MARY Mother of God
AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday, July 6, 2025 - Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

St. Mary's, Cottonwood	Holy Redeemer, Marshall	St. Michael's, Milroy	St. Mary's, Tracy
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AFC Liturgical Schedule - July 7-13, 2025

Monday
July 7: Gn 28:10-22a; Mt 9:18-26
5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Donald Gruhot

Tuesday
July 8: Gn 32:23-33; Mt 9:32-38
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Orville & Marge Hennen
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Julia Claeys
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Frances Swedzinski

Wednesday
July 9: Gn 41:55-57; 42:5-7a, 17-24a; Mt 10:1-7
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Albert & Anna Verly & descendants
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Virginia Surprenant
10:45 a.m. Mass (BC) ✞ Irene Labat
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Angie Solfield

Thursday
July 10: Gn 44:18-21, 23b-29; 45:1-5; Mt 10:7-15
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Robert, Harriet & Ricky Tholen
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞ Harold DeSchepper
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Lloyd Welu

Friday - Saint Benedict, Abbot
July 11: Gn 46:1-7, 28-30; Mt 10:16-23
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ John Ochocki
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Mary Ann Alcorn
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday
July 12: Gn 49:29-32; 50:15-26a; Mt 10:24-33
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Mike Stoks

Sunday - Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
July 13: Dt 30:10-14; Col 1:15-20; Lk 10:25-37
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Wilfred Hoffmann & Sanders family
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Brooklyn Larsen & Jeff Klinkner
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Phyllis Blazek
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Debbie Thielges
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Larry Buysse
11:30 a.m. Mass (HR-Spanish) For People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins (SJC)

Weekly Events

Monday, July 7
6:10 PM (CH) Emmaus Mass Monday

Tuesday, July 8
7:30 PM (FF) Baptism class

Wednesday, July 9
2—4 PM (HR) Holy Helpers
2—7:30 PM (Tracy Area) Gardens & Quilts Tour

Thursday, July 10

Friday, July 11
12 PM (HR) Parish Office closes

Saturday, July 12
4:30 PM (HR) Summer Choir practice

Sunday, July 13

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY

Susan Edwards
Wayne Hanson
David VanDeWiele

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

Early Submittal for July 13 Bulletin: Please have any items for the bulletin submitted by noon on Tuesday, July 8.

Father Steve on Vacation: Please note Fr. Steve is on vacation from **July 2nd** through Friday, **July 11th**. If you need a priest, please contact Fr. Dennis or Fr. Andy.

Confession Times
Tuesday 5 pm (MIL)
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)

AFC Bulletin Submittal Deadline: Wednesday 9 AM. Send to Barb Marron at bmarron@holy-redeemer.com.
More news and events can be found on the Holy Redeemer website.

Area Faith Community of Mary Mother of God

Baptism Prep Class: For anyone wishing to baptize their first child in the Catholic Church, the next Baptism Preparation class is Tuesday, **July 8** at 7:30 p.m. at the Faith Formation building (next to Holy Redeemer School). Registration is required. Please visit holy-redeemer.com under the Worship tab, Sacraments, then Baptism, or call the Parish Office at 507-532-5711.

Congratulations Holy Redeemer's July 2025 Calendar Raffle Winners!
$800 - Darla Christensen
$300 - Jan Noyes
$150 - Syl DeBaere

Peter's Pence: Thank you for your generous support in last week's Peter's Pence Collection! Our contributions join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Leo in his ministry to the Universal Church, including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.

LYON COUNTY FAIR FOOD STAND: Volunteers are needed for the Holy Redeemer Fair Stand for **Wednesday, August 13th-Sunday, August 17th**. The invite was emailed to many parishioners on Monday, **June 30th**. You can sign up through the original email, call Brad Gruhot at 952-270-5914 or sign up below: https://tinyurl.com/2yhzzdrf.

Pool Party: Catholic United Financial and the Marshall Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a pool party for the Altar Servers, CUF and KC families on Thursday, **July 24** from 6:30 to 8:30 pm at the Marshall Aquatic Center. There will be games for the youth and ice cream floats for everyone. If you have questions, please contact Lori Timmerman at 507-476-0070.

Summer Choir: Mark your calendars for the second opportunity to join the Holy Redeemer summer choir at the 5 pm Mass on **Saturday, July 12**. We will meet at 4:30 p.m. to sing through the music. High School students through adults are welcome to come and sing. Please contact Anna Lenz (alenz@holy-redeemer.com) with any questions.

Congratulations St. Mary's, Cottonwood July 2025 Calendar Raffle Winners!
$125 - Faith Nelson
$75 - Gene & Carol DeSmet
$25 - Mike Schmitt

All shared information for our Area Faith Community, including Mass times, events, and parish news for St. Mary's in Cottonwood, Holy Redeemer in Marshall, St. Michael's in Milroy, and St. Mary's in Tracy, will be posted on our newly renamed social media pages:
Mary, Mother of God, AFC
Stay connected and follow us here:
Facebook: facebook.com/mmogafc
Instagram: instagram.com/marymotherofgodafc
Some individual parish pages may still share local updates, but all AFC wide communications will now be found in one central location.
Thank you for staying connected with our community of faith!

"God does not call the best to be His priests; but He expects the best of those He calls."
author unknown

STEWARDSHIP				
Bulletin Week of…	Holy Red	SM-Ctnwd	St. Michael	SM-Tracy
6/1/2025	$18,034.76	$1,003.00	$2,314.43	$2,523.00
6/8/2025	$11,204.31	$2,315.44	$1,426.25	$6,589.00
6/15/2025	$10,964.00	$766.00	$1,552.75	$13,657.50
6/22/2025	$9,901.21	$724.00	$1,105.02	$4,399.00
6/29/2025	$27,815.86	$1,549.00	$5,803.46	$2,592.00
Monthly Total	$77,920.14	$6,357.44	$12,201.91	$29,760.50
YTD Collection	$1,109,371.43	$89,649.64	$101,371.97	$275,482.31
YTD Budget	$1,252,385.00	$98,375.00	$108,957.00	$282,305.00
YTD Difference	($143,013.57)	($8,725.36)	($7,585.03)	($6,822.69)

In Gratitude: The parishioners of the Church of St. Mary in Tracy, wish to extend a huge thank you to Chris Schons, Carol Strand, and Diann Timmerman for their many years of service to our parish, school, and faith formation families. Chris is moving into retirement while Carol and Diann are transitioning into new opportunities of service. All three of these women have given of their time and talents unselfishly through the years. We have been richly blessed by their presence and service. Chris will be assisting the new person prior to being officially retired. Carol and Diann both finished their responsibilities on June 30th. Please be sure to extend a thank you to Chris, Carol, and Diann when you see them. We wish all of them God's abundant blessings in this time of transition. Thank you, Chris, Carol, and Diann!

St. Mary's Tracy CCW Tracy Area Gardens and Quilts Tour is this Wednesday, **July 9**. Tickets will go on sale drive up style at 2 p.m. in The Caboose parking lot as well as at any site. Your $20 ticket will get you a slice of St. Mary's Pie and Ice Cream at The Caboose where you will also find a demonstration of the making of a barn quilt by Cynthia Buchholz of Bittersweet Barn Quilt Company and a display of Heiderschiedt family quilts. Stroll through the beautiful garden sites of Betsy & Seth Schmidt, I & H Greenhouse, Ina & Harvey Rykhus, Beth & Brian Lanoue and Nancy & Tom Dobson of the Cinnamon Hen. These sites are all located within the city of Tracy. Drive east out of Tracy about 4 miles to see the pick your own flowers business of BIG Roots Family Farm, Nicole & Jason Knopik. Within the yards you will see quilts created by Cindy Sabinske, the Bloome family, Connie Anderson, Sharon Lenertz, Angie Orren & Rose Kramer. The self guided tour runs from 2 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. Maps will be provided in your booklet you receive at admission. Rain date will be the following day, July 10. Hope to see you there!

Welcome to new staff: We are pleased to announce that an Area Director of Religious Education for all four of our parishes has been hired. Gregg Blanchette has joined our team and will be responsible for the Faith Formation program, sacramental preparation, and youth ministry for students in Kindergarten through grade 11 for our Mary, Mother of God AFC. Gregg has already begun visiting all four of our parishes to develop relationships with all of you. Welcome Gregg!

We are also pleased to announce that a new Administrative Assistant for the Church of St. Mary in Tracy has been hired. Shea Pedersen has joined our team and will begin her work on **July 28th** as the Administrative Assistant for both the church and school at St. Mary's. Her office will be in the school building. We invite you to stop in and welcome her once she gets settled. Welcome Shea!

In the meantime, should you have any announcements for the bulletin during the month of July for the Church of St. Mary in Tracy, please email them to Barb Marron at bmarron@holy-redeemer.com. You can continue to call the parish office in Tracy and leave a message with Fr. Andy or on the answering machine with any other requests or questions.

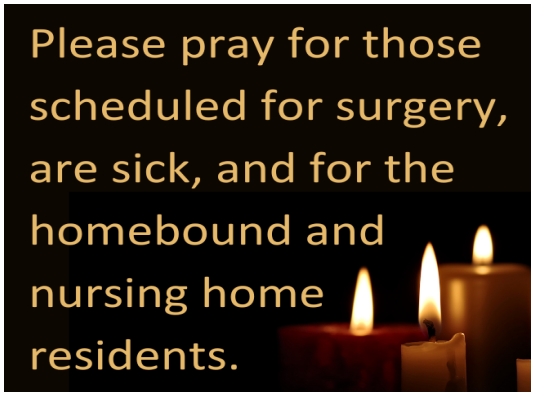
Baptism information (St. Michael's or St. Mary's, Tracy)
Anyone needing a baptism class at St. Michael's in Milroy or St. Mary's in Tracy should contact Fr. Steve at 320-815-9148. The class is only required for parents who are having their first child baptized. Parents baptizing additional children are not required to attend a class but need to call and set up a date for the baptism by calling the parish office at St. Mary's in Tracy.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR WINNER:
July 4 - $100 - Anna Kern

Organization & Community Happenings (Diocese, etc.)

Studio 1 - Marshall's local cable access is airing the series *"Crash Course in the Saints".* The nuts and bolts of Catholicism - for those of us who don't have much time, but definitely want to learn more about our Faith. Episode 5 entitled ***"Holy Martyrs"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tues.**, **July 8** & at 9 AM on **Friday, July 11**.

Blood Drive: There will be a blood drive on Wednesday, **July 23, 2025** from 12 pm to 6 pm in Carlin Hall at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church. Please call 1-800-RED CROSS or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: MarshallMN to schedule an appointment. Every 2 seconds someone in the U.S. needs blood.



Upcoming Community Events:

- Lyon County Fair in Marshall: August 13-17, 2025
- Marshall Sounds of Summer: August 20-24, 2025
- Belgian American Days in Ghent: August 1-3, 2025
- Tracy Boxcar Days: August 29—Sept. 1, 2025
- Cottonwood Coming Home Days: July 11-13, 2025
- "Annie Jr." at Lakeview Theater in Cottonwood: July 11 & 12, 7 PM, tickets at https://our.show/lakeviewannie
- Marshall Crazy Days: Thursday, July 17, 2025
- Lake Benton Opera House: "The SpongeBob Musical", July 16-20 & 23-27

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

Holy Helpers

For Grades K-12 from 2 PM to 4 PM
July 9, 16, 23, 30
August 6
Sign up & forms are on the Holy Redeemer Church Website.

Forms needed are here: https://tinyurl.com/ms7tsxjs

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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Holy Redeemer Catholic School, Marshall , MN Holy.redeemer.school

Holy Redeemer School is now hiring preschool assistants and substitute teachers for the 2025–2026 school year. Join our caring, faith-filled community and help support our mission of providing a nurturing, Christ-centered education.

The 2024–2025 Holy Redeemer School Shareholder Report is now available! Check out this year's accomplishments, faith-filled moments, and financial summary: https://www.holyredeemerschools.com/hrs-annual-report.html

Holy Redeemer students traveling to NYC and Washington, D.C. in 2026 are seeking corporate and individual business sponsors in the Marshall area to help support this Catholic-focused educational experience. Students will personally reach out to businesses with sponsorship forms, and all donations will directly benefit participants and the group as a whole.

St. Mary's School, 225 6th Street, Tracy, MN 56175 - 507-629-3270
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St. Mary's School - Tracy, MN St.marys.catholic.school_tracy

St. Mary's School in Tracy is hiring a full-time cook for the 2025–26 school year. Join our team in providing nutritious meals to students in a positive, faith-filled environment. To apply, visit stmarystracy.com/jobopportunities.

The 2024–2025 St. Mary's School Shareholder Report is now available! Visit stmarystracy.com to view highlights from the year and see the impact of your support.

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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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