## 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

 Sun
 7:30 am

 Sun
 9:30 am

 Tues
 4:00 pm

Adoration

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

St. Ann

St. Mary

St. Ann

St. Columba



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.

#### CHURCH SUPPORT - APR 20 & 21 Online Gvng Envelopes Loose Gifts St. Ann \$ 1,160.00 \$ 250.00 \$ 422.25 St. Columba \$ 200.00 \$ 209.00 \$ 271.50 633.00 312.00 St. Mary \$ \$ 181.50 \$ Other YTD Donations: THANK YOU .00 Tri-parishes combined \$ Children \$ 40.50 Tri-parishes combined (wkly) \$ 2,910.00 Ann Cem July 1, 2023 - YTD

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#### **CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS**

St. Ann Goal \$12,900 Pledged \$8,775.00

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Columba Cem \$ 2,645.00

MASS INTENTIONS

Mon	Father's day off		†No Mass
Tues	4:00 pm	St. Ann	<sup>+</sup> Holy Hour Adoration
	5:00 pm	St. Ann	†Vincent Schreier
Wed	9:15 am	Sunrise	†Kremer Fam. Decs'd Mem
Thur	9:00 am	St. Columba	†Dean Lanners
Thur	10:30 am	Edgebrook	†Jim LeTendre
Fri	8:30 am	St. Ann	†Joe LeTendre
Sat	5:00 pm	St. Ann	†Babe Einck
Sun	8:00 am	St. Columba	†Lester/Francie Meyer
	10:00 am	St. Mary	†For the People

## **READINGS STARTING APRIL 28**

Sun	Acts 9:26-31/Ps Ps 22:26-28, 30-32/1 Jn 3:18-
	24/Jn 15:1-8
Mon	Acts 14:5-18/Ps 115:1-4, 15-16/Jn 14:21-26
Tues	Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-13, 21/Jn 14:27-31
Wed	Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-5/Jn 15:1-8
Thur	Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-3, 10/Jn 15:9-11
Fri	1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-5/Jn 14:6-14
Sat	Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1-3, 5/Jn 15:18-21
Sun	Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1-4/1 Jn 4:7-
	10/Jn 15:9-17

## PARISH LIFE

A MEMORIAL DAY MASS, honoring the deceased will be held on Mon, May 27 at the St. Columba Cemetery at 9am. This will be the only Mass held in the cemetery this year, the Memorial Day Mass will alternate to St. Ann Cemetery next year. In case of rain, Mass will be moved into the St. Columba parish. All are invited to attend, bring a lawn chair if needed.

### Exposition & Confession Schedules:

Every Tuesday	St. Ann	4 - 4:45p (w/confessions)
First Thursdays	St. Mary	5 - 6p (May 2 <sup>nd</sup> )
First Fridays	St. Gabriel	9 - 12p (Conf 9-10a May 3 <sup>rd</sup> )
First Saturdays	St. Ann	4 - 4:45p (w/conf. May 4 <sup>th</sup> )
	IHM	4:30 - 5:15p (w/conf. May 4th)

**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.

How WELL DO YOU KNOW CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHERN MINNESOTA? For over 75 years, we have been the social services arm of the DOW-R, answering God's call to serve others. We offer programs that help build families through adoption, and shelters that welcome the people of our communities that struggle with homelessness, but we are so much more! We invite you to learn more about us at www.ccsomn.org. Please help us put our faith into action and consider supporting our mission on May 11<sup>th</sup> & May 12<sup>th</sup> for the Catholic Charities Annual Appeal – Mother's Day Weekend. Your support makes all the difference in our local communities! \*All donations stay in our diocese.

RAFFLE WINNER April 21st - \$100.00 - Howie Konkol

MASS TIMES CHANGE June 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>. New times: St. Mary - Saturday 5:00 pm St. Ann - Sunday 8:00 am St. Columba - Sunday 10:00 am

**MINISTRY DAYS JUNE 18-19**, St. Mary's Univ. in Winona: Theme: You are the Salt of the Earth: Baptized for Mission Register by May 20. Focus: 3rd yr of the Eucharistic Revival: The Year of Mission. Attention will be on the role each is called to play in sharing the Gospel. Keynote speaker is Deacon Keith Strohm. Bp. Barron, will celebrate Holy Mass. Wed., includes breakout sessions-ministry/apostolate-specific and will be led by diocesan staff. All clergy, parish staff, volunteers, and apostolate leaders encouraged to attend. Learn more and register: dowr.org/offices/lay-formation/ministry-days.html

## 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 Sun, April 28. Please pray for past victims and future prevention.

**RUMMAGE SALE** collection going on now. 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 19<sup>th</sup>. 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 24<sup>th</sup>.

**YOUTH MENTAL HEALTH FIRST AID** USA is an 8 hr public education program which introduces participants to unique risk factors/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. Offered May 18, St. Catherine, Luverne. See flyer on bulletin board for how to register.

**TEC TOGETHER ENCOUNTER CHRIST** for students in 9<sup>th</sup> 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:** If your child will be in kindergarten next year and joining our faith formation program, contact Marcie, to make sure we have materials available.

**LAKE WILSON COMMUNITY VBS**: Join us! VBS will be held June 24 - 27. St. Mary, Lake Wilson hosts. Children entering Kindergarten - completing 6<sup>th</sup> gr. You do not have to be from Lake Wilson to attend, all are welcome! Looking for helpers, adults and students 7<sup>th</sup> gr and older. Watch for signup sheets for food/supply donations! Many ways to help throughout the week - we would LOVE to have you! Registration is online at http://www.shetek.org under group code: LWDAY. If you already have an account, you can register using this group code. Call Darcey Doeden with questions or to volunteer. Ph-507-227-8891, or email at tdoeden@frontier.com.

**5TH SUNDAY OF EASTER** 

#### WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

WHAT A SNARLED MESS! It happens far too often. The fishing bite is hot. I am closing in on a limit of fish and the bite is fantastic. Every five casts another fish finds itself in the livewell. But then things take a turn for the worse. I cast and my lure only goes ten feet beyond the boat. I wonder, "What is happening?" I look down at my reel and the line is tangled so tangled that I start to curse. It is as if God is out to get me. I look at the tangle and wonder how such a tangle could have possibly occurred. The choice is mine. I either try to untangle the "mess" or cut off the line and retie everything. Either option is frustrating and time consuming. After all, remember what I stated earlier, the bite is hot and now isn't the time to have a line out of the water. Considering my options, I take a moment to try and untangle the "mess" only to become frustrated and decide it is best if I just cut the line and start from scratch. This may entail a bit of cursing because I am telling myself if I had cut the line earlier, I wouldn't have wasted precious minutes. After what seems like an eternity, I am once again ready to try my luck. Cast after cast ensues and nothing happens. The fish have moved and just like that my luck has changed. Oh yes, this may cause me to swear even more.

In today's gospel, Jesus states, "I am...". His references as "I am" are numerous.

- I am the Bread of Life.
- I am the Door.
- I am the Light of the World.
- I am the Way, the Truth, and the Life.
- I am the Resurrection and the Life.
- I am the Good Shepherd.

Today's gospel references Jesus stating, "I am the vine." Have you ever looked at a vine. It literally looks like a snarled mess. One branch curls itself around another branch and the story continues and continues. If one were to try and untangle each branch, like my story above, after a period of time, one would give up. It is so tangled together that it is impossible to untangle. However, if one could get at its center, its very heart, one would find the vine. The branches "branch" off from the vine and the vine is the source of each branch's life. If a branch were to try and exist on its own, it would wither and die.

Such is our story when it comes to Jesus Christ. If we abide in Christ, we have life. If we fall away from him, we slowly wither and die. However, the choice is left up to us. Do we abide with Jesus or choose our own path? Whatever our answer determines our life in this world and life in eternity. What is your choice? My choice is to abide with and in Jesus Christ.

Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

## **OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS**

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@smswgtn.org.

**REAL PRESENCE RADIO:** Spring Live Drive is May 14-16. Broadcast throughout a five-state listening area and brings you inspiring stories of faith and hope. Listen anytime/wherever you go by downloading the RPR mobile app from the Google or Apple Play Store. Call 877-795-0122 or donate online and you will be entered into a drawing for one of many great prizes awarded throughout the drive.

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#### VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE MAY 4 & 5

ST. MARY - <u>10AM</u> Greg G; Ron V Ushers Greeters Server Madison J; Gwenna K Reader Jim Y Gifts Volunteer EMHC Joe B; Kris B Jodi G; Joe B Money

# ST. COLUMBA - 8AM

Don & Colleen G Chloe & Kora K Kay P Volunteer Colleen G; Marcie C

ST. ANN - 5PM Mike K; Jim O; Mike M; Judy P

Tyler & Renee R Karen J Volunteer Kathy & Dave S; Karen J Paula H/Judy A Joanne B

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