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ACTS 2:3-4

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# PENTECOST SUNDAY

MAY 23, 2021

When Christians think of Pentecost, we often have the image of the disciples in the Upper Room, with the tongues of fire descending upon each before they preach to Jerusalem. But that is Luke's story in the Acts of the Apostles and he definitely has a flair for storytelling. In his telling of the Spirit's descent, he places the event on the feast of Pentecost, a Jewish feat celebrating fifty days after Passover.

But today we have John's version of the handing on of the Spirit. Interestingly, the event happens not on Pentecost, as Luke would have it, but on Easter Sunday evening. So we get out liturgical timetable from Luke, but out theology today comes from the Gospel of John.

The risen Jesus appears in the midst of the disciples, despite the locked doors. This means not that Jesus walks through walls, as so many preachers would have it, but that he appears from his heavenly glory. After the resurrection, Jesus is with his Heavenly Father, and comes from there at will. Jesus comes to be with the disciples and gives them the gift of peace, and also the gift of the Holy Spirit by breathing upon them. This earthly, rather sacramental way of gifting the disciples with the Spirit is much different than Luke would have it. For him, the Spirit is the gift of God. In John's gospel, the Spirit is a gift of the Father, but given directly by Jesus.

Not only do the disciples receive the Spirit but also the ability to forgive sins. By his death and resurrection Jesus has conquered the cosmic power of Sin. Now it is the disciples' role, and our own, to continue this mission by forgiving individual sins, almost as a "mop up" operation after the major victory has been won. The same Spirit has been given to us, and it is our mission to forgive individual sins each time someone sins against us. Forgiveness is not limited to sacramental confession. As Christians, we are to forgive. It is a hallmark of our identity, given to us by Jesus himself. *Living Liturgy, p. 134*

*God's **ruah**, life-giving Spirit, is the source of Easter peace and Pentecost direction. It is the Spirit of God that brings two people together as spouses, forges strong and lasting friendships, and transforms a group of disparate persons into a community of faith. We cooperate with the **ruah** of God to recreate our world in the love of God who became one of us, died for us, and rose for us. The Spirit empowers us to put aside our fears to be God's agents of peace and reconciliation in our own time and place. God's **ruah** transforms us and recreates us in that unique and mysterious love that binds God the Father and God the Son and binds us to God and to one another.*



During the Month of May,  
the Rosary will be prayed  
Twenty minutes before the weekend  
Masses.

Come and join asking the  
intercession of Our Lady  
before our God.



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## Pentecost Sunday

There are different kinds of spiritual gifts but the same Spirit.  
— 1 Corinthians 12:4

### Readings for the Week

**Mon:** Gn 3:9-15, 20 or Acts 1:12-14; Ps 87:1-3, 5-7; Jn 19:25-34

**Tue:** Sir 35:1-12; Ps 50:5-8, 14, 23; Mk 10:28-31

**Wed:** Sir 36:1, 4-5a, 10-17; Ps 79:8, 9, 11, 13; Mk 10:32-45

**Thu:** Sir 42:15-25; Ps 33:2-9; Mk 10:46-52

**Fri:** Sir 44:1, 9-13; Ps 149:1b-6a, 9b; Mk 11:11-26

**Sat:** Sir 51:12cd-20; Ps 19:8-11; Mk 11:27-33

**Sun:** Dt 4:32-34, 39-40; Ps 33:4-6, 9, 18-20, 22;



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## This Week's Area Worship Schedule

<u>DATE/TIME</u>	<u>LOCATION</u>	<u>INTENTION</u>
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 5am on Monday until 5pm on Wednesday.</i>		
<b>MONDAY, May 24</b> 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Country of China
<b>TUESDAY, May 25</b> 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Cleo Karl
<b>WEDNESDAY, May 26</b> 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Special Intention (MW)
<b>THURSDAY, May 27</b> 9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Edward Karl
<b>FRIDAY, May 28</b> 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	++T.G. & Ruth Carroll
<b>SATURDAY, May 29</b> 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Genny Hoffman
<b>SUNDAY, May 30</b> 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	For Our Parish Community Joshua Schultz +Michael VanOverbeke

## Calendar

<b>THURSDAY, May 27</b> 10am, Card Ministry 1pm, Kindergarten Graduation	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	hospitality area hospitality area
<b>TUESDAY, June 1</b> St A's 6th Grade Graduation 7pm, School Advisory Committee	St. Anastasia	
<b>WEDNESDAY, June 2</b> Last Day of School Year for St A's 7pm, Youth Group 7:30pm, Knights of Columbus	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	youth room cafeteria
<b>FRIDAY, June 4</b> Hutchinson High School Graduation—Congratulations Class of 2021!		
<b>WEDNESDAY, June 9</b> 7pm, Youth Group	St. Anastasia	youth room
<b>THURSDAY, June 10</b> Noon, St A's Finance Council	St. Anastasia	parish office
<b>TUESDAY, June 15</b> 7pm, St A's Admin. Council	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>WEDNESDAY, June 16</b> 7pm, Youth Group	St. Anastasia	youth room

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



## Community Events

### Mass Schedule Change

As of May 30, The weekend Mass at St Boniface, Stewart, will move to 9am on Sundays. Please make a note of this important change. Thank you!

**VBS Volunteers Meeting Sunday May 23<sup>rd</sup>** at 9 am in the hospitality area. This meeting will help gather ideas as well as transmit and organize our efforts for VBS this summer, taking place June 7<sup>th</sup> -10<sup>th</sup> .

Question? Contact Jen: [religiused@stanastasia.net](mailto:religiused@stanastasia.net)

### Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus will hold their annual Tootsie Roll Drive after all Masses May 22 & 23. All proceeds go to organizations providing services to people with developmental disabilities. This year, Averyon Homes, McLeod County ARC Hutchinson, Special Olympics and the KC Special Olympics will receive our funding. Last year we raised \$2,345 for these wonderful organizations. With your help, we will do even better this year! Thank you for your support! (KCs—we'd appreciate your help in selling the Tootsie Rolls—it will only take a few minutes of your time and will be greatly appreciated!)



### Sacramental Celebration

We celebrate the baptisms of Rebecca Ann and Eloise Remi Boncquet, daughters of Matthew and Alicia. May they grow strong in their faith, supported by the strength of their family, the presence of our community and the love of their God.



### Renovations and Capital Campaign Update

We have completed a phase of renovations to our church with the addition of the audio/visual system. The building committee is now looking at a second phase that will include the renovation of the sanctuary (altar area). Second, we will also be looking at a light reduction material for the windows. Third, we will also be studying the additional use of acoustical material to help the audio concerns for the building. And last, we will be looking at enhancing the lighting of the church with additional lamps. Estimated costs: \$ 500,000.00 Thank you for your ongoing support of our renovations.

### Welcome Father Tan Viet Nguyen

Fr Tan Viet Nguyen SVD will be with us the weekend of June 5/6 to speak about the many ministries of his religious community the Divine Word Missionaries. They are an international religious community of missionary priests and Brothers serving in 82 countries helping to build chapels, celebrate the sacraments, and spread the Word of God in the remote mission communities. Over 6,000 active missionaries travel to the far corners of the world building hospitals to care for the sick, educating the poor, teaching the hungry to farm, and providing life's necessities like drinkable water, food, and shelter. We help people neglected and forgotten by society to build a better future and foster vibrant Catholic communities of service and faith around the world. This Mission appeal is part of the Mission Coop Program of our diocese. Please be generous in the second collection to help support the missionary work of the Divine Word Missionaries. Their missionaries serve in some of the most difficult areas of the world. Thank you for your support!

### Help Needed

Birthright of Hutchinson is sponsoring a float in the annual Water Carnival Parade (June 20). They are in need of some children to ride the float and toss out candy treats. Please call Diane Jankowski at 612-227-6506 if you can help. Thanks!



## Faith Formation

### FEAST OF FAITH

#### Liturgy: Work of the Spirit

The Spirit of God who hovered over the waters at the dawn of creation—the Holy Spirit who descended upon the disciples at Pentecost in ever-changing forms in the sound of a mighty wind or tongues of flame—hovers also over our celebration of the liturgy, giving it life, making it real. It is the Spirit of God who draws us, gathering us together, Sunday after Sunday. It is the Spirit of God who called loudly to the inspired writers of the scriptures and who continues to whisper to us, revealing ever-new facets of God’s word, granting insight just when we need it. It is by the Spirit’s power that, when Christ’s words are uttered by the priest, the bread and wine become the Body and Blood of Christ. And it is surely the Spirit who inspires us—that is, breathes in us—when, sent forth from the assembly, we seek ways to serve our brothers and sisters, to allow the gospel to come to life in the world. Come, Holy Spirit, fill the hearts of your faithful, and kindle in them the fire of your love.

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

#### Lord, Send Out Your Spirit

In today’s responsorial psalm the Church sings out: “Lord, send out your Spirit, and renew the face of the earth.” All three readings describe how God has answered that prayer already.

In the first reading from the Acts of the Apostles and in the

Gospel passage from John, we read of astonishing events that called cowering disciples to step out of hiding and proclaim news that would condemn them and change the world forever! In the second reading Paul’s words reach out into the future to us: “we were all given to drink of one Spirit” (1 Corinthians 12:13).

It is our task to truly pray today’s psalm response. Let us together beg the Holy Spirit to renew the earth by renewing the Church, sending many more men and women to serve in its various ministries.

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## VBS

### DISCOVER ST. JOSEPH VBS!

In the year of St. Joseph, we will discover him through rallies, wacky games, small group time, team challenges and more! Monday June 7<sup>th</sup> to Thursday June 10<sup>th</sup> 5:30 pm to 7 pm. We welcome kids 4 years old and up. Please pray for beautiful weather as we are planning to be outside this week! \$30 per families. Registration form on the website & in the entryway

VBS Volunteers are needed to make the week a success! Please contact Jen @ [religioused@stanastasia.net](mailto:religioused@stanastasia.net) to volunteer. We need Middle Schoolers and High Schoolers to help guide the younger students and parents too.

## Social Concerns

### St A’s Tithing Program

St A’s Tithing Program is now accepting requests for tithes. Request forms are available in the parish office or online at [www.stanastasia.net](http://www.stanastasia.net) under the “Area News” tab. Funds are to be requested by a parishioner who is involved in the program funds are being requested for, and the request form needs to be submitted by the deadline, which is **June 4**.

The Parish Tithing Fund exists to serve the financial, emotional and spiritual need of St A’s & the surrounding community by providing economic support to programs, which address such needs, and to demonstrate giving back to God from our first fruits.

### LSS Meals

Offering delicious healthy meal options throughout McLeod County for those 65+ and/or homebound. We are in need of volunteers to deliver meals plus a safety check. Youth groups, families, retired folks with a little extra time—all are welcome. For more info contact April Hulke 1-320-587-6029 Your help will be gratefully appreciated!

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# Pentecost Fun

## God's Word for Children

While the disciples were together they heard a strong wind and saw fire. When the flames came close to them, they were filled with God's Holy Spirit! Read the story in your Bible in Acts 2:1-11. Use the code to color the picture below. Then cut it out and cut on the dashed lines. Blow on the tabs so that they look like moving flames.

1=orange 2=red 3=yellow 4=purple

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**Pentecost**  
 Do you know what the fruits of the Holy Spirit are? Some are listed below. Cross out the words that don't belong here.

love selfishness generosity  
 jealousy kindness impatience  
 peace hate joy

## Pastor Al®



“Having a spicy Szechuan dinner on Pentecost adds new meaning to ‘tongues of fire,’ doesn’t it?”

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## 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 breathed on his disciples and said to them, “Receive the holy Spirit. Whose sins you forgive ...

	I	G	A
V	E	R	R
N	E	E	O
T	H	F	M

A \_\_\_\_\_ ”

Answer: *them* *are forgiven*

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## Please Keep In Your Prayers

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For all those in the military, serving our country at home and abroad. All those suffering with illness, loneliness, mental illness and those who are helping them. 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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## Stewardship

### St. Anastasia

Total Contributions for:  
May 17, 2021

Contribution Budget 2020-2021	\$800,000
May 16 Contributions	\$12,764
Total Contributions YTD	\$699,581
Total Budget YTD	\$707,692
Average weekly given in 2020-21	\$15,208
Average weekly needed during 2020-21 to make budget	\$15,385
Average weekly needed for remaining 6 weeks to make budget	\$16,736

### Capital Campaign

Pledges Received	\$1,504,840.00
Contributions Received	\$641,592.00

### DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

<u>St A's</u>	Parish	
Goal	Total rec'd	Portion
\$50,517	\$45,928	\$9,186

<u>St B's</u>		
\$3,999	\$4,425	\$885

### 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](http://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](http://OLGapp.com). Register by entering our church ID of 78.

### Prayer For a New Bishop

Almighty God, who by the Holy Spirit moves the hearts of Your people, direct the councils 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.

## 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 in the Eucharistic Chapel.

### 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

<b>STA Administrative Council</b> Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> June 17, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STB Administrative Council</b> Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
<b>Cemetery Committee</b> Chair: Jeff Lehn	July 8, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>School Advisory Committee</b> Chair: Jason Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> June 1, 7pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>Home &amp; School Association</b> Chair: Gina Jennissen	TBA, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	library
<b>Worship &amp; Outreach Committee</b>	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Maintenance Committee</b>	TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Social Concerns Committee</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STA Council of Catholic Women</b>	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
<b>STB Council of Catholic Women</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
<b>Knights of Columbus</b> Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	June 2, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
<b>Knights of Columbus Squires</b>	TBA, 5pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

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<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b>	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7	
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