

O God, you are my God whom I seek;
for you my flesh pines and my soul thirsts
like the earth, parched, lifeless and without water.

PSALM 63:2

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THIRTY
SECOND
SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

NOVEMBER 8, 2020



We are coming to the end of our Liturgical Year, the readings are more pointed to “Be Prepared,” for we do not know the time or the hour when He will return; at our death or at the end of time. “Be Prepared!” Though we often imagine a forgiving God that concept needs to be squared with the parables that we read, such as the one today, the ten wise and the ten foolish virgins. Why didn’t the master simply let the “foolish” one in? It doesn’t seem that the punishment fills the crime, so to speak. However, the point of the parable is “preparedness” with respect to the coming of the Lord. The Gospel of Matthew seems to be aware that the church is a mixed bag of the wise and the foolish, those prepared for the coming and those who are unprepared. It’s not for one group to throw out the other. God will allow those to enter whom He will. The ill-prepared, hoping one day for someone else to bail them out, will not be allowed to enter. Like the wise virgins, we must learn how to draw closer to our God, learn how to engage Him, and receive instruction directly from Him. To this end, the Four Fundamental Disciplines of a Disciple of Jesus Christ: 1) Prayer, 2) Scripture Study, 3) Eucharist and the Sacramental Life of the Church, and 4) Living as Part of the Body of Christ ought to be considered. Everyone who is a disciple, wise in the ways of the Lord, should be grounded in these disciplines. They are what help each of us learn how to engage and be close to our God.

Fr. Paul

Happy Veterans Day

"As we express our gratitude, we must never forget that the highest appreciation is not to utter words, but to live by them."

-John F. Kennedy

thank you

for your service, protection and support



The Thirty-second Sunday In Ordinary Time

Stay awake, for you know neither
the day nor the hour.

— *Matthew 25:13*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Ez 47:1-2, 8-9, 12; Ps 46:2-3, 5-6, 8-9; 1 Cor 3:9c-11, 16-17; Jn 2:13-22

Tue: Ti 2:1-8, 11-14; Ps 37:3-4, 18, 23, 27, 29; Lk 17:7-10

Wed: Ti 3:1-7; Ps 23:1b-6; Lk 17:11-19

Thu: Phlm 7-20; Ps 146:7-10; Lk 17:20-25

Fri: 2 Jn 4-9; Ps 119:1-2, 10-11, 17-18; Lk 17:26-37

Sat: 3 Jn 5-8; Ps 112:1-6; Lk 18:1-8

Sun: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31; Ps 128:1-5; 1 Thes 5:1-6; Mt 25:14-30 [14-15, 19-21]

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The Groom is here!
come out and
greet him!

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, November 9		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Willard Dehn
TUESDAY, November 10		
7am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Francis Mikolasek
WEDNESDAY, November 11		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Marion Braun
THURSDAY, November 12		
9am, Mass (live streaming)	St. Anastasia	+Herman Griep & family
FRIDAY, November 13		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Chuck Nielsen
SATURDAY, November 14		
3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Rosemary Kretsch
6pm, Confessions	St. Boniface	
6:30pm, Mass	St. Boniface	++Paul & Margaret Maiers
SUNDAY, November 15		
7:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Rita Evans
10:30am, Mass (live stream)	St. Anastasia	For All Our Elected Officials
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Faith Community

Calendar

Youth Drop-In Center open Mon-Thu, 2-5pm

MONDAY, November 9		
6:pm, Grief Share	St. Anastasia	
WEDNESDAY, November 11		
7pm, SH Youth	St. Anastasia	youth room
FRIDAY, November 13		
5:45am, TMIY	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
SATURDAY, November 14		
DMA video at all Masses		
SUNDAY, November 15		
DMA Video at all Masses		
8:45am, Eucharist/Symbolon		
9am, K-5 Faith formation	St. Anastasia	
5:45pm, Eucharist	St. Anastasia	
MONDAY, November 16		
6:30pm, Grief Share	St. Anastasia	
TUESDAY, November 17		
7pm, St A Admin Council	St. Anastasia	parish office
WEDNESDAY, November 18		
7pm, SH Youth	St. Anastasia	youth room

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

Parish & Community Events



Community Thanksgiving Meal

If you can volunteer a few hours to help prepare, deliver, serve, etc, our upcoming drive thru Community Thanksgiving meal, please give Diane a call at St A's parish office 587-6507.

To Sign Up for the Thanksgiving Meal

To make sure we have the right amount of food, and to stagger pickup/delivery throughout the morning, we are asking everyone who plans to pick up a Thanksgiving meal to please call the parish office (587-6507) to sign up. There is no charge for the meal although donations to help defray the cost are welcome.

DMA Mailing

This past week the 2020 Diocesan Ministries Appeal letter was mailed to all homes in the diocese. This year's theme is "Sharing the Light of Hope." The DMA offers us an opportunity to do our part to support the ministries that help to build the Church right here in the Diocese of New Ulm—ministries and services that no single parish could provide. Each one of us has been blessed by God's generosity and we have a spiritual need to return some of that blessing to God. Next weekend we will see the DMA video. Be assured that your gift will only be used to support those ministries designated in the DMA brochure.

Food Shelf Collection

Thank you to everyone who helped with the recent Trick or Treat for the Food Shelf collection. If you have a few more things to donate, please put them on the riser near the altar in St A's church.

Currently most needed items are: cooking & baking items, pasta, cereal, tomato sauce, pasta sauces (marinara & alfredo), personal care items (toothpaste, soap, shampoo, etc) toilet paper, laundry soap, whole grain items (popcorn, barley, quinoa, etc), seasonings/spices and dressings.

This is a major collection for the Food Shelf and enables them to serve many in our community. Your every donation is a huge help. Thank you!

Happy Birthday!

Today we have lovely flowers on the altar at St A's to commemorate the 90th birthday of Delores Muetzel—Happy Birthday Delores! May God continue to shower you with blessings!

St Anastasia CCW Update

Welcome to Fall/Winter/Summer weather! The following is a reflection from our National CCW Executive Director Andrea Cecilli:

As we navigate the uncertain times that surround us, I have been thinking about a Christian/Catholic fad of the 1990's. WWJD—What Would Jesus Do? Many of you may remember people, especially youth and young adults, of the late 1990's wearing silicon bracelets of various colors with the WWJD embossed on them. They were worn to remind the wearer to act and respond to situations as Jesus would have done. This is a tool that would be really useful for us today with the many questions and decisions we have to make regarding our lives, health and political affiliations. How simple it really is to ask ourselves what would Jesus do if he were faced with this decision, how would He react in this situation...? Who better to ask advice from than Jesus!!

Our CCW dues are \$5.

Please pray for a new Bishop.

Thank you, Lori Dahlberg



Christmas Market

The annual Christmas Market will be Saturday, Dec 12, 9am-noon., but will be designed COVID safety style. There will NO FOOD or BEVERAGES SOLD, which means no breakfast with Santa, no bake sale or Snack Shack. We'll still have craft vendors in the gym, socially distanced. Mayan & American gifts for sale in the school entry/hallway. This year we're using the cafeteria for a glorious Silent Auction. There will be 32 beautiful items on display for your bidding. And of course, Diane Baumann has made another new, new gorgeous quilt to be raffled off. Winner will be announced at noon. We're still in need of more vendors, so if you're interested in being one, call Cathie at 320-582-0660. More news in the weeks to come, but mark your calendars!

Faith Formation

Expecting the Unexpected

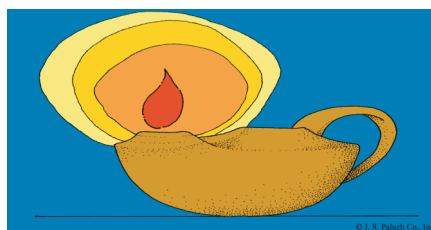
If it ever crossed your mind that Jesus was somewhat lacking in a sense of humor, today's Gospel should belie any such notion. Jesus' story of the five wise and five foolish bridesmaids is downright hilarious. The circumstances of the story were surely familiar to Jesus' listeners, just as they are—if we think about it—to us. Weddings never, ever start on time. There's always a delay. Buttons pop off at the last minute. Flowers wilt. Cars full of wedding guests get caught in traffic. Soloists contract laryngitis. Brides or grooms or priests show up late! So the only reasonable way to approach a wedding is with a sense of humor, to realize that something probably will go awry, and, when that happens, to smile about it.

Jesus tells this funny story to encourage us to be watchful, yes; to be ready, yes. But he doesn't tell it to make us dour and somber. The heavy-hearted tremble, waver, lose sight of their place and purpose, and fall asleep. The lighthearted know that the unexpected will happen—is bound to happen—so they are awake in their place and ready in their purpose when it comes. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

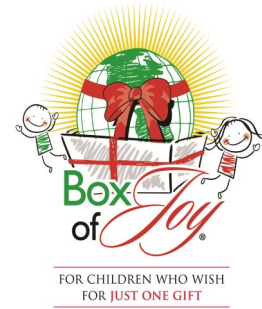
St Frances Xavier Cabrini (1850-1917) Nov 13

Burly longshoremen glared at the woman in widow's dress who interrupted their drinking

to beg money, in broken English, for her orphanage. The bar exploded in laughter as one man responded by spitting in her face. "That was for me," the woman smiled. "Do you have anything for the children?" Given today's national debate, could it be as much God's sense of humor as God's will for our sanctification that our first American saint should be an immigrant and naturalized citizen? Frances Cabrini, adopting the name Xavier, confided to Pope Leo XIII her longing to follow her Jesuit patron to Asia. But the Pope replied, "Not East—*West!*" So she and her Missionary Sisters of the Sacred Heart exchanged exotic dreams of China for the impoverished reality of Italian ghettos across the United States and Central and South America. Before her death, Frances had founded seventy educational, health care, child, and family service institutions. Today, from Siberia to Ethiopia, in sixteen countries, Mother Cabrini's sisters and lay associates embody her practical spirituality: "Let's get to work! We'll have eternity to rest!" Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



Social Concerns



Box of Joy

Thank you to everyone who participated in the Box of Joy collection. We do not have totals as we go to print with the bulletin, but we will get them to you as soon as possible. We do know that—thanks to all of you—there will be many more joyful celebrations this Christmas! Thank you so much!

Backpack Food Program

Common Cup is holding its annual Backpack Food Program. Many of the students in our Hutchinson area schools count on meals at school. When there are no classes (weekends, holidays, distance learning days, etc) they often have to skip meals because their families can't provide them.

The Backpack Food Program allows staff at the schools to slip easy take home meals in the backpacks of students whose families struggle with food shortages. Your small donations can really make a difference in a student's life.

Most requested items: small boxes of cereal & raisins; cheese & breadsticks/crackers; fruit cups; 100% juice boxes; pudding cups; instant oatmeal, Easy Mac or instant breakfast packages; granola bars; Chef Boyardee or Beanee Weenee cups; hot chocolate packs and Jif To Go small peanut butter cups.

Donations can be left in the hospitality area collection boxes.

Thank you for your generosity!

Our sponsor of the week is

Laraway Roofing.

Please show your appreciation by patronizing their business.

Adult Education Opportunities Available Now!



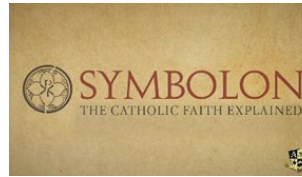
Week 10 – Friday, Nov 13, 6 AM.

The LORD of the Sea. “Who then is this, that even wind and sea obey him?” - Mark 4:41 Some scholars and theologians believe the Gospel of Mark has a low Christology, meaning it’s less about the Divinity of Christ and more emphasizes his humanity. Dr. Cavadini will take us through a deeper read of the Gospel and put that notion to rest. By the end of the session you will have a new understanding of this incredible Gospel and deeper contemplation of Christ. Like the characters in the gospel itself, you will be “amazed” and “astonished”. As we are feeding on the Word of God, St. Mark will lead us back to our first Spiritual Food as well, the Eucharist. This is one you don’t want to miss. Invite a friend! See you there!



Week 9 – Sunday, Nov 8, 8:45 AM & 5:45 PM **The Mass.** Discovering the Mass in the Bible

The Eucharist affected the thinking of the early Church in all aspects of its worship and practices. But how did the Apostles put into practice Christ's command to "Do this in memory of me?" Two men and the miraculous encounter they had on the road to Emmaus could show us more than we realize.



Week 9 – Sunday, Nov 15, 8:45 AM **Mary & the Saints: Our Spiritual Mother & the Communion of Saints.**

What do we think of Mary, the Mother of Jesus, and how does our relationship with her impact our relationship with her Son? What is the connection between our understanding of Mary and the rest of the saints? Why do we ask Mary and other "dead people" to pray for us? The answers to these questions serve to give us a framework for the Catholic Church's teachings on life after death and what we call "The Communion of the Saints."

Bring a friend and join! Formation for the RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults)



Week 06 – Thursday, Nov 5, 10am **The New Rachel.** The Old Testament story of Joseph prefigures the life of Jesus and his salvific role

in the New Testament. Likewise, the life of Benjamin, Joseph’s younger brother, has parallels with the life of John the beloved disciple. Rachel, the mother of Joseph and Benjamin, prefigures Mary, the mother of Jesus and spiritual mother of John, and, thus, she can be seen as the New Rachel. Join us this week and



Week 08– Monday, Nov 9, 6:30pm. Complicating Factors. It’s been weeks since you’ve slept through the night. You can’t remember the last time you smiled. And you can’t concentrate long enough to follow a box-mix, blueberry muffin recipe. Grief can be complicated, and it is relentless. Not only do you have to deal with the pain of your loved one being gone, but you face many other symptoms day and night that people around you don’t realize you’re struggling with. Join us this week and invite a friend!

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 Kerkvliet Colleen Carlson Rick Reiner*

The deceased: *Luke Mulenburg*

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.



Just For Fun

Pastor Al™



"You watch the X-Files too much! There's no Vatican secret knowledge of the date for the Second Coming."

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Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Contribution Budget 2020-21	\$800,000
Oct 25 Contributions	\$14,767
Total Contributed so far	\$234,916
Total Budgeted so far	\$261,538
Average weekly given	\$13,819
Average weekly amount needed to make the budget:	\$15,385
Needed each week for 35 weeks to make budget	\$16,145

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

St A's	Parish
Goal	Total rec'd Portion
\$50,517	
St B's	
\$3,999	

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.

Year End Giving

The end of the year is not far away, and it is time to start thinking of strategies to maximize the tax benefits of year-end giving. Federal tax laws and many state laws make it possible to reduce or eliminate taxes on gift to charities like your parish, diocese, school and other ministries. Remember that only gifts made by Dec 31 can help reduce the amount of taxes you owe next April. Please consult your professional tax advisor for tax strategies for your personal situation. Thank you for your generosity to our parish!

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> Oct 20, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 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	TBA 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	Nov 4, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	TBA, 5pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

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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.