

God's Story to Tell

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th a friend the problem of people wanting to know something that I know, and not being able to share the information they want. My firm and almost automatic response to prying questions about somebody else's predicament, problems or health is to tell them to talk directly to the person they want to know about. A friend once told me that a good response would be to say that what they want to know about is, "It's not my story to tell." I have begun to use that phrase with myself and with other people occasionally. I have found it to be a check on my need to say something, and also a profound truth about people's lives, decisions and struggles. Often it is true that it is someone else's story to tell. It is their story to share, shape or keep to themselves. I have neither the obligation nor the duty to tell their story for them. It is their story to tell, and it is in their telling that the truth of who they are is

freely shared and understood.

I find that in pondering this simple truth, I can find a new depth of meaning in the Holy Week pilgrimage we begin today. Our celebration of the passion, death and resurrection of Jesus, the Paschal Mystery, is a celebration of the core and center of our faith. From before the beginning of time God planned to save us through his son, Jesus Christ. Across millennia, centuries and ages he guided all of history to the moment of our salvation. In our celebrations this week we enter into the mystery of God's love and power. We walk with the Lord towards a new understanding of our compassionate God. This is the story that God has been telling us throughout the ages. In Jesus' self-sacrifice we see the love of God confronting the power of evil, sin and death. We see the power of love, mercy and compassion shielding us and raising us up to new life.

Like many stories in our lives, this story is told a little at a time. God reveals Himself to us gradually, and invites us to enter into the story and to be transformed by it. The doorway to the story of our salvation was the simple act of taking a palm and entering into this holy time with the Lord. Our acclamation of the Lord's entry into Jerusalem for our salvation is a promise to be wrapped in the story of salvation. It is a sign of our willingness to hear the story told and a beginning of a pilgrimage to salvation.

Our participation in the celebrations of Holy Thursday, Good Friday, the Easter Vigil and Easter Masses draws us into salvation and transforms our lives. The challenge for us this week is to be steadfast in our resolution to be present. The blessings of this sacred time depend on our willingness to participate. God will tell us the story that is His to tell, and for those who choose to listen to the end, it will be a fountain of new life.

Fr.Tony Stubeda

Monday, March 25

5:30 p.m. Mass (HR) 🕆 David Coudron

Tuesday, March 267:00 a.m. Mass (HR) Image: Robert & Ricky Tholen12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC)Image: Hayden Dempsey3:00 p.m. (CRC) Stations of the Cross3:30 p.m. Mass (BE)Image: Susan Green6:00 p.m. (CRC) Adoration

Wednesday, March 27

7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) [⊕] Dennis Lyon
8:20 a.m. Mass (HRS) [⊕] Barb & Leonard DeVos
10:00 a.m. Mass (NH) [⊕] John, Agnes, Gregory, Paul & Caroline Bot
11:45 a.m. Soup and Sermon (CH)

5:00 p.m. (SM) Stations of the Cross

5:30 p.m. Mass (SM) & Mary Bump

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The Sacred Triduum: March 28-30

Holy Thursday, March 28

12:00 p.m. (SJC) Benediction 5:30 p.m. (HR) Mass (HR-Spanish) 한 Joseph & Frances Bot family 7:30 p.m. (SM) Mass 한 Don & Phyllis Blazek 8:00 p.m. (HR) Mass 한 Shawn Doyle

10:15 p.m. (SM) Night Prayer

10:15 p.m. (HR) Night Prayer

Good Friday, March 29 - Friday of the Passion of the Lord

12:00 p.m. Service (HR) No Intention5:30 p.m. Service (HR) No Intention5:30 p.m. Service (SM) No Intention7:30 p.m. Service (HR-Spanish) No Intention

Holy Saturday, March 30

8:15 p.m. Easter Vigil Mass (HR) [⊕] James & Agnes Van Overbeke

Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday of the Resurrection of the Lord

7:00 a.m. Mass (HR) 🕆 Jules Noyes

7:30 a.m. Mass (SM) 🕆 Angie Solfield, Victor & Mary Taus

9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) 🕆 Jerry Sanders

- 9:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ¹ ↓ Leon & Helen Vandendriessche
- 11:00 a.m. Mass (HR) 🕆 Jane Louwagie

12:30 p.m. Mass (HR-Spanish)

For the people of the Parish

 Tuesday, April 2

 7:00 a.m. Mass (HR)
 ☆ Kathleen & James LaVoy

 8:00 a.m. (SJC) Perpetual Adoration week begins

 12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC)
 ☆ Carolyn Boerboom

 3:30 p.m. Mass (BE)
 ☆ Richard Doom

 Wednesday, April 3

 7:00 a.m. Mass (HR)
 ☆ Ricky "Poo Bear" Gagnon

 10:00 a.m. Mass (HR)
 ☆ Audrey Bakker

 5:30 p.m. Mass (SM)
 ☆ Henry & Lyla Blazek &

 deceased family members
 Thursday, April 4

 7:00 a.m. Mass (HR)
 ☆ Denis Matthys

 12:00 p.m. Mass (CRC)
 ☆ Bernadine DeCock

 7:00 a.m. Mass (HR)
 ☆ Lorotta Ochocki

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¹ Loretta Ochocki 8:20 a.m. Mass (HRS)
¹ Ken Arnoldi 10:30 a.m. Mass (HS)
¹ Jules Noyes 12:00 p.m. Benediction (SJC)

<u>Saturday, April 6</u>

Monday, April 1

No Masses today

8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ✤ Margarita Garcia 8:30 a.m. (HR) Confessions 4:00 p.m. (HR) Confessions 5:00 p.m. Mass (HR) ✤ John, Agnes, Gregory, Paul & Caroline Bot

Sunday, April 7 - Second Sunday of Easter / Divine Mercy Sunday

8:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ¹/₂ Leonard & Lorraine Gruhot
8:15 a.m. Confessions (SM)
9:00 a.m. Mass (SM) ¹/₂ Don & Phyllis Blazek
10:00 a.m. Mass (HR) ¹/₂ Marie Stoks
12:30 p.m. Mass (HR-Spanish) For the people of the Parish
5:00 p.m. Perpetual Adoration week begins
5:15 p.m. Confessions (CRC)
6:00 p.m. Mass (CRC) ¹/₂ Marian VandePutte



<u>Please Note:</u> The Passion originally scheduled for Wednesday, March 27 at 7 pm has been cancelled. This bulletin information is current as of the print date of *Thursday, March 21*. Due to changing circumstances, please continue to check our social media for the most up-to-date information. Website: www.holy-redeemer.com. Facebook: "Holy Redeemer Catholic Church, Marshall, MN"

Liturgical Calendar Events Key:

BC - Boulder Creek	CH - Carlin Hall (HR Basement)	HR - Holy Redeemer Church	NH - Nursing Home
BE - Boulder Estates	FF - Faith Formation at HRS	HRS - Holy Redeemer School	SJC - St. Joseph's Chapel
CRC - Campus Religious Center	HP - Heritage Pointe	HS - Hill Street Place	SM - St. Mary's -Cottonwood

Sunday Collection & Stewardship Report - through March 17, 2024:

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Holy Redeemer, Marshall			St. M	ary's, Cotton	wood	
	Budget	Actual	Difference	Budget	Actual	Difference
Adult	\$21,413.92	\$11,606.28	(\$9,807.64)	\$1,778.85	\$2,367.00	\$588.15
Youth	\$9.62	\$16.75	\$7.13	-	-	-
Loose Plate	\$1,346.15	\$1,332.10	(\$14.05)	\$97.65	\$100.00	\$2.35
Weekly Totals	\$22,769.69	\$12,955.13	(\$9,814.56)	\$1,876.50	\$2,467.00	\$590.50
Year to Date	\$842,478.47	\$876,572.41	\$34,093.94	\$69,430.53	\$73,720.56	\$4,290.03

Calendar of Events for the Area Faith Community of the Bread of Life...

Holy Week		Μ		
Monday, March 25				
6:00 pm (CH) CCW General Gatherin	g (POSTPONED)			
6:30 pm (HR) Griefshare - Loss of a l				
7 pm (SM) Bible Study				
Tuesday, March 26				
1:30 pm (HRS) Passion Play				
7 pm (CRC) Game Night - Newman C	lub	W		
Wednesday, March 27				
11:45 am (CH) Lenten Soup & Sermo	n "Eucharistic Saints"			
12 pm (HRS) School dismissed for Ea				
No Faith Formation classes - Classes				
5 pm (HRS-Room 101) Youth Choir practice				
6 pm (HRS-Room 101) Adult Choir practice				
Thursday, March 28		F		
(HRS) No School - Easter break		-		
Friday, March 29				
No (SM) "That Man is You"				
6 am (HR) That Man is You		S		
(HRS) No School - Easter break				
12 pm Parish Office Closes				
Saturday, March 30	Same 2	Sı		
Sunday, March 31 - Easter Sunday				
(SM) No Sunday School Classes	He is risen!			
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Monday, April 1
Parish Offices closed
(HRS) No school - Easter break
(HR) <i>No</i> Griefshare
Tuesday, April 2
8 am (HR) Parish Office opens
(HRS) School back in session
Wednesday, April 3
(SM) Faith Formation classes
(HR) Faith Formation classes
5 pm (HRS-Room 101) Youth Choir practice
6 pm (HRS-Room 101) Adult Choir practice
Thursday, April 4
7 pm (HR) Rosary for healing
Friday, April 5 - First Friday-Communion Calls
5:45 am (SM) That Man is You
6 am (HR) That Man is You
12 pm Parish Office Closes
Saturday, April 6
After 8 am Mass (HR) First Saturday Devotions
Sunday, April 7
10:00 am (SM) Sunday School
7:00 pm (CRC) Catholicism 101

Radio Rosary Intentions for March 25 - April 7, 2024

- Mon. Mar. 25: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot and Pam Haukom by their family
- Tues. Mar. 26: In memory of Denise Timmerman by Dave & Nancy Kesteloot
- Wed. Mar. 27: In memory of Mary Ann Buysse by Arlene Buysse
- Thurs. Mar. 28: For the intentions of Lorraine Lanners sponsored by the St. Clotilde Choir
- Fri. Mar. 29: In memory of Francis Matthys by Dean & Linda Louwagie
- Sat. Mar. 30: In memory of Richard Christopherson by Diane Christopherson
- Sun. Mar. 31: In memory of Elaine O'Neil by Tony & Ruth Louwagie

- Mon. Apr. 1: In memory of Maryann Buysse by Ardyce Louwagie
- Tues. Apr. 2: In memory of Marian Laleman by Etien Laleman
- Wed. April 3: In memory of Linda King by Tony & Ruth Louwagie
- Thur. April 4: For the intentions of Ardyce Louwagie by the St. Clotilde Choir
- Fri. April 5: In memory of Vin & Judy Bot and Pam Haukom by their family
- Sat. April 6: In loving memory of Anthony, Betty & Bill Krogman by the Krogman family
- Sun. April 7: In memory of Frances Matthys by David & Diane Hennen

Area Faith Community of The Bread of Life

<u>Studio 1 - Marshall's local cable access</u> is airing the series "*Remembering Jesus: A Catholic Approach to Alzheimer's Disease.*" Hosted by Dr. Vincent Fortanasce and Fr. Roger Landry goes beyond a medical analysis of Alzheimer's and other dementias & gets people to see the person behind the disease. A much needed Catholic perspective in today's culture's disregard for the sanctity of all stages of life, the powerful insights presented in *Remembering Jesus* make it a must see for everyone - especially for those who know or care for someone suffering with dementia. Episode 7 entitled "*Stress, Forgiveness and Healing*" will air on Studio 1 public access Bluepeak channel 17 & Charter/Spectrum channel 180 at 4 p.m. on Tuesday, March 26 & 9 a.m. on Friday, March 29.

<u>Cemetery Reminder</u>: The Calvary Cemetery Committee wishes to remind all parishioners with Christmas season decorations still at the cemetery to remove them. We do not want to throw items of value, but a cemetery cleanup will take place soon.

PLEASE PRAY FOR ALL THOSE WHO HAVE DIED, ESPECIALLY

Margaret "Peggy" Cline Gwendalyn "Wendy" Van Overbeke

May all who sleep in Christ find God's presence, light, happiness and peace.

Scholarship: The Catholic Daughters of the Americas local Court St. Joan of Arc #1291 is offering a \$1,000 scholarship to a 2024 graduating Catholic girl. She must be a member of Holy Redeemer Parish or any of the adjacent Catholic parishes that don't have a Catholic Daughter Court. Applications are available at the Parish office or call Coleen Frye at 507-829-0709. Deadline is **April 15**.

SHINE THROUGH THE DARKNESS a local author Darkness: Reig Darkness:

Roast Beef & Pork: St. Mary's Tracy will be hosting a Roast Beef & Pork Dinner on Sunday, **March 24** from 11-1 in the parish hall. Dine-in, pickup or delivery available within city limits by calling 507.629.3841. Adults \$15, K-6 \$5 and Preschool is free. A raffle drawing and an online auction will be held.

<u>St. Mary's Cottonwood Waffle Breakfast:</u> This Sunday, Palm Sunday, our 10th graders hosted our Belgian Waffle breakfast for the parish from 8 am to noon. Special thanks to all who supported us. You are much appreciated.

Save the Date: Family Bingo Night at St. Mary's in Cottonwood on Sunday, April 14. More information to come.

<u>**RICE BOWLS:</u>** Rice bowls will be collected at Holy Redeemer Church at Holy Thursday Mass, March 28th. There will a place in the gathering area for collection.</u>

<u>Cottonwood Bible Study</u>: Our Lenten Bible study "Deepening Your Relationship with Jesus, "led by Fr. Paul, continues with our last session on Monday, March 25 from 7-8 pm in the church basement. ALL are welcome. Sponsored by St. Mary's CCW. **Sponsor an ad!** The Area Faith Community of the Bread of Life church bulletin has an open spot for a sponsorship advertisement. *These ads help make it possible to print our weekly bulletins at no cost to the church!* If you are interested in ad sponsorship or would like more information, please contact Latiefa at 507-532-4493 or email *latiefa@henleprinting.com*. Thank you for continuing to patronize our advertisers!

<u>Mark Your Calendar</u>: The Council of Catholic Women will be selling cinnamon and caramel rolls on Sunday, April 14 after the 8 and 10 am Mass. Dine in is also available after the 8 am Mass. Proceeds will go to Holy Redeemer School for the 7th and 8th Grade trip to New York City and Washington D.C.

Eucharistic Video Series:

The third and final in the video series entitled "The Story of the Eucharist" will be shown in Carlin Hall on Sunday, **March 24** from 2 to 3 PM. Question and answer time will follow with a priest or deacon. Hope to see you there.

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Palm Sunday 3/24/24	Holy Thurs. <u>3/28/24</u>	Good Friday 3/29/24	Holy Saturday 3/30/24	Easter Sunday <u>3/31/24</u>
5 pm (HR) Sat. 3/23 8 am & 10 am (HR) 9 am (SM) 12:30 pm (HR-Spanish) 6 pm (CRC)	5:30 pm (HR) Spanish 7:30 pm (SM) 8 pm (HR) 10:15 pm Night Prayer (SM) & (HR)	12 pm (HR) 5:30 pm (SM) 5:30 pm (HR) 7:30 pm (HR) Spanish	8:15 pm (HR) Easter Vigil Mass	7 am, 9 am & 11 am (HR) 7:30 am, 9 am (SM) 12:30 pm (HR) Spanis
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Area Faith Community of The Bread of Life...continued

Holy Redeemer's Lenten food drive for the local Kitchen Table Food Shelf will be held during March at both the church and the CRC. Please leave food items in marked boxes at either location. If donating money, please make checks payable to Holy Redeemer, add Food Shelf in the memo, and drop in the collection basket or at the parish office.



Feed the Hungry: St. Mary's CCW is sponsoring our annual Food Shelf Drive during **March**. Grocery bags will be handed out at Sunday Mass or found in the gathering space. Please consider taking a bag and fill with recommended food items and return filled to the gathering space in church any time during the month. Monetary donations are also accepted.

PLEASE NOTE, Due to the Easter holiday...

* <u>St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel</u> will be **closing at Noon** on Holy Thursday, **March 28**. It will reopen with Exposition at 8 a.m. on Tuesday, April 2.

* <u>Holy Redeemer Parish Office</u> will be **closing at Noon** on Good Friday, **March 29** and also closed Monday, **April 1**. We will reopen for regular business hours on Tuesday, April 2.

Eucharistic Pilgrimage: Please join Fr. Shawn Polman on a Eucharistic Pilgrimage in May. The Star of the North Eucharistic Congress will be in Bemidji, MN from **May 17 – 19**. There will be a group going to these events from the Diocese of New Ulm. The trip will conclude with the Ignite event happening in Watkins, MN on the night of May 19 at St. Anthony's parish! For more information, contact Roxanne Felder @ 612-396-0727 or to register, please visit <u>https://form.jotform.com/232387276489068</u> or scan the QR code. The deadline to register is **April 1**!





Jackpot Bingo: Catholic United Financial welcomes everyone to the St. Leo Catholic Church basement on Sunday, April 7 for Jackpot Bingo. Lunch will be served starting at noon. Warm up

games start at 12:30 pm followed by jackpot games at 1:30 pm. Donation is \$15. Proceeds go to support St. Peters Catholic School and the St. Leo Parish. **Young Adult Catholic** We had a great evening the past week diving into "Who am I?" and ending the gathering with night prayer. We gather at Holy Redeemer Church every 3rd Tuesday at 7pm. Join us on **April 16**! Follow us on Facebook at Young Adult Catholics: Bread of Life and Our Lady of the Prairie AFCs.

Divine Mercy Novena: You are invited to pray the Divine Mercy Novena which begins on Good Friday. Pamphlets are available in the gathering space at Holy Redeemer & St. Mary's and are provided by Catholic United Financial. The Feast of Divine Mercy Sunday is on the Sunday after Easter and was named by Saint Pope John Paul II at the canonizations of St. Faustina in 2000. The Divine Mercy Chaplet is based on the revelations of Jesus to St. Faustina.

Eucharistic Ministers schedule for Holy Week, Easter and April 6-7, 2024				
Holy Redeemer, Marshall			St. Mary, Cottonwood	
Four ministers are needed, including the Priest, and Deacon if present. <i>Note: Fr. Tony will not be distributing the Eucharist at Mass</i> (See sign-up sheet.)			<u>Easter Sunday, March 31 at 7:30 am:</u> Lectors: Lucinda Weverka Euch. Ministers: Ron Polman & Ron Nelson	
Holy Thurs. 8 pm: Deacon Ken Noyes Cindy Sanders	Good Friday 12 pm: Deacon Ken Noyes Margaret Olafson Russ Labat	Holy Sat. 8:15 pm: Deacon Ken Noyes Larry Doom	Altar Servers: Hudson Weverka Greeters: Matt Weverka & LeRoy Neuman Music: Lynn Nelson & Lydia Weverka	
Brenda Baker Syl DeBaere	5:30 pm: Deacon Travis Welsh Joyce Strootman (Need 1 More)	Deacon Travis Welsh	<i>Easter Sunday, March 31 at 9 am:</i> Lectors: Mary Beth Sinclair Euch. Minister: Dean Onken Altar Servers: Gavin Manning & Caden Brunsvold	
<u>7 am, Easter Sunday:</u> Deacon Ken Noyes	<u>9 am, Easter Sunday:</u> Cindy Sanders	<u>11 am, Easter Sun.:</u> Syl DeBaere	Greeters: John Sinclair & Neil Kroger Money Counters: Mike & Mary Ann Horner	
Russ Labat	Mike Sanders	Joyce Strootman	Music: Trent & Christie Gergen	
(Need 2 More)	Steve Sammons Susie Sammons	(Need 1 More)	<i>Sunday, April 7 at 9 am:</i> Lectors: Hector Matthys	
<u>5 pm, Sat. April 6:</u> Margaret Olafson Janet Trost Braxton Seifert	<u>8 am, Sun. April 7:</u> Susie & Steve Sammons Mark Antony Jackie & Larry Doom	10 am, Sun. April 7: Nadine Taylor Louise VanLeeuwe Tawny Schotzko James VanHyfte Roger Przybys	Euch. Ministers: Mary Beth Sinclair Altar Servers: Anna & Thane Matthys Greeters: Dan Hoffman & Mike Horner Money Counters: Jerold & Cathy Drager Music: Chris & Amanda Sieling	

Pontifical Good Friday Collection: Pope Francis has asked our parish to support the *Pontifical Good Friday Collection*, which helps Christians in the Holy Land, where they are now less than 2% of the population. Your support is essential in helping the Church minister in parishes, provide Catholic schools, and offer religious education. The *Pontifical Good Friday Collection* also helps to preserve the sacred shrines of Christianity, including in Jerusalem, Nazareth and Bethlehem. The pandemic hit Christians there particularly hard. Most of them depend on pilgrimages for work. The war made their situation even more dramatic. In these times of crisis, the *Pontifical Good Friday Collection* is necessary to meet the basic needs of the People of God still living in this Land and to maintain a Christian presence where the Church was born. When you contribute you join with Catholics around the world in solidarity with the Church in the Holy Land. PLEASE BE GENEROUS! For more information about Christians in the Holy Land, visit www.myfranciscan.org or www.custodia.org.

Faith Formation for the Bread of Life Area Faith Community			
<u>St. Mary's - Cottonwood</u>	Holy Redeemer Church		
Wednesday nights: March 27 - Holy Week - No Class - Please attend Mass April 3, 10, 17 & 24 - Class - All grades Sunday School Classes: March 31 - Easter - No Class April 7, 14, 21, 28 - Class 10-11 am April 21 - Youth Sunday - 4th Gr. Readers	March 27 - Holy Week - No Class April 3, 10, 17 & 24 - Class - All Grades April 20 - First Communion Retreat 9-11 am May 1 - First Communion Practice 5:30 pm May 5 - First Communion 12:30 or 2:30 pm First Communion Photo - 1:40 pm		
Saturday, May 4th: 9 am - First Communion Practice 4 pm - First Communion Mass Sunday, May 12th: 9 am - Baccalaureate Mass	 * There will be no Faith Formation on Wednesday, March 27th because of Holy Week. Please plan to participate in the many liturgy opportunities during Holy Week. * Our next DTS session will be on Sunday, April 14. Please mark your calendars. 		

* A <u>retreat for parents</u> of children up to age 18 will be held on Saturday, **April 27, 2024**, beginning with the 8am Mass at Holy Redeemer Church. It will conclude by noon. There is no cost for the retreat, but a free will donation will be accepted for the breakfast served. Please bring a bible, journal or notebook and writing utensil. Contact Becki or Emily at the Parish Office with any questions or sign up here: <u>https://www.signupgenius.com/</u>go/10C0C4AABAD28A0FFC07-48515402-parent#/

* First Communion Families, Mark Your Calendars! The First Communion retreat will be held at Holy Redeemer Church from 9-11 am on Saturday, **April 20**, 2024.

Holy Redeemer School

Important Dates: March 26 at 1:30 PM: Passion Play March 27 at Noon - April 1: Easter Break-No School April 18 at 1:00 PM & 6:30 PM: Spring Musical **Open Positions-24-25 School Year:** Preschool Assistant, Third Grade Teacher, 7/8 Science Teacher, STEM Teacher, Cafeteria Staff. Apply online at <u>Employment - Holy Redeemer</u> <u>Catholic School - Marshall, MN (holyredeemerschools.com)</u>. Teaching positions submit a cover letter, resume and 3 letters of recommendation along with the application..

Campus Religious Center on the Campus of Southwest Minnesota State University

<u>Fleece Request</u>: The Catholic Stangs are preparing for their Lenten service project; tie blankets for Birthright! They have set a goal of 40 blankets in 40 days. If you have extra fleece looking for a home, please contact Becki. The Catholic 'Stangs would be thrilled to use it to support their project!

CATHOLIC Please follow along on our Catholic 'Stangs website (<u>www.catholicstangs.com</u>) to stay up-to-date on the activities!

* There will be **NO** Reconciliation at the Campus Religious Center on Tuesday, **March 26**, 2024. Reconciliation will resume on Tuesday, April 2.



In the Community...

NUDCCW Convention: The 63rd Annual New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention will be held on Saturday, April 27, 2024, at the Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe, MN. The theme for the convention is "Be an Instrument of Salvation." Our keynote speaker in the morning is Kelly Wahlquist. Kelly is the founder of the national women's ministry WINE: Women IN the New Evangelization and the Director for the Catechetical Institute at The Saint Paul Seminary in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. The title of her talk is "Being Women in the New Evangelization." In the afternoon Leonard and Yazmin Gutierrez will present on evangelization. Leonard is our Diocesan Director of Evangelization, and both served as FOCUS missionaries. Join other women of the Diocese for Mass and the presentation of the NUDCCW Woman of the Year, along with lunch, silent auction and various exhibits and booth displays to fill the day. All who attend are sure to be spiritually enriched. Early bird registration deadline is April 15th . Registration forms are available from Marianne Stoutland - PH 507.476.0851 or Maggie Wambeke - Ph 507.828.8949 or on our New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women website at nudccw.org. Grow in your faith and connect with other faith filled women from the diocese! All women 18 years and older are welcome and encouraged to attend.

VIRTUS Training Sessions: Choose Wednesday, April 3 at the Cathedral High School Library in New Ulm from 6-9 pm or Monday, April 22 at the Church of St. Mary in Willmar from 6-9 pm. Please ask individuals needing a new VIRTUS account to register online through the diocesan Website https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/ by clicking on the large red button in the left margin of the main Safe Environment Web page. Individuals with existing pending accounts that did not previously register for a session should log back in to their new VIRTUS account using the user id and password they originally created to register. Users may also change their session decision online if needed. If you need assistance registering someone, please contact Sherry Kalow (<u>skalow@dnu.org</u>). Thank you.

SACRAMENT PREPARATION

- *Marriage*: Please contact the Parish Center 6 months or more prior to the date of the marriage for preparation requirements.
- **RCIA**: RCIA is a process for adults (un-baptized, baptized, non-Catholic or Catholic) to learn about the Catholic Faith or to join the Church.
- Baptism Preparation Class is for parents preparing to baptize their child. We encourage attendance in Baptism Preparation prior to the birth of your first child. Contact the Parish Center to register or visit our website at www.holy-redeemer.com/baptism. The next session will be **Tuesday**, May 14, 2024.

Sacrament of Reconciliation: Saturdays following 8 a.m. Mass and at 4 p.m. at Holy Redeemer.

Sundays from 8:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. at St. Mary's in Cottonwood. Other times by appointment. Perpetual Adoration: In St. Joseph's Adoration Chapel weekly from 5 p.m. Sundays to 12 p.m. Fridays.

Area Faith Community of the Bread of Life Information

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