

SACRAMENTAL LIFE

Banns of Marriage

Kayla Michelle Holicky & Andrew Karl Roland



We welcome the newest members of the Church through the waters of Baptism:

Thomas Paul Jones & Christian Cruz

Baptism

Baptisms are still being celebrated in the present time with social distancing, precautions and some limitations. Please contact Fr. Sandquist via email or phone to schedule your child's baptism. Parents are asked to attend a class on the sacrament of baptism (virtually if necessary). Due to the great importance of this sacrament we encourage you not to delay in requesting this sacrament. It is desirable that parents make contact with us even before the birth of the child.

Opportunity for Confession

"Drive-thru" confessions will be available **Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6-7pm at the Church of St. Mary in Le Center** and **Saturday, 3-4pm at Nativity in Cleveland** in the parish parking lots. Cones will be set up to direct the flow of traffic.

Mass - THIS Sunday, July 5

Church of St. Mary Parking Lot at 9AM & 12 PM (Spanish)

Holy Communion will be distributed shortly after Mass ends with social distancing procedures in place.

If the weather is favorable, Mass will take place in the parking lot. If the weather is poor, the Mass will take place in the church with no more than 50% capacity in attendance. The Mass will be live-streamed either way.



Rosary in the Park



The monthly public Fatima Rosary will be held Monday, July 13th, at 12 noon, at the Le Center South Park (near the Pool) under and surrounding the Gazebo. You may even park and stay in your car. We will pray loudly! In rainy weather we will gather at the fairgrounds under/around the community pavilion. Please bring lawn chairs and masks to maintain acceptable social distance. If you can't join us in person, please join in prayer at home during this time. For more info, contact Sheila McCabe Swan 507-357-6941.



Cemetery Board Meeting
Thursday, July 9, 2020
7:00-8:00 PM
St. Mary Social Hall

ST. HENRY NEWS

Church Cleaning - Chris Hoey and Cindy Widmer are scheduled to clean the church by July 12, 2020.

FAITH FORMATION

Please pray for our Confirmation students as they make their final preparations for Confirmation this Friday, July 10th at 7pm.



Steubenville LIVE

July 17th and July 18th

<https://www.partnershipforyouth.org/virtual-steubenville-conference/>



STEUBENVILLE
CONFERENCE

This year the Steubenville Conference will be held online. We are planning on hosting the sessions here at St. Mary's through streaming. No payment required.

Friday, July 17 - 6pm-9pm
Saturday July 18 - 11am-7pm

(We will be following the latest Archdiocesan guidelines for social distancing and safe practices.)

The conference will include engaging talks from many of the speakers you love, quality worship, and Jesus! We will bring you a unique and interactive experience that will allow your youth's faith to deepen.

Please contact Jean to register if you are interested in attending as a youth at home or with our group. Either way you plan to attend, registration is required.

Keep in touch with us through Facebook, Remind, and emails where we will share daily Bible quotes, online family formation, and updates from the Archdiocese.

Like us on Facebook! For Faith Formation News go to **St Mary & St Henry Faith Formation** (<https://www.facebook.com/lecentercatholic/>). For other news in the parish go to **St. Mary's Church, Le Center** (<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryStHenry/>)

"Do not be anxious about how you should defend yourself or what you should say, for the Holy Spirit will teach you in that very hour what you should say."
Luke 12:11-12

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Please Pray

Part of our Christian duty is to pray for each other. The following have asked for your prayers:

Jolene Zell Holden Zell Dave Krenik Bob Selly
Mary Boettcher Dave Farm Tom Boettcher
Stacy Germscheid Shirley Hrdlicka Gene Holicky

We also keep in prayer all residents at area assisted living and long-term care facilities and our homebound parishioners.

Churches of St. Mary & St. Henry

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FOURTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

July 5, 2020

Mass Schedule

Sunday - St. Mary Parking Lot - **Holy Communion will be distributed**

9:00 AM - English 12:00 PM - Spanish

The Archbishop has made it abundantly clear that no one is obliged to attend Sunday Mass during the time of this pandemic. Therefore, if you judge it safer for you not to attend Mass at any point during this pandemic, let your conscience be at peace. To help you stay connected the best we are able, we will continue to live stream our Sunday Masses whenever possible.

Daily Mass - in St. Mary Church Building

Monday No Mass

Tuesday 5:00 PM

Weds, Thurs, & Friday 9:00 AM

Sacrament of Reconciliation "Drive-thru" confessions will be available Monday, Wednesday, and Friday, 6-7pm at the Church of St. Mary in Le Center and Saturday, 3-4pm at Nativity in Cleveland in the parish parking lots.

Eucharistic Adoration takes place from 7:30-9:30 pm each evening Monday-Friday. This will be done "Drive-in" style in our parking lot. The Blessed Sacrament will be placed in the center window.

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. James Stiles (ext 306) fr.stiles@frontier.com
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Trustees St. Henry: Dan Germscheid 357-4923 Jim Selly 357-4898

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Music Ministry: Terri McMillen
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Office Hours - Parish office is closed until further notice

Bulletin Deadline - articles need to be submitted to Gloria by noon on Wednesday.

For use of meeting rooms or Social Hall - contact Gloria

Thrift Store - 507-357-6942 Closed due to the Covid-19 Pandemic



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ST. JOHN PAUL II

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Public Weekday Masses have resumed according to the normal schedule. Social distancing precautions are being taken. Masks are encouraged.

Monday, July 6

6:00-7:00 pm Confessions - drive-thru (parking lot)
7:30-9:30 pm Adoration - drive-in (parking lot)

Tuesday, July 7

5:00 pm Mass Larry & Gina Germscheid††
7:30-9:30 pm Adoration - drive-in (parking lot)

Wednesday, July 8

9:00 am Mass Joe & Edith Tambornino††
6:00-7:00 pm Confessions - drive-thru (parking lot)
7:00-8:00 pm Faith Formation Board Meeting
7:30-9:30 pm Adoration - drive-in (parking lot)

Thursday, July 9

9:00 am Mass Terry Krenik†
7:00-8:00 pm Cemetery Board Meeting
7:30-9:30 pm Adoration - drive-in (parking lot)

Friday, July 10

10:00 am Mass of Christian Burial Tim Simonette
6:00-7:00 pm Confessions - drive-thru (parking lot)
7:00 pm Confirmation Mass at St. Mary
No Adoration - please note change for this week

Saturday, July 11

3:00-4:00 pm Confessions - drive-thru at Nativity

Sunday, July 12

9:00 am Mass (Parking Lot) Judy Connelly†, Cliff & Clarence Fredrickson††, Living & Deceased of Charles L. Traxler family
12:00 pm Mass - Spanish (Parking Lot) For the Parish

This Week in the Parish

Please check our website and Facebook for the latest news and happenings here at the Churches of St. Mary & St. Henry. Tune in to pray and learn with us.

www.stmarysthenry.org
St. Mary's Church, Le Center
<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryStHenry/>

FROM THE PASTOR'S DESK

Pious Patriotism

Happy Fourth of July! This time of year we especially remember to honor our country. While patriotism may sound like it has nothing to do with our faith, St. Thomas Aquinas taught that giving appropriate honor to one's country is actually part of the virtue called "piety." Piety means paying the honor due to another for the benefits we've received from them. We owe piety first and foremost to God because we owe the whole of our existence to him. We owe piety to our parents for our birth and for our rearing. (Yes, changing all of those dirty diapers does count for something!) And we owe piety to our country for the many goods it has provided for us that we couldn't have provided for ourselves.

What good things we might ask? Well how about the fact that we can call 911 and have an ambulance show up at our door if we need it? How about the fact that we are regarded as "innocent until proven guilty" under law (which prevents those who don't like us from so easily ruining our lives)? How about the fact that we have good, relatively safe roads that allow us to freely go wherever we need to go? How about the fact that we can freely practice our faith? Our country may not be perfect, but it has provided us with many, many good things that not everyone has.

For this we owe a certain debt to our country - the debt of "piety." But piety doesn't only refer to flying the American flag in our yard or putting our hands on our hearts during the National Anthem. These are certainly ways of expressing piety, but even more importantly, piety is about *servicing* our country. Service in the military is one way to serve the country, but it is by no means the only way. It is the task of politicians, teachers, police officers, firefighters, EMT's, judges, doctors, nurses, counselors, postal workers and many more to serve our country as well. In fact, a "job" isn't the only way to serve either. By, say, voting with an informed conscience, paying our taxes honestly, and looking to the needs of those beyond ourselves, we do, in fact, exercise the virtue of piety. Perhaps one of the greatest ways we can serve our country is by serving our family. After all, if a country is made up of broken families, how can we expect that country not to break as well?

As Christians, we ought to be our nation's best citizens because we know that we don't only have to answer to Uncle Sam, we have to answer to God who will weigh our every action and omission on judgment day. May we honor and serve our God and our country for all we have received. (But of course, God first.)

-Fr. Sandquist



Eucharistic Adoration - Drive-in Style Join Us In This Unique Experience!

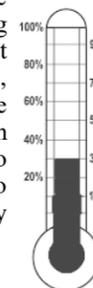
Please note we will not have Adoration on Friday, July 10 due to the Confirmation Mass taking place at 7:00 pm for our Confirmation Students.

If you drive by the church any night Monday-Friday from 7:30-9:30 pm, you will see many cars parked in the lot facing the building. The occupants of those cars are adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament exposed in a monstrance placed in the center window. Many have expressed how wonderful this time is for them and some even come every evening. It's a quiet time and a beautiful sight to see Jesus in the window with just the glow of candles and a spotlight. Feel free to stop in and adore Jesus for 5 minutes, 15 minutes, 1 hour or even 2!

St. Mary Calvary Cemetery Maintenance and Beautification Projects

You can give to this project in the same manner as listed below under "Wondering How to Give to the Church". If you don't have a purple cemetery giving envelope, you can indicate on your check memo line "Cemetery Project" and/or place in an envelope marked the same. Feel free to indicate if you'd like your donation to go to the statue or the roads or both. Gifts of any amount are welcome - Thank you!

Total Cost of Projects: \$32,664.00
Raised to Date: \$12,180.00



Parish Festival

Many of us made note of the beautiful weather we would have had last Sunday for our festival and we thought of the day full of fun, great food, working hard, and building community. We also missed all of our visitors from far and near! This day is also a major fundraiser for our church. We asked you to make a monetary donation in hopes of raising the amount that we usually bring in each year (about \$30,000). **Thank you for your generous response! To date we have collected \$30,826!** Our festival has always been a success due to our team effort. Together, we did it again!



Serve the Poor Support Life Strengthen the Faith

Help those in need - donate today! Thank you from the 20 Designated Ministries of the CSAF! Use the same giving methods as listed above for the Sunday Collection. You can also give directly at GiveCSAF.org using your phone, tablet, or computer. Need an envelope? Contact Gloria in the parish office, and she will get one out to you.

Our parish goal this year is: St. Mary \$14,270 Collected \$11,232 (79%) St. Henry \$2,655 Collected \$2780 (105% Goal Met!)

Wondering How to Give to the Church?

- ◆ Place your contribution in the night depository or at the drive-up at either bank in Le Center
- ◆ Mail your contribution to Churches of St. Mary/St. Henry, 165 N Waterville Ave, Le Center, MN 56057 (Save yourself time and stamps by placing several weekend envelopes in one mailing)
- ◆ Sign up for Electronic Giving - see below

If you would like to give electronically, visit our website www.stmarysthenry.org and see "Vanco Online Giving" on the right hand side of the page, click on: "Give Online Now - St. Mary" or "Give Online Now - St. Henry"

ST. MARY-ST. HENRY PRO-LIFE TEAM

Happy 4th of July from the St. Mary/St. Henry Pro Life Team!

Mother Teresa of Calcutta: "Yours is the one great nation in all history which was founded on the precept of equal rights and respect for all humankind, for the poorest and weakest of us as well as the richest and strongest."

Mother Teresa, in addressing the Supreme Court of the United States said, "Human rights are not a privilege conferred by government. They are every human being's entitlement by virtue of his humanity. I have no new teaching for America. I seek only to recall you to faithfulness to what you once taught the world."

She continued, "Your nation was founded on the proposition very old as a moral precept, but startling and innovative as a political insight, that human life is a gift of immeasurable worth, and that it deserves, always and everywhere, to be treated with the utmost dignity and respect."

The next Pro-Life Meeting will take place Monday, July 20 at 1:00 pm at the home of Bob & Monika Rivers.

PARISH STEWARDSHIP

June 20-21, 2020

| | St. Mary | St. Henry |
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| Weekly Budget | \$ 4230.00 | \$ 825.00 |
| Weekly Offering Plate | \$ 3144.95 | \$ 685.55 |
| | \$ 89.00 | \$ 89.00 |
| Total | \$ 3233.95 | \$ 774.55 |
| Diff. from budget | -\$ 996.05 | -\$ 50.45 |
| Weekly Building Fund | \$ 45.00 | |

June 27-28, 2020

| | St. Mary | St. Henry |
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| Weekly Budget | \$ 4230.00 | \$ 825.00 |
| Weekly Offering Plate | \$ 3393.00 | \$ 375.00 |
| | \$ 125.00 | \$ 124.00 |
| Total | \$ 3518.00 | \$ 499.00 |
| Diff. from budget | -\$ 712.00 | -\$ 326.00 |
| Weekly Building Fund | \$ 155.00 | |

We appreciate your continued monetary support and prayers for our building. Maintenance is ongoing with any building, so we anticipate more repairs and replacements will be needed in the future.

Readings for next Sunday, July 12, 2020

Isaiah 55:10-11
Romans 8:18-23 Matthew 13:1-23