

# St. Mary's Catholic Church

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<https://stmarysmorris.com>

**June 26, 2022 ~ 13<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME**

## Ministry Schedule for Sunday, July 3 (8:00 a.m.)

EOM's: Anita Marty & Jerry Heltemes  
Lector: Vivian Heltemes  
Ushers: Jacob & Brock Marty  
Servers: Jade & Andrew Marty, & Lincoln Schneider  
Sacristan: David Asfeld

## Stewardship Report- June 19, 2022

Weekly budget expenses from 2021-2022 Budget:  
\$1621.15. *Thank you for your sacrificial offering*

**Adult:** \$1,405.00

**Youth:** 20.50

**Loose:** 43.00

**Sound System:** 50.00

**TOTAL:** \$1,518.50

## LITURGICAL SCHEDULE

Tuesday, June 28 – 8:30 a.m. (Chokio)

+ Steve & Mary Berlinger

Mass on Wednesday, June 29 – 8:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

Mass on Thursday, June 30 – 10:00 a.m. (BV Care Center)

Mass on Friday, July 1 – 10:00 a.m. (Wheaton Care Center)

Sunday, July 3 – 8:00 a.m. (Chokio)

+ Kathy Keeler

Sunday, July 3 - 9:30 a.m. (Wheaton)

Sunday, July 3 – 11:00 a.m. (Browns Valley)



**RECONCILIATION:** By appointment, or as scheduled below:

**CONFESSION TIMES:** Tuesday @ 5:30 p.m. – Chokio; Wednesday @ 5:30 p.m. – Wheaton; Thursday @ 5:30 p.m. – Browns Valley.

**Please remember in prayer:** Leona Finke, Russell Larson, Ginny Itzen, Emilyanne Kleindl, Sharon Henrichs, Dennis Golombiecki, Tom & Vicki Leuthardt, Robert Knopik, Lil Ritter, 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 Sandy Marlow-Weber so all parts of the Prayer Chain get started. Thanks!**

**If there is anyone interested in becoming Catholic, please let the Padre know (324-2680).**

**Christian Mothers & Women** will pray the Rosary on Sun., July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 7:30 a.m. and will pray together following Mass.

In regards to some parishioners requesting **First Friday & First Saturday Devotions**, we will experiment with having an 8:30 am Mass rotational "cycle" through all three of our parishes (...in alphabetical order) beginning July 1st, 2022 to accomplish this desire. We will try having the Mass @ 8:30 am in the morning (...for that usually works better for the majority) and have the rotation in alphabetical order so that all parishes feel involved & equally treated. For example, next month our First Friday 8:30 am Mass will be held in Browns Valley on July 1st & our First Saturday 8:30 am Mass will be held in Chokio on July 2nd. The following month, First Friday 8:30 am Mass will be in Wheaton on Aug 5th & First Saturday Mass in Browns Valley on Aug 6th. The third month, First Friday 8:30 am Mass in Chokio on Sept 2nd & First Saturday Mass on Sept 3 in Wheaton. After three months, the cycle starts all over & repeats itself, so that each parish has a First Friday & First Saturday Mass in that time period. This schedule is not guaranteed to please all attendees, but guaranteed to give it a try; those who "do" desire to participate are of course going to have to do some driving. As a bonus & a tie into the devotion offered for that day, an hour of Eucharistic Adoration will be available & beginning at 7:30 am on First Fridays & an hour of confessions will be available & beginning at 7:30 am on First Saturdays - each in the respective location where the Mass will be offered that day. Please note that these devotions are not mandatory in any regards, nor Holy Days of Obligation, but simply an opportunity for individuals who would like to obtain the graces & blessings that were promised in practicing them (...blessings like peace in the world, peace in one's home, assistance at the hour of one's death, assistance at the hour of the nonbeliever's death, etc.) through the Sacred Hearts of Jesus & Mary. More to come. ---the padre

**SAVE THE DATE:** St. Mary's Cemetery Mass: Wednesday, July 13<sup>th</sup> @ 5:30 p.m. Potluck to follow.

**VBS:** July 25 – 27<sup>th</sup> at Our Saviors, Chokio, for Pre-K-7<sup>th</sup> grade. Call Jenny Gibson, 324-2726.

**St. Mary's 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration:** **Sunday, September 11, 2022.** St. Mary's 125<sup>th</sup> Celebration committee is considering ordering a keepsake ornament of St. Mary's Church. The brass oval ornament will feature an etched picture of St. Mary's Church along with the name and dates. The estimated price is \$15 an ornament if we order 100 ornaments. Becky and Barb will be in the back of the Church with a sample and a sign-up sheet if you wish to order an ornament. Please do so by June 26th.

**The 14<sup>th</sup> Annual St. Mary's Calendar Raffle:** \$10,400 has been receipted from ticket sales. All tickets have been sold and turned in! Daily winners will be called and listed on Facebook (St. Mary's Annual Bazaar) beginning July 1<sup>st</sup>, and names will be posted each Friday at the Post Office and Tri-County. Thank you!

**WANTED:** We are looking for a baby changing table to put in the men's bathroom in the Hall. If you have one you would like to donate, please call the office (324-2680)! Thank you.

Our secretary "**Deb Needham**" is retiring the end of June. We want to extend a warm thank you to her for all the hard work over the past 20+ years here at St. Mary's! She has been through and done a lot on behalf of our parish. Feel free to call or stop by her office sometime and show your appreciation for all that she has done as well. If anyone is interested in filling her position as **Secretary/Bookkeeper**, feel free to get in touch with the Padre and/or pick up an application by the office. It is a flexible and rewarding part-time position that entails working with some pretty cool people☺

**Community News:** The Foxy Ladies will be headed to Dumont on Monday, June 27<sup>th</sup> at 7 p.m., and will be home on the 30<sup>th</sup>.

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**Catechetical Institute:** Learn more about it at the Open House on June 27<sup>th</sup>, from 6 – 7 p.m., at the Church of St. Mary, Alexandria. The program is offered through the St. Paul Seminary & Archbishop Flynn Catechetical Institute. You can find more information, as well as the application, at <http://www.cistudent.com/pillars/>. Applications & Brochures are also available in back of Church.

**Coping with Farm & Rural Stress in Minnesota** brochures are in back of Church. The Diocese is supporting this avenue/options for people coping with these issues.

**Bishop's Annual Appeal:** The Appeal proudly supports respect-for-life efforts in the diocese. Your generosity helps make this possible. To donate, visit [www.stedio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stedio.org/annualappeal) or mail to: Bishop's Annual Appeal, PO Box 1538, St. Cloud, MN 56302