

## CATHOLIC PARISHES OF ST. ANN, ST. COLUMBA, AND ST. MARY

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**Sunday Masses**

|     |          |             |
|-----|----------|-------------|
| Sat | 5:00 pm  | St. Mary    |
| Sun | 8:00 am  | St. Ann     |
| Sun | 10:00 am | St. Columba |



*St. Ann, Slayton*

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**Confessions**

|     |         |             |
|-----|---------|-------------|
| Sat | 4:30 pm | St. Mary    |
| Sun | 7:30 am | St. Ann     |
| Sun | 9:30 am | St. Columba |



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**Adoration**

|       |                  |          |
|-------|------------------|----------|
| Thurs | 5:00-6:00 pm     | St. Mary |
| July  | 25 <sup>th</sup> |          |

### PARISH SERVICES

**NEW PARISHIONERS** We warmly welcome you to our Catholic parishes of Saint Ann, Saint Mary and Saint Columba! Contact the office to register.

**MARRIAGE** Recently engaged? Before setting up any other arrangements, call Father to start your preparation for this beautiful sacrament! In Minnesota, preparation must begin at least six months before a wedding.

**BAPTISM** Call Dana to make arrangements to have your child baptized as soon as possible! Those who have not had a child baptized before will also schedule a preparation session.

### MASS INTENTIONS

|      |                         |                   |
|------|-------------------------|-------------------|
| Mon  | <i>Father's day off</i> | †No Mass          |
| Tues | 8:30 am St. Gabriel     | †Jeff Zins        |
| Wed  | 8:30 am St. Ann         | †Peter Herrig     |
| Thur | 8:30 am IHM             | †Beas Reiter      |
| Fri  | 8:30 am St. Anthony     | †Bernice Kirchner |
| Sat  | 5:00 pm St. Mary        | †Virg Baumgartner |
| Sun  | 8:00 am St. Ann         | †For the People   |
|      | 10:00 am St. Columba    | †Marty Jorgensen  |

### CHURCH SUPPORT - JULY 6 & 7

|                                       | Envelopes   | Loose Gifts                  | Online Gvng |
|---------------------------------------|-------------|------------------------------|-------------|
| St. Ann                               | \$ 2,454.50 | \$ 129.00                    | \$ 262.25   |
| St. Columba                           | \$ 905.00   | \$ 123.60                    | \$ 70.00    |
| St. Mary                              | \$ .00      | \$ .00                       | \$ 140.00   |
| <b>Other YTD Donations: THANK YOU</b> |             |                              |             |
| Children                              | \$ .00      | Tri-parishes combined (wkly) |             |
| Mission Coop                          | \$ 725.00   | Tri-parishes combined        |             |
| Ann Cem                               | \$ 35.00    | July 1, 2023 - YTD           |             |
| Columba Cem                           | \$ 100.00   | July 1, 2023 - YTD           |             |

### READINGS STARTING JULY 21

|      |   |
|------|---|
| Sun  | Jer 23:1-6/Ps 23:1-6/Eph 2:13-18/Mk 6:30-34           |
| Mon  | Sgs 3:1-4 or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18 |
| Tues | Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 85:2-8/Mt 12:46-50               |
| Wed  | Jer 1:1, 4-10/Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17/Mt 13:1-9             |
| Thur | 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1-6/Mt 20:20-28                   |
| Fri  | Jer 3:14-17/Jer 31:10-13/Mt 13:18-23                  |
| Sat  | Jer 7:1-11/Ps 84:3-6, 8, 11/Mt 13:24-30               |
| Sun  | 2 Kgs 4:42-44/Ps 145:10-11, 15-18/Eph 4:1-6/Jn 6:1-15 |

### CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS

|         |               |                            |
|---------|---------------|----------------------------|
| St. Ann | Goal \$12,900 | Pledged <b>\$15,425.00</b> |
|---------|---------------|----------------------------|

## PARISH LIFE

**THE “FINAL” MASS** at St. Mary will be on Sat, July 27 at 5pm. With the conclusion of the Prayer after Communion, a procession of the Blessed Sacrament to St. Ann will take place where members of St. Ann would meet the procession and the two parishes would have a time of prayer together. Refreshments served afterwards. Sunday, we will follow the same format for St. Columba after the 10am Mass. Members of both St. Ann and St. Mary would join in a time of prayer, after the procession of the Blessed Sacrament to St. Ann. At approximately noon, **All are Welcome** to stay for a catered meal at St. Ann, on Sun, July 28 in honor of St. Columba and St. Mary. If you will be attending, numbers are needed for planning, from all 3 parishes by July 22. **Sign-up sheets are in the entrance at both St. Mary and St. Columba and in the Hall at St. Ann.** Please plan to attend/meet one or both processions and support our parishioners, this has been difficult.

**FIFTEEN PANS OF BARS** are needed at St. Ann Church the weekend of July 27 & 28 for the reception/meal to honor St. Columba and St. Mary parishioners. Please drop uncut bars off at the St. Ann kitchen by Sat, July 27 at 3pm. Call the office at 836-8030 if you can provide bars so we have a count.

**BULLETIN VOLUNTEERS:** Thank you to all who said they could help. Training will take place on the first Thursday we do the NEW bulletins, **Aug 1, at 2pm**, in the St. Ann Social room. Please come if you are able or if you want to find out more on helping. There were a few people who were questionable to help and this will help teach you about what would be involved.

### WEEKEND MASS SCHEDULE AUGUST 1<sup>ST</sup>.

|              |                        |
|--------------|------------------------|
| Sat. 4:00pm  | St. Anthony, Westbrook |
| Sat. 6:00pm  | IHM, Currie            |
| Sun. 8:00am  | St. Gabriel, Fulda     |
| Sun. 10:00am | St. Ann, Slayton       |

### CONFESSION SCHEDULE:

**Westbrook** - 3:30 pm - Saturday

**Fulda** - 7:30 am - Sunday. Also, on the second Tuesday of each month there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession from 9 - 10am (after daily Mass)

**Currie** - Second Thursday of each month there will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession from 9 - 10am (after daily Mass)

**Slayton** - There will be Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament and Confession every Thursday from 5 - 6pm

**ST. ANN FINANCE COUNCIL** is scheduled to meet on Thurs, July 25, at 6:30pm, in the St. Ann Social Room.

## FAITH FORMATION NEWS

**RUMMAGE SALE** collection going on now. This is a faith formation fundraiser. We will need much help! Keep posted for ways to help. We will be collecting good resaleable items until August 19<sup>th</sup>. St. Ann School, use west door and follow the signs. **NO ELECTRONICS**, large appliances, mattresses, chemicals such as cleaners if you need something picked up, please contact Marcie - 507-360-1885. Rummage sale date is August 24<sup>th</sup>.

**TEC Together Encounter Christ** for students in 10<sup>th</sup> grade + will be August 9-11, in Mankato. Free for those attending from our tri parish thanks to the Knights of Columbus. Contact Marcie for a registration link.

**2024-2025 FF YEAR** A few catechists will be needed. Please pray about helping with the formation of our student's faith! Also, if you have a kindergartner, and have not contacted me, please let me know if they will be part of FF.

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**ONLINE CONTRIBUTORS:** You are important! Please call the office at 507-836-8030 if you need help or clarification. We don't want to lose you. The upcoming merger means changes to how you contribute online. St. Columba and St. Mary will eventually no longer be listed separately, BUT, they will be under St. Ann. St. Ann does not 'use' this money, they can't, if you select any of the following 3 accounts:

**St. Mary, Lake Wilson – Church Support**

**St. Columba, Iona – Church Support**

**St. Columba Cemetery**

The accounts are setup now, under St. Ann, for online parishioner use, (visit [www.acmcatholic.org](http://www.acmcatholic.org) and select Slayton Online Giving). For any of the second collections: e.g. Rice Bowl, Peter's Pence, etc. just scroll down to find the fund you are looking for. The full amount of these donations gets forwarded onto the diocese for distribution. Again, don't hesitate to call for help with either setting up a new account or understanding the changes that will be occurring, 507-836-8030. It can be confusing but once done, you know your Church Support is helping where **YOU** want it to.

**\*\*\*NOTE TO ST. ANN** Online Contributors: the online "adult support" fund was changed, in name ONLY, to:

**St. Ann, Slayton - Church Support** to help alleviate any confusion with the parish merging and new accounts listed. If you have ANY questions, please call Dana in the office. As always, *Thank you* to the many who utilize the online giving options. If there is something you are looking for and it's not there, never hesitate to let me know. Office phone - 507-836-8030.

## WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

**THE FARMER AND THE LORD:** Considering all that we have encountered this spring with the tremendous amount of rains, I share this poem with you. I have condensed the poem a little to fit within the confines of this space. It is the words of a farmer to God. While the poem focuses on a dry season, it still reminds us to be grateful and that with God in charge, everything will turn out in the end.

While resting one evening by the side of the road,  
I saw an old farmer in a field he'd just hoed.  
His face was all brown and wrinkled by the sun and the wind.  
He was talking to the Lord, just like talking to a friend.

"Well, sir," he said, with his voice calm and quiet.  
"Those corn tassels need sacking; got no string to tie it.  
Hadn't a rain in so long that the fields are mighty dusty.  
It's been so unbearably hot that the kids are getting fussy."

"Aw, but listen to me talking.  
You'd think I wasn't grateful.  
Why, if you didn't know me so well, Lord,  
You'd think I was downright hateful."

"You'd think I forgot about the new calf you sent,  
And the money in the mail that took care of the rent.  
Ma's cold is better and Johnny's home from the Navy.  
And that good Sunday dinner of chicken and dump-  
lings and gravy."

"Well, I guess I'll mosey on home now, Lord.  
Won't take any more of your time.  
I guess there's plenty of folks  
Waiting to ring your line."

"Good evening to you, Lord.  
Watch over us tonight.  
Don't worry about us none, Lord.  
Everything is going to be all right."  
Blessings to you! ~Fr Peter Schuster

## OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

**BULLETIN CHANGES COMING:** Starting August 1 the bulletin layout will be changing. There will be one bulletin between 4 parishes. We have been working on compiling a different system that will work for St. Ann, St. Gabriel, IHM, & St. Anthony. August 1<sup>st</sup>, the timeline to have ANY bulletin information into the St. Ann office will be **every Tues by 4pm**. Dana will submit the St. Ann information to St. Gabriel, who will be doing the weekly bulletin setup. Each parish will have a set amount of space. St. Ann will print the bulletins after setup. Bulletin helpers will complete the process, by Thurs afternoons at 4pm and then we will need help in getting the bulletins back to Fulda, Currie, & Westbrook. If you are a regular driver, on Fridays, to any of these towns each week and would be willing to have your name on the contact "delivery sheet" please call the office, 836-8030. We need a way to get the bulletins to the final destination each week. We do have a few people on the list for delivery but backups never hurt. ☺

**PRAYER CHAIN REQUESTS:** call Deb, 507-227-0518 for St. Columba requests. Call Jill, 507-920-3872 or Karen, 760-0113 for St. Ann requests.

**THE AUTOMATIC DOOR** openers were finally installed this past week at St. Ann Church and work beautifully. Automatic openers are on both the Westside (front, horseshoe) and Eastside (parking lot) doors. The cost to have these openers installed were originally figured into the pew project, total budgeted amount. The final item to complete the entire project is the acknowledgment board, names have all been collected and the board is in process, coming soon!

**ST. GABRIEL, FULDA** is hosting a salad supper on Wednesday, August 7. It will begin at 6:00pm in the Church basement. Their entertainment for the evening is "GLADYS PERSNICKETY". Join us for laughs and words of witty worthlessness!!

## LITURGICAL DUTY'S SCHEDULE JULY 27 & 28

|                 | <b>ST. MARY - 5PM</b> | <b>ST. COLUMBA - 10AM</b> | <b>ST. ANN - 8AM</b>                |
|-----------------|-----------------------|---------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| <b>Ushers</b>   | Jim Y; Joe B          |                           | Darwin J; Marilou C; Jill M; Paul L |
| <b>Greeters</b> |                       | Ron & Janelle E           |                                     |
| <b>Server</b>   | Alex & Trenton H      | Natalie & Riley E         | Jada J; Kate B                      |
| <b>Reader</b>   | Cheryl H              | Wes B                     | Karen B                             |
| <b>EMHC</b>     | Kris B; Joe B         | JoAnn B; Trish K          | Dave & Kathy S; Karen J             |
| <b>Money</b>    | Fran B; Hilary B      |                           | Sue B/Judy A                        |
|                 |                       |                           | <b>Music</b><br>Joanne B            |
|                 |                       |                           | <b>Comm to HB</b>                   |

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