Welcome to the Stillwater Catholic Parishes



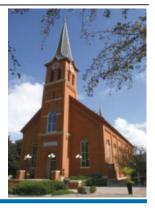
Church of St. Michael

611 South Third Street www.stmichaelstillwater.org

Clergy Emergency Line

St. Mary's Church 423 South 5th Street www.stmarystillwater.org

651-430-1551



Sunday of Divine Mercy | April 24, 2022

Divine Mercy Sunday

Join us this Sunday for a special afternoon of prayer at the Church of St. Michael as we immerse ourselves in God's ocean of mercy:

2:30-3:45 PM Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament 2:30-3:30 PM Confessions 3:00-3:20 PM Divine Mercy Chaplet 3:45 PM Benediction

In her *Diary*, St. Faustina records a special promise given to her by Jesus. He told her to communicate it to the whole world: **My daughter, tell the whole world about My inconceivable mercy.** I desire that the Feast of Mercy be a refuge and shelter for all souls, and especially for poor sinners. I pour out a whole ocean of graces upon those souls who approach the fount of My mercy (699).

In three places in her *Diary*, St. Faustina records our Lord's promises of specific, extraordinary graces: I want to grant a complete pardon to the souls that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion on the Feast of My mercy (1109). Whoever approaches the Fountain of Life on this day will be granted complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (300). The soul that will go to Confession and receive Holy Communion will obtain complete forgiveness of sins and punishment (699).

To receive these graces, the only condition is to receive Holy Communion worthily on Divine Mercy Sunday (or the Vigil celebration) by making a good confession beforehand and staying in the state of grace and trusting in His Divine Mercy. By these conditions, our Lord is emphasizing the value of confession and Holy Communion as miracles of mercy. The Eucharist is Jesus, Himself, the Living God, longing to pour Himself as Mercy into our hearts.

In addition, our Lord says through St. Faustina that we are to perform acts of mercy: "Yes, the first Sunday after Easter is the Feast of Mercy, but there must also be acts of mercy" (742). "The graces of My mercy are drawn by means of one vessel only, and that is trust. The more a soul trusts, the more it will receive" (1578). The worthy reception of the Eucharist on Divine Mercy Sunday is sufficient to obtain the extraordinary graces promised by Jesus.

(From www.thedivinemercy.org/celebrate/greatgrace/graces)

Fr. Michael Izen, Pastor frizen@costm.org | 651-379-1261

Fr. Austin Barnes, Parochial Vicar frbarnes@costm.org | 651-379-1262

St. Mary's Church

Parish Office Hours Monday - Friday: 8:00 AM - 1:00 PM 651-439-1270 | fharris@costm.org

Mass Times Monday - Saturday at 7:30 AM Sunday at 8:00 AM; 10:30 AM; 6:00 PM

Church of St. Michael

Parish Office Hours Monday - Thursday: 8:30 AM to 4:00 PM Friday: 8:30 AM to 12:30 PM 651-439-4400 | info@costm.org

Mass Times

Monday - Friday at 5:30 PM Saturday (Vigil) at 4:30 PM Sunday at 7:30 AM; 9:15 AM; 11:00 AM

Sacrament of Penance

 St. Michael's

 Monday - Friday
 5:00 - 5:25 PM

 Saturday
 3:00 - 4:15 PM

Saturday 8:00 - 8:30 AM

Perpetual Eucharistic

Adoration

St. Mary's

See <u>stmichaelstmaryweadorehim.com</u> to commit to a regular Holy Hour the St. Faustina Adoration Chapel at the Church of St. Michael.

Samantha Bertrand, Coordinator sjkbertrand@gmail.com | 612-615-4393

Televised Mass

Our 9:15 Sunday Mass will be broadcast on Channel 18 (Valley Access) on: Wednesdays (5:00 PM and 11:00 PM) | Thursdays (5:00 AM) | Saturdays (9:00 PM) | Sundays (Live at 9:15 AM)

Paula Aho, Safe Environment Coordinator paula.aho@costm.org

Parish Events

Healing Mass: Thursday, April 28

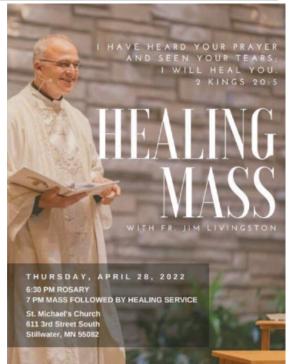
Father Jim Livingston will celebrate a Mass that aims at helping people find physical, emotional, or spiritual healing. Please join us at St. Michael's on Thursday, April 28. We will pray the Rosary at 6:30 PM. Holy Mass will be celebrated at 7:00 PM followed by the healing service.

Marian Devotions at St. Mary's: Wednesdays in May

Join us at St. Mary's Church as we honor Our Lady with Marian Devotions! At 7:00 PM each Wednesday of May, we will ask for Mary's loving intercession by praying the Rosary and offering Benediction. Sancta Maria, Materi Dei, ora pro nobis peccatoribus, nunc, et in hora mortis nostrae.

Wednesday Morning Bible Study: April 27 - May 11

The Wednesday Morning Bible Study ladies invite you to join them in watching videos by Bishop Robert Barron on the Mass and Sacraments. Meetings take place from 10:30 AM - Noon at St. Mary's Classroom B. We will learn about the Sacraments on April 27, May 4, and May 11. No cost, no homework, no registration. Join us for one session or for all!





Options for Women and Marriage Material

Look for drop off containers at each parish

- April 23 to May 8 -



ITEMS REQUESTED Size 6 diapers baby wipes baby shampoo formula sippy cups & toddler dishware Extra large bags of M&Ms (a big hit with clients) small boxes of raisins pairs of cozy socks lotion lip balm infant toys books (soft book for baby or board book)

Sponsored by the Respect Life Committee of St. Mary's, St. Michael's and St. Charles

Full of Grace Sacred Concert: Friday, May 6

Please join us at 7:00 PM at the Church of St. Michael for a beautiful sacred music concert, presented by Lumina and featuring Angela Grundstad (soprano), Clara Osowski (mezzo-soprano), Linda Kachelmeier (alto and Artistic Director), and special guest Laura Krider (alto). The program will be approximately one hour in duration with no intermission. Free-will offering. Exploring mystery, beauty, and hope in music spanning centuries, Lumina creates a richly diverse a cappella concert program in honor of Mother Mary. From austere chant by Hildegard von Bingen to florid Renaissance polyphony, American folk music to newer works by living and local composers, these radiant voices will help illuminate our sorrows and joys.

CGS Adult Formation Course: Summer 2022

Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (CGS) is a Montessori-based program serving children ages 3 -12. It seeks to create and facilitate a sacred "hands-on" space for children and their catechists to hear, ponder, and celebrate the most essential mysteries of the Catholic faith as revealed in the Scriptures and Liturgy. We are grateful to those who have committed to serve the youth in our parish community, and invite all who have not experienced CGS to prayerfully consider attending the upcoming formation course this summer. For additional information, please contact Mrs. Jenny Ostrom at jostrom@costm.org.

Parish Events & News

Meet Our New Staff Members!

Judy Greenwood | Human Resources and Payroll Coordinator

Hello! My name is Judy Greenwood. You may recognize me from Mass at St. Mary's where I have been a parishioner for the last 7 years. I live in River Falls, WI with my husband of 26 years and our 4 daughters. I really enjoy the Stillwater area's history, shops, restaurants, and trails. I grew up moving quite a bit since my father was in the U. S. Air Force; we even lived in England for 3 years! When I was 17, my dad retired and we moved to Brainerd. I lived there for 2 years before moving to St. Cloud to attend college. After college, I moved to the Twin Cities area where I met my husband and became a stay-at-home mom. It was the hardest and most rewarding job of my life. I thoroughly enjoyed being at home and homeschooling my kids for some years. In my free time, I enjoy gardening, kayaking, biking, and hiking. Summer and fall are my favorite seasons, red is my favorite color, and my favorite days always include spending time with family. I look forward to getting to know our parishioners better!

Joan Mellor | Pastoral Minister

Greetings! My name is Joan Mellor, and I am excited to be the new pastoral minister, supporting and coordinating programs in response to the needs of our sick, homebound, bereaved, elderly, and financially challenged parishioners and broader Catholic community members. I am also an active Befriender and Walking with Purpose participant; both have been wonderful experiences. My husband Jim and I moved to Stillwater this past June. After raising our three sons in St. Paul and Mendota Heights, we decided to embark on a new adventure in an area we've always loved for its beauty, bike trails, river walks and all things downtown! I previously volunteered in ministry to mothers and youth at my former parishes of Holy Spirit in St. Paul and St. Joseph's of West St. Paul. I graduated from the Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute's Pillars Program (a 2-year study of *The Catechism of the Catholic Church*) in 2019 and the Institute's School of Prayer in 2020. These courses led me to a deeper understanding of our beautiful Catholic faith and interest in pastoral care. I look forward to meeting you and serving our parishes in my new role as pastoral minister.

You Could Be Our Next Team Member! Employment Opportunities

The Churches of St. Michael & St. Mary are seeking an <u>Administrative and Communications Assistant</u> (30 Hours/Week) for the Faith Formation Department. The Church of St. Michael is seeking candidates for a <u>Full-time Evening Custodian</u> position (3:00-10:00 PM, Monday-Friday with occasional weekend on-call; benefits eligible). Please visit <u>careers.archspm.org</u> for more details, and share with someone you think might be a good fit for these opportunities!

Operating Funds:

(Weekly collection, EFT payments and gifts used only for operating expenses for Fiscal Year July 1, 2021–June 30, 2022).

7/1/2021 - 4/10/2022	St. Mary's	St. Michael's
Budgeted Collections	\$345,594	\$1,387,505
Actual Weekly Collections	\$387,697	\$1,464,487
Amount Over / (Short)	\$42,103	\$76,982





Around the Archdiocese

More Gratitude for Easter Flower Donations

St. Mary's Church

Jean Aggerbeck - Edwin & Margaret Bieber Jon & Lois Conn - Roger & Ruthanne Becker, Trudy Welander, Joe & Mabel Becker, Leo & Celina Raboin, Dick Raboin, Debbie Conn

The Church of St. Michael

Joan Zimmerman - Henry & Mary Zimmerman Family Paul & Deb Mahoney - Ed & Helen Waffle; Jim & Sally Mahoney; Lauren Mahoney

Ronald & Linda Hebaus - Scott Hebaus; Beverly Zeidel Janet Deppa - Ron Deppa; Gus & Sophie Deppa; Chuck & Gay Abel Brad & Denise Cornell - Dick & Doris Zangs; Shirley & Jack Heilman

What's in a Name? The Meaning of a Catholic University Today: Tuesday, April 26

All are invited to join us for a lively conversation with national and local university leaders to discuss the current challenges of higher education and why it matters. Keynote speaker, Reverend Wilson Miscamble, C.S.C. of the University of Notre Dame, will deliver remarks. A panel discussion and Q&A, featuring Dr. Michael Naughton of Catholic Studies, Reverend Chris Collins of the Office



for Mission, and Dr. Anne Maloney of Saint Catherine's University, will follow. The evening will conclude with a reception. The event will be in-person from 7:00-9:00 PM at the University of St. Thomas' 3M Auditorium in Owens Science Hall (OWS). It is co-sponsored by the <u>Roccasecca Project</u>, <u>Center for Catholic Studies</u>, and the <u>Office for Mission</u>. More information at: <u>www.roccaseccaproject.org</u>.

Why Western Civilization? St. Joseph Business Guild Spring Quarterly Meeting: Thursday, April 28

Join the St. Joseph Business Guild at Holy Family Catholic Church in St. Louise Park for a 5:00 PM Social Hour, 6:30 Dinner, 7:00 Program, 8:45 Evening Prayer on Thursday, April 28. Presenting on the topic, "Why Western Civilization?," will be Dr. Arthur Hippler (Chairman of the Religion Department at Providence Academy; Adjunct Instructor at St. Paul Seminary). Western Civilization is taken for granted and we're often unaware of how the achievements of the West are not the norms for many people across time and space. Why it is so crucial is not a conversation for armchair academics but a great challenge to all of us who live under the patrimony of the West. Cost: \$10, Free for guests, clergy, students and unemployed. RSVP at <u>sjbusinessguild.com</u>.

Community Foot Care Clinic: Thursday, May 12

The St. Croix Valley Faith Community Nurse Program will be hosting a Community Foot Care Clinic at Trinity Lutheran Church in Stillwater from 8:30 AM - 4:00 PM on Thursday, May 12. Registrations and payment must be completed online at <u>www.healthpartners.com/about/classes-events/</u> (type "foot" under name of event). We will also offer a wellness portion, including free blood pressure, balance and fall screenings, memory screenings, and blood glucose testing. There are no appointments needed for the screening portion; anyone is welcome (even without a foot care appointment). Screenings will be offered 9:00 AM - 3:00 PM. Please contact Mrs. Maria Gibbons, parish nurse, with questions at <u>mgibbons@costm.org</u>.

Grief to Grace Retreat

Grief to Grace MN is a 5-day overnight retreat for healing the wounds of abuse. It is for anyone who has suffered degradation or violation as a child, adolescent, or adult, covering the areas of physical, emotional, sexual, or spiritual abuse and neglect or abandonment. Participants are engaged in group activities, trauma-informed therapies, journaling, and discussions; and enter an intimate and powerful journey through the passion of Christ to overcome the pain and grief of past abuse. It is facilitated by lay, clerical and mental health professionals. Our next retreats will be May 20-25 and August 24-29. Registration is limited. Please visit grieftogracemn.org or contact Diane at 612-440-7247 or diane@grieftogracemn.org.

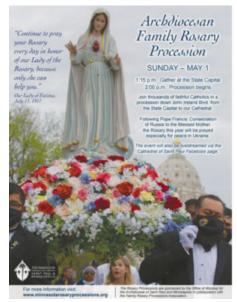
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Annual Family Rosary Procession: Sunday, May 1

As a public witness to our Catholic faith during the month of May dedicated to our Blessed Mother Mary, come with family and friends to the annual Archdiocesan Family Rosary Procession.

Line up begins at 1:15 PM on the State Capitol grounds and the procession will begin at 2:00 PM. Parishes are encouraged to bring banners to represent their communities. First Communicants are invited to wear their First Communion attire. Those who cannot walk the procession route may go directly to the Cathedral to pray the Rosary with those who are in procession.

The event is sponsored by the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis in collaboration with the Family Rosary Processions Association. Additional information can also be found on their website at <u>minnesota</u> <u>rosaryprocessions.org</u>.



Sister Parish Gratitude

A special thanks from the Sister Parish Committee, Women at the Tomb, and all the students at St. John the Baptist Academy in Bwambo Village to all who donated backpacks and school supplies this winter and spring. Brimming with school supplies, the backpacks will be shipped to Tanzania in May. The kids in Bwambo have never had a backpack or school supplies, so this will be like Christmas at St. John's! Thank you for helping serve our kids in Bwambo!

Faith Formation

Serving the parishes of St. Michael, St. Mary, and St. Charles | Faith Formation Office: 651-351-3175

Middle School Lent Retreat



Thirtythree middle school vouth from our parish community attended our Middle School Lenten Retreat on April



2-3 at St. Mary's Church. The focus of this retreat was to cultivate Christian community and personal prayer. Our youth participated in restful leisure and learned about the sacredness of having meals together. Free time

activities included laser tag, board games, holy crafts, and capture the flag (easily the crowd favorite). On Saturday evening, Fr. Barnes led a Murder Mystery Dinner hosted by members of our community. (A special thank you to Mike & Maggie Justen and Becky Thomson!) The youth went all out with formalwear to play their roles! We ended the evening with Sunday Vigil Mass and Eucharistic Adoration in the new Chapel of St. Helena of the Holy Cross. Thank to all who made this retreat possible! Please pray for our youth as we strive to nurture a Catholic culture in all we do.

Worship and Liturgy

April 25 - May 1 Mass Intentions



(B) Birthday (H) Healing (A) Anniversary (L&D) Living & Deceased

	St. Mary's Church
Mon. 7:30 AM	† Eleanor Schultz
Tues. 7:30 AM	St. Anne's Society
Weds. 7:30 AM	The Priests of St. Mary & St. Michael
Thurs. 7:30 AM	† Rev. Thomas F.A. O'Brien
Fri. 7:30 AM	Catherine Wessel
Sat. 7:30 AM	† Fr. James Deegan
Sun. 8:00 AM	† Hermann Lamers
10:30 AM	† Augusto Bautista Tiongson
6:00 PM	The People of St. Mary's

Church of St. Michael

Mon. 5:30 PM	† Sue Sandeen (A)	
Tues. 5:30 PM	Janet Deux	
Weds. 5:30 PM	† Lucy Alfveby	
Thurs. 5:30 PM	† Gary Lamers	
Fri. 5:30 PM	Sr. Maria Catherine	
Sat. 4:30 PM	The People of St. Michael's	
Sun. 7:30 AM	† Connie Casey	
9:15 AM	Adrianna Christ (H)	
11:00 AM	† Lucy Alfveby	



Please hold our parishioners in your prayers:

Newly Baptized Ezekial Brian Cade (Son of Anthony & Jennifer) The Church of St. Michael

Newly Married

Mr. & Mrs. Joseph & Elizabeth (Murphy) Saufferer The Church of St. Michael

In Sympathy

Trudy Welander (Sister of Lois Conn) St. Mary's Church

Jaime Arnett (Cousin of Charlie Andrews) St. Mary's Church

Respect Life Opportunities

Culture of Love Banquet: Friday, April 29

Prolife Across America welcomes speaker Christina Bennett to their annual banquet from 5:45-9:00 PM on Friday, April 29 at the Church of Saint John the Baptist in New Brighton. She will share her story of a miraculous intervention that saved her from being aborted. She is a writer whose work has been featured in Live Action News, Life News, Charisma, LifeSite News among other publications. Call Christine at 612-782-9434 for reservations. Cost is \$60 per person.

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Philomena House Seeking Housemother

Philomena House is looking for a housemother who would live at Philomena House in St. Paul and help care for and mentor the pregnant, homeless women. We are looking for someone who is single, without young



children, that could commit to serving for one year. We expect the housemother to be at the home from 8:00 PM to 8:00 AM every day, but she would be free from 8:00 AM to 8:00 PM to come and go as she desires. Benefits include free room/board, one weekend off per month, small monthly stipend, and a car available for use. If interested, please contact Nancy at 651-373-1205 and visit www.philomenahouse.org for more information on our mission.





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