



Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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AREA MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, April 29

8:30 AM OLOL †Sylvia Pedraza, Juan Manuel
Rojas & Marcella Charur
11:00 AM StMary Funeral Mass for Ray Dale

Tuesday, April 30

8:30 AM OLOL †Judy Torkelson
Funeral Mass for Monica
Osterbauer
11:00 AM StMary

Wednesday, May 1

8:30 AM OLOL Seminarians: Brent Sundve,
David Rabaey, Noah U'ren &
Matthew Wood
9:00 AM Clara City †Carl & Lillian Kahnke
Care Center
12:00 PM StMary †Vern Flaig

Thursday, May 2

8:30 AM OLOL Living Members of OLOL
CCW
9:30 AM Bethesda †Huber Family
Grand Chapel
11:00 AM StMary Funeral For Eric Lehman
5:30 PM StClara †Charles Groothuis

Friday, May 3

8:30 AM OLOL †Rita Plotnik
12:00 PM StMary †Ann LaPatka

Saturday, May 4

4:30 PM StMary †Terry Horning
5:00 PM OLOL †Gene Platt
6:00 PM StMary (SP) For the People

Sunday, May 5

8:30 AM StClara †Wayne Harguth
8:30 AM StMary †Frank & Irene Hertling
10:00 AM OLOL †Melanie & Cleveland Bailey

*****Please note the Mass time changes for Our Lady of
the Lakes & St. Mary on Sunday, May 5**

**Please note there will be no Mass at the Church of St. Mary
on Monday, April 29 and Tuesday April, 30 due to funerals.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, April 29

5:30 PM Bell Choir (StMary)
7:00 PM Adult Choir (StMary)

Tuesday, April 30

No Quilting (StMary)
6:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)

Wednesday, May 1

9:00 AM Bible Study (OLOL)
10:00 AM SCC (Bible Study) (StMary)
4:30 PM Family Meal (StMary)
4:45 PM Family Meal (OLOL)
5:30 PM FF Gr. 1-6 (StMary & OLOL)
6:45 PM Together Group (StMary)
6:45 PM FF Gr. 9-10 (StClara)
7:00 PM FF Gr. 7-10 (StMary & OLOL)

Thursday, May 2

11:00 AM Resurrection Choir (StMary)
1:30 PM Bible Study (OLOL)
5:00 PM Adoration (OLOL)
6:00 PM Hispanic Ministry Meeting (StMary)
6:30 PM Chat & Craft Group (StMary)
7:00 PM Women's Bible Study (StClara)

Friday, May 3

12:00 PM Adoration (StMary)
7:00 PM Spanish Adoration (StMary)

Saturday, May 4

10:00 AM Spanish Pre-Marriage Prep (StMary)
4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)
4:00 PM Confessions (StMary)
4:30 PM Confessions (OLOL)
5:00 PM Prayer Team (StMary)
6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)
6:45 PM Spanish Baptism Class (StMary)

Sunday, May 5

8:00 AM Confessions (StClara)
8:00 AM KC Omelet Breakfast (StMary)
8:30 AM Graduation Mass (StMary)
9:30 AM FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)

Fifth Sunday of Easter
April 28, 2024
Sing a new song to the Lord!

Be A VBS VOLUNTEER

Volunteers Needed For VBS

Monday - Thursday, June 3-6, 2024 at
The Church of St. Mary in Willmar

Volunteer forms are available now!

Contact Scuba Director, Michelle Tortorella, or the Faith Formation office for more information on ways you can help make this year a splashing success!



AFC Graduation Masses

Sunday, May 5 - 8:30 AM – St. Mary, Willmar
Sunday, May 19 - 8:30 AM – St. Clara, Clara City
Sunday, May 19 - 10:00 AM – OLOL, Spicer



St. Mary Family Meal

Wednesday, May 1
4:30 PM - 6:50 PM

All are welcome! Final meal of the year!

Our Lady of the Lakes Family Meal

Wednesday, May 1
4:45 PM - 6:50 PM

All are welcome! Final meal of the year!



Please keep the children who are receiving their First Communion in our AFC in your prayers.



AFC Baptism Class

This class is required for all parents having their first child baptized. Our next class will be Monday, May, 6 at 6:00 pm at the Church of St. Mary. Please call the AFC office to register. Attending this class prior to the birth of the child is encouraged.

2024 Vacation Bible School Scuba: Diving into Friendship with God

The Church of St. Mary in Willmar, MN

Monday- Thursday, June 3-6, 2024

Scuba dives in: 8:30 a.m.

Resurfaces: 11:30 a.m.

Registration will open April 1, 2024.

Registration closes May 13!

Registration for preschool (age 4) – (Current) Gr.4 students: [https://](https://www.web4ucorp.com/forms/forms/view.php?id=566019)

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Fr Jerry Meidl

By the grace of God, Rev. Gerald S. Meidl is celebrating the 50th anniversary of his ordination to the priesthood in the Diocese of New Ulm on June 9, 2024 at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity. You are invited to celebrated with him a Mass of Thanksgiving on June 9, 2024 at 12:00 noon, followed by a reception in Leifeld Hall. Hope you can make it!



St. Clara's May Crowning Sunday, May 5 at 8:30 am Mass

Children of all ages invited to participate. Please meet in the church entry at 8:20 am. Flowers will be provided.



Willmar KC Omelet Breakfast

Sunday, May 5, 2023

8:00 am to 12:00 pm

at the Church of St. Mary

Adults \$12/Youth (8-16) \$6/ Under 8 are free

Family Max of \$30

Cash or checks only

Proceeds go to the Scholarship Fund for St. Mary's High School Seniors

Any questions please call Dan Hurley: 320-212-8236



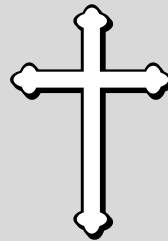
Starting Saturday, May 4

Saturday (No Change)

- 4:30 PM Church of St. Mary
- 5:00 PM Our Lady of the Lakes
- 6:00 PM Church of St. Mary - Spanish

Sunday

- 8:30 AM Church of St. Mary
- 8:30 AM Church of St. Clara
- 10:00 AM Our Lady of the Lakes



In your prayers please remember those who have recently died.

- †Monica Osterbauer (StMary)
- †Eric Lehman (StMary)
- †Gary Cotton (StMary)

Our sympathy goes out to the families



Get ready for your next Chat & Craft Night Out!

Looking for a fun night out and an opportunity to meet other adult parishioners while exploring your creative side? Come CHAT and CRAFT with us.

Where: Church of St. Mary

When: Thursday, May 2 at 6:30 pm

What: Patriotic wreath that can be hung on the wall or the door from Memorial Day thru Labor Day!

Please join us to get to know other parishioners.

Registration fee of \$10 can be made at the office at the time of registration-deadline of Monday, April 29. Since space is limited to 12, please sign up early.

If you have questions please call 235-0118 or stop by the office

Your CHAT & CRAFT leaders,
Deb, Helen, Sara and Sharon



Strengthening the Church at Home

Catholic Programing provided by the Diocese of New Ulm

Battle Ready with Doug Barry on WRAC TV 180, Channel 8, 11 a.m. and 8 p.m. on Mondays.

Schedule

May 6: Episode 1 - What is Battle Ready?

May 13: Episode 2 - Fatima: 100 Years of Spiritual Combat

Catholic Home Missions Appeal

Support the Catholic Home Missions Appeal today! Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious educations, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at www.usccb.org/home-missions.

Readings for the Week of April 29, 2024

- Monday: Acts 14: 5-18
Psalms 115: 1-4, 15-16
John 14: 21-26
- Tuesday: Acts 14: 19-28
Psalms 145: 10-13, 21
John 14: 27-31
- Wednesday: Acts 15: 1-6
Psalms 122: 1-5
John 15: 1-8
- Thursday: Acts 15: 7-21
Psalms 96: 1-3, 10
John 15: 9-11
- Friday: 1Corinthians 15: 1-8
Psalms 19: 2-5
John 14: 6-14
- Saturday: Acts 16: 1-10
Psalms 100: 2, 3, 5
John 15: 18-21
- Sunday: Acts 10: 25-26, 34-35, 44-48
Psalms 98: 1-4
1John 4: 7-10
John 15: 9-17



100th Birthday Celebration

Come help Bob Brix celebrate his 100th birthday on Saturday May 11 from 1:30—3:30 PM at the Clara City Assisted Living. No gifts please!



American Red Cross

Church of St Mary Willmar and the American Red Cross are hosting a blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Drive Details:

Site: Church of St Mary Willmar

Date: Wed Jun 26, 2024

Time: 12:00 PM - 06:00 PM

Blood Program Leader Name: Pat Berg

[Click here to make an appointment](#), or go to our AFC website www.ourlivingwater.org

For help in making an appointment, call Pat Berg 320-212-1514.

The need for blood is constant and only volunteer donors can fulfill that need for patients in our community.

Nationwide, someone needs a unit of blood every 2 to 3 seconds and most of us will need blood in our lifetime.

Thank you for supporting the American Red Cross blood program!