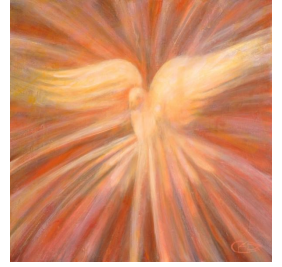


May 24th, 2020

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t. Mary's Warroad, MN  
t. Joseph's Williams, MN  
acred Heart Baudette, MN



**This weekend we continue with Private Masses.  
We will resume Public Masses on May 26th.**

## Parish Offices

### **St. Mary's**

511 Cedar Ave NW  
PO Box 33 Warroad, MN 56763  
218-386-1178  
[www.stmaryswarroad.org](http://www.stmaryswarroad.org)

### **Sacred Heart**

104 1st St. SW  
P.O. Box 738 Baudette, MN 56623  
218-634-2689  
[sacredheartbaudette.org](http://sacredheartbaudette.org)

### **St. Joseph's**

400 Park Ave  
Williams, MN 56686  
Contact Sacred Heart

### Fr. Andrew Obel-Pastor

218-850-1783

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### Deacon Jim Lukenbill

218-766-5107

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### Dr. Michael Thiele

Cemetery Committee  
218-280-3450

## Sacrament of Reconciliation

### **St. Mary's:**

Saturday 3 to 3:30pm

**St. Joseph's:** By appointment

**Sacred Heart:**

*By appointment*

### **Homebound or in a health care facility?**

### **Sacrament of the Anointing of the Sick**

Call pastor if Holy Communion/or a visit is desired.

Hospitals will not call unless a patient asks that a priest be notified.

### **Planning a Marriage or Baptism?**

Contact pastor for more information

### **Parishioners**

- Please notify the parish office of changes of address or telephone number.
- If you are new to the area or a seasonal parishioner please register with the parish office.

### **Abortion Alternative**

Birthright~1-800-550-4900

Crisis Pregnancy Helpline~1-888-4-OPTIONS

[Bemidjipregnancyoptions.com](http://Bemidjipregnancyoptions.com) or 218-444-3035

Heartbeat International, [optionline.org](http://optionline.org) 1-800-712-HELP

### **Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator**

Cindy Hulst, LSW,

218-281-7895 (24-hour confidential number)

## St. Mary's Week Ahead

### 7th Sunday of Easter May 24th

A Private Mass will be Celebrated by Father Andrew for all 3 Parishes at Sacred Heart in Baudette. Livestream will be at 10:30 am on our FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/WarroadCatholic/>

**Beginning Tues. May 26th**, we will have Public Masses, of which cdc guidelines will be followed.

### St. Mary's Masses & intentions:

**Tuesday, May 26th @ 5:15pm:** Robert Landby

**Thursday, May 28th @8:30 am:** Elaine Vogel

\*There will be no Mass at Care Center

**Friday, May 29th @ 8:30 am:** Warroad High School Graduates

**Saturday, May 30th @ 6 pm:** Richard LaChappelle

**Sunday May 31st @ 8:30 am** Mass for the Parishes

We hope to continue livestreaming for our Parishioner's who do not feel ready for Public Masses.

### Confession Times

Confessions in Warroad on Saturday at 3-3:30 pm

## St. Joseph's & Sacred Heart's Week Ahead

Mass will be live-streamed on St. Mary's FB page: <https://www.facebook.com/WarroadCatholic/>

### 7th Sunday of Easter May 24th

A Private Mass will be Celebrated by Father Andrew at 10:30am. Please join us on our FB Page

All other weekly private Masses will not be livestreamed.

### Sacred Heart Masses & intentions: in Baudette:

**Wednesday, May 27th:** Fr. Donn

**Sunday May 31st @ 10:30 am** Mass for the Parishes

### St. Joseph's Masses & Intentions In Williams:

**Saturday, May 30th @ 4:30pm:** Tom Dinndorf

### Confession Times

For Sacred Heart and St. Joseph's, Fr. Andrew will be available for Confession by appointment only.

## Prayer for Spiritual Communion

*My Jesus,*

I believe that You are present in the Most Holy Sacrament. I love You above all things, and I desire to receive You into my Soul. Since I cannot at this moment receive You sacramentally, come at least spiritually into my heart. I embrace You as if You were already there and unite myself wholly to You. Never permit me to be separated from You. Amen.



### Bible Readings for the Week of May 24th

24 May 2020 – Sunday ASCENSION OF THE LORD Solemnity First Reading: Acts 1: 1-11; Psalms 47: 2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6); Ephesians 1: 17-23; Gospel: Matthew 28: 16-20

25 May 2020 – Monday: Acts 19: 1-8; Psalms 68: 2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab; Gospel: John 16: 29-33

26 May 2020 – Tuesday: Acts 20: 17-27; Psalms 68: 10-11, 20-21; Gospel: John 17: 1-11a

27 May 2020 – Wednesday: Acts 20: 28-38; Psalms 68: 29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab; Gospel: John 17: 11b-19

28 May 2020 – Thursday: Acts 22: 30; 23: 6-11; Psalms 16: 1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10, 11; Gospel: John 17: 20-26

29 May 2020 – Friday: Acts 25: 13b-21; Psalms 103: 1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab; Gospel: John 21: 15-19

30 May 2020 – Saturday: Acts 28: 16-20, 30-3; Psalms 11: 4, 5 and 7 Gospel: John 21: 20-25

## May 24, 2020 - 7th Sunday of Easter

(The Ascension of the Lord) "I am praying for them..." (John 17:9) Prayer is the foundation of our Faith and the foundation of Stewardship. Pray in good times and in bad. Prayer is always the first best option in any situation, not just the last resort. Pray for friends and family and for those that don't treat you very well. Pray to give praise, to thank, and to ask God for help. Pray to see what God wants you to do with the gifts He has given you.

## St. Mary's

### Birthday wishes

(May 25th to May 31st)

go out to: Ronnah Larson, Ruth Brunkhorst, Robert Peterson, Mary Crompton, Jayne Corneliusen, Dana Larson, Shakira Johnson, Mark Genereux, & Brady Fast



Contribution to St. Mary's:

5/17/2020

Envelopes: \$1,990

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

**Our parishioner, Loretta Coulter** passed on to eternal life with the Lord on Thursday morning. Days before her death, Tom & Cyd Amiot visited her in Mayo Clinic. She left them with the message below for the parish community. Loretta's funeral Mass will be held here at St. Mary's Church in Warroad at 12 noon with visitation one hour earlier. The members of the community can come and visit while observing social distancing and other necessary protocols in relation to the covid-19 pandemic. However, the Mass will be limited only to family members and those invited. We pray for her soul and for her bereaved family. Here is Loretta's message:

*"To Fr. Andrew and my church family at St. Mary's, I would like to thank all of you for your cards, letters, flowers, phone calls, prayers, and prayer quilts. Also my dear friends that took me to my appointments and visited me in the hospital. All of your thoughtfulness has warmed my heart and I will be forever grateful. Please keep me and my family in your prayers. May God's peace Be with all of you!"*

Loretta Coulter



### Please Hold in Prayer

Darlene Smith, Les Swanson, Mark Vanyo, Marilyn Zabilka, Bob Wennerstrand, Knox Pakar, Judy Mans, Nancy Pellett, Katrin Peterson, Tom Gerszewski, Asher Sorrels, Kathy Stokke, Kai Canfield, Deanne Johnson, Charlene Kuznia, Gerti Muggli, Ann Winkler, Roberta Brunell, George Ganyo, Frank Ciekliniski, Susie Lykken, Loren Olson, Dale Telle, & Stephanie Schmitz.

## Sacred Heart & St. Joseph's

Thank you for your generosity!  
Continue to hang in there, Prayers to all.  
Deacon Jim

Please hold our Graduating Seniors in your prayers and hearts this coming week as they Graduate May 29th. **Sacred Heart Parish:** Nicolas Hanson, Kolby Krause, & Christian Noble.



**St. Mary's Parish:** David Bukowiec, Jeremy Cole, Hannah Corneliusen, Joseph Dignan, Phillip Ellenson, Zach Foster, Tereza Hrubka, Jaden Huerd Tahra Johnson, Jerrica Johnston, Casey Jones, Vance Kleinschmidt, Lincoln Nash, & Zach Slater.

Dear Parishioners,

Finally, as you have heard in the news, the Catholic Bishops of Minnesota have authorized the resumption of a limited celebration of public Masses beginning Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>, 2020. The bishops have developed protocols to be taken into consideration for the celebration of these public Masses. The protocols are meant to ensure social distancing and minimize the risk of the spread of the virus. Here in our three parishes of St. Mary's, Warroad, St. Joseph's, Williams and Sacred Heart, Baudette, we will resume our normal Mass schedules as indicated in our Parish bulletins beginning Tuesday, May 26<sup>th</sup>. I am preparing a letter, which will be posted on our websites and Facebook page by this weekend and will be mailed to each one of you at your home addresses this week indicating how we are going to implement the protocols in our three parishes. I will enclose the protocols and all the necessary letters from our Bishop for your information. Thank you!

Fr. Andrew



### HONOR OUR SERVICE MEN AND WOMEN We Keep in our prayers...

**St. Mary's:** Ryan Hartman, Maksymilian Crompton, Jacob Larson, Tyler Larson, Brett Hebel, Nic Gray, Joseph Larson, Shane Thompson, Krista Johnston, Alex Johnston, Derek Woodward, Jason Hilligoss, Deb Lien & Kyle Mohrbacher  
**Sacred Heart:** Evan Torgeson, Ryan Torgeson, Jennifer Dalton, Victoria Chamberlain and Brandon Lockner, & Kalvin Krause

# The Good News: Scott Hahn Reflects on the Ascension of the Lord

Readings:

[Acts 1:1–11](#)

[Psalm 47:2–3, 6–7, 8–9](#)

[Ephesians 1:17–23](#)

[Matthew 28:16–20](#)

In today's First Reading from the Acts of the Apostles, St. Luke gives the surprising news that there is more of the story to be told. The story did not end with the empty tomb, or with Jesus' appearances to the Apostles over the course of forty days. Jesus' saving work will have a liturgical consummation. He is the great high priest, and He has still to ascend to the heavenly Jerusalem, there to celebrate the feast in the true Holy of Holies.

The truth of this feast shines forth from the Letter to the Hebrews, where we read of the great high priest's passing through the heavens, the sinless intercessor's sacrifice on our behalf (see [Hebrews 4:14–15](#)).

Indeed, His intercession will lead to the Holy Spirit's descent in fire upon the Church. Luke spells out that promise in the First Reading for the feast of the Ascension: "in a few days you will be baptized with the Holy Spirit" ([Acts 1:5](#)). The Ascension is the preliminary feast that directs the Church's attention forward to Pentecost. On that day, salvation will be complete; for salvation is not simply expiation for sins (that would be wonder enough), but it is something even greater than that. Expiation is itself a necessary precondition of our adoption as God's children. To live that divine life we must receive the Holy Spirit. To receive the Holy Spirit we must be purified through Baptism.



The Responsorial Psalm presents the Ascension in terms familiar from the worship of the Jerusalem Temple in the days of King Solomon: "God mounts his throne to shouts of joy: a blare of trumpets for the Lord" (Psalm 47). The priest-king takes his place at the head of the people, ruling over the nations, establishing peace.

The Epistle strikes a distinctively Paschal note. In the early Church, as today, Easter was the normal time for the baptism of adult converts. The sacrament was often called "illumination" or "enlightenment" because of the light that came with God's saving grace (see, for example, [Hebrews 10:32](#)). Saint Paul, in his Letter to the Ephesians, speaks in terms of glory that leads to greater glories still, as Ascension leads to Pentecost: "May the eyes of your hearts be enlightened," he writes, as he looks to the divinization of the believers. Their "hope" is "his inheritance among the holy ones," the saints who have been adopted into God's family and now rule with Him at the Father's right hand.

This is the "good news" the Apostles are commissioned to spread—to the whole world, to all nations, beginning from Jerusalem—at the Ascension. It's the good news we must spread today.