



THE BAPTISM OF THE LORD

JANUARY 10, 2021

*A voice came from the heavens,
"You are my beloved Son;
with you I am well pleased."*

Mark I:II

Today the Church celebrates the Feast of the Baptism of Our Lord.

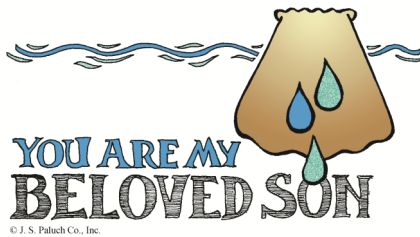
This brings to an end the season of Christmas. The Church recalls Our Lord's second manifestation or epiphany which occurred with His baptism in the Jordan. Jesus descended into the River to sanctify its waters and to give them the power to beget sons and daughters of God. The event takes on the importance of a second creation in which the entire Trinity intervenes, the Son Jesus in the water, the Father's voice is heard, and the Spirit is seen as a dove.

Many of the incidents which accompanied Christ's baptism are symbolic.

of what happened at our Baptism. At Christ's baptism the Holy Spirit descended upon Him; at our Baptism the Trinity comes upon us. At His baptism Christ was proclaimed the "Beloved Son" of the Father; at our Baptism we become the adopted sons and daughters of God. At Christ's baptism the heavens were opened; at our Baptism heaven was opened to us. At His baptism Jesus prayed; after our Baptism we must pray to avoid actual sin.

The four primary symbols of Baptism are water, oil, candle, and garment. We are washed clean and nourished in the waters of Baptism. We are anointed, protected, and sanctified by the oils of Baptism. We are given the light of Christ to guide and protect our way by the light of Baptism. And we are clothed in the garment of new life with the garment of Baptism. May we live out this first of the initiation Sacraments, the other two: Eucharist and Confirmation, by coming closer to our God and His Church.





Baptism of the Lord

All kings shall pay him homage, all nations shall serve him.

Readings for the Week

Monday: Heb 1:1-6; Ps 97:1, 2b, 6, 7c, 9; Mk 1:14-20
 Tuesday: Heb 2:5-12; Ps 8:2ab, 5, 6-9; Mk 1:21-28
 Wednesday: Heb 2:14-18; Ps 105:1-4, 6-9; Mk 1:29-39
 Thursday: Heb 3:7-14; Ps 95:6-11; Mk 1:40-45
 Friday: Heb 4:1-5, 11; Ps 78:3, 4bc, 6c-8; Mk 2:1-12
 Saturday: Heb 4:12-16; Ps 19:8-10, 15; Mk 2:13-17
 Sunday: 1 Sm 3:3b-10, 19; Ps 40:2, 4, 7-10; 1 Cor 6:13c-15a, 17-20; Jn 1:35-42

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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, January 11 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Jim Knutson
TUESDAY, January 12 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	
WEDNESDAY, January 13 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Brian Eichten
THURSDAY, January 14 9am, Mass (live stream)	St. Anastasia	+ Judy Blazinski
FRIDAY, January 15 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	
SATURDAY, January 16 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass 6pm, Confessions 6:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Boniface	
SUNDAY, January 17 7:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Living & Dec members of the Al Krebsbach Family
10:30am, Mass (live stream) 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	For Our Faith Community

Calendar

MONDAY, January 11 6:30pm, Grief Group	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
WEDNESDAY, January 13 7pm, Youth Group	St. Anastasia	youth room
THURSDAY, January 14 10am, Lectio: Eucharist	St. Anastasia	youth room
FRIDAY, January 15 6am, That Man Is You	St. Anastasia	youth room
SUNDAY, January 17 8:45am, Lectio: Mary & Symbolon 9am, Faith Formation K-5	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	classrooms classrooms
MONDAY, January 18 6:30pm, Grief Group	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
TUESDAY, January 19 7 pm, Administration Council	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
THURSDAY, January 21 10am, Lectio: Eucharist	St. Anastasia	youth room
FRIDAY, January 22 6am, That Man Is You	St. Anastasia	youth room

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

Parish & Community Events

Meals on Wheels

Meals on Wheels is looking for volunteer drivers—approx. 1 hour route. They also need help with packing the meals. If you can help please contact Lutheran Social Service at 587-6029 or April Hulke at 1-320-282-1002. Leave a message and someone will get back to you a.s.a.p.

Locked Doors

As this bulletin goes to print, the public school system is at “distance learning.” Consequently we have a number of public school elementary students working with our Kids Depot staff in the hospitality area during regular school days.

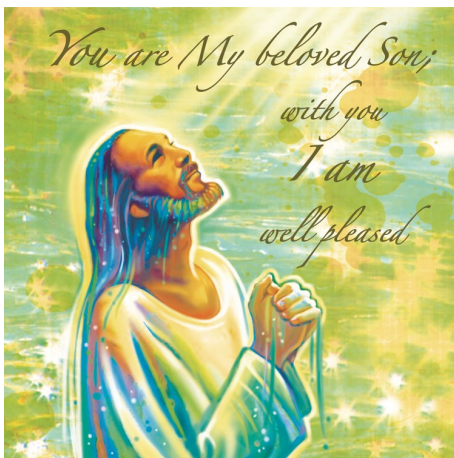
To stay in line with our security protocol, because the students are in the hospitality area and it is now essentially a classroom, access to the building is limited. You must use the security door to enter the church building. If you do not have the access code, contact the parish office, Patti Hoerner or Coletta Wortz. Thank you for your cooperation in keeping our students safe!

Prayer For a New Bishop

Almighty God, who by the Holy Spirit moves the hearts of Your people, direct the counsel of those who are appointed to choose a bishop for the Diocese of New Ulm, that we may be given a pastor who in faithfulness and wisdom shall lead Your people in the way of holiness.

Through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

Mary, Mother of the Church, pray for us.



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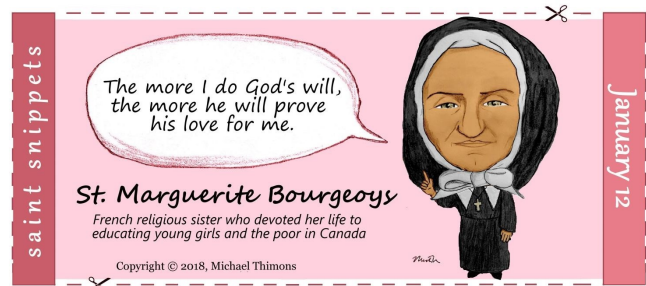
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Flower Memorials

Christmas flower memorials have been given to Saint Anastasia in honor of the following people:

Kristin Bjerkelund-Brown, Patty Boeck, Elroy Buesgens, Matthew Beussman, Carl & Florence Christensen, Arlette & Doug Dahlberg, Gary Dahlberg, Alex Doering, Henry & Helen Dusoski, Brynn Engstrom, George & Clara Erpelding, The Farenbaugh Family, Harry Farenbaugh, Kathleen Ferrara, Sister Lucille Haas, Roman J. Haas, Mary & Howard Hady, Gib & Nea Hammer, George Horejsi, Bennett Juenemann, Bruce & Christopher Karl, Edward & Cleo Karl, Ralph Krebsbach, Loretta Kulberg, Arland Lavold, Deceased members of the Macik Family, Marian & Tom Magee, Harry & Florence May, Bishop John McRaith, Frank & Eleanor Mikolasek, Francis Mikolasek, Clifford Moldestad, Michael Murray, Lois O'Fallon, Joe & Amy Reiner, Wyllis, Loretta & Rita Reiner, Joe Ritchey, Richard Roskammer, Joshua Schultz, Jean & Myron Siefert, Rita & Franklin Stevens, Fay Tupa, MaDonna Zablinksi.

Thank you to everyone who helped to make our church environment so lovely!



New Year Resolution

An easy resolution for the New Year—use more SCRIP! Your purchase of scrip helps our parish budget (we get a financial rebate from participating vendors) and doesn't cost you a dime! If you purchase a \$25 scrip card you get a card worth exactly \$25 at the vendor of your choice. You can't lose and the parish gains a little. Feel free to stop in at the Parish Office and get more information. It's real easy!

Faith Formation

THE WATERS OF BAPTISM

When new sod is put in, it needs constant saturation with water. Landscapers say that this “knits” the sod to the soil. The same when a branch is grafted onto a tree: the poultice that joins them at the splice must be kept wet at all times. Water is the stuff that binds the very cells of our bodies together. No wonder religions throughout all times and cultures have used it so prominently. When Jesus stepped into the Jordan for baptism, he “knit” himself to what had come before him. By going to the Jordan, he made himself one with the people of Israel who had crossed it into their Promised Land. With John the Baptist, Christ wove himself into the prophetic tradition that heralded the coming reign of God. He had become fully human in the waters of Mary’s womb, and by partaking in the rite of the baptism of repentance, Jesus identified himself with our sinful, frail humanity. It is through the waters of baptism that Christ continues to graft new members onto his Body, the Church; through these waters we are cleansed from sin and filled with the promise of grace, given our destiny for eternal life. For us, as for Jesus, it is also the waters of baptism that inaugurate our mission to proclaim the Good News.

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This is My
Beloved Son



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AN ANCIENT BAPTISTERY

One of the most ancient and enduring sites for baptism in Rome is the church of San Giovanni in Fonte. This church is in fact a baptistery, and houses the font for the Lateran Basilica, the cathedral of Rome. The Emperor Constantine sponsored its construction in the year 315, and it is therefore the oldest baptistery in the world. It is the model for nearly all later baptisteries, including perhaps the font in your own parish church.

—Rev. James Field, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

FEAST OF FAITH *The Sign of the Cross*

At the beginning of our prayer, we make the sign of the cross together. This sign, simple and powerful, operates on many levels. We trace the sign of the cross over our bodies, reminding ourselves that the cross of Christ has become our source of resurrection, life, and grace. With this sign, we also profess our faith in the Trinity: the presider does not say “in the names,” but “in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit”—three persons, one God. The sign of the cross is also a baptismal reminder, for every sign of the cross echoes the words spoken over us at our baptism, which marked our entry into the saving mystery of Christ. This many-layered sign is also our primary sign of blessing: the cross is traced over people, places, and things upon which we ask God to impart divine benediction.

In blessing ourselves with the sign of the cross at the beginning of Mass, we acknowledge the mystery that has gathered us together: that Christ, the crucified and risen One, is living, and that we are members of his Body. Our response, our Amen, is our yes to all this, our first profession of faith.

—Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.

Social Concerns

McLeod County FoodShelf

2020 has been a challenging year for everyone—especially those dealing with food shortages in their homes. If you can donate a few items, or a few dollars, to the McLeod County FoodShelf, it will be greatly appreciated. You can drop off items in the entryway of St A’s, or put your money donation in an envelope marked “Food Shelf” in the collection plate. Thank you so much!

Jason Corby has resigned his position as Development Director and Technology Coordinator. We thank him for his work while at St. Anastasia’s Faith Community. We wish him well in his future endeavors. God Bless!

Donna Conrad will be absent from her position at the front desk for a period of time. She had a cancerous tumor removed on New Year’s Eve. She is at home at this time recovering. Please keep her in your prayers.

He will baptize
with the
Holy Spirit



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Adult Faith Formation Opportunities



**January 11,
6:30pm Challenges of Grief**

You lash out at

a friend because she keeps pushing you to “move on.” You get to the store and realize you don’t remember the thirty-minute drive. Scattered thoughts, nausea, rapid heartbeat...you wonder if you’re going crazy. Join us, bring a friend.



January 14, 10 AM. Lectio: Eucharist: Lectio: Eucharist: Episode 2: In the Beginning. Did you know that hints of the Eucharist can be seen throughout the Old Testa-

ment? Going all the way back to the book of Genesis, we’ll discover how the Eucharist has been a part of God’s plan from the beginning of time. Join us, bring a friend.



**January 15,
6 AM. That Man Is You: Week 15 - The Strength to Serve.** St.

Paul tells us precisely: “For this is the will of God, your sanctification.” In other words, God’s will may not be easy but it is straightforward. His will in your life is for you to become sanctified. His will is for you to become holy. Within this context, we dive into holiness in three very specific ways this semester.

Sanctification of our Body, our Mind, and through God’s Merciful Love

This week, Jason Evert will help us understand the wisdom of God’s design for humanity as male and female, even in the midst of the myth of a gender-neutral world. We can’t wait to get started! Bring a friend! See you soon!



January 17, 8:45 AM, Symbolon: Pt 2: Session 3: Walk through the Mass: Exploring the Sacred Liturgy. Every Sunday, Catholics gather together to cele-

brate the Mass. But do we understand the deeper meaning of what happens there? Now we can. Join us, bring a friend.



January 17, 8:45 AM Lectio: Mary: Episode 3: Mother of the Messiah.

In the Old Testament, the prophet Isaiah prophesies about the coming Messiah and the Messiah’s mother.

Since Jesus—the anointed one of God, who saves his people from their sin—is truly the foretold Messiah, then his mother, Mary, is truly the Mother of the Messiah. Join us, bring a friend.



**Catholic Schools
Faith. Excellence. Service.**

“Catholic Schools: Faith. Excellence. Service.” Catholic schools have a specific purpose to form students to be good citizens of the world, love God and neighbor and enrich society with the leaven of the gospel and by example of faith.

Catholic Schools Week will be celebrated January 31 to February 6.

As communities of faith, Catholic schools instill in students their destiny to become saints. Academic excellence is the hallmark of Catholic education intentionally directed to the growth of the whole person – mind, body and spirit. Finally, service is fundamental to Catholic education and the core of Catholic discipleship. Service is intended to help form people who are not only witnesses to Catholic social teaching, but also active participants through social learning.

The CSW logo emphasizes that the Catholic school, like the Catholic Church, is not a building or an institution, but it is the people. As the people of God, we work together to bring the Kingdom of God to Earth and raise up the next generation to do the same. The image of teachers and students forming the foundation of the school shows that they are active people of faith who serve others and God. May we all strive to live in active service of Jesus and his mission as we nationally join together during Catholic Schools Week and always.

Please consider St. Anastasia as your school for the coming year. Give Betty Jodzio, principal, a call for more information and/or a visit.

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Sandy Jerabek Margie Navara Maureen Reiner Barb Olson Jenny Trettin Al Cotter Delores Beich Clinton Gruett 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 Donna Conrad James Waldron

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.



And for those who have died:

*Royal "Jim" Knutson and Virginia Carrigan.
Eternal Rest Grant Unto Them.*

St. Boniface Shepherd of the Field: Fr. Brian Oestreich

412 W. 3rd Street, Madison, MN 56356

Birthday: January 23. Ordained: May 29, 1993. Send him a card!

Pastor Al®



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Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Total Contributions for: Monday, 1/4/2021
Contribution Budget: \$800,000
January 3 Contribution 9,677
Total Contribution year-to-date 428,252
Total Budget year-to-date 415,385
Average weekly given 15,861
Average weekly needed for Budget 15,385
Avg weekly needed to make Budget 14,870

Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$1,470,666.00

Contributions Received \$492,041.18

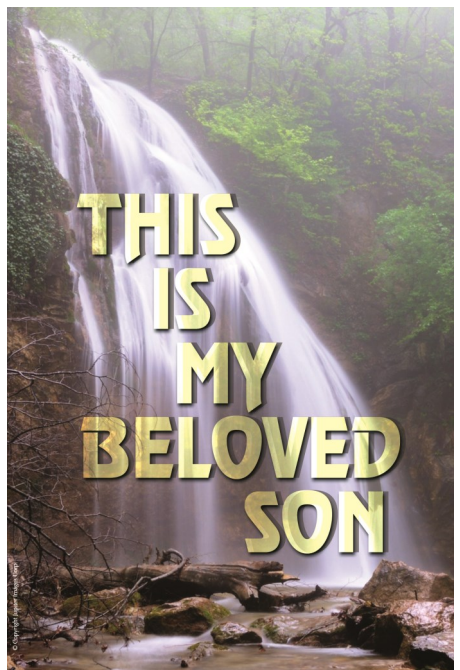
DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

St A's	Parish
Goal	Total rec'd Portion
\$50,517	\$27,242 \$5,448

St B's	Parish
\$4,000	\$2,050 \$410

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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

usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
January 19, 7pm St Anastasia parish office

STB Administrative Council

Chair: Mark Maiers

TBA, 9am St Boniface church basement

Cemetery Committee

Chair: Jeff Lehn

January 14, 3pm St Anastasia parish office

School Advisory Committee

Chair: Jason Jennissen

usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month
January 12, 7pm St Anastasia hospitality area

Home & School Association

Chair: Gina Jennissen

usually meets on the 3rd Thursday each month
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

February 3, 8pm St Anastasia cafeteria

Knights of Columbus Squires

TBA, 5pm St Anastasia hosp. kitchen

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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.