Divine Mercy Area Faith Community

ST. MARY'S 636 1st Ave N • Sleepy Eye MN 56085
(507) 794-4171 • saintmaryse@sleepyeyetel.net
Weekend Mass Times: Sat., 5:30pm; Sun., 7:30am, 9:30am, 11:30am (EF/Latin)

ST. PAUL'S 209 Field St N • PO Box 277 • Comfrey, MN 56019
(507) 877-2361 • stpcomfrey@yahoo.com
Weekend Mass Time: Sun., 10:30am

ST. MICHAEL'S 510 W 3rd St • PO Box 459 • Morgan, MN 56266
(507) 249-3192 • stmichaels@redred.com
Weekend Mass Time: Sun., 8:30am

JAPANESE MARTYRS 30881 County Rd 24 • Sleepy Eye, MN 56085
(507) 794-6974 • jmartyrs@sleepyeyetel.net
Weekend Mass Time: Sat., 8:00pm

Pastoral Leadership

Fr. Mark Steffl
Pastor

Fr. Samuel Perez
Senior Associate Pastor

Fr. Zachary Peterson
Senior Associate Pastor

Deacon Mark Kober
Permanent Deacon

Deacon Mike McKeown
Permanent Deacon

Sacrament of Penance

St. Mary:
Saturday 9:00-10:00 am
Saturday 4:00-5:00 pm
Sunday 11:00-11:20 am (Before Latin Mass)
Monday 6:00-7:00 pm

St. Paul:
Sunday 11:30-11:45 am

St. Michael:
Thursday 9-10:00 am
1st Friday 9-10:00 am
Sunday 8:00-8:15 am

Japanese Martyrs:
Saturday 7:30-7:45 pm

Sacrament of Marriage

For those who are free to marry, marriage preparation takes at least six months. Contact your parish office for further information.

Sacrament of Baptism

Parents expecting the birth of their child must participate in a preparation session, preferable six months prior to the birth. Godparents need to participate in a preparation session also. Contact your parish office for further information.

Bulletin Copy Deadline:
Monday: noon

Catholic Charities:
1-866-670-5163

From Fr. Steffl:

Thanks to all who made the Caribbean Knights raffle last week a great success, selling over 2300 tickets! I was told that it was the most successful one we have had, and it is an important fundraiser for St. Mary's School in Sleepy Eye. The raffle sponsored by Catholic United Financial supporting Catholic Schools was also a great success for us, and they both help us to continue to make Catholic Schools available in our group of parishes. Thanks to everyone for their great support and appreciation of Catholic education, we are able to accomplish so much because of everyone's support.

An insert in the bulletin titled **5 Reasons To Attend Daily Mass and 5 Ways It Will Change You** is included this week. When I was first ordained, I remember talking to someone who told me that for Lent one year, she started going to weekday Masses, and said that at the end of Lent, she just kept going having found it to be such a great blessing. I am glad that we have the opportunities that we do in our parishes for daily Mass, and as the name of the insert suggests, it really will change you for the better!

I hope that everyone has a chance each week to pray the **Stations of the Cross**, either at one of the multiple times scheduled in our parishes or by stopping into church and praying them on your own. Books will be available in each of the churches for those who would like to do this.

Don't let this Lent pass by without the **Sacrament of Reconciliation/Confession**. The Lord's mercy is central to these 40 days of penance, prayer, and almsgiving. (When I helped with a military chaplaincy on a Navy base in Italy while I was in the seminary, the priest who was the base chaplain would always refer to the confessional as the "sin bin." I always thought that was a very clever and helpful analogy….)

The materials in the **Lighthouse Catholic Media Kiosk in the north entrance of St. Mary's Church** have been refreshed and updated. You will find many good resources to learn more about topics relating to our lives as disciples of Jesus. Please have a look, and thank you to the benefactors who made this possible!

AFC Mass Times & Weekly Events

AFC Mass Intentions for February 22 - 28, 2021

Monday - *The Chair of Saint Peter the Apostle*
Feb. 22 1Pt 5:1-4 / Mk 16:13-19
Divine Providence †Dennis Sellner
5:00 pm **St. Mary's** Stations of the Cross
5:30 pm **St. Mary's** †Albert Sellner
6-7:00 pm **St. Mary's** Confessions

Tuesday - *St. Polycarp, Bishop and Martyr*
Feb. 23 Is 55:10-11 / Mt 6:7-15
7:00 am **St. Mary's** †Joe Schmitz
8:30 am **St. Michael's** †Harold & Mary Wersal
8:30 am **Japanese Martyrs** †Milly Augustin
Divine Providence Weeks Family
5:30 pm **St. Paul's** †Alvin Eischen
6-7:00 pm **St. Paul's** Stations of the Cross & Confessions

Wednesday
Feb. 24 Jon 3:1-10 / Lk 11:29-32
7:00 am **St. Mary's** Witucki Family
8:30 am **St. Michael's** †Bernard Kunz
8:30 am **St. Paul's** †Roman Zwaschka
Divine Providence †Leonard Kuznia

Thursday
Feb. 25 Est C:12, 14-16, 23-25 / Mt 7:7-12
7:00 am **St. Mary's** †Linda Ibberson
8:15 am **St. Mary's** †Jim Schroepfer and dec'd family mbrs / HS Mass
8:30 am **Japanese Martyrs** †Marlene Windschitl
8:30 am **St. Michael's** †Bob & Marge Maurer
9-10:00 am **St. Michael's** Holy Hour & Confessions
Divine Providence †E. Peter Schmitz
2:20 pm **St. Mary's** †Dec'd & Living mbrs of the Class of 1949 / GS Mass
5:30 pm **St. Mary's** Stations of the Cross

Friday
Feb. 26 Ez 18:21-28 / Mt 5:20-26
7:00 am **St. Mary's** †Roger Hengel
7:30 am- 9 pm **St. Mary's** Adoration in church
8:30 am **St. Paul's** †Norbert Suess
Divine Providence Carsten Weeks
Countryside †Maggie Wintheiser
2:30 pm **St. Mary's** Stations of the Cross / School
5:00 pm **St. Michael's** Confessions
5:30 pm **St. Michael's** †Lloyd & Florence Gewerth
6:00 pm **St. Michael's** Stations of the Cross
5:30 pm **St. Mary's** †Raymond Rothmeier
6:00 pm **St. Mary's** Stations of the Cross
7-8:00 pm **St. Paul's** Stations of the Cross with Holy Hour & Confessions

Saturday
Feb. 27 Dt 26:16-19 / Mt 5:43-48
8:00 am **St. Mary's** †Irene Wintheiser
8:30 am **St. Michael's** †Don Reding
9-10:00 am **St. Mary's** Confessions
Divine Providence DSMP
4-5:00 pm **St. Mary's** Confessions
5:30 pm **St. Mary's** †Maria and Matthew Adike
7:30-7:45 pm **Japanese Martyrs** Confessions
8:00 pm **Japanese Martyrs** †Kaleb Fischer

Sunday - *Second Sunday of Lent*
Feb. 28 Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18 / Rom 8:31b-34 / Mk 9:2-10
7:30 am **St. Mary's** †Richard Irlbeck
8:00 am **St. Michael's** Confessions
8:30 am **St. Michael's** †D & L of Harold & Monica Kerkhoff Family
9:30 am **St. Mary's** AFC Parish Families
10:30 am **St. Paul's** †Leonard & Bea Haala & Diane Arnold-Haala
11:00 am **St. Mary's** Confessions
11:30 am **St. Mary's/Latin** †Ronald Haas
11:30 am **St. Paul's** Confessions
4:00 pm **St. Mary's** Sung Vespers (Evening Prayer)
4:30 pm **St. Mary's** Stations of the Cross
5-6:00 pm **St. Mary's** Holy Hour

Weekly Events

St. Mary's, Sleepy Eye

Sunday, Feb. 21
2:00pm AFC 1st Communion mtg - (Virtual)
4:00pm Sung Vespers (Evening Prayers)
4:30pm Stations of the Cross
5-6:00pm Holy Hour
6:30pm Youth Group

Monday, Feb. 22
5:00pm Stations of the Cross

Wednesday, Feb. 24
6:30pm Religious Ed

Thursday, Feb. 25
5:30pm Stations of the Cross
6:00pm Adult Ed Class

Friday, Feb. 26
5:45am That Man is You! in social room
6:00pm Stations of the Cross

Sunday, Feb. 28
4:00pm Sung Vespers (Evening Prayers)
4:30pm Stations of the Cross
5-6:00pm Holy Hour
6:30pm Youth Group

St. Michael's, Morgan

Wednesday, Feb. 24
6:15pm Religious Ed

St. Paul's, Comfrey

Tuesday, Feb. 23
6:00pm Stations of the Cross & Confessions

Wednesday, Feb. 24
7:00pm Religious Ed at Comfrey

Friday, Feb. 26
7:00pm Stations of the Cross/Holy Hour & Confessions

Japanese Martyrs, Leavenworth

Wednesday, Feb. 24
7:00pm Religious Ed at Comfrey

Prayer to St. Joseph

Hail, Guardian of the Redeemer,
Spouse of the Blessed Virgin Mary.
To you God entrusted His only Son;
in you Mary placed her trust;
with you Christ became man.

Blessed Joseph, to us too,
show yourself a father
and guide us in the path of life.
Obtain for us grace, mercy, and
courage, and defend us from every evil.
Amen.

40 Days for Life
February 17 - March 28, 2021

St. Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye

Votive Lights burn this week for:
Patt Seifert; Jerome & Rose Fromm; Florian & Florence Sellner; Alice Sellner; Leon Bushard; Ray & Adella Tauer; Family Intentions; Gary's Health; Special Intentions; Sylvester & Irene Seifert; Richard & Jerry Berdan; Dec'd family mbrs of Alphonse Mages; Witucki Family; Joey; Marion M. Sellner; Hacker Families; Arnold & Lorraine Roiger; Paul, Jim, Gerald & Joan (Abrahamson) Schroepfer; Les Haala; Bernice Goldschmidt; Victor & Caroline Helget; Mike Walden; Don Ludewig; Joanne Groebner; (2) Special Intentions.

Parish Prayer List: Dave Walter, Gary Kuebler, Ruth Steffl, Cheryl Nessett, my sister, DRK, Patsy Reynolds, Scott Tauer, Mike Seifert (Diane), Eileen Kral, Megan Eldeen, Lennon Ludewig, Yvonne Windschitl, Barry Hilmann, Cathy Blackstad, Mildred Rosenhammer, Karen Yager, Victoria Kral, Margaret Kaldon, Grace Hoeper, Bev Soukup, Chris, Pat, Carol, Laurie, Dustin, Addy Fairbarn, Sara Ann Wendinger, Jenny Cleveland, Baby Elliott, Willhite family, Mike Walden, DJS, Janet J., Noah Simonsen, our son.

NEX-TU-NU II Feb. 22-27: Jewelry 25% off. Store hours: Mon.-Fri. from 10:00am to 4:30pm; Sat. 10:00am-1:00pm.

Calendar raffle winners for Feb. 8-14: Eugene Krzmarzick, Alisa Heiderscheidt, Diane Heiderscheidt, Darrel & Nikki Fischer, Donald Sellner, Lorette Zinniel, Randy J. Sellner, Mary Sommerfeld.

First Choice Pregnancy Center collection during Lent

First Choice Pregnancy Services

Please take a collection box for First Choice from one of the entrances to use during Lent. Once filled please return to the rectory or the return box in the north entrance. Also, if you have any NEW or GENTLY used baby items (blankets, clothes, socks, diapers, formula, bottles etc.) please place them in the box in the north entrance. Thank you!

St. Mary's, Sleepy Eye ~ Shepherd of the Field

Rev. Fr. Keith Salisbury
307 4th St W, Canby, MN 56220
Birthday: March 10 ~ Ordination: June 3, 2006

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Rev. Fr. David Breu
PO Box 127, Graceville, MN 56240-0127
Birthday: March 1 ~ Ordination: May 27, 1973

Liturgical Ministers for February 27 & 28, 2021

Rosary Leader

5:00 pm	Arlene Dietl
7:00 am	Rick Helget Family
9:00 am	Tom Portner Family

	Accompanist	Cantor
5:30 pm	Sarah Jirak	Melissa/Natalie Fischer
7:30 am	Sean Connolly	Mary Kissner
9:30 am	Lisa Portner	Caecilian Choir
11:30 am	Sean Connolly	Latin Mass Choir

Servers

5:30 pm	Jasmine Petermann, Reese Hoffmann, Emma Weilage, Brylee Hansen
7:30 am	Kyle Goblirsch, Riley Strate, Jacob Lux, Brandon Tauer
9:30 am	Brayden Suess, Dylan Moldan, Logan Ludewig, McCoy Marti
11:30 am	Riley & Matthew

Lectors

5:30 pm	Mary Gangelhoff
7:30 am	Terry Helget
9:30 am	Mary Portner
11:30 am	Clergy

Ushers/Greeters

5:30 pm	*Randy Zinniel, Merlin Wahl, Duane Havemeier, Brad Ludewig, Rick Hoffmann, Mike Suess
7:30 am	*Dan Seidl, Ed Treml, Clete Zinniel, Bob Zinniel, Tony Schmitz, Lenny Seidl
9:30 am	*Dennis Krzmarzick, Larry Pelzel, Mark A. Schroepfer, Kevin Currans, Matt Wagner, Tony Hagen
11:30 am	Volunteers

Traveling Chalice Prayer for Vocations
Feb. 21: Bill & Kris Eckstein
Feb. 28: Jerry & Kathleen Joyce

CRS Rice Bowls
Rice Bowl is about more than giving money. Pray, Fast and Alms Giving. Today Pray for the people who receive help from Catholic Relief Services (CRS) all over the globe. Bring it home by trying one of the meatless meals from around the world on their website www.crsricebowl.org/recipe

St. Mary's Men's Sausage Dinner News
All meals will be generously proportioned adult size "take-outs" only. All meals will cost $12.00. Advance sale of meal tickets will be available. Any quantity you request. Meal tickets will be available the weekend before, on Feb. 27 and 28, after all Masses in St. Mary's Church north entrance, available at the rectory during the week prior, available at the raffle ticket collection site and at the school bus garage from the meat sale crew, Sat., Mar. 6 and Sun., Mar. 7. Meal ticket sales and meal pickup on Sun., Mar. 7, will be curbside from four Ice Houses (Huts) stationed on the boulevard on both sides of St. Mary's Street. You will not exit your car. (Poster and Map on the back page of this bulletin.) Meal "pickup" will start at 9:30am and run until 1:30pm. Meals for shut-ins will start delivery at 11:00am. To order shut-in meals only, call 794-4842 after 8:30am Sunday morning. Meat Sales will be in the school bus garage Sat., Mar. 6, 9:00am to 4:30pm and Sun., Mar. 7, 9:00am to 2:00pm. Set-up will accommodate "social distancing." Please consider making your purchase on Saturday. Raffle tickets can be turned in at the rectory during the week prior and at the north church entrance, Sat., Mar. 6, 9:00am to 6:30pm and Sun., Mar. 7, 7:15am to 1:00pm. Many people have donated an animal for sausage or have given a prize for the raffle. If you have done neither, but would like to give a cash donation to help cover the cost of processing the meat, your help will be appreciated. Last year's processing was over $23,990.00. We ask the workers to please park in the north end of the school playground parking lot.
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St. Mary's Catholic School

exists to assist families in passing on the Catholic faith while providing a quality education in a safe and positive environment.

THANK YOU!

Thank you to all those who so generously support St. Mary's School! Thank you to an anonymous donor for their gift of $1,000 to our Adopt-A-Student program. We received a $1,000.00 grant from United Way COVID Non-Profit Emergency Assistance which will be used to help pay for the water dispenser in the high school. Thank you to Jim Losleben for $7,700.00 to our annual appeal fund and tuition assistance. We appreciate all the support we receive for Catholic education.

WELCOME TO OUR NEWEST KNIGHTS!

St. Mary's Catholic School is so excited to begin preparing for our newest Knights to join us for the 2021-2022 school year! Due to COVID restrictions, our plans for our information nights will look different this year, but will still provide parents with everything they need to know about enrolling their child at St. Mary's!

Preschool Sign Up (for 3 year olds, 4 year olds, and 5 year olds not attending kindergarten): Please contact Mrs. Schumacher at mrs.schumacher@sesmschool.com or call the school office to sign your child up for preschool! Transportation is available.

Kindergarten Virtual Parent Meeting (for first time parents of future kindergarteners): The virtual information meeting will take place on Monday, February 22 at 6:30 p.m. Information will be sent to **all** potential kindergarten parents, If you are interested in more information or to sign up for kindergarten, please contact St. Mary's at 507-794-6141.

CARIBBEAN KNIGHT RAFFLE

Thank you to everyone who purchased a raffle ticket for the Caribbean Knight Raffle! Your support is very much appreciated!

Congratulations to our winners!

Grand Prize Winner of a Caribbean Vacation or $4,000: Blair Folkens

$1,000-Pat Sellner, $500-Delores Spaeth & Carissa Pelzel
$100-Brad Kiecker, Gene and Ginger Veerkamp, Rosemary McGraw, Brynn Mathiowetz, Frances K. Berg, Bill Helget, Joe and Judy Schwartz, Dave and Kathy Sellner, Margie Zeug, and Bishop John LeVoir.

The drawing is available to view on the school's Facebook page.

CARIBBEAN KNIGHT PARTY—MAY 15!

This fun night of music, food, drinks games, live and silent auction and fun will take place on May 15!

If you have any silent auction items, please bring them to the school office. If you have any items for the live auction, please contact Judd Walter. The variety of auction items has yielded excellent results and we appreciate your donations! Thank you!

St. Mary's School Website: www.sesmschool.com

Like us on Facebook: www.facebook.com/sesmschool

ADOPT-A-STUDENT

Donations of any amount to this program are appreciated and help us to pass on the Catholic faith to our children. Thank you!

Child 1	$ 0	Child 23	$1,145.45
Child 2	$ 645.45	Child 24	$ 645.45
Child 3	$ 645.45	Child 25	$ 645.45
Child 4	$ 676.45	Child 26	$ 645.45
Child 5	$ 645.45	Child 27	$ 645.45
Child 6	$ 645.45	Child 28	$ 645.45
Child 7	$ 215.45	Child 29	$ 145.45
Child 8	$ 645.45	Child 30	$ 145.45
Child 9	$ 645.45	Child 31	$ 145.45
Child 10	$ 145.45	Child 32	$1,145.45
Child 11	$ 145.45	Child 33	$1,145.45
Child 12	$ 145.45	Child 34	$ 645.45
Child 13	$ 0	Child 35	$ 645.45
Child 14	$ 0	Child 36	$ 645.45
Child 15	$ 0	Child 37	$ 345.45
Child 16	$ 0	Child 38	$ 645.45
Child 17	$ 645.45	Child 39	$ 645.45
Child 18	$ 645.45	Child 40	$ 645.45
Child 19	$1,145.45	Child 41	$ 645.45
Child 20	$1,145.45	Child 42	$ 50.00

CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL RAFFLE

Thank you for all of your support of this important fundraiser in the past! Raffle tickets were sent home on Tuesday, January 19; families can sell them for an opportunity to reduce their tuition! In addition, ALL the money raised by this fundraiser remains at St. Mary's to help our students and school! All tickets need to be turned in by February 22 (please return the money, ticket stubs and any unsold tickets in the original envelope as St. Mary's is accountable for all of the tickets). There are extra tickets available in the office if you need more. Do not miss the chance to support St. Mary's and win great prizes!

HELP SUPPORT THE WOMEN OF KENYA!

The Maasai women are a tribe found in Noonkotiak, Kenya. Former teacher, Julie Neubauer, has been travelling there and trying to help these women gain independence. One way they can do this is by making and selling bracelets. 100% of the money we raise will go to these women to help them feed their families and put their children through school. Please consider purchasing one of these bracelets to help the women of Noonkotiak! These bracelets can be purchased in the school office. The wire bracelets are $8 and the leather adjustable LOVE bracelets are $15. These bracelets will be sold after the Masses on the first weekend in March.

Virtue of the Month: Prudence

Exercising wise judgment

St. Michael's Church, Morgan

PARISH PRAYER LIST:
Patrick Simon, for special blessings good health for a family in need, Bonnie Welter and Andrew Hacker. *Names will stay on the prayer list for 6 months, if you would like a name added to the list or a name taken off the list, please call the office at 249-3192.*

LARGE VOTIVE LIGHTS
will burn this week for: family of KDK, Don Reding and MG. *Candles are $3.00 each. Candles are lit on Friday and will burn throughout the week.*

Prayer Network: Denise Kalkhoff 507-430-2975 or 249-3865

Congratulations Calendar Raffle Winners!
February 17 - Diane Nelson
February 21 - Jennifer Fischer

NUDCCW Scholarship Program

The NUDCCW Scholarship Program offers scholarship monies for education and spiritual growth to our CCW groups and parishioners who are volunteers or employees involved in various parish ministries. ***Who is eligible?*** *CCW Groups/ Leaders, Individuals in Parish and Catholic School ministry, Youth Parish Ministry Volunteers.* To apply go to www.nudccw.org under the "Commissions and Committees" section. Deadline to apply is March 1. Applications may be mailed to: Sandy Jerzak, NUDCCW Scholarship Chair
2705 280th Ave
Arco, MN 56113
Contact Barb Green or the parish office for more info.

2021 Traditional Marriage Crusade

America Needs Fatima is organizing a rosary rally in support of families and traditional marriage and in honor of St. Joseph, protector of the Holy Church. We must ask God to save America through the rosary of His Most Holy Mother and through the intercession of St. Joseph. Please join us at noon on Saturday, March 20, at the Farmward Cardtrol corner in Morgan. For more information please contact Ed Walter at organiced59@gmail.com or 507-491-6148

Rice Bowls
Through CRS Rice Bowl, we share the journey with members of our human family around the world, and commit our Lenten prayers, fasting, and almsgiving to deepening our faith and serving those in need. Rice Bowls are available to pick up in the back of church. Please return them in the collection basket or to the parish office.

OFFICE HOURS

PARISH OFFICE HOURS:
Tuesdays and Fridays 8:30 AM-12:30 PM

Follow us on our NEW Facebook Page
Church of St. Michael, Morgan, MN
https://www.facebook.com/Church-of-St-Michael-Morgan-MN-106460008071485

Liturgical Ministers for February 28 at 8:30 AM
Lector: Pat Wildt
Servers: Evelyn, Rachel & Danielle Schumacher
Ushers: Scott Hacker, Jack Carlson, Jim Lueken, Arnie Penning

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
We would like to thank **Ed Steffl** for hosting the K of C Fatima statue and praying daily for more Church vocations, for the intentions of the KC's and the Church. Next week **Dave Mathiowetz** will host the statue.

The First Communion parent meeting scheduled for today, Sunday, February 21, will be in a virtual format. We will not be meeting in person. Please watch your email for a message from Dan Davis with information and video links.

Please tune in!
Morgan Public Access (channel 3) will be airing *The History of the Catholic Church in the United States* on Wednesdays at 11 am and again at 4:30 pm. Historian Fr. Charles Connor hosts a stand-out EWTN Home Video series on Catholicism in the United States from Colonial days to the present. With the approach of a scholar and the heart of a lover of history, Fr. Connor takes us from the parishes of the 13 colonies, to the Civil War era, through ongoing religious persecutions and discriminations, to post-World War II years. ***February 24th — What is Roman Catholicism—Episode 1***

Upcoming Events:
- Holy Hour 3:00 PM Sunday, Feb. 21
- AFC 1st Communion Mtg Sunday, Feb. 21- (Virtual)
- Sung Vespers Sunday, Feb. 21, 4:00 PM-SESM
- Youth Group Sunday, Feb. 21, 6:30 PM-SESM
- Religious Ed Wednesday, Feb. 24, 6:15-7:30 PM
- Holy Hour & Confessions Thursday, Feb. 25, 9:00 AM
- That Man is YOU! Friday, Feb. 26, 5:45 AM-SESM
- Confessions Friday, Feb 26, 5:00 PM
- Mass & Stations of the Cross Friday, Feb. 26, 5:30 PM

Grab & Go Spaghetti Dinner

St. Raphael's School, Springfield, is hosting a Grab & Go Spaghetti Dinner on Wednesday, February 24, from 4:30 PM-7:00 PM. Please come to the gathering space to pay and pick up your meals. Take-outs only, no delivery. Meals are $6.00 each and proceeds benefit St. Raphael's School.

Registered Nurse Wanted:
Are you a nurse who wants to use your skills to affirm and protect life? Do you feel Jesus calling you to make a difference to support pregnant women and their families? The Redwood Area Choices Pregnancy Center is seeking to employ a registered nurse manager for approximately 15 hours per week to perform limited obstetric ultrasounds. This candidate must be dependable, maintain a consistent life-affirming philosophy, and respect confidentiality to uphold privacy per HIPPA. Training will be provided. If interested, please email Carrie Meyers, Executive Director, at director@choicespregnancycenter.com

St. Paul's Church, Comfrey

Happy 95 Birthday to Betty Gersch on February 21!

Lenten Opportunities
Please take advantage of the many opportunities available this season of Lent for prayer, fasting and almsgiving. Please check the Divine Mercy AFC Lenten & Holy Week Schedule for events scheduled at your parish.

Needed: Once again, we are looking for volunteers to be on the Church Dinner Committee. Please consider helping with this very much-needed fundraiser for our church!

WINTER WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENT
If Comfrey or Sleepy Eye Schools have a late start on Wednesday or Friday, there will be no morning Mass in Comfrey. If Comfrey or Sleepy Eye schools have early dismissal or no school due to inclement weather on Wednesdays, there will be no evening Religious Education classes.

Reminders:
Contribution envelopes for 2021 are now ready to be picked up.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Sunday, February 28 - 10:30am Mass
Rosary: Martha
Lector: Sue McMullen
Server: Cody Nickel
Ushers: Matt & Erin Eischen

Keep In Your Prayers - Servicemen, Jim Schneider, Derek Wingert, Allen Evers, Brian Fredin, Briar Lippert, Chris Amsden, Joyce Platz, Lennon Ludewig, baby Cora Mathiowetz, Anonymous, Alphonse Mathiowetz, Matt Simon, Bill Walters.

Congratulations to our lucky $50 Calendar Raffle winner: **Alexis Anderson**. Who will be next week's $50 winner?

DMA Project Update: At the November Administrative Council Meeting, it was decided that the designated project for the funds that get returned to our parish will be repairing the interior of the Northwest entrance. With the church roof repaired and chimney gone, our water issues should be gone as well! Please consider a gift to the Diocesan Ministries Appeal!

Japanese Martyrs Church, Sleepy Eye (Leavenworth)

Lenten Opportunities
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Church Summer Festival News:
We are still looking for two people or a couple to help organize our Annual Church Summer Festival. If you are interested, please contact Mike Lax, Arla Dockter or Paul & Julie Anderson.

Reminder:
☑ The 2021 Offering envelopes are ready to be picked up. They are located in the church social hall. Thank you for your generosity this past year.

Parish Handbooks Available
There are now more Parish Handbooks available if you have not picked one up yet.

MINISTRY SCHEDULE
Saturday, February 20 - 8:00pm Mass
Rosary—begin at 7:40pm: Alice Hillesheim
Lector: Rick Lax
Server: Emma Fischer
Ushers: Randy Lax

WINTER WEATHER ANNOUNCEMENT
If Sleepy Eye schools have a late start, or no school on Tuesday or Thursday, there will be no morning Mass in Leavenworth. If Sleepy Eye schools have early dismissal or no school due to inclement weather on Wednesday, there will be no evening Religious Education classes in Comfrey.

UPDATES??
Please remember to update the office on any address, phone or membership changes for yourself or your children, especially if they have completed their post high school education. Thanks!

St. Paul's & Japanese Martyrs Combined Events

Religious Education News
Feb 21 - 2pm AFC 1st Communion meeting at SM
Feb 24 - 7pm-8:15pm Rel Ed classes at SP
Mar 3 - 7pm-8:15pm Rel Ed classes at SP
Mar 10 - 7pm-8:15pm Rel Ed classes at SP

Thanks to all parishioners who have been mailing in or dropping off their donations or are trying online giving. Your support is very much appreciated and needed!

Upcoming Events
Feb 23 **SP** 5:30pm Mass w/Stations & Confessions 6-7 pm
Feb 26 **SP** 7:00pm Stations/Holy Hour/Confessions
Mar 2 **SP** 5:30pm Mass w/Stations & Confessions 6-7 pm
Mar 5 **JM** 7:00pm Stations/Holy Hour/Confessions
Mar 12 **SP** 7:00pm Stations/Holy Hour/Confessions

www.divinemercyafc.org

An Act of Spiritual Communion
My Jesus, I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.

Stewardship Collection from Feb. 13/14, 2021

	St. Mary's	St. Michael's	St. Paul's	Japanese Martyrs
Adult	$6,850.00	$1,030.00	$427.00	$745.00
Youth	$74.04	$0	$2.30	$0
Loose Plate	$740.10	$174.00	$0	$85.00
All Other	$530.00	$56.00	$115.00	$36.00
Total	$8,194.14	$1,260.00	$544.30	$866.00
Total (adult/yth/loose/mbrshp)	$7,664.14	$1,204.00	$429.30	$830.00
Weekly Budget Needed	$12,288.47	$1,786.54	$855.77	$939.43
Fiscal Year to Date	$493,503.64	$82,822.04	$31,886.26	$33,382.57
Fiscal Year to Date Budget	$405,519.51	$58,955.83	$28,240.41	$31,001.19

Diocesan Ministries Appeal 2020-2021 / February 9, 2021

	St. Mary's	St. Michael's	St. Paul's	Japanese Martyrs
Goal	$51,039.04	$10,520.82	$5,303.89	$6,782.02
Received for DNU Ministries	$28,093.60	$8,149.96	$5,320.00	$4,388.00
Received for Parish	$7,023.40	$2,037.49	$1,330.00	$1,097.00
Total Cash Received	$35,117.00	$10,187.45	$6,650.00	$5,485.00
Variance	($15,922.04)	($333.37)	$1,346.11	($1,297.02)
# Donors	124	42	17	15
Total Cash & Pledges	$38,437.00	$10,712.45	$6,950.00	$5,485.00

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Please call Deacon Mark Kober at (507) 227-4602 with questions, to sign up for an hour of Adoration or to be a substitute. Thank you!

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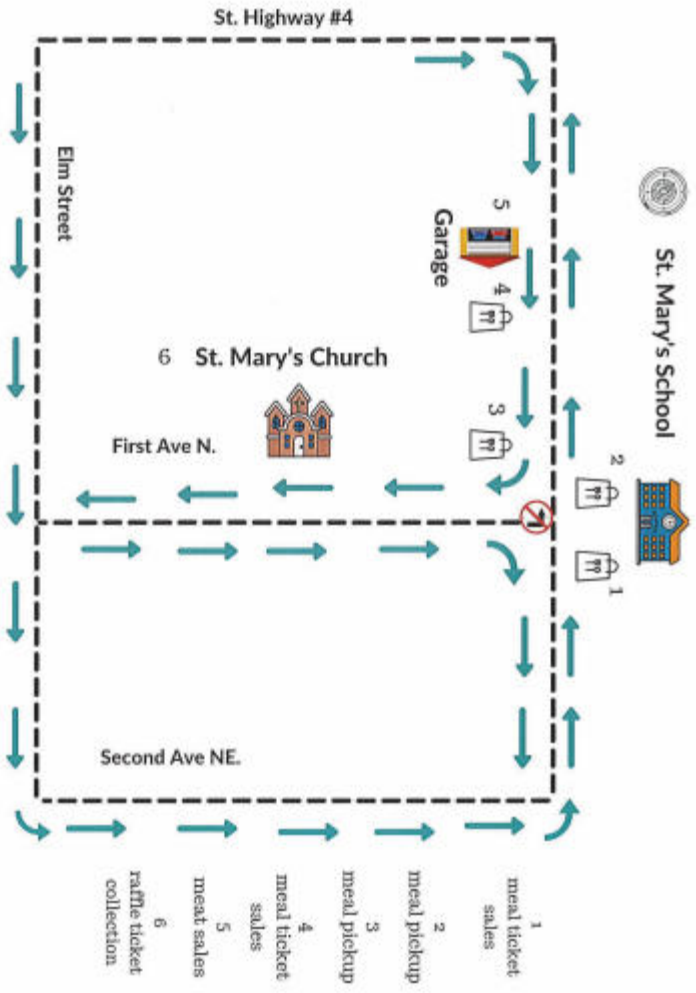

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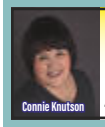
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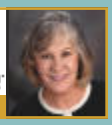

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