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Sunday, January 11, 2026 - The Baptism of the Lord

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AFC Liturgical Schedule - Jan. 12-18, 2026

Monday
January 12: 1 Sm 1:1-8; Mk 1:14-20
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) ✞ Helen Wambeke
5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Harriet Tholen

Tuesday - Saint Hilary, Bishop & Doctor of the Church
January 13: 1 Sm 1:9-20; Mk 1:21-28
12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC) ✞ Paul & Arlys DePover
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Julia Claeys
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Donnie Zeug
6:00 p.m. Adoration (CRC)

Wednesday
January 14: 1 Sm 3:1-10; 19-20; Mk 1:29-39
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ William & Monica Engelken & descendants
8:20 a.m. Mass (HRS) ✞ Helen DeSleer
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Theresa Buyck
10:45 a.m. Mass (BC) ✞ Mary Muchlinski
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Andy Viaene

Thursday
January 15: 1 SM 4:1-11; Mk 1:40-45
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Ralph & Bernice Tholen
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞ George Timmerman
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Connie Duscher
1:30 p.m. Mass (OBC) ✞ Larry Buysse

Friday
January 16: 1 Sm 8:4-7, 10-22a; Mk 2:1-12
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Louise Zwach
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Richard Krueger
10:30 a.m. Mass (HS) ✞ Lorraine DeJaeghere
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday - Saint Anthony, Abbot
January 17: 1 Sm 9:1-4, 17-19; 10:1; Mk 2:13-17
9:00 a.m. First Reconciliation (SM)
9:00 a.m. First Reconciliation (MIL)
11:00 a.m. Monty Recker Funeral Mass (HR)
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Delorse Lamote

Sunday - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 18: Is 49:3.5-6; 1 Cor 1:1-3; Jn 1:29-34
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Ray & Adeline Meulebroeck
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Delmar Debbaut
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Gerald & Clara Hoffman
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Larry Buysse
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Mary Ann Alcorn
11:30 a.m. Mass (HR-Spanish) For People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins (SJC)
6:00 p.m. Mass (CRC) ✞ Scott Sandhurst

Weekly Happenings

Monday, January 12
6 pm (CH) CDA meeting

Tuesday, January 13
6:45 am (CH) Holy Redeemer men's group meets
6:30 pm (MIL) Parish Administration meeting
7:30 pm (FF) Baptism class

Wednesday, January 14
4 pm (HRS) Preschool class
5:30 pm (HRS) Gr. K-5 Faith Formation classes
6 pm (HRS) Adult Choir practice
6 pm (MIL) Gr. K-6 Faith Formation classes
6:15 pm (TR) Gr. K-11 Faith Formation classes
6:15 pm (SM) Gr. 5-11 Faith Formation classes
6:45 pm (HRS) Gr. 6-11 Faith Formation classes
7:15 pm (MIL) Gr. 7-12 Faith Formation classes

Thursday, January 15
6 am (CH) SHE program meets

Friday, January 16
5:45 am (SM) That Man is You
12 pm (HR) Parish Office closes

Saturday, January 17

Sunday, January 18
Following 9 am Mass (SM) K-4 Sunday School

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY

Monty Recker
Elizabeth "Betty" Brookshire

May all who sleep in Christ find God's presence, light, happiness and peace.

Confession Times

Tuesday 5 pm (MIL)
Third Tuesday 6 pm (CRC)
Saturday 8:30 am-1st Sat. Only (HR)
Saturday 11 am (TR)
Saturday 4 pm (HR)
Sunday 8 am (MIL)
Sunday 8:15 am (SM)
Sunday 5:15 pm (CRC)

AFC Bulletin Submittal Deadline: Wednesday 9 AM. Send to Barb Marron at bmarron@mmogafc.org.
More news and events can be found on www.mmogafc.org. To sponsor an ad on back contact Latiefa at 507-532-4493.

Holy Redeemer Church

When attending the above two Masses on Sunday, January 25, please enter through the doors marked 1, 3 or 8.

We have started our next 9 week program of "**She Shall Be Called Woman**." All women are welcome to join us in Carlin Hall from 6-7 AM on Thursday mornings until **March 5th**. Any questions please call 507-530-2772 or 507-530-2952.

Young Adult Catholics: Join us on Tuesday, **January 20** at 7 PM in Carlin Hall at Holy Redeemer Church. We gather every 3rd Tuesday of the month at Holy Redeemer Church in Marshall at 7 PM.

Date Change: Due to a funeral at Holy Redeemer Church on Saturday morning, **January 17**, the repair of pew kneelers has been rescheduled to Saturday, **January 24** from 9 AM to noon. Anyone who can help is welcome to come.

Baptism Prep Class: For anyone wishing to baptize their first child in the Catholic Church, the next Baptism Preparation class is Tuesday, **January 13** at 7:30 p.m. at the Faith Formation building (next to Holy Redeemer School). Registration is required. Please visit https://www.mmogafc.org/baptism.html to sign up or call the Parish Office at 507-532-5711.

Catholic Daughters: On Monday, **January 12,** the Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court #1291 will have their meeting in Carlin Hall at Holy Redeemer after the 5:30 PM Mass. Come and listen to our guest speaker, Fr. Todd Peterson, as he talks about his book.

2026 Education Contest: Catholic Daughters of the Americas, Court St. Joan of Arc, #1291 is sponsoring the local education contest for 2026. The themes for this year are: **"The Least of These": - Matthew: 25:40** or **"The Least of These: Lifting Others Up"**. Youth in grades 4 through 12, as well as Adult CDA Members, are encouraged to participate. The entries must reflect the theme chosen and need to be your original idea. Entry deadline is **January 30th**. For more information contact Pat Gawarecki at 507-828-1098.

Holy Redeemer Men's Group: The men's group will begin meeting in Carlin Hall on Tuesday, **January 13** at 6:45 AM.

Choir Schedules: Adult Choir will sing Sunday, **February 15** at 10 AM. All are welcome to join practices on Wednesdays at 6 PM at HRS Room 101.
Adult Impromptu Choir will sing Saturday, **February 21** at 5 PM. We will practice at 4:30 on the same day.
Teen Choir will sing on Sunday, **February 22** at 10 AM. We will practice at 9:30 am on the same day and music will be provided.

St. Mary's Church, Cottonwood

St. Mary's, Cottonwood still has 2026 Calendar Raffle Tickets available for sale. Only 200 tickets will be sold with each ticket having up to 36 chances to win. Monthly prizes are $125/$75/$25. Cost is $25 each. These make great gifts! You can get your ticket after the Sunday Masses in Cottonwood or by contacting Lynn at (507) 532-5711.

St. Mary's Church, Tracy

Meals on Wheels Volunteers Needed St. Mary's in Tracy is in need of a **Meals on Wheels Coordinator** to help schedule drivers during the weeks when our parish is responsible for meal delivery. We are also in need of **drivers**. Meal delivery takes approximately **45 minutes**, from about **11:15 a.m. to noon**, and volunteers may serve **as many days as they are able**—there is no requirement to commit to every day. If you are willing to help us continue this long-standing ministry, please contact **Carol Strand at 507-829-0135**. St. Mary's has proudly been part of this program for many years, and your help is essential for us to continue serving our community. Our next scheduled delivery dates are **January 19–30**.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR WINNER:
January 9 - $100: Nate & Sarah Byrne

St. Michael's Church, Milroy

Pro-Life Coffee, Juice and Rolls: Come join us for the Pro-life fundraiser on Sunday, **January 18** following Mass at St. Michael's in Milroy. All proceeds go to MCCL and Birthright of Marshall.

Mark Your Calendars: The St. Michael's Parish Office will be closed from **January 19 through the 27th**. Don & Jean Schmidt will be on a mission trip to Guatemala.

Baby Bottle Fundraiser: St. Michael's is hosting a baby bottle fundraiser to support MCCL and Birthright of Marshall. There will be baby bottles in the basket in the entrance of the church. Please fill with coins, cash or checks during the month of January and then return them to the basket.

Area Faith Community News & Community Happenings

STEWARDSHIP

Bulletin Week of...	Holy Redeemer	SM-Ctnwd	St. Michael	SM-Tracy
12/7/2025	$ 29,930.25	$ 1,143.29	$ 1,578.36	$ 5,541.00
12/14/2025	$ 33,324.05	$ 3,320.74	$ 2,765.99	$ 5,022.00
12/21/2025	$ 12,317.32	$ 2,508.00	$ 1,480.13	$ 3,505.00
12/28/2025	$ 83,592.15	$ 2,221.00	$ 7,911.24	$ 7,863.00
Monthly Total	$ 159,163.77	$ 9,193.03	$ 13,735.72	$ 21,931.00
YTD Collection	$ 640,208.16	$ 50,710.19	$ 64,719.03	$ 86,995.22
YTD Budget	$ 628,516.28	$ 49,450.00	$ 79,346.50	$140,025.00
YTD Difference	$ 11,691.88	$ 1,260.19	$ (14,627.47)	$ (53,029.78)

RIVERBEND TEC RETREATS: Meet Jesus in a new way through a Riverbend Together Encountering Christ (TEC) Retreat! This is a three-day experience centered on the Paschal Mystery of Jesus and includes several talks, reflection and discussion, games and music, and celebration of the sacraments of Eucharist and Reconciliation. The next TEC retreat weekend is scheduled for **February 14-16, 2026** at Holy Trinity in Winsted and anyone age 16+ is encouraged to attend. For more information and to register online, visit https://www.riverbendtec.org/

We Adore Him *Adorers are needed at St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel on **Mondays at 7 AM and Wednesdays at 4 PM.*** Please call Deacon Ken with questions at 507-401-1060 or the Parish Office at 507-532-5711 or sign up online at https://tinyurl.com/3u857rsu.

9 Days for Life Novena Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, ***9 Days for Life,* January 16 – January 24**. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more. Sign up at: https://www.respectlife.org/9-days-signup.

Area Faith Community News & Community Happenings Continued

Upcoming Events:

- ***Ecumenical Prayer Service***: Sunday, **January 18**, 3 PM, Church of St. Mary in Willmar
- ***Forgiven Retreats***: **January 11** in Minneota, **March 8** in Willmar & **April 19** in Fairfax
- ***Consecrated Life Mass***: **February 2, 2026** at 5:30 pm in New Ulm at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity

Studio 1 - Marshall's local cable access is airing the series *"Savoring Our Faith with Father Leo Patalinghug (Season 2)."* Episode 9 titled ***"Making Canned Food Creative"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tuesday**, **Jan. 13** & at 9 AM on **Friday, Jan. 16**.

Prayer Service for Life **2026 Prayer Service for Life & MCCL March for Life**: This will take place at 10:30 AM on **January 22, 2026**, at the Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul. The annual March for Life will take place from 12- 12:30 and program from 12:30 to 1 pm on the Capitol building steps. Area CCW and KCs from southwest Minnesota are sponsoring a bus so there is no cost to attend. The bus will leave from Marshall at 6:30 AM, stop in Redwood Falls at 7:15 AM, stop in Olivia at 7:45 AM and Glencoe at 8:30 AM. Contact Lori Timmerman at 507-476-0070 to reserve a spot.

Save the Date: Men's Emmaus Retreat, Feb. 6-8, 2026. Our 23rd Annual Men's Emmaus Retreat is set for Feb. 6th – 8th at the comfortable Lake Shetek Bible Camp. Jesus promised that whenever 2 or more are gathered in His name, there He is among us. Go ahead, accept God's invitation! If you have any questions, please call or text Gerry Toland 507(828) 7378, Roger Schroeder (507)829-5423, Todd Bock (507) 530-2472 or Tom Meyer (507)865-4616. Join us. You'll be glad you did, and God will be too!

Forgiven Retreat: Join us on today, **Sunday, January 11th at St. Edward's in Minneota** from 2-7:30 pm to encounter the Lord's love, mercy and healing. The day will include presentations, shared meals, small groups, Q&A with a priest, and an opportunity to go to Confession and receive prayer with prayer teams during a Eucharistic Holy Hour. **Register online for free at dnu.org/worship or use the QR code**. Please prayerfully consider who in your life you could invite to come with you! Questions? Contact the Office of Worship at worship@dnu.org or 507-233-5320.

POWERFUL PRO-LIFE FILM *"The Matter of Life"* is a powerful pro-life film which emphasizes the humanity of the unborn child by exposing the truth behind abortion. It features dramatic testimonies from women, former abortion clinic workers, historians and religious leaders. It can be viewed at (https://www.ewtn.com/programs/5801-the-matter-of-life).

Marriage Encounter A "perfect marriage" is simply two imperfect people who learn to celebrate their differences! A perfect Valentine gift is making time for each other! Plan to attend the **February 14-15** Marriage Encounter to deepen your love. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Retreat Center in Farmington. Register at: www.marriages.org.

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Winter Warm Up for SMS Tickets are available at: https://tinyurl.com/4aaxbufj

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

Upcoming First Reconciliation:
Saturday, **January 17, 2026**—9:00 AM at St. Michael's in Milroy and at St. Mary's in Cottonwood

First Communion Parent Meetings:
Option 1: Wednesday, **January 21, 2026**—6:00 PM at St. Michael's in Milroy (basement)
Option 2: Sunday, **January 25, 2026**—10:15 AM at St. Mary's in Cottonwood (following 9 AM Mass)

Bulletin Key:

BC - Boulder Creek (Marshall)	**HR** - Holy Redeemer Church	**PV** - Prairie View (Tracy)
BE - Boulder Estates (Marshall)	**HRS** - Holy Redeemer School	**SJC** - St. Joseph's Chapel (FF)
CRC - Campus Religious Center	**HS** - Hill Street Place (Marshall)	**SM** - St. Mary's-Cottonwood
CH - Carlin Hall (at HR)	**MIL** - St. Michaels - Milroy	**SMS** - St. Mary's School, Tracy
FF - Faith Formation at HRS	**NH** - Nursing Home (Marshall)	**TR** - St. Mary's - Tracy
HP - Heritage Pointe (Marshall)	**OBC** - O'Brien Ct (Tracy)	**WG**-Walnut Grove Country View

In Memory of Our Precious Son and Brother, Jeremy John by Reinhold and Connie Mathiowetz & Families	In Loving Memory of the deceased members of the Strandberg and Labat families by Gerri Labat and family	In Loving Memory of Robert Derynck by His Family	In Loving Memory of David & Sharon Gruhot by Brian, Kevin, Brad and their families	In Loving Memory of the Deceased Family Members of Roger & Shirley Verly

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