

July 27<sup>th</sup>, 2025

~17<sup>th</sup> Sunday of Ordinary Time~

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**THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (July 28<sup>st</sup> – Aug 3<sup>rd</sup>)**

**MON** ~ No Mass ~

**TUE** Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Leona Finke

**WED** Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

**THU** Mass –10:00 am BVCC ~

Mass – **5:30 pm Calvary Cemetery** ~

**FRI** Mass – 8:30 am Browns Valley ~

Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

**SAT** Mass – **10:30 am Chokio** ~The MAAA ACC

**SUN** Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Vocations by CUF

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

**STEWARDSHIP** – for Sunday, July 20<sup>th</sup>

Adult \$1540 Youth \$23 Loose \$292 Votive \$47

Utilities \$200 Texas Flood Relief \$922

**Confession Schedule:**

5:30 pm on Tuesday in Chokio

5:30 pm on Wednesday in Wheaton

**\*\*No Confessions** on Thursday this week

**Calvary Cemetery Mass** is Thur., July 31 @ 5:30 pm,  
so no confessions that eve.

**Doe Permit Lottery** deadline is Thur, Sep 4<sup>th</sup>

**Congratulations Newly Baptized!!**

Kate Blair Piechowski of Saint Anthony (Last Weekend)

Daughter of Sheena & Michael Piechowski

Granddaughter of Bernice Piechowski

Drew Anthony Maudal of Ave Maria (This Weekend)

Son of Theresia & Cameron Maudal

Grandson of Darlis & Myron Morth

**Bishop is coming – All are Welcome!!**

Sat, Aug 2<sup>nd</sup> @ 10:30 am in Chokio

Sun, Aug 31 @ 11:00 am in Browns Valley

**Ministry Schedule, Saturday, August 2nd, 10:30 a.m.**

**EM's:** Rich Weber

**Lector:** Vivian Heltemes

**Ushers:** Jeramee Van Eps & Jerry Heltemes

**Servers:** Jameson Van Eps & Josie Van Eps

**Sacristan:** David Asfeld

**Ministry Schedule, Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> 8:00 a.m.**

**EM's:** Scott Gonnerman & Jerry Heltemes

**Lector:** Sandi Marlow-Weber

**Ushers:** Brock Marty & John Kleindl

**Servers:** Berdine Kleindl & Zachary Kleindl

**Sacristan:** Rachel Schott

**Spring/Summer Schedule:**

--July 28-30<sup>th</sup> Vacation Bible School, 9 am-2 pm., See Below!

--August 2<sup>nd</sup>, 1<sup>st</sup> Annual ACC picnic at St. Mary's! See Below!

--August 13<sup>th</sup> Finance Council Meeting, 6 p.m. Parish Council Meeting, 7 p.m. St. Mary's Hall.

**St. Mary's Calendar Raffle Winners, July 21-27<sup>th</sup>:** Jamie Van Eps, Calvin Marty, Mark/Jenny Gibson, Pat Schneider, Leo Berlinger, Becky Draper. Winners will be posted during the month of July at the back of church, in the bulletin, Tri-County Co-op, the Post Office, Chokio Review and St. Mary's Annual Bazaar Facebook Page.

**Join the fun at the ACC Mass & Picnic with the Bishop, Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup>.** Since we are the host church, we really would like to see a good turnout from St. Mary's. Please sign up today, if you haven't. There is no charge. Followed by lunch (hotdogs, hamburgers, sides), and fun activities: **a MotoGP racing game, a cake-walk and minnow races** This is a fun event for all ages! **Thank you to David & Michele Asfeld for donating their beef for the hamburger patties for the ACC Picnic. They will be good!**

**Choir Practice July 30<sup>th</sup>, 5 p.m., for the ACC Mass, Aug. 2<sup>nd</sup>.**

**Vacation Bible School is July 28-July 30<sup>th</sup>, at Our Savior's, from 9:00 a.m. -2:00 p.m. Theme is True North: Trusting Jesus in a Wild World.** The program will be Wednesday night, at 7 p.m. at Our Savior's. Please send a sack lunch with your child. Call Jenny Gibson or Jamie Van Eps with questions.

**National Night Out, Tuesday, August 5, 5-7 p.m. Our Saviors Lutheran Church.** Bringing emergency workers together with neighbors. Join the Stevens County Sheriff, Chokio Fire Dept & First Responders for hotdogs, hamburgers, root beer floats!



### **St. Anthony ~ Browns Valley**

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### **Liturgical Ministers – August 3 – 11:00 a.m.**

**Lector:** Kevin Jurgens

**EM:** Mary Nigg, Cindy Haggerty & Brenda Bartz

**Choir & Congregation:** David & Julie Metz

**Servers:** Ryen Metz & Isabelle Remily

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** Gerry & Peggy Heck

**Ushers:** Joe Reinart & Mark Appel

**Home Communion:** Bernice Piechowski

**Sacristan:** Sue Toelle

**Stewardship as a Way of Life:** *“Ask and you will receive; seek and you will find; knock and the door will be opened to you.”*

*Luke 11:9* Jesus assures us that if we ask, God will take care of what we need. The problem is that our culture often confuses what we really need with what we simply want. The truth is that many of us need very little. However, we usually want so much more! Stewardship is simply being grateful for all that we are and all that we have been given, and generously sharing all of our God-given gifts with others. Gratitude and generosity are gifts that opens doors to new relationships with others and with God.

### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**ACC PICNIC** will be held August 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Mary's Catholic Church in Chokio. There is more information on the bulletin board. There is a sign-up sheet on the back counter. The Bishop will also be at this event. We are encouraged to attend this first event for our ACC.

**BLOODMOBILE** at American Legion on August 13 from noon – 6 p.m. Call Muriel for appointment 694-2769.

**Bishop Patrick Neary** will be coming to St. Anthony's on Sunday, August 31<sup>st</sup>. He will celebrate Mass with us and bless our stained glass windows. The Guild will provide a lunch after Mass for all.

**BV VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** – August 4<sup>th</sup> – 7<sup>th</sup> – 6:00 p.m – 8:00 p.m. – A light snack will be provided. Ages 5 through 6<sup>th</sup> grades invited. Younger children welcome if accompanied by an adult. Located at UMPC in BV.

### **PILLOW CLEANING**

The American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring pillow cleaning on Wednesday, July 30, from 7 a.m. to noon at the American Legion in Browns Valley. New ticking, on the spot cleaning and sanitizing. See the poster on the back bulletin board. Foam and polyester pillows can also be cleaned as well as your feather pillows. Call 320-212-5811 w/questions. No appointments necessary.



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### **Sunday, August 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ 9:30AM**

**Lector:** Paul Frisch

**EM:** Paul Frisch, Linda Larson, Dean Frisch

**Servers:** Gentry McKinley & Hayden Klemm

**Ushers:** Jeff Peterson & Mel Smith

**Fellowship:** Mel Smith & Melanie Klein

### **SAVE THE DATE**

**Mon., July 28<sup>th</sup> ~ Family Fun Night at Fairgrounds**

**Sat., Aug., 2<sup>nd</sup> ~ 10:30am ACC Mass & Picnic in Chokio**

**Sun., Aug., 3<sup>rd</sup> ~ Fellowship after Mass**

**Tue., Aug., 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 6:00pm Parish Finance Council Meeting**

**Tue., Aug., 12<sup>th</sup> ~ 7:00pm Parish Council Meeting**

The **August Mass Ministers Schedule** and the **Living Faith** for **July - September** are available at all three entrances.

### **Prayer List**

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Gene Stueve, Shirley Murray Peyton, Carrie Frisch, Connie Grimes, Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willy Rinke, Shirley Montonye, Greta Frisch, Wally & Cleo Hennen



**The 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Traverse County Family Fun Night**  
Will be held tomorrow, **Monday, July 28<sup>th</sup> from 5:00-7:00PM**  
At the **Fair Grounds in Wheaton**

**Free Entry ~ Activities for all ages ~ Family Fun**  
Touch-A-Truck, Helicopter Landing, Games/Prize Drawing  
Cops vs Kids Water Balloon Toss  
Meal provided by an area non-profit organization

### **Carlson's Pillow Cleaning Service**

Will be at St. John's Church in Wheaton

On Tuesday, July 29<sup>th</sup> from 7am – 3pm

### **ACC Mass & Picnic**

**Saturday, August 2<sup>nd</sup> at St. Mary's Church in Chokio**  
Sign-up sheets are on all bulletin boards. Please sign up by **today, July 27<sup>th</sup>**. Mass will be at 10:30 with Bishop Patrick Neary.  
12:00 Free picnic lunch - hotdogs, hamburgers, baked beans, coleslaw, chips, ice cream, and beverages.  
12:30 Meet fellow ACC members, cake walk and minnow races.