MARY Mother of God
AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday, August 3, 2025 - Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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AFC Liturgical Schedule - August 4-10, 2025

Monday - Saint John Vianney, Priest
August 4: Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) ✞ Gene Staniszewski
5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Larry Farasyn

Tuesday
August 5: Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Jack Hennen
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Linda Oftedahl
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Jolene Hjelmberg

Wednesday - The Transfiguration of the Lord
August 6: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Lk 9:28b-36
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Catherine Verkinderen
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Mary Ann Alcorn
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Andy Viaene

Thursday
August 7: Nm 20:1-13; Mt 16:13-23
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Anthony, Betty & William Krogman
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Donnie Zeug

Friday - Saint Dominic, Priest
August 8: Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) Greg & Diane Louwagie 50th wedding anniversary
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR)
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday
August 9: Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Raymond & Delores DeVos

Sunday - Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 10: Wis 18:6-9; Heb 11:1-2, 8-19 or 11:1-2, 8-12; Lk 12:32-48 or 12:35-40
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Richard & Janet Doom
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Denis, Margaret & Karen Doom
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Donna Bjorklund
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Maxine Inden
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Glenn Surprenant
11:30 a.m. Mass (HR-Spanish) For People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins (SJC)

Weekly Events

Monday, August 4
6:10 PM (CH) Emmaus Mass Monday
6:30 PM (Lyon Co. Fairgrounds) Fair Stand cleaning
6:30 PM (HR) Griefshare

Tuesday, August 5
3:30 PM (TR) St. Mary's Tracy CCW Meeting

Wednesday, August 6
2—4 PM (HR) Holy Helpers

Thursday, August 7

Friday, August 8
12 PM (HR) Parish Office closes

Saturday, August 9

Sunday, August 10
After 9 AM Mass (SM) Choir practice

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY

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

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

HOLY REDEEMER FAIR STAND CLEANING & SIGN UP: Let's get the fair stand sparkling clean and ready for the Lyon County Fair! Please come out to the fair stand on Monday, **August 4** at 6:30 PM to clean the stand in preparation for the Lyon County Fair. Please bring a bucket and cleaning rags. Cleaning detergents will be furnished.

Fair Stand Volunteers are still needed. Sign up sheets will be available after Masses this weekend and next.

Volunteers Needed: The Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life pro-life fair booth needs volunteers to promote life at the Lyon County Fair on **August 14-16**. If you are willing to work a 3-hour shift or have questions please contact Lori Timmerman at (507) 476-0070.

Order of Christian Initiation of Adults: Are you, or someone you know, interested in joining the Catholic faith, a baptized Catholic who wishes to be confirmed in the Catholic faith, or simply wanting to learn more about the Catholic faith? There will be an informational meeting on Sunday, **September 28** at 4 PM in Holy Redeemer's Carlin Hall. Please contact Deacon Ken Noyes at 507-401-1060 if you are interested or have questions about OCIA.

Mass Intentions: Mass Intentions are available at St. Mary's in Cottonwood. We have Masses on Sundays at 9 am & 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.

Holy Redeemer Fall Raffle Tickets: Tickets have been mailed out. If you need additional tickets, please pick them up at the parish office. All tickets sold or unsold need to be turned into the office no later than Monday, **September 22, 2025**. The raffle drawing will be held on Saturday, **September 27** following the 5 PM Mass.

We Adore Him

Perpetual Adoration… *Adorers are especially needed at St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel for* ***Wednesdays at 11 PM beginning August 6, 2025.*** Please sign up online at https://tinyurl.com/3s953j48 or call 507-532-5711.

Congratulations Holy Redeemer's August 2025 Calendar Raffle Winners!
$800 - Andrew Doyle
$300 - Alex Mathiowetz
$150 - Cindy Ewing

Congratulations St. Mary's, Cottonwood August 2025 Calendar Raffle Winners!
$125 - Mary Neuman
$75 - Dean Onken
$25 - Ernie & Joyce Viaene

Help Needed with Outdoor Flowers: St. Mary's in Cottonwood is looking for help with the outdoor flowers. We would like to break this into several sections with the hope that each volunteer can be in charge of one section so that it is not such a huge job. We would have sections titled: Front rectory, West (Parking lot side), Mary Garden, Sign Shrubs, Front Church, North Side. If anyone is interested in helping with this, sign up sheets will be in back of the church on the bulletin table or contact Lynn @ 507-532-5711 or stmarys.cottonwood@yahoo.com

"If you are what you should be, you will set the world on fire!"
St. Catherine of Siena

Prayer Network Contacts:

HR: Evelyn Louwagie 507-532-6798
TR: Alita Lenertz 507-629-4145;
Lota Hannasch 507-629-4866
WG: Pam Baumann 507-859-2503
MIL: Jean Schmidt 507-336-2505

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR WINNER:
August 1 - $100 - Jeri Schons

VIRTUS Training Sessions:
Aug. 11, 9 am-12 pm at Church of St. Clara in Clara City
Aug. 12, 6-9 pm at Cathedral High School in New Ulm
Aug. 20, 6-9 pm at Church of St. Francis in Benson
Sept. 22, 6-9 pm at Church of St. Anne in Wabasso
Sept. 29, 5:30-8:30 pm, Church of St. Mary in Willmar
Sept. 29, 6-9 pm, Church of St. Anastasia in Hutchinson
Please ask individuals needing a new VIRTUS account to register online through the diocesan Website https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/ by clicking on the large red button in the left margin of the main Safe Environment Web page. Individuals with existing pending accounts who did not previously register for a session should log back in to their new VIRTUS account using the user id and password they created to register at this time. Users may also change their session decision online if needed. If you need help registering someone, please contact Sherry Kalow (skalow@dnu.org).

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Tracy Meals on Wheels: St Mary's, Tracy CCW is looking for volunteers to help with our August Meals on Wheels deliveries. We are also in need of someone to coordinate our volunteers. If you are interested, please contact Carol at 507-829-0135. St Mary's Tracy CCW's next meeting is Tuesday, **August 5th** at 3:30 in the church basement. Please join us as we start a new year of service.

Annual Mission Coop Appeal: This year we are blessed to welcome Fr. Robert Fath, a priest of the Diocese of Fairbanks, Alaska, to our area faith community. Fr. Fath will share with us the great ministries taking place in the Diocese of Fairbanks and the many ways in which we can assist in the financial and spiritual support of those ministries. Fr. Fath will be speaking at this weekend's Masses at **St. Mary in Cottonwood, St. Michael in Milroy and St. Mary in Tracy**. A second collection after communion will be taken up at these Masses for this appeal. Welcome Fr. Robert Fath.

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 Alita Lenertz at 507-629-4145
Milroy contact Jean at 507-336-2505

Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary: **Friday, August 15** is a holy day of obligation. Vigil Masses will be held on **Thursday, August 14** at 5:30 PM in Cottonwood, Marshall and Milroy and at 7 PM in Tracy. On **Friday** Masses will be held at 7 AM in Marshall and at 8:30 AM in Tracy.

STEWARDSHIP

Bulletin Week of...	Holy Red	SM-Ctnwd	St. Michael	SM-Tracy
7/6/2025	$8,302.49	$1,209.00	$1,314.00	
7/13/2025	$15,136.78	$521.00	$1,463.76	
7/20/2025	$22,001.16	$2,159.00	$1,097.25	
7/27/2025	$20,391.82	$461.00	$1,829.55	
Monthly Total	$65,832.25	$4,350.00	$5,704.56	$0.00

Organization & Community Happenings (Diocese, etc.)

The Diocese of New Ulm is seeking a dedicated and organized individual for the position of receptionist/ administrative assistant. This full-time role involves providing essential administrative support to multiple directors of ministries, in addition to serving as the lead receptionist for the Diocesan Pastoral Center. If you are detail-oriented, flexible, and passionate about serving the people of God, we encourage you to apply by **August 15, 2025**. A full job description and how to apply can be accessed via the QR Code.

Upcoming Community Events:

- Lyon County Fair in Marshall: **August 13-17, 2025**
- Marshall Sounds of Summer: **August 20-24, 2025**
- Tracy Boxcar Days: **August 29—Sept. 1, 2025**
  - * Sunday, **Aug.31**—*Dad's Belgian Waffles* in St. Mary's Church Basement 9 am-12:30 pm
  - * Monday, **Sept. 1**—Craft Fair 10 am-3 pm in St. Mary's School Gym
  - * Monday, **Sept. 1**—Food Stand 11 am-1 pm
- Wood Lake Fair: **August 18-20, 2025**
- Classes begin at SMSU: **August 25, 2025**
- Milroy Fun Days: **Saturday, September 6**

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 9 entitled ***"Founding Fathers and Mothers"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tuesday**, **August 5** & at 9 AM on **Friday, August 8**.

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

Holy Helpers

For Grades K-12 from 2 PM to 4 PM
Wednesday, August 6
This is your last chance to help yourself by helping others!

GRIEFSHARE New Session begins **Monday, August 4**: Grieving the loss of a loved one? A GriefShare support group is a safe, welcoming place where people understand the difficult emotions of grief. Through this 13-week group, you'll discover what to expect in the days ahead and what's "normal" in grief. Since there are no neat, orderly stages of grief, you'll learn healthy ways of coping with grief, in all its unpredictability, and gain solid support each step of the way. The session begins Monday, **August 4** from 6:30-8 PM in the Holy Redeemer Church gathering space in Marshall. Any questions, call Pat at 507-829-0240 or the church office at 507-532-5711.

Our AFC is hiring! Our Director of Religious Education is looking for people to join the team! Do you love the Lord? And children and youth of all ages? Do you have 3 to 5 hours a week to give? If so, you might be the right person to join our amazing faith formation team! We are looking for people to serve as **Site Coordinators in Milroy and Tracy**. This position would be 3-5 hours per week, surrounding the regular Faith Formation hours for each Parish. If interested, please contact Becki (beckij@holy-redeemer.com or 507-532-5711). We look forward to hearing from you!

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

School Information

Principal: Ashley Honetschlager, ahonetschlager@holy-redeemer.com
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Administrative Assistant: Sue Donner, sdonner@holy-redeemer.com
https://www.holyredeemerschools.com

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.

St. Mary's School, 225 6th Street, Tracy, MN 56175 - 507-629-3270
Administrative Assistant: Shea Pedersen, stmary@iw.net
https://www.stmarystracy.com

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.

Support St. Mary's School Box Car Day Food Stand: Families of St. Mary's School have started preparing for the Box Car Day Food Stand. We are raising money to purchase pork burgers and hamburger for the walking tacos. If you would like to make a monetary donation or have hamburger to donate, please contact Andrea Schreier at 605-929-9937. Thank you for your continued 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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