



# Catholic Area Faith Community of Jesus Our Living Water

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(StMary)

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## AREA MASS SCHEDULE

**Monday, April 27**

**Tuesday, April 28**

8:30 AM OLOL †Randy Mitchell  
\*9:00 AM StMary †Len Matthys

**Wednesday, April 29**

8:30 AM OLOL †Bill Burggraaf  
12:00 PM StMary †Riad Youssef

**Thursday, April 30**

\*9:00 AM StMary †Dorothy & Gerhard Sampson  
9:30 AM Clara City †Deceased Members of the  
Care Center Mission Circle

**Friday, May 1**

8:30 AM OLOL †Don Wannigman  
11:00 AM StMary Funeral for Larry Thiery

**Saturday, May 2**

4:00 PM OLOL †Judy Torkelson  
4:30 PM StMary †Gene Tisdell  
6:00 PM StMary (SP) †Anthony Padilla

**Sunday, May 3**

8:00 AM StClara †Carol Harguth  
9:00 AM StMary †Don Cole  
10:00 AM OLOL †Fay Kuznia

\*\*\*Please note the Masses at St. Mary's on  
Tuesday, April 28 & Thursday, April 30  
will be at 9:00 AM\*\*\*

\*\*\*Due to issues with the door, the Chapel  
will only be open during office hours for  
building security. Questions please call the  
office at 320-235-0118

## CALENDAR OF EVENTS

**Monday, April 27**

9:30 AM Bible Study (OLOL)  
6:00 PM Young Adult Ministry Meeting (StMary)

**Tuesday, April 28**

9:00 AM Quilting (StMary)  
6:00 PM Spanish Prayer Group (StMary)

**Wednesday, April 29**

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

**Thursday, April 30**

1:30 PM Bible Study (OLOL)  
5:00 PM Eucharistic Adoration (OLOL)

**Friday, May 1**

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

**Saturday, May 2**

3:15 PM Confessions (OLOL)  
3:30 PM Moments with Mother Mary Rosary (StMary & StClara)  
3:45 PM Confessions (StMary)  
4:00 PM Rosary (StMary)  
5:00 PM KC Tootsie Roll Drive (OLOL)  
5:30 PM Prayer Team (StMary)

**Sunday, May 3**

7:30 AM Confessions (StClara)  
8:00 AM Graduation Mass (StClara)  
8:00 AM KC Omelet Breakfast (StMary)  
9:00 AM Coffee & Rolls (StClara)  
9:00 AM FF Gr. 1-8 (StClara)  
9:00 AM KC Officer Meeting (OLOL)  
10:00 AM Prayer Team (StMary)  
11:00 AM KC Tootsie Roll Drive (OLOL)

**Fourth Sunday of Easter**

**April 26, 2026**

*The mercy of the Lord fills the earth!*

# Pastor's NOTES

**PASTOR NOTES:** On this Good Shepherd Sunday, the Fourth Sunday of Easter, we heard from the Gospel of John 10. “So, Jesus said again, ‘Amen, amen, I say to you, I am the gate for the sheep.’” May Jesus our Good Shepherd continue to strengthen us in living our faith. May we listen to the voice of the Good Shepherd in our noisy world trying to lead us on in many wrong directions.

May young people respond to God’s call to vocations to the priesthood and consecrated life. The Diocese of New Ulm is starting the Vianney Vocation Program. It will be kicked off this weekend. We are encouraged to pray and call forth men between the ages of 15-30, who we might see having a vocation to the priesthood. We will be offering cards for the Call by Name to offer names of those who might be possible candidates. We will continue to explain this process at our Masses and throughout the upcoming weeks. Please pray for vocations to the priesthood for the Diocese.

Congratulations to the students who received their First Holy Communion at Our Lady of the Lakes. What a blessing to celebrate with these young students who remind us of the joy and blessing we receive from Jesus in the Body and Blood of Christ. Thank you to all who helped in their preparation.

Thank you to all who helped with St. Mary’s Foundation Gala and all who attended the event. What a blessing to share in and support this event.

Next Saturday May 2, we will start offering the 4PM Mass at Our Lady of the Lakes. This Mass will be offered through September.

**Fr. Ronald Huberty**

## AFC Cemetery Announcement

When a parish closes, the church and cemetery records – and the responsibilities – go to a nearby parish. If there are cemetery needs that are greater than the cemetery bank account can afford, the parish must take on those costs. Right now, some of our smaller cemeteries are faced with costs greater than they can afford. If you are able to contribute to one of our cemeteries, please make your check payable to one of the cemeteries below or any of the closed or open parishes. Your contributions would be greatly appreciated.

**St. Anthony Cemetery, Regal** – closed; records at Our Lady of the Lakes

**Sacred Heart Cemetery, Raymond** – closed; records at St. Clara

**St. Patrick Cemetery, Kandiyohi** – closed; records at St. Mary



**Starting, Saturday, May 2**

**Saturday**

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

**Sunday**

8:00 AM	Church of St. Clara
9:00 AM	Church of St. Mary
10:00 AM	Church of Our Lady of the Lakes

## Catholic Home Missions Appeal

This week we will take up the Catholic Home Missions Appeal. Today, nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its current and former territories are unable to fund the essential pastoral work their communities need. Your support for this appeal helps them meet these faith formation and sacramental needs. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this appeal. Find more information at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).



### Fr. Jerry's 50 Years of Priestly Ministry

Jesus Our Living Water AFC wants to show our appreciation for Father Jerry Paulson's 50 years of priestly ministry. He will be present for cookies and lemonade after Masses at Our Lady of the Lakes in Spicer on Saturday, June 6 and Sunday, June 7.

If you are unable to attend in person, you can mail cards to him in care of the area faith community.

Fr. Jerry Paulson  
713 12<sup>th</sup> St SW  
Willmar, MN 56201



## Faith Formation



### St. Mary Family Meal

Wednesday, May 6  
4:30 PM - 6:45 PM  
All are welcome!



### Willmar KC Omelet Breakfast

Sunday, May 3, 2026

8:00 am to 12:00 pm

at the Church of St. Mary

Adults \$12/Youth (6-12) \$5/ Under 6 are free

Family Max of \$30

Cash or checks only

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



### AFC Graduation Masses

Sunday, May 3 - 8:00 AM - St. Clara, Clara City

Sunday, May 17 - 9:00 AM - St. Mary, Willmar

Sunday, May 24 - 10:00 AM - OLOL, Spicer



### \*\* VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!\*\*

Looking for Youth Ministry Volunteers to begin a Youth Group at St Mary's this fall!

If you are curious and/or interested, please contact Ann Voller at [annvoller@ourlivingwater.org](mailto:annvoller@ourlivingwater.org).



### St. Clara May Crowning

Sunday, May 10 at the 8:00 AM Mass

Children of all ages are invited to participate. Please meet in the church entry at 7:50 AM



### Moments with Mother Mary

Please join us for a rosary walk (inside the church) at the Church of St. Mary and St. Clara on Saturday, May 2 at 3:30 PM



### Tuesday's Table is on Tuesday, May 5

Tuesday's Table, a free community meal, continues on the first Tuesday of each month at Our Lady of the Lakes in Spicer. Our next meal is May 5 at 6:00 PM.



### Chat & Craft Group

We're back, hoping you are ready to join us and work on whatever your projects are or just come to chat and see what others are working on. It's been so much fun meeting each of you who have been attending. Please try to encourage a friend or two to come with you. We'd love to have them join us. You never know there may be snacks shared by some of these famous bakers. Thursday, May 7th at 6:30 p.m. in Room 19. See you there!! Your Chatty hostesses, Sara, Sharon, Helen & Deb



### Daughters of Isabella Meeting

Thank you to all who purchased baked goods from our bake sale. Our proceeds provided two scholarships for our graduating seniors. Also Thank you from our quilters for all the tickets purchased for the quilt raffle. The winners of the quilts are Micki Kalvoda and Helaine Bolter! Congrats to them. The proceeds help us to purchase batting and backing fabrics. God bless you all!



### Church of Our Lady of the Lakes

Address: 6680 153rd Ave NE, Spicer, MN, 56288  
Date: Friday, May 29, 2026  
Time: 11:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
Visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter OLOL to schedule and appointment or call 1-800-733-2767

### Church of St. Mary

Address: 713 12th St SW, Willmar, MN, 56201  
Room Name: Parish Hall  
Date: Thursday, June 11, 2026  
Time: 12:00 PM - 6:00: PM

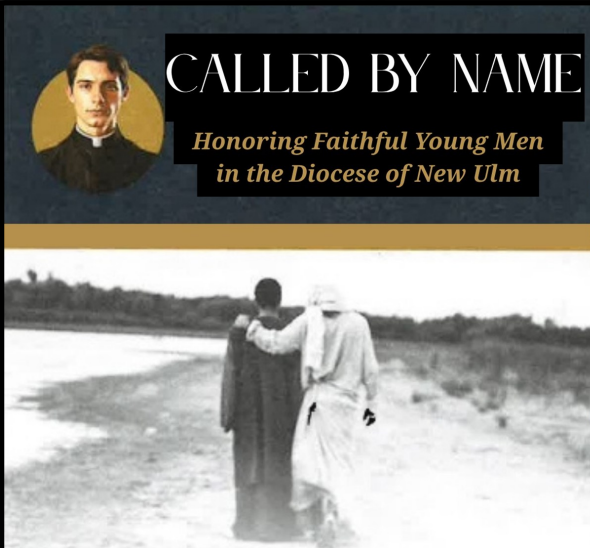
Blood Program Leader Name: Pat Berg

[Click here to make an appointment](#)

If you need help 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!




**CALLED BY NAME**  
*Honoring Faithful Young Men in the Diocese of New Ulm*

Honor men (ages 15-30) who love Christ and the Catholic Church and who may be open to considering priesthood.

Nomination forms available by request or visit: [NUvocations.org](http://NUvocations.org)



Scan ← here



NEW ULM PRIEST

*"Do not fear, for I have redeemed you, I have called you by name. You are mine." Isaiah 43:1*

**VBS is coming!**

**GALAXY**  
*Launching Kids on a Mission of God's Love*

FOR AGES 3-6  
SUNDAYS, JUNE 7 & 14  
10:30AM-1:00PM  
HELD AT THE CHURCH OF ST. MARY

**REGISTER TODAY!**  
[WWW.OURLIVINGWATER.ORG](http://WWW.OURLIVINGWATER.ORG)

**2026**

**TOTUS TUUS**  
**TOTALLY YOURS**

held at  
**Our Lady of the Lakes**

Grades 1-6: Monday-Thursday, July 20-23 9:00am-2:00pm

Grades 7-12: Sunday-Thursday, July 19-23 7:30-9:30pm