MARY Mother of God
AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday, August 10, 2025 - Nineteenth 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 - August 11-17, 2025

Monday - Saint Clare, Virgin
August 11: Dt 10:12-22; Mt 17:22-27
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) ✞ Joseph & Frances Bot family
5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Maurice DeJaeghere

Tuesday
August 12: Dt 31:1-8; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ David Schroeder
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Julia Claeys
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Dan Schuh

Wednesday
August 13: Dt 34:1-12; Mt 18:15-20
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Monica Hoof
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Maurice Van De Wiele
10:45 a.m. Mass (BC) ✞ George Turbes
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Mary Griffin

Thursday - Saint Maximilian Kolbe, Priest and Martyr
August 14: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Mt 18:21—19:1
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Orville & Marge Hennen
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞ Bev Stassen
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (MIL) ✞ Brooklyn Larsen
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (HR) For People of the Parish
5:30 p.m. Vigil Mass (SM) ✞ Angie Solfield
7:00 p.m. Vigil Mass (TR) ✞ Cody Morgan

Friday - The Assumption of The Blessed Virgin Mary
August 15: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16, 16:1-2; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28; Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Laurence Louwagie
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Richard Krueger
10:30 a.m. Mass (HS) ✞ Delores DeVos
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday
August 16: Jos 24:14-29; Mt 19:13-15
10:30 a.m. Jack Dempsey Funeral Mass
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Bernice Fischer

Sunday - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 17: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Alice Deutz
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Richard Vroman
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ David & Leonard Louwagie
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Deceased Stoks & Przybys family members
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Roger Boerboom
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 11
6:30 PM (HR) Griefshare
Tuesday, August 12

Wednesday, August 13
4:30 PM—10 PM (Fairgrounds) Fair Stand Open
Thursday, August 14
11 AM—10:15 PM (Fairgrounds) Fair Stand Open
Friday, August 15
11 AM—10:15 PM (Fairgrounds) Fair Stand Open
12 PM (HR) Parish Office closes
Saturday, August 16
11 AM—10:15 PM (Fairgrounds) Fair Stand Open
Sunday, August 17
11 AM—3 PM (Fairgrounds) Fair Stand Open

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.

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 & St. Mary's, Cottonwood)

A FEW FAIR STAND VOLUNTEERS are still needed for Saturday and clean up on Sunday. Sign up sheets will be available after Masses this weekend or call Brad Gruhot at 952-270-5914 or sign up here: https://tinyurl.com/2yhzzdrf.

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.

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

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

Parish Circle Handbooks for St. Mary's, Cottonwood: The handbooks are on a table in the Gathering Space. Please take a minute to pick yours up. Thank you

"Know that the greatest service that man can offer to God is to help convert souls."
St. Rose of Lima

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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 8 - $100 - Katie Lanoue

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).

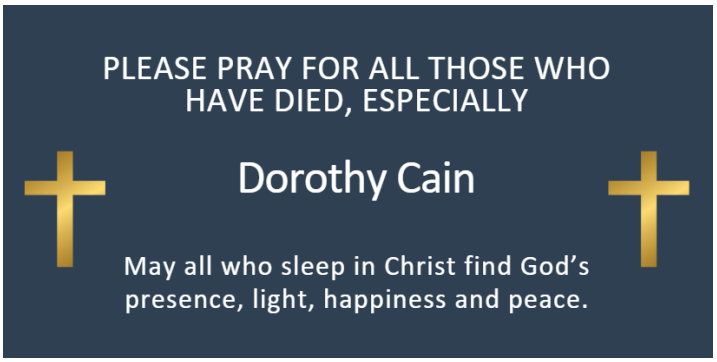
Thank You from the Welu Family

We would like to extend our heartfelt thanks to the members of our parish for the outpouring of love and support shown to our family during the loss of our husband and dad.

Thank you to all who brought food to the church, assisted with the funeral Mass and meal, helped with childcare, and offered their time and hands in so many meaningful ways behind the scenes. We are also deeply grateful for the kind words, cards, gifts, and memorials we received.

Most of all, thank you for your continued prayers and support. Your compassion has brought comfort to our hearts during this difficult time, and we are truly blessed to be part of such a caring and faith-filled community.

– The Family of Melvin Welu



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Faith Formation / Religious Education News

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!

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 10 entitled ***"Saintly Pastors"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tuesday**, **August 12** & at 9 AM on **Friday, August 15**.

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Wood Lake Fair:

Monday, August 18

- 6 PM— Little Scrapper's Kids Pedal Pull & Firemen's Water Fights
- 6:30 PM—DJ "Livin Rich Entertainment"
- 8 PM—Dueling Pianos

Tuesday, August 19

- 6:30 PM—DJ "Livin Rich Entertainment"
- 7 PM—Deal or No Deal Game Show

Wednesday, August 20

- 6 PM—Kiddie Parade
- 6:30 PM—Grand Parade
- 7:30 PM—Looney Lutherans
- 8 PM—"Maiden Dixie" Band

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

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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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