Most Holy Redeemer & St. Patrick Catholic Cluster

Christmas 2023



"Behold, the virgin shall be with child and bear a son, and they shall name him Emmanuel." -Matthew 1:23

	Sat, Dec 30 5:00pm MHR	Sun, Dec 31 8:30am MHR	Sun, Dec 31 10:30am STP
Altar Server	Cooper Sloboden Quinn Sloboden	Sam Leonard Tyler Dohlman Reece Dohlman	Kendall & Landon Jirik
Eucharistic Minister	Sandy Gilhousen Shirley Pumper Ken Franek-Sacristan	Maureen Leonard-Sacristan Barb Holicky	George Sticha Georgia Redman
Lector	Aaron Passa	Richard Rynda	Sharon Kaisershot
Ushers	Steve Flicek Gary Ruhland Steve Zoubek	Bob Pavek Colleen Pavek Ed Schmidt	Doug Knutson Steve & Elaine Trnka

Offertory Gifts for December 17, 2023 Thank You

	MHI	<u> </u>	STC		STP
Envelopes	\$ 3,911	.00 \$	445.00	\$ 4	4,360.00
Open Plate	\$ 357	.00 \$	28.00	\$	583.00
Visitors	\$ 500	.00 \$	0.00	\$	100.00
Auto Pays	\$ 1,400	.46 \$	62.31	\$	615.00
Total:	\$ 6,168	.46 \$	535.31	\$ 5	5,658.00

Amount needed weekly to meet our budget:

Most Holy Redeemer-\$5,500

St. Canice-\$1,155

St. Patrick- \$3,640

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frightened. Deep faith was her light in the darkness, for Jesus was
born during the night of the year when darkness is the longest. Your
gifts to the Society of St. Vincent de Paul bring light into the
darkness surrounding the hearts of those living in poverty bringing
them the real, lasting, & deep joy of Christmas. Merry Christmas &
thank you for your prayers & support.

Are you good with technology and numbers? We have the perfect part-time job for you. Most Holy Redeemer School is in need of someone to complete the paperwork for the state for our lunch program. There are a few reports that are once a year and there is a monthly reporting of the breakfasts and lunches served. If interested or for more info, please email Kari Marsh kmarsh@mosthrs.org.

We are looking for someone to assist the School Advisory Board with the marketing plan for the school. If interested, please contact Kari Marsh at kmarsh@mosthrs.org

Baptism

We welcome Jack Steeves into our Church family. Jack was baptized December 17 at St. Patrick. Please pray for him as he grows in Christ.



Baptism

We welcome Freya Hanson into our Church family. Freya was baptized December 17 at Most Holy Redeemer. Please pray for her as she grows in Christ.



Solemnity of Mary Minister Schedule Jan 1, 5:30pm at MHR

Altar Servers- Colton, Max, Graham Velishek. Eucharistic Ministers-Shirley Pumper, Dale Ruhland, Ken Franek. Lector- Aaron Passa. Ushers- Bob & Carol Vlasak, Steve Flicek.

Position Openings at Most Holy Redeemer

We are seeking to hire an Administrative Assistant-Secretary for Most Holy Redeemer/St. Canice Parish. This part-time position, for an interested person who is willing to work in a Christ-centered atmosphere to further the mission of the Gospel, is to be filled by January 1, 2024.

We are seeking to hire a Custodian/Buildings & Grounds Maintenance staff at Most Holy Redeemer/St. Canice Parish and Most Holy Redeemer School. This full-time position with benefits, for an interested person who is willing to work in a Christ-centered atmosphere to further the mission of the Gospel, is to be filled by January 5, 2024.

If interested in either position, please contact the parish office 507-364-7981 or email hredeemer@frontiernet.net.

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Welcome to our church cluster bulletin which includes the parishes of Most Holy Redeemer-St. Canice and St. Patrick. Please send all bulletin articles and events to Sue McDonough at 507-334-6002 or spshieldsville@gmail.com. Please note the following identification for each campus location when planning to go to an event. Bulletin deadline is Wednesday by noon.

Mass	Intentions	for	the	<u>Week</u>

Dec 23, Sat	5:00pm at MHR-	Pro Populo
Dec 24, Sun	8:30am at MHR-	†Charles Kasper
	10:30am at STP-	†Michael Hagerty
	10:00pm at MHR-	- Pro Populo
Dec 25, Mon	Midnight at STP-	Deceased Members of the
		DeGroot & Edwards Families
	8:30am at MHR-	†Mary Kotek
	9:00am at STC-	†Mike, Lois, & Bill Barnett
	10:30am at STP-	†Helen Smith
Dec 26, Tues	8:30am at STP-	†John V. & Lorraine Dudley
Dec 27, Wed	8:30am at MHR-	†Clarence & Rosalia Kotek
Dec 28, Thu	8:30am at MHR-	†The Sisters of JoAnn Petricka
Dec 29, Fri	8:30am at MHR-	†Bob Foley
Dec 30, Sat	5:00pm at MHR-	†Dick Gregor
Dec 31, Sun	8:30am at MHR-	Pro Populo
	10:30am at STP-	†Ellard & Marion Trnka

Pro Populo means for the People

Catholic Cluster Prayer Line

Remember in your prayers

MHR: Ed Dorweiller, Anne Zimanske, Jim Remiger, Mike Sever, Dennis Krautkremer, MariaBelle Vanlith, Clare Morgan, Ryan Jeno, Bonnie Dietz, Jack Monson, Buck Zahratka, Carrie Sticha Simon, Eric Bauer, Zeke Zahratka, Dave Sullivan, Bryan Petricka, Jim & Marion Boesch, John Wiskocil, Fritz Sticha, Bill Hanek, Norma Fernandez, Pete Bruzek, Helen Drentlaw, Kevin Nickolay, Taylor Fischer, Don & JoAnn Petricka

STC: Shawn Kinniry, Bud Miller, Mari Sorgatz, Rose Marie Tuma, Gene Holicky, Duane Brueggemeier, Kari Green Nesje, Chip Beadell, Josh Hummer

STP: Donna Hall, Gary Angelow, Leonard Petricka, Rose Chmelik, Ashlee Hering, Anne (Wesley) Skalicky, Lois Tuma, Marlys Hora, Lori Brown, Clarence Harriman, John Madden, Owen Gehling, Landyn Wrolson, Anne Naas

Servicemen; Jerrod Weiers, Brett L. Vogelsberg, Jaime Allison, Ryan Snorek, Nate Wallace, Luke Ward & all men & women serving in the military

If you have a prayer request or to be removed from the list call:

MHR-Rita Parsons at 507-364-5164 STC-Most Holy Redeemer at 507-364-7981 STP-Ruth Spaetgens at 507-323-8411

Year End Contributions In order to be included in your 2023 Contribution Statement, your donation needs to be received in the parish office, collection basket, or postmarked by December 31st. Thank you for your prayerful consideration of making a special gift to the Church this time of year!

Feast of the Holy Family

December 31, 2023

1st Reading: Genesis 15:1-6; 21:1-3

Psalm "The Lord remembers his covenant forever."

2nd Reading: Hebrews 11:8, 11-12, 17-19

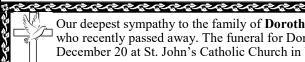
Gospel Luke 2:22-40

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Sat,	Dec 23	Mass 5:00pm at MHR
Sun,	Dec 24	Mass 8:30am at MHR
		Mass 10:30am at STP
		Christmas Mass 10:00pm at MHR
Mon,	Dec 25	Christmas Mass Midnight at STP
		Christmas Mass 8:30am at MHR
		Christmas Mass 9:00am at STC
		Christmas Mass 10:30am at STP
Tues,	Dec 26	Mass 8:30am at STP, Rosary 8:00am
Wed,	Dec 27	Mass 8:30am at MHR, Rosary 8:10am
Thu,	Dec 28	Mass 8:30am at MHR, Rosary 8:10am
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		Mass 10:30am at STP
Mon,	Jan 1	Mass 5:30pm at MHR
Tues,	Jan 2	Mass 8:30am at STP, Rosary 8:00am
Wed,	Jan 3	Mass 8:30am at MHR, Rosary 8:10am
Thu,	Jan 4	Mass 8:30am at MHR, Rosary 8:10am
Fri,	Jan 5	Mass 8:30am at MHR, Rosary 8:10am
Sat,	Jan 6	Mass 8:30am at STC
		Mass 5:00pm at MHR
Sun,	Jan 7	Mass 8:30am at MHR
		Mass 10:30am at STP

Hibernation Celebration Raffle Sat, Feb 3! Tickets now available, \$50 each, with prizes of \$1500, \$750, & 5 - \$100. Contact any MHRS family or the school office to get your ticket. Mark your calendars for the live drawing & celebration. This raffle is one of the primary fundraisers for Most Holy Redeemer School! Thank you for your support!

Men of Christ—Rising Daily in Discipleship Sat, March 23, 9 a.m. -3 p.m., Church of St. Joseph, Rosemount. Join men from throughout the Archdiocese for the 2024 men's conference. Keynote speakers Deacon Harold Burke-Sievers & Jeff Cavins will lead the day that will include presentations by Bishop Joseph Williams, Deacon Joe Michalak, & Bishop Izen. Archbishop Bernard Hebda will celebrate Mass. Early Bird Registration begins December 1. For more info call 651.291.4488 or email flomos@archspm.org.



Our deepest sympathy to the family of **Dorothy Dohmen** who recently passed away. The funeral for Dorothy was December 20 at St. John's Catholic Church in Union Hill.

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Our deepest sympathy to the family of Nancy Dorshak who recently passed away. The funeral for Nancy was December 20 at Most Holy Redeemer.



We have begun the third week of Advent and we have come to the end of our 2023 calendar year. The Christmas concert last night was wonderful and all of the hard work that the students and Mrs. Christine Trcka put into it was evident! Thank you for sharing your talents with us. We will have classes tomorrow, Thursday, December 21, and then we will break for time to be with family and friends for the Christmas season.

Don't forget to attend Mass this Christmas, as we celebrate the birth of our Lord, Jesus Christ! Classes will resume on Wed, January 3.

Joyful,

Mrs. Kari Marsh

Important upcoming events

Christmas break Dec. 22 - Jan. 2

Jan. 3 - Back to School

Jan. 5 - All School Mass - Grades 5 and 6

Jan. 8- Jan. 24 - Winter Standardized Testing

Jan. 10 - Spirit Day

Jan. 12 - All School Mass - Grades 3 and 4

Prayers

We pray for Jean Pesta and Rick Skluzacek on their future endeavors. May God Bless them both!



Our Friends in Heaven, Pray for Us:

Saint Chaeromon is not a well known saint because there is not much known about his life. He was a bishop in Egypt. When Emperor Trajanus Decius began the persecution of Christians, St. Chaeromon was already advanced in age. He and his companions fled to Arabia and were never seen again. They are believed to be martyred there. His feast day is December 22.

Thank you to our 2023 MHRS Marathon Gold Sponsors Most Holy Redeemer Council of Catholic Women, Krenik's Concrete, Marathon for non-public Education



Volunteers Needed! If you are willing to become EMT or EMR certified & would like to join the Montgomery Ambulance Service, help is needed! For more info please contact Dave Gaul or April Ehmke 507-330-3460 or email montyems@cityofmontgomery.com



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A Word From Fr. Tom Niehaus



Emmanuel – God is With Us!

I got the news last week that my niece Rachel and her husband David gave birth to their first child—Augustine Emmanuel—what a joy! What a great name for this child who has been born in this sacred time! Emmanuel is defined in Hebrew as God is with us. We get this name from the Prophet Isaiah in the Old Testament, "Therefore the Lord himself shall give you a sign; behold a virgin shall conceive in the womb, and shall bring forth a son, and you shall name him Emmanuel (7:14)." The name Emmanuel is associated with God coming to save His people. Through various prayers, Bible passages and song lyrics we reveal our longing for a Savior by saying, "O come to us, abide with us, Our Lord Emmanuel." This final phrase from the Christmas Hymn, "O Little Town of Bethlehem," captures the sentiments of people throughout time who have longed for a Savior and now have found the true one with Jesus Christ! The birth of Christ in Bethlehem is a cause for great rejoicing! This great mystery of the Incarnation or the event of Jesus coming "in the flesh" into the world to save us, baffles the human intellect and imagination. Jesus is God and present in the womb of Mary goes door to door in the midst of His people to find a place to enter into our world, but no one will receive Him. For our Lord to be born He must be received in a humble crib in a smelly, primitive and poor stable. In the presence of Joseph and Mary with the noises and movements of animals close by, the King of kings and the Lord of lords makes His grand entrance. In that place angels sing to Him their triumphant hymn, the shepherds and the Magi come with their choicest offerings and the entire world is filled with the glory of the Lord. O Savior of the human race, Emmanuel-God-Is-With-Us, Jesus! We too in 2023 approach the stable at Bethlehem anew with hearts filled with longing and expectation! What wonder will fill our eyes and hearts as we look upon the Christ-child? What happiness will fill our souls with elation as we cry out with joy and gladness our songs of praise? Bend the knee this Christmas with humility and love at the manger and pay homage to the newborn King! May He find a place for His love in our hearts and dwell there forever. Amen.

Christmas Awareness

Christmas is a special time to gather with family and friends. As you gather this Christmas with your loved ones please look out for the elderly and those who are alone this Christmas. Please reach out if you are able and invite them to your table. There is no reason for any person or family in our area to go without a place of celebration. Maybe this will cause you to go outside your comfort zone, or maybe it will be an opportunity to open a door to someone who feels that there is "no room at the inn" for them.

Holy Land Prayers

Please remember to pray for peace in the Holy Land. The fighting and violence still continues between Israel and Palestine. In the latest bout of violence and war, atrocities have been carried out by the political party Hamas when on October 7, 2023 about 1,400+ people living and working in Israel were killed or held hostage in a terror attack on villages and military outposts. Since then the Israeli Defense Forces have moved into Gaza to wipeout Hamas, but in the process have displaced 1,800,000 Palestinians, killing about 20,000 people, destroying 85% of the people's homes in Gaza, and ruining agricultural lands, cutting off water & food supplies and using starvation as a weapon of war. How sad that the homeland of the Prince of Peace is one of the deadliest places to live. As a result of the war and dangers many Christians have moved from the Holy Land and our Christian presence has declined significantly in recent years. Join me in praying that the Prince of Peace would return to the Holy Land and bring to all the people there a lasting peace and an end to war and violence.

Gratitude

Thank you for your kindness to me during this sacred season. I am grateful for the generosity you have shown to me through your support, prayers, love, invitations, food and gifts. It is a great joy to serve as a priest here in the Most Holy Redeemer/St. Canice and St. Patrick's area!

Merry Christmas!

Fr. Tom Niehaus

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