

Mary

Mother of the Church

Area Catholic Community



St. Joseph, Bertha | St. Hubert, Bluegrass | St. John the Baptist, Bluffton | Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga
St. Michael, Motley | Sacred Heart, Staples | St. Frederick, Verndale | St. Ann, Wadena

JANUARY 16, 2022

PASTORAL STAFF

Fr. Aaron Kuhn - Pastor - 218-632-7314
fatheraaronkuhn@marysacc.org

Fr. Gabriel Walz - 218-414-0818
Parochial Vicar
fathergabrielwalz@marysacc.org

Deacon Bob Shaffer - 218-924-2079
deaconbobshaffer@marysacc.org

Deacon John Wolak - 218-894-2296
deaconjohnwolak@marysacc.org

FIND US ONLINE AT

 www.marysacc.org
 facebook.com/marysacc

**Assumption of Our Lady, St. Hubert,
St. Frederick, St. Ann, St. John the Baptist
St. Joseph:** marysacc.org

Sacred Heart & St. Michael:
staplesmotleycatholics.org

Sacred Heart School:
sacredheartareaschool.org
www.facebook.com/sacredheartareaschool

Reconciliation Schedule

Tuesdays: 6:30 - 8:00 p.m. Wadena
after 6:30 p.m. Mass, Motley

Thursdays: 6:00 - 6:50 p.m. Bertha

Fridays: after 8:30 a.m. Mass, Staples

Saturdays: 3:30 - 4:15 p.m. Bluffton
4:00 - 4:45 p.m. Verndale



WHEN THE WINE RAN SHORT, THE MOTHER OF JESUS
SAID TO HIM, "THEY HAVE NO WINE." - JN 2:3

2ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

EXCERPTS FROM THE LECTIONARY FOR MASS © 2001, 1998, 1970 C.C.D. (L.P.)

WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday

4:30 p.m. St. John the Baptist, Bluffton

5:00 p.m. St. Frederick, Verndale

7:00 p.m. St. Michael, Motley

7:30 p.m. Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga

Sunday

8:00 a.m. St. Joseph, Bertha

8:30 a.m. Sacred Heart, Staples

10:00 a.m. St. Ann, Wadena

10:30 a.m. St. Hubert, Bluegrass

MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS BY OUR WITNESS OF A LIVING FAITH

MASS INTENTIONS

TUESDAY
18

9:00 a.m. † **Madonna Desrocher**
St. Frederick, Verndale
6:00 p.m. Rosary
6:30 p.m. † **Andrew Radermacher**
St. Michael, Motley

WEDNESDAY
19

8:00 a.m. † **Kenneth (Fred) Dykhoff**
St. John the Baptist, Bluffton
9:00 a.m. † **Margaret Kern**
St. Hubert, Bluegrass

THURSDAY
20

8:30 a.m. † **Cecelia Daniels**
Sacred Heart, Staples
7:00 p.m. **Unborn Babies**
St. Joseph, Bertha

FRIDAY
21

8:00 a.m. † **Wilhelmena Hoffman**
St. Ann, Wadena
8:30 a.m. **Special Intention**
Sacred Heart, Staples

SATURDAY
22

4:30 p.m. † **Dorothy Endres**
St. John the Baptist, Bluffton
5:00 p.m. † **Florence Notch**
St. Frederick, Verndale
7:00 p.m. † **Betty Uselman**
St. Michael, Motley
7:30 p.m. † **Robert Feuer**
Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga

SUNDAY
23

8:00 a.m. † **Ryan Colakovic**
St. Joseph, Bertha
8:30 a.m. † **Russell Lindstrom**
Sacred Heart, Staples
10:00 a.m. **For the People**
St. Ann, Wadena
10:30 a.m. † **Romie & Betty Goche**
St. Hubert, Bluegrass

FROM THE PASTORS DESK

For January 16, 2022 - Ordinary Time Week One

Water into wine: Jesus' first miracle is to bless the Sacrament of Holy Matrimony.

Over Christmas, we saw multiple moments of God revealing Jesus, His Son to us: shepherds heard choirs of angels, magi followed a star and both met the Christ Child at the meager stable in Bethlehem. The baptism of Jesus revealed his sonship as a voice from heaven declared, "This is my beloved Son." The wedding at Cana once again reveals Jesus' divinity as he transforms water into wine (John 2:1-11). This first miracle is at a wedding, through the intercession of his mother, Mary. When the wine ran short, the mother of Jesus said to him, "They have no wine." And Jesus said to her, "Woman, how does your concern affect me? My hour has not yet come."

When was the first wedding in the bible? In the garden of Eden, when God made human beings in His "image and likeness" (Genesis 1:26-31, 2:1-3). Not only were Adam and Eve the first married couple, but humanity was married to God in a perfect harmony of relationship. God wedded us to Himself, with the desire that we would "be fruitful and multiply," a sign of the fullness of Holy Matrimony. Literally, the word matri-monia means "the making of a mother." Marriage is ordered toward fullness, freedom, fidelity, and fruitfulness. A man betroths himself to a woman, and she to him, and together they "make her a mother." Likewise, God betroths Himself to us, and we to Him, and the Spirit of God brings about new life in us, through grace. God's grace transforms us into a new creation. Jesus' first miracle is to reveal his divinity in the midst of a wedding, transforming water into wine. It is a rekindling of the lost marriage between God and His People Israel. Sin violated the marriage of God to humanity when Eve and Adam ate from the forbidden tree (Genesis 3). God rekindled the fallen relationship through Abraham, Isaac, and Jacob/ Israel, then in Moses and the Israelites. The kingdom of Israel was formed under David but lost again by sin through generations of infidelity by David's descendants and the people of Israel. Once again, God reaches out to repair the marriage through his Son, Jesus.

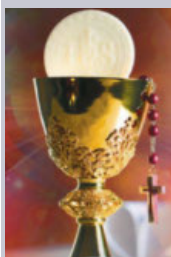
God desperately wants us to be married to Him and Him alone. God grants us full freedom to be faithful and fruitful. We often use this freedom to live our own adulterous life apart from Him. Instead of seeing ourselves as married, with all the blessings and obligations of a married relationship that will truly bring about life within us, we avoid relationship and reject God through our sins.

Is God rekindling a relationship with you today? How will you respond?

Fr. Aaron Kuhn



Eucharistic Adoration



Tuesday, 6:30 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Wadena)
Tuesday, 9:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m. (Verndale)
Tuesday, 7:00 p.m. - 8:00 p.m. (Motley)

Menahga Canceled until April

Thursday, 6:00 p.m. - 6:50 p.m. (Bertha)
First Friday, 9:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m. (Staples)
Saturday, 3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m. (Bluffton)



SAINT FREDERICK, Verndale

20 Mason Ave. NW, Verndale, MN 56481
Mail - P.O. Box 177 Staples, MN 56479

We are in need of sacristans who prepare what is necessary for the celebration of the Mass.



A sacristan comes about ½ hour early before Mass and has everything ready for Father to celebrate Mass. This does not require you to be in front of the congregation. Please consider volunteering for this important job.

Finance Council Meeting January 23rd at 3:00pm in Staples.

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide “Parish Life Committee” Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann’s Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.



SAINT HUBERT, Bluegrass

22008 CTY Rd. 23, Sebeka, MN 56477
Mail - P.O. Box 177 Staples, MN 56479

Finance Council Meeting January 23rd at 4:00pm in Staples.

The monthly Grief Support Group at St. Hubert Parish will be held the 2nd Wednesday of the Month, **February 9th** following Mass and fellowship in the church basement. The group is open to all members of Mary, Mother of the Church ACC. This is a support group for all those who are living with grief and a safe place to be honest about their situation and impact on their life. Sponsored and facilitated by Parish Nurses of St. Hubert Parish.

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide “Parish Life Committee” Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann’s Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.



SAINT MICHAEL, Motley

280 1st Ave. S., Motley, MN 56466
P.O. Box 177, Staples, MN 56479

Finance Council Meeting January 23rd at 6:00pm in Staples.

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide “Parish Life Committee” Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann’s Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.

Please join us for a sledding party at the Motley Sledding hill at 4th Ave. S. and Curtis St. on Sunday, Jan. 23rd from 2-4pm. Cookies and Hot Chocolate provided. Please bring your own sled or tube.



SACRED HEART, Staples

310 4th St. NE, Staples, MN 56479
P.O. Box 177 Staples, MN 56479

Finance Council Meeting January 23rd at 7:00pm in Staples.

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide “Parish Life Committee” Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann’s Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.



Kickoff to Catholic Schools Week Pancake & Sausage Breakfast

The fifth and sixth graders of Sacred Heart Area School will be hosting breakfast on Sunday, January 30th beginning at 9:30, at Sacred Heart Church.

This is a fundraiser for their class trip to Osprey Wild (Audubon Center), an environmental camp near Sandstone, MN.

A Free Will offering will be accepted.



ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST,

310 Main Street
Mailing address 514 First Street SE,
Wadena, MN 56482

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide "Parish Life Committee" Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.

Freewill Offering Soup & Sandwich after the Mass on Saturday, January 29. Dine In or Take Out. Sponsored by the Christian Mothers. All are invited to attend!



SAINT ANN, Wadena

514 First Street SE, Wadena, MN 56482

Need a gift... Stop by the office and pick up a bag of our own "Heavenly Roast" coffee. The cost is \$14 per bag. You can get them as whole beans, or three different grinds: Course, Medium (most regular coffee makers), Fine (Keurig Style). **This coffee sale will be ongoing.**



All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide "Parish Life Committee" Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.

Knights of Columbus Breakfast today serving 10:45 a.m. to noon. All are welcome



SAINT JOSEPH, Bertha

201 Cherry Street
P.O. Box 158, Bertha, MN 56437

Finance Council Meeting
January 20th at 7:00pm in Wadena.

2022 Envelopes: Please pick up your 2022 envelope packets from the table in the church entry.

All the parish councils are invited to attend a parish wide "Parish Life Committee" Meeting on January 30th at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann's Hall. Fr. Aaron will give a presentation on the transition of parish councils to parish life committees.

Send In Your BID!

St. Joseph of Bertha has recently purchased a new snowblower. Bids are being taken for the used snowblower. The electric start currently does not work, but the pull start does, all other parts are in good working order. Please mail in your name, phone number and bid to: St. Joseph, P.O. Box 158 Bertha, MN 56437. Or drop in the Sunday collection. All bids must be received by February 6, 2022. The highest bidder will be contacted.



ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY, Menahga

113 Aspen Ave. NW Menahga, MN 56464
Mail - P.O. Box 177 Staples, MN 56479

Our next Christian Women's Meeting will be Monday, January 17th at 2:30pm in the church hall. All the women of the parish are welcome to attend.

Finance Council Meeting
January 20th at 6:00pm in Wadena

BULLETIN DEADLINE

Please submit all content to Mary Murray
by noon on
Monday of each week:
mmurray@marysacc.org



Thank you to everyone who joined us for youth night January 8th. The night was filled with food, faith, and a lot of fun!



Watch the bulletin for details on the next youth night in February!

PRAY FOR LIFE



January 22nd is the anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. Join fellow Mary, Mother of the Church ACC parishioners in filling the entire day praying for life. Sign up for a time slot (or two) to pray the rosary, wherever you may be, and let's fill an entire 24 hours praying for life.

Sign up here:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0F4CA5AF2AA5FDC61-rosary>

Or scan here



Or email Nicki at nfink@marysacc.org for a direct link



Young Adult Gathering with Father Gabriel

Fr. Gabriel will host a wine and cheese Young Adult Gathering, for singles and couples, at St. Fredrick's Parish house in Verndale.

Sunday, January 16, 2022 from 1:00 to 3:00pm.

Childcare will be provided during this event in the church basement, with a free will offering going towards youth trips.



On January 22, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a presidential proclamation designating the third Sunday of January as National Sanctity of Human Life Day.

Pastors, churches and life organizations across the United States use this day to bring awareness to the attacks that are daily waged against human life through the abortion industry.

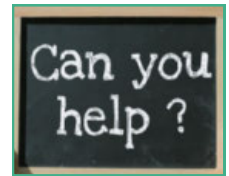
One of the best ways we can protect unborn lives is by bringing into the light the darkness of abortion, and supporting local Pregnancy Help Organizations who daily reach women and families with messages of hope and life.

For all Parish Life Members (formerly Parish Council):

The ACC planning committee would like to organize an ACC picnic and need your help.

There is a planning committee meeting scheduled for **Monday, January 31 at 6:00 p.m. at St. Ann's** parish hall and are asking you to attend and participate in the planning process.

The picnic is tentatively set for August 28 at the Wadena County Fairgrounds. Some ideas for the all ACC Picnic: meal, band, Mass, games for all, bingo, and more and we need your help to put this together. For more information or to volunteer to be on the planning committee please contact Vonnie Perius at 218-640-6954.



On **Sunday, January 30, 2022 at 3:30 PM,**

at the parish hall of St. Ann's Church in Wadena, you are invited to attend our first State of the ACC Address. **There will be a light meal served for all after the presentation.**

I will present an overview of what has been going on in our ACC over the past year, a glimpse into the future of the year to come, provide an opportunity for Deacon Randy Altstadt to give everyone an overview of our financial status, and then we will have time for you to ask questions about anything relevant to our parishes. All parish members of our eight parishes in our Area Catholic Community are welcome to attend.

Fr. Aaron Kuhn



Give the best St Valentine's Day gift possible by signing up for the February 12-13 Marriage Encounter! Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org to register, for additional information or call 651.454.3238.

GREAT NEWS!

We are excited to announce that we have hired Dawn Heide as the New Communications Director for Mary, Mother of the Church ACC!



Dawn is a hybrid professional, having recently retired from Essentia Health where she worked in a variety of administrative and supportive roles in the healthcare setting for over 27 years. Dawn is passionate about the power of storytelling to advocate for important causes and is excited for the opportunity to apply the skills she has learned over the years to support the mission of the ACC.

Dawn Heide and her husband, Scott, have been members of St. Michael's Catholic Church in Motley, MN, since 2002. Dawn and Scott live in Pillager, MN, and celebrated their 25th wedding anniversary while quarantined during the COVID pandemic. They have two grown daughters, Kailynn and Kelsey.

Please join us in welcoming Dawn to the ACC!

The App for Catholic Life Every Day™

Keep your ears open for upcoming announcements for myParish app.



Connect With Your Parishioners Like Never Before

Parishioners of all ages use smartphones and apps to connect everyday and are ready for their parish to go mobile. Not only could they keep up to date with church events and notifications but they could have prayers, readings, and reflections in their pocket at all times.



Sledding Party



Families of Faith: Sunday Fun Day

What: Please join us for a sledding party in Motley. We will provide hot chocolate and cookies. ALL ACC families are welcome to attend – spread the word.

When: Sunday, January, 23rd 2-4pm

Where: At the sledding hill in Motley. (4th Ave. S. & Curtis St. near Motley's Industrial Park)

Bring: warm winter gear & a sled or snow tub

Cost: FREE



For more information see our Facebook page: Families of Faith Sunday Fun Days or the bulletin.



My family and I extend our sincere thanks to all in the ACC who sent us such generous and thoughtful gifts and cards this holiday season. We were inspired by your faith and charity. Be assured of our prayers for you in the new year.

Deacon Bob Shaffer

Thank you!



"The mission of the **Prayer Blanket Ministry** is to provide hope, comfort, and healing. It is a unique way of reaching out to people – of any age – in need. A prayer blanket can be seen as a symbolic "hug" from God and is intended to be a

reminder of God's ever-present love. They can be used in any circumstance. If you, or someone you know, is in need of a prayer blanket, they are in the back of Sacred Heart Church or contact Janelle Thompson @ 218-894-3127 or Lynnelle Hanson @ 218-894-3497."

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

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.



REST IN PEACE

Eternal rest grant to † Ronald Lee Bastian.
† Ann Vorgert, † Penney Craig

Eternal rest grant onto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.



BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Henry Amer Miner

Sacred Heart School News



Sacred Heart Area School is looking for a new Pre-K aide for the remainder of the 2022 school year! Position is approximately 40 hours/week and pays between \$13-\$15/hr, depending on experience and subject to a 90 day review. Interested applicants should reach out to Principal William Liedl by phone (218-894-2077), email (principal@sacredheartareaschool.org), or stop in at the school to learn more about the position.

As we begin the New Year I wanted to ask you for your help supporting our school. Recently, we have begun plans to add on a 2nd Preschool option for the 2022-2023 school year. We've recently qualified for a challenge grant from the Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation in order to help fund this project, but in order to get the \$25,000 from the Foundation, we need to come up with our own \$25,000 from new donors or increased donations from previous donors.

If we make it to \$25,000, we will receive an additional \$25,000 from the Foundation, bringing our total money raised up to \$50,000. If however, we fall short of our \$25,000 goal, we will not receive anything from the Foundation.

This is a great opportunity for us but we need the continued support from you, our generous families and friends. Please, if you haven't given to the school in the past, consider doing so. Or, if you do regularly give, we ask to see if you are able to increase what you have given in the past to help us take advantage of this opportunity and to help our school become more financially stable in the years to come.

I have only been here a short time, but already I am amazed by the love and support for this school from its community. Let's continue to support our school and our children.

Deadline is March 31st, 2022. The donation should be 'tagged' as for the Challenge Grant.

STEWARDSHIP

Sharing God's Gifts

St. Ann

Needed Weekly \$11,180
 Needed to Date \$313,040
 Collected 01/09 \$7,318.10
 Received to date \$294,804.85
 Surplus (Deficit) (\$18,235.15)

St. Frederick

Needed Weekly \$1,600
 Needed to date \$43,200
 Collected 01/02 \$1,184
 Received to date \$45,074.59
 Surplus (Deficit) \$1,874.59

St. John the Baptist

Needed Weekly \$3,092
 Needed to Date \$86,576
 Collected 01/09 \$1,174
 Received to date \$99,075.44
 Surplus (Deficit) \$12,499.44

Assumption of Our Lady

Needed Weekly \$1,200
 Needed to date \$32,400
 Collected 01/02 \$527.10
 Received to date \$37,378.88
 Surplus (Deficit) \$4,978.88

St. Joseph

Needed Weekly \$2,555
 Needed to Date \$68,985
 Collected 01/02 \$1,658.14
 Received to Date \$51,407.24
 Surplus (deficit) (\$17,577.76)

Sacred Heart

Needed Weekly \$5,177
 Needed to date \$139,779
 Collected 01/02 \$5,949.64
 Received to date \$151,468.07
 Surplus (Deficit) \$11,689.07

St. Hubert

Needed Weekly \$1,820
 Needed to date \$49,140
 Collected 01/02 \$1,885.75
 Received to date \$63,741.77
 Surplus (Deficit) \$14,601.77

St. Michael

Needed Weekly \$2,960
 Needed to date \$79,920
 Collected 01/02 \$1,951.42
 Received to date \$67,934.07
 Surplus (Deficit) (\$11,985.93)



Proudly Airing Relevant Radio™

Did you know that K - Yes radio has added an AM and FM radio station out of Verdale with the potential to reach 250 thousand MORE people with the good news of Jesus Christ! Check out AM 1070 if you are in that direction and do not get AM 1180 in clearly. They will also be going non-commercial next year, which means no more political ads.

Thank You
 For your generosity!

ONLINE GIVING



Available for:
 St. Ann
 St. John
 St. Joseph
 St. Michael
 Sacred Heart
 Soon to come for
 St. Frederick, St. Hubert and
 Assumption of Our Lady

PARISH REGISTRATION

Are you new to the Parish or a current member with an address change? Please complete this form and drop it in the offering.

Name _____

Address _____

Address _____

Phone Number (____) _____

E-Mail _____

I am new to the Parish ____

Update my information ____

St. Joseph ____ St. Hubert ____

St. John the Baptist ____ St. Ann ____

Assumption of Our Lady ____ St. Michael ____

Sacred Heart ____ St. Frederick ____

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 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

BUSINESS OFFICES

SACRED HEART, ST. MICHAEL, ST. HUBERT, ST. FREDERICK, ASSUMPTION OF OUR LADY

Parish Office: 218-894-2296
Email: mmurray@marysacc.org
Secretary: Mary Murray
Office Hours:
Tues, Wed, Thurs. 9a.m. - 4 p.m.

Bookkeeper: Connie DeVault
Mon, Tues, and Thurs
shbook@staplesnet.com

For Bluegrass, Verndale, Menahga
218-445-5204
ybmccatholicbook@wcta.net

ST. ANN, ST. JOHN THE BAPTIST, AND ST. JOSEPH

Parish Office: 218-632-7309
Email: bpiecek@marysacc.org
Business Manager: Barb Piecek
Office Hours: M-F 8a.m. - 4p.m.

ACC Liturgist & St. Ann's Music Director: Now Hiring

If you are interested
please contact
Deacon Randy at
218-632-7315

YOUR
HELP IS
NEEDED

ACC Business Administrator

Deacon Randy Altstadt
deaconrandy@marysacc.org
218-632-7315

ACC Communications Director

Dawn Heide
dheide@marysacc.org



DIRECTORS OF DISCIPLESHIP

St. Joseph, Bertha

Stephanie Heinze -
sheinze@marysacc.org

St. Hubert, St. Frederick Assumption of Our Lady

Kate Waln
kwaln@marysacc.org

St. John the Baptist

Martha Ray
mray@marysacc.org

St. Michael, Motley & Sacred Heart

Nicole Fink
nfink@marysacc.org
Abbie Detloff
adetloff@marysacc.org

St. Ann

Bonnie Witthuhn
bwitthuhn@marysacc.org

BAPTISM PREPARATION

Those seeking Baptism should
contact the parish office.

ANNOINTING OF THE SICK

If you or someone you know is
in need of the Sacrament of the
Anointing of the Sick, please noti-
fy the pastor as soon as possible.

MARRIAGE PREPERATION

Newly engaged couples must
contact their pastor at least six
months before the proposed
wedding date.

SACRED HEART CATHOLIC SCHOOL

Sacred Heart Area School Principal
William Liedl: 218-894-2077
principal@sacredheartareaschool.org

Secretary/Health Aide
Jessica Alexander: 218-894-2077
sacredheartareaschool@staplesnet.com

HOMEBOUND/COMMUNION

St. Joseph, Bertha

Agnes Mack 218 - 924 - 2877

St. Hubert, Bluegrass

Lois Schoon 218-544-0019

Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga

In need of Volunteer

St. Michael, Motley

Cindy Sauber 218 - 352 - 6828

Sacred Heart, Staples

Mary Kobliska 218 - 894 - 5095

Jan Tyrrell 218 - 894 - 1821

St. Frederick, Verndale

In need of Volunteer

St. Ann, Wadena

Phil Thoennes 218 - 631 - 2589

YOUR
HELP IS
NEEDED

YOUR
HELP IS
NEEDED

CEMETERY CONTACTS

Bluegrass: Brian Wegscheid
218-639-3618

Bluffton: LeRoy Haman
218-385-2372

Menahga: 218-445-5204

Verndale: Dan Schmitz
218-639-1818

Wadena: Mike Pete 218-639-2925

Bertha: Barb Piecek
218-632-7309

PRAYER CHAIN CONTACTS

St. Joseph, Bertha

Ginger Gilbert 218-296-1531

Kathy Harren 218-738-3558

St. Hubert, Bluegrass

Shirley Malone 218-640-6113

St. John the Baptist, Bluffton

Margaret VanErp

218 - 862 - 8400

petemarg@arvig.net

Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga

Sarah Bobst 320 - 232 - 9828

St. Michael, Motley

Connie Becker 218-894-1176

Sacred Heart, Staples

Arlene 218-894-3922

Rose 218-894-2267

St. Frederick, Verndale

Bonnie Richter 218-640-2408

St. Ann, Wadena

Rose Johnson 218 - 631 - 3142

rostjohnson@hotmail.com

WADENA AREA

FAMILY COUNSELING

Paula Johnson, MS, MA, LMFT
Christian Counseling - Tuesdays
at St. Ann's in Wadena.

Call 844-816-1847 or 320-253-3540

to schedule an appointment or for more in-
fo.:

TheCenterForFamilyCounseling.com

TOWER PIZZA
OPEN DAILY: 218-894-3299

Canoe Paddle
KETTLE CORN
Sweet, Salty, Delicious.
Ryan & April Damlo, Parishioners
Wadena, MN 218-371-6701

VERDALE AUTO
SALES AND SERVICE
218-445-6288
MATT
10 E Mason Ave., Verdale, MN

Thank you for being in church today to serve the one true God!
KAL'S
EST. 1979
There's something for everyone at Kal's

KN
KNUTE NELSON
Home Care, Hospice, Senior Housing, and more!

LARSON ELECTRIC LLC
218-296-1331
Justin Larson
Service Calls
Residential • Commercial
Trenching Services • Industrial
Agricultural • Solar
Licensed, Bonded & Insured
larsonelectricllc@gmail.com
Over 20 Years Experience

SCHMITZ
Septic Service
Wadena, MN 218-639-6482
Holding Tank Pumping & Portable Toilet Rental
LICENSED, BONDED & INSURED Dale Schmitz - owner

Shell Sport & Bait
Sportsman Headquarters for all Your Fishing & Hunting Needs
Live Bait • Tackle • Shells
Fishing & Hunting Licenses
218-564-5203 | 17 Aspen Ave NW • Menahga

FIRST INTERNATIONAL BANK & TRUST
Member FDIC
Staples *live first* Motley
218-894-1522 218-352-6284
www.firstintbank.com

BREMER'S BOOZE BANK
MOTLEY, MN • OPEN DAILY 8AM-1AM
Where Cold Beer & Warm Friends Meet
Come Meet Rodger & Jayme!
Full Bar Service • Pizza
HAPPY HOUR PRICES ALL DAY, EVERY DAY!
218-352-6275
Just 7 miles away on hwy. 10 E.

Olander Tooling Co. LLC
1320 Prairie Ave NW • Staples, MN 56479
Ph: 218.895.5825 • Cell: 218.296.2213
Matt Olander, Owner • olander@arvig.net
www.olandertooling.com

Spirit Lake LUMBER
HWY 71 SOUTH MENAHA, MN 56464 OFFICE: 218-564-4940

R.L. PETERSON CONSTRUCTION, LLC.
• Custom Homes
• Siding
• Remodeling
• Decks
• New Windows & Doors
• Roof Replacement
218-820-4965
DependableRoofers.com

ERNIE'S
GROCERY • CONVENIENCE • GAS • LIQUOR • TOBACCO
218-894-1072

DRYCLEANING • LAUNDRY • COMMERCIAL
INSTITUTIONAL • LINEN • SUPPLY
ALTERATIONS • DRAPERIES
RUG & MAT RENTAL • COIN-OP
Hockert's Inc.
PO Box 227
201 1st St. SW
Wadena, MN 56432 218-631-9933

WE'RE HIRING
AD SALES EXECUTIVES
BE YOURSELF. BRING YOUR PASSION.
WORK WITH PURPOSE.
• Paid Training
• Some Travel
• Work-Life Balance
• Full-Time with Benefits
• Serve Your Community
Contact us at careers@4lpi.com
www.4lpi.com/careers

ALTRICHTER
EXCAVATING & SEPTIC SERVICE
• Septic Tank Pumping & Cleaning
• Septic Design & Installation
• General Excavation
Owners **Mike & Judy Altrichter**
(218) 575-2222.
6685 330th St., Cushing, MN

sandyknosalla@edinarealty.com
308 2nd Avenue • Staples, MN
218-825-3636 Fax
218-296-1111 cell
Sandy Knosalla
REALTOR® Edina Realty

Willis Industries
Molding today into tomorrow
218-631-7189

HOME COMFORT SINCE 1934
GIZA
PLUMBING & HEATING
EST. 1934
218-894-2284
CallGiza.com • Staples, MN

BRICKS TRAVEL CENTER
Hwy 10 - 210 Jct. Motley
218-352-6677
Restaurant • Bait • Propane
Sunday Brunch starts at 10AM

ADT-Monitored Home Security
Get 24-Hour Protection From a Name You Can Trust
• Burglary • Flood Detection
• Fire Safety • Carbon Monoxide
ADT Authorized Provider SafeStreets
1-855-225-4251

You's FAMILY FOOD
Clarissa 218-756-3533
Staples 218-894-3360

Wadena Acupuncture
218.583.1327
WadenaAcupuncture.com

JAPKE DECORATING & CARPET LLC
All Flooring • Paint • Window Treatments
Jewelry & Gifts • Flameless Candles
894-1551
877 2nd Ave. NW • Staples

SUPPORT OUR ADVERTISERS!

H&R
Electrical Services for
RESIDENTIAL • COMMERCIAL • INDUSTRIAL
Over 30 Years of Experience
• Zach Hanson 218-296-1285
• Mike Rollins 218-296-2461
hrelctricofstaples@yahoo.com
Licensed, Bonded & Insured

SPANDL CHIROPRACTIC
• Sciatica-Low Back Pain • Sports Injury
• Auto-Work Comp-Personal Injury • Headaches-
Neck Pain • Wellness • Most Insurance Accepted
218-894-1077
518 2nd Ave. NE • Staples, MN
www.SpandlChiropractic.com

1220 NE 2nd Ave. Staples, MN 56479 (218) 895-1400
TIMBERS
RESTAURANT EVENT CENTER
Open Wednesday-Saturday 6am-9pm
Sunday 7am-2pm
WWW.TIMBERLAKEHOTEL.COM/TIMBERS-RESTAURANT

AE ALBIE ELECTRIC LLC
Parishioner
Cell 218-838-0581
RESIDENTIAL AND LIGHT COMMERCIAL
ELECTICAL INSTALLATIONS

Knights of Columbus
Council 1803
Serving the Parishes of
Sacred Heart & St. Michael's
For more information call:
218-894-3259 www.KofC.org

IDEAL CONSTRUCTION 218-894-3105
Paving the way for you!
Since 1958 • Staples, MN
Asphalt Paving • Seal Coating • Excavating
Driveways • Roads • Parking Lots • Site Prep • Gravel
Rock • Black Dirt • Fill • Peat • Ponds • Demolition
Hauling • Landscaping • Recycle Concrete & Asphalt

Wadena & Sonnet
(218) 631-4332
217 Harry Rich Dr, Wadena, MN

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!
ADVERTISE HERE NOW!
Contact **Jim Byrne** to place an ad today!
jbyrne@4LPi.com or (800) 950-9952 x2596

MCNB Mid-Central National Bank
218-894-3900
www.midcentralbank.com

Motley Discount LIQUOR
(218) 352-6681
Hwy 10 South - Motley

BRYAN REESE
218.296.2201
REESE
PLUMBING, HEATING & AIR CONDITIONING
PM 087363
reeseplumbingandheating@gmail.com

Schmitz & Electric
Steve Schmitz 50481 171st Street
Owner/Master Electrician Verndale, MN 56481
steveschmitz51@yahoo.com (218) 639-0907

Sacred Heart Area School
"What our children believe is just as important as what they know."
(218) 894-2077
www.sacredheartareaschool.org
324 Fourth Street NE, Staples

ACE
The helpful place.
Sporting, Stihl, Cub Cadet
(218)894-1080
210 2nd Ave NE
Staples, MN 56479

Unity BANK
Motley 218-352-6962
Staples 218-894-2084
www.unitybanking.com

Staterna Backhoe Service, LLC
MPCA CERTIFIED SEPTIC SYSTEMS
FREE ESTIMATE FROM DESIGN TO INSTALLATION • COMPLIANCE INSPECTIONS
• Site Prep • Basements • Waterlines • Driveways • Landscaping • Black Dirt • Gravel • Fill Dirt • Clearing & Grading • Construction & Abandonment of Manure Pits • Ditch Cleaning • Snow Plowing
Andy Statema 320-594-2912 • 320-594-6347

Williams Floral & Nursery
218-894-2188
Blake Gerard & Lynnette Kern
New Owners | New Parishioners

Tim Flanigan HAY & STRAW
(218) 298-2524 • Wadena
• Livestock Hauling • Tractors • Equipment • Hay & Straw
We Got What You Need

4LPi

For ad info. call 1-800-950-9952 • www.4lpi.com Mary Mother of the Church Area Catholic Community, MN B 4C 02-1097

KARVONEN FUNERAL HOME
419 2nd St NE
WADENA
(218) 632-4007
www.karvonenfuneralhome.com

Guardian
CROP INSURANCE
(218) 346-7290 Perham

Kern & Tabery INC.
Highway Contractors
(218) 631-1300
116 Ash Ave NW, Suite 1
Wadena, MN 56482

Wadena Dairy Queen
106 Ash Avenue North West Wadena, MN 56482
218-631-4390

SCHULLER FAMILY FUNERAL HOMES & CREMATION SERVICES
Joseph & Meg Schuller, Owners
Ph 218.361.3632 • Fax 218.361.2443
205 4th St SW, Wadena
SchullerFamilyFH.com
directors@SchullerFamilyFH.com

Northland Monument and Granite Designs
Monuments Markers Granite Countertops
Michael Pete Sales Rep
(218) 639-2925

Neuerburg Electric Inc.
Providing Professional Workmanship & Quality Materials For Business Farm & Home Wiring
Family Owned Since 1968
Call Eric 218-631-4105
Email: ercuz@wcta.net

THRIVENT FINANCIAL
Nathan Woodard
Financial Associate
218-346-5073
Perham, MN
nathan.woodard@thrivent.com

Northwest Building Center
Ph 218-631-4677 • Fax 218-632-5579
nbc@eot.com
PO Box 207 • 61 Juniper Ave NW, Wadena, MN

Wadena State Bank
MOBILE BANKING
BLUFFTON • DEER CREEK • WADENA
www.wadenastatebank.com

WHERE DO YOU WANT TO GO?
Doctor Visits • Groceries • Luncheons • See Friends
Friendly Rider
CALL 218-631-5730

LAKES AREA PREGNANCY SUPPORT CENTER
Unplanned Pregnancy?
Compassionate Care, Practical Help, Accurate Information for Men & Women
616 4th St. NE Staples
218-895-5200
StaplesLAPS@gmail.com

Bluffton Oil Co.
BULK DELIVERY OF FUEL OIL, GAS & PREMIUM DIESEL.
FARM TIRES & PASSENGER TIRES, MOTOR OIL & BATTERIES.
24 HOUR GAS WITH CREDIT CARD
101 PROSPECT ST, BLUFFTON, MN • 218.385.2595

Joy's Mobile Massage
Now located inside Moore Sensational Looks
218-631-9183
228 Ash Ave NE, Wadena
www.joysmobilemassage.com

Merickel Lumber
Wadena, MN Since 1935
218-631-3570 MerickelLumber.com

West Central Telephone Association
We Connect You!
800-945-2163 | 218-837-5151
www.wcta.net

Edward Jones
MAKING SENSE OF INVESTING
Cory D Oehlke
Financial Advisor
306 Jefferson St S
Wadena, MN 56482
218-631-9111

Pete's Nursery and Landscaping
Wadena
(218) 631-3616
State Tree Inspector
40 Years of Experience

Greiman's
PRINTING/OFFICE SUPPLIES/SIGNS
Jefferson Square in Wadena, MN
218-631-4321
GetStuffPrinted.com

BTE Driveway Grading Backhoe Services Tree Felling/Removal
612-889-1793
Call Lucas Broz
218-629-1068 | Wadena, MN

Becker Transport LLC
218-629-1068 | Wadena, MN
beckertransportmn.com

MALONE CONSTRUCTION
Wadena, MN Lic.# BC609519
Ron: 218-639-2571
Isaac: 218-402-0928

Frank's Auto Body
BRIAN HOLZER (Owner)
735 W Main St. Perham
218-346-3405

SUPPORT YOUR LOCAL PARISH.
Buy a bulletin ad space today!

HELTEMES ELECTRIC
Wadena, MN
(218)631-1010
eric@heltemeselectric.com

Ameriprise Financial
Craig & Associates
A financial advisory practice of Ameriprise Financial Services, Inc
104 Jefferson Street South, Wadena MN 56482
218-631-4096
An Ameriprise associated franchise

AVAILABLE FOR A LIMITED TIME!
ADVERTISE HERE NOW!
Contact **Jim Byrne** to place an ad today!
jbyrne@4LPi.com or
(800) 950-9952 x2596

JEFFERSON Hearing Aid Center
223 Jefferson St. N., Wadena
618 First Street East, Park Rapids
Brian Hillesland, BC-HIS
218-631-4966
Toll free 800-631-4946

Sacred Heart Area School
"What our children believe is just as important as what they know"
(218) 894-2077
www.sacredheartareaschool.org
324 Fourth Street NE, Staples

Gary Bounds Drywall
Serving the community since 1971
(218) 639-2422 • Verndale, MN
www.garyboundsdrywall.com

G & T Sanitation
Optimal Customer Service
(218) 837-5846
gtsanitation@wcta.net

Steve's Alignment & Auto Repair, Inc.
30+ Years Alignment & Automotive Repair Experience
Steve Wegscheid - Owner
Ph 218-632-5550
Fax 218-632-5552
PO Box 308 • 323 Jefferson St S • Wadena MN

Gibb's #10 Sales, LLC
Quality Used Cars & Trucks
218-385-3010
Highway 10 East, New York Mills, MN
www.gibbsautos.com

HUNKES TRANSFER INC.
Pat Hunke Owner/Manager
www.hunkestransfer.com
218.631.4042 • Wadena, MN

Tony's Transfer
ESTABLISHED 1969
218-631-1350

Steve's Alignment & Auto Repair, Inc.
30+ Years Alignment & Automotive Repair Experience
Steve Wegscheid - Owner
Ph 218-632-5550
Fax 218-632-5552
PO Box 308 • 323 Jefferson St S • Wadena MN

THE MEADOWS OF WADENA
SENIOR LIVING
Assisted Living & Memory Care
(218) 632-3610
themeadowsofwadena.org

Premier Realty Group
Your Property is Our Priority
Free Market Analysis
Wadena & Surrounding Communities
Call: Dominique 218-639-1228 | DJ.browne@outlook.com

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS
Council 2107
Serving the Parishes in Verndale, Bluegrass, Bluffton, Bertha and Wadena
For more information call:
218-631-2589 www.KofC.org

Sacred Heart Area School
"What our children believe is just as important as what they know"
(218) 894-2077

Bluffton Hardware Inc
218-385-2701
Polaris ATVs, Ranger-Rzrs & Snowmobile Sales & Service
Septic Tanks • Drain Fields • Water Lines • Basements
111 2nd St • PO Box 56 • Bluffton, MN
BlufftonHardware.com

BRINK'S JEWELRY
"Your Watch & Diamond Specialists"
631-3294
Downtown Wadena

Parishes Online
We've Missed You!
Welcome Back to Mass
Stay connected to our faith community no matter where you are by signing up to get our bulletin delivered straight to your email
www.ParishesOnline.com

Sacred Heart Area School
"What our children believe is just as important as what they know"
(218) 894-2077

Bluffton Hardware Inc
218-385-2701
Polaris ATVs, Ranger-Rzrs & Snowmobile Sales & Service
Septic Tanks • Drain Fields • Water Lines • Basements
111 2nd St • PO Box 56 • Bluffton, MN
BlufftonHardware.com

BRINK'S JEWELRY
"Your Watch & Diamond Specialists"
631-3294
Downtown Wadena

Bluffton Hardware Inc
218-385-2701
Polaris ATVs, Ranger-Rzrs & Snowmobile Sales & Service
Septic Tanks • Drain Fields • Water Lines • Basements
111 2nd St • PO Box 56 • Bluffton, MN
BlufftonHardware.com