



# Mary

Area Catholic Community

Mother of the Church

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

THIRD SUNDAY OF  
**LENT**

**MARCH 20, 2022**

## Weekend Mass Schedule

### Saturday

4:30 pm - Bluffton (St. John the Baptist)  
5:00 pm - Verndale (St. Frederick)  
7:00 pm - Motley (St. Michael)  
7:30 pm - Menahga (Assumption of Our Lady)

### Sunday

8:00 am - Bertha (St. Joseph)  
8:30 am - Staples (Sacred Heart)  
**10:00 am - Wadena (St. Ann)**  
10:30 am - Bluegrass (St. Hubert)

\*Highlighted Mass times are livestreamed

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**Assumption of Our Lady, St. Hubert,  
St. Frederick, St. Ann, St. John the Baptist  
St. Joseph:** [marysacc.org](http://marysacc.org)

**Sacred Heart & St. Michael:**  
[staplesmotleycatholics.org](http://staplesmotleycatholics.org)

**Sacred Heart School:**  
[sacredheartareaschool.org](http://sacredheartareaschool.org)  
[www.facebook.com/sacredheartareaschool](https://www.facebook.com/sacredheartareaschool)

## Dear Visitors:

Welcome to Mary, Mother of the Church Area Catholic Community! We are a community of eight parishes united to provide for the pastoral and spiritual needs of all. As an Area Catholic Community, we share resources, talents, and efforts with the hope of reenergizing Catholics so all parishes thrive within the Diocese of Saint Cloud.

Please join us! To become a member, contact us at 218-894-2296 or 218-632-7309 for a registration form.

**MAKING DISCIPLES OF JESUS BY OUR WITNESS OF A LIVING FAITH**

# PARISH CONTACTS

from the pastor's desk

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**Thank you** to all of you who came to the Town Hall meeting last weekend, and to those of you who prayed for its good outcome. It was a peaceful time for asking questions, sharing feelings, and trying to learn how decisions have been made, with insights for future decision-making in our Area Catholic Community. It lasted over two hours, and everyone present had an opportunity to talk. Thank you to the Parish of St. Hubert for hosting the gathering. Here are some of the highlights:

1. It was helpful for people to hear me say, "I do not want to close parishes." Sometimes, just hearing it from the horse's mouth is helpful, because rumors and hearsay can cause a lot of damage in a community.

2. It was helpful for people to hear me say, "I am sorry for not communicating well the reasons 'why' things are being changed." It is painful to hear about changes without explanations.

3. It was helpful for me to hear the fears and hurts that have been experienced by parishioners. Some people feel like the smaller parishes are being "left out" or "not included." They want to feel "relevant and important." They are worried about family members and fellow parishioners who have left the Catholic Church or are threatening to do so.

4. "Being Catholic is tough. We have all kinds of unique obligations and challenges that Protestants do not have."

5. Even though changes are inevitable, it would be helpful to know more about them in advance, to learn "why" and "how the decision was/will be made," to give everyone more time to digest the changes before they happen.

6. As pastor, I need to do a better job of affirming and encouraging the good things I see happening in our ACC and individual parishes.

7. As pastor, I need to find ways to connect with individual parishes.

8. We all need to find ways to come together as an ACC, more than just being a giant 'cluster' of parishes that share priests.

9. People are grateful for our priests and worried about their health and ability to keep up with the challenges of eight parishes.

One announcement I was able to make at the meeting that bears repeating here, is that we were able to acquire two retired priests to help on Easter Sunday with Masses. This means that, at least for this year, we will have Easter Sunday Mass in every one of our parishes. The schedule is still forthcoming, but we will update our calendar and publications as soon as it is available.

I love our parishes.  
I love being pastor and priest for you.  
Let's pray for one another.



# PRAYER

## MASS INTENTIONS

**TUESDAY**  
**22**

9:00 am † **Kathy Angus**  
*St. Frederick, Verndale*  
6:30 pm † **Ann Ziegler**  
*St. Michael, Motley*

**WEDNESDAY**  
**23**

8:00 am † **Mary's ACC Community**  
*St. John the Baptist, Bluffton*  
9:00 am † **Terry Lynn Flach**  
*St. Hubert, Bluegrass*

**THURSDAY**  
**24**

8:30 am † **Jonah Kletsch**  
*Sacred Heart, Staples*  
7:00 pm † **Ryan Colakovic**  
*St. Joseph, Bertha*

**FRIDAY**  
**25**

8:00 am † **Richard Langer**  
*St. Ann, Wadena*  
8:30 am † **Janis Goff**  
*Sacred Heart, Staples*

**SATURDAY**  
**26**

4:30 pm † **Jim Drkula & Virginia Dull**  
*St. John the Baptist, Bluffton*  
5:00 pm **Special Intention**  
*St. Frederick, Verndale*  
7:00 pm † **Janet Feakes**  
*St. Michael, Motley*  
7:30 pm † **Robert Feuer**  
*Assumption of Our Lady,*

**SUNDAY**  
**27**

8:00 am † **Bob & Jeanette Scott**  
*St. Joseph, Bertha*  
8:30 am † **Tammy Dobson**  
*Sacred Heart, Staples*  
10:00 am **For the People**  
*St. Ann, Wadena*  
10:30 am † **George & Lella Kern**  
*St. Hubert, Bluegrass*

## Readings for the week of March 20, 2022

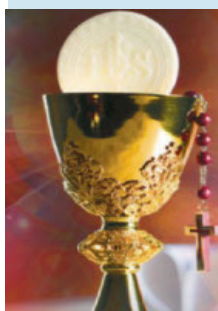
Sunday: Ex 3:1-8a, 13-15/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 6-7, 8, 11 [8a]/1 Cor 10:1-6, 10-12/Lk 13:1-9  
Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4/Lk 4:24-30  
Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25: 4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35  
Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19  
Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23  
Friday: Is 7:10-14; 8:10/Ps 40:7-8a, 8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38  
Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14  
Next Sunday: Jos 5:9a, 10-12/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [9a]/2 Cor 5:17-21/Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

## Observances for the week of March 20, 2022

Sunday: 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of Lent  
Monday: No observances  
Tuesday: No observances  
Wednesday: St. Turibius of Mogrovejo, Bishop  
Thursday: No observances  
Friday: The Annunciation of the Lord  
Saturday: No observance  
Next Sunday: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Lent

## Reconciliation Schedule

**Tuesdays:** 6:30 - 8:00 pm Wadena  
after 6:30 pm Mass, Motley  
**Thursdays:** 6:00 - 6:50 pm Bertha  
**Fridays:** after 8:30 am Mass, Staples  
**Saturdays:** 3:30 - 4:15 pm Bluffton  
4:00 - 4:45 pm Verndale



## Eucharistic Adoration

Tuesday, 6:30 pm - 8:00 pm (Wadena)  
Tuesday, 9:30 am - 10:30 am Verndale  
Tuesday, 7:00 pm - 8:00 pm (Motley)  
**Menahga Canceled until April**  
Thursday, 6:00 pm - 6:50 pm (Bertha)  
1st Friday, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Staples)  
Saturday, 3:30 pm - 4:30 pm (Bluffton)

## BAPTIZED IN CHRIST

Ainsley Elizabeth Meyer



## PRAYER REQUESTS

Please Pray for a return to Good Health for  
Father Peter Kirchner

### Cards may be sent to:

Country Manor Rehab & Nursing Home  
Attention: Father Peter Kirchner  
520 First Street NE  
Sartell, MN 56377



MARY'S ACC TOWN HALL MEETING

Sunday, March 13th

3:00 PM

St. Hubert in Bluegrass

Father Kuhn will address Easter Mass Schedule and ACC Related Questions

All ACC Parishioners are Invited to Attend

Thank you to all of the parishioners who attended the Mary's ACC Town Hall Meeting on Sunday, March 3rd!

For those of you who were not able to attend, there are several Mary's ACC announcements:

- Additional priests have been secured so all 8 of Mary's ACC Parishes will have an Easter Sunday Mass.

*\*Final Easter Sunday Mass times and locations are still pending at this time*



## PONTIFICAL GOOD FRIDAY COLLECTION

Pope Francis has asked our ACC to support the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, which helps Christians in the Holy Land. Your support helps the church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools and offer religious education. The Pontifical Good Friday Collection also helps to preserve the sacred shrines.

The pandemic hit particularly hard the Christians in the Holy Land. Most of them depend on pilgrimages to work. In these times of crisis, the Pontifical Good Friday Collection is also necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land where the Church was born.

When you contribute to the Pontifical Good Friday Collection, you become an instrument of peace and join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land.

**PLEASE BE GENEROUS!**

# NEWS FOR ALL

## The App for Catholic Life Every Day™



Scan the QR code with your smart phone to download the myParish App



App Store/iPhone Users



Google Play/Android Users

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

**“God is Waiting for You...” Pope Francis ~ Healing After Abortion.** If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our confidential weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is April 1-3, 2022. For more information contact Nancy at [rachels@vineyardmn.org](mailto:rachels@vineyardmn.org), call 763-250-9313 or see [www.vineyardmn.org](http://www.vineyardmn.org).



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### ZOOM RETREAT

The 8 hour ZOOM retreat is offered over four 2-hr blocks

- 6pm-8pm CST - March 6 (Sunday)
- 6pm-8pm CST - March 20 (Sunday)
- 6pm-8pm CST - March 27 (Sunday)
- 6pm-8pm CST - April 4 (Sunday)

Looking to grow spiritually this Lent? Most of us struggle with finding peace in relationships, and how to find an authentic connection with others who see important dimensions of the world in a radically different way.

Join us to gain more skillful & prayerful ways for engaging in dialogue about polarized topics, and navigating all those relational rubs that we can have with families, friends, and colleagues. It runs for 4 Sundays from 6 pm - 8 pm, March 6, 20, 27 & April 4 via Zoom.

Register at [HealingDivisions.org](http://HealingDivisions.org). Free will donations appreciated.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES *find your calling*

**Part-time Parish Secretary:** St. Ann's Wadena Parish Office. Approximately 20 hours per week.

To apply: Email Deacon Randy at [deaconrandy@marysacc.org](mailto:deaconrandy@marysacc.org) or call 218-631-7315.

### ACC Director of Liturgy & Music:

Church of St. Ann in Wadena, MN seeks to hire Director of Sacred Liturgy and Music.

Full-time. Ideal for either a new graduate seeking to build resume with 2-3 year commitment or someone with extensive experience seeking long-term employment. Requirements include: initiative and fortitude to build music program, form and direct choirs, teach liturgical musicianship to vocalists and instrumentalists, instruct liturgical ministers, and willingness to work on weekends.

For a detailed description, contact Father Kuhn via email at : [fatheraaronkuhn@marysacc.org](mailto:fatheraaronkuhn@marysacc.org)  
Subject: Director of Liturgy and Music.

To apply: Contact Fr. Aaron Kuhn at 218-632-7314

### 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 \_\_



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## **Saint Ann, Wadena**

**Service Circle Meeting** will be held Tuesday, March 22nd at 4:30 pm in the parish hall. All are welcome.

**SpringFest Planning Meeting** will be held Tuesday, March 22nd at 6:00 pm in the St. Ann's choir room.

**St. Joseph Society Member Breakfast** will be held Sunday, March 27th after 10 a.m. Mass in the parish hall. All members and a guest are invited.

**Mary's ACC Quilters** will be tying quilts on Monday, March 28th from 10 am - 2 pm in the St. Ann's parish center. If you can tie a knot, please join us!

**Steubenville Youth Breakfast Fundraiser** will be held April 3rd at St. Ann's after 10:00 am Mass. Menu includes homemade cinnamon rolls, fruit, coffee/milk/juice. Take away is available.

**Knights of Columbus Bingo** is scheduled for Sunday, April 3rd at 2:00 pm in St. Ann's parish hall.

## **Saint Joseph, Bertha**

**The Celebration for the Solemnity of St. Joseph** will be held on Sunday, March 20th. The Litany of St. Joseph will be prayed before Holy Mass starts at 8:00 am. After mass, a potluck will be held in the church basement. Parishioners are also invited to bring an item for the food shelf. All are welcome!

**Group A** will host Food & Fellowship after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday March 20th with a special celebration in honor of St. Joseph.

**Free Lenten Soup Supper** at 6:00 pm every Friday during Lent, followed by Stations of the Cross at 7:00 pm.

**Parish Life Committee** will meet after the 8:00 am Mass on Sunday, April 3rd in the church basement. All parishioners welcome.

**Easter Flower Order Forms** are available in the back of church. All orders are due by April 10, 2022.

## **Saint Frederick, Verndale**

**Christian Women's Meeting** scheduled for Monday, April 4th, in the church basement. Rosary at 6 pm with meeting to follow.

**Confirmation Preparation Meeting** for all ACC students and their parents on March 27th from 1-3 pm in the church basement.

## **Assumption of Our Lady, Menahga**

**Pray for Ukraine.**

## **Saint Hubert, Bluegrass**

**Pizza for the Youth** will be provided at 6 pm on Wednesday, March 23rd prior to Faith Formation

## **Sacred Heart, Staples**

**Congratulations!** The 2022 Catholic Schools Raffle raised \$26,870.00 for Sacred Heart Area Schools. **Special thanks** to all who purchased raffle tickets!

**Knights of Columbus Pancake Breakfast** is scheduled for Sunday, April 3rd after 8:30 am Mass.

## **Saint John the Baptist, Bluffton**

**Bluffton Lions Pancake Breakfast** will be serving from 7:30 am to 12:00 pm at the Bluffton Community Center. Freewill Offering. Proceeds will go toward Bluffton Lion projects.

## **Saint Michael, Motley**

**Parish Life Committee** will meet at 6:00 pm on Thursday, March 24th in the church basement. All parishioners are welcome to attend.

**Ham Bingo** is scheduled for Sunday, April 10th at 7 pm in the church basement. Parishioners with the last names starting with A-K bring sandwiches; last names starting with M-Z bring bars/desserts.

steubenville gatherings



STEUBENVILLE GATHERINGS:

Friday, March 25th  
6:00-9:00 pm / Wadana

Wednesday, April 13th  
6:00-9:00 pm / Wadana

Several ACC Get-To-Know-You events have been scheduled for all Youth and Chaperones who are attending the Steubenville Youth Conference July 29-31.

Enjoy food, fun, and fellowship as we get to know each other and Father Gabriel before the big event!

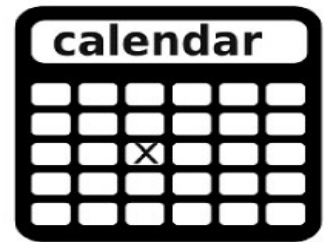
*Confirmation Preparation*



CONFIRMATION PREPARATION:

There will be a meeting for all ACC confirmation students and parents on **March 27th from 1-3 pm** in the basement of St. Frederick in Verndale.

This meeting is **required** to start the preparation for confirmation.



**SAVE THE DATE!**

YOUTH NIGHTS:

Saturday, April 23rd  
6:00-8:00 pm / St. Hubert

Wednesday, May 18th  
6:00-8:00 pm / St. Joseph

FIRST COMMUNION WEEKEND:

Weekend of April 30/May 1, 2022

GRADUATION MASS:

Weekend of May 21-22, 2022

CONFIRMATION:

Sunday, October 16th

**SUNDAY / 04.03.2022**

**AFTER 10:00 AM MASS**

**ST ANN'S PARISH HALL**

**TAKE AWAY AVAILABLE**

**STEUBENVILLE BREAKFAST FUNDRAISER**





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Did you know that K - Yes radio has added an AM and FM radio station out of Verndale 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.

#### 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 notify the pastor as soon as possible.

#### MARRIAGE PREPERATION

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

#### 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 info:  
[TheCenterForFamilyCounseling.com](http://TheCenterForFamilyCounseling.com)



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#### St. Ann, Wadena

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St. Ann's Catholic Church Friday, April 22nd

# Springfest Growing Together

No. 309

\$35.00 Donation

5:00 Champagne Reception

Silent Auction

Chance Games Begin

6:15 Plated Elegant Dinner

Salad

Beef Filet with Shrimp and Pork

Wine Demi-Glace

Sumptuous Desert

7:30 Live Auction

Daycare available. Pre-register at 218-632-7309

April 22, 2022 / In-Person Event

**Get your Springfest tickets today!**

Contact the St. Ann's Parish Office at 218-632-7309 to purchase tickets.



**Happy Birthday, Father Aaron!**

Father Aaron turned 44 on Thursday, March 10th 2022

# The WHITESIDEWALLS Rock 'n' Roll Revue

Mark Your Calendars for a ROCKIN' Good Time!

Where: Timbers Restaurant / Staples

When: Friday, May 13th

# Wine & Cheese

## Young Adult Gathering

Father Gabriel will be hosting a wine and cheese pairing at the St. Frederick's Parish House for singles and couples on Sunday, March 20th from 1-3 pm, and again on Sunday, April 3rd.

Please join us! All free will offerings will go towards youth trips and events.

Daycare provided in the church basement.



1 - 3 PM

Sunday / 03.20.2022

Sunday / 04.03.2022

SAVE THE DATE!

**Bingo Cards - \$4 each** HAM BINGO COMING IN APRIL!

### Fabulous Prizes:

10 - Hams

10 - \$10.00 Cash Prizes

\$50.00 Blackout Cash Prize

Sunday, April 10<sup>th</sup> - 7:00pm

St. Michael's Catholic Church

Children's Door Prizes

Sandwiches & Desserts



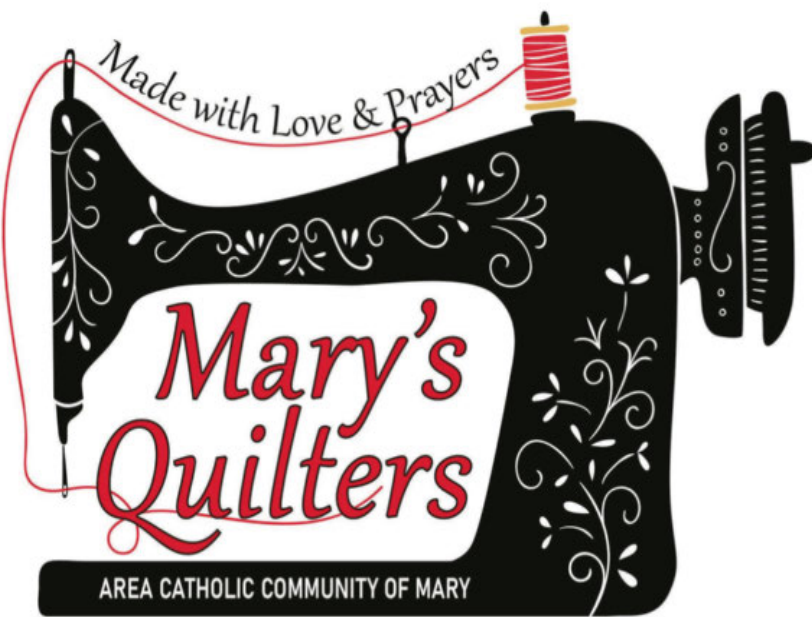
## KNOTTERS UNITE!

If you can tie a knot, Mary's ACC Quilters would **love, love, love** to have you join them on Monday, March 28, at St. Ann's Parish Center in Wadena, from 10 am to 2 pm to tie quilts.

Members of several of the churches in Mary's ACC have sewn quilt tops for the local Hospice, Zambian orphans and Pine Point School. Many quilts are ready to be tied. All are invited to embrace this opportunity to make new friends with parishioners from all parishes within Mary's ACC as we stand or sit tying quilts!

Bring a pair of scissors to cut thread and a dish to pass for a potluck lunch.

For more information contact Dee at 218-640-7453.



AREA CATHOLIC COMMUNITY OF MARY

## St. Joseph Catholic Church - Bertha

Attention Bertha Parishioners:

Easter flower order forms - If you would like to donate a flower in memory of or in honor of a loved one this, please pick up an Easter flower order form in the back of the church. You may drop the order form and donation in the Sunday collection or mail it to St. Joseph Parish. All orders due by April 10, 2022.





# You're Invited

MARY, MOTHER OF THE CHURCH ACC  
FIRST ANNUAL ACC SUMMER PICNIC

**AUGUST 28, 2022**

WADENA FAIR GROUNDS

KEYNOTE SPEAKER: ALYSSA BORMES

Alyssa Bormes is an educator, author, and speaker

Please join us for food, games, music, and fellowship!



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

<b>Bertha</b>	<b>Every Friday at 7:00 pm starting March 4th</b>
<b>Bluegrass</b>	<b>Every Wednesday at 7:30 pm starting March 9th</b>
<b>Bluffton</b>	<b>Every Wednesday at 6:30 pm starting March 9th</b>
<b>Menahga</b>	<b>Every Saturday at 6:30 pm starting March 12th</b>
<b>Motley</b>	<b>Every Friday at 7:00 pm starting March 4th</b>
<b>Staples</b>	<b>Every Wednesday at 5:30 pm starting March 9th</b>
<b>Verndale</b>	<b>Every Friday at 7:00 pm starting March 4th</b>
<b>Wadena</b>	<b>Every Wednesday at 7:00 pm starting March 9th</b>

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The ACC Adoration Chapel located in the main sanctuary at St. Frederick in Verndale will begin

**April 18, 2022!**

4 am-11 pm Monday-Thursday  
4 am-3 pm Fridays

**Great News! There is still room for YOU to have an hour each week to spend with Jesus!**

There are 3 ways to sign up for a weekly time:

- 1) Contact Martha 651-253-7291 or [mray@marysacc.org](mailto:mray@marysacc.org)
- 2) Sign up online through Sign-up Genius <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/5080948ACAB22A5FA7-adoration>
- 3) Fill out form located at each of the parishes and drop it in the collection basket.



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Area Catholic Community

# Eucharistic Adoration

Monday – Thursday starts at 4:00 am and ends at 11:00 pm

Friday starts at 4:00 am and ends at 3:00 pm

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 Specific Hour \_\_\_\_\_

Additional Information:  
 I may need transportation  
 I am willing to be a substitute

## PRE-K & KINDERGARTEN ROUND UP

ALL parishioners of the ACC community are invited to the Sacred Heart Area School Pre-K and Kindergarten Round Up Event!

The event starts at 6 pm on Thursday, March 24th with a tour of the school and an opportunity to meet the teachers.

Following the tour, pizza will be served at 6:30 pm as Principal Liedl presents information about the Pre-K and Kindergarten program at Sacred Heart Area School as well as share information about plans the school has for program expansion.

Please join us on Thursday, March 24th at 6:00 pm for Pre-K and Kindergarten Round Up!



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# FISH FRY-Day

## TAKE-OUT MEALS

Fridays March 4th - April 8th  
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- \*Fried Fish
- \*Potatoes
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Needed Weekly	\$10,800.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,615.00
Needed to Date	\$399,600.00	Needed to Date	\$58,140.00
Collected 03/13	\$9,198.20	Collected 03/06	\$1,785.56
Received to Date	\$404,661.93	Received to Date	\$63,455.68
Surplus/Deficit	\$5,061.93	Surplus/Deficit	\$5,315.68
<b>St. John the Baptist</b>		<b>Assumption of Our Lady</b>	
Needed Weekly	\$3,015.00	Needed Weekly	\$1,100.00
Needed to Date	\$111,555.00	Needed to Date	\$39,600.00
Collected 03/13	\$1,886.70	Collected 03/06	\$921.38
Received to Date	\$133,432.42	Received to Date	\$43,726.42
Surplus/Deficit	\$21,877.42	Surplus/Deficit	\$4,126.42
<b>St. Joseph</b>		<b>Sacred Heart</b>	
Needed Weekly	\$2,400.00	Needed Weekly	\$6,925.00
Needed to Date	\$86,400.00	Needed to Date	\$249,300.00
Collected 03/06	\$1,417.00	Collected 03/06	\$7,974.49
Received to Date	\$81,960.79	Received to Date	\$280,981.52
Surplus/Deficit	(\$5,560.79)	Surplus/Deficit	\$31,681.52
<b>St. Hubert</b>		<b>St. Michael</b>	
Needed Weekly	\$2,020.00	Needed Weekly	\$3,075.00
Needed to Date	\$72,720.00	Needed to Date	\$110,700.00
Collected 03/06	\$2,400.35	Collected 03/06	\$2,930.92
Received to Date	\$82,151.08	Received to Date	\$95,230.73
Surplus/Deficit	\$9,431.08	Surplus/Deficit	(\$15,469.27)

**Correction: Collection Totals for St. Joseph's on 2/20 and 02/27 = \$6,950.83**

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**Stewardship as a Way of Life:**

*"He said to the gardener, 'For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none'" (Luke 13:7).*

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