

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

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

Adoration

Tues	4:00-5:00 pm	St. Ann
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St. Mary, Lake Wilson



St. Ann, Slayton



St. Columba, Iona

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	†Josephine Herrig
Wed	9:15 am Lindenwood	†Jake/Margaret Konkol
Thur	9:00 am St. Columba	†Bernadine Kremer
Fri	8:30 am St. Ann	†Flavia Kirchner
Sat	5:00 pm St. Ann	†John Jacobson
Sun	8:00 am St. Columba	†For the People
	10:00 am St. Mary	†Virg Baumgartner

CHURCH SUPPORT - APR 13 & 14

	Envelopes	Loose Gifts	Online Gvng
St. Ann	\$ 1,489.00	\$ 207.00	\$ 362.25
St. Columba	\$ 684.00	\$ 119.00	\$ 70.00
St. Mary	\$ 342.00	\$ 136.00	\$ 140.00
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 21

Sun	Acts 4:8-12/Ps 118:1, 8-9, 21-23, 26, 28, 29/1 Jn 3:1-2/Jn 10:11-18
Mon	Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:1-10
Tue	Acts 11:19-26/87:1-7/Jn 10:22-30
Wed	Acts 12:24—13:5/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8/Jn 12:44-50
Thur	1 Pt 5:5-14/Ps 89:2-3, 6-7, 16-17/Mk 16:15-20
Fri	Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-11/Jn 14:1-6
Sat	Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1-4/Jn 14:7-14
Sun	Acts 9:26-31/Ps Ps 22:26-28, 30-32/1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS

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

ST. ANN is in need of a Sacristan, one who is willing to set up Vessels, water, wine, hosts, etc. for Mass, every Tuesday, for the 5pm Mass and every Friday, for the 8:30am Mass. Training would be provided. Please call the office and let Dana know if you are interested.

ATTENTION: If you are interested in purchasing the bare lot, west of the St. Columba Church, 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.

THE ST. ANN PEW PROJECT reinstallation has been in full swing and is coming to an end. We are needing people to help return items into the church and will put everything back together on Tuesday, April 23, AFTER 5pm Mass in the hall is complete. If you are able to help, many hands do make light work, **join in the Mass** at 5pm and we will start immediately afterwards.

ST. ANN FINANCE Council will be meeting on Thurs, April 25 at 6:30pm in the St. Ann Social Room.

RAFFLE WINNER April 14th - \$100.00 - Aaron Boock

COURT QUEEN OF PEACE will meet Tues, April 23 at 5:30 in the social room at the school. Featured speaker will be Jenny Powell from the Dudley House in Sioux Falls.

WORTHINGTON CATHOLIC EMPLOYMENT: We are growing and want you to consider joining our staff. St. Mary's Catholic School and Parish are looking for the following: Elementary Principal, Director of Advancement/Admissions, Elementary School Teacher, Middle School Teacher, Music Teacher, Pre-School Teacher (FT and PT), Paraprofessionals (FT and PT). Youth Ministry and Faith Formation (FT and PT positions available). If you are looking for a sign from God – perhaps this is it. We are unique because we are competitive with employee compensation. For further information or to request a detailed job description, please email: info@smswgtm.org.

ST. CATHERINE, Luverne is hosting Justin Hibbard (former protestant paster and host of *Why Catholic?* Podcast) on Weds, April 24 at 7pm. The Church will serve a free meal from 5pm - 6:30pm before the presentation. Justin converted to Catholicism after studying and finding the truth in Catholic Church Theology. Everyone is welcome to come and hear his story!

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FAITH FORMATION CALENDAR

May 15 Baccalaureate Rehearsal 6 pm
18-19 Baccalaureate Saturday 5 pm St. Ann
Sunday 8 am St. Columba CCW prays

NATIONAL BLUE SUNDAY Day of Prayer for Abused Children. April is Child Abuse Prevention Month, and to remember the millions of children who are victims of abuse/neglect, Blue Sunday Child Abuse Prevention is asking the faith community to pray on Sunday, April 28. Please pray for past victims and future prevention.

RUMMAGE SALE collection starting April 22nd. This is a faith formation fundraiser. We will need much help! Keep posted for ways to help. We will be collecting good resaleable items until August 19th. St. Ann School, use west door and follow the signs. **NO ELECTRONICS**, large appliances, mattresses, chemicals such as cleaners if you need something picked up, please contact Marcie - 507-360-1885. Rummage sale date is August 24th.

YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID USA is an 8 hour public education program which introduces participants to the unique risk factors and warning signs of mental health problems in adolescents, builds understanding of the importance of early intervention, and teaches individuals how to help an adolescent in crisis or experiencing a mental health challenge. This will be offered on May 18th at St. Catherine's in Luverne. See flyer on the bulletin board for info on how to register.

TEC TOGETHER ENCOUNTER CHRIST for students in 9th grade + will be August 9-11, in Mankato. Free for those attending from our triparish thanks to the Knights of Columbus. Contact Marcie for a registration link.

2024-2025 FF YEAR is already in the works. I know a few kindergartners, but not all. If your child will be in kindergarten next year and joining our faith formation program, please contact me, so I can make sure to have enough materials available.

ST. LEO, PIPESTONE Spring Dinner: Sun, April 21 in the Church Hall, from 11am - 1pm. Menu: Roast Beef, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Corn, Macaroni Salad, Dinner Roll, Homemade Desserts, & Bev. Adults - \$15. Ages 5-10 - \$5. Take outs available. Everyone welcome!

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

I WAS HOT!!! Any week leading up to the deer hunting opener is filled with excitement and anticipation. First, there is the preparation. Do I have enough slugs? Is my slug gun properly sighted? Do I have all the clothes needed? Enough food? You get the point. Second, work must be completed. Even though it is difficult to concentrate the day's prior, there are still meetings, people to visit and homilies to prepare. I have been through enough deer hunts to know that as there is a beginning of the hunting season, every season also grinds to an end. With the conclusion of the season, work is awaiting. Before opening morning, I always had my homily prepared for opening weekend and the following weekend. And third, one dreams, dreams, and dreams some more. Is this the year I see a nice buck? Will I fill my tag? Will my brother fill his tag? When I hunted in Lewiston, I invited my brother to come out giving him a break from the farm hoping beyond hope that he would fill his tag.

One opening morning, I was sitting in my stand. When the "opening bell" kicked off, I couldn't believe all the shooting I was hearing up and down the valley. Granted the valley stretched for miles but the number of shots was staggering. About 45 minutes into the season, I looked and there were two deer standing twenty-five yards away. To this day, I don't know from where they had come. They just appeared. I sized them up and thought the one looked like a decent sized deer. I had two tags and could take either sex. It was my time to add to the "volley through the valley." I aimed and fired. My shot was true. I went over to look at my "trophy" and couldn't believe my eyes. I had shot a nub buck (a deer born that year which didn't have antlers large enough to protrude from its head). I was hot!! I said words that no priest should say. I couldn't believe I could have misjudged a deer's size so badly. I went back to my stand on three separate occasions only to walk over to take another look. The deer's size never changed. I never intended to tag a fawn, but because

of my lack of discretion, I was left with no choice.

Have you ever had something like that happen? Maybe not deer hunting but where you misjudge things. That is the story of this week's gospel. In Luke 24:36b-37 we read, "He (Jesus) stood in their midst and said to them, "Peace be with you." But they were startled and terrified and thought they were seeing a ghost." A ghost? Speak about a massive misjudgment! Jesus takes great pains to prove he is not a ghost:

A. He speaks a second time. Ghosts don't speak. In Luke 24:38 Jesus states, "Why are you troubled? And why do questions arise in your hearts?"

B. He tells them to touch him (verse 39). You can't touch a ghost.

C. Shows them his hands and feet which still have the marking from the nails (verse 40).

D. He eats (verse 43). A ghost does not eat. He takes a piece a baked fish and eats it in front of them.

All of this leads to the realization that before them is the risen Lord.

Don't be mislead! Our Lord, Jesus Christ is alive. He is risen. May these words be proclaimed to the ends of the earth. Amen! Alleluia!

Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL Open Enrollment is now happening for St. Mary's Catholic School and Little Blessings Preschool in Worthington. St. Mary's is an accredited school with individualized attention for each student to grow to their fullest potential. Here we are Forming Tomorrow's Saints Today. Serving 3-year-olds to 8th gr. Consider this outstanding Catholic School in your discernment. Join us for a no-obligation Open House on Wed, April 24 from 5:30 – 7:30pm serving supper, providing tours and giving you hope for life-long Catholic committed children. For more information visit www.smswgtn.org or contact us at (507) 376 – 5236 or info@smswgtn.org

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE APR 27 & 28

	ST. MARY - 10AM	ST. COLUMBA - 8AM	ST. ANN - 5PM
Ushers	Brian C; Steve H		Paul L; Jill M; Clayton M; Denny S
Greeters		Kolby F; Ryley T	
Server	Calleigh & Emaleigh D	Madilyn & Millie K	Baumgartner; Baumgartner
Reader	Dianne C	Colleen G	Joe M
Gifts	Volunteer	Volunteer	Volunteer
EMHC	Kris B; Carmen B	Trish K; Todd T	Gary E; Judy C; Jill M
Money	Hilary B; Carmen B		Sue B/Dana C
		Music	Sue B
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