

CHURCH OF ST. JOSEPH P.O. Box 366 Grey Eagle

September 17, 2017 Twenty-Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

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Mass Intentions

Tues.	19	8:00 am	†	Bertha Theisen
Wed.	20	8:00 am		Communion Service (MM)
Thurs.	21	8:00 am	†	Porky Hoeschen
Sat.	23	4:30 pm	†	Lawrence Wolbeck
Sun.	24	8:30 am	†	Ed & Issey Ostendorf

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 St. Cloud Diocese Web Site
www.stjosephgreyeagle.org
 St. Joseph Parish Website

RECONCILIATION
 Sat. 3:30-4:00 pm in GE

Are you wondering how to pass your Catholic faith on to your children? Would you like to have an opportunity to discuss faith education with other Catholic parents? Early Catholic Family Life or ECFL is a wonderful program for parents with children from birth to 5 years of age. ECFL emphasizes the importance of putting faith at the center of family life. Each ECFL session offers parent-child interaction time, facilitator-led parent discussion, and guided children's activity time. These sessions will be held at 9:30 A.M. on Sundays beginning October 15 (a calendar of future dates is being finalized). Please register by October 8, 2017. For more info. or to register, contact the parish office at 320-285-2545 or Carissa Bitz at sjosephff@meltel.net.

Knights of Columbus meeting on Tuesday, Sept. 19 in Grey Eagle at 7 pm.

Fellowship on Sunday, Sept. 24 after 8:30 am Mass. Please come and join us.

The Fall General meeting of the Melrose/Sauk Centre Deanery Council of Catholic Women is Tuesday, Sept. 26, at St. Rose of Lima Church, St. Rosa, MN. Agenda is 5 pm Spiritual Card making, 6:00 Mass. Collection will go to Poor Clares. 7:00 light supper, 7:30 tour of new addition & more card making. RSVP for dinner by the 24th to Julie @320-836-2447.

Diocesan Barn Dance: Everyone is invited to join Bishop Kettler and the Mission Office for the 4th annual Partnership Barn Dance on Saturday, September 30th at the Wadena Fairgrounds in Wadena, MN. Mass with Bishop Kettler will begin at 4:00pm, followed by meal, live music groups, live auction, fun for the kids, door prizes and more. Special this year only will be having delegates from Kenya with us at the event – come meet them and help us offer them a special blessing! Free will donations will support our diocesan partnerships with Maracay, Venezuela and Homa Bay, Kenya. Contact the Mission Office with questions: (320) 251-1100 or visit <http://mission.stcdio.org>

Forever Young Concert Series: One concert left, at 7:00 pm on Sunday, Sept. 17th in Albany at Our Savior's Lutheran Church. This is a Free Will offering concert, and you will enjoy hearing and singing. Hope to see some of you.

Protect yourself and your loved ones. Get your flu vaccine! On Friday, Oct. 6, 9 am to 10 am at the Community Room at Village View, 303 Cedar St. N. Grey Eagle. Bring your insurance/Medicare card \$21.22 charge for those without insurance.

Blood Drives: Melrose Community at American Legion 265 Co. Rd. 173 Melrose on Wed. Oct. 11 from 12:30 pm to 6:30 pm. Call Kathy @256-4290 or Rose Ann @256-3919. Grey Eagle's Blood Drive will be here on Friday, Dec. 1.

Missing Photographs: If you know where the two pictures of the Confirmation Students went to please contact the parish office 320-285-2545 or Carissa Bitz. These pictures were on the card table in the main entrance this spring.

Thank you to everyone who participated in any way with the Pancake Breakfast last Sunday morning. Thanks to Carissa Bitz, Mark & Sherry Larson for chairing the event this year. It was great to have people participating and staying to visit. Our profit was \$1247.44. The grant amount will be determined and received later.

Volunteer Appreciation-- November 19, 6:30 pm save the date. Mark your calendars!
 Many people have shared their time and talent. We want to celebrate your accomplishments.

Faith Formation News

Notice of Safe Environment Training: Each year the United States Catholic Conference of Bishops in the Charter for the Protection of Children and Young People require that our Catholic schools and faith formation programs offer training for all children and youth about personal safety. This year, on **September 20, 2017, 6:30 pm** we will be using: *Strong Voices, Smart Choices*, Grades K-4. *Personal Power*, Grades 5-8. *Katie's Story*, Grades 9-10. Parents are welcome to view the DVD prior to its showing or to join us for class.

COLLECTION: Mass Attendance Sept. 9 and 10 4:30 pm 188, 8:30 am 215 Adults \$3650. Loose Collections \$476.75 Youth \$3.50 Hurricane Harvey \$1901. Total \$6,031.25 **Thank you for your generosity!**

Sunday, Sept. 17, Grey Eagle/Swanville Council of the Knights of Columbus is having a Sausage and Egg Breakfast from 8:00 AM until 12:00 Noon at St John the Baptist Parish Hall in Swanville. A Free Will Donation will be used to help fund local charitable activities.

Saturday, Sept. 23, Hog Roast at United Methodist Church, Co. Rd. 2 & 47, 2/5 miles south of Grey Eagle, proceeds go towards Adult & Teen Challenge and building improvements. Free will offering.

Sunday, Sept. 24, Catholic United Financial Matching Grant Breakfast at American Legion Club in Melrose. Serving 8:30 am -12:30 pm. Proceeds donated to St. Mary's School.

Sunday, Sept. 24, St. Rosa Lions Breakfast at St. Rosa Church Basement serving 8:30 to 12:00 pm. Sausage, ham, scrambled eggs, potatoes, fruit and bread. Advance tickets \$8. At the door \$8.50. Childrens tickets sold at the door, ages 5-12 \$4.00, ages 0-4 are free. Proceeds go to Lions Eyesight, Hearing and local community projects. Any questions call Dennis Ritter 250-9822 or 256-3858.

Sunday, Oct. 1, St. Alexius Church Sausage Supper, West Union. Serving from noon to 6 pm. Smoked sausage, sauerkraut & spare ribs, head cheese, real mashed potatoes, gravy, glazed carrots, bread & butter, bars, cookies, coffee, milk. Music, stands, etc.

Sat. Oct. 7, St. John the Baptist in Swanville, 33rd Annual Craft Sale & Raffle. 9 am to 3 pm, Cakewalk, lunch available all day.