

AFC Mass Times & Weekly Events
January 21 through January 28, 2024

Sunday, Third Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 21- Jonah 3:1-5, 10 (68B)/1 Corinthians 7:29-31/Mark 1:14-20

7:30 a.m. (MIC) Confession
8:00 a.m. (MIC) For the People
9:30 a.m. (MAR) Confession
10:00 a.m. (MAR) +Roger Hockert
(MAR) Puzzle Competition following Mass in the Social Hall

Monday, Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children
Jan 22- 2 Samuel 5:1-7, 10/Mark 3:22-30

Tuesday, St. Vincent, and St. Marianne Cope
Jan 23- 2 Samuel 6:12b-15, 17-19/Mark 3:31-35

8:00 a.m. (MIC) +Bobby & Mary Aucoin
6:30 p.m. (MAR) Administrative Council Meeting

Wednesday, St. Francis de Sales
Jan 24- 2 Samuel 7:4-17/Mark 4:1-20

8:30 a.m. (MAR) +Wilbur Dorweiler
9:00 a.m. (MAR) Holy Hour and Confession
6:15 p.m. to 7:30 p.m. (MAR) Religious Education Grades K-10

Thursday, The Conversion of St. Paul the Apostle
Jan 25- Acts of the Apostles 22:3-16 or 9:1-22/Mark 16:15-18

8:00 a.m. (MIC) +Jim Kreger
9:00 a.m. (MIC) Holy Hour

Friday, Sts. Timothy and Titus
Jan 26- 2 Timothy 1:1-8 or Titus 1:1-5/Mark 4:26-34 or Luke 10:1-9

8:00 a.m. to 8:25 a.m. (MAR) Confession
8:30 a.m. (MAR) +Steve Ballalatak
9:00 a.m. (MAR) Holy Hour

Saturday, St. Angela Merici
Jan 27- 2 Samuel 12:1-7a, 10-17/Mark 4:35-41

Sunday, Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time
Jan 28- Deuteronomy 18:15-20 (71B)/1 Corinthians 7:32-35/Mark 1:21-28

7:30 a.m. (MIC) Confession
8:00 a.m. (MIC) +Elmer & Berniece Wentzlaff
(MIC) CHWC Scrambled Egg Breakfast
9:30 a.m. (MAR) Confession
10:00 a.m. (MAR) For the People
(MAR) 1:30 p.m. 1st Confession & Parent Meeting



St. Francis de Sales

Francis de Sales, C.O., O.M. was a Savoyard Catholic prelate who served as Bishop of Geneva and is a saint of the Catholic Church. He became noted for his deep faith and his gentle approach to the religious divisions in his land resulting from the Protestant Reformation

Remember in Prayer

Duke Schmidt, Natalie Eiden, Brooks Bigaouette, Mary Johnson
Fr. Tony Stubeda, Dan Callahan, Tillie Heitkamp, Bob Wald, Sara Piotter



Pope Francis asks us to pray for the month of January these intentions:
FOR THE GIFT OF DIVERSITY IN THE CHURCH: We pray that the Holy Spirit may help us to recognize the gift of different charisms within the Christian community and to discover the richness of different traditions and rituals in the Catholic Church.

Ecumenical Prayer Service for Christian Unity

Today! Sunday, January 21st, 2024 – 3:00 p.m.
The Cathedral of the Holy Trinity
605 N. State Street, New Ulm, Mn

Individuals and Congregations, representing several different Christian denominations in southwest and west-central Minnesota, will gather for an Ecumenical Celebration of the Word of God. The Service is held as part of an annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity.
There will be a reception to follow.
All are invited to attend.
With questions, contact the Catholic Diocese of New Ulm, Office of Worship (507) 233-5320

2024 Prayer Service for Life & MCCL March for Life
January 22, 2024

Prayer Service for Life: 10:30 a.m. Cathedral of St. Paul
MCCL March for Life: Noon: Cathedral of St. Paul to the Minnesota State Capitol

For more information: Go to the website:
MCCL.org/march for an opportunity to get involved in the march of life.

Ride the Bus to the 2024 MCCL March for Life
The KC's have a bus going to the MCCL March for Life, Monday, January 22, 2024. Bus leaves from St. Boni at 8:45 a.m. You must be there by 8:30 a.m. and the bus will be back to St. Boni by 2:30 p.m.
If you need a ride to St. Boni –
Call Frank @ 507-327-1237 or Don @320-583-6932.

2024 Catholic Schools Week

National Catholic Schools Week is the week of January 28 through February 3. In conjunction with that significant event, Bishop Chad Zielinski announced that a second collection will be taken up at all Masses in the diocese to benefit Catholic Schools in the Diocese of New Ulm the weekend of January 27-28.

In those Area Faith Communities that have Catholic Schools, 75 % of the proceeds will go directly to that Catholic School. The other 25% will be deposited equally in two endowment funds already set up to benefit Catholic Schools. Where there are no schools, 100% of the funds will go into the endowment funds. Please be generous in supporting this collection.

Programs & Resources

Pre-Baptism Program
Best done during pregnancy.
Required before baptism. Contact the pastor for materials and information.

Pre-Marriage Program
A six-month preparation period and attendance at a marriage preparation class is required. Contact the pastor.

Catholic Charities Counseling
Call 1-(866)-670-5163 for resources and assistance.

Diocese of New Ulm Sexual Misconduct in Church Ministry, Victims and Survivors Hotline
Call (507) 233-5313 for assistance.

Sunday, January 28, 2024-Following Mass at St. Michael's
The Catholic Heart Workcamp Youth invite you to join them for Scrambled Eggs, Toast, Juice, or Coffee in the Social Hall.



The Youth are raising money for their Mission Trip to Albuquerque, NM in the summer of 2024.
Please join us!

CCW Events

St. Mary's CCW First Choice Pregnancy Collection
St. Mary's CCW is collecting baby items for First Choice Pregnancy for the month of January.
Collection baskets are in the church entrances at St. Mary's to place your items in. If you would like to make a monetary donation, please drop that in the collection basket or in the parish office. Thank you!
They need diapers size 3 and up!



Muffins and Mimosa's
Sign Up Sheets are on the Bulletin Boards in St. Mary and St. Michael's for Muffins and Mimosa's on Saturday, February 3, 2024, at 9:00 a.m.



Featuring a talk by Annie Ballalatak about "Staying fluid" in the midst of trials.



Knights of Columbus Events

KC Poster Contest
The KC's will once again be sponsoring the Substance Abuse Awareness Poster Contest. Ages: 8-11 or Ages 12-14. Alcohol Awareness or Drug Awareness. Posters due to Parish Office by February 7, 2024
Posters must be 11x17 in size.
The name and age of the person entering the poster should be included on the back of the poster.
Please pick up a registration form from Beth Walters or from Terri in the Parish Office. All are welcome to submit a poster!

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

"Come after me, and I will make you fishers of men." Fishing is an active verb. If you are being called to strengthen Christ's Church through a vocation to the priesthood or consecrated life, act. Talk to your priest or reach out to the Vocation Office at the New Ulm Diocese 507-233-5302 or email: vocations@dnv.org

St. Mary's/St. Michaels
Church: 507-964-5413
Hours: Office Hours: Monday 8:30 a.m. to 11:30 a.m., Tuesday through Thursday 8:30 a.m. to Noon and 2:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., Friday 9:00 a.m. to Noon
E-mail: stmararl@frontiernet.net

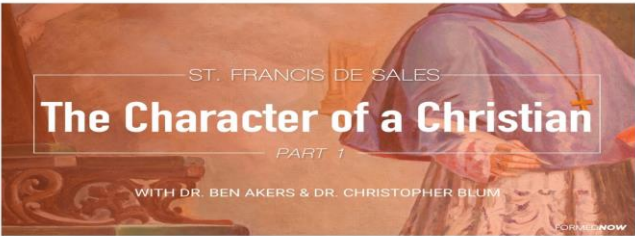
Religious Education Corner

Important Upcoming Dates:
Wednesday, January 24-6:15 to 7:30 p.m. Class Grades K-10
Sunday, January 28-St. Mary's-1:30 p.m. First Reconciliation and Parent Meeting
Wednesday, January 31 – NO Class – Catechist Meeting 6:30 p.m.
Wednesday, February 7 – 6:15 to 7:30 p.m. Class Grades K-10

Table with 5 columns: Weekly Collection/Budget Totals 1/14/2024, Current Collection, Current YTD, Actual, Budget. Rows include St. Mary Fall Collection and St. Michael.

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Saint Francis de Sales and the Character of a Christian: Devotion (Part 1 of 4)

In this four-part series, Dr. Ben Akers and Dr. Christopher O. Blum sit down to discuss St. Francis de Sales, his best known work "The Introduction to the Devout Life", and the character of a Christian.

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Parent's, are you ready for Tax Day?

The Minnesota Catholic Conference is excited to remind you about the new Minnesota Child Tax Credit. Getting money back to our Minnesota families through the tax credit was an integral goal achieved by the Catholic Conference's Families First Project last year. The credit encourages and supports strong families by providing a tax break to eligible families.

It's simple as filing a tax return, claiming the tax credit benefits, and receiving cash back.

To ensure you don't miss out, visit: www.FamiliesFirstProjet.com/CTC where you can learn more about the child tax credit and access additional tax resources. Tell every parent you know to file their taxes to receive this credit. Together we will support and strengthen the families in our communities.

His Holy Childhood is celebrated in the devotion to the Infant of Prague. His Holy Childhood is important because Christ is fully human and fully God, which is a core belief of our faith. Look at pictures and statues of the Holy Family, especially in our Nativities for this Christmas season, and let yourself be in awe of Baby Jesus.

Reflection Questions for His Childhood:
-What surprises you about Christ's childhood?
-What questions do you want to ask Him about His Childhood?
-What do you think it was like having Mary and Joseph as parents?
-Why did He choose Mary and Joseph to be parents?
-Why did Jesus come as a baby rather than a fully-grown man?
-Where do you see God in your own childhood memories?
One Way You Can Increase Your Love and Reverence Train yourself to be mindful when you hear someone use God's Name in vain. You can make an immediate act of reparation by praying, "Blessed be the Holy Name of Jesus / God" or something similar.

St. Michael's KC Free Throw

St. Michael's KC's Free Throw contest is January 28th, 2024, at GFW High School-Winthrop.
Registration at 3:30 p.m. and 4:00 p.m. start.

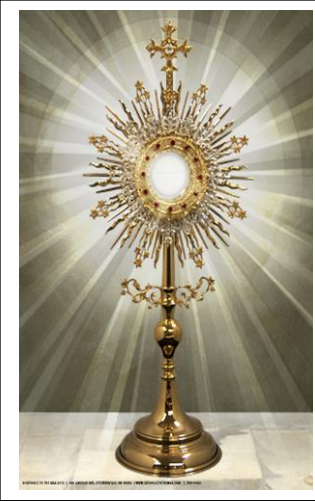
Liturgical Ministers for January 28, 2024
St. Michael, Gaylord Sunday, 8:00 a.m. Lector: Deb Dolan **Servers:** Isaac, Reid, and Evan Donnay **Gifts:** Andy Aranda, Peter Koch
Ushers: Andy Aranda, Peter Koch
St. Mary, Arlington, Sunday 10:00 a.m. Lector: Sarah Ziegler **Servers:** Brady Trebelhorn, Ben & Peter Koralewski, Alex Thomes, Thomas Ziegler **Gifts:** Todd & Donna Trebelhorn **Ushers:** Todd & Donna Trebelhorn

Broom Tree Retreat 2024 Youth and Family Camp March 8-10, 2024-Irene, SD
Looking for a way to bring your youth deeper?
You've gone to COR Night, CHWC, Steubenville, NCYC, or some other "big" event, but now you're looking for a way to add some depth to your youth programming. The diocesan Broom Tree Retreat creates an opportunity for youth and their youth group leaders to experience a Eucharist-centered, prayer-focused, yet fun-filled retreat that seeks to lead attendees deeper in their relationship with God.
Questions: Reach out to Kevin Losleben with questions (klosleben@dnu.org | 507-233-5327).

Community Events:
St. Paul’s United Church of Christ Soup and Sandwich Luncheon-Henderson, MN – Sunday, January 21, 2024, from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Serving: Chicken Dumpling Soup, Cheeseburger Soup, Vegetable Beef Soup, Sauerkraut Soup, Egg Salad & Ham Sandwiches, Dessert & Beverage. Free Will Offering
St. Michael’s Knights of Columbus-Gaylord & Winthrop Council #7051- Annual Pancake Breakfast at St. Francis Catholic Church-Winthrop. Sunday, February 4, 2024, from 9:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m. Serving: Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs, Cheese, Apple Sauce, Milk, Juice & Coffee. Adults: \$11.00, Children under 12: \$5.00 Children under 5: Free.
St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church-Winthrop-Grocery Bingo-All Ages Welcome-Sunday, February 18 at 1:00 p.m. Lunch will be served following 40 games of Bingo. Door prizes and raffle. Funds raised for air conditioning in social hall at St. Francis de Sales.

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Corpus Christi Area Faith Community 3rd Sunday of Ordinary Time /Sunday, January 21, 2024		
St. Mary – 504 7 th Avenue NW, P.O. Box 392, Arlington, MN 55307/ Parish Office (507) 964-5413/ Weekend Mass Sunday, 10:00 a.m. St. Michael –Mailing Address: PO Box 392, Arlington, MN 55307/ Parish Office (507) 964-5413/ Weekend Mass Sunday, 8:00 a.m. St. Michael Church Address: 362 5 th Street, Gaylord, MN 55334		
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Respect Life

On January 8,2024 our Holy Father exchanged greetings for a Merry Christmas and a Happy New Year to the Diplomats accredited to the Holy See in Vatican City State, Italy. Our Holy Father used the occasion, not only to extend Christmas and New Year greetings to all the diplomats and their families, but also to give a strong plea for peace, primarily by fostering respect for life. He said to the diplomats:

“...The path to peace calls for respect for life, for every human life, starting with the life of the unborn child in the mother’s womb, which cannot be suppressed or turned into an object of trafficking. In this regard, I deem deplorable the practice of so-called surrogate motherhood, which represents a grave violation of the dignity of the woman and the child, based on the exploitation of situations of the mother’s material needs. A child is always a gift and never the basis of a commercial contract. Consequently, I express my hope for an effort by the international community to prohibit this practice universally. At every moment of its existence, human life must be preserved and defended; yet I note with regret, especially in the West, the continued spread of a culture of death, which in the name of a false compassion discards children, the elderly and the sick.

The path to peace calls for respect for human rights, in accordance with the simple yet clear formulation contained in the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, whose seventy-fifth anniversary we recently celebrated. These principles are self-evident and commonly accepted. Regrettably, in recent decades attempts have been made to introduce new rights that are neither fully consistent with those originally defined nor always acceptable. They have led to instances of ideological colonization, in which gender theory plays a central role; the latter is extremely dangerous since it cancels differences in its claim to make everyone equal. These instances of ideological colonization prove injurious and create divisions between states, rather than fostering peace....”

Pro-life Rally in St. Paul

I hope that many of you will be able to make the trip to St. Paul to participate in the Pro-life prayer service at the St. Paul Cathedral at 10:00 am and then walk across the overpass for the pro-life gathering in front of the capital. This would be a remarkable way not only to pray for the respect of life but also to give public witness to our belief that life is sacred and only God is able to give and take human life.

Praised be Jesus Christ now and forever.
Msgr. Eugene Lozinski