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# Faith Connections

FAITH FORMATION 2023 MAY NEWSLETTER

It is hard to believe the end of the school year is here already. We have been so blessed as a Parish community with our Faith Formation youth and families. Together, we have celebrated sacraments and graduations, attended classes, played together at the summer pool party and the skating event in December, and served the Lord as His hands and feet throughout our community in a variety of ways, giving more 2000 hours to our parish and community as a whole. We had many volunteers who supported our youth through their time, talent and treasure in order to share their love of the Lord with them.

We look forward to our summer opportunities to continue to gather as community. Holy Helpers will meet each Wednesday from 2p-4p. Totus Tuus will be July 9-14. These are both opportunities for the youth of all ages of our parish to join in. Our post-Confirmation program continues with monthly meetings. The next one is June 4, after the 6pm Mass, and pizza will be provided. We hope to see juniors and seniors continuing to grow in their faith through the summer.

Finally, in this time of Eucharistic Revival, we look forward to the Area Faith Community Mission "Communion Through Communion" featuring Daniel Oberreuter. We will see Daniel at many of the Masses in our Area Faith Communities the weekend of June 10 and 11. He will have an opening concert June 11 at 7:15p at Holy Redeemer Church and mission nights will continue through Wednesday evening. Adoration and Reconciliation will be available each evening. This is an opportunity to truly engage with the Holy Spirit. I hope to see each of your families at least once throughout the Mission (Confirmation age youth will receive 1.5 Church hours for their attendance for each night they are there).

Please pray for David as he leaves our parish for home, Emily as she leaves the office for the summer, and Celia, as she joins our Faith Formation community. Finally, please pray for me, and my family, as we spend much of this summer preparing for our youngest son's wedding, and the addition of another daughter-in-law into our family. We are so blessed to walk with Carter and Maegan through this exciting time in their lives.

May your summer be filled with Christ's blessings as you accomplish your tasks, enjoy your break, and restore your spirit. Becki Johnson

## Confirmation Requirements

### Class of 2025

Topic 4  
 Service Project Paper  
 Bishop Letter Draft  
 Bishop Letter Original  
 Sponsor Letter  
 5 Mass Notes  
 10 Service Hours  
 Attend Prep #5 and #6

### Class of 2026

Topic 2  
 Topic 3  
 Saint Paper  
 8 Mass Notes  
 10 Service Hours  
 10 Parish Hours  
 Attend Prep #3 and #4

### Class of 2027

Sponsor Form  
 Baptism Certificate  
 Topic 1  
 12 Mass Notes  
 10 Service Hours  
 10 Parish Hours  
 Attend Prep #1 and #2

## 10th Grade Confirmation Prep Session

10th grade youth of the Bread of Life Area Faith Community met at St. Mary's for their preparation session on the Creed. We had fantastic youth involvement in all of the activities of the evening. Father Tony handed out a record number of service hour bonuses! It is hard to believe how quickly this year has gone by!



At their final Confirmation Prep Session, youth and parents or sponsors met in Carlin Hall for a conversation with Father Tony about the Sacraments of Baptism and Eucharist. They have completed four of six sessions, with just two more remaining in the fall as they move into their final year of preparation for Confirmation.

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## Dead Theologians Society



Our Dead Theologians Society session focused on St. Isidore. One of the beautiful things about this saint is he was just a common working man who trusted the Lord. He didn't have to be a great scholar or theologian to be there, which provides hope for us all!

We also were able to congratulate Karsten and Grace for attending 5 DTS sessions. Members are recognized at 5 session increments. They are close to receiving their 10 session recognitions as well!



# Youth Service Projects

## Beyond the Bin

This year, our Faith Formation program has offered two separate events, one in the fall and one in the spring, that are focused on putting our faith in action. Our fall event was designed to raise awareness of homelessness around us. Our spring event was called "Beyond the Bin". The intention of the event is to help our young people be aware of ways they can already be actively working to reduce their footprint on the world around us.

Stephanie, from the Lyon County Environmental Department, joined us to lead the conversation about electronic waste, composting, and clothing recycling. They were also able to practice composting first-hand with the meal they were served and how they handled the leftovers. We had more than 15 people join us, ranging from 8th grade to parents.

Thank you to Stephanie for presenting, Mandy and Deidre for supporting the event, and all of our young people, and their families, who were able to join us!



## Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program recently had their celebration of Easter in the atrium. Here is a glimpse of the wonderful ways the children in CGS are able to learn about Jesus and grow their relationship with Him.



## Mother's Day Cards

Our Holy Helpers made Mother's Day cards for all the moms at Heritage Pointe. Thanks to Brielle for her leadership with the project!



# Annual Park Clean-Up

The Youth of Holy Redeemer have adopted Liberty Park for the third year in a row. We had our first park clean-up of the year last night. Our k-5 youth cleaned up the park by the gazebo. Our 9th and 10th grade youth cleaned up the side of Liberty Park by the band shell and the two small areas across East College Dr, by the statue and sign. They worked quickly and efficiently, and did a great job!

We are very excited to continue this partnership with the City of Marshall!



# First Communion

On Sunday, May 7, 2023, Holy Redeemer celebrated the First Communion of our final 29 youth for the year. Over this past year, more than 40 children have received this Sacrament for the very first time. We are blessed by the children and their

parents, the classroom teachers and small group leaders who gave of their time to help prepare the children, the liturgical ministers who supported the Mass, the staff of Holy Redeemer Church who made

everything come together, and especially Father Tony Stubeda, who presided, and Father Denny Labat and Father Zach Peterson who concelebrated.



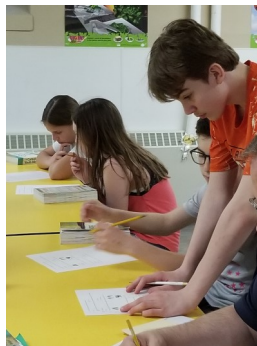
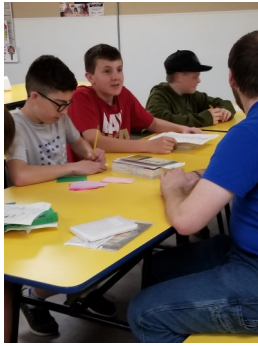
# First Communion Retreat

This school year is just flying by! Our young people gathered for the retreat. They rotated through five stations: Sacristy Tour, Catechesis of the Good Shepherd, Bread Making, Banner Making and Reception Practice. It was a great opportunity for them to learn more about their faith while building community with the others preparing with them. Special thanks to Deacon Ken, Mrs. Rettey, Mrs. Klaith, Mrs. Van Moer, Mrs. Olsem, Celia, Dave, Doreen and Emily for the time they gave to preparing for and leading the retreat stations today! Hands on learning activities are a great way to engage our children in their faith and we couldn't have done it with them!



# Middle School EDGE

Students trying to put the steps of the Sacrament of Baptism in the correct order.



Pictures showing students writing prayers on paper and putting them in a basket. We then prayed for all of the people and concerns we wrote about. The last day of class, middle school discussed how growing in love and in our faith is a lifelong endeavor.

More information on page 13!



## Young Adult Catholics

Did you know there are 26 church-approved Marian Apparitions, 16 of which are Vatican approved? Great conversation tonight on Marian Apparitions! Thank you Becki for stepping in last minute for Fr. Tony! We gather the 3rd Tuesday of every month and we're not stopping for the summer! Join us June 20th as we gather for fellowship and potluck at Garvin Park. We will meet at the park at 6:30pm with 6pm carpooling from Holy Redeemer for those interested. Burgers and hot dogs will be provided. Bring a dish to pass, lawn chair, and a friend!



### Young Adult Catholics

#### Fellowship & Potluck

Tuesday, June 20th | 6:30pm | Garvin Park  
Meet in HR parking lot at 6pm to carpool.



# I Can Do It Myself!



Our final "I Can Do It Myself" session of the school year was held. The topic was natural evangelization through living an authentic life following Jesus. It has been a great year and we appreciate our seniors who met with us each month.

There was a request for summer sessions, which we will be offering. Save the date for Sunday, June 4th following 6pm Mass at Holy Redeemer Church! Pizza will be served!

## Meet Celia Dagan!

Hello everyone! My name is Cecelia Dagan, but please call me Celia. I am a parishioner at Holy Redeemer and have lived in Marshall for about three years now. I have just started as the new religious education assistant, and I am so excited to begin working with you all. A little bit about me, I grew up in Winona MN which is a direct line across the bottom of the state from Marshall, but on the Wisconsin border about four and a half hours. I come from a large Catholic family, and I am the second oldest out of seven. I have a grandfather who is a Deacon, and my eldest brother is currently studying at major seminary discerning the priesthood. I very recently became married (5/20/2023) to my now Husband Chase Dagan who works for Lyon County as a correctional officer. I am blessed to have this opportunity to serve the youth of our faith community, and I am so excited to meet each of you! With lot of excitement and joy,  
Celia Dagan







Sponsored by the Office of Youth & Young Adult Ministry

**Bread of Life Area Faith Community**  
**Grades 1<sup>st</sup> – 6<sup>th</sup>\***  
 July 10<sup>th</sup> – 14<sup>th</sup>  
 9:00am – 2:00pm  
 \*Kindergarten eligible to attend with an adult  
**Grades 7<sup>th</sup> – 12<sup>th</sup>**  
 July 9<sup>th</sup> – 13<sup>th</sup>  
 7:30pm – 9:30pm  
 Confirmation candidates can earn hours for participating  
 Cost: \$30  
 Location: SMSU Campus Religious Center

Register Here: <http://www.holy-redeemer.com/registration.html>

# Holy Helpers

## Summer 2023 Schedule

Parental Consent Form & Indemnity Agreement required. Scan QR Code to print, fill-out and return to Parish Office.



- June 7: Holy Redeemer Church
- June 14: Holy Redeemer Church
- June 21: Campus Religious Center
- June 28: Holy Redeemer Church
- July 19: Campus Religious Center
- July 26: Holy Redeemer Church
- August 2: Holy Redeemer Church

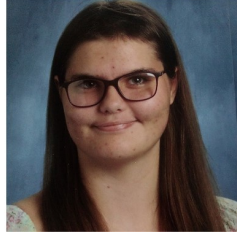
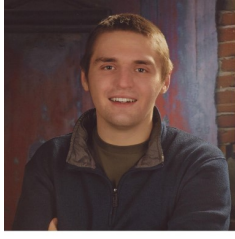
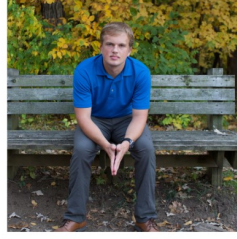
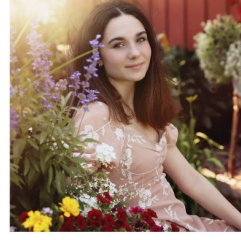
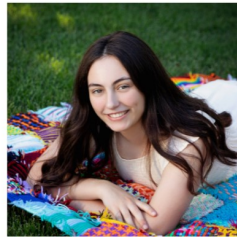
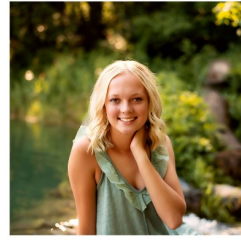
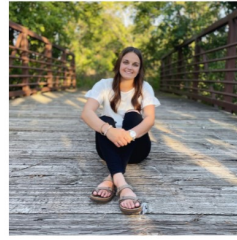
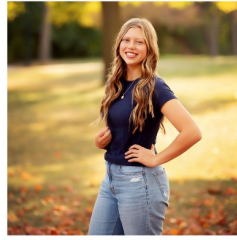
All dates begin at 2 p.m. and conclude at 4 p.m.



Brooke Andries, daughter of Joe and Helen  
Cecily Aufenthie, daughter of Charlie and Heidi  
Joshua Bauer, son of Doug and Amy  
Shane Briffett, son of Scott and Sue  
Anna Bucher, daughter of Greg and Lisa  
Jacob Buysse, son of Jason and Heidi  
Aftyn Christenson, daughter of Travis and Mandy  
Caitlyn Christenson, daughter of Travis and Mandy  
Daylin Crowley, daughter of Andy and Jamie  
Kalyn DeVlieger, daughter of Jon and Amy  
Halle Gravley, daughter of Josh and Lissa  
Hayden Gravley, son of Josh and Lissa  
Jonathan Gruhot, son of Brad and Karen  
Ava Holmgren, daughter of Justin and Rachel  
Leah Jones, daughter of Brian and Kelly  
Bailey Langin, daughter of Mike and Heidi  
Caleb Lanoue, son of Dean and Jenny  
Simon Lanoue, son of Paul and Ruth  
Emilie Larson, daughter of Jeff and Angie  
Tyler Maeyaert, son of Bruce and Kristen (and the late Justin)

Alissyn Metz, daughter of Craig and Wendy  
Taylor Miller, daughter of Roger and Julie  
Chidi Nwakama, son of Anthony and Justina  
Nnenna Onyeaghala, daughter of Raphael and Lillian  
Abigail Panka, daughter of Mike and Becky  
Brookelyn Redding, daughter of Brian and Melissa  
Spencer Scherr, son of Jason and Deidre  
Evan Schotzko, son of Andrew and Tawny  
Zachary Schroeder, son of Roger and Deborah  
Braxton Seifert, son of Marty and Traci  
Madison Smith, daughter of Terry and Lisa  
Jacob Stucke, son of Brian and Jennifer  
Karissa Talamantes, daughter of Salvador and Monica  
Marissa Talamantes, daughter of Salvador and Monica  
Grace Mattos Tapia, daughter of Soledad and Alejandro  
Andrew Thielges, son of John and Kimberly  
Rebecca Thielges, daughter of John and Kimberly  
Jonah Vierstraete, son of Dustin and Sonya  
Logan Waltz, son of Jaci and Greg  
Klayton Weller, son of Matt and MacKenzie

**Congratulations to  
the Class of 2023!**



# Mystery Saint

**Here are the clues for the Mystery Saint:**

*This Saint was born on December 24th, 1941 in Spain*

*After getting his leg smashed by a cannonball, he recovered at home, where he only had 2 books to read*

*Founded the religious order called the Society of Jesus (Jesuits)*

*Wrote a book about discernment that is widely used today*

*He died on July 31st, 1556 in Rome and is the patron of retreats and soldiers.*

*Who is this?*

Parents: Email your child's guesses to any of the Faith Formation staff to receive credit for confirmation hours or a prize.

Shout out to Cooper on getting the Mystery correct. The answer was Saint Thomas Aquinas . He received 0.5 Spiritual hours.



			<b>SMALL GROUP LEADERS &amp; SUBS NEEDED!</b>

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## Faith Formation Pool Party!

July 25th  
 7:30pm - 9:00pm  
 Marshall Aquatic Center

# Farewell Message from David Dachel

This last year has been a great time of growth and joy as I have gotten to meet you all and work with you. You have truly made my transition to Marshall much easier! Now, though, I have to say good-bye. Goodbyes are never easy. They signify a time of change. The change that I am now facing is that I am headed back home to central Wisconsin as I continue to discern where God is leading me. As the author A.A. Milne wrote, "How lucky I am to have something that makes saying goodbye so hard." Please know of my continued prayers for you. You will always be in my heart. May God continue to bless you always!

# Mission Leader and Musician, Daniel Oberreuter

Area Faith Community Mission, "Communion through Communion" - Building an Authentic Catholic Community through the Eucharist.

Daniel Oberreuter, Mission Leader and Musician, will be in our Area Faith Communities of The Bread of Life and Our Lady of the Prairie June 11 - 14.

On the Feast of the Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ, as we begin the year of the parish of our national Eucharistic Revival, the Bread of Life and Our Lady of the Prairie Area Faith Communities are happy to welcome Daniel Oberreuter, internationally known Catholic musician and presenter. He joins us to explore the power of the Eucharist in building a vibrant, enthusiastic and welcoming community. Please join us for a week of renewal and joy.

Each night will include:

Reflection and music by our presenter. Adoration.

The opportunity for the Sacrament of Reconciliation.

Saturday, June 10:

4:00 p.m. Opening Mass for the Mission at St. Mary's Cottonwood.

5:00 p.m. Opening Mass for the Mission at Holy Redeemer Marshall.

Daniel Oberreuter provides special music

Sunday, June 11:

6:00 p.m. Opening Mass for the Mission at Holy Redeemer, Marshall.

Daniel Oberreuter provides special music.

Sunday, June 11:

Opening Concert and Talk 7:15 p.m.

Church of the Holy Redeemer Marshall.

Monday, June 12:

5:30 p.m. Mass at Holy Redeemer

7:00 p.m. Mission Talk

Tuesday, June 13:

7:00 p.m. Mission Talk at Holy Redeemer.

Wednesday, June 14:

5:30 p.m. Mass at St. Mary's Cottonwood

7:00 p.m. Mission Talk at Holy Redeemer Marshall.

