



# Church of the Assumption

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# Church of St. Anthony



August 14th, 2022 • 20th Sunday in Ordinary Time



## 20<sup>TH</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"There is a baptism with which I must be baptized, and how great is my anguish until it is accomplished! Do you think that I have come to establish peace on the earth? No, I tell you, but rather division. From now on a household of five will be divided, three against two and two against three." - Lk 12:50-52

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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  
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Wednesdays.....5:45 PM  
Fridays.....7:00 AM  
Saturday.....4:00 PM  
Sunday.....8:00 AM

#### 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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Tuesdays.....9:30 AM  
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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 Gospel Meditation

An inward transformation occurs in a person who decides to follow Jesus Christ. Things change. They see the world differently, understand their journey more deeply and profoundly, have their sights fixed on eternity and union with God and hold themselves to higher standards and virtues. It requires a conscious choice to be a Christian, and this choice must be renewed at least daily. While the basic premise of Jesus' message may appear heartwarming and straightforward: love of God, neighbor, and self, the implications of doing so are challenging. The true disciple is called to live radically, and often finds themselves at odds with the world or even with those in their own homes.

Holding ourselves to higher standards comes with a price. We have to leave other things behind. It is difficult to be people of faith, hope, and love in a world often fixated with its own fulfillment and self-absorption. Justice, temperance, prudence, and fortitude require sacrifice if they are to be lived with integrity. God's ways are not ours. This becomes crystal clear to those who have enough courage to stand against the tide. Putting love into action requires that we challenge accepted modes of doing business and fight complacency. This is what makes the saints stand out as witnesses. They are simply sinners, just like us, who persevere.

People do not want to be told that they're sailing their ships in the wrong direction. Clinging to their insistence and need to be correct, they can become defensive when challenged. This can happen even with those closest to us. As much as the Gospel calls us to unity, it also can easily create division. When we love seriously, we encounter more than feelings of warmth and acceptance. "What does love look like? It has the hands to help others. It has the feet to hasten to the poor and needy. It has eyes to see misery and want. It has the ears to hear the sighs and sorrows of men. That is what love looks like (St. Augustine)." Love also has the courage and honesty to tell people what they may not want to hear but need to, and model, without wavering, a life of humble, loving, and faithful service. Don't lose heart! There are many examples of faith before us and around us. If Jesus endured the voices of opposition, so too can we. There is no need to apologize for speaking the truth.



## Twinned Parish News

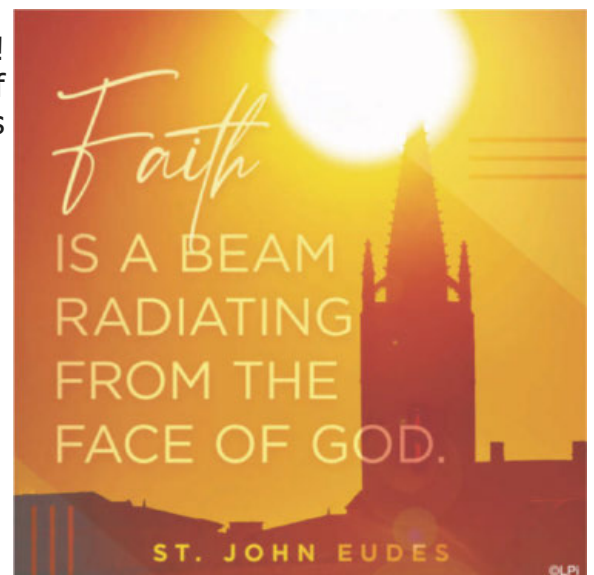
**Assumption of Mary Mass** There will be a Mass on August 15<sup>th</sup> at 7PM at Assumption to celebrate the feast of Our Lady's Assumption into heaven. This is not a Holy Day of obligation this year, but you are encouraged to attend this great solemnity! We will be offering something special for this Mass and will be chanting the introit, psalm, offertory antiphon, and communion antiphon, all in English. The Kyrie, Gloria in excelsis Deo, Sanctus, and Agnus Dei will also be chanted.

### Upcoming Mass Change

The Sunday Masses for August 28<sup>th</sup> will be flipped; the 8AM Mass will be at St. Anthony and Assumption will have Mass at 10AM due to Assumptionfest.

### Attention Faith Formation Families!

Please be on the lookout for your Faith Formation registration paperwork in the mail. A calendar, family letter, and registration form should have been sent to all Assumption and St. Anthony Families. Please contact the faith formation office if you have not received your paperwork. Extra registration paperwork can be found in a basket at the back of each church. Registrations and payments are due Sunday, August 21st.





## Assumption Parish News

### Mass Intentions

#### Monday, August 15:

7:00 PM: † George N Ruhland

#### Wednesday, August 17:

5:45 PM Mass: † Marie Thielen

#### Friday, August 19:

7:00 AM Mass: Christian Women

#### Saturday, August 20:

4:00 PM Mass: People of the Parishes

#### Sunday, August 21:

8:00 AM Mass: † Elmer Stommes, Sr.

### Mass Ministries

#### **-Monday, August 15, 7PM:**

**Lector:** Denise Nohner

**Extraordinary Minister of**

**Communion:** Donna Bischof

#### **-Saturday, August 20, 4PM:**

**Lector:** Shelley Kern

**Extraordinary Minister of**

**Communion:** Ron Ruhland

**Rosary Leader:** Rosemary Becker

**Hospitality:** Becky Haag & Janet Binsfeld

#### **-Sunday, August 21, 8AM:**

**Lector:** Sarah Kneip

**Extraordinary Minister of**

**Communion:** Jenny Evens

**Rosary Leader:** Knights of Columbus

**Homebound:** Donna Bischof

**Hospitality:** Jenni & Amber Scherer

**Coffee & Rolls:** Knight of Columbus

### Looking for new teachers, classroom aides, nursery helpers, and kitchen helpers

-The Assumption Family Faith Formation program is looking for volunteers to help on the first Wednesday of each month from 6-8pm with teaching in the classrooms, aiding our teachers in the classroom, helpers for the nursery, and helpers in the kitchen.

-We are also looking to fill a couple of teacher and aide roles for our 7th-10th grade classrooms. This commitment typically falls on the 3rd and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8pm. -Please contact Nancy in the Faith Formation office if you are interested in hearing more about these roles (evwcatholic@gmail.com, 320-453-5765).

**Blood Drive** The American Red Cross will be in Eden Valley on Monday, August 15th from Noon – 6pm at Eden Valley Community Center (145 Cossairt Ave East). Schedule your appointment by calling 1-800-Red Cross, visiting [www.redcrossblood.org](http://www.redcrossblood.org), clicking on the Blood Donor App or contacting Bonnie at 320-282-1468 or [mbmeyer@meltel.net](mailto:mbmeyer@meltel.net). Reminders: \*Identification needed to donate \*Complete your Rapid Pass online on the day of the drive at <https://www.redcrossblood.org/> or on the donor App.



The Assumption parish is happy to welcome a new member to our parish family! Please join us in welcoming **Lisa Babcock** to the parish!

### Financial Blessings

The financial information for this past weekend was not available due to the early bulletin deadline.

# Assumption Fest

A JOYFUL CELEBRATION IN THE VALLEY

**FOOD, FUN & FELLOWSHIP FOR THE WHOLE FAMILY**

Live Music

Live & Silent Auction Items

Wagyu burgers & Brats

Beer Garden

Brownie Sundaes

Cake Walk

Kid, Teen & Adult Activities

Sunday,  
August 28th  
following the  
10am Mass

No Entry Fee  
Community  
Event  
All are  
welcome!

**Assumption Parish**  
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This year's Assumption Fest is coming up fast and the festival committee is looking for your help!

**Silent auction items** All items must be new and any amounts are welcome! Gift cards, themed baskets, games, crafts, etc. You can also donate money to put towards creating baskets. You can drop off your items and baskets at Lost & Found or downstairs in the religion room.

**Baked Goods for the Cake Walk** Cakes, cookies, bars, pies etc. These can be homemade or store bought and can be dropped off in the narthex on August 27th or Sunday morning on the 28th.

**!!Attention Cake Decorators** We are having a cake decorating contest with our Cake Walk! Please bring your decorated cake by noon to the narthex. There will be judging at 12:30 for the 5 best decorated cakes. 1st Place: \$50, 2nd: \$25, and 3rd, 4th & 5th places: \$10 each. The winners will be announced at the Live Auction at 1pm. The 5 winners' cakes will be auctioned off during the live auction.

**Volunteers Needed!** Sign-up sheets for work shifts are on a table in the Narthex. There is a need for workers to help with children's games, cake-walk, silent auction, and setup and take down.

## St. Anthony Parish News

### Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, August 16:

9:30 AM Mass: † Fran Meierhofer

#### Thursday, August 18:

8:30 AM Mass: CCW Members

#### Sunday, August 21:

10:00 AM Mass: † Alayna Ertl

### Mass Ministries

#### **Sunday, August 21, 10AM:**

**Lectors:** Michelle Kramer & Amie Vetsch

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy**

**Communion:** Lori Unterberger

**Mass Servers:** Henry & George Landwehr

**Children's Liturgy:** Amanda & Misty

**Rosary Leader:** Sharon Simmons

**Hospitality:** Margi Schreifels & Jessie Teicher

**Coffee & Rolls:** Kevin & Erin Donnay

### Financial Blessings

The financial information for this past weekend was not available due to the early bulletin deadline and will be published next week.

### Thrift Store

Thursdays & Saturdays: 9am-12pm

\*Closed during funerals

### Church Cleaners



August 14-27: Joe & Doris Rathmann, Brian & Lisa Plantenberg, Rick & Mandy Reikofski and Sherman & Jenny Roeser and families.

\*Call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.



The Church of St. Anthony is happy to welcome new members to our parish family! Please join us in welcoming **Tyler & Casey (Schlangen) Wurm** to the parish!



Marissa Willenbring will be marrying Mark Thelen on Saturday, August 27th at the Church of St. Anthony.

## St. Anthony Parish Fall Festival News

**Sunday, September 11th 10AM-5PM**

**LESS THAN A MONTH AWAY!!**



**Raffle Books:** we ask that each household do their best to buy/sell 2 books. You can pick up your books before/after the Sunday Masses or at the office. Those who sell 2 or more books will be put into a drawing to win \$100!



**Worker's Lists:** The worker's sign-up lists are now available in church. Sign up today for your favorite shift!

### **Items needed for the festival:**

-Silent Auction items & donations. Questions? Call Cindy at 320-420-5089.

-Prizes for Kid's Games

-Pies for the Pie & Ice Cream Stand

-Baked goods for the bake walk (homemade or store-bought)

-Garden items or homemade canned goods for the Farmer's Market

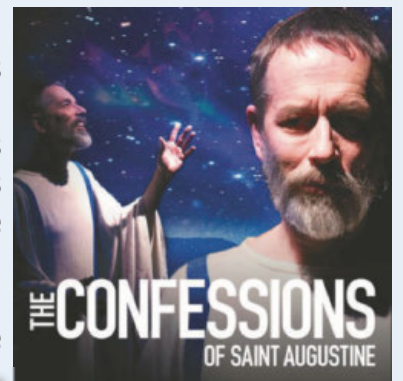
\*If you are unable to donate any of the above items cash donations will also graciously be accepted. Thank you!!

**Cemetery Meeting** St. Anthony Cemetery Committee annual meeting Thursday, August 25, 2PM in the parish social hall.

**Looking for new teachers, classroom aides, nursery helpers, and kitchen helpers** -The St. Anthony Family Faith Formation program is looking for volunteers to help on the second Wednesday of each month from 6-8pm with teaching in the classrooms, aiding our teachers in the classroom, helpers for the nursery, and helpers in the kitchen. -We are also looking to fill a couple of teacher and aide roles for our 7th-10th grade classrooms. This commitment typically falls on the 3rd and fourth Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8pm. -Please contact Nancy in the Faith Formation office if you are interested in hearing more about these roles (evwcatholic@gmail.com, 320-453-5765).

### **The Confessions of St. Augustine**

The Confessions of St. Augustine is considered one of the greatest Christian classics of all time. Augustine wrote this famous autobiography to confess his sins and proclaim God's glory. As we celebrate the Feast of St. Augustine on August 28th, we invite you to enter into this great spiritual classic with this audio drama from Saint Luke Productions.



**To sign up for FORMED:** Visit FORMED.org, click "Sign Up", Select "I belong to a Parish or Organization", find your parish by name or zip (55329 or 55389), enter your email.



# YOUTH MINISTRY

## Youth Bonfire Nights

Youth Bonfire nights are for anyone 7th-12th grade from 7:30pm-9:30pm.



There will be games and s'mores! The next one will be August 30th at Assumption.

## Bona Fide High School Group

As Youth Minister, I would like to give high school leaders the best environment to thrive and grow in their Catholic faith. As parish staff, we are excited to allow high schoolers (incoming grades 9-12) to become members of the discipleship group Bona Fide. Bona Fide is a Latin phrase that means to act in good faith, to be genuine, or to be authentic. Being a true disciple of Jesus calls us to act in authenticity. If we want to be close to Jesus, we need to be genuine with Him. But, we need to show our readiness to be disciples through acts of discipline. Bona Fide will have some requirements that will help each high school student develop a prayer routine and continue to spiritually grow.

### Bona Fide requirements and commitments:

- Go to Sunday Mass every week and Masses of Obligation when they occur.
- Strive to attend one daily Mass a week outside of Sunday Mass.
- Live a life that follows Church standards, for example; practice sobriety, refrain from using the Lord's name in vain and foul language, and practice chastity.
- Go to confession once a month and as needed.
- Meet with your small group inside Bona Fide twice a month.
- Set aside time to pray for 15+ minutes every day.
- Commit to a Holy Hour in Adoration for one hour a month.
- Attend a Bona Fide meeting once a month.
- Keep a one year commitment to Bona Fide.
- Show willingness to help out at various events, like youth ministry nights, VBS, etc.

If you are interested in joining this team and forming friendships that are faith-based, respond to this email with your reasons for desiring to join. Your response is your application. After responses flow in, a meeting time will be set up.



## 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.

**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:** Women's group meets on the 2nd and 4th Saturdays each month. We will next meet on August 27th at 7:00-8:30 AM at St. Anthony's

**Community Rosary Night/Potluck:** Friday, September 2nd at 6:00PM at 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

## 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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