

January 16, 2022

The 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Welcome to our Five Star Area Catholic Community



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St. Mary of Mount Carmel, Long Prairie

Tuesday, January 18th

7:00 p.m. Mass † Jeff Hedlund

Wednesday, January 19th

8:30 a.m. Mass † Jerry Loegering

Thursday, January 20th

8:30 a.m. Mass † Souls in Purgatory

Friday, January 21st

8:30 a.m. Mass † Roger Katterhagen

Saturday, January 22nd

5:00 a.m. Mass For the People of Our Parish

Sunday, January 23rd

8:00 a.m. Mass † Donald & Bernice Nalezny

10:00 a.m. Mass † Annella Clasemann

11:45 a.m. Mass Español † Gabriel Vargas

St. Joseph, Grey Eagle & St. John's, Swanville

Monday, January 17th

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJS** Intention of Fr. Ron

Tuesday, January 18th

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJGE** † Poor Souls

Wednesday, January 19th

5:30 a.m. Mass **SJS** Intention of Fr. Ron

Thursday, January 20th

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJGE** † Vern Frieler

Saturday, January 22nd

4:30 a.m. Mass **SJGE** † Leroy Ahrens

Sunday, January 23rd

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJS** † Ralph Kjeldergaard

10:30 a.m. Mass **SJGE** For the People of Our Parishes

St. Joseph, Clarissa & Christ the King, Browerville

Tuesday, January 18th

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJC** † Chuck Williams

Wednesday, January 19th

11:00 a.m. Mass **CTK** † Don Lemm

Thursday, January 20th

8:30 a.m. Mass **SJC** † Jim Anderson

10:30 CTCCC No Mass

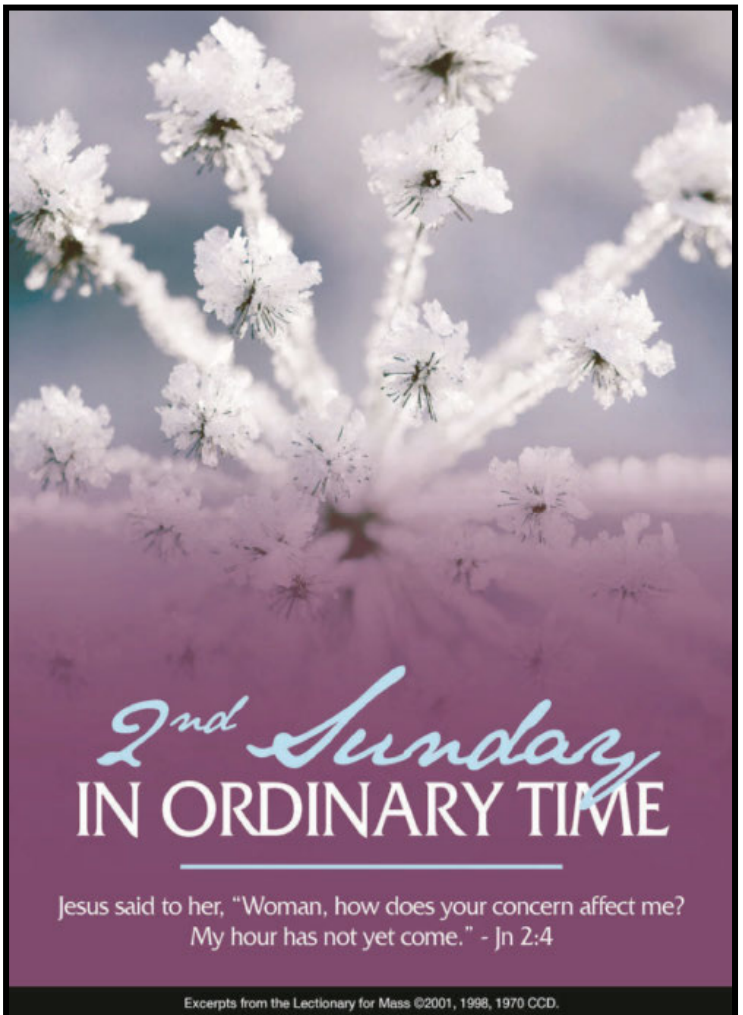
Friday, January 21st

8:30 a.m. Mass **CTK** † Stephanie Foote

Sunday, January 23rd

8:30 a.m. Mass **CTK** † Fr. Ken Thielman

10:30 a.m. Mass **SJC** For the People of Our Parishes



WEEKLY PRAYER

READINGS FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** Is 62:1-5/Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 7-8, 9-10 [3]/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11
- Monday:** 1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22
- Tuesday:** 1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28
- Wednesday:** 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6
- Thursday:** 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/Mk 3:7-12
- Friday:** 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19
- Saturday:** 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21
- Next Sunday:** Neh 8:2-4a, 5-6, 8-10/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 15/1 Cor 12:12-30 or 12:12-14, 27/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

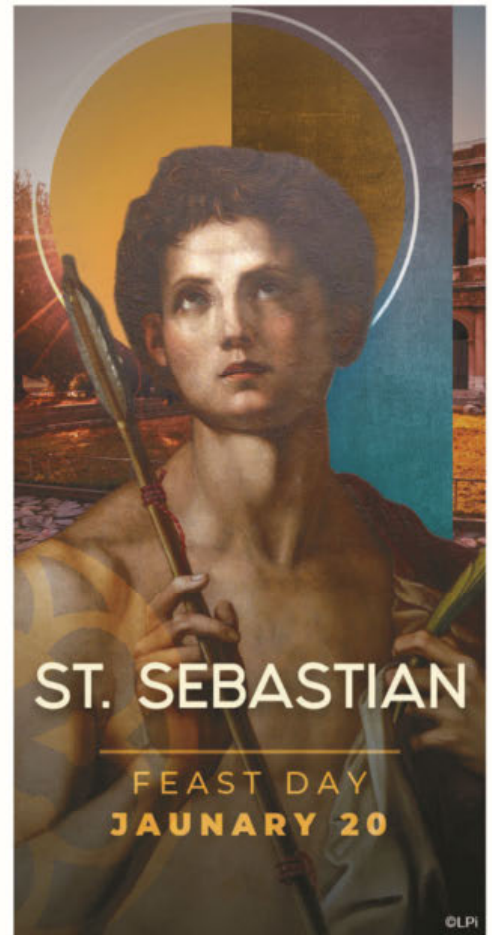
OBSERVANCES FOR THE WEEK OF JANUARY 16, 2022

- Sunday:** 2nd Sunday in Ordinary Time
- Monday:** Martin Luther King Day; St. Anthony, Abbot
- Tuesday:** Week of Prayer for Christian Unity
- Thursday:** St. Fabian, Pope and Martyr; St. Sebastian, Martyr
- Friday:** St. Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
- Saturday:** Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
- Next Sunday:** 3rd Sunday in Ordinary Time; St. Vincent, Deacon and Martyr; St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

LIVE THE LITURGY

Inspiration for the week

Relationships are hard to clarify. Determining whether people in our lives are simply acquaintances and associates or a deeper level of friend is a journey that takes time. Identifying and celebrating those people who really care about us is a lifelong adventure that involves both moments of intense elation and heartache. Some relationships are more easily definable than others. Two people who are in love must decide whether the love they share has the freedom and depth necessary for lifelong commitments. Other relationships may look like friendship but may harbor grave dysfunction and toxicity. Discernment is needed on all fronts. Our relationship with God also needs definition and discernment. God has taken creation as His spouse and human beings as His children. God delights in us and all that He has made. The wedding feast at Cana demonstrates God's investment in all of this, especially our happiness. Life is a time for celebration and great rejoicing!



SAINT OF THE WEEK

Not much is known about the life of St. Sebastian (256 – 287), except that he was a Roman martyr whose name has been mentioned throughout history since early 350.

We see St. Sebastian many times in art, especially from iconic paintings from Guido Reni, Andrea Mantegna and Hendrick ter Brugghen. Historical scholars now agree that a spiritual story has the beloved saint entering the Roman army because only there could he assist Christian martyrs without arousing suspicion on himself. Eventually he was found out, brought before Emperor Diocletian and delivered to Mauritanian archers to be shot to death. Pierced with arrows, he was left for dead, but managed to survive. He recovered from his wounds but still refused to leave.

One day, St. Sebastian took up a position near where the emperor was to pass. He confronted the emperor, condemning him for his cruelty to Christians. This time the sentence of death was carried out, and St. Sebastian was beaten to death with clubs. Today he is the patron saint of athletes.



**Five Star Area Catholic Community
Browerville - Grey Eagle - Clarissa - Long Prairie - Swanville**

Greetings.

Holiness in the home is important since, in many respects, that is where holiness begins.

The Catechism reads, "The Eucharist is "the source and summit of the Christian life." The other sacraments, and indeed all ecclesiastical ministries and works of the apostolate, are bound up with the Eucharist and are oriented toward it" (CCC, 1324). This teaching makes clear that holiness begins in Christ. And yet, like the servers at the 'wedding at Cana' who bring the water (now turned into wine) to the headwaiter and couple, so too parents bring a God's grace and a good example into the home, sharing the grace of the Sacraments with their children.

This February, as a first of its kind, the Five Star Area Catholic Community (ACC) is hosting an ACC day retreat at the Lake Beauty Bible Camp (Long Prairie) called: 'Holiness in the Home.' We will we welcoming regional presenters to talk about time tested, proven devotions and practices which help make our homes a sanctuary. We will also consider those things which risk attacking the grace which God gives.

This retreat will be fun, engaging, and will provide our ACC Catholics a unique opportunity to grow in community, knowledge, and faith. See the bulletin notice on our ACC page (page 9) for other specific details of date, time, registration, etc.

May God bless you!
Father Mitchell

**Adoration of Blessed
Sacrament
and
Sacrament of
Reconciliation**

Saint Joseph, Grey Eagle
Sacrament of Reconciliation
Saturday 3:30 to 4:00 p.m.

**Saint John the Baptist,
Swanville**
To make an arrangement for
Confession, please call Fr. Ron at
320-290-4902.



**Saint Mary of Mount Carmel,
Long Prairie**

**Sacrament of Reconciliation will be
in the Cry Room:**

Tuesday 6:30 a.m.
Thursday before & after 8:30 a.m. Mass
Saturday at 4:30 p.m.

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament
is in the Chapel.

Christ the King, Browerville

**Sacrament of Reconciliation
(Confessions):**
Saturday – 8:30 a.m. to 9:20 a.m.
Sunday – 8:00 a.m. to 8:20 a.m.
By Appointment – Call Fr. Bechtold
at 320-247-4907

**Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament:**
Wednesday – 9:50 a.m. to 10:50 a.m.
Friday – 9:00 a.m. to 10:00 a.m.
Saturday – 8:30 a.m. to 9:30 a.m.
(w/ Confessions)

Saint Joseph, Clarissa
Adoration of the Blessed
Sacrament
Thursday from 9:00 to 10:00 a.m.



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Secretary/Bookkeeper: Mary Woeste
Faith Formation Coordinator: Carissa Bitz
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Offering: January 8-9 -- Adults \$2,435.00; Loose \$948.00.
Total: \$3,383.00
Attendance: Saturday – 61 and Sunday -- 112

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday, January 29th – 4:30 a.m.

Ushers: Mark and Sherry Larson

Servers: Nadia and Anika Berscheit

EM's: Joanne Pohlmann, Natalie Prasch, Mark and Sherry Larson

Lector: Michelle Wolbeck

Sunday, January 30th – 10:30 a.m.

Ushers: Roger and Kathy Roske

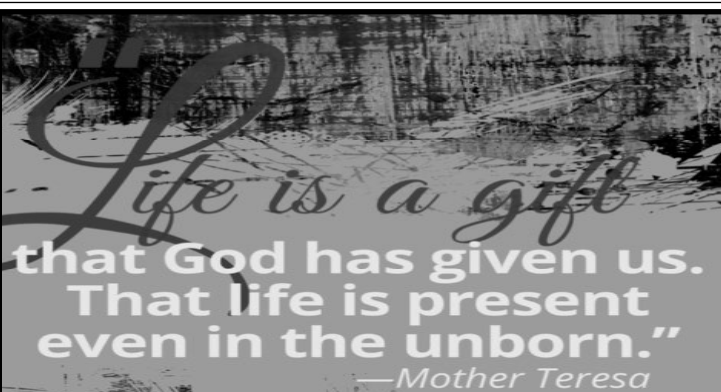
Servers: Rebecca and Amanda Berscheit

EM's: Richard Seifert, Janice Lind, Ron and Doris Frericks

Lectors: Peter Berscheit

2022 Calendar: The 2022 calendars are here and can be picked up in the entryway of the church.

Bulletin: If any groups or individuals have articles they would like to have in the bulletin, please have them to the office by Monday.



Faith Formation

January 19 – Class and Student-Led Prayer Service, Led by 6th graders (for grades 1-11, parents and parishioners)

January 26 – No Class, First Reconciliation Retreat - 2nd graders and their parents only, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

February 2 – Class

February 9 - Class and Student-Led Prayer Service, Led by 3rd, 4th & 5th graders (for grades 1-11, parents and parishioners)

February 16 – Class

February 23 - No Class, First Communion Retreat - 2nd graders and their parents only, 6:30-8:00 p.m.

It Takes All Kinds - "If every flower wanted to be a rose," wrote St. Therese of Lisieux, "spring would lose its loveliness."

Who is God asking you to be today? There is an obvious answer that springs to mind right out of the gate. God wants me to be a good person (a good father, a good husband) today; today, God wants me to be a saint.

But this answer fails to get to the heart of the question. We are all striving today to serve the same Spirit, but we are given different gifts to do so. The one who has the gift of knowledge may fail if today he decides he wants to be a healer. The one who has the gift of "varieties of tongues" might falter in the expression of wisdom.

Think about the wedding at Cana and the players in the scene: the servers, the guests, the bride and groom. They all have a unique role to play, and though it is to the servers that Mary gives the instruction, "Do whatever he tells you," her words apply to all.

Today, are we called to be the servers — do we wait on God's instruction and carry it out, no matter how foolish or impossible it may seem to our human ears? Are we asked to be the disciples, to bear witness to a miracle and to give our testimony? Are we called to imitate the Blessed Mother herself and give encouragement to follow God's word?

Let us examine our gifts and listen in the silence of our hearts to the direction of the Spirit. Then and only then, let us do whatever He tells us.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



**Church of St. John the Baptist
of Swanville**

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Faith Formation : Marge Mettler 320-547-2513

JANUARY MINISTRIES

Ushers: Bob Koetter & Dean Doroff
Lector: Ann Peterson
EM'S: Ann Peterson & Marge Mettler

FAITH FORMATION

Marge Mettler Coordinator 320-547-2513
Wednesday, January 19th
Regular Classes at 6:30 p.m.

St. Cloud Diocese Youth Rally for students in grades six (6) through twelve (12) will be at the Cathedral High School in St. Cloud on Saturday, January 30th. Call Marge for more information. Registration will be paid for by our youth group.

Envelopes for 2022 are on the table in the entrance. Please put your name on your envelope the first few times as the numbers have changed. If you did not find your box of envelopes, please call the office at 547-2920 to request a box of envelopes. Thank you for supporting our church.

Knights of Columbus will meet Tuesday, January 18th at 7:00 p.m. in Grey Eagle.

Notice: For People 62 and older and those with disabilities, check into the senior living apartments in Swanville. They are offering "one month free" rent for a limited time. For more information,

call 320-468-6451
email_avankeuren@horizonhealthservices.com

**AUCTION/DINNER IS FEBRUARY 25, 2022
WE NEED YOUR HELP**

We need the list of items for the auction by February 4th. Al W. needs to get the auction bill ready for print to be distributed on the 11th. Please call as soon as you know what you plan to donate even if the project is not finished yet. Then I have to organizer for the program, etc. and all this takes a lot of time. Thank you!

MCCL March for Life at the State Capitol is Saturday, January 22nd at 12 Noon. Listen to local radio for bus rides available.

A FEW THINGS TO PONDER

By Val

Saint Mother Teresa said, "We think sometimes that poverty is only being hungry, naked or homeless. The poverty of being unwanted, unloved & uncared for is the greatest poverty".

A bad attitude is like a flat tire...You can't get anywhere unless you change it!

A wise man told his wife nothing because he was a wise man.

This past week, starting the new year, I realized I was finally old enough and in a position in life to do most anything I want. Then I realized I was also too tired to actual do them, or I had to work around the doctors' appointments.

Father asks son to clear the snow off the driveway when he gets home from school. This was not done. Dad reminded son he was to clear the snow off the driveway. The son replied, "but dad I couldn't even see the driveway." Son seemed serious but one has to wonder if it was just an excuse to not do it. This is a true story. The boy was about 11 years old.



Christ the King Catholic Church of Browerville

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Baptism preparation classes are the 2nd Saturday of each month at 10 a.m. and the 4th Tuesday at 7 p.m.

Bulletin deadline for CTK is Tuesday noon.

Last Sunday Mass Count: 195

Stewardship

January 10		ACH	327.50
Loose	273.00	Candles	12.00
Adult	3,896.00	New Years	175.00
Child	6.00	Christmas	5.00
Total Regular	4,175.00	Fuel	375.00

Liturgical Ministers

Rosary: Mary Schultz & Rosie Johnson

Lector: Chris Kassube

Servers: Blake & Reis Irsfeld

Ushers for January: Mike Iten, Roy Perish,
Jim May, Joe Buhl

Church Cleaning: Martin & Rebecca Hagen family,
Ken & Jody Hager family, Robert & Lynnae Hager

Banns of Marriage I

Amy Brisson and Eric Turner will be married at Christ the King Church on Saturday, February 5th.



CTK Parish News

The Knights of Columbus meet today, Sunday, January 16th, after Mass.

Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass today, Sunday, January 16th. Everyone is invited to go downstairs for coffee and rolls.

Coffee and rolls will also be served after Mass on Friday, January 21, the third Friday of each month. Adoration is held before Mass on that day.

Saturday, January 22, is the Day of Penance and Prayer for legal protection of the unborn. Christ the King Parish has Confessions from 8:30 to 9:30 a.m. and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament at 9:30 a.m.

The 2022 Calendars are in the church entrances for you to pick up. Thank you to Julie Stern, Iten Funeral Home, and Marty Host, Country Financial for supplying the calendars for our parish.

Knights of Columbus Free Throw Championship will be held Wednesday, January 19th, beginning at 3:15, in the BHS Elementary Gym. This event is for boys and girls ages 9 – 14. Entry forms are available in the office at CTK School and Browerville High School.

The KC's will sponsor a Pro-Life Breakfast next Sunday, January 23rd, from 9 a.m. to noon, in the church basement. They will be serving biscuits and gravy, scrambled eggs, and hashbrowns.

Honoring Marriage Day will be held at St. Mary's Church in Alexandria on Saturday, May 7, 2022 from 1-4 p.m. If you would like to attend and will be celebrating 5, 10, 25, 40, 50, 60, or 60 plus years in 2022 please let the parish office know by January 31.

2021 Contribution statements are available on the table in the east entrance.

Christ the King Catholic School News

There is no School on Monday, January 17th in honor of Martin Luther King, Jr.

The next Home and School Meeting is next Thursday, January 20th at 7:00 p.m. in Christ the King School.



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January 9th			
Adult	\$918.00	Christmas	\$130.00
Loose	\$149.00	Votive Candles	\$3.00
TOTAL	\$1067.00		
Mass Count	90		

Ministry Schedule

January 23, 2021

Sacristan: Mary Yates **EM:** Ardelle Feda
Lector: Kim Marstein
Ushers: Thad Olson and Leann Olson

The Knights of Columbus meet today, Sunday, January 16th, after CTK 8:30 Mass in CTK School.

Thank You to all that helped put the Christmas decorations away and cleaning up.

Everyone is welcome to the potluck after Mass today. Group 2 will be hosting.

The Parish Life Groups and Committee sheets are ready to be picked up at church. If you unable to do so, please call the parish office at 756.2205 and they can be mailed to you.

Contribution envelopes are still on their way. There are some offering envelopes in the back of church to use until they get here. Thank You very much for using plain Envelopes.

Thank you to Country Insurance and Iten Funeral Home for the 2022 calendars.

Faith Formation classes will meet Wednesday, January 19th with snacks at 5:30 p.m. and classes beginning at 6:00 p.m.

St Mary's Mission Meeting is Wednesday, January 19th at 9:00 a.m.



How can we pray for the dead throughout the year? We commemorate the faithful departed on November 2nd each year. However, we can and should continue to pray for the dead. Our growth in Christian perfection takes a long time. At the time of our death, many of us might not be saints yet. But God, in His mercy, allows for those who love Him to experience purification after death. Our word for that state is Purgatory. It's the antechamber of heaven, so to speak. We know we're getting in the house,

but we're not quite ready to go all the way in. There's rain to shake off our coats and dirt that's clogging our shoes.

Here on earth, we can pray for the souls in Purgatory. One way is to request that your parish offer a Mass for the intention of a specific loved one. We can also remember the departed in our daily prayers. Just as we have special intentions for family and friends here on earth, we can pray for those who have died. It's also a good act of Christian charity to pray for the forgotten, those who have no one else to pray for them. God knows who they are! ©LPi



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Stewardship	January 9th		
Adult	\$5109.00	Votive Candles	\$105.70
Loose	\$904.11	Maintenance	\$15.00
Youth	\$78.24	Christmas	\$270.00
EFT's	\$463.00	Solemnity	\$220.00
TOTAL	\$7232.05	Catholic Mag	\$17.00
		Sponsor Child	\$50.00

Please call the Parish Office if you would like your child to have contribution envelopes.

Sacrament Preparation

Baptism: Parents are required to complete pre-baptismal class and must **pre-register** by contact the parish office. The class is held every second Sunday of the month after the 10:00 a.m. Mass.

Marriage: Arrangements must be made at least nine months prior to date of marriage.

Please call the parish office for further information.

The KC's will host a Pro-Life Pancake Breakfast is today Sunday, January 16th from 8:30 a.m. to noon in the Parish Hall.

Come and enjoy pancakes and sausage along with good conversation and fellowship.

Free will donation—everyone welcome!

The Knights of Columbus will meet Tuesday, January 18th at 7:30 p.m.

St. Ann's will meet Monday, January 17th at 1:30 p.m. in the Parish Hall.



Thank you everyone who is helping with the repairs to the Family Center because of water damage. Your time and talent is greatly appreciated!

The annual contribution statements will be available next weekend on the cupboard in the church by the votive candles.

St. Mary's of Mount Carmel Catholic Church is seeking to add an experienced, part-time parish secretary. The parish secretary serves as the secretary of the parish under the guidance of the Pastor. The parish secretary is responsible for the daily operation of the parish office, is the liaison between parishioners and staff while providing a welcome environment. The parish secretary will also be responsible for relieving the pastoral staff of clerical work and minor administrative duties. Beverly Geraets will continue as bookkeeper and co-editor of the ACC Bulletin. Please contact Fr. Omar with any questions. A resume can be given to Fr. Omar.

Enthronement of the Sacred Heart of Jesus: Last year St. Mary's School enthroned the image of the Sacred Heart of Jesus in every classroom, hallway, and office of the school, asking Him to reign over our school as King of our hearts. We will renew this commitment on February 2nd, the Feast of the Presentation, at the school Mass during Catholic Schools' Week. We invite you to join us by bringing your own image of the Sacred Heart to be blessed and placed in your home. For more information on this beautiful practice, please contact Fr. Omar or Mrs. Dinkel.

St. Mary's Continued. . .

I need a weekly assistant to help with the First Communion class on Wednesday afternoons, 2:30-3:30 p.m. each week through mid-May. No prep time or teaching is required--just the desire to work with young children. Please contact Jenna Miller, 218-296-3989 or jmiller@stmaryslp.org.

First Communion parents, registration is open for First Confession times on Saturday, January 29. You can choose 8:30 or 10:30 a.m. Please contact Jenna Miller to register.

First Communion parents, plan to attend the First Confession retreat on Saturday, January 22, 1:30-4:00 p.m. We will begin in the parish hall. Bring your purple workbook to be checked for completion! At least one parent should attend with your child. Contact Jenna with any questions.

January 19 is the deadline to sign up for the 2022 Diocesan Youth Rally. Contact Amanda Hinson, Faith Formation Coordinator, for details. The event takes place Sunday, January 30 at the Cathedral High School in St. Cloud.

This Wednesday, January 19 is a parents' meeting @ 7:00 p.m. in the Parish Hall. If you have a child in 6-12th grade, you want to know more about the Youth Rally, need help with the form, or have questions about future opportunities, please attend! Contact Amanda Hinson for questions or if you can't make it.



Saturday, January 22nd 5:00 p.m. Mass: Sacristan: Lois Stueve **EM's:** Dan Peyton, Jerry Bleess, Phillip Stueve **Server:** Morgan Bosl **Lector:** Robin DeLage **Greeters:** Lloyd Graves, Jean Graves

Music: Steve Hinson

Sunday, January 23rd, 8:00 a.m. Mass: Sacristan: Brenda Kern **EM's:** Doris Biermaier, Mark Buntjer, Brenda Kern **Server:** JP Bunter **Lector:** McKayla Warmka **Greeters:** Not filled **Music:** Joy

Sunday, January 23rd, 10:00 a.m. Mass: Sacristan: Mary Schmidt **EM's:** Mary Schmidt, Mark Liebsch, Mary May **Servers:** Jayden Richter **Lector:** Ann Edwards **Greeters:** Beth Rohr, Jane Kleinschmidt **Music:** Ave Maria

Sanctuary Cleaners Friday, January 21st: Mary Beth Siegle **Vacuuming Nave:** Josephine Orozco, **Care of Albs:** Sandra Flores

Five Star ACC Family Retreat: 'Holiness in the Home' - The people of our parishes are invited to participate in this first of its kind parish retreat, hosted at the Lake Beauty Bible Camp near Long Prairie. Families are encouraged to attend together.

Presentations and events will be separated by three groups: Adults (ages 18+), Youth (12 - 17) and all other children (11 and under). Registration begins at 9 a.m., with coffee and rolls. Retreat begins at 10 a.m. Lunch is from 12 - 12:30 p.m., with presentations resuming around 12:45 p.m. The retreat concludes at 3:30 p.m. Cost for participants is \$20 (ages 13+), \$10 (5-12), \$5 (2-4) and free (ages 2 and under). Please register with your parish no later than February 19. Participants can pay when they arrive.

Holiness in the parish is made possible when there is holiness in the home. This will be a great day to hear about the opportunities and challenges to living and sharing our Catholic Faith, as a family.

The 2022 Week of Prayer for Christian Unity will take place January 18–25, 2022. This year's theme is: **"We saw the star in the East, and we came to worship Him" (Matthew 2:2)**. This theme was chosen to express the "Eastern Churches' tradition of joining Epiphany to the mystery of the Baptism of Christ, a baptism all Christians hold in common as testimony to their faith in the Son of God, exhibiting solidarity with those who suffer"

Bishop's Annual Appeal: The Diocesan TV Mass and parish livestream Masses have been a lifeline for the homebound. Other ministries of the Appeal continue their work in support of faith formation, family life, our Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization, and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Children Growing With the Gospel



PUZZLE

Find the two identical jars.



ANSWER: NUMBERS TWO AND EIGHT

At a wedding party, Mary said to Jesus, they have no more wine. Help them. Even though it was not time for him to perform miracles, Jesus honored his Mother by changing the water into wine. When you obey God by honoring your mother's wishes, you turn ordinary things, like opening a door, emptying trash, or making the bed into a gift Of love. This love makes your mother and God smile.

Prayer

Lord, help me turn chores for my family into gifts for you.

Mission for the Week

I will put all of my toys away neatly after I finish playing.

Five Star Area Catholic Community News:

You are invited: Today, January 16th, national pro-life speaker Emily Albrecht will present "The Most Persuasive Pro-Life Argument" from 2:00—4:00 p.m. at the Church of St. Mary, Alexandria. Emily is an enthusiastic speaker and she is excited to share this message with our community. There will be time for questions and hospitality afterwards!

SAVE THE DATE:
Saturday, February 26, 2022
 10 AM - 4 PM

Five Star Area Catholic Community
Family Retreat:
Holiness in the Home
Lake Beauty Bible Camp

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 before Friday, February 19, 2022

The Annual March for Life begins with the Prayer Service for Life at 10:30 a.m. at the Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul followed by a 30-minute march, which begins at noon on the State Capitol grounds. At 12:30 p.m. marchers gather for a brief pro-life program hosted by MCCL on the Capitol steps. (Contact Janet Dusek in the diocesan Office of Marriage and Family at 320-258-7616 or jdusek@gw.stcdio.org regarding transportation to the event. To register online or for additional information, visit <https://bit.ly/3d5dvuj>.)

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