

# Church of St. Martin

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Sunday Bulletin



## Corpus Christi Sunday

Online

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**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!



## June 26, 2011

Too many people see religion, and particularly prayer, as a way of escaping woundedness and pain. For Jesus pain was a reality to be faced and he faced it in his passion. He asked us to celebrate Eucharist, "Do this in memory of me." that we remember him as the one who went through suffering to glory. And then he gave us The Gift.



## 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

**27 Mon** — **No Mass Today**  
**28 Tues** — †† Wilfred & Marie Moscho  
**29 Wed** — Living & ††, Schaefer family  
**30 Thur** — † Leander Peltz  
**1 Fri** — **No Mass Today**  
**2 Sat** — **No Mass Today**  
**3 Sun** — **10:15 am Mass**  
Clarence & Annella Blonigen



Clarence and Annella Blonigen will celebrate their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary with Mass next Sunday, July 3<sup>rd</sup> at 10:15 a.m. here at St. Martin Church, followed by an open house reception right after Mass till 4:00 p.m., with dinner served at noon at the St. Martin Parish Hall.

Clarence and Annella (Hoffman) Blonigen were married May 30, 1961, at St. Joseph Church in Pierz.

**Correction** – On July 11<sup>th</sup> at St. John's Abbey Church, **Fr. Stephen Beauclair** will be celebrating the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of his taking **Monastic Vows**. Last week we mistakenly reported it was his Golden Jubilee as a priest.

But it's still a memorable milestone. Congratulations, Fr. Stephen!

Welcome to SS. Peter & Paul parishioners who join us for our 10:15 a.m. Sunday Mass! To ensure that your donations get credited to SS. Peter & Paul as usual, just drop your regular numbered donation envelopes into our collection basket. We'll see them safely home to Richmond.

## We Need A Volunteer!

Looking for someone to produce the monthly ministry rotation list. Jermayne Mages has done this for many years and needs to lighten her load. It would be easiest for someone who does not already have another parish volunteer job. Listen carefully – God is calling someone out there to come forward. Please call Jermayne at **548-3524**.

## Date Change for Eucharistic Adoration

Starting July 7<sup>th</sup>, Adoration hours will move to **Thursdays**, beginning with morning Mass at 8:00 a.m.

All adorers, mark your calendars. Haven't tried Adoration? To sign up for an hour of your choice from 8 a.m. to 9 p.m. just call Dan Kremers at 548-3761 and leave a message.

## Adult choir –

Our next choir practice will be Tuesday, **June 28** at 7:30 pm.



## St. Martin Band

What a great day for Bazaar Day, hey? Band members had a ton of fun, and hope you did, too. But our performance summer is not yet done. So...

**Practice: Thursday, June 30, 8:00- 9:30 pm.** at St. Martin Parish Hall.

☺ **New members still welcome, any age; any playing level.**

For information, please contact Melanie Thelen at 320-293-2387

Next Events: **Richmond Concert 7/5**  
**Richmond Parade?**  
**Other gigs?**

## STEWARDSHIP

19 June 2011

Adults	818.00
Youth	5.00
Children	3.00
Plate	69.02
Votive Lights	14.00
<b>Total Deposit</b>	<b>909.02</b>

## Miracles of the Eucharist

(52<sup>nd</sup> in a series)

As we begin a new phase in our parish life, let's look backward *and* forward for reminders of how absolutely important it is that we center our parish life around what makes us Catholic instead of just "churchy."

Standing up (or kneeling humbly down) for Christ in His Presence in the Blessed Sacrament is like standing up for Christ at Calvary, when only his mother, and Mary Magdalene, and the young Apostle John had the courage and trust to do that. On the cross, Jesus was lifted up in hatred, as he increasingly is in our time. Through our acts of Adoration He is lifted up in love where He pours out upon our indifferent world all of the graces that He won for us on that cross.

An indifferent world can and will accept those graces only as much as we, His believers, accept and adore them. People learn from what they see, and are converted by the Holy Spirit's awesome power. But if they see in us only their own casual disdain, they will not be saved. Will we be required to answer for that?

From the Heart of Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament, comes the fire of His divine love and mercy that will renew the face of the earth. And all it takes to spark that fire is for each of us to invest one hour of our life praying for that outpouring of love and mercy.

Adoration is on Thursdays, from 8 am till 10 pm.

## WHAT'S ELSEWHERE:

**June 26** – Immaculate Conception church, St. Anna. **Parish Bazaar.** Mass at 10:00 am. Chicken & Ham Dinner served in air-conditioned basement. Bingo, Cake Walk, Craft Stand, Quilt Raffle, Games, Food Court etc. Live Music by Preston & Paulzine Band. Cash Raffle at 7 pm.

**July 10** – St. Benedict's parish, Avon. **Parish Festival.** Breakfast will be served from 8:30 am-12:30 pm. Mass at 8:00 & 10:30 am. Stands open at 11:00 am. Quilt Auction at 2:30 pm. Mark Kurtz Chainsaw Sculpture Auction at 3:00 pm. Raffle Drawing at 7:00 pm, \$6,000+ in prizes including \$1,000 grand prize.

**July 10** – St. Donatus parish, Brooten. **Centennial Festival.** Mass at 10:00 am. Chicken Dinner with all the trimmings served on the grounds at 12 noon. Centennial Cookbooks available, \$20. Get raffle tickets for the Centennial Quilt to be awarded in September.

Are you looking to enrich your relationship with your spouse? Put life back into your loving relationship by attending a **Marriage Encounter** weekend at the St. Francis Center in Little Falls! For over 30 years St. Cloud Marriage Encounter has enriched thousands of marriages in Minnesota. The next weekend will be held on October 15-16, 2011 this fall. To get further information please call 320-252-3220 or on the internet:

<http://stcloudme.org>

### News from "Out There" Confession and Adoration in Berkeley gets some hippies hopping mad..

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When Oakland Bishop Salvatore Cordileone went to a Berkeley parish last weekend to confer Confirmation and celebrate Mass, he was greeted outside by a group of protesters upset by orthodox policies instituted by a new pastor. They seemed especially mad about having Eucharistic Adoration instead of a gay-lesbian support office. To read more about this interesting controversy, access our Bulletin online and [click here](#).

### Trust: God has a plan for your marriage!

Natural Family Planning (NFP) cooperates with nature and God's plan for married love. It is effective, healthy, and marriage building. The Billings Ovulation Method of NFP is a natural, highly effective method of postponing or achieving a pregnancy without the use of harmful drugs or devices. A First Instruction in the Billings Ovulation Method will be offered in Sauk Centre by appointment at St. Michael's Hospital. For more information, or to register, call Lola or Mark Welle at 320-352-6014. The class is approximately 1½ to 2 hours long. **Note:** Most insurance plans cover the cost of NFP Instruction and follow-up.



There was a period in my misspent youth when I (briefly) drove very fast Corvettes – ugly grey factory-engineered “test beds” – on road courses of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA). The races were mostly held on decommissioned World War II Army Air Force runways with no banking on the turns. Our American machines were upstarts in the sports car world, lots of horsepower but very soft suspensions. On straightaways we could pass seasoned drivers in better-engineered cars from Germany, England or Italy (names like Porsche, Lotus, Jaguar, Alfa Romeo, Ferrari, Maserati). But when they nosed inside on a hairpin turn, our tires would lose grip and off we'd spin into the straw bales... if we were lucky.

Right then and there I learned an important life lesson: It really doesn't matter a whole lot how much you invest in supercharged chome-plated engine parts or loud, showy exhaust systems if you can't keep the dadgum car on the road when the tarmac goes slithery.

We could apply that to the Catholic priesthood as well. Those eloquent, quotable, glitterati priests that we so admire and are moved by on radio, television and internet blogsites— the celebrity evangelists we all wish we could afford to invite to enliven our parish with high-octane sermons for spiritual renewal are indeed necessary and to be sought after.

But it's the ordinary local parish priest we depend on to keep us from crashing into the straw bales of everyday sin and sloth. He may or may not be a superstar preacher with genius for organizational skills or be blessed with a musically angelic tenor voice. But he stands steadfast in the midst of our toils and woes and keeps us safely on track. He is the all-weather all-season man who stands firm in the place of Christ no matter what craziness we manage to get into. That's where the rubber meets the road.

Being a parish priest is not an easy course to run. It requires endless miles of steadfast traction in the face of endless hotpot suppers and the making of lists and trying to decipher what in the world the chancery really wants from this latest demand for numerical trivia.

We have been blessed with good Catholic priests around here, and we need to let them know it. Especially when they feel the pressure, or sense of exile which as human beings they share with us in their own lives.

To have turned aside from the glitter and gloss and greed and self-indulgence of worldly aspiration in order to save my soul from ruin, and yours as well, is a form of eloquence that shines brighter than the sun. Or at least as brightly as The Son.

I will add this simple observation. The current firestorm of uninformed opinion which rages around the defection of celebrity Father John Corapi as a sacramental priest seems to me to be missing an important point. John Corapi has for some years been one of my favorite thunderers of the teachings of the Church. But I heard him say one time that the sacramental part of his priesthood occupied only 10% of his time and attention. 90% went to his “fan base.” And never once on any of his videos have I seen him offering the sacrifice of the Mass at one of his speaking engagements.

If he has slid off the track into the straw bales of ego despite having been ordained personally by Blessed John Paul II, then he needs our prayers fully as much as we need the everyday ministry of our own local priest.

Who himself needs them too. May God sustain our priests. May Christ lead them in His Light. It's a slippy road out there. *yr. obi. svt.*

### Some preliminary plans for Neighborly Cooperation

With St. Martin now twinned with Richmond, some mutually beneficial inter-parish communication would seem to be logical for several reasons. For one thing it would prevent needless duplication of announcements that are common to both parishes — baptismal and wedding announcements in some cases come to mind. Conceivably somewhere down the line it might even save each parish some resources – purchasing paper, ink, toner etc. in larger quantities at less cost. There are lots of other possibilities, not least of which would be foster a better sense of community all around.

Needless to say, any such cooperative ventures would necessarily structure themselves to preserve a solid sense of individual parish identity and particular town history. After all, this is a twinning, not an outright merging of St. Martin with Ss. Peter & Paul — we can be (and have been) assured of that, both by Abbot John Klassen and by diocesan planning representative Jane Marrin. The twinning was simply an *ad hoc* arrangement made necessary by the – we all hope temporary – shortage of available priests.

With all of this in mind, some informal discussion has taken place to share ideas about what our twinned parishes do hold in common, especially in regard to Sunday Bulletin information, and what needs to remain individual and particular. And nothing very startling is seen on the near horizon. But don't be surprised if you begin to see some small changes in information style or content. Rest assured that it will all be for the common good.

We might add that St. Martin parishioners will be delighted about one particular change that could be upcoming...



We are looking for anyone who is a St. Martin Catholic United Financial member and would like to go to the **Annual Convention**, August 5 and 6, 2011 at St. John's University in Collegeville as a delegate. Please call Sue Dingmann at 548-3580 if you are interested in attending or would like more detailed information on this year's schedule.