

EIGHTEENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

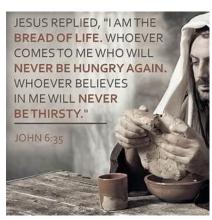
The day after the "multiplication of the loaves" the people were still seeking Jesus and found him in Capernaum. He admonishes them to seek not perishable food but the food of everlasting life. They only need to believe in him. The people, having just witnessed the sign of the multiplication of loaves the day before, wonder what further sign Jesus might give them.

The people demand a sign similar to Moses providing manna in the desert. At that time the Hebrew people had left Egypt and were wandering in the desert. They were fed by bread from heaven that appeared each morning. Jesus in turn reminds them that it was not Moses, but the Father who gives "true bread from heaven." Jesus' addition of the word "true" is significant. Jesus is saying that the true bread "comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." This sets the stage for his claim at the conclusion of the reading, that Jesus himself is the Bread of Life come down from heaven.

Throughout the Gospel of John, Jesus is portrayed as the one who comes down from heaven. He is the one who gives life. This is a remarkable teaching, for Jesus refers to himself as having come down from heaven Essentially, this is a teaching reflecting the prologue of John's gospel, "In the beginning was the Word, and the Word was with God,"

and "the Word became flesh." No other gospel makes such a claim. Johannine theology is Christology. The true bread from heaven that gives eternal life is none other than Jesus himself, the Word of God made flesh.

In the midst of such rich theological and Christological statements that we find in the gospel reading today, what are we to do? The response that Jesus demands of us in this gospel is what was demanded of those who heard the discourse: believe in the me whom the Father has sent. That, of course, is Jesus. We are called to recognize and believe that God the Father sent him into the world. Once we believe that, our lives will never be the same. Living Liturgy, p. 184



Home Mass on Tuesdays and Thursdays during the Summer at 6:30 pm

I am looking for host families, couples, or individuals to sponsor a home Mass and social time to follow. We will begin at 6:30 pm with Mass followed by a potluck lunch. Hosts are asked to provide a table for an altar, a place to put dishes for potluck, and a beverage (lemonade/water). Individuals in the neighborhood or parish are asked to bring a dish to pass, a lawn chair, and utensils for eating.

No agenda, just prayer and social!

Thursday, August 5, 6:00 pm: Mike & Rhoda Kraemers, 440 Ottawa Ave SE

The bread of God that which comes down from heaver and gives life to the world. John 6:33

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The Eighteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do not work for food that perishes but for the food that endures for eternal life.

— John 6:27a

Readings for the Week

Mon: Nm 11:4b-15; Ps 81:12-17; Mt 14:13-21

Tue: Nm 12:1-13; Ps 51:3-7, 12-13; Mt 14:22-36 or Mt 15:1-2, 10-14

Wed: Nm 13:1-2, 25 — 14:1, 26-29a, 34-35; Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-23; Mt 15:21-28

Thu: Nm 20:1-13; Ps 95:1-2, 6-9; Mt 16:13-23

7:30pm, Mass

Fri: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14; Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9; 2 Pt 1:16-19; Mk 9:2-10

Sat: Dt 6:4-13; Ps 18:2-4, 47, 51; Mt 17:14-20

Sun: 1 Kgs 19:4-8; Ps 34:2-9; Eph 4:30 — 5:2; Jn 6:41-51



St, Anastasia Catholic Church 460 Lake St SW Hutchinson, MN 55350 Office Hours: M-F, 8am-4:30pm Phone: 320-587-6507 Emergencies: 507-829-0965

St. Boniface Catholic Church 551 Main Street, Stewart, MN 55385

This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME LOCATION INTENTION

Eucharistic Adoration: 5am on Monday until 5pm on Friday.

MONDAY, August 2 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia
TUESDAY, August 3 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia
WEDNESDAY, August 4 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia +Theresa Guggemos
THURSDAY, August 5 7am, Mass 6pm, Mass	St. Anastasia Mike & Rhoda Kraemer, 440 Ottawa Ave SE
FRIDAY, August 6 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia
SATURDAY, August 7 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia +Ann Lewandowski Ginny Hoffmann
SUNDAY, August 8 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface +Marie Sprenger St. Anastasia

Calendar

For Our Parish Community

St. Anastasia

WEDNESDAY, August 4 7pm, Youth Nite 7:30pm, Knights of Columbus	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	youth cafeteria
THURSDAY, August 5 3pm, Cemetery Committee	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
SATURDAY, August 7 Noon Huerta & Schemmel wedding	St. Anastasia	church
TUESDAY, August 3 7pm, School Advisory Committee	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
WEDNESDAY, August 11 7pm, Youth Nite	St. Anastasia	youth room
THURSDAY, August 12 Noon, St A's Finance Council	St. Anastasia	parish office
TUESDAY, August 17 7pm, St A's Administrative Council	St. Anastasia	hospitality area

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

Community News

The Sign of Peace

August 1, 2021 the sign of peace will resume at celebrations of the Eucharist. I ask everyone to be respectful of members of the faithful who out of an abundance of caution, would prefer to acknowledge the person next to them with a smile or a nod instead of a handshake at the kiss of peace.



Catechesis of the Good Shepherd

Our Catechesis of the Good Shepherd is preparing for a new level, which would include grades 1 and 2. Could you help us in the following areas:

-Paint figures. We would give you the figures and the model for painting.

-Build a small 'sacristy'. The template/dimensions would be given to you for a simple cabinet for our model altar items.

-Build a small wooden outline of a priest: dimensions given.

-Build small simple vestment hangers, dimensions given. (We are 'downsizing' the atrium and need help making these smaller).

Any questions or offers to assist, please contact Jennifer Eckstein via the office (320.587.6507) or email at <u>religioused@stanastasia.net</u>

Peace Lutheran Garage Sale

Held at McLeod County Fairgrounds 4 H building. Proceeds to Youth Mission Trips and Tell the Next Generation program. Aug 5, noon-6pm. Aug 6, 8am-6pm. Aug 7, 8am-noon. Questions? Call Sandi Lietz at 587-4599.

St Andrew's Fun Fest

August 22 in Fairfax MN. Polka Mass at 10am, picnic style deep fried chicken dinner served 11am-1pm. Take outs available. Music, raffle, kids' games, beer wagon, country store. Also featuring authentic Mexican Tacos 11am-3pm on St Andrew's Church grounds s. Everyone is welcome! **Renovations and Capital Campaign Update:** Hopefully next week we will be able to inform you of the awarding of the contractor for the renovations of the church. We are close!! With the awarding of the contractor a better idea of timeline will be able to be forecasted. Thank you for your patience.

The renovations of the baseball field will begin the first part of August. We have the necessary funds from individuals and organizations. The Twins organization as well as a number of other have stepped forward to make these improvements. Thank you.

Family Help Needed

A family in our parish community is need of some assistance. Mom in this family (mom, dad & three elementary aged children) is undergoing medical treatments that have left her unable to prepare meals for her family. If you can prepare a meal or two, drop it off at the parish office A staff volunteer will deliver it to the family. Anything that can be kept refrigerated (or frozen) for a few days, heated and served will be greatly appreciated! If you can't help this week, perhaps next week (or the week after) it will be possible. **Many thanks to the people who have brought in meals, SCRIP grocery cards, snacks, etc. Your generosity is awe inspiring!** And—please—keep this young family in your prayers at this difficult time.

Job Openings

Administrative Assistant: St Anastasia Catholic Community seeks a full time Administrative Assistant with duties including bookkeeping, Human Resource, and general office duties. Prior experience in "best practice" accounting procedures, data entry, computer adaptability, personnel procedures, and working as a team member are required Please send resume and letter of interest to <u>pwolf@stanastasia.net</u>.

St Anastasia School seeks a full time elementary teacher with a focus on music for the 2021/22 school year. This position includes additional instructional classroom responsibilities. Also seeking substitute teachers on an as needed basis. Please send resume and letter of interest to principal@stanastasia.net

CCW Rummage Sale

The Fall CCWQ Rummage Sale is tentatively schedule for Oct 21/22, depending on the construction schedule. We will keep you updated!

Faith Formation

Social Concerns

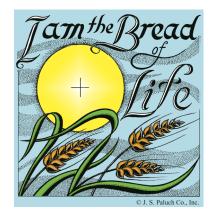
FEAST OF FAITH The Preface: Thanksgiving

The preface of the Mass has been called "a poem, the cry of joy and recognition, the song of the world discovering its salvation . . . the certitude of faith making hope spring forth" (Philippe Béguerie, quoted in The Mass, Lucien Deiss, The Liturgical Press, Collegeville, MN, 1992, p. 70). The preface takes up the last words of the dialogue, and expresses briefly and simply why we are grateful, why it is right and just to give thanks and praise to God. On feast days, the preface sings of the specific mystery or saint we celebrate; in Ordinary Time, the Sunday and weekday prefaces express our gratitude for God's gift of the Son, Jesus Christ, in whom we have redemption and newness of life. The prefaces offer a succinct account of what God has done for us in Christ: they express the mystery of faith, always relating it to us, to our lives. "By his birth we are reborn," we hear in Preface IV for Sundays in Ordinary Time. "By his suffering we are freed from sin. By his rising from the dead we rise to everlasting life." Yes, we have cause to give God thanks and praise. -Corinna Laughlin, Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co

The Bread of Life

Today's Gospel has the crowd asking Jesus three questions. First, "When did you get here," to which Jesus responds by rebuking them for their failure to grasp his miracle as a "sign," an occasion to put faith in him. Their second question about accomplishing the "works of God" has Jesus respond that faith is the "work" that God wishes. Many scholars believe this is John's answer to the faith-works dichotomy emerging in the early Christian community. Faith is the work of God in the believer. John would have us understand. The third question asked by the crowd is a request for a "sign" that would allow them to put faith in Jesus, as the manna in the desert allowed the Israelites to put faith in the Lord God. Jesus answers by revealing himself as the "bread of life" that "comes down from heaven and gives life to the world."

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St John Vianney

John Vianney was canonized by Pope Pius XI in 1925. He is the only diocesan priest ever to be canonized. He is the patron saint of clergy throughout the world. His feast day is Aug 4.

Saint John Vianney invited them to pray, in the morning to attend Holy Mass, in the evening to recite the rosary. He also introduced a Eucharistic confraternity.

Meals on Wheels

The Hutchinson Area Meals on Wheels program delivering meals out of Hutchinson Hospital is in need of volunteer drivers. It takes about one hour and each driver is only asked to deliver meals once per month. If you can help, please call Dee Powell at 587-6067. Your help will be greatly appreciated.



School Supply Collection Common cup Ministry is coordinating a School Supply drive to help students in need

begin the school year with all the necessary supplies for their grade. St A's is asked to contribute 20 backpacks, 50 #2 pencils (24 ct packages) 100 large pink eraser and 35 Prang water colors. Please drop off your donation sin the Common Cup Tub in the entry way. Thank you for your generosity! We will collect thru August 6.

In July we will be collecting diapers sizes 4, 5, 6 and pullups to resupply Common Cup's diaper give away for needy families. Keep an eye out for sales!







Join us at the



St. Anastasia Fall Festival!

Saturday, September 11

4:30 PM Mass

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM KC's Hamburger Supper, Live Music by Josie Sanken

5:30 PM – 7:00 PM Country Store, Books & Plants Sale, Bake Sale

6:00 PM Group Painting Activity (Must pre-order kit online from the Paint Factory). Please see our website for details or call the parish office.

Sunday, September 12

10:30 AM Polka Mass

11:00 AM - 2:00 PM Car Show



11:00 AM – 2:00 PM Chicken Dinner & KC Hamburger Lunch

11:00 AM – 3:00 PM Kids' Activities & Games, Live Music, Bounce Houses, Country Store, Books & Plants Sale, Bake Sale

12:30 PM - 3:00 PM Bingo

Chicken dinner take-out and delivery available. Call Donna at the Parish Office at 587-6507 to order.

Please note that due to construction in the church, the exact location of each of the above events is TBD. Please check the bulletin, website or Facebook page for the latest information.

We are in need of volunteers to help make this event a success! There are many positions that need to be filled. Sign up after Mass or email Fr. Paul Wolf at pwolf@stanastasia.net, if you can help out.

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Sandy Jerabek Margie Navara Maureen Reiner Barb Olson Jenny Trettin Al Cotter Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl Delores Muetzel Gloria Pohlmann Teri Niemeyer Betty Gunderson Darlene Artmann Terry Bisbee Sheryl Mose Marilyn Reinarts Jerome Stoll Keitha Bomstad Janice Kay Bogenrief, Brenda Popp, Zella Thode Special Intention Heidi Jagne Cristy Wallstrom Roseanne Genz Wayne Scott Larry Richmond S

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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.



Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Total Contributions for: July 26, 2021

Contribution Budget 2021-20	922 \$847,550
July 11 Contributions	\$11,266
Total Contributions YTD	\$54,413
Total Budget YTD	\$32,598
Average weekly given in 202	0-21 \$13,603
Average weekly needed durin	ng
2021-22 to make budget	\$16,299
Average weekly needed for	
remaining 49 weeks to	
make budget	\$16,524
Capital Campaign	
Pledges Received	1,505,332
Contributions Received	\$683,048
Fund balance	\$499,626.50

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

St A's		Р	arish
Goal	Total rec'd	Po	ortion
\$50,517	\$54,595	\$10,5	22.36
St B's			
\$3,999	\$4,425		\$885
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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

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 if 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

Area Faith Community leadership

July 20 7nm

STA Administrative Council
Chair: Jim Fahey

STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers

- Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn
- School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen
- Home & School Association Chair: Gina Jennissen TE Worship & Outreach Committee TE

Maintenance Committee

- Social Concerns Committee
- STA Council of Catholic Women

STB Council of Catholic Women

Knights of Columbus

Grand Knight: Mark Maiers

July 20, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
usually meets on th	he 1st Tuesday ea	ch month
August 10, 7pm	r,	hospitality area
TBA, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	library
TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
TBA, 6pm	St Anastasia	parish office
Sept 9, 10am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement

usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month

St Angetacia

narish office

cafeteria

Area Faith Community Staff

August 4, 7:30pm St Anastasia

Fr. Paul Wolf, Pastor	507-829-0965 (cell)	pwolf@stanastasia.net
St. Anastasia Parish Staff Merrianne Miller, Bookkeeper Donna Conrad, Secretary Kevin Scott, Facility Manager	320-587-6507 320-583-0807 (cell)	mmiller@stanastasia.net dconrad@stanastasia.net
St. Boniface Staff Millie Navara, Administration Merri Schaeffler, Contributions	320-562-2463 320-562-2245	mmnavara@embarqmail.com
St. Anastasia School Betty Jodzio, Principal Marilyn Schreiner, Secretary	320-587-2490 320-587-2490	principal@stanastasia.net secretary@stanastasia.net
Kids' Depot Daycare & Preschool Michelle Nies, Director	320-587-4760	depot@stanastasia.net
Religious Education & Youth Minist Jennifer Eckstein, RE Dir, St Anastasia Karen Maiers, RE Dir, St Boniface Jake Burmis, YM Director	v	religioused@stanastasia.net karenmaiers1@gmail.com youthmin@stanastasia.net
St. Anastasia Cemetery Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutcl 320-583-7199	hinson on Highway 15 mgschall@mediacombb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery Richard Navara, Manager	1 mile south of Stews 320-562-2128	art on City Rd 7 rnavara@embarqmail.com

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.