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Sun	10:00 am	St. Mary



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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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**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 Sunrise	†No Mass
Thur	9:00 am St. Columba	†Molly Einck
Fri	8:30 am St. Ann	†Delbert Urke
	5:30 pm St. Columba	†Sr. Val Usher
Sat	5:00 pm St. Ann	†Sally Vos
Sun	8:00 am St. Columba	†Vaughn Lingen
	10:00 am St. Mary	†For the People

### READINGS STARTING FEBRUARY 18

Sun	Gn 9:8-15/Ps 25:4-9/1 Pt 3:18-22/Mk 1:12-15
Mon	Lv 19:1-2, 11-18/Ps 19:8-10, 15/Mt 25:31-46
Tue	Is 55:10-11/Ps 34:4-7, 16-19/Mt 6:7-15
Wed	Jon 3:1-10/Ps 51:3-4, 12-13, 18-19/Lk 11:29-32
Thur	1 Pt 5:1-4/Ps 23:1-6/Mt 16:13-19
Fri	Ez 18:21-28/Ps 130:1-8/Mt 5:20-26
Sat	Dt 26:16-19/Ps 119:1-2, 4-5, 7-8/Mt 5:43-48
Sun	Gn 22:1-2, 9-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15-19/Rom 8:31-34/Mk 9:2-10

## 1<sup>ST</sup> SUNDAY OF LENT

After John had been arrested, Jesus came to Galilee proclaiming the gospel of God: "This is the time of fulfillment. The kingdom of God is at hand. Repent, and believe in the gospel." - Mk 1:14-15

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## PARISH LIFE

**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!

**ST. ANN CCW** will meet on Tues, Feb 20, at 5:00pm in the St. Ann Social Room of the school. ALL ladies are welcome to attend. **\*\*\*Note time change.\*\*\***

**ST. GABRIEL**, Fulda will be hosting Communal Penance for lent on Sun March 10<sup>th</sup>, at 2pm and all are invited to partake in this beautiful sacrament. Due to St. Ann pew renovation a Lenten communal penance will not be held. Other Penance times are First Thurs, March 7 at St. Mary, 5-6pm; First Sat, March 2 at St. Ann 4-4:45pm; Tues afternoons at St. Ann, 4-4:45pm (when Mass is held); or half an hour before all weekend Masses.

**ST COLUMBA SPRING DINNER** will be on Sun, March 24, from 10:30-1pm at the St Columba Hall. Parishioners can pick up your envelopes in the back of church with your work schedules and raffle tickets. Please consider donating one or two raffle prizes for the adult and children's raffle. Contact Angie Frisk with questions.

### TRIDUUM MASS SCHEDULES: ANN/COLUMBA/MARY

Holy Thursday	6:00 pm	St. Ann, Slayton
Good Friday	12:00 pm	St. Mary, Lake Wilson
	5:30 pm	St. Columba, Iona
Easter Vigil	8:00 pm	St. Columba, Iona
Easter Sunday	8:00 am	St. Mary, Lake Wilson
	10:00 am	St. Ann, Slayton

### FULDA/CURRIE/WESTBROOK SCHEDULE:

Holy Thursday	7:00 pm	St. Gabriel, Fulda
Good Friday	12:00 pm	IHM, Currie
	5:30 pm	St. Anthony, Westbrook
Easter Vigil	8:00 pm	IHM, Currie
Easter Sunday	8:30 am	St. Gabriel, Fulda
	10:30 am	St. Anthony, Westbrook

## CHURCH SUPPORT - FEB 10 & 11

	Envelopes	Loose Gifts	Online Gvng
St. Ann	\$ 1,505.00	\$ 81.00	\$ 322.25
St. Columba	\$ 595.00	\$ 58.00	\$ 120.00
St. Mary	\$ 630.00	\$ 68.00	\$ 90.00

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$12,900	Pledged \$ .00
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## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

### FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Feb 21	FF	KC prays
	28	FF-Reconciliation for students
Mar 6	FF	CDA prays
	13	FF
		CCW prays
		KC prays

### SUPPER SCHEDULE

Reminder will be sent prior	
Feb 21	Leftovers from Mardi Gras
	28
	Angie Frisk
Mar 6	Julie Dahlhoff
	13
	Faith Formation

**HUGE THANKS** to all who donated/helped make Mardi Gras a huge success-especially the committee. We raised over \$1700 for FF! May the Lord bless your Lent!

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

**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.

**QUILT TYING** for all the graduating seniors of our tri parish will take place at St. Columba Hall rescheduled for March 2<sup>nd</sup> 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!

**THE 4<sup>TH</sup> 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!*

**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.

**RICE BOWLS** were sent home with students last week. As a family sacrifice at meals so others may eat. Bring back by Good Friday, March 29.

## WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

**LENTEN NORMS OF FASTING AND ABSTAINING:** I will keep the norms of fasting and abstaining in my column throughout Lent as a reference point for people seeking the information.

**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.

**HUH? WHAT?** As I mentioned in a weekend homily, Mark's gospel has a sense of urgency to it. Mark doesn't begin his gospel with anything pertaining to the birth or early life of Jesus. He begins with the preaching of John the Baptist and moves into the baptism of Jesus. After Jesus' baptism, we hear in the gospel, "At once the Spirit drove him out into the desert, and he remained in the desert for forty days, tempted by Satan. He was among wild beasts, and the angels ministered to him" (Mark 1:12-13). Our Lenten journey is driven by these two verses. Jesus was led by the Spirit into the desert. Lent is a "desert" time. We are to seek the quiet and solace which a desert brings to spend time with our Lord. Our forty-day journey comes from Jesus' forty-day journey in the desert. During these forty days, what can we expect? As the Lord faced temptation, we too will face temptation keeping in mind we are promised the guidance and protection of our guardian angel.

Speaking of temptation, here is a story. When I was in eighth grade, I attended Wednesday evening CCD classes. One Wednesday night, I walked into the classroom and some of my classmates were standing around the teacher's desk eating from a can of peanut brittle. They beckoned me, "Come, Peter, have some peanut brittle." As tempting as it was, I declined. Their temptation took on a higher note of urgency a few

minutes later, "Peter, have some peanut brittle!" Enjoying peanut brittle, I decided to have some. After all, what harm was there in it? And that is when things took a turn. As I was standing around the teacher's desk enjoying a treat, the CCD teacher entered the classroom. The remainder of classmates, the "tempters" in this case, scattered and I was left all alone. The teacher gave me a surprised look. Picking up the can of peanut brittle, she asked, "Peter, do you know whose peanut brittle this is?" My response, "No, I don't." She told me, "It belongs to the teacher who teaches in this classroom during the day." I was floored. I had absolutely no idea.

Of my action, there were consequences. I had to do three things:

1. Write a note to the teacher who taught during the day explaining my actions. (Note: Our CCD classes were held in a parochial school. We used the parochial school classrooms for faith formation.)
2. I had to pay for the can of peanut brittle.
3. I had to tell my parents. I told my mother on the way home from class and my father once I arrived home. Not enjoyable!!!

Such is the lesson to be learned. Temptations surround us. If it is too good to be true, it probably is. So be careful and keep your wits about you. The devil is alive and well. Don't play games. Reject temptation and keep your Lenten focus on the Lord.

Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

### OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**RAFFLE WINNER** Feb 11<sup>th</sup> - \$100.00 - Rosemary LeTendre

**COURT QUEEN OF PEACE** will meet in the social room at the school at 9am on Feb 24.

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS:** call Deb Swart, 507-227-0518 for St. Columba requests. Call Karen Juenemann, 760-0113 for St. Ann requests.

## VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE FEB 24 & 25

	<b>ST. MARY - 10AM</b>	<b>ST. COLUMBA - 8AM</b>	<b>ST. ANN - 5PM</b>
<b>Ushers</b>	Joe B; Steve H		Bill E; Judy P; Mike K; Mike M
<b>Greeters</b>		Todd & Deb T	
<b>Server</b>	Alex & Trenton H	William & Walker B	Ava D; Kenadie H
<b>Reader</b>	Cheryl H	JoAnn B	Julie K
<b>Gifts</b>	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
<b>EMHC</b>	Kris B; Carmen B	Todd T; Missy B	Karen J; Dave & Kathy S
<b>Money</b>	Jodi G; Edna E		Paula H/Dana C
		<b>Music</b>	Dave & Kathy S
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