PARISH LIFE

A Weekly Publication for Parishioners & Friends

Sunday, August 16, 2026 - Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time

AFC Liturgical Schedule - August 17-23, 2026

Monday
August 17: *Ezekiel 24:15-23* / Matthew 19:16-22
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Gary Deutz
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) + Liz Schroeder

Tuesday
August 18: Ezekiel 28:1-10 / Matthew 19:23-30
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Dennis Lyon
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) + Vincent & Linda Van Overbeke

Wednesday
August 19: Ezekiel 34:1-11 / Matthew 20:1-16
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Laurence Louwagie
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) + Dennis Michelson

Thursday - Memorial of Saint Bernard, Abbot and Doctor of the Church
August 20: Ezekiel 36:23-28 / Matthew 22:1-14
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Joseph, Evelyn & Kevin Demuth
1:30 p.m. Mass (OBC) + George Timmerman
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) + Mark Vanderwerf

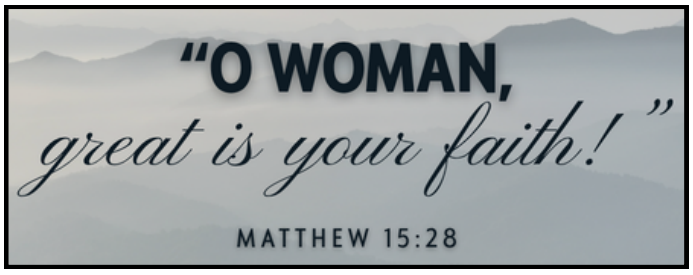
Friday - Memorial of Saint Pius X, Pope
August 21: Ezekiel 37:1-14 / Matthew 22:34-40
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Living and deceased members of Catholic United Financial MMOGAFC
10:30 a.m. Mass (HS) + Steve Geary
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday - Memorial of the Queenship of the Blessed Virgin Mary
August 22: Ezekiel 43:1-7ab / Matthew 23:1-12
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) + Alissa Vandendriessche
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) + Jerry Sanders

Sunday - Twenty-first Sunday in Ordinary Time
August 23: Isaiah 22:19-23 / Romans 11:33-36 / Matthew 16:13-20
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Francis & Joan Polfliet
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) + Donnie & Roxy Zeug
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) + Henry & Marie Stoks, baby Marie & Michael Stoks
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) + Art Rogers
11:30 a.m. Spanish Mass (HR) For the People of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins (SJC)

Weekly Happenings

Monday, August 17
6:30 pm (HR) Griefshare
Tuesday, August 18
6:00 pm (HRC) Musician Practice
7:00 pm (CH) Young Adult Catholics - Ice Cream Social
KC 3rd Degree Steak Grill Out
Wednesday, August 19
Thursday, August 20
Friday, August 21
Saturday, August 22
Sunday, August 23



Summer Confession Times

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

Holy Redeemer Church, Marshall

503 West Lyon Street, Marshall, MN 56258 (507) 532-5711 Office Hours: M-TH 8 AM to 4:30 PM, Fri. 8 AM to Noon
Prayer Network: Evelyn Louwagie (507) 532-6798

Coming This September: In His Presence

This fall, Holy Redeemer Church will begin In His Presence, a parish-wide initiative focused on growing our love for Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and strengthening Eucharistic Adoration. Throughout the coming weeks, you'll hear more about this exciting opportunity to deepen your faith and discover ways to spend time with Christ in prayer. Please keep this initiative in your prayers as we prepare for its September launch.

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 21, 2026**. The raffle drawing will be held on **Saturday, September 26**, following the 5 PM Mass.

St. Mary's, Cottonwood

255 W 4th Street S., Cottonwood, MN 56229 (507) 423-5220 August Office Hours: Tuesday and Thursday 6 - 8 pm

Mass Time Change: Please note a schedule change for the weekend of August 22–23. The regular 9:00 a.m. Sunday Mass on August 23 has been moved to **Saturday, August 22, at 5:30 p.m**.

St. Michael's, Milroy

200 Euclid Avenue, Milroy MN 56253 (507) 336-2505 Office Hours: M-TH 8 AM-Noon
Prayer Network: Jean Schmidt (507) 336-2505

Volunteer Needed: St. Michael is looking for a volunteer to wash the Sacristy linens used for Mass. If you would like to do this for us, please contact Jean Schmidt at 507-828-2171 or call the office 507-336-2505

Baby Shower for: Please join us for a baby shower honoring Hope Welu as we celebrate the upcoming arrival of her baby! The shower will be held on **Sunday, August 30**, from 1:00–3:00 p.m. at St. Michael's Church. Everyone is welcome to attend as we celebrate this special occasion!

St. Mary's, Tracy

249 6th Street, Tracy, MN 56175 (507) 629-4075 Office Hours: M-F 7:30 AM-4:00 PM
Prayer Network: Lota Hannasch (507) 828-6825, Bonnie Buysse (507) 629-4496

St. Mary's School Weekly Calendar Winners:
August 14 - $100: Jeff Peters

Area Faith Community News & Community Happenings

Salad Supper: Grace and Trinity Lutheran Churches of Westbrook invite you to their Salad Supper on **Wednesday, August 19**, at 6:00 p.m. at Grace Lutheran Church (755 Adams Ave., Westbrook). The evening will feature inspirational speaker Megan May. For more information, contact Dolly Phelps at 507-227-2796.

American Red Cross Blood Drive at Holy Redeemer Church: Give the gift of life! Holy Redeemer Church will host an American Red Cross Blood Drive on **Tuesday, August 25**, from 12:00–5:00 p.m. in Carlin Hall. Donors are needed, and appointments are available now. Visit RedCrossBlood.org to schedule your appointment today!

Workshop: Planning for End of Life with Purpose and Peace of Mind on **August 19 at 11 a.m.**
As Catholics, we have a hope beyond the end of our earthly lives, but many practical questions remain about caring for ourselves and our loved ones as we move through this life stage. Typical questions include: What is Church teaching about end-of-life medical treatment? Is cremation or burial preferred? How do I make a health care directive that honors my Catholic beliefs? Father Todd Petersen will address these questions and others during a workshop, "Planning for End-of-Life with Purpose and Peace of Mind" on **August 19** at St. Edward's Parish at 11 a.m.. John Tetzloff, Director of Sales for Catholic United Financial, will also be on hand to speak about the financial aspects of end-of-life decisions, including final expenses, estate plans, charitable giving, power of attorney and more. This workshop is sponsored by Catholic United Financial and hosted by Sr. Advisor Brian Zitzmann and Sr. Advisor David Schonhardt. To save your seat, call 1-800-441-9949 or email workshops@catholicunited.org

Attention Musicians: All Musicians or individuals thinking of being a church musician, there will be two practices held to work on a new music; specifically a new Mass setting. These practices will be held at Holy Redeemer Church on **Sunday, August 16th** and **Tuesday, August 18th** at 6 p.m. Anyone is welcome to attend one or both practices. Please contact Anna Lenz with any questions. alenz@holy-redeemer.com

Catholic Planned Giving Workshop: Petrus Development will host a one-day Catholic Planned Giving Workshop on **Thursday, October 15**, at St. Therese Parish in Sioux Falls. The workshop will offer practical guidance for identifying potential planned giving donors, starting conversations, and understanding common types of planned gifts. Registration begins at 8:00 a.m., with the workshop from 9:00 a.m.–5:00 p.m. Cost is $59 through September 14 and $89 beginning September 15. Registration closes **October 8**. Learn more and register at petrusdevelopment.com/siouxfalls

Walnut Grove Blood Drive: The American Red Cross will host a blood drive on **Thursday, August 20,** from 1:00–7:00 p.m. at the Walnut Grove Community Center, 311 6th Street. To schedule an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter sponsor code WalnutGroveMN. Donors who give blood in August will receive a $20 Amazon gift card by email.

IHM Fall Dinner: Immaculate Heart of Mary Catholic Church in Currie invites you to its Fall Dinner on **Sunday, September 13**, from 11:00 a.m.–1:00 p.m. Enjoy turkey, dressing, mashed potatoes and gravy, corn, coleslaw, pie, and desserts. Adults $15, K–6 $10, preschool free. Handicap accessible. All are welcome!

Habitat for Humanity of West Central Minnesota:
There has been an official ground-breaking for the home they are building in Marshall. They are accepting applications from families who would be interested in applying for this house. If interested, visit their website at Habitat for Humanity of West Central Minnesota to find an application form that you can fill out online, or contact them at hfhwcm@habitatwcm.org for more information and application forms.
They will also be looking for individuals or organizations to help with the construction of the home. If interested, contact them at the above email.

Area Faith Community News & Community Happenings

Young Adult Catholics (YAC) is a group for Catholics in their 20s and 30s who are looking to grow in faith, build friendships, and connect with other young adults in our Area Faith Community.
Join us for our next YAC Gathering:
Ice Cream Social
August 18 • 7:00 pm • Carlin Hall
Come enjoy great conversation, community, and of course, ice cream! We hope to see you there.

Father Andy's New Mailing Address: Many parishioners have asked for Father Andy's new mailing address. If you would like to send him a card or note as he begins retirement, you may write to him at:
Fr. Andy Michels
2710 N. Dale St., Apt. 216
Roseville, MN 55113
We know Father Andy appreciates your continued prayers, support, and well wishes.

Upcoming Community Events:
- Lyon County Fair in Marshall: August 12-16, 2026
- Marshall Sounds of Summer: August 19-23, 2026
- Tracy Boxcar Days: September 4-7, 2026
- Wood Lake Fair: August 24-26, 2026
- Classes begin at SMSU: August 24, 2026
- Milroy Fun Days: September 12, 2026

Virtus Trainings Available: 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).

In Loving memory of Emil & Bertha Doug & Jane Louwagie John & Lenice & Jody Clark Eric Hennen by Dean & Linda Louwagie	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

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

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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 in Cottonwood
CH - Carlin Hall @ HR	MIL - St. Michael's in Milroy	SMS - St. Mary's School, Tracy
FF - Faith Formation @ HRS	NH - Nursing Home (Marshall)	TR - St. Mary's in Tracy
HP - Heritage Pointe (Marshall)	OBC - OBrien Ct. (Tracy)	WG - Walnut Grove Country View

AFC Bulletin Submittal Deadline: **Wednesday 9 AM**. Send to Dana Peterson at dpeterson@mmogafc.org.
More news and events can be found on **www.mmogafc.org**. To sponsor an ad on back of bulletin contact Latiefa at 507-532-4493.

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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