

CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. ANN, ST. COLUMBA, AND ST. MARY

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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
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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 Dana 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	†Msgr. Francis Galles
Wed	9:15 am Lindenwood	†Maddy Forsberg
Thur	9:00 am St. Columba	†Colleen Dolph
Fri	8:30 am St. Ann	†Wilma Gustaf
Sat	5:00 pm St. Ann	†Sylvan Gaul
Sun	8:00 am St. Columba	†For the People
	10:00 am St. Mary	†Mary/Julie Heitkamp

CHURCH SUPPORT - MAR 30 & 31

	Envelopes	Loose Gifts	Online Gvng
St. Ann	\$ 1,730.00	\$ 35.62	\$ 1,122.25
St. Columba	\$ 115.00	\$.00	\$ 70.00
St. Mary	\$ 1,260.00	\$ 628.55	\$ 90.00

Other YTD Donations: THANK YOU

Holy Land	\$ 1,100.00	All parishes combined
Rice Bowl	\$ 982.56	Tri-parishes combined
Ann Cem	\$ 2,910.00	July 1, 2023 - YTD
Columba Cem	\$ 2,645.00	July 1, 2023 - YTD

READINGS STARTING APRIL 7

Sun	Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24/1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-31
Mon	Is 7:10-14; 8:10/40:7-11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38
Tues	Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1-2, 5/Jn 3:7-15
Wed	Acts 5:17-26/34:2-9/Jn 3:16-21
Thur	Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2, 9, 17-20/Jn 3:31-36
Fri	Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15
Sat	Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21
Sun	Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-9/1 Jn 2:1-5/Lk 24:35-48

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$12,900	Pledged \$ 6,170.00
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PARISH LIFE

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Barbara Surprenant. Barb passed away Fri, March 29. Her funeral was Fri, April 5 at IHM, Currie. May she rest in peace.

DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY is today, April 7. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will be at 2pm, followed by confessions until 3pm. The Divine Mercy Chaplet will be prayed at 3pm, all is taking place at St. Ann Church. Several priests will be available to hear confessions. All are welcome!

THANK YOU TO everyone that helped to make the St. Columba Spring Dinner a success! It is always so great to see everyone pitching in and doing their part! Without you it would not be possible. Also thank you to all those that came to enjoy the good food and fellowship!

ATTENTION: St. Columba Council met, April 2, and discussion was had on the bare lot that sits directly west of the St. Columba Church. It was decided by council members to put this parcel up for sale. If you are interested in purchasing the bare lot, please let Fr. Schuster know via email or letter sent to the office by the end of April. Please note: this is where the school was located and there is a good chance rubble remains below the surface.

WITH FR. TOJY'S arrival and him staying in the Fulda rectory, Weekday Masses will return to each cluster's parishes. We will no longer rotate the Mass locations between the 2 clusters every week. Please watch the bulletin for any changes or updates going forward.

WRDCCW MEETING will be held Sat, April 13 at Good Shepherd Catholic Church in Jackson. Rosary, Meeting, Speakers, and Mass. Since it is being held in our area, we would like to see good attendance from our parishes. There will be a brief SW Area CCW meeting following the diocesan meeting, approximately around 2:00 pm. Registration/breakfast starts at 8am.

IN SEPT. OF 2023, Lisa Kremer went on pilgrimage to Israel and Jordan, to experience locations we know so well from the bible and the places where Jesus had his ministry. Just a week after returning, the bombs started flying in the Holy Land. On Wed, April 10, at 7pm, Lisa will share a message, *Holy Places*, about experiences on this pilgrimage at First Reformed Church in Slayton. Fellowship will follow presentation. Sponsored by First Presbyterian and First Reformed Sunshine Group. All are welcome to join us.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

Apr 11 1st Communion retreat/rehearsal KC prays
13/14 1st Communion Weekend CDA prays

SPRING SUB SALE will start March 27-April 10. Delivery will be made April 18-19. A foot long ham and cheese sub, individually wrapped. The cost remains the same \$5! We are grateful to Almich's Market for helping us every spring and fall with this fundraiser.

1ST COMMUNION will be April 13 & 14 in each parish. Retreat and rehearsal will be April 11, 5:30pm, Divine Mercy Hall. Please pray for Leah B, Baylor D, Mason H, Austin J, Oliver K, John L, Kaleb M, Adalie P, Charli P, and Kenzie P. They will be welcomed to the table of the Lord!

RUMMAGE SALE collection starting soon! Rummage sale date is August 24th.

THANK YOU! To all the catechists, classroom helpers, lunch/supper ladies, substitutes, & popcorn makers. I appreciate you! As faith formation classes have concluded for the year, I wish to thank all who volunteered in any way. It was a rough start with the transportation issue. However, once we got into the swing, it was smooth going. I am especially grateful to all the seasoned catechists who keep coming back. You make my job so much easier. Thanks to all who volunteered suppers, those who have given monetary donations, the KC, CDA and CCW for continually praying for us. May you all be blessed for giving of your time, talent, and treasure. In my conversation with Fr. Schuster, I will continue in my position for the upcoming year.

SEXUAL ABUSE: The Diocese of Winona-Rochester will provide a prompt, appropriate and compassionate response to reporters of sexual abuse of a child by any diocesan agent (employees, volunteers, vendors, religious or clergy). Anyone wishing to report an allegation of sexual abuse should call the Victim Assistance Coordinator at 507-454-2270, Ext 255. Caller will be asked to provide name and phone number. **Individuals are also encouraged to take their reports directly to civil authorities.** The DOW-R is committed to protecting children, young people and other vulnerable people in our schools, parishes and ministries. Questions about the implementation of the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People, contact Mary Hamann: 507-858-1244, or mhamann@dowr.org.

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

I DOUBT! The Second Sunday of Easter is known as Divine Mercy Sunday. The gospel story comes to us from the gospel of John and centers on Thomas (see John 20:19-31). The disciples tell Thomas, “We have seen the Lord.” Thomas’ reply is the famous, “Unless I see the mark of the nails in his hands and put my finger into the nailmarks and put my hand into his side, I will not believe.” Such a statement has led over time to define Thomas as “doubting Thomas.” To Thomas’ credit, if I were of that time, the words of Thomas may very well have been my own. After all, resurrection was something beyond what the mind had ever conceived. To this day, I still doubt. Want examples? Here are a few:

1. I doubt the second coming of Jesus Christ will occur in 2024.
2. I doubt the Minnesota Twins will win the World Series in 2024.
3. I doubt the Minnesota Vikings will have a winning record for 2024.
4. I doubt the Minnesota Wild will make the Stanley Cup playoffs in 2024.
5. I doubt I will be pastoring only three parishes by the end of this year.
6. With the dry conditions, I doubt my brother will be harvesting 250-bushel corn and 70-bushel beans in 2024.
7. I doubt this election year will go by “quietly.” You get the idea.

I could very well be proven wrong on most if not all my predictions and that is okay. In fact, I feel all of us could put together a list of “doubting” statements. To doubt is to be human. It is the response of Jesus to Thomas that I find fascinating. When Jesus appears to Thomas, he doesn’t become angry, throw around vile words, chastise him for his lack of faith, rather tells him, “Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.” Whether Thomas does any of this, the gospels make no mention. What is certain is

Thomas’ belief in the Lord, “My Lord and my God!”

If Jesus appeared to me this very day, I am not certain what words would come out of my mouth, but Thomas’ seem appropriate. Jesus is our one and only Lord and God and he is risen! Thus, if Jesus does prove me wrong and comes in 2024, I can live with that. Just help me with one thing – may I always believe!

ELECTRIC MOTORS

If anyone has any electric motors laying around which no longer work and are wondering what to do with them, my father, at 89 years of age, enjoys sitting in his garage at home and taking them apart. I would be happy to take them off your hands. I would even be willing to offer a little something for them. Just let me know. Thanks!

Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

RAFFLE WINNER March 31st - \$100.00 - Mary Homan

IS GOD CALLING YOU to be a Secular Franciscan? The Little Portion Fraternity of the Secular Franciscan Order invites you to a meet and greet. The Secular Franciscan Order was established by St. Francis for men and women, married and single, who wish to live a life closer to Christ. Franciscans bring the gospel to life and give life to the gospel. Sessions are an opportunity to learn more about the order and decide if you may be called to this way of life. We will be meeting on Monday, April 15, at 7pm in the Family Room at Holy Redeemer in Marshall. We will hold an additional Zoom session Tues, April 16 at 7 pm for those who cannot make it in person. Come get acquainted with us. If you would like more information, including the Zoom link, please use the QR to take you to our website. For additional questions, contact Sandy Tuszynski (507-763-3184) or Carrie Stiernagle (507) 383-8043.



VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE APR 13 & 14

	<u>ST. MARY - 10AM</u>	<u>ST. COLUMBA - 8AM</u>	<u>ST. ANN - 5PM</u>
Ushers	Brian C; Steve H		Paul L; Jill M; Clayton M; Denny S
Greeters		Joe & Missy B	
Server	Kiya T; Louis J	Noah F; William B	Teague & Emersyn M
Reader	Cheryl H	Wes B	Rita L
Gifts	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
EMHC	Edna E; Marti E	Hannah F; Marti E	Karen J; Marti E; Pam M
Money	Joe B; Karen H		Connie M/Dana C
		Music	Dave & Kathy S
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