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 Sun 10:00 am St. Mary



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Confessions
 Sat 4:30 pm St. Ann
 Sun 7:30 am St. Columba
 Sun 9:30 am St. Mary
 Tues 4:00 pm St. Ann



St. Columba, Iona

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 (507) 760-0090

Adoration
 Tues 4:00-5:00 pm St. Ann

PARISH SERVICES

NEW PARISHIONERS We warmly welcome you to our Catholic parishes of Saint Ann, Saint Mary and Saint Columba! Contact the office to register.

MARRIAGE Recently engaged? Before setting up any other arrangements, call Father to start your preparation for this beautiful sacrament! In Minnesota, preparation must begin at least six months before a wedding.

BAPTISM Call Father to make arrangements to have your child baptized as soon as possible! Those who have not had a child baptized before will also schedule a preparation session.

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	<i>Father's day off</i>	†No Mass
Tues	4:00 pm St. Ann	†No Holy Hour
	5:00 pm St. Ann	†No Mass
Wed	9:15 am Lindenwood	†No Mass
Thur	9:00 am St. Columba	†No Mass
Fri	8:30 am St. Ann	†No Mass
Sat	9:00 am St. Ann	†No Mass
	5:00 pm St. Ann	†John Jacobson
Sun	8:00 am St. Columba	†Julie Klein
	10:00 am St. Mary	†For the People

See schedule for Currie, Fulda, Westbrook - pg. 2

READINGS STARTING JANUARY 7

Sun	Is 60:1-6/Ps 72:1-2, 7-8, 10-13/Eph 3:2-3, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12
Mon	Is 55:1-11/Is 12:2-6/Jn 5:1-9/Mk 1:7-11
Tue	1 Sm 1:9-20/1 Sm 2:1, 4-8/Mk 1:21-28
Wed	1 Sm 3:1-10, 19-20/Ps 40:2, 5, 7-10/Mk 1:29-39
Thur	1 Sm 4:1-11/Ps 44:10-11, 14-15, 24-25/Mk 1:40-45
Fri	1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22/Ps 89:16-19/Mk 2:1-12
Sat	1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1/Ps 21:2-7/Mk 2:13-17
Sun	1 Sm 3:3-10, 19/Ps 40:2, 4 7-10/1 Cor 6:13-15, 17-20/Jn 1:35-42



THE EPIPHANY OF THE LORD

When Jesus was born in Bethlehem of Judea, in the days of King Herod, behold, magi from the east arrived in Jerusalem, saying, "Where is the newborn king of the Jews? We saw his star at its rising and have come to do him homage."
 - Mt 2:1-2

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PARISH LIFE

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Ronald Conway. Ronnie passed away Fri, Dec 15. His funeral will be Sat, Jan 13 at St. Ann Church. May he rest in peace.

ST. MARY, LAKE WILSON is serving a Community Dinner at the Lake Wilson Legion Hall Sun, Jan 14, 10:30am - 1pm. Menu includes: Pulled Pork Sandwich, Potato Salad, Chips, Bar, and Beverage. Dine in or Carry out. FREE will donation. Proceeds will help to replace furnace/AC units. Everyone is welcome!!

ST. COLUMBA will be serving Coffee & Rolls following the 8am Mass on Sun, Jan 21. All are welcome!

ST. ANN, SUN, JAN 7TH help will be needed to take down Christmas decorations, carry them back to the rectory, set up for Mass in St. Ann Hall, and empty the cry room. High school boys, able-bodied men and women will be needed for the task. Please come at **1pm**. The St. Ann pews are scheduled to be removed, for refurbishment, from the church Mon, Jan 8th. Beginning on Jan 8th, **ALL** Masses scheduled at St. Ann will be held in the Hall.

AREA WEEKDAY MASS SCHEDULE:

Tues 10:00 am Maple Lawn Nursing Home, Fulda
 Wed 8:30 am St. Anthony, Westbrook
 Thur 8:30 am IHM, Currie
 Fri 8:30 am St. Gabriel, Fulda

ALL ST. COLUMBA GREETERS: Please remember to arrive 20 - 30 minutes before Mass to open the church and complete the check list which can be found in the sacristy. Thank you for your willingness to serve our parish!

CDA COURT QUEEN OF PEACE wishes to thank parishioners who helped in any way with donations for our Christmas Baskets this year.

RAFFLE WINNER Dec 31st - \$100.00 - Matt Ellefson

CHURCH SUPPORT - DEC 30 & 31

	Envelopes	Loose Gifts	Online Gvng
St. Ann	\$28,965.00	\$ 367.17	\$ 1,328.25
St. Columba	\$ 1,495.00	\$ 83.25	\$ 95.75
St. Mary	\$ 640.00	\$ 121.00	\$ 90.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2023 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$12,900	Pledged	\$33,545.00
St. Columba	Goal \$ 4,082	Pledged	\$ 7,695.00
St. Mary	Goal \$ 3,234	Pledged	\$ 9,175.00

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Jan 10 FF	CCW prays
17 FF	KC prays
24 FF	CDA prays
31 FF	KC prays

SUPPER SCHEDULE Reminder will be sent prior

Jan 10	Amy Kathman
17	Brittney Kramer
24	Missy Biren and Sheila Risacher
31	Faith Formation

LETTER TO SEMINARIANS-grades 1, 4, & 8 will be writing encouraging notes Jan 10. Talk with your student about who these men are and how we can support them by these notes.

1ST RECONCILIATION Jan 27, 9am the 2nd graders will be receiving the Sacrament of Mercy for the first time. Please pray for Leah B, Baylor D, Mason H, Austin J, Oliver K, John L, Kaleb M, Adalie P, Charli P, Kenzie P. CCW prays for us this day.

DR. DEB MCMANIMON, St. Paul Street Evangelization speaking on "Living the Joy of the Gospel" Jan 31st during the evening FF classes. General Assembly-6:45 Deb speaking from 7-8. Everyone is invited to attend!

QUILT TYING for all the graduating seniors of our tri parish will take place at St. Columba Hall on February 3 at 8:30 am. All are welcome to help, experienced and unexperienced. We can teach you and will have the equipment you will need, just show up!

SAVE THE DATE! *Mardi Gras*, Feb 10 St. Columba Hall.
Ash Wednesday Mass Feb 14 7pm with all FF students.

CAMP SUMMIT for grades 5+ (23-24 school year) will be July 29-Aug 1, 2024. Registration opening Jan 15. Transportation provided

STUEBENVILLE ROCHESTER Youth Conference July 12 -14, 2024 grades 8+ (23-24 school year) A life changing experience. Registration open. Transportation provided.

SAVE THE DATE! Living our Faith in Love. Worthington Deanery High School Youth Retreat for grades 9-12 at St. Leo Church, Pipestone. Sun, March 17. Special guest Pat Millea. More info to come.

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

QUESTION – ST. JOSEPH: We looked closely at the Feast of the Holy Family last week. I mentioned how the Holy Family even had trying moments. Those mentioned were:

- A. The rejection in finding an inn for the birth of our Savior.
- B. A king having to be born in a stable.
- C. A king being born in an obscure town called Bethlehem.
- D. The Flight into Egypt with Herod searching for the child to put him to death.
- E. The child being lost for three days while Mary and Joseph search for him.
- F. Our Lord being scourged and whipped.
- G. Our Lord having to die on a cross.

Our final statement leads to a question. Mary was present at the foot of the cross. She had to endure the suffering and death of her son with no mention of Joseph being at her side. Where was Joseph? Hiding in fear? Answer: It is believed that Joseph had died sometime between Jesus' being lost in the Temple (Jesus at 12 years of age) and his public ministry, suffering and death (Jesus at the ages of 29-32). It is for this reason that Jesus from the cross asks the Beloved Disciple (the apostle John) to take care of his mother and John from that hour took Mary into his home (see John 19:25-27).

EPIPHANY OF OUR LORD: On this feast of the Epiphany, how is one to understand the word "epiphany?" Merriam-Webster's dictionary defines "epiphany as, "1: a usually sudden manifestation or perception of the essential nature or meaning of something. 2. An intuitive grasp of reality through something usually simple and striking." An example. In his spare time, my father enjoys taking apart electric motors. Once he has the ends of a motor removed, he then goes about the work of removing the copper from inside. It is painstaking work. He flips the motor around time after time sometimes cutting the back of his hands as he reaches in to remove the copper. I decided to help. Where did I turn? You guessed it, a site called YouTube. It is amazing what you learn from

YouTube. Through videos, you learn what works and what doesn't work. I learned that my father was making things way too complicated. With the caps of the motor removed, all he needed was a grinder, Sawzall, punch and hammer which he has in his garage. Grind this away and one big obstacle is removed. Use the Sawzall to remove the copper from one end of the motor. With the copper removed use your punch and hammer to remove the remaining copper. What could take my father two weeks to do could be done in one hour. What an epiphany!!

When I think of the kings travelling many miles, following a star, and arriving from the east, I often wonder what they expected to see. A king? Yes. But not a king dressed in swaddling clothes and lying in a manger. Humbled, if not taken aback by the sight, they could have turned away never to be heard from again. Such is not the story. Despite what they see, they still pay homage to Jesus and offer gifts of gold, frankincense, and myrrh. Returning home via another route, what a story they had to tell.

Christ manifests himself to us daily. Like the kings may we recognize his presence among us and honor him by offering our lives and love.

Blessings to you!
~Fr Peter Schuster

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

I WOULD LIKE TO THANK everyone for their Christmas cards, treats, gifts and prayers. I request your kind prayers as I celebrate my 11th Priestly Ordination on Jan 2, 2024, and also as I travel to India for my vacation in January. I wish everyone a Blessed and Happy New Year and God's blessings to all. ~Father Dharma

PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS: call Deb, 507-227-0518 for St. Columba requests. Call Jill, 507-920-3872 or Karen, 760-0113 for St. Ann requests.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE JAN 13 & 14

	ST. MARY - 10AM	ST. COLUMBA - 8AM	ST. ANN - 5PM
Ushers	Jim Y; Brian C		Clayton M; Paul L; Jim O; Denny S
Greeters		Kolby F; Ryley T	
Server	Madison J; Gwenna K	Noah F; Garret B	Carson E; Easton H
Reader	Dianne C	Marcie C	Judy P
Gifts	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
EMHC	Laddie C; Joe B	Hannah F; Angie F	Katie H; Travis S; Gary E
Money	Louise B; Hilary B		Connie M/Judy A
		Music	Dave & Kathy S
		Comm to HB	

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