

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

August 9, 2020

Peter said to Jesus,
“Lord, if it is you, command me
to come to you on the water.”

Matthew 14:28

Our Gospel for this Sunday speaks of the “Storms of Life,” times of conflict and uncertainty. Storms of life are raging. The world is tossing us like a ship upon the sea. So we pray to the one who rules wind and water – *Lord, we need you* – now, as always. Hold us. Comfort us. Be gentle with us and help us be gentle with each other. But move us to great insight that *Lord, we need you!*

As we progress down these new untraveled avenues of the “new normal” of post-Covid 19, it has become apparent that we can’t wait for everything to return back to what we had. We are going to see dramatic changes in the local parish landscape in the months to come. This period of change will bring to light the spiritual health of the local parish. We need to be spiritually fed and live in the life and power of the Holy Spirit..

What we can’t do is continue to sit back and “wait” for this to pass by. Like a river preparing to reach flood stage or a sea raging in anger, we see the rain falling and the storm blow, it will soon bring the floods of destruction to all we have built. We all need to wake up and live in the reality that *Lord, we need you!* We need to continue to pray for an end to Covid 19 and many other issues but we need to go beyond and start praying and preaching a sense of urgency in our need to grow closer to God.

We need to be placing thoughts in the minds of individuals, parents and families that they need to dispose themselves to other people, places and resources where they can grow closer to God. With the signs of the times, we can’t just preach and/or pray as we normally do. We must speak and pray to the current climates and recall all our faithful to the commitment they made in their baptism.

If you imagine the parable of Sower and the Seed in Luke 8:4-8, only the seed that falls on good soil will survive. If this is prophetically true, then only twenty five percent of our people will remain and grow. That means that seventy five percent will lose their seeds of faith and walk away. A great time of pruning is coming. Not only do we need to be committed to Jesus, but also to His Body, the Church.

I encourage all to take serious the invitation to gather as groups in strengthening our faith community. Hopefully throughout the year you will see and demonstrate the call – *Lord, we need you!* You will receive, in the next few weeks, a newsletter laying out the educational opportunities for the coming year, please take advantage of them, and more!! We are living in difficult times, we need the Body of Christ (the Church) in all of its members to strengthen and impart the wisdom of the Holy Spirit. We have much work to do in living and building the Kingdom of God here as we anticipate it for eternity. *Lord, we need you!*

Fr Paul

Christ Summoning Saint Peter to Walk on the Water, after 1627

After Giovanni Lanfranco, Italian, 1582-1647
Chicago Institute of Art (CIC)

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Truth shall spring out of the earth,
and justice shall look down
from heaven.
— *Psalm 85:12*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Dt 10:12-22; Ps 147:12-15, 19-20; Mt 17:22-27

Tue: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Wed: Dt 34:1-2; Ps 66:1-3a, 5, 8, 16-17; Mt 18:15-20

Thu: Jos 3:7-10a, 11, 13-17; Ps 114:1-6; Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Fri: Jos 24:1-13; Ps 136:1-3, 16-18, 21-22, 24; Mt 19:3-12

Sat: Jos 24:14-29; Ps 16:1-2a, 5, 7-8, 11; Mt 19:13-15

Sun: Is 56:1, 6-7; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8; Rom 11:13-15, 29-32; Mt 15:21-28

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Emergencies at Night
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It is I; do not be afraid.

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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration begins at 5am on Monday and concludes at 5pm on Friday</i>		
MONDAY, August 10 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Mary Ludowese
TUESDAY, August 11 7am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Terry Hess
WEDNESDAY, August 12 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Carol Brown
THURSDAY, August 13 9am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Lois O'Fallon
FRIDAY, August 14 7am, Mass 5pm Mass (Holy Day)	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+Marty Briggs
SATURDAY, August 15 8am Mass (Holy Day) 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass 6pm, Confessions 6:30pm, Mass	Feast of the Assumption St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Boniface	
SUNDAY, August 16 7:30am, Mass 10:30am, Mass (live stream) 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+Loretta Kulberg +Rita Stevens For Our Faith Community

Rummage Sale

Our Rummage Sale will be Aug 13 & 14. We will start taking donations on August 8th. Please: no large furniture or appliances, no TVs or old computers, no magazines. We will be following social distancing guidelines. Masks and hand sanitizers will be provided for all workers. We are all ready for our nice, wild & crazy normal rummage sale! We will have fun, too, and probably pizza for the workers. Questions? Contact Lori Dahlberg 583-3422 or dahlberg@hutchtel.net

Farmer's Market

We are going to have a Farmer's Market Aug 13-14 in the air conditioned cafeteria, 8am - 6 pm. Donations of fruits, vegetables, house plants, perennials, cut flowers, dried grasses, garden tools, vases, bird houses, etc. will be accepted starting August 8th. Items can be left in the gym along with your rummage sale donations. Please bring perishables the day before the sale. Items will be individually priced. Masks and social distancing required. Call Carol Notch at 587-6139 if you have any questions.

**THE ROMAN CATHOLIC AREA FAITH COMMUNITY
OF ST. ANASTASIA & ST. BONIFACE**

Parish & Community Events

With Deep Sorrow

It is with deep sorrow we report the death of Stacy Crosby, wife of Jeremy, a long term staff member at our Kids' Depot. Stacy was an integral and well loved part of our team. We ask that you keep her and her family in your prayers at this difficult time. Her death is now a great sorrow; her memory will always be a great blessing. May she rest in peace. Let perpetual light shine upon her.



The staff of Kids' Depot created a very colorful work of art on Stacy's parking spot to express their affection. We're sure she is very proud of their work!

Catholic Charities

During the COVID 19 Pandemic, Catholic Charities counselors are conducting counseling sessions via telehealth. They are also still accepting new clients during the pandemic. Individual counseling, marriage counseling, family counseling, etc. are available. Please call 866-670-5163 if you have any questions related to Catholic Charities counseling services.

You're Invited!

Sunday, Aug 9, 7pm Czech Heritage Festival will be live online this year. Search "Bechyn, Minnesota World" Facebook Page. You do not need to have a Facebook page to watch the event, just access to the internet. Mollie B & Ted Lange host a live concert starting at 7:00 p.m.

Call to Action

COVID-19 has contributed to the permanent closure of 120 Catholic schools across 23 states. Additionally, internal surveys show ten percent for Catholic schools are now uncertain if they can open their doors this fall. That means as many as 500 or more Catholic schools could be in jeopardy.

Please join the USCCB in asking Congress to include additional relief for Catholic schools in the next emergency relief package.

Public schools are asking for \$300 billion dollars, and it is important to make sure that hard-hit Catholic school families also receive emergency relief. Please take a moment to contact your members of Congress to ask for emergency aid to Catholic schools and hard-hit families in the next COVID-19 relief package. We are asking Congress for direct funding for families for education expenses, including Catholic school tuition.

We encourage you to add your own personal story about your Catholic school experience in the message as well.

Catholic schools urgently need help in this time of uncertainty. Please contact your members of Congress today!

Job Openings

Educational Assistant, K-6, part-time

A educational assistant working at St Anastasia School shall be responsible for a variety of tasks assisting the various classroom teachers as designated and assigned by the principal.

- High school diploma or equivalent
- Strong communication and interpersonal skills
- Prior experience working with children a plus

Substitute teachers

Qualifications

- MN Teaching license or Substitute License or
- Bachelor's Degree
- To apply please send letter of interest and resume to: principal@stanastasia.net

Faith Formation

The Presence of God

After the miracle of Jesus walking on water, the disciples exclaimed, “Truly, you are the Son of God” (Matthew 14:33). Most Christians will probably never experience such a dramatic miracle. Like Elijah, we await the manifestation of God in other moments. Perhaps the biggest challenge for the believer is to be constantly attuned to the possible presence of God in the everyday events of life. This is a stance that takes some people years to develop. Others seem to find the Lord easily in the simple things. As the week unfolds, let us look for the presence of God in the little things around us. Perhaps, like Elijah, we will be surprised at what we find. And, like the disciples, we can add our voice to the confession, “Truly you are the Son of God.

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St Teresa Benidicta Of The Cross (Edith Stein) Aug 9

“Come,” Edith gently whispered, taking her sister Rosa’s hand, “let us go for our peo-

ple!” These were Edith Stein’s last words as the Nazis, enraged at the Dutch bishops’ condemnation of their genocide, took into custody all Catholic converts from Judaism. Born Jewish, but non-practicing from her teens, Edith’s search for truth led to a doctorate in philosophy, a brilliant career as professor and author and, finally, to the Autobiography of Saint Teresa of Ávila, which she read in one sitting, then declared, “That is the Truth!” Baptized on January 1, 1922, observed then as the feast of Jesus’ initiation into the covenant of Abraham, confirmed on February 2, the feast of Jesus’ Presentation in the Temple, Edith entered the cloistered Carmelites in Cologne, transferring to a convent in Holland when she realized that, because of the Nazi persecution of the Jews, her presence could imperil the safety of the other nuns. She died in the gas chambers of Auschwitz as a daughter of Israel and of the Church. —Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Social Concerns

School Supply Drive

Common Cup is holding its annual School Supply drive from now till mid August. We are not quite sure what the school year will look like yet, but whatever form it will take students will still need the usual kinds of things: notebooks, pencils, crayons, glue sticks, folders, rulers, pens, folders, etc.


In addition—should we be able to provide in school classes either full or part time—there are many new safety/cleaning protocols to help keep everyone safe and healthy. Teachers are asking for help in stocking their classrooms with Kleenex, disinfectant wipes & sprays, paper towels, hand sanitizers, etc. If you can help provide any of these items, they will be much appreciated.

Donations can be dropped off in the hospitality area, the parish office at St Anastasia or at Common Cup.

Thank You!

Thank you for all your support for the Minneapolis people served by the Missionaries of Charity. They are very grateful for our support of those they serve! Please continue to keep them in your prayers as they continue to serve the neediest among us.

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“God will never refuse her anything she asks for us.”

—St. John Vianney speaking of St. Philomena

St. Philomena

4th-century virgin and martyr to whom many miracles have been attributed; patron saint of infants and youth.

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Our sponsor of the week is
L & P Supply Company.
 Please show your appreciation by patronizing their business.

St Anastasia Fall Festival September 12 & 13, 2020

Yes, St Anastasia will be celebrating Fall Festival 2020! Like everything else about the year 2020, it will be a little bit different than it was before. But we are still planning on some fun, games, and good food! Things are still in planning stages, but here are some of the upcoming events:

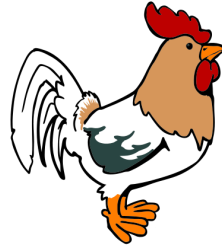
Raffle Tickets: Yes, there will be a raffle. Ticket prices remain the same as last year—\$5 each or \$60 for 12 tickets. The drawing for prizes will be at 2pm Sept 13. Winners will be posted on the website and on Facebook by 3pm. They will be notified by phone on Monday morning, Sept. 14.

- (5) \$100 prizes
- (4) \$200 prizes
- (3) \$300 prizes
- (2) \$500 prizes
- (1) \$1,000 prize



Saturday Nite: Our wonderful KCs are going to have their grilled burgers, chips, cookie & a drink and available after the 4:30 Mass. It will be a drive thru set up, so no worries about social distancing!

Chicken Dinner: Well, of course we are going to have our chicken dinner! Seriously, how could it be the Fall Festival without the chicken dinner? But, due to COVID 19 and new food serving restrictions now in place, we are going to make some changes.



We will have a pre-ordered drive thru meal pick up that you can enjoy at home or at a picnic area of your choice. We can offer a pay on line option if you are more comfortable paying that way.

This year we are thinking about offering a special kids' meal of chicken strips and a cookie. We are still looking into the logistics of making this happen and will keep you updated.

White Elephant Sale: We will not be hosting a White Elephant Sale this year. But the ladies of the CCW will be holding a Rummage Sale on August 13 & 14. Satisfy your urge to splurge early! See page 3 for more details about the Rummage Sale.

Scavenger Hunt: Purchase a St Anastasia Fall Festival sign for \$10. Place it in a easily visible spot at the front of your house by Aug 30. Between August 30 and Sept 9, keep your eyes peeled and your notebook handy. As a family, write down the address of every sign you spot around town. Turn your list in to the parish office by 5pm, Sept 10. Top spotters win fabulous prizes! Any age can play!

Do you have any ideas for the Festival? We'd love to hear them. Call the parish office at 587-6507.

Please Keep In Your Prayers

*Nicole Glesener John Kemper Sandy Jerabek Margie Navara Maureen Reiner
Barb Olson Jenny Trettin Heidi Jagne Irene Carlson Al Cotter Delores Beich
Clinton Gruett Nevaeh Kotilla Otto Levno Kami S. Ken Notch Roger Steintl Nancy Kottke
Belinda Bureke Delores Muetzel Gloria Pohlmann Eric Haffley Wendy Stoll Mackenzie
Ludowese Rooney Sr Carmen Sonnek Teri Niemeyer Betty Gunderson Darlene Artmann
Terry Bisbee Sheryl Mose Marilyn Reinarts Mary Anne Kerkuliet*

The deceased:

Stacy Crosby

and:

All those in the military, serving our country at home and abroad.

Our health care workers, grocery/pharmacy store staff, delivery drivers, school staff, police & fire departments, teachers, etc who show us a new meaning of service to the community.

All those suffering with illness, loneliness, and depression.

All those who are making extra efforts to be of service to their family, friends and community.





Letters from Heaven



Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said, "Do to others whatever you would ...

U	Y	H	A
O	T	O	V
O	M	E	E
	D	T	H

H _____ ”

Answer: *have them do to you*

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Pastor Al™



"Locked out of my car, no spare tire, cell phone dead, and in between the thunder I can hear Job laughing."

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St. Boniface

Total Contributions for:

St. Anastasia

Contribution Budget 2020-21	\$800,000
July 26 Contributions	\$11,238
Total Contributed so far	\$738,8452
Total Budgeted so far	\$775,545
Average weekly given	\$14,201
Average weekly amount needed to make the budget:	\$15,385

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

DMA received for St A's

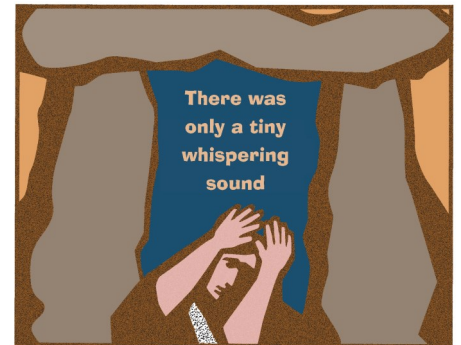
	Parish	Goal	Total rec'd	Portion
		\$43,021.51	\$46,467.00	\$9,293.00

DMA received for St B's

		\$4,168.75	\$4,701.00	\$ 940.00
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TRY ONLINE GIVING AT ST A'S!

Online Giving is a secure way to give to the parish. Manage your account and donations by computer, tablet, or smart phone. Go to www.stanastasia.net, and click on the Online Giving icon to find out more. You can download the free App in the App Store, Google Play Store, or go to OLGapp.com. Register by entering our church ID of 78.



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General Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 3pm on Saturday at St. Anastasia or by appointment.

Marriages

Contact the Area Faith Office at least 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples complete a premarital inventory and are required to attend an approved pre-marriage program.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507, to schedule a baptism and the necessary preparation. The pre-Baptism program helps parents take an active role in their child's Baptism. It provides reflection and instructions for parents as they assume their new responsibility as the primary teachers of their child.

Hospital Visitation

If you, or anyone you know, is hospitalized or ill at home, notify the Area Faith Office to arrange for visitation.

Prayer Requests

You may list your prayer intentions in the Book of Communal Prayer at the rear of the church.

Prayer Chain

St. A's has a prayer chain that prays for any needs you have. Anyone can call with a prayer request, and anyone can be a part of the prayer chain. If you would like to participate or ask for prayer support, call Janet Hall at 320-455-7927 email 3furballmom@gmail.com.

New Parishioners

Please register! Call or stop by the Area Faith Office.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation)

Considering becoming fully Catholic? Call Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507.

Coffee Sales

Coffee from San Lucas, Guatemala is available in the Area Faith Office during business hours. Cost is \$10 per bag.

Area Bulletin Deadline

Tuesdays, 12pm, at St. Anastasia.

KC Picnic Shelter Rental at St. A's

Call Mark Lewandowski, 320-583-0357.

Adoration Hotline

For the latest changes to the Adoration schedule call 320-484-7126.

Area Faith Community Leadership

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> Aug 18, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	Oct 8, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennison	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> Aug 4, 7pm	St Anastasia	
Home & School Association Chair: Shannon Visser	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Thursday each month</i> TBA, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	library
Worship & Outreach Committee	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
Maintenance Committee	Sept 15, 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
Social Concerns Committee	TBA, 6pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STA Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 9:30am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	Aug 5, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	TBA, 5pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

Area Faith Community Staff

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St. Boniface Cemetery		
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TO REPORT ABUSE: If you or someone you know has been sexually abused by a member of the clergy (priest, deacon or bishop), and you need to talk with someone about abuse, exploitation, or harassment, please contact the Diocesan Victim Assistance Coordinator or the Bishop's Delegate in Matters Pertaining to Sexual Misconduct, 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073; phone: (507) 359-2966.