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AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday, January 18, 2026 - Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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AFC Liturgical Schedule - Jan. 19-25, 2026

Monday
January 19: 1 SM 15:16-23; Mk 2:18-22
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) ✞ Joe & Betty Claeys
5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Gary Timmerman

Tuesday
January 20: 1 Sm 16:1-13; Mk 2:23-28
12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC) ✞ Linda Johnson
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Julia Claeys
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Jolene Hjelmberg
6:00 p.m. Adoration/Confessions (CRC)

Wednesday - Saint Agnes, Virgin and Martyr
January 21: 1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51; Mk 3:1-6
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Melvin Welu & Jolene Hjelmberg
8:20 a.m. Mass (HRS) ✞ Jack Rehkamp
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Harold DeSchepper
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Doris Gregoire

Thursday - Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
January 22: 1 Sm 18:6-9, 19:1-7; Mk 3:7-12
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Mary Muchlinski
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞ Alita Lenertz
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Mary Ann Alcorn
9:30 a.m. Mass (HP) ✞ Joe Van Keulen

Friday
January 23: 1 Sm 24:3-21; Mk 3:13-19
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Kelly Hentges Jones
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Marie Larson
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday—Saint Francis de Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church
January 24: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27; Mk 3:20-21
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Dennis Lozinski

Sunday - Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
January 25: Is 8:23-9:3; 1 Cor 1:10—13, 17; Mt 4:12-23
8:00 a.m. Mass **(HRS)** ✞ Maurice DeJaeghere
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Jeff Klinkner and Brooklyn Larsen
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Jesse Bruns
10:00 a.m. Mass **(HRS)** ✞ Ernie & Jane Louwagie
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Sam Griffith
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) ✞ Linda Johnson

Weekly Happenings

Week of Prayer for Christian Unity

Monday, Jan. 19 - Dr. Martin Luther King, Jr. day

Tuesday, January 20
6:45 am (CH) Holy Redeemer men's group meets
7 pm (CH) Young Adult Catholics
7 pm (FF) 3rd Degree Knights of Columbus meet

Wednesday, January 21
4 pm (HRS) Preschool class
5:30 pm (HRS) Gr. K-5 Faith Formation classes
6 pm (HRS) Adult Choir practice
6 pm (MIL) First Communion Parent meeting
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 22
6 am (CH) **SHE** program meets

Friday, January 23
6 am (SM) That Man is You
12 pm (HR) Parish Office closes

Saturday, January 24
9 am—Noon (HR) Kneeler Repair
7 pm (CRC) Catholic 'Stangs game night

Sunday, January 25
Following 9 am Mass (SM) K-4 Sunday School
10:15 am (SM) First Communion Parent meeting
11 am (TR) Soup and Sandwich luncheon
2 pm (CRC) OCIA

REMINDER:
8 AM and 10 AM Masses on Sunday, January 25 will be held at Holy Redeemer School not at the Church due to Catholic Schools Week.

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.

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.

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.

Kneeler Repair: The repair of pew kneelers will be held on Saturday, **January 24** from 9 AM to noon. Anyone who can help is welcome to come. If you have tools, bring them along.

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.

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 Holy Redeemer Parish Office at 507-532-5711 or sign up online at https://tinyurl.com/3u857rsu.

St. Mary's Church, Cottonwood

Calendar Raffle: St. Mary's, Cottonwood ticket sales are coming to a close soon. Get your ticket now before they are gone! 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.

Thank You *"Many hands make light work"*. The St. Mary's Decorating Committee is truly grateful to all the parish members who helped decorate before Christmas and who assisted with taking down the decorations afterward. We could not do this without you. God bless you all.

TMIY THAT MAN IS YOU! The men's TMIY Cottonwood Group will begin meeting on Friday, **January 23rd** at 6 AM. There will be thirteen Friday morning sessions concluding on **April 17th**.

Mass Intentions are available at St. Mary's in Cottonwood. We have Masses on Sundays at 9 am and Wednesdays at 5:30 pm. Contact Lynn Nelson at Stmarys.cottonwood@yahoo.com or 507-532-5711 if you would like to book a Mass intention.

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**.

Support our Mission Group
St. Mary's Tracy and St. Michael's, Milroy are selling San Lucas Mission Whole Bean and Ground Coffee
$16 per bag for Honey Nut
$14 per bag for others
Tracy contact: Shea at 507-629-4075
Milroy Contact: Jean at 507-336-2505

Please join in fellowship following Mass on Sunday, **January 25** for a Soup and Sandwich luncheon. Free will offering.

Please Note: There is no school on Friday, **January 30** at St. Mary's School in Tracy. The school office will also be closed that day. Please plan accordingly.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR WINNER:
January 16 - $100: Tom Dolan

St. Michael's Church, Milroy

Pro-Life Coffee, Juice and Rolls: Come join us for the Pro-life fundraiser today, 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

Marriage Enrichment Retreat—January 23-25, 2026:
Whether you are just starting your journey or have decades of love under your belt, this retreat, conducted by Roger and Deborah Schroeder, is all about laughter, connection, and spiritual renewal. The retreat takes place at Schoenstatt on the Lake, Sleepy Eye. Cost is $335. Go to www.dnu.org/marriage-enrichment for more information.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY

Glen Windey
Patricia "Pat" Dwire
Michelle Simmons

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

9 Days for Life Novena Join thousands of Catholics nationwide in the annual Respect Life novena, ***9 Days for Life, Friday,* January 16 – Saturday, January 24**. Get daily intentions, brief reflections, and more by email or text message. Visit www.dnu.org/9daysforlife for more information and to sign up.

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!

Area Faith Community News & Community Happenings Continued

March for Life – January 22, 2026, St. Paul, MN
The commemoration of January 22, 1973 and the passage of Roe v Wade will take place again this year with prayers for all the lives lost to abortion. The Prayer Service for Life will take place at the Cathedral of St. Paul starting at 10:30 a.m. Bishop Chad Zielinski will lead the prayer service. Following the prayer service all are invited to march to the Minnesota State Capitol where the MCCL March for Life will take place at 12 p.m. Let's build a culture of life in our state by remembering the thousands of unborn lives lost each year. Go to www.dnu.org/march2026 for more information. 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 on the bus.

Neurodivergence Webinar: You are invited to a webinar entitled "Exceptional Formation: Navigating Neurodivergence with Faith and Joy" with author Ginny Kochis on Wed., **January 28** at 1 PM. This webinar is suitable for anyone working with neurodivergent students. Neurodivergent students include those with ADHD, giftedness, autism, anxiety, etc. Ginny will address the strengths and challenges present in neurodivergent learners as it pertains to faith formation with a special focus on techniques and strategies catechists can use right away. All are invited including catechists, clergy, parish and school staff. Join using the QR Code, or click here https://tinyurl.com/2rnkk8x2. The webinar will also be recorded for those who are unable to attend live.

Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Did you know on **January 22**, the Church in the United States observes the annual "Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children." We are called to observe this day through prayer and penance. More information: https://www.respectlife.org/january-22.

Studio 1 - Marshall's local cable access is airing the series *"Savoring Our Faith with Father Leo Patalinghug (Season 2)."* Episode 10 titled ***"Crostinis Et Apps"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tuesday**, **Jan. 20** & at 9 AM on **Friday, Jan. 23**.

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.

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

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)

Holy Redeemer CCW Council of Catholic Women United in Prayer, Study & Service	In loving memory of our parents, Ernie & Jane Louwagie. By Wayne, Conni, Gwen, Lisa & families	In Memory of Richard & Janet Doom, Maurice & Margaret Doom and Wesley & Leona Cuypers By The Doom Family	In Memory of John & Agnes Coudron by The Coudron Family	In Memory of Leo Andries, Brenda Andries & Trisha Andries DeWolf by The Andries Family

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We are hiring for a full-time or MWF preschool assistant: https://www.holyredeemerschools.com/preschool-positions.html

- Silent Auction items needed for Charge Up the Night. Bring to the school.
- Desserts wanted for Charge Up the Night

St. Mary's School, 225 6th Street, Tracy, MN 56175 - 507-629-3270
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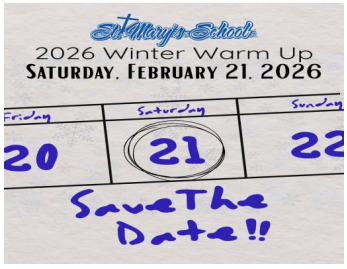
The Winter Warm Up committee is now accepting donations for the event on **February 21**! Monetary donations and items for the silent auction are both appreciated. Please consider supporting St. Mary's School and helping make this event a success.

No School January 30, and the office will also be closed at SMS.



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

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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