

March 17th, 2024

5th Sunday of Lent

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Liturgical Ministers – March 24– 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Jeanette Pistorius & Karen Goodhart

EM: Marlene Appel, Brenda Pederson & Bernice P.

Choir & Congregation: Julie & David Metz

Servers: Emilie Metz, Abby Fryer & Hannah Gibson

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Faith Formation classes

Ushers: Faith Formation classes

Home Communion – Bernice P. Sacristan: Marlene

PALM SUNDAY YOUTH BRUNCH will be held on Sunday, March 24th in our church hall serving from 10 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Adults \$10 and 12 and under are \$5. There will also be a bake sale. All are welcome! Questions, call Amber Metz.

Fr. John Paul will say Stations of the Cross with Benediction on Wednesday at 3:30 p.m.

Stewardship as a Way of Life: “I will be their God and they shall be my people.”- Jeremiah 31:33

What does it mean to be God’s people? It means we recognize that everything we have and everything we are belongs to God. We aren’t “owners” of anything; we are merely “stewards” of the gifts God has given us. It means we are willing to use our gifts and our lives to care for our family, our neighbors and for people we don’t know, just as God cares for each of us.

HOLY WEEK: Holy Thursday: 5:00 p.m. Wheaton & 7:00 p.m. Chokio. Good Friday: 3:00 p.m. Browns Valley & Wheaton. Easter Vigil: 8:00 p.m. Wheaton – Easter Sunday is usual times.

CHRISTIAN MOTHERS meeting will be Thursday, March 21st at 3:00 p.m. in the church basement.

Our sympathy to Wyatt Rowland’s family. Wyatt died this past week. May he rest in peace.

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Mar 18th – Mar 24th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass – 5:30 pm Chokio ~

WED Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~ Dec'd Sykora family

FRI Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~ Dec'd Leo &

Marjorie Whelan family

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, March 10th

Adult \$785 Loose \$400 Votive \$22.25 Flowers \$215

Confession Schedule:

7:00 pm in Tuesday in Chokio

****No Confessions** on Wednesday or Thursday

Oaklynn Rae Metz was baptized into our family last Sunday.

She is the daughter of Brendan & Alena;

Granddaughter of Kelly & Missy ☐ ☐

Mass on Tues will be at 5:30pm in honor of St. Joseph!

Chrism Mass is Thur, Mar 21 @ 7pm at St. Cloud Cathedral.

If going & wanting to represent our parish, inform the padre.

Lenten Confession Services:

Sun, Mar 17th @ 4:00 pm in Morris

Wed, Mar 20th @ 6:30 pm in Elbow Lake

Stations Schedule for Wed, Mar 20th:

3:30 pm in Browns Valley

6:30 pm in Wheaton

7:00 pm in Chokio

Holy Week Schedule:

Thur, Mar 28th – 5 pm @ Wheaton & 7 pm @ Chokio

Fri, Mar 29th – 3 pm @ Browns Valley & 3 pm @ Wheaton

Sat, Mar 30th – 8 pm @ Wheaton;

Sun, Mar 31st is normal

Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

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Palm Sunday, March 24th

Lector: Linda Larson – V and Philip Deal - N

EM: Philip Deal, Linda Larson, Deb Mucha

Servers: Claire Rinke & Audrie Gahlon

Ushers: Jim Coffman & Wolfgang Brink

Fellowship: Herman Barutt & Deb Mucha

Anyone who would like to donate an **Easter Lily** or **Tulip** in memory of a loved one, please deliver it to the north sacristy the week of **March 25th – 29th**. If you have any questions or need assistance picking up a plant please contact **Colleen Deal at 320-760-8404. Thank You!**

Holy Thursday, March 28th – 5:00pm

Lector: Matt Franzese

EM: Marty Lanter, Deb Mucha, John Tauber

Servers: Elizabeth Franzese & Andrew Franzese

Good Friday, March 29th – 3:00pm

Lectors: Carol Nelson – V and Linda Larson – N

EM: Carol Nelson

Servers: Griffin Klemm & Claire Rinke

Holy Saturday, March 30th – 8:00pm

Lector: Paul Thielen

EM: Paul Thielen, John Tauber, Marty Lanter

Servers: Dayne Przymus

Easter Sunday, March 31st - 9:30am

Lector: Philip Deal

EM: Armon Karsky, Philip Deal, Sam Thielen

Servers: Benny Peterson & Lyla Peterson

Ushers: Jim Coffman & Butch Doll

NO FELLOWSHIP ~ Happy Easter

SAVE THE DATE

Wed., Mar. 20th ~ 6:30pm Stations of the Cross

Sun., Mar. 24th ~ Fellowship after 9:30am Mass

Sun., Mar. 24th ~ *No Faith Formation*****

The **Wheaton Fire Department** will be having their annual fish fry at the fire hall on **Friday, March 29th** starting at **11:00am until gone.**

Adults \$18.00 Ages 6-14 \$10.00 5 and under - Free

The **Ave Maria Spring Salad Luncheon** is coming up on **Wednesday, April 17th**, we ask all of our parishioners to please pick up your letter in the west entrance of the church.

We are in need of ice cream buckets – you can leave

them in the kitchen. **Thank You!**



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Stations of the Cross, March 20, 6:30 p.m.

Presider: Paula Baxter, **Servers:** 1-2 Volunteers needed.

Ministry Schedule, Palm Sunday, March 24, 8 a.m.

EM's: David Asfeld & Bruce Berlinger

Lector: Paul Daly & Paula Baxter

Ushers: Brock Marty & John Kleindl

Servers: Lincoln Schneider & Xavier Kleindl

Sacristans: Larry & Ginny Heintzelman

Spring Schedule:

---**March 28th Holy Thursday, 7 p.m.** All the Confirmation students and the First Communion students will get one foot washed.

---**May 5th First Communion, 8 a.m.**

---**May 19th Baccalaureate Sunday, 8 a.m..**

March Food Shelf Drive: Envelopes for your donation, are at the back of church. Please put your donation in the collection.

Donations for Easter Flowers in memory of loved ones can be placed in the collection. So far money has been received in

memory of Justin Heltemes; Fabian & Liz Ritter, Geri, Lynn & Tom Ritter and Jayne Hacker; Wm. Schott, Jr., Wm. & Dorothy Schott, Tony Schott, Herman & Rose Wencel, Vic Wencel, Elly Carrington & John Wencel; Ben Schneider, Liane & Wally Raasch; Ken & Jeanne Asmus. Thank you for your donations in memory of loved ones!

Please turn in Rice Bowls on Palm Sunday. They can be placed in the basket at the back of church. Basket brought up at offertory.

Bring in your old palms to be burned by Faith Formation Classes on Palm Sunday. They can be placed in the basket on the table.

A MN Vikings Fleece Tie Blanket was left after Confirmation.

Please claim if it is yours. It's hanging on the entrance clothes rack.

Lenten Mission, Vallimar Jansen using scripture/song/story, 6:30-8:00, March 16-18, Church of St. Mary, Alexandria. No charge.

Centra Care Hospice—Willmar, offering a Camp GK Bear April 13th 10:00 am-3:00 pm at Lakeland Auditorium for children K-6th grade who have lost a significant person. Cal 320-231-4450 to register.

Palm Sunday the choir will sing "Via Dolorosa" or "The Way of Suffering". This was the winding path Jesus took to His crucifixion.