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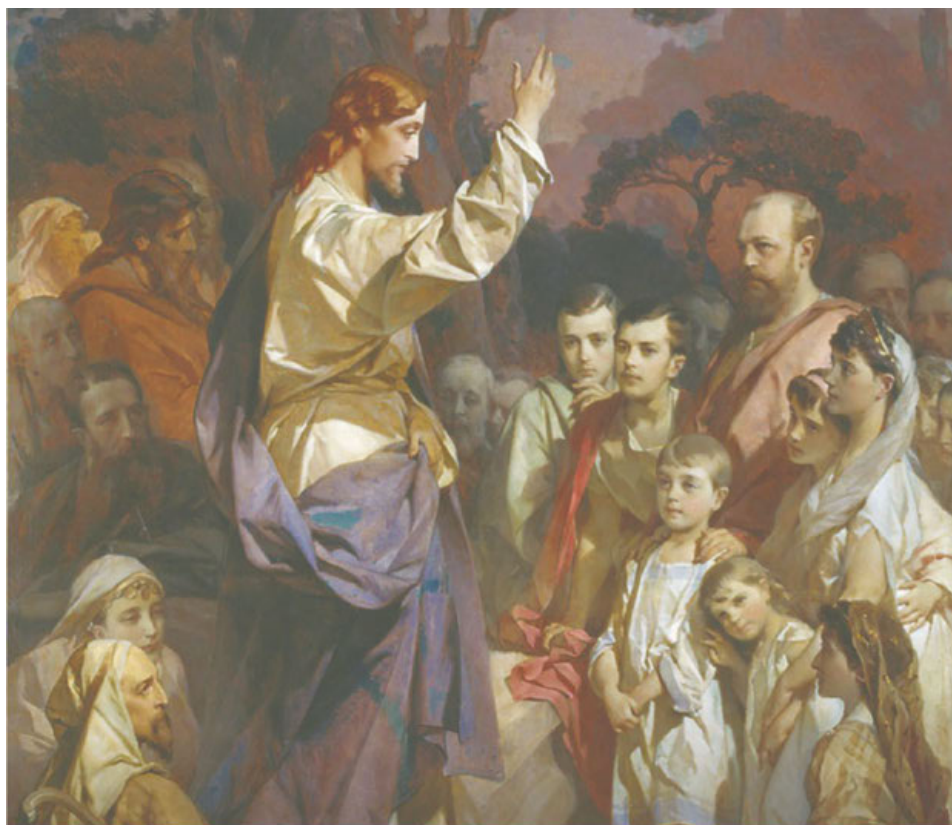
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Church of St. Anthony



January 29, 2023 • 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time



4TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Blessed are they who are persecuted for the sake of righteousness,
for theirs is the kingdom of heaven.

Blessed are you when they insult you and persecute you and utter
every kind of evil against you falsely because of me. Rejoice and be
glad, for your reward will be great in heaven." - Mt 5:10-12a

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All Visitors and Guests Welcome to the Assumption and St. Anthony parishes! Thank you for joining us for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like to become a member of either parish please call or email the parish offices. *"May the Lord guard your coming and going both now and forever."* - Psalm 121

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Assumption St. Anthony Catholics

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Mass Times

Wednesdays.....5:15 PM
Fridays.....7:00 AM
Saturday.....4:00 PM
Sunday.....8:00 AM

Reconciliation

Wed: 4:45 PM, Fri: 8:00 AM
Sat: 3:30 PM & Sun 7:30 AM

Eucharistic Adoration

Mondays 8:00 AM- Fridays 5:00 PM

Office Hours

Mon: 12:30-4:30, Wed: 8-4
Fri: 8-12:00 (hours may vary)

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Twinned Parish Contacts

Pastor	Father Aaron Nett
Secretary	Jessica Teicher
DRE	Nancy Jans
RE Assistant	Bonnie Meyer
Youth Minister	Sam Mettler

A Message from Carleen

Hello! As many of you have heard, I am in the beginning stage of entering the Poor Clare Monastery in Sauk Rapids, a journey that yielded from a spark set in about a year and a half ago.

I grew up south of Richmond on my parent's dairy farm, being the third of seven children. I attended school at ROCORI, graduated in 2013, then took a year off before starting at Ridgewater College in Willmar where I completed the veterinary technician program. Shortly after, I began working for Watkins Vet Clinic and remained there until now.

My family began attending Mass at St. Anthony and Assumption parishes the fall of 2020, and were soon invited to participate in the many events available. For me, one of these events was the retreat to the Boundary Waters, which I hesitantly said yes to. Something about spending a week in the wilderness with a group of people I really didn't know seemed to bring about a healthy share of uncertainty. However, it proved to be very enjoyable and impactful, leaving with new friends, new insights and new doorways opened as I heard God speak to me in a new way. Being asked by others if I had considered religious life led to further discussions and insights into the vocation, and things began to stir inside. Living in the rectory provided an ideal atmosphere to continue this discernment process.

After visiting the Poor Clare's this fall, and feeling a sense of being at home, I felt God inviting me to apply. Upon receiving all the paperwork, the sisters accepted me into the first stage called Aspirancy. I will be moving to a house in Sauk Rapids on Feb. 2nd to be closer to the monastery. There I will get to know the community better by participating in some of their daily routine. This stage will prepare me to enter the monastery on Sept. 23rd, which would begin my year of Postulancy. From there, it will be a minimum of eight more years before professing final vows. It's a long, unpredictable journey, however, I've learned that you never know what an invitation might lead into, and you'll never find out if you say no to it...

I greatly appreciate the generosity, prayers and support from each of you, and I will definitely be keeping you all in my prayers. Thank you!

Carleen
Willenbring



Twinned Parish News

No Daily Mass There will be no daily Mass this week Tuesday (Jan 31). Father Aaron is away for some rest and recreation.

Upcoming Mass Time Switch The weekend Masses on February 11 & 12 will be as follows: 4PM at St. Anthony's and 8 & 10 AM at Assumption. This is due to the Cabin Fever Reliever fundraiser at St. Anthony's on the 11th.

Andrew Dinner Dinner with Bishop Kettler (and Bishop-elect Neary!) on February 9th at 6:00PM for 9th-12th grade young men who are possibly considering a vocation to the priesthood. Contact Father Aaron if you are interested or know someone who might be.

Sub Order Reminder Sub orders are due on Monday! Don't miss out on this fun and simple fundraiser for youth activities. You can drop off your forms at the parishes or call/email the faith formation office.

10th Grade NET Retreat Thank you to all those who helped out with and prayed for our 10th grade NET retreat on January 16th. The Holy Spirit was moving as we were blessed with a wonderful NET team and open hearts of our first year Confirmation students.

Year End Giving Statements Your 2022 year end giving statements are now available in church. Please pick up yours soon. Any remaining envelopes after January 31st will be mailed.

Parish App! Have you downloaded the new parish app on your phone yet?! Get it today to help connect you to the parishes via easy access to the bulletin, instant notifications, calendar access and much more! Download our app today at myparishapp.com or search your phone's app store for myparish.



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Assumption Parish News

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, February 1:

5:15 PM Mass: † Orville Meemkin

Friday, February 3:

7:00 AM Mass: † Jim & Mary Sieben

Saturday, February 4:

4:00 PM Mass: † Francis Schoenecker

Sunday, February 5:

8:00 AM Mass: People of the Parishes

Mass Ministries

-Saturday, February 4, 4PM:

Lector: Lona Brutger

Extraordinary Minister of

Communion: Jim Schutz

Rosary: Rose Becker

Hospitality: Molly Zimmerman
& Michelle Brutger

-Sunday, February 5, 8AM:

Lector: Steve Ries

Extraordinary Minister of

Communion: Sharon Schettler

Rosary: Theresa Branstner

Homebound: Donna Bischof

Hospitality: Jim & Linda Thielen

Financial Blessings

January 22, 2023

Adult Env 7000.00

Loose 204.01

Votive 57.50

Total \$7261.51

Monthly Auto Transfers: \$3312

THANK YOU
for your generosity



Family Faith Formation

This Wednesday, February 1st, is Family Faith Formation at Assumption for K-6th graders and parents. Join us at 6pm for Sloppy Joes followed by class at roughly 6:30pm. We look forward to learning with you!

Fellowship Potluck

Please join the Christian Mothers in rosary before 4:00 pm Mass (3:30pm) on January 28th. Then stay after Mass and enjoy a taco bar, playing cards and some comradery with your fellow parish members. If you too would like to add to the menu, feel free to put your name on the signup sheet located in the Narthex, but don't feel obligated.

Adoration Announcement

We have an open hour every other Tuesday morning from 1-2 a.m. If interested please call Rose Becker at 453-7496 or Rita Haan at 453-7865.

Baptized



In Christ



**Maddox
Jacob
Borman**

Son of
Jacob &
Shelby



Sub Sandwich Youth Fundraiser

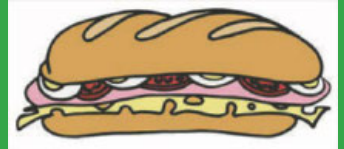
Assumption and St. Anthony are hosting a Pre-Order Sub Sandwich Fundraiser to benefit youth events and activities. Sandwiches are made to your liking with any meat and toppings you choose! The orders will be ready for pick up on Sunday, February 12th from 9-11:30am at Assumption in Eden Valley or 11-Noon at St. Anthony's in Watkins. Contact Bonnie with questions at evwcatholic@gmail.com or 453-5765.

*Looking for adults and high school students to help assemble, organize and hand out subs. Contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com.

*Accepting monetary donations to purchase supplies for the Fundraiser. Drop donations in the collection box (please mark the envelope "Sub Fundraiser Donation"). Thank you kindly for your donation!

Donations needed •Two \$35 donations for roast beef •Two \$30 donations for ham •One \$30 donations for turkey •One \$25 donations for buns

*Looking for bakers to make goodies/treats (Individually packaged please). Contact Bonnie at 453-5765 if you are able to help out.



St. Anthony Parish News

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, January 31:

No Mass

Thursday, February 2:

8:30 AM Mass: CCW

Sunday, February 5:

10:00 AM Mass: † Jim Schreifels

Mass Ministries

Sunday, February 5, 10AM:

Lectors: Amie Vetsch & Kelly Meierhofer

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion: Ruth Geislinger

Mass Servers: Cambel Hesse &

Zackary Heinen

Children's Liturgy: Amanda & Misty

Rosary: Kevin & Erin Donnay & Family

Hospitality: Eric & Kaila Schmitt

Coffee & Rolls: Mindy Heinen

Financial Blessings

January 22, 2023

Adult Env	1575.00
Loose	404.35
Christmas	100.00
Youth	5.00
Votive	54.25
Wkly Auto	770.00
Total	\$2908.60

THANK YOU
for your generosity

Church Cleaners



Jan 29-Feb 11: Dan & Tammy Winter, Chris & Jean Wirz, Mark & Shelby Wirz and Stan & Elaine Welle and families.

Call Theresa at 764-7251 to unlock.

Thrift Store

Thursdays & Saturdays: 9am-12pm

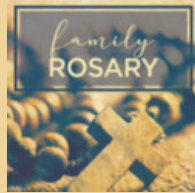
*Closed during funerals



Frozen Soup & Bouja Sale There is left over frozen soup and bouja for sale for \$12 a pail. Contact Larry Flaschenriem at 764-2965 if interested. The Foresters could also use ice cream pails and covers!

2023 Cabin Fever Reliever Tickets! Saturday, February 11th (5-6 PM Social Hour, 6-7 PM Dinner, 8:00 PM Black & Whyte Dueling Pianos show). You can get your tickets after Sunday Masses or at the parish office. We are also looking for donations of high-end auction items, items for the bucket ticket drop and bottles of wine.

Church Project Prayer Ministry Prayer is an important part to any venture, including church projects! If you would like to help pray for the church project in a special, more intentioned way contact Heidi Schoenecker (250-1091) or the parish office. Please join us next Sunday an hour before Mass for a time of Adoration and prayer centered on the parish and our upcoming church project.



Community Rosary and Potluck Join us on Friday, February 3rd @ 6:00 PM at the Keith & Stephani Peters' residence (65987 Meeker Stearns St., Watkins). Bring the family and adish to share. The entire family and individuals of all ages are invited!

First Friday Adoration at the Capitol Friday, Feb 3, 8am departure from Assumption for the MN State Capitol. At least one car will be leaving at 8am, with tentative return to EV at 3pm. We will be doing Adoration for at least one hour and are also planning a visit with Representative Lisa Demuth. Contact Joe Loch or Judy Haag: judy4life@meltel.net or 453-7592. The seminarian visit will take place another month.

Church Project Update

Church Interior Design Meeting After Mass Sun. Feb. 5

I am excited to announce the long-awaited information/dialogue efforts to address the repairs and improvements inside our historic church. A newly formed **Church Interior Renovation Team** has been assembled to manage the process, provide information, facilitate discussion, and review the valuable feedback we anticipate from all interested parishioners. Members include: Theresa Faber, Deacon Phil Henneman, Rich Hesse, Kathy Kramer, Norb Kramer, Cindy Kuechle, and Bill Lorentz (Chair).

All interested parishioners are invited to join us after the 10:00 a.m. Mass on Sunday morning, February 5 in the Social Hall. Coffee and donuts will be provided as we begin our planning efforts. I look forward to the opportunity for all interested parishioners to come, learn, and then share their thoughts and ideas on how we, as a parish family, can renovate our historic church. Please make every effort to join us. Thank you. -Father Aaron

***Helpful videos regarding church decorating can be found on the parish website.**



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YOUTH MINISTRY

Youth Nights The next Sr. High night is Feb 1st at St. Anthony and the next Jr. High night is Feb 8th at Assumption. Confirmation students may help out at JH nights to obtain service hours. If any adult or parent would like found out how they can help with these nights you can contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com.

Extreme Faith Camp This year EFC will be held at Camp Courage in Maple Lake, MN June 12th-16th. Camp is for current 6th-8th graders. EFC will have activities such as wacky olympics, zip-lining, lakeside swimming, fishing, boating, rock climbing, archery, and much much more! And most importantly, Camp will have Jesus as He comes to us through the Sacraments. EFC is led by high schoolers and adults from our parish and other parishes. Current 9th-12th graders are encouraged to register as leaders. The dates for leaders are June 10th-16th. Contact Nancy Jans (evwcatholic@gmail.com) with questions or to register.

Puerto Rico Mission Trip Update & Fundraising Opportunities!

We now have 38 people registered! The Puerto Rico mission trip comes at a considerable cost and our 38 missionaries can use your help!



Money Board

Each parish has a money wall pledge board set up. Each numbered envelope corresponds with a specific dollar amount. If someone takes an envelope, they would be responsible for donating that number of dollars to the parish. The proceeds go towards lowering the total cost of the Puerto Rico Trip. A check would be written out to St. Anthony or Assumption. Please consider donating in this simple and fun way! Let us see if we can get rid of all our envelopes!

*If you have questions about the trip or are interested in offering your support, please contact Sam at 320-630-7590 or evwyouthministry@gmail.com.

Sacraments

Marriage- Couples should contact the parish at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

Baptism- Baptism classes are for parents and expecting parents who are seeking baptism that haven't already taken a class. Contact the parish office to sign up.

Confession- times on cover & by appointment
Anointing of the Sick - contact the parish office when anointing is needed.

Looking to Become Catholic? (RCIA)- The length of time will be suitable to have a significant experience of the parish community and to have a greater knowledge and love of the Catholic faith. Contact the parish office.

Bulletin Deadline Bulletin announcements are due on Tuesdays by noon.

Women's Group: Women's group meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month. We will next meet on February 11th at 8:00-9:30 AM at St. Anthony's.

Community Rosary Night/Potluck: Join us for the next rosary night on Friday, February 3rd at the Keith & Stephani Peters' residence (65987 Meeker Stearns St, Watkins). Starting at 6PM. All are welcome!

Assumption Knights of Columbus: The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8PM at the Assumption Church.

Men's Group: Saturdays, 7:30 AM Rosary, 8-9 AM meeting, at Assumption.

Christian Mothers' Prayers: Christian Mothers' prayers on the 1st Saturday & Sunday of each month after Mass.



The Jackie Boulton Family, Ron Welle, Joyce Manske, the Ley Family, Ellen Libbesmeier, Carol Huberty, Tom Huberty, Jennifer Gruenes and Larry Flaschenriem.

ACC Events:

-January 29th, 8:30AM-12PM, Paynesville Area Catholic Youth Summer Mission Trip Breakfast. St. Louis Church. Pancakes, eggs, sausage and drinks. \$10, 4-10: \$5, 3 and under: free.

-Castaway Youth Retreat "Made for More" Grades 9-12, March 24-26. Prayer, skits, speakers, music, Mass and many more faith-growing opportunities! Contact Hannah Voss for more information, 320-241-3623.

Christ our Hope ACC Weekend Mass Schedule

Saturdays:

5:00PM St. Agnes, Roscoe
(confessions @ 4:00-4:30)

Sundays:

8:00AM St. Margaret, Lake Henry
9:30AM St. Louis, Paynesville

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