

PASTORAL CARE EVENTS

Grief, Hope, & Healing Wednesdays 10AM-11AM Church of St. Mary Mission Room

A nondenominational grief support group for women who have experienced the death of a spouse or significant other. You are not alone. This grief group is led by widows who understand what you are going through. The group offers an opportunity to learn about grief, share experiences and find healing and hope from your loss. No registration is necessary. For more information, call Marlene Hunt, 507-381-1177.

This group will also continue the zoom meetings that have been taking place from 5:30-6:30 pm, on Tuesdays, for those that are unable to meet in person.



FAITH FORMATION

SUMMER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

We need volunteers for Totus Tuus & VBS – If you attended Family Faith Formation in 2020-21 and will be in the 8th or 9th grade this fall you will need community service hours. This is a **GREAT** opportunity to get a jump start on them! If you are interested please contact Angie at the Parish office, thank you!

The Le Center Library is also looking for summer volunteers – stop in the library for more information!

SUMMER PROGRAMS!

REGISTRATION IS LIMITED, PLEASE REGISTER EARLY!

TOTUS TUUS (Latin for Totally Yours) is a fun and energetic parish based summer catechetical program, for grade school age children with a junior and senior high school component. They are dedicated to sharing the Gospel and promoting Catholic faith through catechesis, evangelization, Christian witness, and Eucharistic worship. Each Totus Tuus team consists of 4 members who are either college students or seminarians. Their youthfulness, energy, and ability to witness to the Faith make our teachers particularly effective with children and young people.

Grades 1-6 - Monday, July 26– Friday, July 30 from 9-2:30pm

Grades 7-12 – Sunday, July 25 – Thursday, July 29 from 7:30-9:40pm

Totus Tuus *volunteers are needed! If you would like to help out at Totus Tuus by providing snacks, coordinating meals, helping in the classroom or at snack/lunch time, greeting children, hosting part of the team or providing lunch for our 4 teachers, please call Angie at 507-357-4838. At risk persons, persons age 65 and older and those with pre-existing health conditions should not volunteer.

VBS – Discovery on Adventure Island

Quest For God's Great Light! Discovery on Adventure Island invites children to arise and shine because the light of God's love has come and is shining on them. The children will be empowered by exploring ways God shines great light in the world and by learning how they can also shine God's light by reflecting what they've learned.

Preschool (age 3) through Kindergarten Sunday, August 8 – Thursday, August 12 5:30-7:30 pm each night

*Volunteers are needed to lead groups, transport children to stations, and to prepare snack.
Contact Angie if interested.

**All volunteers in contact with the children must be willing to meet the Essential Three: VIRTUS training, Background Check/ Evaluation, and Code of Conduct through the Archdiocese. We are willing to provide these for both adults and youth volunteers.*

Registration and payments now available online @ www.stmarysthenry.org
Registration forms can also be found by the parish office.



Steubenville Rochester Youth Conference **ALMOST FULL

All current 8th – 12th grade students are invited to participate in this July 23-25, 2021 weekend conference packed with great speakers, small group discussions, Mass, Reconciliation, and Adoration. REGISTRATIONS ARE NOW AVAILABLE and are located by the parish office and ONLINE!



Like us on Facebook! For Faith Formation News go to **St Mary & St Henry Faith Formation**.
For other news in the parish go to **St. Mary's Church, Le Center**

“And God said, “Let there be light”, and there was light.” Genesis 1:3

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THE MOST HOLY BODY AND BLOOD OF CHRIST

June 6, 2021

Mass Schedule

Saturday - 5:00 PM at St. Henry

Sunday - at St. Mary

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 Confessions are available Tuesdays & Fridays, 6-6:30pm (St. Mary) & Saturdays, 4:15-4:45 (St. Henry)

Eucharistic Adoration takes place in cry room on Wednesdays from 9:30 am - 9:00 pm

Parish Staff

Pastor: Fr. James Stiles (ext 306) fr.stiles@frontier.com
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Associate Pastor: Fr. Timothy Sandquist (ext 307) ftsandquist@gmail.com

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Trustees St. Henry: Dan Germscheid & Jim Selly

Faith Formation Assistant & Safe Environment Coordinator:
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Office Hours - 9:00 AM - 5:00 PM Monday - Thursday
9:00 AM - 12:00 PM Friday

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 Open Tues & Thurs 1-4pm, Weds 3-6pm



The Church offers us
this Solemnity of the
source and summit of
our faith. It is a treasure
far beyond human
understanding. And yet
it is a reality of
Christian faith both
intimately personal,
and communally
binding, one that is not
confined to the laws of
space and time yet
operates there to give us
a mystical foretaste of
our eternal destiny.

Br. John-Marmion Villa

Mass Schedule & Intentions

Monday, June 7

Tuesday, June 8

Communion Calls - Darcy
5:00 pm Mass Mike & Agnes Trezcinski††
5:45 pm CCW Finance Meeting
6:00-6:30 pm Confessions - (in the church)

Wednesday, June 9

9:00 am Mass Living & Deceased of Henry & Angela Simon family
9:30 am - 9:00 pm Adoration in cry room
10:00 am Women’s Grief Group

Thursday, June 10

9:00 am Mass Vincent Holicky†

Friday, June 11

9:00 am Mass Living & Deceased of John C & Mabel Krenik family
2:00-9:00 pm Social Hall in use
6:00-6:30 pm Confessions - (in the church)

Saturday, June 12

10:00 am – 5:00 pm Social Hall in use
10:00 am Mass Bernadette Engel Funeral (St. Henry)
4:15-4:45 Confessions (St. Henry)
5:00 pm Mass (St. Henry) Art & Verna Wilmes††

Sunday, June 13

9:00 am Mass (St. Mary) J. Gordon McCabe† & James O’Meara†
12:00 pm Mass - Spanish (St. Mary) Maria Alvarez Tinoco†
12:00 pm Fatima Rosary (at park)

Please check our website and Facebook for the latest news or feel free to call the parish office.
www.stmarysthenry.org
St. Mary's Church, Le Center
<https://www.facebook.com/StMaryStHenry/>

Our prayers and condolences to the Bernadette (Schloesser) Engel family. Her Mass of Christian burial will take place on Saturday, June 12, at 10:00 am at St. Henry. Bernadette passed away on July 12, 2020.

Our sympathies to the Tom Gernscheid family. Tom passed away on November 18, 2020. His Mass of Christian burial will take place at 12 pm on Monday, June 14, with visitation at 10am at St. Mary.

Readings for next Sunday, June 13, 2021
Ezekiel 17:22-24
2 Corinthians 5:6-10 Mark 4:26-24

FROM THE PASTOR’S DESK

Final Farewell

This week I leave for my new assignment as assistant priest at Holy Family in St. Louis Park and as chaplain of Chesterton Academy in Hopkins. I just wanted to say that it has been a wonderful two years here in the southwest corner of the archdiocese. Thank you for all of your love and support!

It has been an interesting two years to say the least! I will never forget the day that bat swooped past my head in the rectory chapel during my first few weeks here. Since then I have become an expert in bat extraction.

The strangest part of my time here was the pandemic. It was very weird saying Masses in empty churches for those few weeks at the beginning. One of the hardest parts of ministry during COVID was never quite knowing if we were overreacting or underreacting in each decision we made. Parking lot Masses were kind of exciting, but I am glad to be done with them. Having to worry about heat, cold, wind, rain, and sun while celebrating Mass has made me appreciate church buildings much more. No more rocks and binder clips needed.

I am grateful for my time with Fr. Stiles as my pastor. He has been great to work with and to live with as a brother. He has helped me see the importance of being a little less “business” and a little more personal. You are in good hands!

Although it is hard to leave, I am also excited for my next assignment. I enjoy schools a lot, so I am very much looking forward to being the chaplain of a high school and being involved with a K-8 parochial school.

Many of you have been wishing me “good luck!” during these last couple of weeks. I am grateful for your kind wishes. This, however, has led me to reflect on how our culture has lost a distinctly Christian way of saying farewell to each other. Goodbye, for example, used to mean “God be with ye.” Godspeed, meant “may God speed (prosper) you.” What do you think the chances are that we could bring one of these back? Well then, in that spirit, I bid ye, Godspeed!

-Fr. Sandquist

Farewell Gathering for Fr. Sandquist
TODAY, Sunday, June 6, at St. Mary All are invited!

Fr. Sandquist will celebrate a bilingual Mass at 9AM, followed by a short Corpus Christi Procession and then to St. Mary’s Social Hall for coffee, donuts, and food prepared by the Latino Community. For those unable to walk the procession, feel free to go straight to the social hall. Join us as we show our gratitude and appreciation for the gift of the time we have had with Fr. Sandquist serving our parishes of St. Mary & St. Henry.



Rosary in the Park

Public Fatima Rosary will be held Sunday, June 13, 2021 at 12 Noon in Le Center, at the Fairground park in the gazebo next to the swimming pool. If rainy weather, it will take place in the Community pavilion on the fairgrounds. This is held monthly on the 13th from May through October 2021. Come pray with us, either in person, in your car, or at home to ask our Lady of Fatima for protection for our families, our communities, our nation, and the world. We may include the Divine Mercy chaplet as part of our prayer this year, and as it is the year of St. Joseph, ask also for his intercession as well. For more information, call or email Sheila McCabe Swan: 507-317-1496, mccabeswan@gmail.com

ST. MARY-ST. HENRY PRO-LIFE TEAM

Tribute to Harriet Schmidt: Our pro-life team was saddened to learn of the passing of Harriet Schmidt on May 22nd. She had been a member of our group since we began to meet in late 2010. Harriet contributed to our bulletin articles by writing about her personal experiences including the importance of instilling in her nine children good moral values and her deep devotion to Our Lady, especially praying the rosary. When her husband died in a farm accident on their 20th wedding anniversary, Harriet prayed to St. Joseph for guidance as a single parent. Ever smiling and positive, Harriet carried on a “card ministry” in later years, sending cheer through letters, notes and cards to shut-ins, the lonely, the sick, suffering and the grieving.

Our team recognizes her faithful service to the St. Mary/St. Henry Pro-Life Team and we extend our deepest sympathy to Harriet’s family. May she rest in peace.

ST. HENRY NEWS

Church Cleaning - Dianne Traxler is scheduled to clean the church by June 13.

July 1 - August 31, 2021 Ministry Schedule

Please contact Gloria, gloriagw@frontier.com (or call the parish office 357-6633) by Monday, June 14 with dates that you are unable to serve for the July 1 -August 31 ministry schedule. This schedule includes July 4th weekend. Dates that you can not serve are entered into the ministry scheduling software. Without that information you may be scheduled on dates that you are not available. Thank you!

If you have been thinking about joining the Liturgical Ministry Team as a Lector, Usher, or Eucharistic Minister, now would be the time as we put together the July-August schedule. If you should have any questions or would like some training, feel free to contact the parish office or talk with one of the priests. Has God given you a talent and desire to serve His church?

Also, If you have stepped away from your altar ministry position due to the pandemic and would like to come back on board, please know you are needed and join us as soon as you feel comfortable to do so. Just let Gloria know you are ready to be put back into the schedule.



PARISH STEWARDSHIP

May 29-30, 2021	St. Mary	St. Henry
Weekly Budget	\$ 4230.00	\$ 825.00
Weekly Offering	\$ 1427.85	\$ 470.00
Vanco Online Giving	\$ 465.00	\$ 20.00
Plate	\$ 238.00	\$ 69.00
Total	\$ 2130.85	\$ 559.00
Diff. from budget	-\$ 2099.15	-\$ 266.00
Visiting Mission	\$ 1544.00	\$ 311.00
Weekly Building Fund	\$ 60.00	
Weekly Cemetery Project	\$	



The Catholic Services Appeal Foundation contributions go directly to 20 Designated Ministries. To learn more, go to www.csafspm.org.

We have a ways to go to reach our goal. If you haven't given yet, please prayerfully consider making a pledge using the envelopes found in the church entrances. You can also give directly at GiveCSAF.org using your phone, tablet, or computer. Thank you for your generosity! Any amount is appreciated!

Our parish goal & raised to date totals this year are:
St. Mary Goal \$15,322 St. Henry Goal \$2,768
Raised to date \$11,840 Raised to date \$2,395
(77% of goal) (87% of goal)



You will soon be receiving a letter in the mail with news about our Parish Festival. The decision has been made to once again not hold the Parish Festival this year which was scheduled for June 27th. This was a difficult decision to make since it seems we are so close to pushing through and beyond the pandemic. However, we recognize that there is, on the part of some, still a good deal of uneasiness regarding the safety of gathering for such a large event. In addition, at this late date it would be very difficult, if not impossible, to have the needed time to put together a successful festival. Therefore, it seems prudent to not try and carry out the parish festival this year. We are asking each household to make a monetary donation in hopes of raising the amount that we usually bring in each year (about \$30,000). Thank you, in advance, for your understanding and generosity! We also wish to thank those who helped with putting the mailing together and especially to the Knights of Columbus for covering the cost of the envelopes and postage.

June 12 - June 13: Eleventh Sunday In Ordinary Time	Altar Servers	Lectors	Extraordinary Ministers	Ushers
Saturday, 5:00 PM (St. Henry)	Zach Holicky	Dale Riebel		
Sunday, 9:00 AM (St. Mary)	Kellen O'Keefe Adalyn Gibeau	Priscilla Malinski	Ann Gindt	Jeremy Gindt Brendan O'Keefe Brad O'Keefe Norman Schmidt