



Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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Sacrament of First Communion 2024

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Hunter Cunningham
Kodi Doty
Anna Duchene
Liam Dunlavy
Andrea Flores Garcia
Lincoln Hamre
Whitzy Hardy
Jailin Hernandez Quintanilla
Briella Jepma

Grant Kadlec
Reagan Kobliska
Myles Kuchnast
Lily Lindemann
Kamila Lopez
Stephanie Maldonado
Tagva Milhausen
Kalyah Miller
Jason Muz Lux
Grady Nelson
Jamison Olson
Victoria Ossa Letzler
Kathryn Perrusquia Benitez
Maverick Pierce
Emmett Piipke

Malia Pokornowski
Cayden Poluka
Kenneth Priebz
Jose Reyes
Valen Ruis
Angel Ruiz Bucio
Alexander Stueve
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Traeton Viessman
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Karissa Wig
Nora Wroblewski
Tony Zeledon Gutierrez
Angelith Zepeda
Erick Zepeda



May God bless these children as they receive the real presence of Christ in the Eucharist for the first time. May they draw ever closer to Jesus, and live out our vision of Sharing the Life of Christ and Being the Love of Christ.

**Third Sunday of Easter
April 14, 2024**

O, sing to the glory of his name!

From Meal to Mission

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

Livestream link: www.OurLivingWater.org/Mission24

Meal at 5:00 PM in Parish Hall

Mission Presentation at 7:00 PM in Church

AREA MASS SCHEDULE

Monday, April 15

8:30 AM OLOL †Tom Wuertz

9:00 AM StMary †Bernice Genereux

Tuesday, April 16

8:30 AM OLOL †Mary Ellen Trueman

12:00 PM StMary †Joyce Gorres, Richard Gorres & Christine Smith Gorres

Wednesday, April 17

8:30 AM OLOL †Henry & Julia Schwaegeral Family

9:30 AM Clara City Care Center †Marie Adike

12:00 PM StMary †Gene Tisdell

Thursday, April 18

8:30 AM OLOL †Donna Ridl

9:30 AM Sunrise Village †Elaine Frank

5:30 PM StClara †Teresa Uduegonworan

Friday, April 19

8:30 AM OLOL †Randy Nissen

12:00 PM StMary †Van Den Broeke & Schwantes Families

Saturday, April 20

4:30 PM StMary Rosemary Peters

5:00 PM OLOL †Mary Houdek

6:00 PM StMary (SP) For the People

Sunday, April 21

8:30 AM StClara †Deceased Members of St. Clara Mission Circle

8:30 AM OLOL †Jim Thoma

10:00 AM StMary Jim & Sherrie Thein

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Sunday, April 14

5:00 PM AFC Mission & Meal (StMary)

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Tuesday, April 16

No Quilting (StMary)

No Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)

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Wednesday, April 17

9:00 AM Bible Study (OLOL)

10:00 AM SCC (Bible Study) (StMary)

5:00 PM FF First Communion Rehearsal (OLOL)

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 18

1:30 PM Bible Study (OLOL)

5:00 PM Adoration (OLOL)

6:00 PM CCW Meeting (OLOL)

7:00 PM Women's Bible Study (StClara)

Friday, April 19

Saturday, April 20

4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)

4:00 PM Confessions (StMary)

4:30 PM Confessions (OLOL)

6:45 PM Spanish RCIA (StMary)

Sunday, April 21

8:00 AM Confessions (StClara)

8:30 AM First Communion (OLOL)

9:30 AM FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)

11:30 AM Spanish Pre-Marriage Prep (StMary)

12:30 PM Carmelite (OLOL)

63rd Annual New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention

Date: Saturday, April 27, 2024

Location: Church of St. Pius X, Glencoe MN

Time: Starting at 7:30 AM

The Theme for the convention is

“Be an Instrument of Salvation”

Early bird registration deadline is April 15

Register online at nudccw.org

All women 18 years and older are welcome to attend.

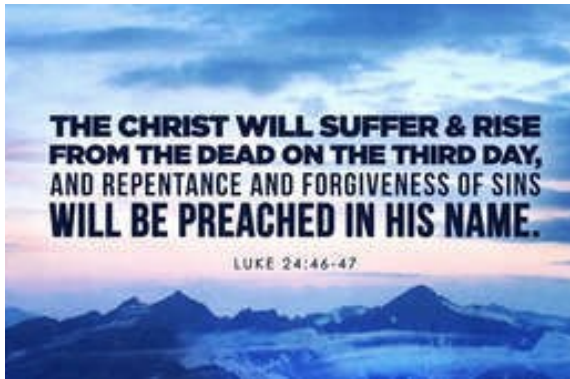


AFC Graduation Masses

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



MFU’s Bottleneck Project to Host Willmar Meatpreneur Workshop

Saturday April 20

10:30 a.m. to 1:30 p.m.

10:00 a.m. Registration

St. Mary’s Catholic Church

713 12th Street SW Willmar MN 56201

Invited are people interested in meat processing opportunities who might aspire to become a meat processing owner or manager. The workshop will cover apprenticeship and technical college opportunities, a snapshot of business planning and financing etc. Lunch included. Call Julio Tena at 763-401-0335 to register.



Starting Saturday, May 4

Saturday (No Change)

4:30 PM Church of St. Mary

5:00 PM Our Lady of the Lakes

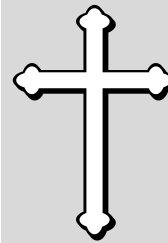
6:00 PM Church of St. Mary - Spanish

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.

† Andrew Coulter, son of Wayne Coulter (StClara)

† Margaret “Peg” Condon, wife of Tom Condon (StClara), mother of Bob Condon (StClara)

Our sympathy goes out to the families



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.



Faith Formation



1st Communion Rehearsal

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

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

Church of St. Clara
Saturday, April 27 at 10:00 AM

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.

AFC First Communion Mass

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



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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