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March 31, 2019 - 4th Sunday of Lent

Mon. April 1st 8:30 a.m. Intention of Fr. Ron
 Stations of the Cross & holy hour to follow
 Mon. April 1st 6:00 p.m. Stations & Benediction
 Tues. April 2nd 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Comm. Service
 Wed. April 3rd 8:00 A.M. Margaret Dockendorf
 Note time change on Wed. to 8:00 A.M.
 Stations of the Cross to follow Mass
 Thurs. April 4th 8:15 a.m. Rosary & Comm. Service
 Sat. April 6th 7:30 p.m. Jim Determan
 Sun. April 7th 10:30 a.m. Tony & Louise Loxterkamp

Take up gifts:
 Saturday: the Determan Family
 Sunday: the Loxterkamp Family

USHERS FOR APRIL
 Sat. Tom Nienaber & Jerry Thoma
 Sun Dean Doroff & Neil Johnson

SERVERS FOR APRIL
 Saturdays : anyone who can help
 Sundays: anyone who can help

LECTORS FOR APRIL
 Saturdays : Rosemary Nienaber
 Sundays : Bea Golombecki

EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS FOR APRIL
 Sat. Rosemary Nienaber & Jerry Thoma
 Sun. Ann Koetter & Ann Peterson
 Marge Mettler & ??????????????????????

WHOOPY...BINGO is only a couple weeks. Sunday, April 14th, is not only **Palm Sunday** but we also have our Ham Bingo at 7:00 p.m. If you can make a donation towards the cost of the hams, please put it in an envelope marked bingo and drop it in the collection basket. Or you can make your donation the night of bingo. This is a fun event with free lunch and conversation. Bring a friend. Some of you will win a nice ham for Easter.

As per our Diocesan Safe Environment Guidelines and ethics & integrity in ministry we are posting the following message: Anyone who wishes to bring forward a complaint of sexual misconduct on the part of church personnel is encouraged to contact a victim advocate who will assist the person to take whatever steps the victim feels are appropriate to resolve the issue. (Confidentiality is assured to anyone who speaks with them). In our area the advocate is Jane Blee: 320-251-3430

If your in the St. Cloud area with time to spare, consider giving even a short time to join others as they walk peacefully in front of the Planned parenthood building. You can call Lori Thoma at 547-2108 for more information. Can these walks against abortion be of some help? Yes they can and they do ! It takes time but progress is starting to show more than ever. We hear on the news about states allowing abortion as a child is being born....but they don't tell us about the states that are changing the laws of abortion to curtail them to a shorter time allowed than before..

Smelt & Fish Fry (with haluski & potato salad) at St. Mary's Church in Upsala Friday, April 12th, 4 to 8 p.m. Adult \$10 , ages 5-12 \$5 and 4 & under free. Cash raffle at 7:30

The next few weeks, before Easter, is a good time for us to strengthen our faith. Please keep those who are questioning their faith in your prayers.

We have dates available for a Mass to be said. Call the office or stop in to set a date you would like a Mass said for someone.

The Movie **UNPLANNED** mentioned in a previous bulletin is showing in the theatre in Sauk Centre. Call 320-352-3596 for Show times. This is a great movie about abortions. We should be more informed what is going on and this movie is a true story. It is showing several days so hopefully you can find a time to go see it.

Office hours are normally 8 a.m. to noon. However, they do vary so call before coming to be sure I am here. 547-2920. Just me – Val -- home phone 547-2479. for the bulletin: stjohnschurchswanville.org OR you can also get the bulletin on face book now. Diocese web page: www.stclouddiocese.org our e-mail: stjohnscatholicswanville@centurylink.net

HANDICAP ACCESSIBLE

Collection for March 23rd & 24th

Adult	\$ 1,447.00
Plate	\$ 301.25
Bishop Overseas (CRS)	\$ 5.00
Easter Flowers	\$ 210.00
TOTAL	\$ 1,963.25

Thank you for your gifts and support !

FAITH FORMATION
 Marge Mettler – Coordinator 547-2513
 April 3rd Regular Classes at 6:30 p.m.

First Communion Rehearsal will be Saturday, April 6th at 9:00 a.m.

First Communion will be Sunday, April 7th during the 10:30 a.m. Mass

Choir Practice will be at 6:00 p.m. on the following Thursdays: April 4th, April 11th

NOTE: Now you should also be able to get our weekly bulletin on face book

PLEASE CONTINUE TO SAY THIS PRAYER FOR VOCATIONS
 Gracious God and Father, We praise You for Your goodness and love. We ask You to stir the hearts of all those You call to the priesthood, diaconate, and consecrated life in the Diocese of Saint Cloud. Send Your Holy Spirit upon our families and our children. Choose from our parishes, our homes and our schools those called to this adventure of love. With Mary, Mother of every vocation, we ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen

PLANNING ANNOUNCEMENT:
 What is the next step in developing Area Catholic Communities? Once the parish configuration is determined, we will be inviting parishes to begin forming area planning councils. Area planning councils comprise of equal representation from each parish in the ACC and has the responsibility to vision a more vibrant area community. This will include, but is not limited to, building relationships, evaluating resources, programs & ministries, communicating between all parishes.

The food shelf boxes will be in the entrance of the church until April the 15th. Please help the needy by bringing even one item to put in the boxes. People tell me they want to give but continue to forget to bring something. As you read this, maybe make a note and put it by your car keys as a reminder.

Someone recently told me: I'm too blessed to be stressed and too grateful to be hateful.

Our friends at St. Joseph Church in Grey Eagle are having a **FISH FRY** at the Hub Supper Club Monday, April 15th, from 4:30 to 8:00 p.m. Fish, baked beans, potato, cole slaw, rolls, coffee, lemonade & dessert. Adults \$9 advance or \$9.50 at the door, ages 5-12 \$5 and 4 & under Free.

Have a great week