

# Church of the Assumption

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# Church of St. Anthony



#### May 14, 2023 • 6th Sunday of Easter



# **6TH SUNDAY OF EASTER**

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"I will ask the Father, and he will give you another Advocate to be with you always, the Spirit of truth." - Jn 14:16-17a

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass 02001, 1998, 1970 CCD

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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

Church of St. Anthony, Watkins / Assumption Church, Eden Valley Assumption St. Anthony Catholics

## **Assumption Church**

www.churchoftheassumptionedenvalley.org

Youth Ministry

evwyouthministry@gmail.com

#### **Mass Times**

Wednesdays	5:15 PM
Fridays	7:00 AM
Saturday	
Sunday	

#### 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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Sunday	

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#### **Twinned Parish Contacts**

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

## **A Message From Father Aaron**



# The Month of our Mother Mary

Dear Friends,

Today our nation celebrates Mother's Day, as we honor and thank our mothers for all the love and care they have given to us throughout our lives. Even women who have

never had children can be a powerful motherly presence to others through their prayer and good works. Our mothers deserve a high place of honor in our families and in our society because they are the very first ones to protect us, nurture us, teach us and help bring us closer to Jesus.

Each year during the beautiful month of May we have the "Crowning of Mary" ceremony. It usually involves the children who have recently received their First Holy Communion processing to a statue of the Blessed Mother and placing a crown of flowers on her head. It is fitting that we honor our Blessed Mother in such a way as she loves and cares for her children deeply. The Blessed Mother protects us, teaches us and brings us closer to her Beloved Son.

In the troubling times we live in our Blessed Mother gives us hope and encouragement. Our Lady of Fatima told the little children back in 1917, "Say the Rosary every day to obtain peace for the world. God wishes to establish in the world devotion to my Immaculate Heart. If people do what I tell you, many souls will be saved and there will be peace."

Here are ways to increase your Marian devotion in this month of May and obtain grace and peace for the world:

- Pray the Rosary daily
- Make a Marian Consecration
- Plant a Marian Garden and place a statue there
- Make a Marian Shrine for prayer in your home or workplace
- Learn more about the Marian apparitions
- Pray the Angelus each day at 6am, Noon, and 6pm
- Have a "go to" Marian prayer, like the Memorare, Hail Mary, or "Mary, Mother of Jesus, be a mother to me now!"

May God bring us all closer to the Heart of his Son through the Heart of his Mother.

"If the hurricanes of temptation rise against you, or you are running upon the rocks of trouble, look to the star - call on Mary!" - Saint Bernard of Clairvaux

In Jesus, through Mary, Father Aaron

### **Twinned Parish News**

## St. Isidore Feast Day Mass

Monday, May 15<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at Assumption. Seeds will be blessed after Mass. There will be a table in to the back of church.

## Father Gone, May 22-29

Fr Aaron will be gone on vacation from May 22-29. There will not be Mass on these weekdays and a visiting priest will be here that weekend.

## **Mission Trip Raffle Tickets!**

Raffle tickets are on sale for \$25 each to support the missionaries going to Puerto Rico! There are 10 cash prizes with a grand prize of \$2,000. Only 500 tickets will be sold! Tickets will be for sale after the weekend Masses or you may contact either parish office or Sam if you would like to purchase one. The drawing will take place after the 10AM Mass on June 4<sup>th</sup>.

## **Upcoming Sunday Mass Swap**

On Sunday, June 11th, Mass at St. Anthony's will be at 8:00 AM and Mass at Assumption will be at 10:00 AM. This is due to a celebration at Assumption for Dan Ruprecht's ordination to the transitional diaconate.

## **Grasshopper Chapel Masses**

Thursday Masses at the Grasshopper Chapel in Cold Spring have started up again. Rosary at 7PM, Mass at 7:30. Assumption/St. Anthony's turn will be on June 1st. There will be no morning Mass at St. Anthony's that day.

#### **Totus Tuus Hosts and Meals**

The Totus Tuus missionaries arrive at Assumption Saturday, July 8th and leave Friday, July 14th. We are in need of two families who live within 10 miles of Assumption to host the missionaries during this time and are in need for families to provide meals during the evening. Contact Sam if interested.

## **Parish Assignments**

The New Ulm Diocese has announced that the St. Anthony Parish will become part of the Shepherd of Souls AFC effective starting June 27<sup>th</sup>. Fr. Jeff Horejsi has been assigned Pastor and Fr. Mike Doyle as Parochial Vicar (Senior Associate) of St. Anthony, Watkins; St. Philip, Litchfield; Our Lady, Manannah; St. John, Darwin – Shepherd of Souls AFC (Area Faith Community).

## **Assumption Parish News**

#### Mass Intentions

Monday, May 15:

7:00 PM Mass: Farmers & Gardeners Wednesday, May 17:

5.15 DM Mass & Harald

5:15 PM Mass: † Harold, Cathy & Gary Meierhofer

Friday, May 19:

7:00 AM Mass: † Richard Branstner

Saturday, May 20:

4:00 PM Mass: † Todd Sieben

Sunday, May 21:

8:00 AM Mass: Christian Mothers

#### **Mass Ministries**

-Saturday, May 20, 4:00 PM:

Lector: Al Mueller Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Jim Schutz Rosary: Rose Becker

**Hospitality:** Joel Braun & Theresa Brantsner

-Sunday, May 21, 8:00 AM:

Lector: John Paul Mead
Extraordinary Minister of
Communion: Steve Schmitt
Rosary: Knights of Columbus
Homebound: Beth Hesse
Hospitality: Dan & Kim Mead
Coffee & Rolls: Knights of Columbus

## **Financial Blessings**

May 7, 2023

Adult Env 1189.00 Loose 402.00 Votive 40.00 **Total** \$1631.00

Monthly Auto Transfers: \$2715



**Mass for Celebration of Marriages, June 4**th With special honor for those celebrating milestone wedding anniversaries, especially 50 years or more. The Christian Mothers would like to acknowledge those couples who will be celebrating milestone anniversaries this year. Those who will be celebrating their 5th, 10th, 15th, 20th, 25th, 30th, 35th, 40th and 50th and above anniversaries will be recognized at the Mass. There will be corsages to wear for couples married for 50 or more years. Please join us after Mass for a reception in the parish hall to recognize these couples.

**Prayers to End Abortion** Join us in prayer on Fridays at 3:00 p.m. at Assumption to pray for a end to Abortion, and to pray for our State and our Country.

**First Communion Congratulations** Congratulations to our second graders on their First Holy Communion! May their love for Jesus grow stronger as they now regularly receive Jesus at Mass in the Eucharist. A picture will be published in the bulletin in two weeks.

**Christian Mother's Meeting** Tuesday, May 16th, 6:30-8:00. We will be discussing the distribution of funds to enhance prayer and family life in the parish, and upcoming events.

**Cemetery Collection** In your collection envelope packet you will find an envelope for the Cemetery Collection. Please consider a gift to the cemetery to help with upkeep to the cemetery grounds and other needs. Please indicate which cemetery you would like your gift to go towards and make your checks payable to that cemetery.

**Ordination of Dan Ruprecht to the Transitional Diaconate** 

-Mass of Ordination will take place at St. Mary's Cathedral, St. Cloud, Sat. June 10th at 10:30AM. All are welcome! For those who would like a ride, we will meet in the Assumption Church parking lot at 9:00 and drive together. There will be a reception at the Cathedral following the Mass.

-Mass at St. Anthony's on Sunday June 11th will be at 8:00 am, and at 10:00 am at Assumption. Please support Dan in prayer as he moves into becoming a Deacon and prepares for his ordination to the Priesthood only one year from now. Dan will be preaching at both Masses.

-Come Celebrate with Dan at Assumption Catholic Church after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, June 11th. The Knights of Columbus and Christian Mothers will be hosting a brunch with pancakes, sausage, fruit, and more!

**Faith Formation Thank You!** We would like to extend a sincere and loving thank you to all who stepped forward to support the Faith Formation Program both at Assumption and St. Anthony's Church. May God Bless everyone that gave of their time, prayers and donations to the program.

- Catechists (teachers/aides)- those in the classrooms teaching, modeling and passing on the faith.
- Speakers witnessing and shining their light on the Good News.
- Tot Lot helpers bringing your smile and love to our younger members.
- Kitchen help for preparing, serving and cleaning up so we could come together as a community.
- Donors for financially supporting with monetary donations toward the food, materials and supplies.
- Parents/guardians for being open to the program but more importantly for being open to the Holy Spirit in walking with your children in faith.
- Prayer warriors for all those that kept our Faith Formation Program and our families in your prayers.
- For Father Aaron, Deacon Phil and the visiting priests for bringing us the sacraments and laying down their life for the Church.

## St. Anthony Parish News

#### **Mass Intentions**

Tuesday, May 16:

9:30 AM Mass: CCW Members

Thursday, May 18:

8:30 AM Mass: † Eldred Froehling

Sunday, May 21:

10:00 AM Mass: People of the Parishes

#### **Mass Ministries**

Sunday, May 21, 10:00 AM:

**Lectors:** Kelly Meierhofer & Mary Ann Hesse

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy Communion:** Emily Piccerillo

Mass Servers: Brennen & Kellen Huberty Ushers: Norb Kramer, Andy Vetsch,

Mike Erpelding & Eric Schmitt Rosary: Kevin & Erin Donnay Family Children's Liturgy: Heidi & Erin Hospitality: Rich & Mary Ann Hesse Coffee & Rolls: Huberty Family

#### **Financial Blessings**

#### May 7, 2023

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 2450.00

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 177.00

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 6.00

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 39.50

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 690.00

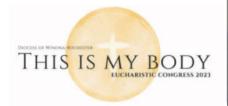
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#### **Church Cleaners**



May 14-27: Ron & Mary Dockendorf, John & Karen Derichs and Brandon and Carrie Draeger and families. Call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.



**Catholic Order of Foresters Meeting** Monday, May 15 at 7:30 p.m. **Attention:** From the St. Anthony Council of Catholic Women (CCW) to all the parishioners of St. Anthony Church going on the Puerto Rico trip. The CCW has Scholarships available. To apply, you need to fill out a Scholarship Application Form. The forms are on the counter in back of the church. The scholarships are for students and chaperons. You can receive up to \$50.00. The application will be reviewed for acceptance by the CCW scholarship committee. You will be notified of the decision. The Scholarship forms are due by June 15. Any questions, call Rachel Kinzer @ 764-2784.

**First Communion Practice & Retreat** for St. Anthony 2nd graders & their parents will be on May 20th 9-12 at St. Anthony's.

**First Communion Sacrament** The 2nd graders & their families have been working hard this spring to prepare themselves to receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist! They will be receiving this Sacrament on Sunday, May 21st. We ask you, our parish community, to keep all these students and their families in your prayers during their final preparations: Dear Lord, we thank You and praise You for the most precious gift of the Holy Eucharist. We ask You to bless all those who are preparing to receive Your Body and Blood for the first time. Receiving the Holy Eucharist is a tremendous blessing, and we ask You to help these children prepare well before receiving You. Please assist all who are preparing to make their First Holy Communion and help us to grow in love for You each day of our lives. Amen.

**Corpus Christi Procession Volunteers** Do you have a special love for the Holy Eucharist? Looking for a special way to honor Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament and spread this devotion to others? Help us plan this year's Corpus Christi procession! The procession this year will take place in Watkins on June 11th. Contact the office or talk to Father if interested.

**Tootsie Roll Drive** The Knights of Columbus will hold the Tootsie Roll Drive after the 10:00 mass on Sunday, May 21. The proceeds are used in helping people with intellectual disabilities. Thank you for your support.

**Parish River Outing** Do you love getting out in your kayak or canoe? Join a group of river trip enthusiasts from the parishes for a short river adventure on the Sauk River between Rockville and the Waite Park Government Office landings. Meet us at the park in Rockville at 1:00 to shuttle vehicles, rain, or shine! We should be done between 4:00 and 5:00. Please bring your own watercraft if you can (we do have extra canoes, etc. to lend), life jackets, spare set of dry clothes, sunscreen, bug spray, etc. Please RSVP to Molly at 320-250-8501.

**This is My Body Eucharistic Congress 2023** The Diocese of Winona-Rochester's Bishop Robert Barron invites all Catholics to come to Mankato Civic Center on June 10, 2023 for a Eucharistic Procession, Mass, Speakers & Music. For more information & to register visit www.eucharist.dowr.org.

The Shepherd of Souls AFC is planning on scheduling a bus for \$22 per person for transportation to and from the event. Departure is from St Philip at 7:15 am returning between 6:30-7pm. All reservations must be made and paid by May 15th. Should we not have enough interest all payments will be refunded. Any questions can be directed to Judy Dunbar, Coordinator of Time and Talent, at  $320-693-3313 \times 105$ ; jdunbar@shepherdofsouls.org.



God's Girls We will have our next meeting for Sunday, May 21st from 2-3:30pm at St. Anthony church. We MINISTRY will do some coloring and read a bible story. God's Girls is a group intended

for grades 7-12 that is peer-led and helps foster fellowship and spiritual growth.

#### **Extreme Faith Camp Extended!**

We still have a few spots open for EFC and registration is now open to 5th graders. All 5th-8th graders are invited as campers! We are also looking for highschool (9th-12th gr) leaders. EFC will be held at Camp Courage in Maple Lake, June 12th-16th. 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 June 10th-16th. leaders are Contact (evwcatholic@gmail.com) with questions or to register.



Vacation Bible **School** Registration VBS "Stellar" is taking off July 31st -August 4th from 9am-12pm at St. Anthony in

Watkins. Each day we'll launch into the vastness of God's great love and discover how to shine Jesus's light! To register your child or ask questions contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com

**TOTUS TUUS Summer Program SAVE THE DATE! July 8th – 14th, 2023** 



Entering Grades 1 – 6 Monday – Friday 9:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m. Cost: \$25

**Entering Grade 7 – 12** Sunday – Thursday 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. Cost: \$10

Totus Tuus is a fun and energetic Catholic youth program taught by seminarians and college students throughout the Diocese of Saint Cloud. From catechetical sessions, Sacraments, and Mass to songs, games, and skits – your child is sure to have fun while learning more about their faith!

Caring & Sharing Hands Donations The Assumption Knights of Columbus & Christian Mothers are organizing a collection drive for the needs of the Caring & Sharing Hands Center. Donations can be brought to the Assumption basement. Questions? Large donation? Call Chuck at 320-221-5021.

#### 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.

Christian Mothers' Prayer Group: 1st and 3rd Saturdays each month. 7:30-8:00 in the adoration chapel; 8-9 downstairs in the faith formation classroom.

Women's Group: 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month at 8:00-9:30 AM at St. Anthony's.

Community Rosary Night/Potluck: Join us for the next rosary night on Saturday, June 3rd at a Father Aaron's. Starting at 5:30 PM.

**Assumption Knights of Columbus: The** 3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday of each month at 7PM 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, Larry Flaschenriem and Patrice Canfield.

## **Christ our Hope ACC Weekend Mass Schedule** Saturdays:

5:00PM St. Margaret, Lake Henry (confessions @ 4:00-4:30)

#### **Sundays:**

8:00AM St. Agnes, Roscoe 9:30AM St. Louis, Paynesville

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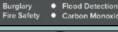


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