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Peter asked,
"Lord,
how often
must I forgive?
As many as
seven times?"

MATTHEW 18:21

TWENTY-
FOURTH
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IN
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SEPTEMBER
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2020

We are in trying times as Church, we are under attack by many forces. Deacon Ralph Poyo writes and speaks to this concern in his ministry at **New Evangelization Ministries**. The following blog addresses some of these concerns and hopefully gives us marching orders to renewal. Deacon Ralph will be joining with us October 9 and 10 at 7 PM to present to us and call us to further commitment to the Church. Please mark your calendars and consider participation in this event.

Additionally, in the bulletin you will find descriptions of the Adult Formation Programs, if we are going to be Church we needed to have more than a child's knowledge of the Lord and His Church. So that we can carry out His mandated to go forth and make disciple for the Kingdom of God.

Arming the Saint for Salvation by Dcn. Ralph Poyo

The Church and the world have entered into unprecedented times, and many are looking around wondering what to do. As I shared before in a previous post, there are three basic camps that churches fall into. The first is to do absolutely nothing but hunker down. The second is to get some form of virtual presence up to keep the faithful together. The third is to see these times as obstacles to overcome so that they not only maintain the parish but keep people growing in faith.

Growing in faith is, I believe, at the heart of why the Lord has allowed the Church to experience Covid-19. We can't just stop growing, sharing or presenting the Good News to others. Our Lord has given us this time to evaluate not just our faith in Him but also what is crucial. It is a wakeup call to regain sight of our transcendent life that will pass from one life to the next.

For those of us who profess Jesus as our Lord, we don't see death as the end but only a transition. We should be longing for the next life instead of holding onto this one. Why? Because this is our hope! So many in the world have no clue that they have a Heavenly Father who has gone to great lengths to save their eternal souls and restore them to Himself.

A New Era

I believe we are entering, as the Blessed Mother has described to the visionaries of Fatima, Lourdes and others, into a new period. Pope Saint John Paul II exhorted us to get ready for the New Millennium - A New Spring. While this sounds great, there is much work that needs to be done. We can see what Pope Benedict XVI warned us about when he said that the Church is going to get much smaller but become much stronger.

Since the early 1960s the bishops have been calling for a New Evangelization. Most local parishes have responded with some form of program for their faithful. However, despite increasing renewal at the parish, those efforts are falling short of the mark. The local parish needs to equip their membership with the knowledge, skills and courage to evangelize by themselves - one-on-one!
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Twenty-fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

“Forgive your neighbor’s injustice;
then when you pray,
your own sins will be forgiven. “

— *Sirach 28:2*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Nm 21:4b-9; Ps 78:1-2, 34-38;
Phil 2:6-11; Jn 3:13-17

Tue: 1 Cor 12:12-14, 27-31a; Ps
100:1b-5; Jn 19:25-27 or Lk 2:33-35

Wed: 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13; Ps 33:2-
5, 12, 22; Lk 7:31-35

Thu: 1 Cor 15:1-11; Ps 118:1b-2,
16ab-17, 28; Lk 7:36-50

Fri: 1 Cor 15:12-20; Ps 17:1bcd, 6-
8b, 15; Lk 8:1-3

Sat: 1 Cor 15:35-37, 42-49; Ps
56:10c-14; Lk 8:4-15

Sun: Is 55:6-9; Ps 145:2-3, 8-9, 17-
18; Phil 1:20c-24, 27a; Mt 20:1-16a

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Emergencies at Night

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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, September 14		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Carol Brown
TUESDAY, September 15		
7am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Ron Jonas
WEDNESDAY, September 16		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Judith Blazinski
THURSDAY, September 17		
9am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Michael Van Overbeke
FRIDAY, September 18		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Ann Lewandowski
SATURDAY, September 19		
3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Shirley Anderson +Chuck Nielsen
6pm, Confessions	St. Boniface	
6:30pm, Mass	St. Boniface	
SUNDAY, September 20		
7:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Barb Scott
10:30am, Mass (live stream)	St. Anastasia	+JoAnn Jensen
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Faith Community

Calendar

MONDAY, September 14		
6:30pm, Grief Share	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
TUESDAY, September 15		
4pm, Maintenance Committee	St. Anastasia	parish office
7pm, St A’s Admin Council.	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
WEDNESDAY, September 16		
7pm, SH Youth	St. Anastasia	youth room
FRIDAY, September 18		
5:45am, TMIY	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
SUNDAY, September 20		
8:45am, Alpha/Eucharist		
9am, K-5 Faith formation	St. Anastasia	
5:45am, Alpha/Eucharist	St. Anastasia	
6pm, Edge/Confirmation/Symbolon	St. Anastasia	
MONDAY, September 21		
6:30pm, Grief Share	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
THURSDAY, September 24		
10am, Marian Study	St. Anastasia	hospitality area

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

Deacon Ralph (cont. from page 1)

If all disciples of Jesus Christ are truly going to live out their discipleship, then they need to be on call 24/7. They not only need to know how to bring some to conversion, but they need to be ready to do it when the Holy Spirit brings someone to them. The days of Catholics believing that evangelization is just inviting someone to church need to end.

We need all Catholics in the pews of our churches equipped, motivated and empowered by the Holy Spirit to engage the mission field of their stores, coffee shops, and social and work environments. Our programs are limited because people are not participating in church programs. Therefore, disciples of Christ must pick up the universal call (command) from Jesus to "go and make disciples of all nations". We must all learn how to walk with individuals who don't know Jesus and lead them into a viable relationship with Him.

The time has come to arm the saints for the work of evangelization because this is the work of every disciple!

Come Holy Spirit, place a burden on our hearts to share the kingdom of God with the world. Place a burden within us to get trained and then to go out. Give each of us the zeal of St. Paul who was compelled to share the Gospel with strangers. AMEN!

Its Here— St A's Fall Festival!



This is our traditional Fall Festival weekend, and although world wide circumstances have prevented our usual celebration, we are still going to enjoy our Polka Mass followed by the KC Grill Out on Saturday and

our fabulous chicken dinner, serving 11am - 1:45pm on Sunday. A special Welcome to all our visitors—we're so glad you're here! Raffle winners will be announced on our website and on our Facebook page. Thank you to everyone who is participating in our celebration!

St A's Faith Formation p/k—Confirmation Classes
Registrations are due for St a's RE p/k-confirmation programs. Forms are available in the newsletter sent home to you and on line. Registrations are needed for both online and in classroom participation. Your cooperation makes it easier for catechists to plan their curriculum. And for proper supplies to be made available. Thank you for your help!



SCRIP Update

For the time being, Scrip will remain for sale at the parish office, M-F, 8am-4:30pm, while we take some time to review our new safety and health procedures at the school. You can call/email ahead with your order. We'll have it ready for you to pick up (if its more comfortable for you—call when you get to the parking lot and we'll run it out to you!) And, of course, you are always welcome to just stop in!

We have local favorites on hand and can special order Scrip for you as well. Almost all online retailers will accept gift cards, as do most of our local merchants. (And yes, we do have Amazon cards!) Our percentage back comes from the retailer , not from you. So you always get your entire purchase dollar value in Scrip—it costs you nothing to use it! Great for gifts and easy to mail!

As we have more concerns with identity theft, credit card interest rates, the necessity of having correct change, etc., Scrip just makes more and more sense! Our profits from Scrip go to support all of our educational programs at St Anastasia. Everybody wins!

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Forgiveness

Nearly ten years before, a son and father had parted ways when the business they shared went bankrupt. The son blamed the father. They did not speak to each other again.

Then the father became seriously ill. The mother called the son and told him he had better come soon. The son walked sheepishly into the hospital room. The father motioned his son to him and whispered: "Did you ever think you could do anything that would keep me from loving you?"

Resentment and anger are foul things, the first reading from Sirach tells us. Remember the last things. Stop hating. Live by the commandments. As St. Paul writes to the Romans, we are to live for the Lord and die for the Lord.

Jesus' parable in today's Gospel reminds us of God's compassion. The immense sin of humanity has been forgiven and stricken from the record. We are to forgive others in the same way.

**St John Chrysostom (344-407)
Sept 13**

"Speaking truth to power" may have become just another cliché, but doing precisely that cost John "the Golden Mouth" (*Chrysostom*)

his diocese and, after exile and a forced march, his health and life. "Renowned for eloquence, heroic in suffering" (*Sacramentary*), John's scriptural insights still comfort and challenge. Mystical theologian, he bids Eastern Christians, whose principal Divine Liturgy bears his name, to lift up their hearts to "God ineffable, beyond comprehension, invisible, beyond understanding, existing forever, always the same." Model pastor, he warns Roman Catholics in the *Liturgy of the Hours* not to neglect God-in-the-flesh: "Would you honor Christ's body? Do not scorn his nakedness, honoring him here in church with silken robes, while neglecting him cold and naked outside. What use to burden Christ's altar with golden chalices, while Christ himself starves to death? What use dressing the altar with gold-woven cloths, while denying the shivering Christ the clothes he needs? Do not adorn the church while ignoring your needy brother: he is the most precious temple of all!" (Saturday, Twenty-first Week in Ordinary Time). their faces and bodies, encouraging them with friendly gestures" (see *Liturgy of the Hours, Volume 4*, p. 2018). Then came evangelization and baptism. Holiness as human wholeness: Peter Claver's enduring witness.

Winter Wear Drive



Its hard to imagine, but the annual Common Cup Coat Drive is just around the chilly corner. As you are switching over your summer wardrobe to the fall/winter wardrobe, please set aside those clean, useable, but no longer wanted, winter wear items.

Every kind of winter wear you can imagine will be appreciated: hats, mittens, boots, snowsuits, scarves, gloves, etc in all sizes. Adults as well as children's wear is needed. Infant wear is also appreciated. Clothing for males and females is needed

Small repairs can be made by volunteers, but totally reconstructing an item is not possible. Hand-made items are absolutely fine. Items may be years or decades out of fashion –doesn't matter here. As long as its clean and in good condition.

There are collection boxes at St Boniface & St A's and also at the front door of Common Cup (105 2nd Ave SW Suite 3, Hutchinson). Feel free to drop your items off at any one of these. Donated items will be distributed to residents of McLeod County in need. Thank you for your generosity!

Our sponsor of the week is **Benny's Meat Market.** Please show your appreciation by patronizing their business.

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I give thanks to the Divine Majesty for graces, gifts, and goodness given to me with great generosity.

St. Stanislaus Papczyński
17th-century Polish priest and Founder of the Marians of the Immaculate Conception

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Adult Education Opportunities Available Now!



Week 02 – Friday, Sept 18, 6 AM.

Out of Bondage! This week we will distinguish between the world’s definition of freedom and the Lord’s definition of freedom. You were created in freedom, for freedom. You are FREE! Our presenter is **Fr. Dave Pivonka** - President of Franciscan University and creator of [The Wild Goose](#) series. This week will cover:

- Saint John Paul II’s Words on Freedom to the United States
 - How We Are Made For Freedom
 - The Fall From Freedom into Bondage
 - The Story of Moses, the Israelites, and their Pharaoh The One Who Came to Set Us Free
- Bring a friend! See you soon!



Week 01 – Sept 20, 8:45 AM & 5:45 PM Is there more to life than this? We make so many decisions every day, and have so many questions. Some are simple, some are deeper and require more time. In Alpha we answer those big questions. Like, is there more to life than this? Jesus said "I am the way", "I am the truth", and "I am the life." We talk about how those three statements change how we look at and respond to the world around us.



Week 01 – Monday, September 14, 6:30 PM.

Is This Normal? You wake up and the grief is still there; thirty minutes later you’re still at the bathroom sink, toothbrush in hand. You can’t remember your coworker’s name...again. Tears come without warning. The knife in your heart twists and turns. Other people just don’t get it; they go about their days as if nothing has changed. How long is this going to be like this? I don’t know if I can make it through, you worry. Come and support one another in your time of grief. Bring a friend and join!



Week 01 – Sunday, September 20, 8:45 AM & 5:45 PM

This week we beginning a journey of faith that will delve into the heart of the teachings of the Catholic Church. Some of the things we cover you may be familiar with, and others may be totally new, but today we begin with some basic fundamentals like the Creed – the statement of belief that lies at the heart of the Faith- and the Trinity, the great mystery of the one God who exists as three Persons. Bring a friend and join! Formation for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)



Week 01 – Sunday, September 20, 8:45 AM & 5:45 PM

In this opening session we’ll discover why the Church refers to the Eucharist as the “source and summit of the Christian life.” And we’ll take a look at various names for this sacrament- eight different names are given – how many can you think of? We will see through “typology,” the study of events, persons, or statements in the Old Testament that are seen as types pre-figuring events or aspects of Christ or his revelation described in the New Testament and lived out in the Christian Faith. Bring a friend and join!



Week 01 – Thursday, September 24, 10 AM

In this opening session introduces us to the study of Mary in the Bible. Marian doctrines come to life when viewed in the context of Scripture as a whole. Three guideposts will be used in this study: the foundation of Christology (the study of Christ) upon which Mariology (the study of Mary) rest, the use of typology, and the teaching of the Church Fathers. Our first topic is Mary as the New Eve. Bring a friend and join!

Please Keep In Your Prayers

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

and:

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

All those suffering with illness, loneliness, and depression.

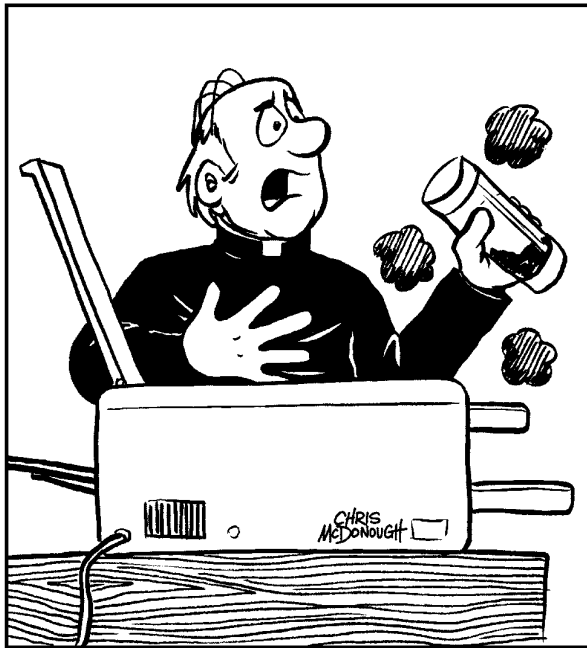
*All those who are making extra efforts to be of service to
their family, friends and community.*

For a clear path in our troubled times.



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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

Goal	Total rec'd	Parish 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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**We
are the
Lord's**



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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> Sept 15, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	Sept 21, 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> TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	
Home & School Association Chair: Gina Jennissen	<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	Sept 2, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	TBA, 5pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

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