

The Ascension of the Lord ~ May 17, 2026

Mission Statement: We are a united faith filled community, dedicated to Christ, obedient to the Holy Spirit. We strive to live the Word of God through sacramental life. We are committed to the enrichment of our children with faith, hope and love.

Faith Formation News Noticias de Formacion de Fe

St. James & St. Mary

Faith Formation Classes

We look forward to seeing you again in the next school year.
Thank you!

Las clases de formación en la fe

Eesperamos verlos nuevamente en el próximo año escolar.
¡Gracias!

Mass Intentions

We invite all of our brothers and sisters to submit Mass intention requests. A minimum donation of \$10 is requested for each Intention. Donations may be placed in the office drop box, in the collection basket during Mass, or given in person at the parish office. Your generosity and prayers are greatly appreciated.

Intenciones de Misa

Invitamos a todos nuestros hermanos y hermanas a solicitar intenciones para la Misa. Se solicita una donación mínima de \$10 por cada intención. Las donaciones pueden depositarse en el buzón de la oficina parroquial, en la cesta de colecta durante la Misa o entregarse en persona en la oficina parroquial. Agradecemos enormemente su generosidad y sus oraciones.

St. Mary's School ~ Winter Raffle Winners

May 107 2026 ~ \$200 ~ Lucia Beckendorf



May the Lord bestow
His abundant blessing upon

Beltran Alexander Garcia Miranda, son of Wilmer Anselmo Garcia Ambrocio and Marcela Miranda Perez was Baptized on May 10, 2026, at St. James Catholic Church, St. James.

Curatio Apostolate of Catholic Healthcare Professional's - Curatio ex Corde Christi: Healing from the Heart of Christ is sponsoring Scared Heart Feast Day with retreat master, Father Justin Kizewski, PhL., S.T.D

Half Day Retreat for Sacred Heart
June 12, 2026
8:30 am - 2:30 pm
St Francis Catholic Church
1114 3rd St SE, Rochester, MN, 55904

Mass * Breakfast * Reflections * Adoration * Confession *
Lunch * Group Discussions

Register & Donate at curartionapostolate.com. For Catholics in Healthcare, but open to all!

El Apostolado Curatio de Profesionales Católicos de la Salud — Curatio ex Corde Christi: Sanación desde el Corazón de Cristo— patrocina la celebración de la Fiesta del Sagrado Corazón, con el director de retiros el Padre Justin Kizewski, PhL., S.T.D.*

Retiro de medio día por el Sagrado Corazón
12 de junio de 2026
8:30 a. m. – 2:30 p. m.
Iglesia Católica St. Francis
1114 3rd St SE, Rochester, MN, 55904

Misa * Desayuno * Reflexiones * Adoración * Confesión *
Almuerzo * Diálogos grupales

Regístrese y haga su donación en curatioapostolate.com.
Dirigido a católicos del sector salud, ¡pero abierto a todos!

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✠ Mass Schedule & Intentions: May 18 - 24, 2026

Mon 18	No Mass		
Tues 19	No Mass		
Wed 20	8:30 am	St. Mary Parish	✠ Merle Davis
Thur 21	11:00 am	Truman Nursing Home	✠ Donavon & Genevive Anderson
Fri 22	No Mass		
Sat 23	5:30 pm	St. Mary Parish	✠ Merle Davis
Sun 24	8:00 am	St. Mary Parish - <i>Spanish Mass</i>	<i>pro populo</i>
Sun 24	10:00 am	St. James Parish	✠ Harold & Aurelia Guggisberg
Sun 24	12:00 pm	St. James Parish - <i>Spanish Mass</i>	✠ Jesus & Juanita Hernandez

Liturgical Roles: May 23 & 24, 2026

Sat. 23 - St. Mary 5:30 p.m.

Servers: Annika Hagen, David Hagen

Reader: Katy Eiselt

Ushers: Mark Klinkner, Christopher Hagen

Sun. 24 - St. James 10:00 a.m.

Servers:

Reader: Nona Runge

Communion Ministers:

Ushers:

2026 ~ Catholic Ministries Appeal Update

	<u>Goal</u>	<u>Received</u>	<u>Donors</u>
St. James	\$18,967		
St. Mary	\$12,193		

Remember: If parish goals are not met by December 31, 2026, the parishes **must** pay the amount remaining from operating funds.

***“And of all that you give me
I will surely give one tenth to you.”*** *Genesis 28:22*

<i>As of May 10, 2026</i>	St. James	St. Mary
Church Support needed per week:	6,379	2,388
Church Support giving last week:	3,159	1,108
Church Support needed fiscal year-to-date:	287,055	107,451
Church Support giving fiscal year-to-date:	181,134	75,681



READINGS ***For the Week***

MONDAY May 18

St. John I, Pope and Martyr

Acts 19:1-8
John 16:29-33

TUESDAY May 19

Easter Weekday

Acts 20:17-27
John 17:1-11a

WEDNESDAY May 20

St. Bernardine of Siena, Priest

Acts 20:28-38
John 17:11b-19

THURSDAY May 21

*St. Christopher Magallanes,
Priest, and Companions, Martyr*

Acts 22:30; 23:6-11
John 17:20-26

FRIDAY May 22

St. Rita of Cascia, Religious

Acts 25:13b-21
John 21:15-19

SATURDAY May 23

Easter Weekday

Acts 28:16-20, 30-31
John 21:20-25

SUNDAY May 24

Pentecost Sunday

Genesis 11:1-9 /

Exodus 19:3-8a, 16-20b /

Ezekiel 37:1-14 /

Joel 3:1-5 / Romans 8:22-27 /

John 7:37-39

Day: Acts 2:1-11 / 1 Corinthians
12:3b-7, 12-13 / John 20:19-23



Brothers and Sisters in Christ,



I wanted to share with you that I will be wrapping up as Parochial Administrator of St. James Parish, St. James and St. Mary's Parish, Madelia on May 31. Bishop

Barron has assigned Fr. Mariano Ruiz, IVE as Pastor of St. James Parish in St. James and St. Mary Parish in Madelia, effective June 1, 2026. He has also assigned Fr. Jaime Abúndiz, IVE as Parochial Vicar of St. James Parish in St. James and St. Mary Parish in Madelia, in addition to Ss. Peter and Paul Parish in Mankato, effective June 1, 2026. Thank you for your patience with me these months while tending to the various responsibilities in St. James and Madelia and in St. John Vianney in Fairmont and Sts. Peter and Paul's in Blue Earth. I would like to thank Fr. Alex, Fr. Jaime, and Fr. Javier for all of the assistance in St. James and Madelia and for Fr. Tim Welch's tending responsibilities and at St. John Vianney, Fairmont, and Sts. Peter and Paul's, Blue Earth while I have been up in St. James and Madelia. Also, I especially thank Fr. Welch for all of his extra time and commitment at St. John Vianny School when I have been up at St. Mary's School in Madelia on most Wednesdays.

This Sunday we celebrate the Ascension of Our Lord Jesus Christ into Heaven. Though Christ ascended into heaven he didn't distance himself from us. He became ever more present to us. Christ comes near to and reveals His Sacred Heart to us, his Heart of Mercy. Through the Holy Spirit, Christ is made ever present to us through His Body the Church. We are particularly united to Him through His Eucharistic Presence and through the other Sacraments. Christ is also made present in the world through us. St. Teresa of Avila teaches:

*"Christ has no body but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
Compassion on this world,
Yours are the feet with which he walks to do good,
Yours are the hands, with which he blesses all the world.
Yours are the hands, yours are the feet,
Yours are the eyes, you are his body.
Christ has no body now but yours,
No hands, no feet on earth but yours,
Yours are the eyes with which he looks
compassion on this world.
Christ has no body now on earth but yours."*

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Dobbs

Hermanos y Hermanas en Cristo:



Quería compartir con ustedes que concluiré mi labor como Administrador Parroquial de la Parroquia St. James (en St. James) y de la Parroquia St. Mary (en Madelia) el próximo 31 de mayo. El Obispo Barron

ha nombrado al P. Mariano Ruiz, IVE, como Párroco de la Parroquia St. James (en St. James) y de la Parroquia St. Mary (en Madelia), a partir del 1 de junio de 2026. Asimismo, ha nombrado al P. Jaime Abúndiz, IVE, como Vicario Parroquial de la Parroquia St. James (en St. James) y de la Parroquia St. Mary (en Madelia), además de la Parroquia Ss. Peter and Paul (en Mankato), a partir del 1 de junio de 2026. Les agradezco su paciencia conmigo durante estos meses, mientras atendía las diversas responsabilidades tanto en St. James y Madelia, como en St. John Vianney (en Fairmont) y Ss. Peter and Paul (en Blue Earth). Deseo expresar mi agradecimiento a los Padres Alex, Jaime y Javier por toda su ayuda en St. James y Madelia; y al P. Tim Welch por haber asumido las responsabilidades de atención pastoral en St. John Vianney (Fairmont) y Ss. Peter and Paul (Blue Earth) durante el tiempo en que yo me encontraba en St. James y Madelia. Además, agradezco de manera especial al P. Welch por todo el tiempo extra y la dedicación que ha brindado a la Escuela St. John Vianney, en aquellos días — la mayoría de los miércoles— en que yo me encontraba en la Escuela St. Mary, en Madelia.






Este domingo celebramos la Ascensión de Nuestro Señor Jesucristo a los Cielos. Aunque Cristo ascendió al cielo, no se distanció de nosotros; por el contrario, se hizo aún más presente entre nosotros. Cristo se acerca a nosotros y nos revela su Sagrado Corazón: su Corazón de Misericordia. A través del Espíritu Santo, Cristo se hace siempre presente para nosotros por medio de su Cuerpo, la Iglesia. Estamos unidos a Él de manera particular a través de su Presencia Eucarística y mediante los demás Sacramentos. Cristo también se hace presente en el mundo a través de nosotros. Santa Teresa de Ávila nos enseña:

*"Cristo no tiene cuerpo, sino el tuyo;
no tiene manos ni pies en la tierra, sino los tuyos.
Tuyos son los ojos con los que Él mira
con compasión a este mundo;
tuyos son los pies con los que Él camina para hacer el bien;
tuyas son las manos con las que Él bendice a todo el mundo.
Tuyas son las manos, tuyos son los pies;
tuyos son los ojos: tú eres su cuerpo.
Cristo no tiene ahora cuerpo, sino el tuyo;
no tiene manos ni pies en la tierra, sino los tuyos.
Tuyos son los ojos con los que Él mira
con compasión a este mundo.
Cristo no tiene ahora cuerpo en la tierra, sino el tuyo".*

¡Que tengan una semana bendecida!

P. Dobbs

Meetings & Events Calendar ~ May 17 - 30, 2026

Sunday 17	Monday 18	Tuesday 19	Wednesday 20	Thursday 21	Friday 22	Saturday 23
<p>The Ascension of the Lord</p> 	 <p>Catholic Daughters of America</p> <p>Get Together Rosary Lunch Meeting <i>Little People Baby Shower for Caring Pregnancy Center, New Ulm</i></p> <p>Marian Hall 6pm</p> <p>*Bring another member your suggestions for June Get Together.*</p>	<p>St. James Rosary - 7:30 am in the church.</p>	<p>St. Mary Rosary - 8:00 am in the church.</p> <p>St. Mary's 6th grade Graduation</p>	<p>St. Mary's Early Out Last Day of School</p>		<p>Pentecost Sunday Vigil</p> 
Sunday 24	Monday 25	Tuesday 26	Wednesday 27	Thursday 28	Friday 29	Saturday 30
<p>Pentecost Sunday</p> 		<p>St. James Rosary - 7:30 am in the church.</p>	<p>St. Mary Rosary - 8:00 am in the church.</p>			<p>The Most Holy Trinity Vigil</p> 

St. John Vianney Church in Fairmont, MN, is seeking a full-time Director of Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, and OCIA for Children, starting July 1, 2026, with a passion for evangelizing youth. For further details please visit the Parish Website at www.fmcatholic.org. Send your cover letter, resume, and two references to Father Jeff Dobbs at pastor@fmcatholic.org or mail to St. John Vianney Church, 901 S. Prairie Ave, Fairmont, MN 56031.

Prayer for All Mothers

O almighty and eternal God, Lord of both the living and the dead, Your tender mercy embraces all men foreknown to be Yours by faith and a good life. Through the intercession of the Most Blessed Virgin Mary our Mother, and of all the saints, grant Your merciful pardon to all mothers for whom we pray, whether they still are living in this world or have departed from this flesh into the world to come. Especially, dear Lord, grant the requests I now make of You for my own beloved mother.

Oración por todas las madres

¡Oh, Dios omnipotente y eterno, Señor de vivos y muertos! Tu tierna misericordia abarca a todos los hombres que, por la fe y una vida virtuosa, Tú de antemano reconoces como tuyos. Por la intercesión de la Santísima Virgen María, nuestra Madre, y de todos los santos, concede tu misericordioso perdón a todas las madres por quienes oramos, ya sea que aún vivan en este mundo o que hayan partido de esta carne hacia el mundo venidero. Especialmente, amado Señor, concede las peticiones que ahora te presento por mi propia y amada madre.