

March 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2025  
8<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Mar 3<sup>rd</sup> – Mar 9<sup>th</sup>)**

**MON** ~ No Mass ~  
**TUE** Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Vocations by CUF  
**WED** Mass – 8:00 am Browns Valley ~  
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~  
Mass – 5:30 pm Chokio ~Rosa Kill  
**THU** Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~  
**FRI** Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~  
**SUN** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Christian Mothers/Women  
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~  
Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

**STEWARDSHIP** – for Sunday, Feb 23<sup>rd</sup>

Adult \$1558 Youth \$36.75 Loose \$228 Votive \$44  
Crafts \$70 Stole Fees \$140 Rental \$50 Utilities \$150  
Sanctuary \$160

**Confession Schedule:**

\***No Confessions** on Tuesday  
\*\***No Confessions** on Wednesday too  
5:30 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

**Daylight Savings** is next weekend: Sun, Mar 9<sup>th</sup>  
so don't forget to "spring" your clocks one hour ahead,  
else you'll be one hour late for Mass.

**No Confessions** on Tues or Wed this week  
due to Ash Wednesday & Mardi Gras.

Happy "100<sup>th</sup>" Birthday Lillian Ritter!!!

**Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule**

(Wed, Mar 5, 2025)

Mass – 8:00 am Browns Valley  
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton  
Mass – 5:30 pm Chokio

**Ministry Schedule, Wednesday, March 5, 5:30 p.m.**

**EM's':** Jeri Erickson & Jamie Van Eps  
**Lector:** Paula Baxter  
**Ushers:** Mark Lampert & Jeramee Van Eps  
**Servers:** Lincoln Schneider & Zachary Kleindl  
**Sacristans:** Rachel Schott

**Ministry Schedule, Sunday, March 9, 8:00 a.m.**

**EM's':** Rich Weber & Jade Marty  
**Lector:** Faith Formation Students/Rachel Schott  
**Ushers:** Jim Stock & Ron Draper  
**Servers:** Jace Kleindl & Josie Kleindl  
**Sacristans:** David Asfeld

**Winter Schedule:**

---**Tuesday March 25, 2025 Mass 5:00 p.m./6:00 Confessions w/Fr. John Paul & Fr. Breu; no morning Mass; Feast of the Annunciation**

**DCCW Lenten Retreat:** Attend "The Secret of the Holy Face"  
Lenten Retreat at St. Michael's Parish in Buckman, MN on Saturday  
March 8, 2025. Speakers include Fr. Robert Altier, 9 a.m.- 2 p.m.  
Cost: \$20 by Feb. 28; \$25 at the door. Everyone is welcome.

**The Bishop's Annual Appeal 2025, Voices of Hope:** Thank you so  
much to those who have already supported diocesan ministries in  
2024 through the Appeal. As of Feb. 24<sup>th</sup>, the Appeal has raised  
cash and pledges of \$232,187, 15% of the \$1,500,000 goal. This  
was made possible through the generous donations of 1,507  
people throughout the 16 counties in our diocese. Will you help  
these ministries? Visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**CRS Rice Bowls:** Please take one home and make it part of your  
Lenten almsgiving. Foreign aid hunger assistance is being cut so it's  
more important than ever to fill your Rice Bowl this Lent.

**Knights of Columbus:** Will meet Tues., March 4, at 7:00 p.m. at  
Assumption Church in Morris. Lunch will be served.

**God's Plan For Your Marriage:** Lenten enrichment class led by Dr.  
Tim & Hayley Jay based on Fr. Altier's book, "God's Plan For Your  
Marriage." Meets 6 Monday nights, March 17<sup>th</sup>-April 21<sup>st</sup>. Discuss  
themes such as marriage as a Sacrament, the meaning and purpose  
of sexuality, a true understanding of masculinity and femininity and  
the role of the Cross in marriage. Cost \$50/couple with a meal  
from Mi Mexico or Old No.1 included. Scan the QR code on the  
poster in the back to register.



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**Liturgical Ministers – March 5 – Ash Wed. 8:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Kevin Jurgens  
**EM:** Kevin Jurgens  
**Choir & Congregation:** Edith Foren  
**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Jim & Loretta Kruger

**Liturgical Ministers – March 9 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Paula Bourdreaux  
**EM:** Carol Hoffman, Mary Nigg & Edith Foren  
**Choir & Congregation:** Brenda Bartz & Mike Toelle  
**Servers:** Addison Jurgens & Natalie Remily  
**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Chad & Amber Metz  
**Ushers:** Caden Gibson & Cody Nelson  
**Home Communion:** Edith Foren  
**Sacristan:** Marlene Appel

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:** *“A good tree does not bear rotten fruit, nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.” - LUKE 6:43* Are you using your gifts in the way God intended? Have you asked God how He would like you to use them? Do you compare yourself to others and complain about what you don't have instead of being thankful for what you do have? God gives each of us unique gifts and a unique plan. Listen to how God is calling you to use your gifts, to bear good fruit, for the glory of His name.

**Students are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. There is a box in back of church for the pop tabs.**

**2025 WORLD DAY OF PRAYER – MARCH 7, 2025**

You are invited to join us in worship and fellowship at the United Methodist Presbyterian Church in Browns Valley at 2 p.m. on Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup>.

**FOOT CARE CLINIC**

Carol Nelson, RN, will be at the Community Center in Browns Valley on Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> and every first Wednesday to offer foot care. The clinic is open from 9-noon and the cost is \$25 for toenail trim, file and massage.

**STATIONS OF THE CROSS will be said at St. Anthony's on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. All are invited.**



**Ave Maria ~ Wheaton**

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*Blessings upon you as you are sealed with the Holy Spirit.*

*Evan Frisch, Marissa Frisch, Faith Gahlon, Porter Klemm, Colin O'Leary, Claire Rinke*

**Ash Wednesday, March 5<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30AM**

**Lector:** Linda Larson  
**EM:** John Tauber, Linda Larson, Deb Mucha  
**Servers:** Lyla Peterson & Teddy Peterson  
**Ushers:** Volunteers

**Sunday, March 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 9:30AM**

**Lector:** Carol Nelson  
**EM:** Carol Nelson, Linda Larson, Paul Thielen  
**Servers:** Claire Rinke & Audrie Gahlon  
**Ushers:** Wolfgang Brink & Philip Brink  
**Fellowship:** Matt Franzese

**Wheaton Lions Club Pancake Breakfast**

**Sunday, March 2<sup>nd</sup> 9:00am – 12:30pm**

**Wheaton American Legion**

Serving Pancakes, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage  
Coffee & Juice

All proceeds go to Scholarship Fund

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Sun., Mar. 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Children's Mass**  
**Sun., Mar. 9<sup>th</sup> ~ 10:30 – 11:30am Faith Formation**  
**Sun., Mar. 9<sup>th</sup> ~ Cake for our Confirmands after Mass ~**  
**Everyone is invited downstairs after Mass to visit with our newly confirmed and enjoy cake and coffee.**

**Please remember these people in your prayers:**

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Liela Fridgen, Carole Schmitz,  
Shirley Murray Peyton, Gene Stueve, Mary & Willy Rinke,  
Shirley Montonye, Carrie Frisch, Connie Grimes

If you would like to have a name added or removed from our prayer list, please call the office at 563-4421.