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Church of St. Anthony



May 28, 2023 • Pentecost Sunday



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.

Back Row: Ellorie Schreifels, Saffron Jacklitch, Blake Larson, Sadie Schneider, Chase Schmitz, Charlotte Lahr. Front Row: Father Aaron, Hunter Gerding, Knolan Bischof, Roland Jacklitch, Cale Berg, Luciano Lechuga.



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

A Gospel Meditation

I hope you'll acknowledge with me a simple fact: it's not normal to have tongues of fire "part and come to rest" on people. It is actually pretty strange. Yet that is precisely what we celebrate in this feast of Pentecost. How can this mean something to us in our daily lives?

Jews had a tradition that heaven is a temple made of bricks of fire. So, through the apostles, the heavenly temple is coming to earth. But this fire looks like tongues, not bricks. That means that heavenly speech will be crucial to building a dwelling place for God on earth among men and women. So, it's no surprise when the apostles begin to speak in a miraculous way that is understood by all language groups. They are speaking of what God has done in and through Jesus: bringing heaven to earth and uniting all peoples to God and to each other.

How often our speech divides: gossip, slander, insults, and so on. How strange and rare it is when people speak in ways that truly unite instead of divide. Imagine how powerful it would be if you and I began to speak at home, at work, and in our community in a way that made people hear heavenly speech. Imagine if you spoke of the mighty deeds of God in a way that everyone could understand. That's precisely what the Holy Spirit descends upon us to do. Ask Him to come as a tongue of fire to you once again, and He will. Then speak!

— Father John Muir

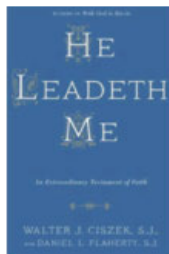


Community Rosary and Potluck

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!

*This evening will also be combined with a Youth Night! Any youth in grades 7-12 are invited to take part as well!

Summer Book Study! Join us this summer as we read the extraordinary story of Father Walter Ciszek, SJ who was captured by the Russian army during World War II and went on to spend 23 years in Soviet prisons and the labor camps of Siberia. Only through an utter reliance on God's will did he manage to endure the extreme hardship. He tells of the courage he found in prayer--a courage that eased the loneliness, the pain, the frustration, the anguish, the fears, the despair. *We will meet on Wednesdays from June 7-July 19 at 6:15-7:30 PM and the location will alternate between the parishes. It's not a long book and if you are not a reader and would still like to join in on the discussion, the book in audio is also available on YouTube. Books will be \$13, please contact Jessie in the office by June 5th to join in and order a book!



Twinned Parish News

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.

Grasshopper Chapel Masses

Thursday Masses at the Grasshopper Chapel in Cold Spring have started up again. Rosary is at 7:00PM, Mass is at 7:30PM. Assumption/St. Anthony's turn will be on June 1st. Bring your own chair. There will be no morning Mass at St. Anthony's that day.

Graduation Mass and Blessing

We will be recognizing the class of 2023 graduates from both St. Anthony and Assumption at the 10AM 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.

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.

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 31:

5:15 PM Mass: † Andrew Rossmeisl

Friday, June 2:

7:00 AM Mass: † Dolores Phillipp

Saturday, June 3:

4:00 PM Mass: People of the Parishes

Sunday, June 4:

8:00 AM Mass: 50+ Years Married

Mass Ministries

-Saturday, June 3, 4:00 PM:

Lector: Shelley Kern

Extraordinary Minister of

Communion: Jody Bauer

Rosary: Bertie Weinmann

Hospitality: Jim & Linda Thielen

-Sunday, June 4, 8:00 AM:

Lector: Tom Mathies

Extraordinary Minister of

Communion: Donna Bischof

Rosary: Theresa Branstner

Homebound: Marge Kuechle

Hospitality: Dan & Kim Mead

Financial Blessings

May 21, 2023

Adult Env	2035.00
Loose	174.00
Easter	50.00
Votive	84.50
Total	\$2343.50

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for your generosity



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. 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. *Please contact the office if you are celebrating your 50th wedding anniversary sometime this year. We would like to honor you by putting your names in the program at the Mass Celebrating Marriages. Thank you!

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.

Diaconate Ordination of Dan Ruprecht/ Corpus Christi Procession

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. There will be a reception at the Cathedral following the Mass.

Mass time Switch: 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 one year from now. Dan will be preaching at both Masses.

Corpus Christi Procession at the Assumption Catholic Church after the 10:00 Mass on Sunday, June 11th. Following the procession a brunch reception for Dan will take place in the parish dining hall. All are welcome, please come to celebrate with Dan!

Corpus Christi Procession Families willing to assist with Procession Adoration Altars, please contact Theresa Branstner (320-492-1796) or Jeanne Schmitz (320-453-5535)

Parish River Outing June 4th, Sauk River between Rockville and the Waite Park Government Office landings. Meet at the park in Rockville at 1:00 to shuttle vehicles, rain, or shine! 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 \$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

Monday, May 29:

Mass at Cemetery: † Ralph Huberty

Tuesday, May 30:

9:30 AM Mass: † Adrian & Lorraine Klein

Thursday, June 1:

7:30 PM Mass @ Grasshopper Chapel:

† Lloyd Ley & Lisa Heinen

Sunday, June 4:

10:00 AM Mass: † Donna Dockendorf

Mass Ministries

Sunday, June 4, 10:00 AM:

Lectors: Michelle Kramer & Jessie Teicher

Extraordinary Minister of Holy

Communion: Lori Dockendorf

Mass Servers: Henry & George Landwehr

Ushers: Nick Vossen, Ron Molitor,

Laurie Molitor, Kenny Asfeld

Rosary: Sharon Simmons

Children's Liturgy: Donna & Rose

Hospitality: Marv & Janet Soldner

Coffee & Rolls: Rich & Mary Ann Hesse

Financial Blessings

May 21, 2023

Adult Env	1990.00
Loose	636.00
Youth	6.00
Votive	60.25
Wkly Auto	690.00
Total	\$3382.25

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Church Cleaners



May 28-June 10: Jim & Betty Donnay, Mike & Lisa Donnay, Andy & Heidi Donnay and families. Call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.



REST IN PEACE

Our heartfelt condolences go out to the family and friends of:

† Jeanne Pearson, 67, who passed away on May 16th. A Celebration of Life even was held on May 22nd.

† Gladys Grossinger, 100, who also passed away on May 16th. A funeral service was held on May 23rd at St. Anthony's

† Lawrence Flaschenreim, 88, who passed away on May 21st. The funeral Mass was held on Saturday, May 27th at St. Anthony's.

Please remember these deceased and their families and friends in your thoughts and prayers at this time.

Funeral Lunch Donations: At our May 2nd CCW meeting it was voted on to resume donating cakes, bars or cookies to funeral lunches. We will be accepting donations for the next funeral. -Kathy Erpelding CCW Co-President

Attention: From the St. Anthony CCW to all the parishioners of St. Anthony Church going on the Puerto Rico trip. The CCW has scholarships available. To apply, fill out a Scholarship Application Form that 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. The Scholarship forms are due by June 15. Any questions, call Rachel Kinzer @ 764-2784.

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 Horejsi 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

YOUTH MINISTRY

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 for leaders are June 10th-16th. Contact us (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!

*To register or for more information please contact Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com

Youth Bonfire Nights Any student in grades 7th-12th are invited to the following nights to enjoy a smoldering bonfire, gooey s'mores, and exhilarating games. The following June dates will all be at the Church of St. Anthony in Watkins: June 7th, June 21st, and June 28th. Times will be from 7:00pm-9:30pm. Always be on the lookout for an email regarding weather or other happenstance. Future dates in July and August will be held at Assumption in Eden Valley.



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, 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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