

*April 28<sup>th</sup>, 2024*  
*5<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter*

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Apr 29<sup>th</sup> – May 5<sup>th</sup>)**

**MON** ~ No Mass ~  
**TUE** Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Charles & Agnes Spittle  
**WED** Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~  
**THU** Mass – 10:00 am BVCC  
**FRI** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Russell Larson  
Mass – 10:00 am TCC  
**SAT** Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~  
**SUN** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Irene Berlinger  
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~  
Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

**STEWARDSHIP** – for Sunday, April 21<sup>st</sup>

Adult \$1675 Youth \$19 Loose \$81 Votive \$ 51.50  
Utilities \$50 Bldg Mainten. \$70 Calendar Raffle \$2440

**Confession Schedule:**

7:00 pm on Tuesday in Chokio  
7:00 pm on Wednesday in Wheaton  
7:00 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

We welcome “**Emmett John Rinke**” through Baptism  
Son of Jake & Hailey Rinke!  
And also “**Bowyn John Jackson**” through Baptism  
Son of Koby & April Jackson!!  
Both are Great-Grandsons of **John & Lois Deal** 😊  
Baptized by Fr. **John** Paul on Apr. 20<sup>th</sup>

I'd like to thank our DREs & Faith Formation Teachers  
who sacrificed a lot to hand down our faith to our youth!  
May the Good Lord reward you richly for the generosity  
shown unto our parishes 😊 - the padre

Happy “90th” Birthday Virgil Doscadis!!!

**Ministry Schedule, 6<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Easter, May 5, 8:00 a.m.**

**EM's:** Rich Weber, G. Heintzelman, B. Berlinger, & Jeri Erickson  
**Lector:** Rachel Schott & First Communicants  
**Ushers:** Jerry Heltemes & Jeramee Van Eps  
**Servers:** Otto Kleindl & Mandy Kleindl  
**Sacristans:** John & Mary Lou Berlinger

**Spring Schedule:**

---**May 5<sup>th</sup> First Communion & Reception after 8 a.m. Mass:** First Communicants are Weston Kampmeier, Lillian Marty & Josie Van Eps. Come and celebrate with them!

---**May 19<sup>th</sup> Baccalaureate Sunday, 8 a.m.** Seniors are John Kleindl & Gabrielle, “Gabby,” Schneider. Reception following.

**St. Mary's 16<sup>th</sup> Annual Calendar Raffle Ticket sales have begun.**

Tickets are available before and after church, in the office, or by calling Becky Draper. Receipted to date is: \$4860.

**Youth Group will be selling Mother's Day Flowers again this year.**

Andersons will again supply the pots, \$12 each. Orders will be taken April 28<sup>th</sup> and May 5<sup>th</sup>, or you can call or text Jenny Gibson at 320-808-1916 with your order. Pots will be available after church, in the hall on May 12<sup>th</sup>, Mother's Day. You can pay when you order or when you pick up your pots.

**Vacation:** Sandi, will be out of the office April 27<sup>th</sup>-May 3<sup>rd</sup>. Leave message or try to call Father if there is something urgent.

**Holy Family Holy Water Fonts have been installed for the children.**

Please teach your children how to use their fonts. We hope the children will enjoy them! They have good reviews so far!

**Vacation Bible School will take place July 29<sup>th</sup>-31<sup>st</sup>, 9 a.m.-2 p.m.**

at Our Savior's Lutheran Church, with the program at 7 pm on 7/31. It is free to church members. By May 24<sup>th</sup>, contact Jenny Gibson or Jamie Van Eps to register to attend or to help with VBS. Registration forms are in the back of church.

**2024 Annual Salad Supper Sponsored by Our Savior's Women is**

Thursday, May 2, 2024 at 6:30 p.m. with a program, “Perseverance through Faith” by Riley Spindler, 9<sup>th</sup> grader at Minnewaska HS., who is congenitally blind will share his piano music and comedy. He believes we are all connected through music. No charge.

**Catholic Home Mission Appeal is today. Support the US Missions!**



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**Liturgical Ministers – May 5– 11:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Bernice Piechowski  
**EM:** Bernice P., Carol Hoffman & Brenda Pederson  
**Choir & Congregation:** David & Julie Metz  
**Servers:** Natalie Remily & Addison Jurgens  
**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Gerald & Peggy Heck  
**Ushers:** Mark Appel & Joe Reinart  
**Home Communion –**Marlene A. **Sacristan:** Sue Toelle

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:** *“Children, let us love not in word or speech but in deed and truth.” -1 John 3:18*

Regarding our Catholic faith, do you “walk the talk?” “Do your actions reflect what it means to be a good disciple? Are you an active participant at Sunday Mass? Are you joyful when participating in parish ministry? Do you give gratefully and generously with your financial support to your parish and other Church needs? If not, it’s not too late to start!

**All are created in the image of God and called to be part of His family. Are you seeking to be part of His family?** Central Minnesota Koinonia is a weekend Catholic retreat program sponsored by the St Cloud Diocese and is designed for adults to help you on your faith journey. Retreats are held at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. The next English retreat will be held May 17-19, 2024, cost of the weekend is \$70.00. Go to [www.centralmnkoinonia.org](http://www.centralmnkoinonia.org) for more information and to register for retreats.

**First Holy Communion will be Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup>.** Those who are making their first Confession and First Holy Communion are Emma Remily and Carly Huber. Please pray for them.

***Ave Maria ~ Wheaton***

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**God’s Blessings on you as you receive your First Holy Communion**

**Zoe Doschadis ~ Jack Drinkwitz**  
**Rodrigo Espana Hernandez ~ Valentina Gonzalez Davila**  
**Lachlyn McKinley ~ Badi Morales Saldana**  
**Sully Nelson ~ Noah Straw**

**Please join us after Mass today, with a cake reception in the basement to Congratulate all of our First Communicants!!**

**Sunday, May 5<sup>th</sup> - 9:30am**

**Lector:** Carol Nelson  
**EM:** Carol Nelson, Armon Karsky, Marty Lanter  
**Servers:** Colin O’Leary & Patrick O’Leary  
**Ushers:** Philip Deal & Wolfgang Brink  
**Fellowship:** Mel Smith & Melanie Klein

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sun., May 5<sup>th</sup>** ~ Fellowship after 9:30am Mass  
**Sun., May 19<sup>th</sup>** ~ Baccalaureate Mass for our Seniors

Ave Maria now has a website for our church. To find it online go to: [avemariawheaton.org](http://avemariawheaton.org)  
This is all one word, there are no spaces.

We hope that you find it helpful and interesting as you go through and check out all of the different pages. We also have a new email address for the church. It is: [contact@avemariawheaton.org](mailto:contact@avemariawheaton.org)

**St. John Lutheran Church ~ Wheaton**

Will be having their Salad Luncheon  
On **Wednesday, May 1<sup>st</sup>**  
From **11:00am – 1:00pm**  
They will be serving Salads, Buns, Bars, & Beverages  
Cost is \$8.00 Everyone is welcome!

Have you attended a baptism, first Communion, confirmation, wedding, or ordination? All of these sacraments are supported through the ministries funded by the Bishop’s Annual Appeal. Help continue to support these vital milestones of our faith through a gift at [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).