

November 30th, 2025

~ 1st Sunday of Advent ~

Pastor ~ Fr John Paul Knopik

johnknopik@gmail.com

Browns Valley ~ 320-695-2621

Chokio ~ 320-324-2680

Wheaton ~ 320-563-4421



St. Anthony ~ Browns Valley

P.O. Box 359 Browns Valley, MN 56219

Office 320-695-2621 Marlene Appel ~ Secretary/Bookkeeper

Home: 605-694-2642 Cell: 605-237-3399

Email: st.anthony359@yahoo.com

Website: brownsvalleycatholic.org

Prayer Line: Mary Schwagel 320-695-2994 or Connie

Miller 320-695-2137 or 2376 or Edith Foren 320-695-2260

THIS WEEK'S SCHEDULE (Dec 1st – Dec 7th)

MON ~ No Mass ~

TUE Mass – 8:30 am Chokio ~

WED Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

THU Mass – 10:00 am BVCC ~

FRI Mass – 8:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 10:00 am TCC ~

SAT Mass – 8:30 am Browns Valley ~ Doschadis
family – Deceased and living

SUN Mass – 8:00 am Chokio ~

Mass – 9:30 am Wheaton ~

Mass – 11:00 am Browns Valley ~ Dennis Grosenick

STEWARDSHIP – for Sunday, November 23rd

Adult \$1,3205.00 Loose 141.00 Votive \$17.00

Bazaar \$150.00 **TOTAL: \$1,513.00**

Confession Schedule:

5:30 pm on Tuesday in Chokio

5:30 pm on Wednesday in Wheaton

5:30 pm on Thursday in Browns Valley

Andrew Nelson: passed away & was laid to rest
this past week. May he rest in peace.



Liturgical Ministers – December 7 – 11:00 a.m.

Lector: Paula Bourdreaux

EM: Mary Nigg, Edith Foren & Brenda Pederson

Choir & Congregation: Brenda Bartz & Michelle Cooley

Servers: Gavin Fryer & Emmett Piechowski

Greeters/Gift Bearers: Jeff & Rose Donnay

Ushers: David Nigg & Mike Heck

Home Communion: Edith Foren

Sacristan: Marlene Appel

Stewardship as a Way of Life: *"Therefore, stay awake!
For you do not know on which day your Lord will come."*

Matthew 24:42 People who have had health issues or
near-death experiences generally have a greater appreciation
for each day being a gift from God. The rest of us usually
take for granted that we will be around tomorrow. But when
you start to look at each day as a gift, you realize all the little
miracles that happen daily and you begin to see God's active
presence in your life. You grow in gratitude, each day; for all
that we have been given.

CHOIR PRACTICE

**St. Anthony's Choir will practice for Christmas on
the following Tuesdays: December 9, 16, & 23rd.**

All voices are welcome!

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES

Faith Formation Classes are at 10:00 a.m. before
Mass. The Confirmation class will be attending a Retreat
on February 14, 2026 at Abby of the Hills. Children's
Program will be Sunday, December 14th with a lunch
following. We will also have a Bake Sale.

Beginning today, the first Sunday of Advent, we will
be using a new missalette. These include the whole liturgical
year along with all the music for the year. They are a bit
bigger but have bigger print so they don't make a separate
large print one. All books are the same print. Thanks.

Congratulations to Jim and Norma Jung on
their 70th Wedding Anniversary November 26th.

Our Christmas Mass will be on Christmas
Eve at 4:00 p.m. St. Anthony Choir will play
ahead of the Mass.



Ave Maria ~ Wheaton

201 9th St S Wheaton, MN 56296

Office: 320-563-4421

Laurie Karsky ~ Secretary/Bookkeeper

Email: laurie.karsky@gmail.com

Website: avemariawheaton.org

Email: contact@avemariawheaton.org

Sunday, December 7th ~ 9:30AM

Lector: Sam Thielen

EM: Sam Thielen, John Tauber, Linda Larson

Servers: Xavier Doschadis & Zoe Doschadis

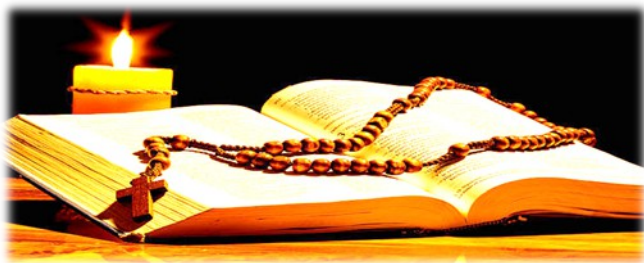
Ushers: Butch Doll & Jim Coffman

Fellowship: Mel Smith & Melanie Klein

Monday, December 8th ~ 9:30AM

Immaculate Conception Mass

Lector & EM: Colleen Violet



**During November we remember those
who have died during the last year.**

**Kathie Larson, Daniel Conroy, Margaret Thielen,
Fr. Stan Wieser, Liela Fridgen, Joanne Dobberstein**

Please join us for an **Open House 80th Birthday Party** for
Roger Schmitz on Saturday, **December 13th**

From **2:00 – 4:00pm** in the Ave Maria Church Basement.
No Gifts Please

Prayer List

Curtis Frisch, Barb Tauber, Carole Schmitz, Gene Stueve,
Shirley Murray Peyton, Carrie Frisch, Connie Grimes,
Kaye LeCuyer, Darlys Forcier, Mary & Willy Rinke, Greta Frisch,
Shirley Montonye, Wally Hennen, Blaine Dobberstein,
and all of our military who are deployed.

SAVE THE DATE

**Sun., Nov., 30th ~ Please come down today for rolls and cake to
celebrate Melanie Klein's birthday**

Sun., Dec., 7th ~ Fellowship after Mass

Sun., Dec., 7th ~ Faith Formation 10:30 – 11:30am

Sat., Dec., 13th ~ Birthday Party for Roger Schmitz

Sun., Dec., 21st ~ Children's Mass and Christmas Program

With potluck afterwards for the entire congregation!!

Would you like to make Christmas a little happier for a
Traverse Care Center Resident...unwrapped gifts can be placed
in the box in the west entrance by **December 7th. Thank You!!**



St. Mary's ~ Chokio

P.O. Box 187, Chokio, MN 56221

Office 320-324-2680; website: stmaryschokio.org

Sandi Marlow-Weber—secretary / bookkeeper

Parish Email: stmarych@fedtel.net

Ministry Schedule, Sunday, December 7, 8:00 a.m.

EM's: Rich Weber & Jade Marty

Lector: Nancy Leuthard

Ushers: Mark Lampert & Jacob Marty

Servers: Xavier Kleindl & Mandy Kleindl

Sacristan: Keith & Maria Marty

Winter Schedule:

-- Dec. 8th. **Monday, Immaculate Conception Mass, 5:30 p.m.**

-- Dec. 9th, **Tuesday, Penance Service, 5:30 p.m.**

-- Dec. 14th, **Sunday, Anointing of the Sick during Mass**

-- Dec. 21st, **Sunday, Children's Christmas Program after Mass**

Thanks to everyone who helped clean the sacristy last week!!!

You did an awesome job! Thanks to Julie Ehrp for waxing the floors,
Sandy Finke for moving stuff out of the sacristy. Looks Good!!

Please return the Options for Women Baby Bottles ASAP.

Assumption Church Advent Mission, Dec. 7-10th.

We are invited to
a Mission at Assumption Church with Fr. Anthony Hession.
Includes 7 p.m. nightly talks in the basement of the church
followed by refreshments: Dec. 7th Reconciliation with God, Dec 8th
Dangers to family unity & prayer. Dec 9th Learning to pray as a
family with Mary. Dec. 10th The healing power of Mary & the
Eucharist. Daily there is adoration from 12 noon-5:45 p.m., 4 p.m.
confession, 5:45 Benediction and 6 pm Mass. On Dec. 10, after the
talk, Fr. Hession will be available to pray over individuals and
families for healing of all kinds.

Knights of Columbus will meet Dec. 2, 7 p.m. at Assumption Church in Morris.

Lunch will be served.

Christian Mothers & Women will be serving a brunch today after church.

There will be a free will offering, which will be divided
between the Mercy Center in Graceville and Mary's Place in Mpls.
These places both serve those in need in our area/state. If any
members can bring muffins, rolls, breads call Sandi/Kathy/or Donna

The Mission Office thanks our parish for the \$318 donation we sent them as a result of World Mission Sunday donations so we can be "Missionaries of Hope Among all Peoples."

**Donations in memory of loved ones can be placed in the
collection to buy Christmas flowers.** Please state their names on a
piece of paper with your donation in an envelope. Thanks!