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AREA MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, January 13

Tuesday, January 14

8:30 AM OLOL For the Parish
 12:00 PM StMary Irene Weis

Wednesday, January 15

8:30 AM OLOL †Colette Illies
 12:00 PM StMary Poor Souls in Purgatory

Thursday, January 16

9:30 AM Clara City Care Center For the People
 9:30 AM Sunrise Village †Lyle Mahn

Friday, January 17

8:30 AM OLOL †Dcn. Ken Stalboerger
 12:00 PM StMary Rev. Mark Chamberlain

Saturday, January 18

4:30 PM StMary †Marge Hoben
 6:00 PM StMary (SP) †Huber Family

Sunday, January 19

8:00 AM StClara †Charles Groothuis
 9:00 AM StMary †Joel Hansen
 10:00 AM OLOL †Fay Kuznia

Women's Bible Study Planning Meeting

We will be offering an opportunity to go through "Luke: the Story of Salvation Fulfilled" from Ascension Press. A planning meeting will be held Monday, February 10 at 6 pm at Our Lady of the Lakes.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Monday, January 13

9:00 AM Christmas Takedown (StMary)
 9:30 AM Bible Study (OLOL)
 5:30 PM Bell Choir (StMary)
 7:00 PM Adult Choir (StMary)
 7:00 PM KC Meeting (OLOL)

Tuesday, January 14

9:00 AM Quilting (StMary)
 6:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)
 7:00 PM KC Meeting (StClara)
 7:00 PM KC Meeting (StMary)

Wednesday, January 15

8:00 AM Confessions (OLOL)
 9:30 AM Bible Study (OLOL)
 10:00 AM Bible Study (StMary)
 4:30 PM FF Gr. 2 Reconciliation (OLOL)
 5:00 PM KC Pancake Supper (StClara)
 5:30 PM FF Gr. 1-6 (StMary & OLOL)
 6:45 PM FF Gr. 9-11 (StClara)
 7:00 PM FF Gr. 7-11 (StMary & OLOL)

Thursday, January 16

1:30 PM Bible Study (OLOL)
 5:00 PM Adoration (OLOL)
 6:00 PM CCW Meeting (OLOL)

Friday, January 17

7:00 PM Spanish Adult Faith Formation (StMary)

Saturday, January 18

3:45 PM Confessions (StMary)
 4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)
 6:00 PM Esquipulas Fiesta
 6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)

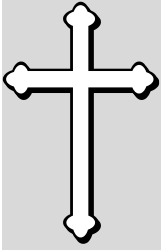
Sunday, January 19

7:30 AM Confessions (StClara)
 8:00 AM Common Threads (StMary)
 9:00 AM FF Gr. 2 Reconciliation (StClara)
 9:00 AM Mission Circle Coffee & Rolls (StClara)
 9:30 AM FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)
 12:00 PM Carmelites (OLOL)

Feast of the Baptism of the Lord
 January 12, 2025

Give comfort to my people, says your God!

In your prayers please remember those who have recently died.



- †Marge Schwaegerl, sister of Verle Bollig (StMary) & sister-in-law of Bernie Schwaegerl (OLOL)
- †Kati Luschen, daughter of Bill & Rita Luschen (StClara)
- †Gary Stutleberg, husband of Pat Stutleberg (StClara) sister-in-law Barb (Bob) Shinnick (OLOL) and Donna Leese (StClara)
- †Brenda McMahon, sister of Marge Lubbesmeyer (OLOL)
- †Richard Halterman, (StMary)

Our sympathy goes out to the families.



Faith Formation

2nd Grade & Sac Prep Reconciliation

Our Lady of the Lakes

Wednesday, January 15

Church of St. Clara

Sunday, January 19

Please come 5 minutes prior to your scheduled time on your scheduled day.

St. Mary & OLOL Gr. 1 PAY Session

Date: Wednesday, January 22

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: St. Mary & OLOL

St. Mary & OLOL Gr. 5 & 6 PAY Session

Date: Wednesday, January 22

Time: 5:30 PM

Location: St. Mary & OLOL

AFC Gr. 11 Confirmation Student, Sponsor & Parent Rehearsal

Date: Wednesday, January 22

Time: 7:00 PM

Location: Church of St. Mary

St. Clara Gr. 5 & 6 PAY Session

Date: Sunday, January 26

Time: 9:30 AM

Location: St. Clara



AFC Baptism Class

This class is required for all parents having their first child baptized. Our next class will be Tuesday, February, 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.

STEWARDSHIP

	OLOL	St. Mary	St. Clara
Dec 1 Adult Env. + Loose Plate	7,526	13,883	890
December 8	5,526	17,063	14,703
December 15	8,991	12,066	1,428
December 22	6,479	14,893	6,731
December 24/Christmas	33,824	52,330	12,012
December 29	12,438	14,199	20,602
December Automatic Contributions	6,922	21,154	2,180
October Weekly Average	20,427	36,397	14,637
Weekly Budget Amount	8,740	18,063	2,200
Year-to-Date Collection	\$ 274,818	\$ 489,954	\$ 127,073
Year-to-Date Budget	235,982	487,697	62,929
YTD Difference	\$ 38,836	\$ 2,257	\$ 64,144

Pastor's NOTES

PASTOR NOTES: Today we celebrate the Feast of the Baptism of the Lord. Jesus is Baptized in the Jordan River. We mark the end of the Christmas Season. Jesus entered the waters to encounter our human lives and make the waters holy for our Baptism. May we thank God for the gift of Baptism and help all of us to live the promises made at our Baptism. As we put away the Christmas decorations, may we never put away the gift of new life we received in Christ and be the light of Christ as we move back into Ordinary Time in our Church's Liturgical Year.

Congratulations to the students who are receiving their First Reconciliation. Thank you to all who have helped them in their preparation. What a blessing to offer this sacrament. May the joy of God's forgiveness encourage all of us to receive the Sacrament of Penance.

We will stop the serving of the Precious Blood and the Sign of Peace at Mass. There are so many getting sick that it is important that we stop the receiving from the Cups. Please be safe and do your part to be healthy this winter.

Fr. Ronald Huberty

Sanctity of Human Life: For the next few weeks we will highlight groups in our parishes that are living out the command to "respect all life, from conception to natural death." This week, we are highlighting Tuesday's Table from Our Lady of the Lakes.

Tuesday's Table is a weekly community meal hosted by churches in the New London/Spicer area. Our Lady of the Lakes hosts the meal the first Tuesday of each month.* During 2024 the Tuesday's Table Team at OLOL plated 1,341 meals. In addition, 250 "take away" were either delivered to our own parishioners who need a hand up, or who came to the church in need of a meal. Note: Take out meals are limited to 25 meals and requires sign-up. The plated meal does not require sign up.

Jane Andersen is the OLOL coordinator for Tuesday's Table and is proud to announce that all volunteers are in place for 2025.

*Due to scheduling concerns, there will be no meal in January or July in 2025.

Another group that is embodying the Matthew 25 gospel message to feed the hungry is the AFC Faith Formation Department with the Family Meals that are offered the first Wednesday of each month at Our Lady of the Lakes and St. Mary. Like Tuesday's Table, these meals can only be offered because of the hard work of many

MCCL March for Life

On January 22 we commemorate the anniversary of Roe v Wade. The Prayer Service for Life begins the day at 10:30 am at Cathedral of St. Paul in St. Paul. Reserved seating is available at the Prayer Service for all diocesan youth attending. Contact Sr. Candace Fier at cfier@dnu.org, 507-233-5328 to reserve a spot. Following the Prayer Service the MCCL March for Life will begin at noon. For more information go to www.dnu.org/march2025.

Bus Schedule

Depart:	Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer	6:30 AM
Arrive:	Kandi Mall, Willmar	6:53 AM
Depart:	Kandi Mall, Willmar	7:03 AM
Return Trip		
Arrive:	Kandi Mall, Willmar	4:05 PM
Depart:	Kandi Mall, Willmar	4:10 PM
Arrive:	Our Lady of the Lakes, Spicer	4:33 PM

**Please bring your own food and drink for the day.

**IMPORTANT
INFORMATION**

Use of Gathering Space for Organization Fundraisers:

Please note that the Church of St. Mary Administrative Council must approve any request by organizations to use the Gathering Area.

An organization is allowed to use the Gathering Area one weekend per year. Organizations are allowed to use other rooms throughout the year – these requests will be reviewed and approved/rejected by staff based on availability. For example, the Willmar Knights of Columbus have selected the April Tootsie Roll Drive as their "one time per year" in the Gathering Area. This does not prevent them from hosting their other very admirable events: Monthly Coffee Hour, Omelet breakfasts, Breakfast with Santa, Fish Frys, etc....

If your group or organization would like to hold an event of any kind at the Church of St. Mary (any room), the person in charge should complete the form on our AFC Website ([FundraisingApplication](#)).



Clara City KC Pancake Supper

Wednesday Night January 15, 2025.

Time: 5:00 PM to 7:00PM

St Clara Church Basement.

We will be serving pancakes, sausage and potatoes.

Everyone is Welcome! Free Will Donation.



St. Mary Church Christmas Environment

We will be taking down the Christmas Environment on Monday, January 13 at 9:00 am. Everyone is welcome to come and help out.

Mass Intentions

If you would like to request a Mass be offered for a specific intention – commonly for the repose of the soul of someone who has died, but could be in honor of a birthday, wedding anniversary, etc. please call the AFC office at 320-235-0118.

You will be asked:

- The intention (as it will be written in the bulletin)
 - *If for a person, whether or not they are deceased
 - *The church where you would like the Mass to be offered
- Your name and telephone number
- If there is a specific date that you would like the Mass
 - *Please note that often dates are filled, so your requested date may not be available.
 - *Also, please note that when there is a funeral, there is no daily Mass, so intentions for that day will be rescheduled.

A donation of \$10 is requested for each Mass.

Volunteer

The Church of St. Mary is looking for additional people to come in and take care of live plants. If interested please contact Helaine at the parish office 320-235-0118.

Welcome to God's family our newly baptized:

Church of St. Mary
 Elin Jean Plafcan
 Sophia Soto Herrera
 Seth Ezekiel Balmes Busa
 Harley Ramona Prokosch
 Saige Beth Johnson



Church of Our Lady of the Lakes
 Silas Keith Lewison



American Red Cross

Church of St Mary and the American Red Cross are hosting an upcoming blood drive.

Please join our lifesaving mission and schedule an appointment today!

Drive Details:

Site: Church of St Mary Willmar

Address: 713 12th St SW, Willmar, MN, 56201

Room Name: Parish Hall

Date: Thr Feb 6, 2025

Time: 12:00 PM - 06:00 PM

Blood Program Leader Name: Pat Berg

[Click here to make an appointment](#)

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!