

St. Mary's Catholic Church

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May 2, 2021 ~ FIFTH SUNDAY OF EASTER

Ministry Schedule for Sunday, May 9 (8:30 a.m.)

EM: Jeri Erickson
Lector: Vivian Heltemes
Ushers: Jerry Heltemes & Brian Marty
Servers: none
Sacristan: Fr. John Paul

Stewardship Report- April 25, 2021

Weekly budget expenses from 2020-2021 Budget:
\$1,618.27. *Thank you for your sacrificial offering.*

Adult:	\$1,245.00	Other:	
Youth:	15.00	Home Missions:	
Loose:	32.00		\$50.00
TOTAL:	\$1,292.00		

LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

NO Mass on TUESDAY, May 4 (Chokio)

Mass on Wednesday, May 5 – 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)
NO Mass on Friday, May 7 (Wheaton)
Saturday, May 8 – 5:00 p.m. (Wheaton)

Sunday, May 9 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

+ Irene Berlinger

Sunday, May 9 - 10:30 a.m. (Wheaton)



RECONCILIATION: Anyone desiring confessions is encouraged to call the office and set up an appointment.

MASS NOTES: --The congregation is permitted to sing the Mass parts again if they wish (please wear a mask). --EM's please bring communion up to the choir loft. --Weekday Mass is changed to Tuesday at 8:30 a.m. Father's day off will be on Monday.

Please remember in prayer: Sue Ritter, Emilyanne Kleindl, Sharon Henrichs, Dennis Golombiecki, Tom & Vicki Leuthardt, Robert Knopik, Marie Grossman, Lil Ritter, Harold Sivertson, Rita Schuster, and all who are ill. Please call when a name should be added or removed from this list. **To start the Prayer Chain, please call Fr. John Paul, Sandy Finke, or Sandi Marlow-Weber so all parts of the Prayer Chain get started. Thanks!**

In order to watch weekday or Sunday Mass live or recorded, go to "youtube.com" and once there, type in YouTube's search engine: Father John Paul – Mass, and the date the Mass is occurring. (For example: Father John Paul – Mass, November 22, 2020)

THE BULLETINS FOR MAY 9 & 16 WILL BE PRINTED ON THURSDAY, MAY 6th. PLEASE GET ANNOUNCEMENTS IN BY WEDNESDAY EVENING, MAY 5th. THANK YOU!

The 13th Annual St. Mary's Calendar Raffle: \$4,860 has been receipted. Money raised will go towards building improvements. Tickets will be available before and after Mass. **Deb will be gone May 7-17, so tickets need to be turned in on Sunday May 9 & 16, or mailed to Becky during that time.** You can also call or message Becky Draper at 324-7321 (home) or 320-287-2164 (cell) for your tickets. Let's make this another successful raffle by reaching our goal of making \$5,000. Thank you for your cooperation and support!

Mother's Day Flowers: The Youth Group will be selling flowers again this year. If you or anyone you know wants to purchase flowers, please let Jenny Gibson know. You can leave a message at her home, 324-2726; or call her cell at 320-808-1916. All orders need to be in by May 5th. Pots will cost \$12 and will have a variety of colors. Flowers can be picked up at the Church Hall on Sunday, May 9th. Thank you!

Spring & Home Décor Items are for sale in the Hall. Put payment in collection marked "Crafts", or give to a craft member. Thanks!

Gatherings for Widows and Widowers will meet at noon on Sunday, May 2nd at the Old #1 Southside. No need to RSVP. For questions, call Rose at 589-3220.

Knights of Columbus will have their May meeting at Pomme de Terre Park in Morris on May 4th at 7:15 p.m.

St. Mary's Parish Council will meet via Zoom on Monday, May 10th at 7 p.m.

Communion of Hearts Rosary Retreat: May 21-23 at the Abbey of the Hills, Marvin, SD, led by Fr. Todd Schneider, Morris. Registration is required. Register online at abbeyofthehills.org, or call 605-398-9200, or email events@abbeyofthehills.com.

Relay for Life 2021: It is that time of the year when we need to decide if St. Mary's will participate in Relay for Life by having a team with Our Saviors again. We have been calling ourselves the "Saints & Saviors" team. Relay for Life will be July 23, 2021 at the Stevens County Fairgrounds again, with the Lee Center as a backup if the weather is bad. We would love to have some new team members, so if you would be willing to join our team, please contact Sandi Marlow-Weber, 324-7209. Even if you can't attend the actual Relay, you can still join the team. There is no time like the present to make a difference!

Thank you for your support of the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. We raised \$50 to help strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States.

Bishop's Annual Appeal: Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the appeal. AS of April 19, the Appeal raised \$936,413 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000 with gifts from 6,322 households. **Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose.**

Area Catholic Community parish websites are: www.brownsvalleycatholic.org <https://assumptionofmorris.org>
<https://stmarysmorris.com>

Readings for the week: May 3-8

Monday 1 Corinthians 15:1-8 Ps. 19:2-3,4-5 John 14:6-14	Tuesday Acts 14:19-28 Ps 145:10-11,12-13ab,21 John 14:27-31a	Wednesday Acts 15:1-6 Ps 122:1-2,3-4ab,4cd-5 John 15:1-8
Thursday Acts 15:7-21 Ps. 96:1-2a,2b-3,10 John 15:9-11	Friday Acts 15:22-31 Ps 57:8-9,10,12 John 15:12-17	Saturday Acts 16:1-10 Ps 100:1b-2,3,5 John 15:18-21