

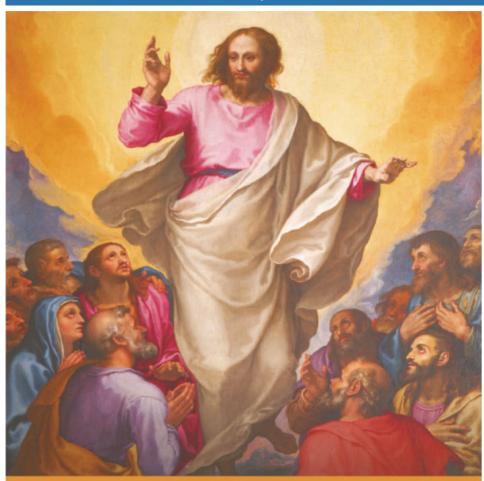
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Church of St. Anthony



May 21, 2023 • The Ascension of the Lord



THE ASCENSION OF THE LORD

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"All power in heaven and on earth has been given to me. Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." - Mt 28:18b-19

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

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Youth Ministry

evwyouthministry@gmail.com

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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Tuesdays: 9:00 AM, Thursdays: 8:00 AM, Sundays: 9:45 AM

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

A Message From Nancy

It has been such a blessing these past two years having the opportunity to serve on the Assumption/St. Anthony parish staff as the Director of Religious Education. From the moment I was hired, both staff and parishioners welcomed me with open arms. As we all now know, since New Ulm and St. Cloud received their new Bishops, many local changes are on the horizon. For myself and my family we have also undergone some recent changes as we welcomed our son, John Paul, into the world. In light of our new family dynamics, my husband, Zach, and did some discerning of our own and decided it is time I work closer to St. Michael where we live and where Zach also works. I recently accepted a position working with 7th-12th grade catechesis at the Church of St. Henry in Monticello. I am excited to fill a similar role and continue working for the Catholic Church at the parish level. However, this is a bitter-sweet change as it will be difficult to leave Assumption and St. Anthony. I apologize for leaving amid this time of parish transition, but I know that this is what's best for my family. Because the changes with Assumption and St. Anthony will occur at the end of June, I will begin my new position at the beginning of July. However, it is not yet decided when my final day at St. Anthony and Assumption will be as I would like to assist with training in a new DRE to ensure the smoothest transition possible.

I would like to express my deepest gratitude to the many Religious Ed. volunteers who made the programs possible. I have been blown away by the depths of generosity displayed by our many K-11th grade catechists, classroom helpers, small group leaders, nursery helpers, kitchen helpers, speakers, and more. Thank you for your witness and your yes to serve the Lord and His people. Thank you also to the parents of the Religious Ed. program, especially those parents of K-6th graders. Thank you for embracing change and taking on the important task of catechizing in the home. Your willingness has been truly inspirational. The St. Anthony and Assumption communities are both warm and personable and I have been so fortunate to serve the families of the parishes. I will miss you all. God Bless,

Nancy Jans

Twinned Parish News

Father Gone This Week, May 22-29

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

Graduation Mass and Blessing

We will be recognizing the class of 2023 graduates from both St. Anthony and Assumption at the 10 am Mass on June 4th at St. Anthony's. Coffee and rolls will be served after Mass. Congratulations to the class of 2023. May God be your guide as you move forward!

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 4th.

Memorial Day Mass

On Monday, May 29th there will be Mass at the St. Anthony Cemetery following the program at the Veteran's Park which starts at 9:30. Please bring your own chair and if the weather is inclement everything will be held at church.

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.

Assumption Parish News

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, May 24:

No Mass

Friday, May 26:

No Mass

Saturday, May 27:

4:00 PM Mass: † Leander Ruhland

Sunday, May 28:

8:00 AM Mass: People of the Parishes

Mass Ministries

-Saturday, May 27, 4:00 PM:

Lector: Lona Brutger
Extraordinary Minister of
Communion: Dean Lemke
Rosary: Rose Becker

Hospitality: Mark Schoenecker & Jerry Arnold

-Sunday, May 28, 8:00 AM:

Lector: Wanda Reiter
Extraordinary Minister of
Communion: Tom Mathies
Rosary: Dan Mead Family
Homebound: Donna Bischof
Hospitality: Reuben Stommes &
Michelle Brutger

Financial Blessings

May 14, 2023

Adult Env 2409.00 Loose 112.00 Votive 78.00 **\$2599.00**

Monthly Auto Transfers: \$2715



Adoration Announcement The Adoration chapel will be closed on Memorial Day, and open at 8:00 a.m. on Tuesday morning the 30th.

Mass for Celebration of Marriages, June 4th

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, 20th, 25th, 30th, 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.

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!

Parish River Outing On June 4th, 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.

Valley Daze Youth Booth The Assumption Church will be hosting a food stand at Valley Daze. Profits help to off-set costs for youth activities. *Looking for families, parishioners and students to help out in the booth Friday, June 23rd and Saturday, June 24th. A shift consists of a 2 hour commitment. Contact Bonnie (282-1468 or evwcatholic@gmail.com) or Sam (320-630-7590 or evwyouthministry@gmail.com).

- *Accepting monetary donations to purchase supplies for the Fundraiser:
- •Eight \$25 donations for beverages •One \$95 donation for the permit •One \$75 donation for the stand fee •Two \$20 donations for popcorn •Five \$50 donations for brats •Five \$25 donations for hot dogs •Five \$30 donations for buns •Two \$10 donations for cheese •Four \$10 donations for chips •Two \$10 donations for popcorn oil •Four \$15 donations for ice •One \$20 donations for dill pickles •Five \$45 donations for pretzels *Donations are being accepted through the collection basket (please mark "Valley Daze Supply Donation"). Thank you very much!

St. Anthony Parish News

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 23:

No Mass

Thursday, May 25:

No Mass

Sunday, May 28:

10:00 AM Mass: † Dorothy Anderson & Family

Mass Ministries

Sunday, May 28, 10:00 AM:

Lectors: Jessie Teicher & Alan Bear **Extraordinary Minister of Holy** Communion: Lori Unterberger Mass Servers: Zackary Heinen & Aiden Meierhofer Ushers: Chad Huberty, Ryan Steichen,

Jason Louwagie & Ralph Vossen

Rosary: Betty Donnay

Children's Liturgy: Amanda & Misty Hospitality: Eric & Kaila Schmitt Family Coffee & Rolls: Louwagie Family

Financial Blessings

May 14, 2023

Adult Env 2490.00 500.50 Loose Easter 200.00 Youth 8.00 Votive 30.00 Wkly Auto 690.00 **Total** \$3918.50



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.



Community Rosary and

Join US on Saturday, June 3rd @ 5:30 PM at Father Aaron's at the Assumption rectory. Bring the family, a dish to share and a chair. Families & individuals of all ages are invited!

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.

Church Cleaning Thank you! Thank you to all of our parishioners who clean the church at their assigned times and to those who take care of things when they see a need! It is appreciated!

First Communion Sacrament Please pray for the The 2nd graders as they receive Jesus for the first time in the Eucharist this weekend! 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.

Church Project Update

Due to the coming change in late June of St. Anthony's joining the Shepherd of Souls Area Faith Community, it has been decided that the capital campaign will be temporarily put on hold. The New Ulm Diocese approved this project several months ago before it began and is aware that it is being put on hold. Father Jeff, who will take over as pastor in June, has met with the committee and looks forward to working on the project after he takes on his duties as pastor of St Anthony's. If you still wish to put forth a donation during this time you are welcome to but all other campaign activities for the project will be put on temporary hold until further notice. Thank you to all the committee members who have worked so hard on this project so far. Thank you to all who have supported the project so far as well, and thank you to everyone for your patience and prayers. -Father Aaron

Hello, this is Fr. Jeff Horeisi communicating a brief message to you. I am to be your new Pastor at the end of June. Bishop Zielinski has asked for a "pause" to the Capital Campaign until I can arrive and begin to interact with the parish council and the committees who have been working on this extensive project. I look forward to being a part of the Campaign and its needed repair and maintenance. Thank you all for your patience in this time of transition. -Father Jeff

Financial Update:

Campaign Financial Goal	\$1,104,000.00
Total Commitments (pledges) & Other Income	\$355,233.76
Remaining Balance to Reach Goal	\$748,766.24
Total Contributions Received	\$209,141.12



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 3rd 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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