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t. Mary's Warroad, MN
t. Joseph's Williams, MN
acred Heart Baudette, MN



December 29th, 2019

Mass Times

St. Mary's Warroad Saturday 6pm

Sunday 8:30am

St. Joseph Williams Saturday: 4:30pm

Sacred Heart Baudette Sunday 10:30am

Parish Offices

St. Mary's
511 Cedar Ave NW
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stmaryswarroad.org

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218-634-2689
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Williams, MN 56686
Contact Sacred Heart

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218-766-5107
ourlady@mncable.net

Terrie Lynn Dignan - Sec/Bookkeeper
stmarys2@mncable.net

Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Mary's: Tuesday 5:45-6:45, Saturday 3-3:30pm,
Sunday 7:45-8:15am

St. Joseph's : before Mass

Sacred Heart: by request after Mass

Anytime by appointment

Homebound or in a health care facility?

Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick

Call pastor if Holy Communion/or a visit is desired.

Hospitals will not call unless a patient asks that a priest be notified.

Planning a Marriage or Baptism?

Contact pastor for more information

Parishioners

Please notify the parish office of changes of address or telephone number.

If you are new to the area or a seasonal parishioner please register with the parish office

Abortion Alternative

Birthright~1-800-550-4900

Crisis Pregnancy Helpline~1-888-4-OPTIONS

Bemidjipregnancyoptions.com or 218-444-3035

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Cindy Hulst, LSW,

218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number).

St. Mary's Week Ahead

Saturday Dec. 28

6 pm Mass + Dale Coulter

Sunday Dec. 29

8:30 am Mass for the Parishes
No 6:30 pm HS RE

Tuesday Dec. 31 No 5pm Mass

Wednesday Jan. 1 Mass@ 9am + Betty Barthman
No Elementary or Middle School RE

Thursday Jan 2

10:30 am Liturgy of the Word@WSLC
7- 9pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Friday Jan 3

No 8:30 am Mass

Saturday Jan 4

6pm Mass Katrin Peterson

Sunday Jan 5

8:30 am Mass + Betty Barthman
RE for High School 6:30pm—7 :30 pm

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday Jan4

Commentator— Tim Paquin
Reader— Barb Kotta
Music— Pat
Sacristan— Olga

Sunday Jan5

Commentator—Philip Ellenson
Reader— Tom Goldsmith



Our gift to God for
12-22-19
\$1,431.50

We thank God for all gifts!

STUEBENVILLE NORTH YOUTH CONFERENCE

July 24-26 in St. Paul. Register now! Send your registration form and \$50 down payment to the parish office no later than Wednesday, January 15 for the early bird rate. Hurry, the conference does sell out! Open to youth currently in grades 8-12. Anyone wishing to make a donation towards this for the Children of our Parish, please; stop by or mail your donation to St. Mary's parish office or place in clearly marked envelope in collection basket. All donations are much appreciated.

Bible Readings for the Week of December 30-January 5

Monday 1 Jn 2:12-17/Lk 2:36-40

Tuesday 1 Jn 2:18-21/Jn 1:1-18

Wednesday Nm 6:22-27/Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

Thursday 1 Jn 2:22-28/Jn 1:19-28

Friday 1 Jn 2:29—3:6/Jn 1:29-34

Saturday 1 Jn 3:7-10/Jn 1:35-42

Sunday Is 60:1-6/Eph 3:2-3a, 5-6/Mt 2:1-12



Sacred Heart & St. Joseph's Week Ahead

Saturday Dec. 28

4:30pm Mass@St. Joseph's † Ted Matelski

Sunday Dec. 29

10:30 am Mass@Sacred Heart † Dave Jaroszewski

Tuesday Dec. 31

7pm Mass@ Sacred Heart Mass for the Parishes

Wednesday Jan. 1

No 8:30am Mass@ Sacred Heart
10:30am Word & Communion @ Lakewood

Thursday, Jan. 2

11am—5pm Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Saturday, Jan 4

4:30 pm Mass @ St. Joseph's † Barb Nelson

Sunday, Jan. 5

10:30 am Mass @ Sacred Heart
† Bob & Ann Schmickle

Liturgical Ministers

Saturday Jan 4 4:30pm @ St. Joseph's

Eucharistic Minister: David Cassi

Lector: Sue Lemm

St. Joseph Church cleaning

Jan 4 Rick Pieper

Sunday Jan 5 10:30am @ Sacred Heart

Eucharistic Ministers: Joe Bruccianni, Betty Jo Berg

Lector: Mary Boomgaarden

Music: Choir

Altar Server: Emily

Ushers: Todd & Elaina Higgins

Hospitality Time ~ Sacred Heart

Sunday Jan 5th: Blanche & Reed McFarlane
Sara & Allan Thompson

December 22nd	Sacred Heart	St. Joseph
Envelopes	\$3745	\$530
Plate	<u>144</u>	<u>105</u>
Total	\$3889	\$635

New Year Day Mass Schedule

On New Year's Day, we shall celebrate the Solemnity of Mary, the Holy Mother of God, which is a holy day of obligation.

New Year's Eve

Dec. 31st Mass: 7pm @ Sacred Heart

New Year's Day

Jan. 1st Mass: 9am @ St. Mary's

December 29, 2019

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary, and Joseph

"Wives, be subordinate to your husbands...Husbands, love your wives...Children, obey your parents in everything...Fathers, do not provoke your children..." (Colossians 3:18-21)

Pope Francis said that families, through their life of prayer and love, become "schools of true human growth." Being credible witnesses of Christian love, especially that of family members, exerts the most positive influence on our children. We are all children of God, let us pray and love each other as God, Our Father, does for us.

St. Mary's

Religious Education

Sunday December 29th

No 6:30-7:30pm High School

Wednesday Jan. 1st

No Elementary RE 2-3:30pm

No Middle School RE 6:30pm

Sunday Jan 5th

6:30-7:30pm High School RE



Birthday wishes (Dec. 29—Jan 5) go out to...Nicole Dalen, Jennessa Pahlen, Phillip Ellenson, Gerald Pearson, Mary Morbacher, Jason Furuseeth, & Lisa Lewis.

**Sacred Heart
Christmas Flower Offerings**

George and Lenora Ubel

Edward and Mabel Krause

Berg and Zimney Families

Louis and Rose Gubbels

Ed and Helen Schuster

Bob and Betty Schuster

Jim and Rose Schuster

Devin Sindelir

Deceased members of Dale and Bernice Merschman Families.

Jacob David Hoops

Dorothy and Norman Hovde

From Father Andrew

I will be traveling to Uganda, Africa to visit my family. I will leave on January 2nd and return on January 24th. I ask you to pray for me to travel safely and for my family, especially for my 90-year-old mother. While I am away, Fr. John Phelps, a representative of Cross Catholic Outreach will celebrate the weekend Masses of January 4th /5th. Msgr. Mike Foltz, the Vicar General, and Fr. Bernie Schneider from Grafton, ND, will substitute for me for the weekends of January 11th/12th and January 18th/19th respectively. In case of any sacramental emergency, please call Fr. John Kleinwachter of Roseau (phone 218-463-2441) or Fr. George Noel of Greenbush (phone 218-289-1735).

May I also use this opportunity to thank you all for the Christmas cards and gifts that you gave me. They are signs of your love for me and they really mean a lot to me. May the good Lord bless you all most abundantly and grant all your intentions, and may you all have a blessed and fruitful New Year, 2020. THANK YOU.



**Wishing you all a Happy
and Blessed New Year
2020!**

HONOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN

We Keep in our prayers...

St. Mary's: Ryan Hartman, Maksymilian Crompton, Jacob Larson, Tyler Larson, Brett Hebel, Nic Gray, Joseph Larson, Shane Thompson, Krista Johnston, Alex Johnston, Derek Woodward, Jason Hilligoss, Deb Lien & Kyle Mohrbacher.

Sacred Heart: Evan Torgeson, Ryan Torgeson, Jennifer Dalton, Victoria Chamberlain and Brandon Lockner, & Kalvin Krause

Visiting Mission Outreach Priest

Father John Phelps will be visiting our parish next weekend to speak at all the Masses on behalf of Cross Catholic Outreach which was founded to create a meaningful link between parishes in America and the priests and nuns working in the Church overseas including the Caribbean, Africa, Central America, and South America.

Fr. John, a native of St. Louis, MO, attended St. Joseph Preparatory College. He is also a graduate of Mt. St. Alphonsus Seminary in New York where he pursued graduate studies. After he was ordained a Redemptorist Priest in 1968, his mission to the poor truly began. He has ministered in Detroit, Chicago, Tucson, Missouri, Oregon, and Indiana and several universities throughout the country. He also served overseas. Father John's life work has centered on uplifting the youth and those who are financially challenged. Specifically, he co-founded a national ministry in public schools to develop positive values and spirituality that is still in operation to this day. Father John joins Cross Catholic Outreach to further his commitments beyond U.S. borders by serving the poorest of the poor in developing countries.

Prayer Requests

Marvel Draper, Loretta Coulter, Katrin Peterson, Tom Gerszewski, Asher Sorrels, Kathy Stokke, Richard Merrill, Kai Canfield, Dianne Johnson, Charlene Kuznia, Fr. Todd, Ellen Otto, Gerti Muggli, Ann Winkler, Roberta Brunell, George Ganyo, Frank Ciekliński, Susie Lykken, Loren Olson, Dale Telle, and Stephanie Schmitz.



Please remember to call the office when a name should be added or removed. Those listed in the "Prayer Request" box will listed for two months and then removed unless a request is made to keep them on

Apostolic Letter: A Reflection on the Meaning of the Nativity Scene

Below is the final section of Pope Francis' Apostolic Letter Admirabile signum on the meaning and importance of the Nativity Scene. This is a continuation from last Sunday's bulletin.

The birth of a child awakens joy and wonder; it sets before us the great mystery of life. Seeing the bright eyes of a young couple gazing at their newborn child, we can understand the feelings of Mary and Joseph who, as they looked at the Infant Jesus, sensed God's presence in their lives.



“Life was made manifest” (1 Jn 1:2). In these words, the Apostle John sums up the mystery of the Incarnation. The crèche allows us to see and touch this unique and unparalleled event that changed the course of history, so that time would thereafter be reckoned either before or after the birth of Christ.

God's ways are astonishing, for it seems impossible that he should forsake his glory to become a man like us. To our astonishment, we see God acting exactly as we do: he sleeps, takes milk from his mother, cries and plays like every other child! As always, God baffles us. He is unpredictable, constantly doing what we least expect. The nativity scene shows God as he came into our world, but it also makes us reflect on how our life is part of God's own life. It invites us to become his disciples if we want to attain ultimate meaning in life.

9. As the feast of Epiphany approaches, we place the statues of the Three Kings in the Christmas crèche. Observing the star, those wise men from the East set out for Bethlehem, in order to find Jesus and to offer him their gifts of gold, frankincense and myrrh. These costly gifts have an allegorical meaning: gold honours Jesus' kingship, incense his divinity, myrrh his sacred humanity that was to experience death and burial. As we contemplate this aspect of the nativity scene, we are called to reflect on the responsibility of every Christian to spread the Gospel. Each of us is called to bear glad tidings to all, testifying by our practical works of mercy to the joy of knowing Jesus and his love.

The Magi teach us that people can come to Christ by a very long route. Men of wealth, sages from afar, athirst for the infinite, they set out on the long and perilous journey that would lead them to Bethlehem (cf. Mt 2:1-12). Great joy comes over them in the presence of the Infant King. They are not scandalized by the poor surroundings, but immediately fall to their knees to worship him. Kneeling before him, they understand that the God who with sovereign wisdom guides the course of the stars also guides the course of history, casting down the mighty and raising up the lowly. Upon their return home, they would certainly have told others of this amazing encounter with the Messiah, thus initiating the spread of the Gospel among the nations.

10. Standing before the Christmas crèche, we are reminded of the time when we were children, eagerly waiting to set it up. These memories make us all the more conscious of the precious gift received from those who passed on the faith to us. At the same time, they remind us of our duty to share this same experience with our children and our grandchildren. It does not matter how the nativity scene is arranged: it can always be the same or it can change from year to year. What matters is that it speaks to our lives. Wherever it is, and whatever form it takes, the Christmas crèche speaks to us of the love of God, the God who became a child in order to make us know how close he is to every man, woman and child, regardless of their condition.