

Catholic Churches of

St Mary's

15 1st Ave. NE
Deer River, MN
56636

St. Josephs Mission

51061 Wolf Drive
Ball Club, MN
56636

St. Charles

308 Central Ave. N
Cass Lake, MN
56633



23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Sept. 7, 2025



23rd Sunday
IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever does not carry his own cross and come after me cannot be

Office Hours

Mon - Thu 9:00am-1:00pm

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Reconciliation

St Charles

Saturday 10:00 - 11:00 AM.

And during Adoration

St. Mary's

1/2 Hour before each Mass.

And during Adoration

St. Josephs

During Adoration.

Adoration

St. Mary's

Wednesday 9-10AM

St. Charles

Thursday 9-10AM

St. Josephs

Saturday 3:30-4:30PM

followed by Benediction

Weekend Mass Times

Saturday (Vigil) 5:00 PM St. Joseph

Sunday 8:30 AM St. Mary's

Sunday 11:00 AM St. Charles

Weekday Mass Times

Tue. - Wed. 830 AM - St. Mary's

Thur. - Fri. 8:30 AM - St. Charles

Greetings (Boozhoo Aaniin)!

A Continuation of the Pastoral Letter

...If we are in a divinely initiated moment of dawning and awakening to the mission and vision that God is giving to us, then we must be walking out of some great darkness. Otherwise, there is no need for a dawning and awakening! Only a people walking in darkness can see the great light (Matthew 4:16). In recent times, we have been walking in the darkness of many challenges: the listing of priests with an allegation of abuse of a minor, bankruptcy, the merging and clustering of parishes, grieving the loss of Bishop Sirba, enduring the long wait for the appointment of the new bishop, the rise of coronavirus and its impact on all aspects of life, the decline in Mass attendance and reception of the Sacraments, the general decline in population for a majority of counties that constitute the Diocese of Duluth, and the list goes on. Let's just say, the night has been long and dark.

We also live in the cusp of the beginning of a new era. As Pope Francis expresses, "We are not living an era of change but a change of era" (Speech to the National Conference of the Italian Church, November 10, 2015). A change of this nature only happens every four or five hundred years. The last great change of era was in the time of the Reformation during the 1500's. Every change of era is a new dawning in history. A change of era acknowledges an ending as well as the new beginning. The customary ways of doing things no longer work in the new era. This is certainly true in our encounter, expression and embodiment of faith. Many of the ways that we pass on our faith to others no longer work. And even though we are working harder than ever to pass on our faith, it no longer sees the impact that it once did in another time. Until we are ready to admit that much of what we are doing is not working anymore, we will continue to stumble through the darkness of despair, frustration and failure. With so much darkness it is hard to see a step forward. Walking in darkness can be debilitating and frightening. Left on our own, walking in darkness can paralyze us, make us irrelevant and cast us deeply into hurt, despair and tribulation in our families, parishes and communities where we live. Much like the apostles in the upper room, we are huddled together in isolation, paralyzed and trapped by a fear that feels more like an ending than a beginning. *And suddenly a sound came from heaven like the rush of a mighty wind and there appeared to them tongues as of fire, distributed and resting on each one of them ...* (Acts 2:2-3).

In the healing, hope and joy of Jesus.

+ Daniel

God Bless
Fr. Trevor

"God will forgive you if you ask him to. Though your sins numerous as the grains of sand on the shore, God's merciful forgiveness is far greater than your sins. Do not be afraid. Trust in his love. Repent of your sins without delay and return to the house of the Father. He is waiting for you." Patrick Madrid, pg. 15. A year with the Bible



Mass Offerings



Sept. 6th - Sept. 13th

Saturday:	6 th	†	Tim Dewitt
Sunday: St.M:	7 th		Kathy Seelye
St.C:	7 th	†	Mark Olding
Monday:	8 th		No Mass
Tuesday:	9 th		Lorayne Harper
Wednesday	10 th	†	Lu Dewitt
Thursday	11 th		Judy Moe
Friday	12 th	†	Irv Seelye Sr.
Saturday	13 th		Matt Greeler



DO YOU DESIRE TO OFFER MASS FOR YOUR LOVED ONES?

Mass Intention envelopes are available in the entry of the church.
You may drop them off
in the Weekend collection basket.



All Bulletin announcements must be submitted no later than 11:00 AM on Mondays, two weeks prior to said event.
Thank You & God Bless



Register Here
Curriculum



St. Mary's Faith Formation !

Please join us for this upcoming event.

Game Night/Faith Formation (Class) Preparation Night

WHEN: Wednesday September 17th **TIME:** 6pm **LOCATION:** St. Mary's

We will be going over what faith formation classes will look like for this year. It is a new program, and we want to make sure that all the parents know what their child or children will be doing and the expectations for the year.

This is very vital and would like to see the parents there. Please join us.

We will provide supper and games for the evening.

Msgr. Buh Pilgrimage walk

On September 13, 2025, Men & Boys from across the Diocese are invited to walk in pilgrimage from St. Francis Catholic Church in Brainerd to St. Francis Xavier Chapel at Crow Wing State Park. This route honors the patriarch of the Diocese of Duluth, Msgr. Joseph Buh who in November of 1864 joined the Mission of Fr. Francis Pierz in Crow Wing. Msgr. Buh would go on to establish the Parish of St. Francis of Assisi in 1872 in Brainerd. Learn more and register at: <https://brainerdcatholic.org/events/2025/msgrbuhpilgrimage>

ST. MARY'S



CCW
Council of Catholic Women



Rummage sale items will be collection from

Monday Sept. 8th - Wed. Sept. 10th

9:00 AM - 1:00 PM

Sale: Fri. Sept.12 & Sat. Sept.13

8:00 AM - 5:00 PM

St. Charles

Dennis & Elizabeth Bergeron, Ruth Wittner, Rodney and Beverly Benson, Bob Karbowski, Charles Bush Jr., Patricia Karbowski, Darwin Kingbird, Bradley Kurtzell, Maria & Ralph Patton, Evelyn Perrault, Christine Stenger, Connie Suchon, Deana Thomas, Andrea Emilia Bernabey, Anitra Benson, Janeen Gregerson.

For all those who are suffering with cancer.

St. Joseph and St. Mary's

Prayer requests may be submitted to our prayer chain by calling:

Elaine Grossell (218)246-8099



Your gift to The Ministries Appeal promotes Catholic values to future generations through Catholic Schools, Youth & Young Adult Ministries and faith formation programs like Catechesis and OCIA. The sanctity of life is upheld through your support of marriage, family and all life stages. If you already made your gift, thank you and if not, please prayerfully consider doing so.

St. Charles coffee & donuts after Sunday Mass

Thank you for your generous contributions!



August 31st 2025 Contribution Report

Church	Envelopes	Plate	On-Line	Total	Ministries Appeal	Ministries Appeal Goal	Collected By 8/17/25
St. Charles	Not	-	Early	-	-	\$10,146.00	\$3,647.00
St. Joseph	-	Available.	-	Printing		\$3,538.00	\$1,217.00
St. Mary's	-	-	-	-	Deadline	\$11,066.00	\$4,820.00

PLEASE PRAY FOR