



St. Mary's Warroad, MN St. Joseph's Williams, MN Sacred Heart Baudette, MN

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Sacrament of Reconciliation

St. Mary's:
Saturdays 3pm—3:30pm
Tuesdays 5:45pm –6:30pm
St. Joseph's: Saturdays 4pm –4:20 pm
Sacred Heart: Sundays following Mass



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

Heartbeat International, optionline.org 1-800-712-HELP

Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator

Cindy Hulst, LSW,
218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number)

Ascension of Our Lord

“Whoever confesses that Jesus is the Son of God, God abides in him, and he in God.” – 1 JOHN 4:15

How strong is your faith? When you have an opportunity to either defend or clarify a question about our Catholic faith, do you do it? Or, do you remain silent so that others don't think you are weird? Pray for the courage to be strong in all circumstances and to joyfully share your witness with others.

St. Mary's

Religious Education



First Communion Families

There will be a special Mass for all First Communion students and their families May 16th, at 1pm. Please let Jennifer (701.741.0695) know how many will be joining you and your family so we can reserve them a spot. ***Reminder**, following the Mass there will be a small celebration in the Fellowship Hall. If you plan on celebrating at home instead, please stop in after Mass to get your child's special gift from St. Mary's.

Senior Families

Just a reminder that all Seniors are invited to come to 8:30am Mass on May 30th in their cap and gown to receive a special blessing from Father Andrew. Please RSVP Jennifer (701.741.0695) to reserve your spot.

Confirmation Families

On June 13th at 11:45am there will be a Confirmation practice for both the Confirmation student and their sponsor. Please come dressed and ready for Mass at that time. Other guests can arrive around 12:45. Confirmation will begin at 1:00pm. Remember to call or text Jennifer and let her know how many we should reserve seating for. You are all invited after mass for a small celebration in the Fellowship Hall after Mass.



Happy Birthday!

(May 16th—23rd), goes out to: Marcella Cieklinski, Carol King, Clarice Dahlberg, Dean Hahn, Kara Johnston, Krista Johnston, Roselynn Dignan, Ladon Johnson, Joe Kuznia, Angela Selvog, Chancy Cole, Elvin Heddan, Tori Kennedy, Kate Selvog, Jackie Bengtson, & Georgia Nash.



Please Hold in Prayer

Easton Erickson, Leila & Nelson Armagon, Connie Koenig, Darin Lovin, Justin Thompson, Mary Wickersham, Beth Robinson, Larry Sindelir, Marilyn Biondi, Les Swanson, Dick Soderberg, Charlene Forpahl, James Sweeney, Don Taylor, Robert Sator, Knox Packar, Nancy Pellett, Katrin Peterson, Tom Gerszewski, Kai Canfield, Deanne Johnson, Charlene Kuznia, Ann Winkler, Roberta Brunell, George Ganyo, Frank Cieklinski, Susie Lykken, Loren Olson, Dale Telle, & Stephanie Schmitz.

Sacred Heart & St. Joseph's

May 9	Sacred Heart	St. Joseph
Envelopes	\$725	\$365
Plate	75	74
Total	\$800	\$439



Going Forth as Disciples

Deacon Aaron Kaiser from the Office of Formation in Discipleship will be visiting our three Parishes next weekend, May 22/23rd and Preach at all Masses. He was scheduled to be here in April but could not because of the Death of his Father.

He will hold “Come and See” events on Sunday after the Mass in Sacred Heart, Baudette at 11:30 am and at St. Mary's, Warroad at 2 pm. He invites everyone, to come to these “Come and See” events, where he will share ideas and introduce a model for Missionary Disciples. He is looking forward to meeting everyone.



Please be sure to check out the Beautiful Olive Woodcarvings after Mass this weekend and visit with Khaled Alyateem.

The money from the sales will go to help the Families of Christian artists stay in their homeland in dignity and keep the Christian identity in Bethlehem and Jerusalem.



Donut Sunday is coming back, get up and do a jitterbug dance, YAY!!! But we do need volunteers for this to happen, so be sure to sign up in Gathering Space of St. Mary's and Lois Thiessen will touch base with you on the details.



Congratulations to Jax Neil Cole, Son of Lyndsey & Tyrone Cole on receiving the sacrament of Baptism on Sat. May 15th. May the Lord watch over and protect Jax on his journey through life.

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

The Good News: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Ascension of the Lord

Readings:

[Acts 1:1–11](#)

[Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9](#)

[Ephesians 1:17–23](#) or [Ephesians 1:1–13](#) or [Ephesians 4:1–7, 11–13](#)

[Mark 16:15–20](#)

(In dioceses where Ascension is celebrated on Thursday, see also the reflection for the [Seventh Sunday of Easter](#).)



In today's first reading, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and he has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies. The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14–15](#)).

Indeed, his intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the first reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through baptism.

The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)) because of the light that came with God's saving grace. Saint Paul, in his letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the first Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.

