homebound, please contact your parish office.

**RCIA:** If you or someone you know is interested in becoming a full member of the Catholic Church, please invite them to join the RCIA program. Classes will begin in September. This is a time of prayer, instruction, questions/answers and discernment that will lead up to full union in the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil. Contact your parish office to register.

THIRD SUNDAY IN  
LENT

**Catholic Charities** in the Diocese of New Ulm provide individual, marriage and family counseling, pregnancy counseling, Project Rachael, adoption resources, transition and grief services. Offices are located in Hutchinson, Marshall, New Ulm and Willmar. Call 1-866-670-5163

**Bulletin Copy Deadline** - Monday: noon

## Holy Cross Area Mass Schedule

### Saturday

5:00 pm Cathedral, New Ulm  
5:30 pm St. Mary's, New Ulm

### Sunday

8:00 am Cathedral, New Ulm  
8:30 am St. George,  
West Newton Twp.  
9:00 am St. Mary's, New Ulm  
10:00 am Cathedral, New Ulm  
10:30 am St. John the Baptist,  
Searles  
10:30 am St. Gregory the Great,  
Lafayette  
6:30 pm Cathedral, New Ulm

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St. John the Baptist**  
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**Church of  
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Lafayette, MN 56054  
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## 3rd Sunday of Lent March 19, 2017

**Bulletin Connection:** *The story of the Samaritan woman at the well is often described as one of conversion. Through her encounter with Jesus, she comes to believe in him. But there is more to the story than just her acceptance of Christ. In her enthusiasm the Samaritan woman goes off to tell others about Jesus. Those among us who are preparing for baptism at the Easter Vigil are here because someone shared the message of Christ with them. Lent is not only a time to turn back to God through the conversion of one's heart. It is also a time to invite others to know Christ.*

*(Liturgical Publications Inc. Resource Center)*

### From the Pastor

**CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES** One of the initiatives of Catholic Relief Services is the Lenten Rice Bowl. Since its inception 40 years ago, more than \$250 million has been given through the Rice Bowl to support programs that prevent hunger and poverty around the world, including programs in the United States. If you would like to make the rice bowl part of your Lenten almsgiving, there are still some available. Next weekend at all the parishes we will take up our annual second collection for the Catholic Relief Services (CRS). In addition to the Lenten Rice Bowl program, CRS supports six Catholic agencies that assist people in need around the world. To find out more about their work, visit [www.crs.org](http://www.crs.org). Please be generous.

**CREMATION** Please see the insert in today's bulletin regarding regulations on cremation in the Catholic Church. The preference is that the funeral take place with the body, cremation and burial to follow. Regulations do allow for cremation before the funeral and burial following.

**BISHOP LUCKER LECTURE SERIES** The Bishop Lucker Lecture Series is this Thursday, March 23, beginning at 7:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls. Helen Alvare will be speaking on the "Rise of Sexual Expressionism in the Law and the Decline of the Vulnerable." I encourage you to attend.

**LENTEN PENANCE SERVICE** Sunday, April 2, is the Holy Cross Area Faith Community Lenten Penance Service. It will be held at 2:00 p.m. at the Cathedral. Watch for a bulletin insert in the next few weeks which will list additional times for individual confessions.

**LOOKING AHEAD** The Chrism Mass this year will be held at the Church of the Sacred Heart in Murdock. It will be celebrated on Thursday, April 6, beginning at 7:00 p.m. The Chrism Mass is the celebration in which the three oils are blessed and distributed for sacred use throughout the 72 sites in our diocese. All are welcome to this special liturgy.

Msgr. Grams

## Mass Schedule for the Week

<u>Date &amp; Time</u>	<u>Location</u>	<u>Intention</u>
<b>Monday 20th</b> 7:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Donald Rausch
<b>Tuesday 21st</b> 7:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Margaret Thiner
7:30 a.m.	St. Mary	+ Marvin Halbur
8:00 a.m.	St. George	+ Edward & Hilda Schmitz
8:20 a.m.	CHS at Cathedral	+ Steve Beranek
9:30 a.m.	Orchard Hills	+ Dennis Simmet (Sts. J & E)
<b>Wednesday 22nd</b> 7:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Steve Reinhart
7:30 a.m.	St. Mary	+ James A. Clyne
8:00 a.m.	St. Gregory the Great	+ Francis & Veronica Dauer
8:25 a.m.	SAE at Cathedral	+ Aurelia Boettger
<b>Thursday 23rd</b> 7:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Alice Hanson
7:30 a.m.	St. Mary	+ LeRoy & Violet Haas
10:00 a.m.	Oak Hills	+ Wally Leick
6:30 p.m.	St. John the Baptist	+ Art Drexler
<b>Friday 24th</b> 7:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Leonard & Leone Seidl
7:30 a.m.	St. Mary	+ Cecelia Schwarz by CUF
9:45 a.m.	Ridgeway North	+ Odelia Forst
<b>Saturday 25th</b> 8:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Alice Henle
5:00 p.m.	Cathedral	+ Mel Schroeffer
5:30 p.m.	St. Mary	+ Paul Kotten
<b>Sunday 26th</b> 8:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Wally Ebert
8:30 a.m.	St. George	+ Stanley Klinger
9:00 a.m.	St. Mary	+ Paul Kretsch
10:00 a.m.	Cathedral	+ Don Weise and Mary Weise Weirauch
10:30 a.m.	St. John the Baptist	+ Curt Braulick
10:30 a.m.	St. Gregory the Great	+ Leo Maidl
6:30 p.m.	Cathedral	Mass for the People

### SUNDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR THE HOMEBOUND

<u>KEYC Mankato Fox Channel 13 NU Tel</u>	6:30 - 7:00 a.m.
<u>KEYC(1) - Old Channel 12 KEYC(NU Tel Ch. 12 / Comcast Ch. 6)</u>	7:30 a.m.
<u>NUCAT Mass from Cathedral of the Holy Trinity</u>	11:00 a.m.
(doesn't run all the time)	
<u>Channel 45 NU Tel &amp; Channel 12 Comcast</u>	11:00 - 11:30
from St. Cloud	

### Sacrament of Reconciliation Schedule

<b>Tuesday 21st</b>	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.	St. Mary
	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.	St. George
<b>Wednesday 22nd</b>	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.	St. Mary
	7:30 - 7:50 a.m.	St. Gregory the Great
<b>Thursday 23rd</b>	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.	St. Mary
<b>Friday 24th</b>	7:00 - 7:20 a.m.	St. Mary
<b>Saturday 25th</b>	9:00 - 10:00 a.m.	Cathedral
	4:00 - 4:40 p.m.	Cathedral
	4:30 - 5:00 p.m.	St. Mary
<b>Sunday 26th</b>	7:00 - 7:40 a.m.	Cathedral

### Readings for the Week of March 19

Mon:	2 Sm 7:4-5a, 12-14a, 16/Ps 89:2-5, 27, 29/Rom 4:13, 16-18, 22/Mt 1:16, 18-21, 24a or Lk 2:41-51a
Tues:	Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6, 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35
Wed:	Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19
Thurs:	Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-9/Lk 11:14-23
Fri:	Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-11ab, 14, 17/Mk 12:28-34
Sat:	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:3-4, 18-21ab Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Next Sunday:	1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 5:8-14 Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38

## Stewardship for the Week of March 12, 2017

	CATHEDRAL	ST. MARY	ST. JOHN	ST. GEORGE	ST. GREGORY
Actual Adult	10,626.00	8,592.00	1,197.00	282.00	724.41
Budget Adult	13,192.31	13,163.46	1,635.00	1,538.46	1,076.93
Electronic Transfers	0.00	7,268.00	0.00	0.00	0.00
Online Giving	0.00	45.00	0.00	0.00	50.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>10,626.00</b>	<b>15,905.00</b>	<b>1,197.00</b>	<b>282.00</b>	<b>774.41</b>
Year-to-date Actual	484,385.12	504,159.80	76,087.00	63,128.96	44,189.68
Year-to-date Budget	488,115.47	487,047.94	60,495.00	55,923.02	39,846.41
<b>Ahead/Behind</b>	<b>-3,730.35</b>	<b>17,111.86</b>	<b>15,592.00</b>	<b>7,205.94</b>	<b>4,343.27</b>
Student	30.57	20.15	3.00	6.00	3.05
Loose Plate	363.15	502.50	15.00	9.75	47.00
Parish Project Goal	50,000.00	20,000.00	6,000.00	18,000.00	10,000.00
Parish Project (# contributors)	36,389.00 (80)	15,690.00 (36)	1,932.55 (6)	4,657.00 (19)	2,839.34 (10)
DMA Goal	62,713.80	40,212.85	7,905.74	7,601.67	6,993.54
DMA Actual (# contributors)	58,025.00 (182)	42,715.00 (110)	5,815.00 (17)	11,940.00 (38)	3,256.70 (13)
<i>Attendance:</i>	<i>1093</i>	<i>667</i>	<i>110</i>	<i>153</i>	<i>89</i>



**New Ulm Area Catholic Schools**

*Visit us at [www.nuacs.com](http://www.nuacs.com)*

**NO SCHOOL:** There is no school on Friday, March 24th, as it is a professional planning day. Also note that Thursday, March 23rd, is the end of third quarter.

**CHS BASEBALL AND GOLF PRACTICE:** These practices begin Monday, March 20th, for the 2017 season.

**BUSINESSES SUPPORT TEENS:** The After-Prom Party is a fun, safe event for our youth. If you or your business would like to support the After-Prom Party with a financial contribution for food, entertainment, and prizes, checks may be made payable to "NUACS After-Prom Party" and mailed to or dropped off at Cathedral High School, 600 N. Washington St. Thank you for helping provide a safe event for our teens!

**2017-2018 KINDERGARTEN ROUNDUP:** A special Kindergarten Roundup and Parent Information Meeting will take place at St. Anthony Elementary School, 514 N. Washington St., on Thursday, March 23rd, 2017. Children will enjoy an abbreviated day in Kindergarten; the following activities will be included: prayer, a counting game, a Bible story, snack time, art, gym and music class, and a bus ride. Mom and Dad will spend time in an informational meeting in the St. Anthony Gym. The session is from 6:00 – 7:00 PM. Complimentary childcare for siblings not attending the Roundup will be provided. Please call the St. Anthony Office at 507-354-2928 or 507-354-4311 to RSVP for your family and to reserve childcare for siblings. The most important building block for your child's future is a strong faith foundation. A Catholic education influences all areas of your child's life, offering the spiritual and academic guidance they will need as they grow. All faiths are welcome to grow with us in God's love. Visit [www.nuacs.com](http://www.nuacs.com)!

**THE TOOLS TO SUCCEED IN LIFE:** Give your children the tools to make good choices in their lives. Just as a compass gives direction to help you stay on course, a Catholic education gives direction in all areas of life. Make sure your child goes into the world fully prepared, academically and spiritually. Even when you cannot be there, God is. Consider Catholic education. Please call 354-2719 for more information on New Ulm Area Catholic Schools.

**START THINKING TWINS BASEBALL:** Everyone is invited to join us for a summer Minnesota Twins outing! Current NUACS families and students, staff, alumni and other Greyhound supporters will converge at Target Field in Minneapolis to watch the Twins take on the Chicago White Sox on Tuesday, June 20th, 2017. For more info. and to reserve your discount tickets, visit [www.nuacs.com](http://www.nuacs.com).

### Religious Education & Faith Formation News

**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION AND FAITH FORMATION CLASSES** will be held as usual from 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. on Wednesday night, March 22nd.

**RCIA CLASS** will be held on Wednesday, March 22nd, at 6:45 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center.

### Youth & Young Adult Ministry

[holycrossafc.org](http://holycrossafc.org) (Ministries)

#### YOUTH MINISTRY

**Gratitude** - Thank you to all who have been helping with our Middle School youth nights, and those who have continued to speak to me about youth ministry, and who have all offered encouragement. It means and helps a lot!

**Lifeline** – For students in grades 9-12, if you are interested in attending Lifeline at the NET Center in St Paul on April 1st, please contact Matthew. Bishop Cozzens will be speaking about Forming Your Catholic Conscience. Time frame is roughly 3:30 p.m. to Midnight. Another 21+ VIRTUS trained driver would be helpful as well! Contact Matthew at [youthministry@holycrossafc.org](mailto:youthministry@holycrossafc.org).

#### YOUNG ADULT MINISTRY (ages 18-39)

**Board Game Night** - Join us for our 3rd Sunday Social event on March 19th. Bring your favorite board game, or just show up ready to play! 7:30 p.m. in Leifeld Hall at the Cathedral.

**Truth on Tap** – Our next meeting will be on April 2nd.

- Matthew

## Holy Cross AFC News

### MN Food Share March Campaign

March is Food Shelf Month, when any donation of food or cash is matched by Minnesota Food Share and the Feinstein Foundation. You may bring your non-perishable food donations to St. Mary's (Cry Room), St. George (entryway) or to St. John's (new entrance area). Monetary donations may be placed in an envelope clearly marked "Food Shelf" and placed in the collection basket. Checks should be made payable to "New Ulm Food Shelf." Please be generous in the fight against hunger.

### Spring Fever at St. George

Tickets are available for the March 25th dinner and performance. Contact Jackie Forst at 354-2428 to obtain tickets.

### Sunday, March 19 - Stations of the Cross

Stations of the Cross will be held at Cathedral at 2:00 p.m.

### Sunday, March 19 - Sauerkraut and Dumpling Dinner

Come enjoy delicious sauerkraut, dumplings and a bake sale hosted by the Cathedral CCW at St. Mary's Social Hall. Items will be served *a la carte* from 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. The menu includes sauerkraut, landjaegers, German potato salad, dumplings, mashed potatoes, green beans, coffee, milk and dessert. Take outs will be available.

### Monday, March 20 - Rosary

Everyone is welcome to come pray the Rosary at Cathedral at 1:00 p.m., weather permitting.

### Monday, March 20 - Men Invited to Model St. Joseph

Fr. Aaron Johannek will be celebrating a Mass in the Extraordinary Form (Latin) on the Solemnity of St. Joseph at 7:00 p.m. at St. Mary's Church in Sleepy Eye. All are invited to take part in this Mass, as well as to attend an informational session at 6:00 p.m. in the Social Room to learn more about this form of the Mass and how to participate in it. Following the Mass, all men are invited to the social room for a time of fraternity, and for an opportunity to grow in knowledge and understanding of the important role of men in the family and in society. In today's society and culture more than ever, it is vital that we keep our eyes focused on the Lord's plan and on Christ as the model of true manhood. Please accept this invitation and join us to honor St. Joseph, Spouse of the Virgin Mary and foster father of Jesus, and to learn more about what it means to be a Christian man.

### Monday, March 20 - Knights of Columbus

All Knights of Columbus are invited to come pray the Rosary at 6:40 p.m. at Cathedral, followed by a meeting at 7:00 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center.

### Wednesday, March 22 - RCIA

RCIA class will be held at 6:45 p.m. in the Cathedral Parish Center.

### Thursday, March 23 - 2017 Bishop Lucker Lecture

This year's lecture, "Rise of Sexual Expressionism in the Law & the Decline of the Vulnerable", featuring Helen Alvare, Professor of Law at George Mason University of Law, will begin at 7:00 p.m. at Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls. Admission is free and no registration is required.

### Friday, March 24 - Stations of the Cross

St. Mary 5:00 p.m.  
Cathedral 5:15 p.m. & CCW Soup Supper at 5:45 p.m. in L.H.  
St. George 5:30 p.m. & Soup and Sandwich Supper in the PC

### Sunday, April 2 - CCW Spring Fundraiser

St. John's CCW Spring Fundraiser Committee is hosting a potluck style all-you-can-eat brunch, including a wide variety of delicious foods, at 11:30 a.m. You are guaranteed not to go away hungry. The day includes a bake sale and raffle with 28 chances to win. Plan ahead to bring your family and friends. Adults (13 and older) \$8.00, Children (4-12yrs) \$4.00 and Preschool (3 & under) \$1.00. St. John's Centennial Cookbooks will also be for sale for that upcoming birthday, bridal shower, wedding, Mother's Day or just because. All are welcome!

### Sunday, April 23 - Brunch Fundraiser for John Hayes

There will be a brunch fundraiser for seminarian John Hayes at St. Gregory the Great Catholic Church in Lafayette starting at 11:30 a.m. This will be a freewill donation. All are welcome. If you aren't able to come, but would like to donate, please send donation to Citizens Bank Minnesota, PO Box 3, Lafayette, MN 56054 Attn: Lori Dick. Checks should be made out to St. Gregory's CCW.

### June 9 through 12 - Pilgrimage

St. Mary's CCW is sponsoring a small group pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of Good Help in Champion, WI (Door County). The pilgrimage will also include stops at Rudolph Grotto and the National Shrine of Basilica of Our Lady Help of Christians at Holy Hill, WI (near Milwaukee). Cost is around \$175 plus cost of meals. For more information, contact Stacy Olson at 217-7331 as soon as possible.

### Worldwide Marriage Encounter

The next available Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekends are April 21-23 in Hutchinson and Nov 17-19 in Windom. For more information visit [southmnwwme.org](http://southmnwwme.org) or contact Miki at [applications@southmnwwme.org](mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org) or 507-227-8229.

### Job Opportunity

There is a job opportunity for a part time church custodian at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity. This position would be scheduled for 20 - 25 hours per week. For more information and an application, please call or stop by the CHT parish office.

### 100 Year Anniversary of Our Lady of Fatima

Join Bishop John M. LeVoir on a tour to Fatima, Spain and Lourdes from September 11th - 21st. The tour will include stays in Lourdes, Burgos, Madrid, Fatima and Lisbon and will also include daily Mass, deluxe motorcoach and excellent local guides. Register at [magitravelinc.com](http://magitravelinc.com) or by calling 952-949-0065.

*Baptized in Christ*  
**Dominick Schwab,**  
*son of Brian and Abigail Schwab*  
**Coraline Brinkman,**  
*daughter of Hunter Brinkman and Cierra Krenz*  
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*Sympathy and Prayers to the Families of*  
**Kenneth Guggisberg,**  
*(family of Kevin and Gail Guggisberg, St. Mary)*  
**Jerald Lee Skalla,**  
*(family of Ron and June Marquardt, St. Mary)*

### Perpetual Eucharistic Adoration

*Lent:*  
*A time of prayer and sacrifice.*  
*A time of renewal.*  
*A time to grow closer to God.*

*This Lent:*  
*Come spend some time with Jesus in the Adoration Chapel.*  
*See where it takes you on your journey*

*For more information, please call Adoration co-coordinators*  
*Lora Rahe at 507-354-5563 or 507-276-6838*  
*Janet Neubauer at 507-276-4039*  
*Kathy Sonnek at 507-947-3043*

*To access the Adoration Chapel when the church building is locked, use the code on the keypad located on the building entrance by the chapel.*

*Chapel closings: Please call the Hotline, 233-9510, for closings due to weather.*



## Cathedral of the Holy Trinity

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR MARCH 25 AND 26

#### **SERVERS**

5:00 p.m. Julia & Melanie Merkel and Sophie Albachten  
8:00 a.m. Aidan Hendrickson and Nicholas & Noah Wolle  
10:00 a.m. Rebecca Schwarz, Jenna Helget and Rose Hazuka  
6:30 p.m. John or James Gillis and Matthew & Maggie Gillis

#### **LECTORS**

Randy Clyne  
Tom Beranek  
Monica Prechel  
Denise Richter

#### **EXTRAORD. MINISTERS**

**Please refer to the following:**  
[www.holycrossafc.org/ministries](http://www.holycrossafc.org/ministries)  
or  
paper copies in work sacristy

**Tuesday, March 21** - Youth Choir will practice at 3:00 p.m. in the Parish Center.

**Thursday, March 23** - Choir Practice will be held at 7:00 p.m.

**Soup Supper:** The CCW will again be providing a Soup Supper after Stations of the Cross at 5:15 p.m. on Fridays. A variety of soups and breads will be served. There is no charge for this supper. You may offer a free will donation. Please join us for fellowship in L.H.

**Job Opportunity:** There is an opening for a part time church custodian at Cathedral. This position would be scheduled for 20 - 25 hours per week. For more information and an application, please call or stop by the Cathedral parish office.

**Sts. Joseph & Elizabeth CUF Council 004** are invited to attend the 8:00 a.m. Mass on March 19th in their honor. A breakfast for members will take place in Leifeld Hall on Sunday, March 26th, following the 8:00 a.m. Mass.

**VOTIVE LIGHTS FOR WEEK OF 3/19:** Delbert Fischer Sr.; Lonita Kral; Craig Richter; Victor Kral; Bernie & Grace Lindmeier; Danny Hegler; Robert & Hildegard Roesch; Greg Hoffmann, Art & Val Simmet, Robert & Anna Simmet, Joe & Anna Soukup; Steve Reinhart; Int. Caleb Tyner & Keith Richter; My Children; Don Weise & Mary Weise Weirauch; RS Family; Alex & Alice Portner; Stan & Hazel Schneider; Erwin & Elaine Hillesheim; Pfeiffer, Bonnell & Burdorf; JM&F; Edwin Sehr; Good Health for MS & DS; Gervase & Arline Krambeer; Cornelius Zitzmann; Edwin & Eleanor Mertz; Jeanette Altenburg; Living & deceased members of Mary & George Wurtzberger/Margaret & Mike Tauer families; Larry Waibel; Helget Family; J&R Families; Ray & Dorothy Manderfeld, T.W. & Clara Manderfeld, Joseph & Margaret Zenk; Bill Goebel; Souls in Purgatory; Don Steffl; Successful Surgery for Mom; Leo & Lorraine James; Sp. Int.; George & Alma Schmid, Harold Schmid & Wally Wendinger; Paul Griebel; Clem Hoffman; Sp. Int. J; Family & Souls in Purgatory; Int. BA; Louis & Lucille Petrowiak; Clarence, Henry & Michael Polzin; Successful Procedure C.M.; Tom & Louise Cooling; Jeanne Stout, Vrchota Family; Ila Wieseler; Evelyn Benz O'Hare; Sp. Int.; Norbert Ubl; Conversion AWP

## Church of St. Mary

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR MARCH 25 AND 26

#### **SERVERS**

**5:30 p.m.** Carter Thomas and Bryce Roiger  
**9:00 a.m.** Christopher and Sam Knowles

#### **SACRISTANS**

Mario DeSouza  
Darlene Beranek

#### **LECTORS**

Kathy Sonnek  
Andie Gieseke

#### **ACCOMPANISTS**

Peggy Schlumpberger  
Tom Maidl

#### **CANTORS**

Anita Hoffmann  
Adult Choir

#### **GIFT BEARERS**

**5:30 p.m.** Calli Koop family

**9:00 a.m.** Jeffrey Kral family

**Monday, March 21** - Adult Choir will practice at 6:00 p.m.

**Friday, March 24** - Stations of the Cross will begin at 5:00 p.m.

**Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign** - St. Mary's will continue to participate in this campaign to help restock our local food shelf. You can place your non-perishable food donations in the collection container in the Cry Room, and any monetary donations may be placed in the collection basket, clearly labeled "Food Shelf," or brought to the parish office. Please be generous in the fight against hunger. Matthew 25:37 - "Then the righteous will answer Him, 'Lord, when did we see You hungry, and feed You, or thirsty, and give You something to drink?'" St. Mary's will continue to collect food items and monetary donations throughout the year.

**Social Hall Sound and Video System Fund** - It is not too late to contribute to the St. Mary's Social Hall Sound and Video System Fund. Please prayerfully consider giving to the need of upgrading this equipment that will provide for an improved sound and video system for a higher quality projection and communication level when used for programs and events. Thank you for your generosity.

**Volunteers Needed** - We are in need of volunteers to help with the next American Red Cross Blood Drive at St. Mary's on Monday, April 17th, at 1:00 p.m. Shifts available are 1:00 - 4:00 p.m. and 4:00 - 7:00 p.m. If you are able to share your time for this cause, please contact the parish office at 233-9500.

## Church of St. George

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR MARCH 26

**SERVERS :** Elizabeth & Abigail Bianchi and Aidan Bastian  
**LECTORS:** Jeff Franta and Kaitlin Forst  
**COUNTERS:** Jim Forst and David Wendinger  
**EXT. MIN.:** Jennifer Wendinger, Denny Lux and Alma Forst

**GIFT BEARERS:** Steve and Lori Dummer  
**USHERS:** Don and Eric Wendinger  
**MUSICIAN:** Family Choir  
**ROSARY LEADER:** Katie Johnson

**Church Cleaning** - Remember: The (\*) person calls the others to remind them.

April 1st at 8:30 a.m.

\*Ann Franta

Rosemary, Chelsey, and Dianne (Tom) Franta

Sharon Friedley

**Catholic United Financial** meeting and supper will be held Tuesday, March 28th, at 7:00 p.m. in the St. George Parish Center.

## Church of St. Gregory the Great

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR MARCH 26

**LECTOR:** Maggie Mages      **SERVERS:** Jennifer & Robbie Wear  
**COMMENTATOR:** Randy Gjerde      **EXT. MINISTERS:** Adeline Cox, Chuck Fitterer and Nancy Reed  
**MUSICIAN/CANTOR:** Cheri LeBrun      **USHERS:** Dave Reed and Greg Bieraugel  
**SACRISTANS:** Bobbie Schuelke

**Wednesday, March 22** - Lenten Study Group will meet following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Bring your Resisting Happiness book.

**Sunday, April 2** - COF Annual Communal Dinner for all COF members and families following the 10:30 a.m. Mass

**ATTENTION -Ladies of Circle 2** are asked to sign up in the social hall for John Hayes' seminarian brunch fundraiser to be held on April 23rd.

**The C.O.F St.Thomas Court #1994** will be hosting their annual communal dinner in the Social Hall at St. Gregory the Great following Mass on April 2nd. The meal will be catered by Hahn's Dining & Lounge, with door prizes and awards to be presented. All C.O.F members and their families are welcome. We hope to see you there!

**Thank you** to all the men and women that assisted with Anna Hacker's funeral. The amount of help always amazes us, and we are eternally grateful. ~ Kitchen Funeral Committee.

**Thank you** to everyone who helped with the St Gregory's CCW Grocery Bingo on March 12th. We would also like to thank those who joined us for an afternoon of fun and socializing. The day was a great success, and donations will be delivered to the Food Shelf.

**Choir practice for Easter has been scheduled.** Mark your calendars and plan on joining us. The dates are Wednesdays, March 22nd and 29th and April 5th and 12th at 6:30 p.m. All are Welcome!

**Honor a special loved one** by contributing to the Easter flower fund. Donation envelopes are now available at the back of church.

**Join us for a Lenten Study Group** every Wednesday following the 8:00 a.m. Mass. Bring your Resisting Happiness book, and the group will meet in the Social Hall.

## Church of St. John the Baptist

### LITURGICAL MINISTRIES FOR MARCH 26

**SERVERS:** Morgan Ranweiler, Joey Griebel, Brianna Schumacher      **EUCH. BREAD:** Shirley Kuck  
**LECTOR:** Kathy Drexler      **EUCH. CUP:** (Communion in one form)  
**LEADER:** John Griebel      **ACCOMPANIST:** Gayle Waibel  
**USHERS:** Roger Abels and Al Schumacher      **CANTOR:** Ken and Sue Griebel

**Sunday, March 19** - REMINDER - CCW Spring Fundraiser Committee members, please call Sue Griebel at 354-4206 TODAY with your choice of dish to pass.

**Next Sunday, March 26** - 10:10 a.m. Rosary for Vocations

**Sunday, April 2** - CCW Spring Fundraiser at 11:30a.m. This is a potluck style all-you-can-eat brunch hosted by the CCW Spring Fundraiser Committee members, with a wide variety of delicious foods. The day includes a bake sale (get your ovens ready) and raffle too. Plan ahead to bring your family and friends. All are Welcome!

**Minnesota FoodShare March Campaign** - Please help restock our local food shelf. Please place non-perishable food donations in the new entrance area. Collection will be the weekend of March 26th. Thank you for your generosity.

## Community News

**Sunday, March 19** - **63rd Annual Knights of Columbus Mulligan Stew** will be served from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. in the Marian Hall of St. James Catholic Church in St. James. Dessert and beverages will be included in the meal. All are welcome to attend!

**March 24 - 26** - **Father-Son Weekend at Schoenstatt Retreat Center** beginning at 7:00 p.m. on Friday and concluding at 1:00 p.m. on Sunday. Topic will be "Building God's Kingdom with Mary." For more information and to register, call (507) 794-7727.

**Saturday, March 25** - **Free Community Breakfast** - All are welcome to enjoy this breakfast from 8:00 - 10:00 a.m. at First United Methodist Church on the corner of Center and Broadway Streets. Please use the parking lot door.

**Sunday, March 26** - **Searles Baseball Benefit and Youth Baseball/Softball Sign-up** will be held from 1:30 - 6:00 p.m. at the Searles Bar & Grill. There will be a silent auction, meat raffle, pull-tabs, food specials and fun for everyone! Dain's Dutchmen and Nick Stadick will provide musical entertainment from 2:00 - 5:00 p.m. Raffle drawing will be at 6:00 p.m. Come join us!

**Monday, March 27** - **Depression and Anxiety in Older Adults** - NAMI Minnesota will host two presentations on mental health issues: "Understanding Depression in Older Adults" will be offered at 12:30 - 1:30 p.m. and "Understanding Anxiety in Older Adults" will be presented from 1:45 - 3:15 p.m. in the New Ulm Room at Brown County Human Services, 1117 Center Street, New Ulm.

**Tuesday, March 28** - **Pro Kinship for Kids at Happy Joe's** - Come enjoy the buffet from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m., and 50 cents from each buffet sold and all tips collected this evening from mentors and mentees serving tables will go to support programming and activities.

**Sunday, April 2** - **6th Annual Community Benefit Breakfast for First Choice Pregnancy Services** in New Ulm will be served from 8:30 a.m. - 12:00 noon at the American Legion. The menu includes pancakes, scrambled eggs, sausage, orange juice and coffee. Cost is \$9 for adults, \$4 for children ages 10 and under and \$1 for preschoolers.

**Saturday, April 8** - **Field of Grace (FOG) Youth Group Ham Bingo Fundraiser** will be held at 6:00 p.m. at the Lafayette Fire Hall. There will be half hams for prizes PLUS two blackout games for a chance to win a full ham! All ages are welcome, and food will be available for purchase. Come win your Easter Ham while supporting the youth!