Four Pillars in Faith Area Catholic Community



Fourth Sunday of Easter April 25, 2021

The Four Pillars in Faith Area Catholic Community, grounded and united in our love of Jesus Christ, seeks to know, love, and serve God through sacraments, prayer, education, hospitality, stewardship and evangelization of our communities.

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Welcome to the Four Pillars in Faith ACC

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

April 27, 2021 through May 2, 2021

Tuesday, April 27 at 7:00 a.m. St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie †Arylis Munsterteiger

Wednesday, April 28 at 7:00 a.m. St. Louis Bertrand, Foreston †Peter and Nancy Cronk by Chris and Barb Kotsmith

> *Thursday, April 29 at 7:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Milaca* †Pam Witte by Mary Flock

Friday, April 30 at 7:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Mora †Leoda Cole

Saturday, May 1 at 4:00 p.m. St. Louis, Foreston For the Families of the Parishes and Benefactors

> Saturday, May 1 at 6:00 p.m. St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie †Gloria Bradley

Sunday, May 2 at 8:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Milaca †Benedict, Barbara, Steven, Sandra and Mary Gorecki by Dorothy Gorecki

> Sunday, May 2 at 10:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Mora †Rosalie, Carl and Tom Olson

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays Confession at 3:00 p.m. in Foreston and after 6:00 p.m. Mass in Ogilvie

Sundays

Confession upon request before Mass in Milaca and Mora

Second Friday of Each Month Confession at St. Mary's, Mora from 7:30 to 8:30 a.m.

Thursday before First Friday No confessions May 6 due to Confirmation.

NEXT SUNDAYS READINGS

Acts of the Apostles 9:26-31 The church throughout all of Judea, Galilee, and Samaria was being built up in the Lord.

Psalm 22:26-32 I will praise you Lord.

<u>1</u> John 3:18-24 Let us not only love in word and speech but in deed and truth.

John 15:1-8 Whoever remains in me will bear much fruit.



Dear Brothers and Sisters,

Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI celebrated his 94th birthday on April 16. Here are some uplifting quotes from his time as our Holy Father.

- "The world promises you comfort, but you were not made for comfort. You were made for greatness."
- "The cross reminds us that there is no true love without suffering, there is no gift of life without pain."
- "If you follow the will of God, you know that in spite of all the terrible things that happen to you, you will never lose a final refuge. You know that the foundation of the world is love, so that even when no human being can or will help you, you may go on, trusting in the One that loves you."
- "Mercy is what moves us toward God, while justice makes us tremble in his sight."
- "Make sure that every person, of whatever background, can find in you a welcoming heart."
- "The church is not a political power; it's not a party, but it's a moral power."
- "Dear friends, may no adversity paralyze you. Be afraid neither of the world, nor of the future, nor of your weakness. The Lord has allowed you to live in this moment of history so that, by your faith, his name will continue to resound throughout the world."
- "If we allow the love of Christ to change our heart, then we can change the world. This is the secret of authentic happiness."
- "Do not be afraid of Christ! He takes nothing away, and he gives you everything. When we give ourselves to him, we receive a hundredfold in return. Yes, open, open wide the doors to Christ and you will find true life."
- "The happiness you are seeking, the happiness you have a right to enjoy has a name and a face: it is Jesus of Nazareth, hidden in the Eucharist."

Peace,

Fr. Derek

FOUR PILLARS IN FAITH ACC MINISTRY CONTACTS

St. Mary's, Mora Liturgist

Curstin Larson Religious Education Coordinator Amanda Peterson, Grades K-6

St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie Liturgist and Religious Education Coordinator Mary Heins 320-272-4385

St. Louis Bertrand and St. Mary's, Milaca Director of Faith Formation Rita Olson 320-983-6564 (office) 320-369-4507 (home) fformationoffice@gmail.com

> **Faith Community Nurse** Barb Kotsmith 320-983-6286

St. Louis Prayer Chain Maurine Herbst 320-982-1157 or Theresa Roehl 320-294-5527

Counseling

For counseling services, call Catholic Charities Caritas Mental Health Clinic at 1-800-830-8254 for an appointment.

FOURTH SUNDAY OF EASTER † APRIL 25, 2021

CHURCH OFFERINGS

St. Louis, Foreston, Saturday, April 17 at 4:00 p.m.

Adult	\$2,183.00
Easter	80.00
Loose	81.00
Vigil Lights	130.48
Faith Formation Gifts	30.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	10.00
Milaca Area Pantry	100.00
Steubenville Trip Donations	1,300.00

St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie, Saturday, April 17 at 6:00 p.m.

Adult	\$420.00
Vigil Lights	6.00
Rice Bowl	9.56
Capital Improvement Fund	10.00

St. Mary's, Milaca, Sunday, April 18 at 8:00 a.m.

Adult	\$2,339.00
Easter Adult	705.00
Loose	155.00
Life Choices Center	7.00
Vigil Lights	1.25
Faith Formation	110.00
Holy Land	10.00
Catholic Home Missions	8.00
Stole Fee	125.00

St. Mary's, Mora, Sunday, April 18 at 10:00 a.m.

Adult	\$2,815.00
Children/Students	3.00
Mission Appeal	25.00
Easter	50.00
Cemetery Fund	95.00
Capital Improvement Fund	2,072.80
AA Facility Rental	20.00

Weekly Goal for the Adult Collection

St. Mary's, Mora \$3,635.26 St. Kathryn's \$803.37 St. Mary's, Milaca \$3,515.79 St. Louis \$2,295.63

MASS ATTENDANCE COUNTS

4:00 p.m. St. Louis Foreston, Saturday, April 17: 105
6:00 p.m. St. Kathryn's, Ogilvie, Saturday, April 17: 64
8:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Milaca, Sunday, April 18: 106
10:00 a.m. St. Mary's, Mora, Sunday, April 18: 121

Livestream Mass on Facebook Number of Views 10:00 a.m. St. Mary's Mora, Sunday, April 18: 342

EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

* St. Anne's Chapel at St. Louis Bertrand, Foreston from Monday at 8:00 a.m. until Saturday at 7:00 a.m.

* St. Kathryn's in Ogilvie on Tuesdays following the 7:00 a.m. Mass for one hour.

* St. Mary's, Milaca on Thursdays from 8:00 a.m. until 5:00 p.m.

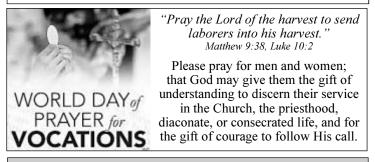
* St. Mary's, Mora on First Fridays from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Come spend an hour before our Lord Jesus Christ in the Blessed Sacrament.

Would you like to spend an hour with our Lord in Eucharistic Adoration? Please contact Rita Olson (369-4507), Vicky Gruba (983-2019 or 320-310-7958) or Katherine Kosel (294-5917) with questions regarding St. Anne's Chapel or St. Mary's, Milaca hours.

Family Rosary ~ Please join us in praying the Patriotic Rosary and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy on Sunday evenings at 6:00 p.m. at St. Mary's, Milaca.





PARISH WEBSITE and SOCIAL MEDIA

Four Pillars in Faith Website: www.fourpillarsinfaith.org

Visit us on Facebook: Four Pillars in Faith Area Catholic Community

SACRAMENTS

Baptism \sim By appointment. A short course of study on the Sacrament must be taken by all parents before the baptism of their first child.

Marriage ~ Couples are to notify the pastor at least EIGHT months prior to the wedding date. A marriage course approved by the Diocese of St. Cloud must be taken.

ST. MARY'S, MORA and ST. KATHRYN'S NEWS

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION

St. Mary's Parish, Mora is looking for a Director of Faith Formation who plans, integrates, implements, oversees, and evaluates the religious education and Sacramental preparation of St. Mary's Parish students in grades K-11. Reach out to the parish office for more information or email Father Derek at fatherderek17@gmail.com.

Thank You to St. Mary's, Mora Parishioners for your donation of 217 pounds of food to the Mora Food Shelf for the months of January through March and also to the *Knights of Columbus* for your monetary donation of \$1,908.00.

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ST. MARY'S, MORA and ST. KATHRYN'S

St. Mary's, Mora and St. Kathryn's: Please remember in your prayers our parishioners and friends who are ill or recovering from surgery, especially Rachel Clasemann, Jeanine Bruesewitz, Carol Johnson (of St. Kathryn's), Virginia Allan, Shirley Lang, Sylvia DuChene, Dean Jensen, Leonard Duerr, Bernie Klejeski, Dan Rodecap, Jason Richardson, Ann Sellner, Agnes L'Heureux, Mark Rothbauer, Al Torborg, Marie Nordstrom-Larson, Bette Anderson, Jan Pape, Ray Krueger, Judy Kuehn, Bev Pollema, DeWayne Collins, Laura Walters, Annie McIlwain, Dorothy Pape, Pat Roy, Sharon Salmonson, Mike Balfanz, Ruth Mills, Paula Rasnolerk, Luke Johnson, Jeremy Funk, Lorraine Rasmussen, Melinda Michaelson, Jerry Fischer, Sue Grahn, Craig Beeson, Katherine Burk, Greg Godwin, Tim Higgins, Corky Sundsvold, Emily Springer, Gary "Doug" Heins, Pauline Koran, Kevin Nikodym, Jackie Bieniek, Greg and LuAnn Brockner, Duane Weber, Curt and Gloria Fore, Alison Johnson, Amy Grahn, Bruce Pfeffer John Tindel, Karen Oberg and Richard Gagner.

~ THIS WEEK ~

Tuesday, April 27: Cub Scouts meet in the Parish Center, 6:15 p.m. to 8:00 p.m.

Wednesday, April 28: St. Mary's Grades 7-10 Classes meet at 7:00 p.m.

Friday, April 30: Funeral Mass for "Fritz" Motschenbacher at St. Mary's, Mora at 11:00 a.m. with visitation beginning at 10:00 a.m. Saturday, May 1: First Reconciliation for St. Kathryn's First Communion students at 10:30 a.m. First Communion at St. Kathryn's at the 6:00 p.m. Mass.

Congratulations to Jacob Koenings, Adam Kunkel, Kendra Kunst and Payton Owens from St. Kathryn's Parish as they receive the gift of First Communion on Saturday, May 1.

† *Our Sympathy and Prayers* to *Judy Lanoue and the family and* many friends of Bob Lanoue who died on Sunday, April 18 at St. Clare's Living Community. Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated at St. Mary's, Mora on Thursday, April 22 with burial at St. Mary's Cemetery.

<u>Mass of Christian Burial for Merle "Fritz" Motschenbacher</u> will be celebrated on Friday, April 30 at 11:00 a.m. at St. Mary's in Mora with visitation beginning one hour prior at the church. Visitation also at Dresser-Methven Funeral Home on Thursday, April 29 from 5:00 p.m. to 7:00 p.m. Burial will be at the Minnesota State Veterans Cemetery in Little Falls, MN on Monday, May 1.

Bereavement Gathering: This past year has been a very sad one for so many in our faith communities, so many losses, so much pain. But grief does not have to be experienced alone. Join us on Tuesday, May 4 at 2:00 p.m. in the Parish Center at St. Mary's in Mora. Together with other folks like yourselves, we will pray, discuss grief and support one another, laugh and cry.

St. Kathryn's Plant Sale: Spring is in the air and with it comes St. Kathryn's Annual Plant Sale on May 6, 7 & 8 from 8:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. until sold out. Come choose from perennials, heirloom tomatoes, assorted varieties of vegetables, all ready to plant! Sale is at the home of Rose Voss: 1357 190th Ave. in Ogilvie. Call 320-272-4760 for information or directions.

Catholic United Financial will be hosting a seminar on End of Life Decisions on May 2 at 11:25 a.m. at St. Mary's in Mora. Please see the insert in today's bulletin. RSVP by calling Randi at the parish office. (320-679-1593)

ST. MARY'S, MILACA and ST. LOUIS BERTRAND

Please include our families, friends and parishioners in your prayers, especially Roger Leitzen, Laurie Gahm, Dennis Johnson, Mike Czech, Danny Jansen, Marlene Jansen, Don Nathe, George Czech, Ann Hoehn, Cindy Reese, Maurine Herbst, Special Intentions, for the health and safety of all and an end to the coronavirus throughout the world, for peace, and for the faithful departed. Please also pray for our seminarian, Nathaniel Daubner and our visiting seminarian, Daniel Ruprecht. Please pray for the following parishioners (and former parishioners) who are serving in the military: Jonathon Archibald, Alec Bathgate, D.J. Beutz, Jeremiah Beutz, Matthew Boyle, Grayson Hill, Ben McCormick, Paige Minges, Marisa Pollard, Ryan Richter, Seth Roden, Martin Stellmach, Jonathan Wilcox and Nickolas Wilcox; and all who serve in the military.



We offer our sympathy to the family and friends of Lloyd Jacobson, father-in-law of Barb (Jeff) Jacobson, grandfather of Laura (Daniel) Murphy, great grand-father of Breeana, Caitlyn, and Americus Murphy. May Lloyd and all the deceased attain the fullness of life and peace in the Kingdom of Heaven.

Happy Birthday to our St. Mary's parishioners with birthdays from April 25 - May 1: Marie Salgren, Mary Catherine Strohmayer, Tony Burke, Kristy Juetten, Rosalie Fleck, Liam Barse, Brynne Mehrwerth, Jean Stoinski, Alex Ziegler and to our St. Louis parishioners: Kimberly Gruba, Chris Beutz.



Congratulations! We offer our congratulations and best wishes to David and Marlene Trunk who are celebrating their 62nd Wedding Anniversary this weekend! May our Lord continue to bless their lives, their marriage and their family.

Faith Formation ~ Classes for Grades 7 - 12 will meet on April 28 from 6:15 p.m. to 7:45 p.m. at St. Mary's, Milaca.

Confirmation ~ St. Mary's and St. Louis Confirmation Mass will be held at St. Mary's, Milaca, Thursday, May 6 at 7:00 p.m. Please keep our confirmands in your prayers.

Lord, You send out Your Spirit to touch the hearts of all people, so that they may believe in You and in Jesus whom You sent. Look kindly on all candidates for Confirmation as they listen to Your voice. Open their hearts to Your Spirit and bring to fulfilment the good work that You have begun in them.

Life Choices Center News

- Baby Bottle Campaign Fundraiser: We will have baby bottles for you to pick up after Mass on the weekend of May 8/9. Thank you for supporting our local Life Choices Center.
- Virtual Youth Rally: Wednesday, April 28 from 7:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Tune into the Rum River Life Choices Center Facebook page for this FREE live event.

SJAS Spring Breakfast and Silent Auction is this

Sunday, April 25 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Jack & Jim's in Duelm. This community breakfast is dine-in or pre-order pick up and includes a silent auction. Thank you for supporting St. John's Area School!

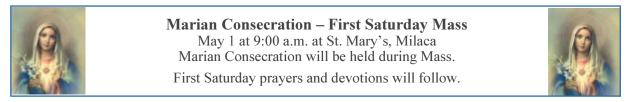
NEWS FOR ALL PARISHES

May Crowning \sim The month of May is traditionally dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary, the mother of Jesus, and the patroness of St. Mary's, Milaca and St. Mary's, Mora parishes. We will honor our Blessed Mother with the May crowning on May 1 at St. Louis and St. Kathryn's and on May 2 at St. Mary's, Milaca and St. Mary's, Mora.

Blessed Carlo Acutis Youth Group will meet in Foreston at the St. Louis Parish Center on Sunday, May 2 at 6:30 p.m.

Catholic Home Missions Appeal ~ Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Over 40% of dioceses United States and its territories are considered mission territories, because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at <u>www.usccb.org/home-missions</u>.

Angels and Demons: What do Scripture and Tradition Say about Them? ~ Movies and the Internet show no shortage of information on angels and demons. Bookstores have whole racks devoted to the topic. While much of what we see and read keeps us entertained, the media's presentation of the spiritual and diabolical worlds is all too often unconnected to the Christian message. In this presentation and in light of Christ's absolute victory over sin and death, Fr. Michael Patella will outline the Christian understanding of the devil, angels, demons, ghosts, and spirits in Scripture and Tradition. He will also discuss the inherent problems and dangers that arise today with the undue attention many give to the occult. Friday, April 30, Webinar presentation from 9:00-11:00 a.m. Event is Free. Registration is required (register at least five days in advance of the event); please visit www.collegevilleMN.com/theologyday, email theologyday@csbsju.edu or call 320-363-3560 to register.



Breakfast with the Bishop ~ Saturday, May 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 9:30 a.m. This is a virtual event for the Catholic Foundation's Catholic Schools Scholarship Fund. Join Bishop Donald Kettler for this eighth annual event, which benefits Catholic grade school students in need of tuition assistance. To reserve a spot, email Alice Coudron at Acoudron@catholicfoundation.info or call 320-258-7656. Donations will be accepted.

Treasures of the Church ~ Exposition of Sacred Relics

St. Mary's, Milaca presents a teaching and exposition of Sacred Relics on **Saturday, May 8 at 1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.** Father Carlos Martins of the Companions of the Cross will be here with an extraordinary Vatican collection of over 150 relics, some as old as 2,000 years. Fr. Carlos has the "largest traveling display, of (sacred) relics in the world." Among the treasures will be relics of Sts. Peter and Paul, St. Joseph, St. Maria Goretti, St. Therese of Lisieux (the "Little Flower"), St. Francis of Assisi, St. Anthony of Padua, St. Thomas Aquinas, and St. Faustina Kowalska. There will also be a portion of the Veil of Our Lady and one of the largest remaining pieces of the True Cross in the world. Those in attendance will be able to examine and venerate each relic. Throughout history, many healings have been worked in the presence of relics; and many have come about through this ministry. Do not miss this opportunity. You are encouraged to bring your articles of devotion (such as rosaries, metals, holy cards, etc.) and pictures of ill friends/family members, which you will be able to touch to the reliquaries as a means of intercession. Check out the website at <u>https://treasuresofthechurch.com/</u> for more information.



May 15, 2021 ~ Rec Park in Milaca, from noon to 5:00 p.m.

First annual FREE event (limited to the first 300 kids, ages 16 and under). Kids, with their parents/ guardians and workstation volunteers will assemble, fill and plant flower boxes to encourage pollinators (like butterflies!) in the area. Boxes will be assembled at workstations with volunteers, and the kids will fill them with dirt and plant the flowers. Once finished, the boxes will be placed in the three parks in town where they can be viewed by all visitors. Every box will have a plaque with event name, sponsors and date. A number assigned to each child will also be on the plaque so the child will know which box is theirs! This event includes displays of construction equipment and police cars, vendor and business stands, food stands (hotdogs, chips, pop, water) and FREE

raffle drawings during the event. Register for this event in advance at <u>cityofmilaca.org</u> under the About, News and Events tabs. Click on the Kids Hands on Event Pre-Registration link at the bottom of the page. Fill the form out and bring it with you to Rec Park the day of the event. Registration will be complete when a box number is assigned. **Contact Mark Wubben at 764-220-9226 or at wub1870@gmail.com if you are interested in volunteering or sponsoring this great event.**



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