

March 23rd, 2025

3rd Sunday of Lent

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Liturgical Ministers – March 30 – 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Mike Toelle

EM: Mike Toelle, Brenda Bartz & Edith Foren

Choir & Congregation: Dave & Julie Metz

Servers: Isabelle Remily & Ryen Metz

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Faith Formation Classes

Ushers: Faith Formation Classes

Home Communion: Edith Foren

Sacristan: Marlene Appel

Stewardship as a Way of Life: “He said to the gardener, ‘For three years now I have come in search of fruit on this fig tree but have found none.’” - Luke 13:7 We can all be like the barren fig tree at times. Do you cling to what you have, or do you generously share with others? How will you respond when God asks you what you have done with all the gifts He has given you? Remember, not only are we called to be generous; we are called to develop and nurture our gifts; and return them with increase. We are called to be generous with all of gifts; especially the one that means the most to you.

Students are collecting pop tabs for the Ronald McDonald house. There is a box in back of church for the pop tabs.

SUNDAY AT THE MOVIES

Sunday March 23rd a BBQ Sandwich Lunch will be served from 11:30 - 1:00 at BV Legion with movies following. Movies are featuring Browns Valley Centennial Days! Sponsored by BV Historical Society with proceeds going to Carnegie Library Restoration Project. Free Will Offering. Everybody is welcome!!

STATIONS OF THE CROSS at St. Anthony’s on Wednesday evenings at 6 p.m. All are welcome. Stations are at the BVHC at 7 p.m. on Wednesdays.

Our sympathy to the Brian Agar family. Brian’s funeral will be here on May 3, 2025. May he rest in peace.

If you have jelly jars from your Christmas baskets or just any that you don’t need, please call Connie Miller and she will come and pick them up or you can bring them to church and put them on the back table. Thanks!

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Mar 24th – Mar 30th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass – 5:00 pm Chokio ~

WED Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

Stations – 6:00 pm Chokio, Wheaton, & B.V.

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~ Janet Kontz Anderson

FRI Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~Shirley Metz

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, Mar 16th

Adult \$1,015.00 Loose \$110.00 Votive \$12.00

Maintenance \$50.00 **TOTAL: \$1,187.00**

Confession Schedule:

6:00 pm on Tuesday in Chokio

5:00 pm on Wednesday in Wheaton

5:30 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

Stations will be held on Wed @ 6:00 pm in each parish during Lent.

Mass on Tues, Mar 25 is at 5:00 pm in Chokio

In honor of the Feast of Annunciation.

Confession Services w/ the Padre &...

Tues, Mar 25 @ 6:00 pm in Chokio (Fr David Breu)

Wed, Mar 26 @ 7:00 pm in Herman (Fr Jose Chettoor)

Sun, Apr 6 @ 4:00 pm in Morris (Fr. Todd Schneider)

Sound System: due to our issue at Ave Maria, Parish & Finance Council looking over options, decided to move forward with a new system.

The company will be installing it possibly in April.

Anyone desiring to contribute to the \$16,000.00 project would be warmly welcomed.



St. Mary's ~ Chokio

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****Tuesday March 25, 2025 Mass 5:00 p.m./6:00 Confessions w/Fr. John Paul & Fr. Breu; no morning Mass; Annunciation of the Lord.**

Stations of the Cross, Wednesday, March 26, 6:00 p.m.

Presider: Fr. John Paul

Servers: Jameson Van Eps&Josie Van Eps

Ministry Schedule, Sunday, March 30, 8:00 a.m.

EM's': Rich Weber&Jamie Van Eps

Lector: Paul Daly

Ushers:Jacob Marty&Bruce Berlinger

Servers: Hannah Marty&Lillian Marty

Sacristans: Rachel Schott

Spring Schedule:

--First Friday in Chokio, April 4, 7:30 am Adoration, 8:30 Mass am

--Good Friday Service in Chokio, 1:00 p.m.

Vivian Heltemes will speak at Assumption Church, March 30th,

10:30 a.m. What happens when we die? A hospice nurse for 15 years, Vivian will share patient's spiritual experiences at the end of life and the effect it has had on family members and caregivers.

Catholic Relief Services (CRS)collection is March 30th—there's an envelope in your pack.With humanitarian aid cuts, need is great!

March is Food Shelf Month: Use the cute envelopes, at the back of church, to put your donation in the collection for the Stevens County Food Shelf.**Please donate during March so we can turn the money in at the end of March.**Food shelves are in need, too.

Collection of Old Palms during March:Place your old palms in the vase, in the entrance. They will be burnt on Palm Sunday during Faith Formation.

Donations for Easter Flowers can be put in the Collection, in an envelope with the names of whomever you are remembering!

Congratulations to Matt & Amy Arnold on the birth of Gabrielle Irene, who was baptized at St. Mary's on March 22nd. May the light she was given in baptism, shine brightly throughout her life!

Please pick up your Calendar Raffle letter, in the box on the counter behind the pews. Calendar Raffle sales begin April 6!

The Catholic United Financial Matching Grant of \$1000, for the Bazaar Raffle has been received. Thank your local CUF members!



Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

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Sunday, March 30th ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Paul Thielen

EM: Paul Thielen, Armon Karsky, Colleen Violet

Servers: Marissa Frisch & Michael O'Leary

Ushers: Hank Frisch & Mel Smith

Fellowship: John & Barb Tauber

SAVE THE DATE

Wed., Mar. 26th ~ 6:00PM ~ Stations of the Cross

Sun., Mar. 30th ~ Fellowship after Mass

Sun., Mar. 30th ~ Faith Formation 10:30 -11:30

The **April** Mass Ministers Schedule and the **Living Faith** for **April ~ June** are available at all entrances.

Please remember these people in your prayers:

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Liela Fridgen,

Carole Schmitz, Shirley Murray Peyton, Gene Stueve,

Mary & Willy Rinke, Shirley Montonye, Carrie Frisch,

Connie Grimes, Mike Sweere

The **Ave Maria Spring Salad Luncheon** is coming up on

Wednesday, April 16th. Please pick up your letter in the west entrance of the church. We are in need of ice cream

buckets and cool whip containers –

you can leave them in the kitchen. **Thank You!**

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