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Sunday Masses

Sat	5:00 pm	St. Ann
Sun	8:00 am	St. Columba
Sun	10:00 am	St. Mary



St. Ann, Slayton

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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

Mike Kirchner - St. Ann Custodian
 (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	† Holy Hour Adoration
	5:00 pm St. Ann	†Alfred/Cecilia Spartz
Wed	9:00 am St. Columba	†Bob/Gen Spartz
	5:30 pm St. Mary	†Harv/Vi Suedbeck
	7:00 pm St. Ann	†Bob Schreurs
Thur	9:00 am St. Columba	†Priests of the DOW-R
Fri	8:30 am St. Ann	†Angeline Thom
	5:30 pm St. Mary	†Sisters of St. Francis-Rochester
Sat	5:00 pm St. Ann	†For the People
Sun	8:00 am St. Columba	†Gary Swart
	10:00 am St. Mary	†Mary Ellen Trueman

READINGS STARTING FEBRUARY 11

Sun	Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11/1 Cor 10:31—11:1/Mk 1:40-45
Mon	Jas 1:1-11/Ps 119:67-68, 71-72, 75-76/Mk 8:11-13
Tue	Jas 1:12-18/Ps 94:12-15, 18-19/Mk 8:14-21
Wed	Jl 2:12-18/2 Cor 5:20—6:2/Ps 51:3-6, 12-14, 17/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18
Thur	Dt 30:15-20/Ps 1:1-4, 6/Lk 9:22-25
Fri	Is 58:1-9/Ps 51:3-6, 18-19/Mt 9:14-15
Sat	Is 58:9-14/Ps 86:1-6/Lk 5:27-32
Sun	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-9/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15



**6TH SUNDAY
IN ORDINARY TIME**

He said to him, "See that you tell no one anything, but go, show yourself to the priest and offer for your cleansing what Moses prescribed; that will be proof for them." The man went away and began to publicize the whole matter. He spread the report abroad so that it was impossible for Jesus to enter a town openly. - Mk 1:44-45b

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

PARISH LIFE

FRIDAY EVENING MASSES, followed by Stations of the Cross, will be offered during lent, at 5:30pm, and will rotate between St. Columba, Iona and St. Mary, Lake Wilson. Please watch the Mass schedule on page 1 for which parish is celebrating each week. *Feb 16-St. Mary.*

ST. COLUMBA will be serving coffee and rolls following the 8am Mass on Feb 18 in the Iona hall. All are welcome!

THERE WILL BE A FAREWELL reception for Father Dharma Pasala on Sun, Feb 25 at 4pm serving coffee/juice/bars, and will be held at St. Gabriel Church in Fulda. All are welcome! We are grateful for Father Dharma's ministry. Let us keep him in prayer as he transitions to his new assignment in Jackson, Sherburn and Lakefield on March 1st.

ASH WEDNESDAY, FEB 14, MASS TIMES:

9:00 am	St. Columba, Iona
5:30 pm	St. Mary, Lake Wilson
7:00 pm	St. Ann, Slayton

PER THE MEETINGS AND discussion of the mergers of St. Columba and St. Mary, if anyone would still like to offer comments to Father Will Thompson, his email address is vicargeneral@dowr.org. ~Father Schuster

RICE BOWLS ARE AVAILABLE in all parishes if you would like to pick one up and take it home with you. CRS Rice Bowl provides funding for Catholic Relief Services' food security projects, which support agriculture, nutrition, education, and self-sufficiency in communities around the world. 75% is remitted to CRS for overseas projects and 25% may be retained in the diocese for local antipoverty programs. Rice Bowls are returned during Holy Week.

ST. ANN CCW will meet on Tues, Feb 20, at 5:30pm in the St. Ann Social Room of the school. ALL ladies are welcome to attend.

CHURCH SUPPORT - FEB 3 & 4

	Envelopes	Loose Gifts	Online Gvng
St. Ann	\$ 1,415.00	\$ 131.10	\$ 1,222.25
St. Columba	\$ 565.00	\$ 102.00	\$ 70.00
St. Mary	\$ 732.00	\$ 143.15	\$ 290.00

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2023 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$12,900	Pledged	\$33,645.00
St. Columba	Goal \$ 4,082	Pledged	\$ 7,795.00
St. Mary	Goal \$ 3,234	Pledged	\$ 9,175.00

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Feb 14 Ash Wednesday Mass 7 pm	CCW prays
21 FF	KC prays
28 FF-Reconciliation for students	CDA prays
Mar 6 FF	CCW prays

SUPPER SCHEDULE Reminder will be sent prior

Feb 14	NO SUPPER-MASS
21	Leftovers from Mardi Gras
28	Angie Frisk
Mar 6	Julie Dahlhoff

ASH WEDNESDAY Mass 7pm St Ann hosted by 7th and 9th graders. Grades K-5 will not meet in class, everyone come to Mass.

LENT ADULT FF OPPORTUNITY "Encounter the Power of the Gospel" Fr. Mark Toups multi-media course. Cost is \$9 for the book. Mondays Feb 19- March 25 5:30 pm. Contact Marcie to participate.

QUILT TYING for all the graduating seniors of our tri parish will take place at St. Columba Hall rescheduled for February 24th 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!

LENT RECONCILIATION FOR STUDENTS ONLY (because of the church remodeling) grades 2-10 will be receiving the Sacrament of mercy on February 28th.

TRAUMA AWARENESS PROGRAM "Whole Hearted" by Catholic Charities is for those who have suffered trauma in their lives. It offers a chance to recognize the extent of the trauma, renewal-offers spiritual exercises for strength, and restoration-offers intentional work needed to move forward. Thursdays, February 29, March 7, 14, & 21. 7 pm Social Room, St. Ann School. FREE! Contact Marcie if you wish to participate.

HIGH SCHOOL RETREAT "Living the Gift of Life" grs 9-12 invited to attend. Pro-life is the topic. March 17 1pm. Transportation provided-registration fee paid by FF—please bring a food shelf item to share.

THE 4TH GRADE FF CLASS is holding a Murray County Food Shelf collection during Lent as a classroom activity. They are encouraging parishioners, parents, grandparents, aunts, uncles, & friends to put food items in the boxes in St. Ann Hall. *Thank you for donating!*

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

LENTEN NORMS OF FASTING AND ABSTAINING: With Ash Wednesday on February 14th, we begin our forty-day journey of Lent. Here are the stipulations for fasting and abstinence:

Fasting: Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting. The norms of fasting are obligatory from age 18 to 59. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal.

Abstinence: Ash Wednesday, all Fridays of Lent and Good Friday are obligatory days of abstinence. The norms concerning abstinence from meat are binding upon Catholics from age 14 onwards.

Hey Dad, What are you giving up for Lent? As a Lenten custom, the practice of doing/giving something up for Lent is something that has been taught through the ages. In the days leading up to Lent, we find ourselves fumbling with the question, “Well, what am I going to do this Lenten season?” I am going to offer two thoughts to help us in narrowing our decision.

Thought Number One – My father had a habit of taking a dip of Key chewing tobacco. Chewing tobacco is a product which is placed between the cheek and lower gum to draw out is flavor. It is extremely addictive. There were occasions when my father would give up chewing tobacco for Lent. It was a great thought, but he made life difficult for the family. He would become irritable, craving for a pinch of tobacco. With this example, please remember whatever your Lenten practice, the impact it could have on those around you. While something is meant to challenge a person for forty days, it is not meant to make life a “living hell” on others around you.

Thought Number Two – My father was quick to realize that giving up chewing tobacco was not a wise Lenten practice. His next Lenten resolution was almost as baffling. The four of us children would ask, “Dad, what are you giving up for Lent?” His response, “Watermelon.” As kids, we were incredulous. To give

up watermelon when the garden harvest is in full swing is one thing but doing so in Lent is about as easy as giving up spinach for most kids. Even we would ask, “Dad, are you serious? We are giving up candy and you are fasting from watermelon?” Such a Lenten practice is not much of a Lenten practice at all. After all, I am not certain the quality of watermelon a grocery store can have on hand in February and March.

So, as you approach Lent this year, please keep both thoughts in mind.

Have a great Lent and may we find ourselves renewed with our celebration of Easter!

Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

HAS IT BEEN A WHILE SINCE YOU have been to confession? The DOW-R offers a resource of hope, encouragement, and story for you—as well as how to make a good confession, and why it's important. *The Light is On Southern Minnesota* is a website that makes clear that God's mercy can be for you! Take time to enjoy the local stories, share them, and use them as encouragement to receive the sacrament of reconciliation this Lent. See it all at www.thelightisonsouthernmn.org

2ND COLLECTION on Ash Wednesday helps provide aid to the Church in Central and Eastern Europe to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church. It focuses on training, supporting social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and evangelization through Catholic media.

THE MURRAY COUNTY CLASSIC DRAFT HORSE SHOW is looking for willing volunteers to help at this event next July 13 & 14. Students in grade 9 and up are needed for taking tickets at the gate. If interested in helping please call Kennedy at 507-920-9786 by Feb 12.

RAFFLE WINNER Feb 4th - \$100.00 - Jordan Hulstein

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FEB 17 & 18

	ST. MARY - 10AM	ST. COLUMBA - 8AM	ST. ANN - 5PM
Ushers	Joe B; Steve H		Bill E; Judy P; Mike K; Mike M
Greeters		Joe & Missy B	
Server	Kiya T; Louis J	William & Walker B	Kate B; Jada J
Reader	Dianne C	Peter F	Karen Juenemann
Gifts	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
EMHC	Louise B; Joe B	Trish K; JoAnn B	Katie H; Travis S; Gary E
Money	Joe B; Karen H		Rita L/Judy A
		Music	Sue B
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