

February 15th, 2026
~ 6th Ordinary Sunday ~

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THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Feb 16th – Feb 22nd)

- MON** ~ No Mass ~
TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~
WED Mass – 5:00 pm Wheaton ~
Mass – 5:30 pm Chokio ~
Mass – 7:00 pm Browns Valley ~ Carol Wolney
THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~ Darliss Cox
FRI Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~
SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~
Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~
Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~ Margaret

Piechowski

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, February 8th

Adult 1,230.00 Loose \$64.00 Votive \$21.00
Maintenance \$25 Chair Lift \$100 Initial Offering
\$5.00 Solemnity of Mary \$5.00 **TOTAL \$1,450.00**

Confession Schedule:

*No Confessions on Tuesday

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5:30 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

No Confessions on Tues & Wed this week.

Diocesan Appeal Kickoff: is today - Sun, Feb 15th ☐ ☐

Hour of POWER: will be added to the liturgy schedule with 7:00 am (Adoration) & 8:00 am (Rosary) on Tuesdays, Wednesdays, & Thursdays beginning the 1st “FULL” week of Lent where weekday Mass is celebrated.

Funerals in another location will cancel it that day.

Make sense??

Say, Yes.

Yes.

Ash Wednesday Mass Schedule

5:00 pm (Wheaton)

5:30 pm (Chokio)

7:00 pm (B.V.)

Liturgical Ministers – February 18 - 7:00 p.m. Ash Wed.

Lector: Paula Boudreaux

EM: Mary Nigg **Choir & Congregation:** Marlene Appel

Servers: Volunteers - No Collection taken up.

Liturgical Ministers – February 22 - 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Joan Miller

EM: Joan Miller, Brenda Bartz & Michelle Cooley

Choir & Congregation: David & Julie Metz

Servers: Isabelle Remily & Rylie Metz

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Faith Formation classes

Ushers: Faith Formation classes

Home Communion: Bernice Piechowski

Sacristan: Sue Toelle

Bishop's Annual Appeal – Hearts of Mercy: This is Commitment Weekend for the Bishop's Annual Appeal! Through your generosity, diocesan programs continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central Minnesota thanks to the dedicated service of our pastors, parish and diocesan staff, and volunteers who continue to do the work of Christ. Please keep them thriving by making a gift with your offering today in your parish collection or at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

Stewardship as a Way of Life: “For I tell you, unless your righteousness exceeds that of the scribes and Pharisees, you will never enter the kingdom of heaven.” Matthew 5:20 The Pharisees lived according to the letter of the law, and they used this to elevate themselves above the other people. Jesus is clear – it's the love that you have in your heart, for God and others, that will get you to heaven. Simply following church rules to the letter and not out of love, does not necessarily put you on the path to heaven. Attending Sunday Mass and then gossiping about a fellow parishioner on the parking lot is an example of being a modern-day Pharisee.

Confirmation will be Sunday, March 15th at Assumption Church in Morris, MN at 2:00 p.m. Confirmands need to be there by 12:15 and sponsors by 1:00 p.m. Those being confirmed by Bishop Patrick Neary this year are Rylie Metz, Caden Gibson and Cody Nelson.

BLOODMOBILE

The American Legion Auxiliary is sponsoring the Red Cross Bloodmobile on Monday, Feb. 16th, from 12- 6:00 p.m. Walk-ins are welcome. Please give the gift of life!



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Ash Wednesday, February 18th ~ 5:00pm

Lector: Matt Franzese

EM: Colleen Violet, John Tauber, Paul Thielen

Servers: Gentry & Lachlyn McKinley

Ushers: Volunteers

Sunday, February 22nd ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Philip Deal

EM: Philip Deal, Marty Lanter, Sam Thielen

Servers: Gentry McKinley & Lachlyn McKinley

Ushers: Hank Frisch & Mark Koch

Fellowship: John & Barb Tauber

SAVE THE DATE

Sunday, Feb 22nd ~ Faith Formation 10:30 – 11:30

Sunday, Feb 22nd ~ Fellowship after Mass

Prayer List

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Gene Stueve,
Shirley Murray Peyton, Carrie Frisch, Connie Grimes,
Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willie Rinke, Dale Larson,
Shirley Montonye, Wally Hennen, Roger & Kathi Schmitz,
Carol Marihart, Fred Schmidtke, and our deployed military

The Wheaton Sons of the American Legion

Annual Soup and Chili Fundraiser

at the **Wheaton American Legion**

Saturday, February 21st

11:30am – 3:00pm

Free Will Offering....Come out and enjoy!!

The St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women will be holding their **Lenten Retreat on Saturday, March 14th from 9:00am-3:00pm at Assumption Church in Morris.** The registration fee is \$25.00 by March 2nd or \$30.00 at the door. **Ave Maria has been asked to bring 5 pans of bars for the retreat. If you are able to make a pan or would like to register for the retreat please call the office at 563-4421. Thank You!!**

Bring Lent to Life with a CRS Rice Bowl!

Rice Bowls are available at all three entrances. Place your Rice Bowl on your family's dinner table, put your Lenten alms into your Rice Bowl, at the end of Lent turn your Rice Bowl into the office or place in the collection basket.

75% of your CRS Rice Bowl donation supports Catholic Relief Services' work around the world. 25% helps fight hunger and poverty in your own community.



St. Mary's ~ Chokio

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Ministry Schedule, Wed., February 18, 5:30 p.m.

EM's: Jeri Erickson & Jamie Van Eps

Lector: Paul Daly

Ushers: Landen Gibson & Jace Kleindl

Servers: Braxton Nelson & Berdine Kleindl

Sacristan: John & Mary Lou Berlinger

Ministry Schedule, Sunday, February 22nd, 8:00 a.m.

EM's: Rich Weber & David Asfeld

Lector: David Asfeld

Ushers: Jeramee Van Eps & Jacob Marty

Servers: Xavier Kleindl & Mandy Kleindl

Sacristan: Keith & Maria Marty

Winter Schedule:

---Feb. 24th, Tuesday, Parish Council Meeting, 7:00 p.m.

---Feb. 25th, Stations of the Cross, 6:00 p.m.

Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Lenten Retreat is

Saturday, March 14th, 9 am-3 pm. Consider attending. **We have**

been asked to bring bars. Please sign-up in back. Bars needed at the hall by 10 am on Friday, March 13th. Call Sandi with questions. THANKS!

Catholic Men's Conference, Walking Together as Brothers, is at St. Johns

University, Saturday, Feb. 28, 8:30 am-4:30 pm. This event is open to all men, whether practicing Catholics or those seeking to deepen their faith. Cost is \$40, or \$35 for groups of 5 or more, or \$10 ages 15-22. Call Jan Zylla, 320-258-7615.

Hearts of Mercy, the 2026 Bishop's Annual Appeal. This is

Commitment Weekend! Through your generosity, diocesan programs continue to build the Kingdom of God here in Central MN thanks to the dedicated service of our pastors, parish and diocesan staff, and volunteers who continue to do the work of Christ. Please keep them thriving by making a gift with your offering today in your parish collection or at www.stcdio.org/annualappeal. You may receive an appeal letter in the mail too. You can mail these in directly, or put in the collection for the office to mail in, in one big envelope. These envelopes aren't opened here.

I Can Only Imagine 2 is coming to the Morris Theatre, Feb. 20th-

March 5th. MercyMe's Bart Millard's success is weighed down under devastating challenges. This movie is a heartfelt story of faith, family and finding hope through the storm. Help keep the Morris Theatre in our community by attending this uplifting movie.