

June 21st, 2026

~ Father's Day ~

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (June 22nd – June 28th)

MON ~ No Mass ~
TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Josephine Schneider
WED Mass – 5:30 pm **Dumont Cemetery** ~
THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~
FRI Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~
SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Joan & Gary Michaelson
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~
Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, June 14th

Adult \$1355 Loose \$311 Votive \$36.50 Crafts \$8
Rental Income \$200 Utilities \$50

Hour of POWER:

7:00 am Adoration & 8:00 am Rosary
Tues (Chokio), Wed (Wheaton), Thurs (B.V)

Confessions: 5:30 pm

Tues (**None**), Wed (**None**), Thurs (B.V)

Dumont Cemetery Mass is Wed, June 24, 2026 @ 5:30 pm,
so no 8:30 am Mass that morning.

No confessions on Tues & Wed due to a meeting & Mass.

Happy 50th Anniversary **Jerry & Vivian Heltemes!!**

Double Headers

Chokio @ Dumont (Whn) Mon, June 22 (Softball)
Dumont @ Clinton Sat, June 27 (Baseball)

Pilgrimage to Rome & Switzerland

There is an opportunity opened up for anyone wishing to make a 13 day pilgrimage to Italy & Switzerland this Sept. 3rd – 15th, 2026, along with Father John Paul. Entails: Rome, Assisi, Florence, Venice, Pompeii, Milan, etc. Cost of \$5,999.00 covers airfare, 4-5 star hotels, etc. For more info - <https://www.proximotravel.com/about-us/office@proximotravel.com> or 508-505-6059
Could be a break from summer & a primer for harvest!

Ministry Schedule, 13th Sunday Ordinary Time, June 28, 8:00 am

EM's: David Asfeld & Bruce Berlinger

Lector: Paula Baxter

Ushers: Ron Draper & Jeramee Van Eps

Servers: Jameson Van Eps & Josie Van Eps

Sacristan: John & Mary Lou Berlinger

Summer Schedule:

--Parish Council Meeting, Tues., June 23rd, 7:00 p.m. in the Hall.

Please check your email for the Agenda.

--Calendar Raffle Drawing is this Wed., June 24th, in the hall.

--Bloodmobile on July 17th, 8 a.m.-12 p.m. St. Mary's Hall. Go to redcrossblood.org or call 1-800-733-2767 to schedule an appt.

CONGRATULATIONS Jerry & Vivian Heltemes! Celebrating their 50th Wedding Anniversary today. All parishioners are invited to join Jerry & Vivian for breakfast in the parish hall following Mass.
May they have many more blessed years together!

Your Legacy Matters: My Catholic Will: Your faith is your most valuable asset. When you write your Catholic will, you take the necessary steps to plant seeds for the next generation of Catholics. Through partnership with MyCatholicWill.com, the Diocese of St. Cloud is offering free access to a trusted online platform where you can: Create a Last Will & Testament, Express final wishes consistent with Catholic teaching, consider a bequest to your parish or diocesan ministries. This is a simple and meaningful way to live out our call to stewardship. For more info visit MyCatholicWill.com/STCDIO.

Read about it in the June Central MN Catholic: On May 26, Pope Leo XIV released his first encyclical, "Magnifica Humanitas," on safeguarding the human person in the time of artificial intelligence. It's a powerful reflection on the challenges presented by AI and our role in building a "civilization of love". Check it out!

The Diocese is seeking applications for the annual Catholic Century Farm Awards and the Rural Business Award: If you know a family who has been working the same land for 100 years or more, or a Catholic business-owner in the diocese who lives out their Catholic faith in how they run their business, please visit the Rural Life section of the Social Concerns website for requirements and application/nomination forms: <https://stcdio.org/rural-life>.

The Craft Group thanks all who purchased crafts last weekend!



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Liturgical Ministers – June 28 - 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Jeanette Pistorius

EM: Jeanette Pistorius, Cindy Haggerty & Edith Foren

Choir & Congregation: Mary Nigg & Marlene Appel

Servers: Isabelle Remily & Rylie Metz

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Harry & Marlys Ziemer

Ushers: Chad Metz & Larry Deutsch

Home Communion: Edith Foren

Sacristan: Marlene Appel

Stewardship as a Way of Life: *“Everyone who acknowledges me before others I will acknowledge before my heavenly Father.” Matthew 10:32* Would others know that you are Catholic by the way you act and speak? Do you share your Catholic faith with others? Do you defend your Catholic faith when the situation arises or do you remain silent? Do you pray in public before meals? Pray for the strength and courage to be a joyful witness of our Catholic faith when the opportunity presents itself. Let us become the radiant light and bold witness that we are called to be!

Bishop’s Annual Appeal – Hearts of Mercy: The Diocesan TV Mass has been a lifeline for the homebound. Because of your generosity, the diocese broadcasts TV Mass weekly in 60 counties. It also is sent to nursing homes and available to countless others online. Other ministries of the Appeal support of faith formation, family life, our Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization, and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

SAM BROWN DAYS: Come celebrate the last weekend in June. A list of activities is on the bulletin board in back. This year we honor Veterans and the Alumni classes ending in 6.

AMERICAN LEGION FISH FRY: Fish fry at the American Legion Hall in Browns Valley the last Friday of every month. Serving starts at 5 and runs until out of fish or 7 p.m. Cost is \$20 per person. All you can eat!

AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY is hosting a Veterans/Alumni Supper at the American Legion on Saturday night at 6 p.m. Chicken Breast Tenderloin, Baked Potato, Corn, bun, fruit, bars and beverage for \$20.00 per person.

BREAKFAST SUNDAY MORNING at Legion Hall from 8-12:30.

Information on the trip in September can be found on the bulletin board. Help yourself to one of the flyers if you are interested in signing up. Thanks.



Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

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Sunday, June 28th ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Matt Franzese

EM: Marty Lanter, Carol Nelson, Paul Frisch

Servers: Charlie Frisch & Badi Morales Saldana

Ushers: Mike Marxen & Lenny Zimmer

Home Communion: Colleen Violet

Fellowship: Herman Barutt & Deb Mucha

Save The Date

Sunday, June 28th ~ Fellowship after Mass

Prayer List

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Carrie Frisch, Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willie Rinke, Shirley Montonye, Wally Hennen, Carol Marihart Roger & Kathi Schmitz, Gene Stueve and all of our military who are deployed

TOTUS TUUS Summer Program ~ July 11-17, 2026

Monday – Friday from 9am to 2:30pm – entering grades 1 - 6

Sunday – Thursday from 7pm to 9pm – entering grades 7 – 12

We need high school age students and adults who would like to help in the classrooms with the elementary students.

We are also looking for people who would like to help serve the morning snack and the noon meal to the students.

What a great way to show our young people that we care.

Please call the office at 563-4421 to volunteer.

Ave Maria Intercessory Prayer Group has many requests from our parish families and we thank God for his answers to these prayers. HOW DOES THE PRAYER GROUP WORK? You are to contact one of the two contact people below. The contact people in turn call one member of the prayer group and each member passes along the prayer request to another. If you would like to be a member or want to make a prayer request contact **Jackie McClernon** at 218-770-6964 or **Barb Tauber** at 563-4313. All requests are confidential.

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