MARY Mother of God
AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

Sunday, August 31, 2025 - Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

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AFC Liturgical Schedule - September 1-7, 2025

Monday
September 1: 1 Thes 4:13-18; Lk 4:16-30
NO Masses

Tuesday
September 2: 1 Thes 5:1-6, 9-11; Lk 4:31-37
8:00 a.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins (SJC)
12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC) ✞ Jean Neisius
3:30 p.m. Mass (BE) ✞ Valeria Blair
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Sandy Alcorn

Wednesday - Saint Gregory the Great, Pope & Doctor of the Church
September 3: Col 1:1-8; Lk 4:38-44
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Maynard & Lula Hodges
8:20 a.m. Mass (HRS) ✞ Ralph & Bernice Tholen
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Richard Krueger
5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Cathy Johns

Thursday
September 4: Col 1:9-14; Lk 5:1-11
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Jack Hennen
8:30 a.m. Mass (WG) ✞ Dorothy Cain
5:30 p.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Terry Dolan

Friday - Saint Teresa of Calcutta
September 5: Col 1:15-20; Lk 5:33-39
7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Irene Labat
8:30 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Harold DeSchepper
10:30 a.m. Mass (HS) ✞ Delores DeVos
12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

Saturday
September 6: Col 1:21-23; Lk 6:1-5
8:00 p.m. Mass (HR) In Thanksgiving
1:00 p.m. Meyer/Hidding Wedding (HR)
2:30 p.m. Monson/Dolan Wedding (MIL)
5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Matt Scherr

Sunday - Twenty–Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
September 7: Wis 9:13-18b; Phlm 9-10, 12-17; Lk 14:25-33
8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ Bill & Genny Sammons
8:30 a.m. Mass (MIL) ✞ Melvin Welu
9:30 a.m. Mass (SM) ✞ Gerald & Clara Hoffman
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✞ George & Rita Laleman
10:00 a.m. Mass (TR) ✞ Joe VanKeulen
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) ✞ Richard & Janet Doom

Weekly Events

Monday, September 1 - Labor Day
Parish Offices closed
Tracy Boxcar Days: https://tracymn.gov/boxcar-days
NO Griefshare

Tuesday, September 2
First day of School - St. Mary's & Holy Redeemer
5 pm (CRC) Catholic Stangs grill out

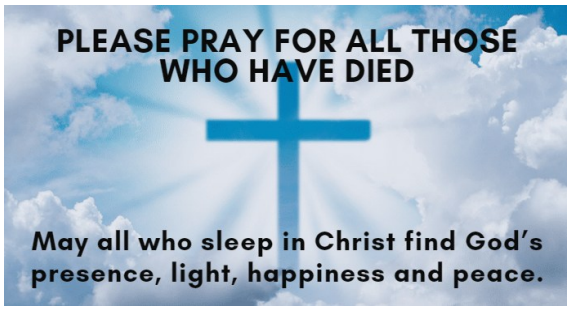
Wednesday, September 3
7 pm (HR) Infant Loss Support Group

Thursday, September 4
6:30 pm (SM) Choir practice

Friday, Sept. 5 - First Friday/Communion Calls
12 pm (HR) Parish Office closes
5:30 pm (HR) Wedding Rehearsal
6 pm (MIL) Wedding Rehearsal

Saturday, September 6
Following 8 am Mass (HR) First Sat. Devotions/ Confessions

Sunday, September 7
11 am—1 pm **St. Mary, Cottonwood** Fall Festival



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 9 am (SM)
Sunday 5:15 pm (CRC)

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)

Children's Liturgy will begin on **Sunday, Sept. 14** for preschool—1st Grade.
* 8 AM Mass at **Holy Redeemer**
* 8:30 AM Mass at **St. Michael**

Infant loss support group: The support group will meet again on Wednesday, **September 3rd** at 7 PM in the gathering area at Holy Redeemer Catholic Church.

Join us for SHE- the Women's program to grow in relationship with God and others.
"Love Unveiled"
Thursday mornings 6 am-7am from **Sept. 18-Nov. 20th**
HRC-Carlin Hall
5:45 Fellowship/coffee
6:00 Video
6:30 Discussion (distinct age groups)
7:00 Closing
Scan QR code to register or go to: https://admin.paradisusdei.org/admin/courses/5384
(No need to register if you attended last year.)
More info: Contact Jane 507-530-2952 or Mary 507-530-2772

St. Mary's, Cottonwood 65th Annual Fall Fest News:

- Baked Goods, Canned goods, and Produce are needed for our Country Store. Please keep us in mind as you are harvesting and canning.
- Items are needed for our Online Auction - Please get yours in as soon as possible since it takes time to get items uploaded and the descriptions written. We would also like to make sure you get the credit for your donation in our advertising.
- Please make sure to get your raffle tickets in, and if you need additional tickets contact Lynn at stmarys.cottonwood@yahoo.com or 507-532-5711.
- Sunday, **Sept. 7**, 9:30 AM Mass with Special Music
- 11 AM-1 PM: Turkey dinner with all the trimmings
- Cake Walk, Raffle drawing at 1 PM, Games & Bingo at 10:30 AM, Country Store
- Online Auction, bidding begins Friday, **Sept. 5** at 5 pm www.32auctions.com/SMCottonwood2025

Find Mass Times, Events & Parish Information. Thanks for your patience while we update! All essential info is already available on the site.

We Adore Him

Perpetual Adoration… *Adorers are especially needed at St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel for* ***Thursdays at 3 PM.*** Please sign up online at https://tinyurl.com/3u857rsu or call 507-532-5711. Also a sub is needed on Mondays at 7 PM for October & November. Please call Barb at 507-532-5711 if available.

Stats from the 2025 Holy Redeemer Fair Stand

- Homemade Pies Baked: 224
- Roast Beef Prepared: 560 pounds
- Storms Weathered: 3
- Gratitude for Our Volunteers: Immeasurable

A heartfelt thank you to everyone who contributed to the success of this year's Holy Redeemer Fair Stand! Your time, talents, and generosity are a true blessing to our Faith Community.

St. Mary's Cottonwood CCW is looking for 2 Co-Chairs to help organize and run the Fall Soup & Sandwich Luncheon on Thursday, **October 16th**. Please prayerfully consider this service opportunity that raises funds for needs in our community. *Many hands make light work!* Please contact Lucinda Weverka 507-828-2753 if you would be interested.

Parishioners of St. Mary's, in Cottonwood, the program used to send bulletins has changed. If you are not currently receiving the bulletin via email, and you would like to, please contact Becki (beckij@mmogafc.org) to ensure your email is added to the correct mailing list.

Parish Circle Handbooks: The St. Mary's, Cottonwood handbooks are located on a table in the Gathering Space. Please save us some postage by taking a minute to pick yours up this week. Thank you

AFC of Mary Mother of God (St. Mary's, Tracy & St. Michael's, Milroy) and Misc.

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL WEEKLY CALENDAR WINNER:
August 29 - $100 - Chad Buysse

Parishioners of St. Mary's, in Tracy, the program used to send bulletins has changed. If you are not currently receiving the bulletin via email, and you would like to, please contact Becki (beckij@mmogafc.org) to ensure your email is added to the correct mailing list.

St. Mary's, Tracy Calendar Raffle is underway. Please contact a St. Mary's family to purchase tickets. Tickets will also be available at the church. Cost is $52 a ticket. Weekly drawings will be held. Contact Beth Gervais (612 -418-7916) or Marie Schreier (618-304-8632) for more details.

Eucharistic Adoration at St. Mary's, Tracy: Beginning in September, Eucharistic Adoration will be held the first Friday of every month following the 8:30 AM Mass and ending at 11 AM.

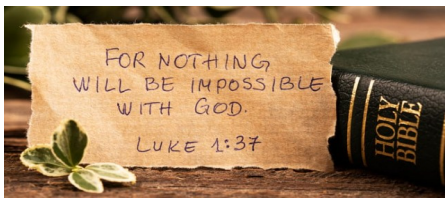
Studio 1 - Marshall's local cable access is airing the series *"Crash Course in the Saints".* Episode 13 entitled ***"North American Saints"*** will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 325 & Spectrum channel 180 at 4 PM on **Tuesday**, **September 2** & at 9 AM on **Friday, September 5**.

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

Lemonade for San Lucas: Lemonade will be sold following Mass **TODAY, August 31** at ***St. Michael's*** in Milroy. All proceeds will go to support the San Lucas Mission in Guatemala.

Sponsor an ad! The Mary, Mother of God Area Faith Community weekly bulletin has several open spots for a sponsorship ad. ***These ads help make it possible to print our weekly bulletins at no cost to the church!*** If you are interested in ad sponsorship or would like more information, please contact Latiefa at 507-532-4493 or email latiefa@henleprinting.com. Thank you for continuing to patronize our advertisers!

VIRTUS Training Sessions:
Sept. 4, 6-9 pm at Cathedral High School in New Ulm
Sept. 22, 6-9 pm at Church of St. Anne in Wabasso
Sept. 24, 6:30-9:30 pm in Canby at Kornerstone Kravings
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 those 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).



Organization & Community Happenings (Diocese, CCW, CDA, KC's etc.)

Deanery 2 CCW meeting is coming up on Monday, **Sept. 15th** at Sts. Peter & Paul in Ivanhoe. Our speaker for the evening will be Mr. John Drown. Registration fee is covered by your parish CCW. Please reach out to your local CCW President before Monday, **Sept. 8th** to get registered.
Cottonwood (St. Mary) Lucinda Weverka (507)828-2753
Marshall (Holy Redeemer) Leanna Olsem (507)828-0585
or Lori Timmerman – (507)476-0070
Milroy (St. Michael) Jean Walling (507)828-3943
Tracy (St. Mary) Carol Strand (507)829-0135

Friends of San Lucas

*The annual Friends of San Lucas Gala will take place in New Ulm on Saturday, **Sept. 6** and will celebrate the impact that the Mission has had upon the lives of women in Guatemala. We'd love for you to join us for dinner or as an event sponsor! For more information see sanlucasmission.org/nu25.*

Prayer Vigil: Join the Sisters of Mary Morning Star for a Prayer Vigil on Sunday, **Sept. 7** at 7 PM at Church of St. Eloi in Ghent. Celebrate the canonization of Carlo Acutis & Pier Giorgio Frassati.

Organization & Community Happenings

Upcoming Community Events:

- ***Tracy Boxcar Days*—Aug. 29-Sept. 1**—*Dad's Belgian Waffles, St. Mary's famous pies, Craft Fair & Food Stand*
- ***Milroy Fun Days***: **Saturday, September 6**
- ***Redwood Falls, St. Catherine Church*** Fall Festival: **Sunday, September 7,** 11 am-1 pm
- **Sunday, Sept. 14**, ***IHM Catholic Church in Currie*** Fall Festival Dinner, 11 am to 1 pm; serving Turkey and all the trimmings.
- **Sunday, Sept. 14**, ***St. Edward's Church, Minneota*** Fall Festival, 10:30 am to 1 pm; Pork Loin Dinner

RPR NETWORK Real Presence Radio *Your Family of Faith and Hope*

Fall Live Drive is here! Join us **Sept. 9-11**, from 7 AM to 7 PM each day. Support Real Presence Radio by tuning in to 89.5 FM or calling 877-795-0122 to give.

Campus Religious Center at SMSU (CRC)

Catholic Campus Ministry welcomes our university students back to another year of academics and time for spiritual growth. Starting the week of **September 1st**, there will be daily Mass offered at the CRC on ***Tuesdays at Noon***. All the other weekday Masses throughout the week will be held at Holy Redeemer Church. The Sunday evening Mass at 6 pm will once again be offered beginning on **Sunday, September 7th** at the Campus Religious Center.

Faith Formation / Religious Education News

Faith Formation Registration is OPEN!

Register your child(ren) for classes at any of our four parishes — St. Mary in Cottonwood, The Church of the Holy Redeemer in Marshall, St. Mary in Tracy, or St. Michael in Milroy. We welcome parish members and families who are not currently registered parishioners.

Programs Offered:

- Catechesis of the Good Shepherd (Preschool–2nd Grade, at Holy Redeemer School)
- Alive in Christ (Grades Pre K-5th)
- EDGE (Middle School)
- Lifeteen (High School)

Classes Begin: **September 17**

Cost: $60/child per year (+$15 in sacramental prep years, no family cap)

This process may be new for some, and if you have any questions, contact Emily at (507)532-5711. Register here: https://web4u.forms-db.com/view.php?id=2746567 or scan the QR code.

Our AFC is hiring! 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@mmogafc.org or 507-532-5711). We look forward to hearing from you!

All four parishes are looking for volunteer helpers in our Wednesday night classrooms. Please contact Becki at beckij@mmogafc.org or Emily at EGoblirsch@mmogafc.org or call either at 507-532-5711 if you are interested in helping!

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@mmogafc.org
Dean of Students: Justin Condelli, jcondelli@mmogafc.org

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Administrative Assistant: Sue Donner, sdonner@mmogafc.org
https://www.holyredeemerschools.com

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

The first day of school at Holy Redeemer School for 1-8 Grade is Tuesday, **September 2**! We look forward to seeing our hallways filled with smiling faces and eager learners once again. We ask for your prayers for a safe, joyful, and faith-filled school year for our students, staff, and families.

Daily prayer, weekly Mass, and a vibrant community of learners and believers.

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

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The first day of school at St. Mary's School is Tuesday, **September 2**! We are excited to welcome our students and families back for another year of faith, learning & community. Please keep our students, teachers, and staff in your prayers as we begin a new school year rooted in Christ's love.

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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