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**(StMary)**

## Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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### AREA MASS SCHEDULE

#### Monday, April 8

8:30 AM OLOL Seminarians: Brent Sundve, David Rabaey, Noah U'ren & Matthew Wood  
 9:00 AM StMary Children who have left the Church

#### Tuesday, April 9

8:30 AM OLOL †Wilbur Wheeler  
 12:00 PM StMary †Melanie Bailey

#### Wednesday, April 10

8:30 AM OLOL †Don Wannigman  
 9:30 AM Clara City Care Center †Harm & Marilyn DeGrote  
 12:00 PM StMary †Bob Simmons

#### Thursday, April 11

8:30 AM OLOL Catholic United Financial  
 10:30 AM CentraCare Center †Elaine Frank  
 5:30 PM StClara **No Mass**

#### Friday, April 12

8:30 AM OLOL †Dona Becker  
 StMary **No Mass**

#### Saturday, April 13

3:00 PM StMary Wedding of Trent Stueckrath & Jolee Henkel  
 4:30 PM StMary †For the People  
 5:00 PM OLOL †Severin Gauthier  
 6:00 PM StMary (SP) †Maria Eva Anell Sandovol

#### Sunday, April 14

8:30 AM StClara †Deceased Members of St. Clara Mission Circle  
 8:30 AM OLOL †Bob Lee  
 10:00 AM StMary †Lance Steffen

\*\* Please note there is no Mass at the Church of St. Clara on Thursday, April 11.

\*\* Please note there is no Mass at the Church of St. Mary on Friday, April 12.

### CALENDAR OF EVENTS

#### Monday, April 8

5:30 PM Bell Choir (StMary)  
 7:00 PM Daughters of Isabella Meeting (StMary)  
 7:00 PM KC Meeting (OLOL)  
 7:00 PM Adult Choir (StMary)

#### Tuesday, April 9

9:00 AM Quilting (StMary)  
 6:00 PM RCIA (StMary)  
 6:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)  
 6:30 PM Alleluia Prayer Group (StMary)  
 7:00 PM Willmar KC Meeting (Offsite)

#### Wednesday, April 10

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

#### Thursday, April 11

11:00 AM Resurrection Choir (StMary)  
 11:30 AM Widow-Widower Group (Offsite)  
 1:30 PM Bible Study (OLOL)  
 5:00 PM Adoration (OLOL)  
 7:00 PM Women's Bible Study (StClara)

#### Friday, April 12

#### Saturday, April 13

4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)  
 4:00 PM Confessions (StMary)  
 4:30 PM Confessions (OLOL)  
 4:30 PM First Communion (StMary)  
 6:00 PM First Communion Spanish (StMary)  
 6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)

#### Sunday, April 14

8:00 AM Confessions (StClara)  
 9:30 AM FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)  
 10:00 AM First Communion (StMary)  
 11:00 AM KC Coffee (OLOL)  
 5:00 PM AFC Meal & Mission (StMary)

**Second Sunday of Easter - Divine Mercy**  
**April 7, 2024**  
*Give thanks to God!*



# Faith Formation



**1st Communion Rehearsal**  
Church of St. Mary  
Wednesday, April 10 at 5:30 PM

**Church of Our Lady of the Lakes**  
Wednesday, April 17 at 5:00 PM

## AFC First Communion Mass

**Church of St. Mary**  
Saturday, April 13 at 4:30 PM  
Saturday, April 13 at 6:00 PM Spanish Mass  
Sunday, April 14 at 10:00 AM  
**Church of Our Lady of the Lakes**  
Sunday, April 21 at 8:30 AM  
**Church of St. Clara**  
Sunday, April 28 at 8:30 AM

(This will be in place of their regular Faith Formation class)

Please plan to attend with your son/daughter as we will walk through the ceremony, and answer any questions you may have to get prepared for the First Communion Mass.



## St. Mary scholarships

The St. Mary Scholarship applications for high school seniors are due April 28. OurLivingWater.org- Faith Formation- 2024 Scholarship Information

## 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!

## 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://www.web4ucorp.com/forms/forms/view.php?id=566019>

**Volunteer forms are also available!**

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# STEWARDSHIP

	OLOL	St. Mary	St. Clara
March 3 Adult Env. + Loose Plate	6,089	6,824	1,438
March 10	5,533	7,273	1,100
March 17	10,201	10,482	5,027
March 24	4,296	9,460	2,340
March 31	9,017	7,288	
Easter Collection	9,580	42,957	3,267
March Automatic Contributions	7,092	22,396	2,655
March Weekly Average	10,362	26,670	3,957
Weekly Budget Amount	8,251	17,656	2,200
Year-to-Date Collection	\$ 430,777	\$ 773,515	\$ 139,130
Year-to-Date Budget	338,303	706,236	90,214
<b>YTD Difference</b>	\$ 92,474	\$ 67,279	\$ 48,916

Bishop Chad Zielinski's  
*Easter Message*  
 Available in  
 English/Spanish  
 at [www.dnu.org](http://www.dnu.org)



*Blessed*  
 are those who have not  
*seen*  
 and yet believe  
 John 20:29

## From Meal to Mission



*Area Faith Community Mission  
 led by Fr. Larry Snyder  
 April 14, 15, 16 7:00 pm*



*Church of St. Mary*

*713 12th St SW, Willmar - (320) 235-0118*

*Join us each evening for a meal before the session; serving 5-6:30 pm*

*Refreshments following each evening's presentation!*

*For more information, go to [www.OurLivingWater.org/AFC\\_Mission](http://www.OurLivingWater.org/AFC_Mission)*

*Livestream link: [www.OurLivingWater.org/Mission24](http://www.OurLivingWater.org/Mission24)*

*Meal at 5:00 PM in Parish Hall*

*Mission Presentation at 7:00 PM in Church*

## 63rd Annual New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention

**Date:** Saturday, April 27, 2024

**Location:** Church of St. Pius X, Glencoe MN

**Time:**

The Theme for the convention is

**“Be an Instrument of Salvation”**

Early bird registration deadline is April 15

Register online at [nudccw.org](http://nudccw.org)

All women 18 years and older are welcome to attend.

## Welcome to God’s family our newly baptized:

### Church of St. Mary

Milo Sebastian Kafati Torres

Wilmer Gael Martinez Moncada

Anthony Sadiel Lopez Hernandez

June Ann Mootz



### Our Lady of the Lakes

Millicent Ann Koenen

### Church of St. Clara

Declan Louis Tammen



### AFC Widow-Widower Group

The AFC Widow-Widower Group will meet at Pizza Ranch on Thursday, April 11 at 11:30 AM.

Please join us. All are welcome!

JESUS

I trust in you!



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IF YOU  
WANT  
PEACE  
WORK  
FOR  
JUSTICE

**AFC Social Justice Team:** will meet on Tuesday, April 9, at 7:00 pm via zoom All are welcome to attend. Please email Barb Garding at [barbgarding54@gmail.com](mailto:barbgarding54@gmail.com) if you would like to receive the Zoom link to attend the meeting.



### Church of St. Clara Adoration

Adoration will be from 2:00 - 4:00 PM on Sunday, April 14 instead of Sunday, April 7.



### Daughters of Isabella

Our next meeting is scheduled for Monday, April 8.



### Healthy Earth, Healthy Kids Community Eco Fair:

**Date:** Saturday, April 27, 2024

**Time:** 10AM-2PM

**Location:** Willmar Civic Center.

Learn how to be Earth Friendly and be involved in a bright future for our community.

Speakers, Exhibitors, Kids Activities, and more. See posted flyers for more information.