

July 19th, 2026
~ 16th Ordinary Sunday ~

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (July 20th – July 26th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~Sam & Ellie Logan

WED Mass – **5:30 pm Wildwood Cemetery ~**

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~

FRI Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~Rose Mary Karpinsky

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, July 12th

Adult \$1385 Youth \$1 Loose \$182.10 Votive \$17

Rental Income \$100 Maintenance \$250

Hour of POWER:

7:00 am Adoration & 8:00 am Rosary

Tues (Chokio), Wed (Wheaton), Thurs (B.V)

Confessions: 5:30 pm

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Dr. Gallagher: Congrats on “50” Years of Practice!

Venezuela 2nd Collection will be taken up on Sun, July 19th
for the victims of the two earthquakes in our Sister Diocese.

Mass: on Wed, July 22nd, is **5:30 pm** at Wildwood Cemetery.

Banns III: Hunter Gonnerman & Abby Wardien's Wedding
is set for Sat, July 25th @ St. Mary's 😊

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, 17th Sunday Ordinary Time, July 26, 8:00 am

EM's: Jerry Heltemes & Jamie Van Eps

Lector: Vivian Heltemes

Ushers: Andrew Marty & Jacob Marty

Servers: Braxton Nelson & Jameson Van Eps

Sacristan: Keith & Maria Marty

Summer Schedule:

---Cemetery Board Annual Meeting, Tuesday, July 21st, 6 pm, Hall.

---Hunter Gonnerman & Abby Wardien wedding, July 25th, 3 pm

---Vacation Bible School, July 27-29th at Our Saviors, Chokio

**---Chrisitian Mothers' & Womens' Annual Meeting, July 28, 5:30
pm Mass followed by lunch and meeting.**

**---Finance Council Meeting, 6 pm, & Parish Council Meeting, 7 pm
on Tuesday, August 4th**

St. Mary's Calendar Raffle Winners July 13st-July 19th: Ginny
Heintzelman, \$130; Shelly Schneider, \$130; Mitch Daly, \$130; Larry
Heintzelman, \$130; Dorothy Schott, \$130; Andrew Marty (Keith),
\$130; Jim Schneider, \$325. Congratulations! Winners posted at
back of church, the bulletin, the Post Office, the Chokio Review &
St. Mary's Annual Bazaar Facebook Page. Checks mailed daily!

**Christian Mothers & Women will be welcoming new members on
July 28th at Mass.** Please consider joining us! We are essentially a
spiritual organization and contribute to the life of St. Mary's. Call
Kathy Snell, Donna Berlinger or Sandi Marlow-Weber to join.

**Hayley Jay will speak at our meeting briefly on the “heart and
identity of woman.” All women from our ACC are invited!**

**Turkey & Sweet Corn Supper (all you can eat). Sunday, August
2nd, 5-7 pm, at Trinity Lutheran Church, Alberta, MN. Free Will
Offering.**

**National Night Out, August 4th, Tuesday, 5-7 pm at Our Saviors
Lutheran Church, Chokio, bringing emergency workers together
with neighbors under positive circumstances!** A night of fun with
the Stevens County Sheriff, Chokio Fire Dept. & First Responders.
Bouncy house, games, hot dogs, hamburgers, root beer floats!

**MCCL Life Leadership Camp for 6-8th graders, Aug.9-12 in
Paynesville, MN.** Learn how to talk to your friends about pro-life
issues, make a difference for life. Register at mccl.org/camp. \$100.

**Attend Marriage Encounter Weekend, Aug. 1-2, at Mt. Olivet
Retreat Center, Farmington.** To register call Mary 651-454-3238.



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Miller 320-695-2137 or 2376 or Edith Foren 320-695-2260

Liturgical Ministers – July 26 - 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Joan Miller

EM: Joan Miller, Mary Nigg & Edith Foren

Choir & Congregation: Brenda Bartz & Brenda Pederson

Servers: Isabelle Remily & Rylie Metz

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Mary & Dave Nigg

Ushers: Mike Heck & Gerry Heck

Home Communion: Cindy Haggerty

Sacristan: Brenda Bartz

Stewardship as a Way of Life: *“The kingdom of heaven may be likened to a man who sowed good seed in his field...He who sows good seed is the Son of Man, the field is the world, the good seed the children of the kingdom.” - Matthew 13:24, 37-38* As children of God, we are all “good seeds”. We are blessed by God with the potential to accomplish much good in the world. We fulfill God’s plan when we spend time in prayer every day, use our skills to help others and share our financial gifts to help build God’s kingdom on earth. Through our example of gratitude and generosity we sow “good seeds” on earth and ultimately help each other get to Heaven!

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.

The Browns Valley United Methodist Church will be hosting Community Vacation Bible School July 20-23 from 5:30 to 7:30 p.m. VBS is open to ages 5 years old through 6th grade and younger kids are welcome if accompanied by an adult. If anyone is interested in helping out or getting involved or have any questions, feel free to reach out to Lindsey 605.290.0493 or Krystina 701.212.7560 All children are welcome!

SUNDAE IN THE PARK

Come and enjoy an ice cream sundae and some live music at the Sam Browns Cabin on Sunday, today, July 19th from 2 – 4 p.m. All free will proceeds benefit the cabin’s restoration. Bring a lawn chair.

BLOODMOBILE: August 12 from 12 – 6 P.M. AT THE American Legion. Sponsored by the American Legion Auxiliary. Lunch provided. Call 605-694-2769 for appointment. Walk-ins welcome. Give the gift of life.



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Sunday, July 26th ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Paul Frisch

EM: Paul Frisch, Marty Lanter, Sam Thielen

Servers: Charlie Frisch & Dayne Przymus

Ushers: Mel Smith & Jeff Peterson

Home Communion: Colleen Violet

Fellowship: Matt Franzese

Save The Date

Sunday, July 26th ~ Fellowship after Mass

Monday, July 27th ~ Traverse County Family Fun Night

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, Leann Stoneburg and all of our military who are deployed.

Thank You to everyone who helped with our **Totus Tuus Program**. Thank you to Therese, Julia, David, Vincent, and Thomas who came out from the Diocese for the entire week, to those who welcomed the team members into your home to stay for the week, to the people who made meals for them in the evenings, to everyone who donated and prepared meals for the students that were attending all week.

If not for all of your kindness and generosity, this week would not have been possible for the youth of our parish.

We appreciate all of you!!!

5th Annual Traverse County Family Fun Night

Monday, July 27th 5:00PM – 7:00PM

Traverse County Fairgrounds

Free Entry ~ Family Fun ~ Activities for All Ages

Touch-A-Truck · Games/Prize Drawing

Local Resources . Cops Vs Kids Water Balloon Toss

Free Meal Will Be Provided

Please contact Tiffany Duhme (320-760-7642),

Janessa Miller (320-288-5244) or Leah Krauth (320-232-5288)

With any questions about event or if you would like to participate via a piece of equipment/vehicle, booth or presentation.

Hosted by the Traverse County Family Fun Night Committee

Do you like to sing? Our choir is looking for people who would like to sing for our **Sunday Mass** or how about joining our **“Funeral Choir”**. If you think this could be you, please give Cindy a call at **320-815-6760. Thank You!!**