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Church of St. Anthony



July 17th, 2022 • 16th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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The Lord said to her in reply, "Martha, Martha, you are anxious and worried about many things. There is need of only one thing. Mary has chosen the better part and it will not be taken from her." - Lk 10:41-42

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass @2001, 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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Mass Times

Wednesdays	5:45	PM
Fridays		
Saturday		
Sunday		

Reconciliation

Wed: 5:15 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 Secretary DRE RE Assistant Youth Minister Father Aaron Nett Jessica Teicher Nancy Jans Bonnie Meyer Sam Mettler

A Message from Father Aaron Family Faith Formation

Dear Friends,

This coming fall the parishes of Assumption and St. Anthony's will be moving into a family faith formation program. We are excited about this new opportunity for our students and families! The program provides the ability for families to learn and grow in their faith together, which is the vision that the church holds."Family Formation is designed to help the parents respond to the Church's call to be "the first and foremost educators of their children" and to help families grow in the transforming love of God by understanding and living the Catholic Faith." *Gravissimum Educationis*, 3

This decision was made after a few years of researching and consulting with different parishes, parish staff and pastors, speaking with parish staff, parents and the Core Team, an open meeting on the family program and a lot of prayer.

After hearing the repeated concerns of volunteers and accessing the reality of the situation in our current times it seemed that a change was inevitable. Some main concerns were; many of the youth and their families aren't going to Mass, the youth aren't retaining what they are learning because it isn't being nurtured at home, the parish staff never get the opportunity to meet or talk to the parents of our students, and behavioral issues in our classrooms are on the rise. Statistics tells us that 79% of those who leave the Catholic faith leave before the age of 23. So clearly, as a Universal Church, we need to adapt to these devastating new realities impacting Catholic youth. We believe the largest contributing factor is whether or not faith is fostered at home. Parents catechize their children, whether they realize it or not, by their actions (placing activities or sports above Mass or not praying as a family is teaching the children something).

On June 8th three members of the staff from the Catholic Church of St. Paul's in Ham Lake, Minnesota came to present on the family formation program they have provided for over thirty years. Over 200 parishes have adopted their program. Caroline passionately shared that family faith formation brought her family back to church again and it changed her family profoundly. Over the years their parish has seen, to name a few; an increase in Mass attendance, increased youth involvement, and increase in membership to the parish, vocations to religious life, and an increase in volunteering.

As a pastor, what excites me most about family formation is the ability for the parents to continue to learn, grow in and love their faith and pass on this treasure to their children. Our Catholic Faith is a deep treasure chest, but we must not let it be a buried treasure! Please keep the family faith formation program in your prayers. May we be open to all God wants for us!

> God bless you, Father Aaron

Twinned Parish News

No Tuesday or Wednesday

Mass There will be no daily Mass on Tuesday or Wednesday this week due to Father being gone.

Vacation Bible School 2022

We still have a few limited spots available for VBS August 1st-5th at St. Anthony's. Make sure to register your child(ren) soon to reserve your spot! Cost is \$15 for incoming preK-4th grade. Older children are encouraged to help out for free. We are also looking for adult snack help during the week. We are looking for a variety of items to be donated/borrowed for VBS use:

- -An old unwanted bowling ball, or a kettlebell (this can be returned).
- -10 ft of paracord
- -Empty Spray Bottles
- -Small donation for groceries for skits. *If you are able to help with snack time or have any of these items contact Sam or either parish office.

Christ Our Hope ACC (Area Catholic Community) Pastoral Council

On July 12th, the new ACC Pastoral Council met for the first time. The council consists of two members from each parish. The council will primarily address the spiritual needs of the parishes and will address both the needs of the ACC and the needs of each individual parish. The council members are as follows: Karla & Adam Hemmesch from St. Margaret's, Lake Henry; Michael Osendorf & Mary-Margaret Symanietz from St. Agnes, Roscoe; Jerald Ouarfot & Rachel Braun from St. Louis, Paynesville; Ron Ruhland & Perry Lemke from Assumption and Josh Pikula & Erin Donnay from St. Anthony's. Thank you to each of these members for serving on the council!

Assumption Parish News

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, July 20: No Mass

Friday, July 22:

7:00 AM Mass: † Dorothy Ludwig

Saturday, July 23:

4:00 PM Mass: People of the Parishes

Sunday, July 24:

8:00 AM Mass: † Carol Braun

Mass Ministries

-Saturday, July 23, 4PM:

Lector: Shelley Kern Extraordinary Minister of Communion: Dean Lemke Rosary Leader: Perry Lemke

Hospitality: Reuben Stommes & Helen Grothe

-Sunday, July 24, 8AM:

Lector: Wanda Reiter **Extraordinary Minister of** Communion: Steve Ries Rosary Leader: Cyrilla Nohner Homebound: Sherri Zieglmeier Hospitality: Jenni & Amber Scherer Coffee & Rolls: Rita Haan & Delores Stommes

Financial Blessings

	4/3/22	4/10/22
Adult Env	2878.00	1296.00
Loose	169.00	102.00
Votive	27.00	86.00
Total	\$3074.00	\$1484.00

Total Monthly Auto Transfers: \$2215 (Not included in the above totals)





Wade Arthur Ruhland Son of **James and Linda**

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

† Ella Peterson, 90, who passed away on July 3rd. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on July 29th Cathedral of the Immaculate Conception Catholic

Church in Crookston, MN.

† Carol Bacon, 81, who passed away on July 3rd. A Mass of Christian Burial will be held on July 26th at the Assumption Church at 11AM. Please remember Ella and Carol and their family and friends in a special way in your prayers.

Annual Christian Women Meeting The annual Christian Women meeting will be on Wednesday, July 27th after the 5:45 PM Mass at Assumption.

2022 FALL DINNER/RAFFLE INFORMATION

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS: Your generosity & past support always assures a successful annual raffle! We are reaching out to you, our parish community, to once again put together a great raffle ticket that we can sell proudly and successfully! We would appreciate all donation commitments by Wednesday July 27th! To contribute an item(s) please contact one of the Raffle Committee Chairs:

Steve Schmitt 320 333 0655 or Sheri Blonigen 320 248 4617

Contact Information Winner! Congratulations to Peter & Sherri Zieglmeier, winners of a \$50 gift certificate to Lost & Found in Eden Valley. Thank you to everyone else who submitted their contact information to the parish to help update our records!

Stewardship as a Way of Life "Take care to quard against all greed, for though one may be rich, one's life does not consist of possessions" (Luke 12:15). The Gospel message is contrary to modern culture, which continually tries to convince us that our joy comes from the material things we possess. That the more we acquire, the happier we will be. Jesus shows us that our true joy comes from our "invisible" gifts like love, mercy and forgiveness. True joy comes from "emptying" ourselves, giving of ourselves rather than always taking. We are called not to hoard but to share. True joy comes from living a grateful and generous lifestyle; become more "God-centered" & less "self-centered."



festival committee is looking for your help! They are seeking items

for a silent auction. All items must be new and any amounts are welcome! Gift cards, themed baskets, games, crafts, etc. Feel free to be creative with your baskets or you can donate money to put towards creating baskets. You can drop off your items and baskets at Lost & Found or downstairs in the religion room. Monetary donations can be given at the office, by mail or dropped in the collection. Just mark your envelope "silent auction". Thank you for your help in making this year's festival a success!

St. Anthony Parish News

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 19: No Mass

Thursday, July 21:

8:30 AM Mass: † Loretta Stenger

Sunday, July 24:

10:00 AM Mass: † Carol Lou Fuchs

Mass Ministries

Sunday, July 24, 10AM:

Lectors: Tammy Winter & Jessie Teicher
Extraordinary Minister of Holy
Communion: Ruth Geislinger
Mass Servers: Anna & Isaac Kramer
Children's Liturgy: Amanda & Misty
Rosary Leader: Lori Dockendorf
Hospitality: Emily Piccerillo & Nettie Holtz

Financial Blessings

Coffee & Rolls: Kramer Family

	4/3/22	4/10/22
Adult Env	1760.00	1625.00
Loose	220.00	249.00
Youth	6.00	6.00
Votive	35.68	225.25
Wkly Auto	750.00	750.00
Total	\$2771.68	\$2855.25



Thrift Store

Thursdays & Saturdays: 9am-12pm *Closed during funerals

Church Cleaners



July 17-30: Jeanne Olson & Keith Faber, Dave & Mary Neisen, Don & Jean Neisen, Dave & Audrey Oster and families.

*Call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.

The New Bishop of New Ulm!

Our Holy Father, Pope Francis, has appointed Bishop Chad W. Zielinski as the fifth bishop of the Diocese of New Ulm. The appointment was made in Rome on July 12th. Since August 6, 2020, we have been praying for the appointment of a new shepherd. Our prayers have been answered. Bishop Zielinski has been serving as the Bishop of Fairbanks, Alaska, since 2014. A date for Bishop Zielinski's installation is set for Tuesday, September 27, 2022.

Bishop Zielinski was born on September 8, 1964, in Detroit and grew up on a



farm in Alpena in the Diocese of Gaylord, Michigan. After graduating from Alpena High School in 1982, he enlisted in the U.S. Air Force. At this time, he felt a call to serve God as a priest. Having completed his tour of duty in 1986, he entered Mount Angel Seminary in St. Benedict, Oregon. He was accepted as a seminarian for the Diocese of Gaylord and entered Sacred Heart Major Seminary in Detroit to complete his spiritual formation and theological studies. He was ordained to the priesthood by Bishop Patrick R. Cooney at St. Mary Cathedral in Gaylord on June 8, 1996.

St. Anthony Festival Planning Meeting

It's the time of year again to start planning this year's parish festival. And once again we are looking for more help in planning. Anyone is welcome to come help, but we are especially asking the chairs and co-chairs from each stand to come and be part of the planning. We can't continue having the same few people heading this up each year, we need more help. The work of many can make this a manageable and fun endeavor! We will meeting on Tuesday, July 26th at 7PM at St. Anthony's. Even just to come to this meeting to share your ideas and opinions is a great help! The more input we can get ensures a successful event and a fun time for everyone.

Contact Information Winner!

Congratulations to Terry & Lori Serbus, winners of a \$50 gift certificate to Lost & Found in Eden Valley. Thank you to everyone else who submitted their contact information to the parish to help update our records!

The Precious Blood of Jesus

Devotion to the Precious Blood of Jesus is an ancient devotion, one that has biblical roots in venerating the blood of Christ poured out for all humanity. Here is a traditional prayer to God, asking for grace to be poured out upon all your friends and family members, through the merits of the Precious Blood of Jesus.

Eternal Father! I offer Thee the merits
of the Precious Blood of Jesus,
Thy well-beloved Son, my Savior and my God,
for all my relations, friends, and enemies;
for the poor, the sick, and the afflicted,
and for all those for whom you, my God, know
that I ought to pray, or would have me pray.
Amen.



Youth Bonfire Nights

Youth Bonfire nights are here again! These are for anyone 7th-12th grade



from 7:30pm-9:30pm. There will be

games and s'mores! The next one will be July 19th at Assumption.

God's Girls The next God's Girls meeting will be at St. Anthony on July 24th from 2:00-3:30. We will be doing some coloring and if the weather is nice we'll also use sidewalk chalk. We will also read a bible story.

In Search of ...another bean bag game for the youth group. Contact Sam if you have a set or would be willing to donate towards one. Thank you to the individual who already donated a game!

Vacation Bible School This year's VBS will be MONUMENTAL! At Monumental VBS, kids celebrate God's greatness! Monumental is filled with awesome Bible-learning experiences kids see, hear, and touch! Sciency-Fun Gizmos™, team-building games, unforgettable Bible songs, and tasty treats are just a few of the standout activities that help faith flow into real life.

What - Vacation Bible School
Where - St. Anthony's Catholic Church, Watkins
When - August 1st-5th, 9am-12pm.

For - Next year's preK-4th, 5th and up can help!

*To register for Vacation Bible School email Sam at evwyouthministry@gmail.com or follow the links on the parish websites.



Seeking Youth Game Donations The Youth Ministry program would like to invest in a "9-Square in the Air" game. This game was a big hit at our recent EFC camp and will be a popular item for young kids (and adults!) at youth nights, church festivals, etc. It's mobile and has adjustable heights.

To get a high quality game that will last, it will cost over \$500. If you would like to help the parishes purchase this game we would gladly accept donations. Thank you!



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. The next class will be offered on June 25th at 9:30 AM at Assumption. 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.

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 to sign up.

Bulletin Deadline Bulletin announcements are due on Tuesdays by noon.

Women's Group: We will next meet on July 23rd at 7:00-8:30 AM at St. Anthony's

Community Rosary Night/Potluck:

Friday, August 5th at 6:00PM at a location TBD. Potluck at 6, rosary at 7, with campfire and fellowship to follow!

Assumption Knights of Columbus: The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 7PM at the Assumption Church.

Men's Group: Saturdays, 7:30 AM Rosary, 8-9 AM meeting, at Assumption. Join us for a morning of reflection & fellowship.



Remember in Your Prayers...

Jackie Boulton Family, Ron Welle, Joyce Manske, the Ley Family, Ellen Libbesmeier, and Janice Zobeck.

<u>Christ our Hope ACC</u> 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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