



# Church of the Assumption

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# Church of St. Anthony



September 11th, 2022 • 24th Sunday in Ordinary Time



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

"I tell you, there will be rejoicing among the angels of God over one sinner who repents."  
- Lk 15:10

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

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

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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  
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Tuesdays .....9:30 AM  
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Sunday.....10:00 AM

#### Reconciliation

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Sundays: 9:45 AM

#### Eucharistic Adoration

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#### Office Hours

Mon: 8-12, Tues: 8-4  
Thurs: 8-4 (hours may vary)

#### Twinned Parish Contacts

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

## **A Message from Father Aaron**

### **The Church: The Holy Temple of God, Where Heaven Meets Earth**

Dear Friends,

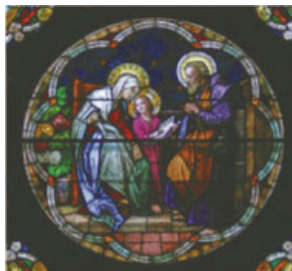
The greatest privilege I have as a priest is being able to offer Mass for the faithful, not just on Sundays, but every single day. The Mass is where heaven meets earth. Pope Saint Gregory the Great once said, "The heavens open and multitudes of angels come to assist in the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass." It is the divine encounter with God in the Mass that each Church is essentially designed for. In the Gloria each Sunday we sing, "We praise you, we bless you we glorify you. We give you thanks for your great glory. Lord God Heavenly King, O God Almighty Father." The Church is made to be a Holy Temple of the Most High God that gives us an experience of heaven on earth.

The documents of the Second Vatican Council relating to art and architecture are in complete continuity with the Church's great tradition, even as they set certain guidelines for the liturgical renewal. The document on the Sacred Liturgy called, *Sacrosanctum Concilium*, asked that sacred art be composed of "signs and symbols of heavenly realities" that were meant to be expressive of "God's boundless beauty" (SC, 122). It also asked that all sacred arts be "in accordance with faith, piety, and cherished traditional laws" (SC, 122). The document actually asked that churches strive for "noble beauty" (SC, 124).

We are very blessed in the parishes of Assumption and St. Anthony's, to have two beautiful Houses of Worship that were built by the people who have gone before us with great detail, effort and faith poured into them. Did you know that each Church was built (St. Anthony's in 1912 and Assumption in 1894) in the shape of a crucifix? (When viewed from the sky looking down upon the church)

We are all stewards of these great Houses of Worship and the torch is now passed on to us to keep them beautiful and leave them even better than we have found them, so as to pass on the rich tradition to the next generations of worshippers. Please keep the St. Anthony's building project in your prayers as we seek to glorify His Name and His House, where heaven meets earth.

God bless you,  
Father Aaron



## **Twinned Parish News**

### **Parishioner Donations for Family Gift**

For our Family Faith Formation Program, families are encouraged to build a prayer table. To help them begin this mission of fostering prayer in the home, we would like to gift each family in the program with a beautiful table crucifix. However, with this new program there are many new expenses coming our way and we are looking for a little help fundraising for this beautiful prayer-oriented gift. If you are interested in donating any amount, please place your donation in a marked envelope to be given to the parish office or the Sunday collection basket. Thank you for your support! God Bless!



### **Exaltation of the Holy Cross**

We will be using the English antiphons and Latin Mass parts for this Feast on Wednesday, September 14<sup>th</sup> at 5:15pm. All are welcome!

**Sacristan Help** We are looking for volunteers to help set up for the daily and weekend Masses for both parishes. This is a special way to assist in the Mass! Contact Father or the office if you are interested.

### **Food or Supplies for Family Faith Formation**

We will be providing a light supper to our families when they meet once a month for Family Faith Formation Nights. Are you able to donate money to help offset the cost? Do you have bulk food, like ground beef, that you could donate toward these meals? If so, please either call our office at 453-5765 or drop your monetary donation in the collection marked "Food for Faith Formation Nights". Thank you for your support.

### **Haven't Registered for Faith Formation?**

The Faith Formation office is still accepting registration paperwork. Extra forms can be found on the "Faith Formation" tab of the parish website or in the back of the church. Forms can be emailed to [ewwcatholic@gmail.com](mailto:ewwcatholic@gmail.com), given to the parish office, placed in the basket in the back of the church, or placed in the Sunday collection basket.



## Assumption Parish News

### Mass Intentions

**Wednesday, September 14:**

**5:15 PM Mass:** † George N Ruhland

**Friday, September 16:**

7:00 AM Mass: † Harold Meierhofer

**Saturday, September 17:**

4:00 PM Mass: † Allen Babcock

**Sunday, September 18:**

8:00 AM Mass: People of the Parishes

### Mass Ministries

**-Saturday, September 17, 4PM:**

**Lector:** Shelley Kern

**Extraordinary Minister of**

**Communion:** Jeanne Schmitz

**Rosary Leader:** Larry & Jeanne Schmitz

**Hospitality:** Janet Binsfeld & Jerry Arnold

**-Sunday, September 18, 8AM:**

**Lector:** Linda Thielen

**Extraordinary Minister of**

**Communion:** Chad Field

**Rosary Leader:** Knights of Columbus

**Homebound:** Sheri Zieglmeier

**Hospitality:** Becky Haag & Jamie Ries

**Coffee & Rolls:** Knights of Columbus

### Financial Blessings

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



### Young Adult Night

Wednesday, September 14th.

We will start with Mass at 5:15PM at Assumption, followed by a bonfire at the St. Anthony's rectory in Watkins. If you can't make it to Mass, please join us at the rectory around 6:15. We hope to see you there!

### Assumption Fest Thank You!

The Festival Committee would like to thank everyone who made the Assumption Fest a success this year! Thank you goes out to those who contributed to the silent auction, live auction, bake walk, children's games and food stands; to those who worked at the fest, or contributed their time and talents to the event; and to those who purchased items from the auctions and stands. May God bless you abundantly!

### **\*Updated: Looking for new teachers, classroom aides, nursery helpers, and kitchen helpers**

We are looking for a teacher and an aide to help in the 5th grade classroom during Family Faith Formation on the first Wednesday of each month from 6-8pm. We are also looking for kitchen helpers for these same nights. Additionally, we are in need of a 10th grade teacher to help on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8pm. Please contact Nancy in the Faith Formation Office if you are interested in volunteering (evwcatholic@gmail.com).

**Did you Know?** Did you know that the St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud offers a 6:00PM Mass on Sundays?! This is a great option if you are out of town for the weekend and can't find Mass where you are at!

### 40 DAYS FOR LIFE FALL

#### **CAMPAIGN is SEPT 28 TO NOV 6**

We will again be doing VIGIL on the public sidewalk in front of Planned Parenthood (451 East St Germain, St Cloud, MN) from 7am-7pm Monday through Friday. WE NEED VIGILERS TO FILL THESE HOURS. You can sign up by contacting Judy Haag 320-453-7592 or judy4life@meltel.net. Or you can just come join us as we have someone there to welcome you. If you have been a vigiler in the past and wish to do the same day & hours, simply contact your day captain to sign up. Do not park in the planned parenthood parking lot. Instead park on adjacent street or St Augustine's parking lot.

\*Our OPENING RALLY SATURDAY, OCTOBER 1, 2022 from 10am-noon. Begins at the Vigil Site followed with a Prayer Procession to St Mary's Cathedral in the lower church. We will have a program, sharing and pizza.

\*Thank you to all of our faithful Vigilers, Judy Haag (coordinator) 40 Days For Life-St Cloud

### **Assumption 40 Days for Life Campaign**

There will be a Walk for Life @ Assumption on October 8, 15, 22 & 29 from 9AM to 3:30PM. On those dates at 9:15 we will walk to the cemetery with a VIGIL FOR THE UNBORN around 9:30. If you prefer not to walk we will meet you there.

On Sat October 1st & November 6th @ 9am there will be a carpool leaving Assumption for the 40 Days for Life rally in St Cloud. Contact Joe Loch 763-438-8362.



## St. Anthony Parish News

### Mass Intentions

#### Tuesday, September 13:

9:30 AM Mass: † Jason Pauly

#### Thursday, September 15:

8:30 AM Mass: † Gerald Geislinger

#### Sunday, September 18:

10:00 AM Mass: † Eldred Froehling

### Mass Ministries

#### **Sunday, September 18, 10AM:**

**Lectors:** Mary Ann Hesse & Jessie Teicher

**Extraordinary Minister of Holy**

**Communion:** Ruth Geislinger

**Mass Servers:** Brennen & Kellen Huberty

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

**Rosary Leader:** Betty Donnay

**Hospitality:** Eric & Kaila Schmitt

**Coffee & Rolls:** Kelly & Carly Meierhofer

### Financial Blessings

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### Thrift Store

Thursdays & Saturdays: 9am-12pm

\*Closed during funerals

### Church Cleaners



September 11-24:

Leon & Karen Schlangen,

Molly Schlangen, Don

Schmitt and Eric & Kaila

Schmitt and families.

\*Call Theresa at 764-7251 to unlock.

### Catechetical Sunday

At the Sunday Masses on September 18th we will be offering special prayers to our wonderful volunteers who give up their time to teach our preschoolers, students, and adults in the Faith Formation Program at both Assumption and St. Anthony. We will also be praying for those returning to school this fall and praying for success and growth in their studies. We ask the parish communities to keep our students, teachers, and volunteers in your prayers during the faith formation year!

**CCW Fall Gathering** Monday, Sept. 12 at St. Anthony's. Mass will be at 5:30 followed by dinner and our speaker, Farther Bruno Santiago. His presentation will be on "Water Project for India". The registration fee will be paid for by the CCW. Please RSVP Sept 5. Kathy Erpelding 764-9303

**Family Faith Formation Kick Off** All Kindergarten-6th grade students and parents are invited to join us for monthly Family Faith Formation nights. Our kick off night will be on September 14th beginning at 6pm with a meal provided by the program. The night will conclude at 8pm.

**St. Anthony New Member Welcome!** On September 18<sup>th</sup> after the 10AM Mass there will be a welcome meeting for our newest members of the parish. If you have joined the parish recently and haven't been to a welcome meeting, this meeting is for you!

**Watkins Blood Drive** The American Red Cross will hold a blood drive on Tuesday, September 20, from 1:00 to 7:00 pm in Watkins at the St. Anthony Church Parish Center. Schedule your appointment at 1-800-733-2767 or visit [redcrossblood.org](http://redcrossblood.org) or use the Blood Donor App. On the day of the drive, please complete your RapidPass before you come if you can. Bring your donor's card or a photo ID with you.

**Wanted:** A parish member to fill a vacant position on the St. Anthony Cemetery Committee. This is an opportunity to perform a Corporal Work of Mercy, to "Bury the Dead". This committee is tasked to manage the cemetery for the parish. It is required to meet once annually, but may also meet as cemetery issues come up. Call the parish office to volunteer.

**Celebrating 125 Years of St. Anthony's Court** All members and their families are welcome to join us for our 125th Anniversary Celebration of St. Anthony Court #743 on Sunday, Sept. 18. This will begin with 10AM Mass, followed by a catered meal by Keek's at 12 noon in the Parish Social Hall. Please RSVP by contacting Erin Donnay at [erin.donnay@gmail.com](mailto:erin.donnay@gmail.com) or 320-398-6370 by Sept. 7, 2022.

**\*Updated: Looking for Volunteers** The 2nd Wednesday evening of each month from 6-8pm we are in need of a 5th grade aide, kitchen, and nursery helpers for Faith Formation. The 3rd and 4th Wednesdays of the month from 6:30-8pm we are in need of an aide for 8th grade. Please contact Nancy in the Faith Formation Office if you are interested in volunteering ([evwcatholic@gmail.com](mailto:evwcatholic@gmail.com)).

### Church Presentation/Dialogue Meetings Begin This Week!

We hope that you have made plans to join us for an important review and discussion of a proposal to repair the exterior and restore the interior of our church. Once we share the information, we want and need to hear your feedback to help us preserve our 110-year-old building. The meetings will take place on:

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|--------------------|--------------|------------------------|
| • Tuesday evening  | September 13 | 7:00 p.m. – 8:45 p.m.  |
| • Thursday morning | September 15 | 9:30 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. |
| • Sunday afternoon | September 18 | 4:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.  |

Refreshments will be served at each meeting. Please join us for the meeting that best fits your schedule. Thank you!

**Fr. Aaron Nett**  
Pastor

**Rich Hesse**  
Parish Trustee

**Cindy Kuechle**  
Parish Trustee



## YOUTH MINISTRY

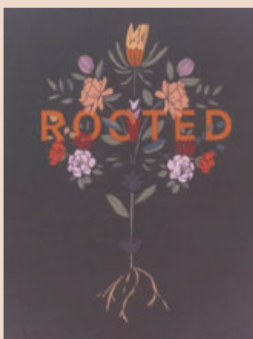
### Bona Fide High School Group

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. If you are interested in joining this team and forming friendships that are faith-based contact Sam.

## -WOMEN'S GROUP- Blessed Conversations:

### *A Study on the Catechism*

ROOTED is a study from the "*Blessed is She*" sisterhood community. The program contains seven different studies on seven topics of the Catechism by seven different authors. Each study is on the beauties of the Catechism such as: the Virtues; Ways to Pray; God the Father, Son, and Holy Spirit; the Seven Sacraments; the Ten Commandments; the Our Father; and the Beatitudes. Our first topic will be on prayer!



New Later  
Meeting Time!!

Fellowship (and coffee/breakfast!) begins at  
8:00AM; Discussion begins at 8:30AM

2nd & 4th Saturdays at St. Anthony's

## 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 September 24th at 8:00-9:30 AM at St. Anthony's. New later start time!

## Community Rosary Night/Potluck:

Friday, October 7th at 6:00PM at TBD. Potluck at 6pm, rosary at 7pm. More details to come!

## Assumption Knights of Columbus:

The 3rd Wednesday of each month at 8PM 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 Carol Huberty.

## 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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