

Church of St. Martin

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Sunday Bulletin



24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Today's Gospel begins with a stinging criticism of Jesus: he eats with sinners! Tax collectors were little more than legalized thieves in 1st century Palestine. Worse yet, they were traitors who collaborated with the occupying government. "Good people" didn't associate with them, much less break bread with such an unsavory lot. They were literally excommunicated from "polite" society.

Jesus counters this self-righteousness with three parables. They illustrate the joy brought by conversion.



(See Genesis 3)
..AND ON THE EIGHTH DAY, MAN CREATED SIN 09-06-2010



"Behold, I am with you always, even to the end of the age."

**Adult Choir Practice,
Monday, Sept. 20, 7:30 pm**

SEPTEMBER SCHEDULE:
Sept. 19 - Youth choir
Sept. 26 - Adult choir

Online

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Bulletin Deadline— **Wednesday Noon**

Reconciliation: Saturday, 10:30 am or by appointment.

Baptism: Call for pre-Baptism preparation video.

Anointing: Contact parish office in case of illness or need.

Wedding Plans? To avoid last-minute confusion, contact Father Corwin at least six months before your planned wedding date!



September 12, 2010

MASS SCHEDULE

Saturday at Farming ————— 8:15 pm

Sunday morning at St. Martin ——— 10:00 am

Monday morning— **No Mass.**

Tues-Thurs-Friday at St. Martin— 8:00 am

Wednesday at Farming ————— 8:00 am

Eve of any Holy Day — 8:15 pm at Farming

Holy Days ————— 8:15 pm at St. Martin

(unless otherwise announced)

MASS INTENTIONS

13 Mon — No Mass

14 Tues — Living & ††, St. Ann Society

15 Wed — 8:00 am Mass at St. Catherine's

16 Thur — † Ronald Shay

17 Fri — † Marie Dingmann

18 Sat — 8:15 pm Mass at St. Catherine's

***19 Sun — 10:00 am Mass at St. Martin**
~for the Parish

*** = Holy Day of Obligation**

Daily Mass Readings

Sunday Readings: Year C Weekday Readings: Cycle 2

Sept 13 — St. John Chrysostom • 1 Cor 11: 17-26, 33

• Lk 7: 1-10

Sept 14 — Exaltation of the Holy Cross • Nm 21: 4b-9

• Jn 3: 13-17

Sept 15 — Our Lady of Sorrows • 1 Cor 12: 31--13 • Lk 2: 33-35

Sept 16 — Sts. Cornelius & Cyprian • 1 Cor 15: 1-11 • Lk 7: 36-50

Sept 17 — Friday • 1 Cor 15: 12-20 • Lk 8: 1-3

Sept 18 — Saturday • 1 Cor 15: 35-37, 42-49 • Lk 6: 43-49

***Sept 19 — 25th Sunday in Ordinary Time**

• Amos 8: 4-7 • 1 Tm 2: 1-8 • Lk 16: 1-13

A Miracle of the Eucharist

(14th in a series)


If we plot all the Church's tested, approved eucharistic miracles on a historical timeline, we see a dense cluster from about 1290 A.D. through about 1690 A.D. Oh, there were major events before that, and a steadily ascending curve in the present era, but why so many in the 14th, 15th and 16th centuries? Was this merely a time of poor education and silly superstition which Science gradually rooted out?

How then to explain the growing bulge of scientifically unexplainable events in our "enlightened" time, when Science reigns supreme? There must be something else at work here. Throughout recorded history, God intervenes when he must, to jerk us back onto the narrow path. And how better to get our wavering attention than by temporary suspensions of Natural Law? The Old Testament is filled with these interventions, some of them catastrophic, as God wrestled with a headstrong, unreliable Chosen People who persisted in breaching their ancient contract.

That miracle-cluster beginning in the 1300s coincides exactly with the Protestant Reformation — and a period of all-too-human decadence within the Church Herself which precipitated that terrible rupture of belief in Sacraments.

Protestants in all their variant sects have one thing in common: they deny the reality of the Eucharistic Presence.

In our own era of Godless narcissism, is it any wonder that the rate of Eucharistic miracles is again on the rise?



This Wednesday, September 15th at 7:00 pm, our St. Martin parish **catechism program** (Religious Ed) invites and welcomes **parents and all students in grades 1-11** to our annual kickoff evening.

Following a brief welcoming ceremony, all students will gather with their teachers in their respective classrooms to learn what the 2010-11 school year will offer — parents are urged to come along, meet their students' teacher and find out what they will need to do at home to make sure each student learns and prospers in the faith.

That's this coming **Wednesday, 7:00pm** in the Parish Hall.
See you there!

~Joan Rothstein, D.R.E. **548-3209**

Prayer Line 548-3436

Is someone ill or in need of prayers? Call **Diane Rothstein – 548-3436**. Dozens of parishioners will ask Jesus, Mary and the saints to intercede!

"Made in God's Image" St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women

invites you to attend the 57th annual Convention at **Sacred Heart Parish, Freeport** Saturday, September 18th.

If interested, call Irene Burg **548-3539** or Joan Olmscheid **548-3262**. Registration deadline is **Sept. 8th**.

STEWARDSHIP

5 September 2010

Adults	1092.00
Youth	0.00
Children	0.50
Plate	92.59
Votive Lights	13.00
Total	1198.09

• Parish Hall Donations:
Boiler project, **\$14,600**.
Floor project, **\$13,920**.

REMINDER: Our St. Martin Fall Rummage & re-used Christmas item sale will be held on November 6. Please keep all good reusable item for this upcoming sale!

WHAT'S WHERE:

Sept 12 – Seven Dolors Parish Center, Albany. **K of C Pancake & Sausage Breakfast.** 8:00 am–12:30 pm. Pancakes & toppings, Pep's Pork sausage, country-fried potatoes, farm-fresh eggs.

Sept 19 – St. Donatus Church, Brooten. **Turkey & Ham Dinner & Raffle.** 11:00 am–1:30 pm. Roast Turkey, ham, real mashed potatoes & gravy, dressing, corn & coleslaw, cranberries & dinner rolls and homemade pies/dessert. Raffle tickets available at the door. Drawing will follow dinner.

Sept 19 – St. Andrew's parish,Greenwald. **School Benefit Breakfast.** 9:00 am–12:30 pm. Ham, eggs, sweet rolls, fried potatoes, applesauce. Adults \$6.00; children under 10, \$2.00; 3 & under free.

Sept 26 - Albany Legion **Smorgasbord Breakfast.** 8:00 AM - 12:30 PM

Sept 26 – Sts. Peter & Paul parish center, Richmond. C.A.A. **Sausage, Ham & Potato Pancake Supper.** 3:30 pm–7:30 pm.

Oct 3 – St. Martin Parish Hall. **St. Martin Fire Department Relief Assn. Ham Supper.** Will be serving from 4:00 pm till 8:30 pm. Heartland DJ entertainment till 10:30 pm, **Raffle** at 10:30 pm. No admission charge – Meal tickets available at St. Martin businesses and from all firefighters.

Oct 3 – Immaculate Conception church basement, New Munich. Forester's **Matching Fund Breakfast.** 8:30 am–12:30 pm. Ham, fried potatoes, eggs, etc. Proceeds go toward Sacred Heart statue painting & exterior church repairs.

"Two Stages or Dances in our Spiritual Life"

Father Richard McQuire will be at Seven Dolors parish in Albany on **Wednesday, September 29th** to speak from 6:30-8:00pm in church. Father McQuire will speak in church on the two stages or dances of our spiritual life. **Students in grades 9-12 are encouraged to attend.** We especially want to invite parents and adults in our faith communities to come and be enriched by his words and learn ways to help us understand what our supporting role is for our children. A great evening filled with faithful words to help us understand the many challenges we face on our spiritual journey in life. Cookies and refreshments will follow in the gym.

If any questions, contact Joan Sand at the parish office **845-2705** or Sister Alice, Director of Faith Formation at **845-4335**.

"Wake like a hero. Get up the first time the alarm goes off. Don't hit the snooze button, instead practice what members of Opus Dei call "the heroic moment." Roll out of bed, kiss the floor, and say one word: *serviam*. That's Latin for "I will serve." It's exactly the opposite of what Lucifer said before being cast into hell."

~Bob Drapeau, CATHOLIC PHOENIX

Another Guatamala trip taking place from Oct. 5 – 10th. Laura (Mages) Wolf and Cheryl (Arceneau) Hellerman along with other family members and friends will be going. Again they are able to take donations with them. This is how Common Hope gets supplies to Guatamala. The following items are needed:

- School supplies (no notebooks please)
- Red, Black, Blue pens
- Pencils, erasers, sharpeners
- 12-pk colored pencils, rulers, scissors
- Colored chalk- for children and regular chalk
- glue bottles,
- compasses
- calculators
- wash cloths and hand towels
- hats, gloves, mittens, and scarves

Please place items in the box provided in the entrance of the Church by Baptismal font or drop off at Mages farm soon. Thank you for your generosity. ~Jermyne Mages

Has anyone else noticed a similarity between those who revile Catholic orthodoxy and those who protest the very existence of God Himself? One is reminded of the quarrel in Greek philosophy between those who argued that everything is material and those who argued that everything is in the mind.

When I was in college, my philosophy professor jokingly described *them* as the Schools of No Matter and Never Mind.

~yr. obt. svt.

Liturgy Committee Meeting – September 7, 2010

The meeting was called to order by Mary Brinkman at 7:30pm. Fr. Corwin offered an opening prayer.

Present: Fr. Corwin, Mary Brinkman, Richard Wieber, Judy Klehr, Barb Willenbring, Karen Gertken from Farming. Joan Rothstein was from St. Martin.

Absent: Clarice Holthaus and Mary Lou Salz

The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

Old Business:

It was noted that no one organized the refreshments for after the Holy Thursday Mass at St. Martin.

Last Easter the Eucharist was not ministered under both species in Farming due to lack of chalices. Father asked that the sacristan set out extra chalices.

New Business:

Due to the lack of student servers at Farming, we are looking for adult servers. If you are interested in serving at Mass, please call Mary Brinkman or Judy Bruemmer.

For the ease of the shut-ins at Farming, we will have the same Eucharist minister for one year. If you are interested in doing it in 2011, please call Judy Bruemmer.

Sept. 18- 19 Catechetical Sunday - Regular Mass schedule. Special blessing for all religion teachers including parents.

Oct. 16-17 - Anointing of the Sick during 8:15pm Mass at Farming and 10:00am Mass at St. Martin. If you want to be anointed, please sit in the front of church.

Oct. 30-31 Regular Mass schedule in both parishes.

Nov. 1 - All Saints Day – 8:15pm Mass at Farming.

Nov. 2 - All Souls Day – 10:00am Mass at St. Martin.

Nov. 20-21 - Christ the King - Regular Mass schedule. Benediction following the 8:15pm Mass in Farming.

Nov. 24 Thanksgiving Day Eve – 7:30pm Mass in St. Martin. (No morning Mass in Farming)

Nov. 25 - Thanksgiving Day Mass at 9:00am in Farming.

Nov. 27–28 - Advent Begins - Regular Mass schedule. Blessing of Advent wreath.

Dec. 1 - Penance Service at 7:00pm in St. Martin for religion students and 8:00pm for adults.

Dec. 7 - Immac. Conception Eve - 8:15pm Mass in Farming.

Dec. 8 - Immac. Conception - 8:15pm Mass in St. Martin. No morning Mass at Farming.

Dec. 15 - Children's Christmas Tree Blessing at 7:30pm in Farming with private Confessions for religion students, and at 8:00pm for adults.

Dec. 24 - Christmas Eve - 4:00pm Mass in Farming. Students will bring Jesus to the crib. St. Martin will have an 8:15pm Mass. The Eucharist will be distributed under both species in both parishes.

Dec. 25 - Christmas Day - 10:00am in St. Martin. The Eucharist will be distributed under both species.

PLEASE NOTE THERE WILL BE NO SATURDAY EVENING MASS AT FARMING ON DEC. 25.

Dec. 26 Holy Family – 10am Mass at St. Martin; blessing of families.

Jan. 1-2 Epiphany - Normal Mass schedule.

Feb. 3 St. Blaise - 8:00am Mass at St. Martin.

Feb. 5-6 St. Blaise Blessing – Normal Mass schedule - Blessing of candles and throats. Eucharistic Ministers will assist with the blessing of the throats. Bring your own candles for blessing.

Mar. 8 Ash Wednesday Eve. - 8:15pm Mass in Farming with blessing of ashes.

Mar. 9 - Ash Wednesday - 7:30pm Mass in St. Martin. Communion Ministers assist with giving ashes, both parishes. (No A.M. Mass in Farming)

Mar. 16 - First Confession - 7:15pm in Farming.

May 1 - First Communion - 10:00am Mass in St. Martin.

May 1 - Confirmation - 2:00pm Mass at Albany, Father Enneking presiding.

May 7 - First Communion in Farming - 8:15pm Mass.

First Confession at St. Martin to be determined at a later date.

The next meeting will be Feb. 8 at 7:30pm in St. Martin.

Fr. Corwin offered a closing prayer.

Meeting was adjourned at 8:05pm.

Respectfully Submitted, Mary Brinkman

"So here are the questions you should ask, a new form of grace to say over your food. Does this food build or destroy topsoil? Does it use only ambient sun and rainfall, or does it require fossil soil, fossil fuel, fossil water, and drained wetlands, damaged rivers? Could you walk to where it grows, or does it come to you on a path slick with petroleum?"

~The Vegetarian Myth: Food, Justice and Sustainability by Lierre Keith