

Marian Rosary Candlelight Procession

Sunday, May 1, 2022 at 7:00 PM

St. Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye

**The procession will begin
at the Schoenstatt Shrine
and end at St. Mary's Church, where
there will be an 1/2 hour of Eucharistic
Adoration along with Marian hymns
and Benediction.**

**A shuttle from St. Mary's Church north
parking lot to Schoenstatt will be
available from 6:00pm to 6:50pm to
allow participants to park at St. Mary's
where the procession will end.**

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or \$4,000 Cash!**

**Join Us for a
Caribbean Knight Party**

**A Can't-Miss Tropical Night with Games,
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Tropical Food / Drinks**

Live Band:

Sandra Lee & The Velvets

Live and Silent Auction!

Saturday, May 14, 2022

5:30 PM — Midnight

St. Mary's School, Sleepy Eye

ALL ARE WELCOME!



2nd Prize Wins

\$1,000

3rd & 4th Prize Wins

\$500

5th-14th Prize Wins

\$100

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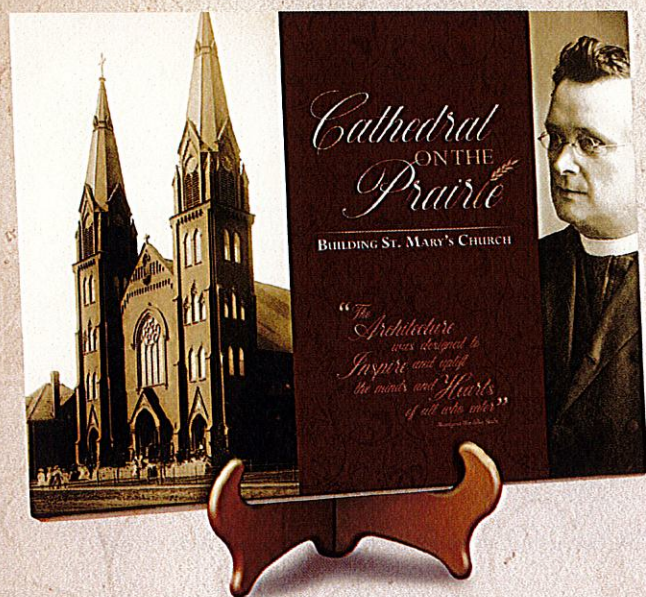
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Step back in time and see in great detail how a dedicated pastor and his generous congregation labored successfully to build the imposing “*Cathedral on the Prairie*” that is St. Mary’s Church, as a monument to the Immaculate Queen and her Divine Son, under the title of St. Mary, Help of Christians.

HARD COVER | FULL COLOR | 104 PAGES | 11 x 8.5 TRIM

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Cathedral on the Prairie book(s) **\$25** ea: \$_____ for _____ books. Please return this form to St. Mary’s Rectory, 636 1st Ave N, Sleepy Eye, MN 56085 before July 15, to receive your book on August 7, at the Parish Summer Festival. (Books will also be available to purchase and pick up after August 7, at the rectory.)

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To say that St. Mary, Help of Christians Church is “impressive” or “imposing” or “memorable,” would be great understatements, for these do not capture the beauty and grandeur of the church nor the vision of the priest who executed its construction, Monsignor Wendelin Stulz. This book is a little glimpse into the foundation of a very grand plan from which we, along with generations before us and generations after us, continue to benefit!

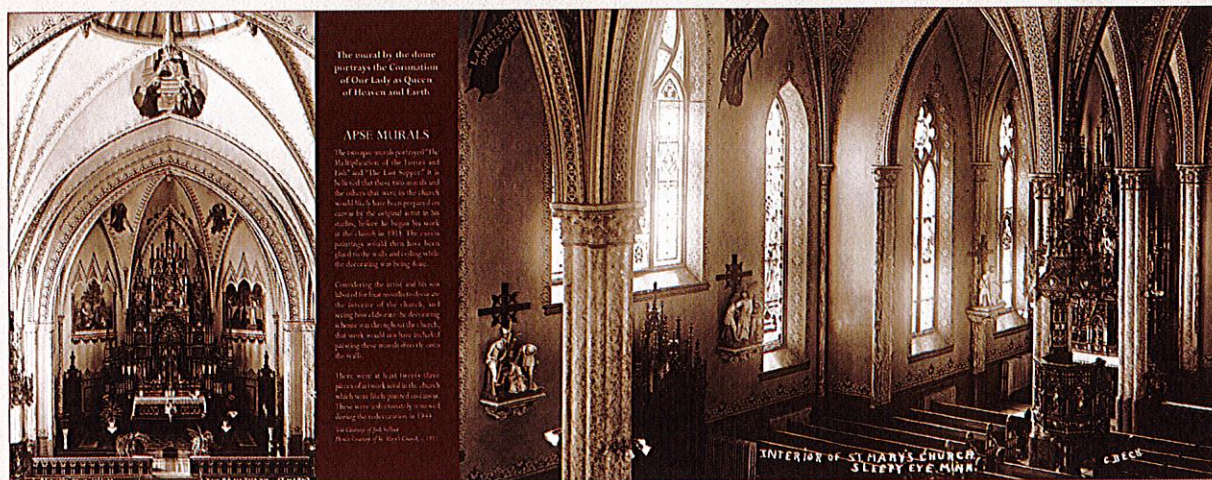
The *Cathedral on the Prairie* is a beautifully crafted book about the creation of the remarkable St. Mary’s Catholic Church.

This book details the church’s construction in gorgeous detail, using sepia tones that evoke its historical setting. It includes numerous full-color and archival images that convey the majesty of this formidable House of God. The art is showcased with care, with the stained glass windows displayed in stunning detail.

Readers will be transported back into time as they follow the progress of the church’s construction through detailed notes from its building committee. Archival news stories provide local color and show the community’s excitement about the building. Fascinating biographical sketches reveal more about the pivotal people involved in the project, including the charismatic Monsignor Stulz, the driving force behind the new church.

As both a historical record and a beautiful picture book, the *Cathedral on the Prairie* is uniquely captivating and illuminating.

A GLIMPSE INSIDE THE BOOK



The mural by the dome portrays the Coronation of Our Lady, our Queen of Heaven and Earth.

APSE MURALS

The apse murals portrayed "The Coronation of the Virgin" and "The Last Supper." It is believed that these two murals and the murals on the walls of the church would have been completed in time for the original altar in the apse, before the altar was moved to the present location in 1913. The apse murals, which have been damaged by fire and other causes, are being restored.

Considering the altar and its location, the altar was moved to the present location in 1913. The altar was moved to the present location in 1913. The altar was moved to the present location in 1913.

There were at least twenty three people who were involved in the church's construction. These were: Rev. W. M. Stulz, Bishop Trosch, and a number of visiting priests.

Monsignor Wendelin Stulz

1913 DISTINGUISHED HONOR CONFERRED ON WORTHY PRIEST

Rev. W. M. Stulz, Popular Rector at St. Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye, Elevated to Position of Monsignor. An Impressive Ceremony Conducted by Archbishop Ireland, Bishop Trosch and a Number of Visiting Priests.

It was a distinguished honor conferred on a spirited and worthy priestman and highly respected citizen, the ceremonies which took place at St. Mary's Church, Sleepy Eye, Minn., when Rev. W. M. Stulz, for fourteen years rector of St. Mary's Church, was elevated to the position of Monsignor. The beautiful and spacious interior of the church was filled with a large number of friends, neighbors, and other citizens, for the happy occasion.

The ceremonies were in charge of Rev. F. S. Menn, of Chicago, a former assistant priest of St. Mary's Church. Among the distinguished clergymen present were the Right Rev. John Ireland, Archbishop of St. Paul, and the Rev. Bishop Trosch of St. Cloud, among the other priests present were Rev. Fred Sprague, Rev. John J. Lerner, former assistant at St. Mary's Church, and Rev. William J. St. Paul, Rev. S. Moller, and Bishop of New Ulm, and a number of other clergymen from outside towns.

In the presence of an audience of nearly 1,000 people the interesting and impressive ceremonies were carried out by the archbishop, assisted by the other clergy. Bishop Trosch conducted Pontifical High Mass, assisted by the visiting priests. After the impressive services, the distinguished archbishop conducted the ceremony of investing the Rev. Stulz with the purple robes, denoting distinction and honor before the world and among his brethren, the clergy.

Rev. W. M. Stulz came to Sleepy Eye fourteen years ago and took charge of St. Mary's Church, and his pastorate has been characterized with great energy and success, both in material things as well as spiritual. His work here has been noted for his great success in the way of building up a great church and rectory. He is not only a capable, energetic and administrative ability in the discharge of his duties, but he has endeavored to bring his people as well as to the public in general, because of his fidelity to the cause of Christianity and the moral uplift of society in general in this city.

No one who attended the services last Sunday, witnessed the ceremonies and looked with admiration on the handsome and venerable St. Mary's church, with all its interior beauty and splendor, but felt that the honor conferred on Rev. Stulz was a most worthy one. He came to Sleepy Eye and built a monument in the shape of a church and the rectory that will last long in the memory of all of us and be a fitting memorial to future generations, of the sterling worth of Rev. Stulz as a pastor and citizen.

Sleepy Eye Herald-Examiner, April 4, 1913.
From a religious rally given by Rev. Stulz, April 1913.
From the country of St. Mary's Church, 1913.

