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but what good are these for so many?”

JOHN 6:8-9

Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

JULY 25, 2021

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Beginning today, the church gives us five weeks of Sunday gospel readings from John. We are taking a break from Mark to hear from another evangelist. Throughout these five weeks we will be reading from John chapter 6, wherein we have the multiplication of the loaves followed by Jesus' walking on water, and the bread of life discourse. The theology and symbolism in John 6 is profound and has inspired centuries of contemplation and rich exegesis. We remember that the story of the multiplication of loaves is told in each of the four gospels, the only “miracle story” shared by each. Last week we heard Mark's setup to the feeding of the five thousand, but this week we heard John's version rather than Mark's.

John's theology is ultimately Christology. John has an intense focus on Jesus. In Mark's version, the disciples come to Jesus with their concern about moving the people along before they have to feed them. In John, Jesus takes the initiative in asking Philip about feeding the people. John's gospel shows Jesus clearly in charge, clearly taking the lead. When he asks a question it is to test someone, to challenge them.

John uses a Greek term for the “fragments” (*klasmata*) that were collected and gathered in to the baskets. The Greek term is used by the *Didache* (an early church book written in the first century, parts of which are akin to a catechism) to speak of Eucharist.

Finally, upon witnessing this sign the crowd recognizes Jesus as a prophet. No doubt the story of the prophet Elisha and the multiplication of the loaves from 2 Kings 4:42-4 is in mind. Jesus realized that the crowd wanted to make him a king, so he makes a speedy solo exit.

The multiplication of the loaves, with its Eucharistic overtones, its prominence on Jesus and his fulfilling human need, and the growing recognition by the crowds that he must be a prophet demonstrates how pivotal this episode was and continues to be.

As we continue to grow in knowledge and faith, as the first disciples, it means that there will come a time when we will no longer be simply on the receiving end of the relationship with Jesus. We will be called to enter further into a relationship with Jesus that is more mutually reciprocal, though Jesus will always be the teacher and we will always be in the position of disciples. Jesus will call the crowds closer to the circle with him. It's easy to be a follower, or a member of the crowd receiving goodies. Soon, those crowds will be invited to go deeper.

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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!

Tuesday, July 27, 6:30 pm: Emmet & Marge McCormick, 1127 Lewis Ave. SW

Thursday, July 29, 6:30 pm: Mark & Cindy Maiers, 80959 CR 20, Stewart



The Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The eyes of all look hopefully to you,
and you give them their food
in due season.

— *Psalms 145:15*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Ex 32:15-24, 30-34; Ps 106:19-23; Mt 13:31-35

Tue: Ex 33:7-11; 34:5b-9, 28; Ps 103:6-13; Mt 13:36-43

Wed: Ex 34:29-35; Ps 99:5-7, 9; Mt 13:44-46

Thu: Ex 40:16-21, 34-38; Ps 84:3-6a, 8a, 11; Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Fri: Lv 23:1, 4-11, 15-16, 27, 34b-37; Ps 81:3-6, 10-11ab; Mt 13:54-58

Sat: Lv 25:1, 8-17; Ps 67:2-3, 5, 7-8; Mt 14:1-12

Sun: Ex 16:2-4, 12-15; Ps 78:3-4, 23-25, 54; Eph 4:17, 20-24; Jn 6:24-35



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 5am on Monday until 5pm on Friday.</i>		
MONDAY, July 26 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	
TUESDAY, July 27 7am, Mass 6:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Richard Roskammer Emmet & Marge McCormick, 1127 Lewis Ave. SW
WEDNESDAY, July 28 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	
THURSDAY, July 29 7am, Mass 6:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Mary Ludowese Mark & Cindy Maiers, 80959 CR 20, Stewart
FRIDAY, July 30 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	
SATURDAY, July 31 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+John E. Clasen & Family
SUNDAY, August 1 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	For the hearts & minds of expectant mothers & fathers For Our Parish Community

Calendar

WEDNESDAY, July 28 7pm, Youth Nite	St. Anastasia youth room	
TUESDAY, August 3 7pm, School Advisory Committee	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
WEDNESDAY, August 4 7pm, Youth Nite 7:30pm, Knights of Columbus	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	youth room cafeteria
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

Thank You!

We would like to thank all who prayed and sent cards during my sister Colleen Carlson's battle with her cancer and after her passing. We as her family are so grateful for that. May God bless you all! Denise & Jerome Stoll

The Sign of Peace

Beginning the weekend of August 1, 2021 the sign of peace may 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.



Mark Your Calendars! Fall Festival 2021

We are thrilled to be able to gather again at our annual Fall Festival! Mark your calendars for Saturday, Sept 11 and Sunday, Sept 12 and plan on joining us for live entertainment, games, great food, a car show, the Country Store and more! We are always in need of volunteers to help us with setting up beforehand, during events throughout the weekend, and cleaning up at the end. (Please keep in mind there will be remodeling work going on in the facility—our plans remain fluid as we work with the construction schedule.)

Czech Heritage Festival



30th Annual Czech Heritage Festival, featuring Mollie B, will be held on Sunday, August 8th in Bechyn, Minnesota. Polka Mass at 10:00 a.m. Pork Dinner served from 11:00 – 1:30. Afternoon entertainment, Ethnic food, Silent Auction, Beer Garden, Bingo, Children's Activities plus much more. Bechyn is located 10 miles northeast of Redwood Falls. Free Admission and Parking. Festival held rain or shine. For more info call 320.522.1218.

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 ground. 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 in 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 pwolf@stanastasia.net.

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 scheduled for Oct 21/22, depending on the construction schedule. We will keep you updated!

FEAST OF FAITH

The Preface Dialogue

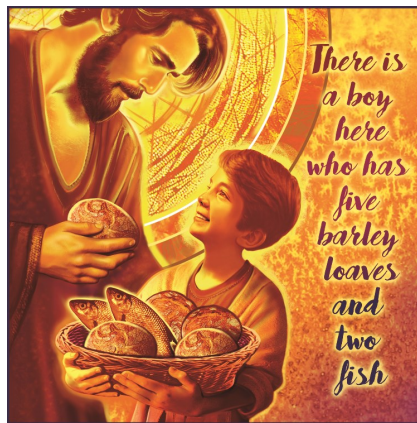
“Lift up your hearts.” “We lift them up to the Lord.” “Let us give thanks to the Lord our God.” “It is right to give him thanks and praise.” With this ancient dialogue we enter the Eucharistic Prayer, the heart of the Mass. These venerable words have been part of the Christian liturgy almost from the beginning—by the time of Hippolytus of Rome (c. 215) they were already fixed in the liturgy.

Several times during the Mass the priest has invited us to pray. There is something different here. We are invited to be “lifted up,” to ascend, to climb the Lord’s mountain, as it were, to go to a new place for this most solemn part of the Mass. And we are invited to a new frame of mind, a sense of joy, of focused dedication: our hearts must not be cast down, but lifted up, and lifted to the Lord. Why? Because we are going to give thanks—we are going to “eucharist!” It is right and just that we do this.

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detail that the loaves were barley, reminding every pious Jew of that miracle that Elisha worked. Yet Jesus went into hiding when they wanted to make him king. It is the passage from Paul’s Letter to the Ephesians that gives us the reason for this. The power of Jesus comes from God. It is not meant merely to feed us, or to provide one group with a king. There is one Lord, one faith, one God and Father of all who works through Jesus Christ and through us all. sheep without a shepherd.

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The Days Are Coming

Do you suppose the authors of the four Gospels were aware of today’s first reading from the second book of Kings? Of course they were. The prophet Elisha fed a hundred men with twenty barley loaves in order to prove God’s power. This same miracle, now multiplied by more people fed by fewer loaves, is attributed to Jesus in all four Gospels. In today’s passage from John we even have the

St Martha

Saint Martha is commemorated each year on 29 July. From her diligence, we learn not to allow ourselves to be so overcome by daily duties that we neglect love; from her profession of faith we learn that life in God makes us experience wonders that we could not believe possible.

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 in 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!



Youth Activities



Minnesota Twins vs. Detroit Tigers

July 28, 12:10 PM

St A's Youth will be in the stands cheering on the Twins! Pray for good weather and a good game. Win Twins!

Mission Trip 2021 was a great success! Our team is back safe, sound and totally tuckered out. Everyone is pausing to catch their breath (and some sleep) but you will be hearing more about their adventures a little later. Thanks for your support!

Steubenville

This weekend-long conference gives students the opportunity to learn from knowledgeable speakers, worship with live music, attend daily mass, celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation, experience a powerful adoration time, and so much more. Please pray for our students and chaperones that they may grow in their relationship with Jesus during this conference.



For Fun

Pastor Al®



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"How come the host you get is so much bigger than the other ones, Pastor Al? Did you have it super-sized?"



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.

After Jesus performed the miracle of the loaves and fish, people said, "This is truly the Prophet, the one who is to ..."

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C _____ "

Answer: *come into the world.*

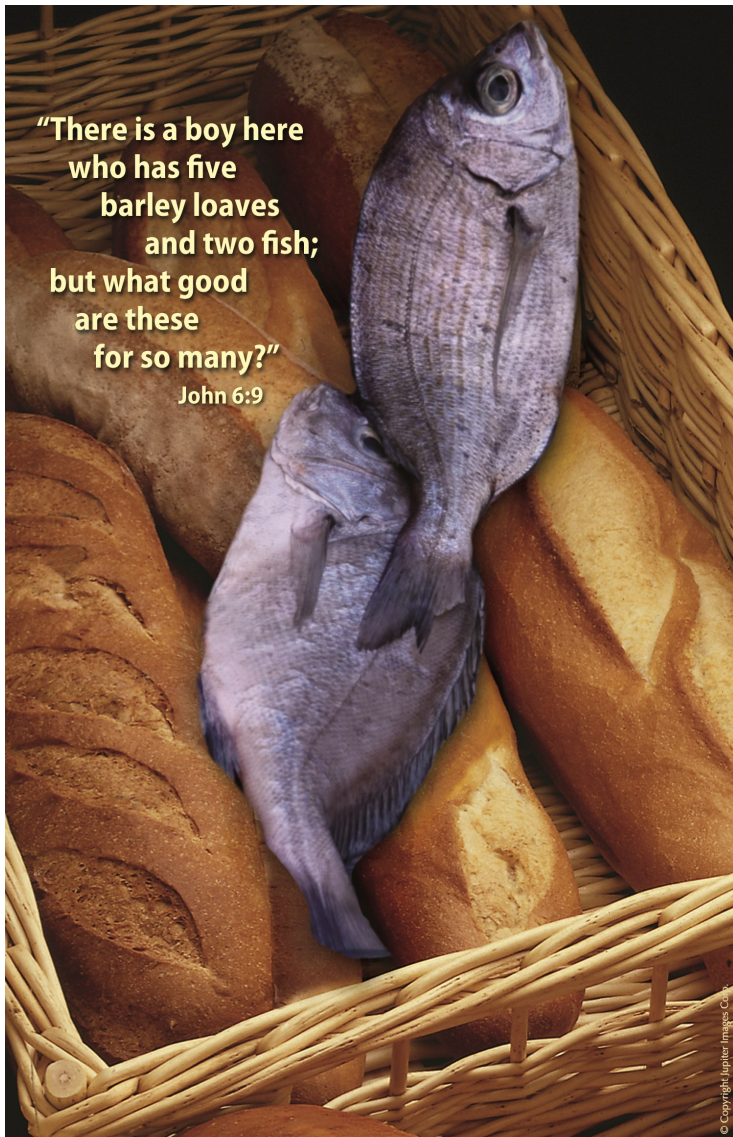
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Please Keep In Your Prayers

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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.



“There is a boy here who has five barley loaves and two fish; but what good are these for so many?”

John 6:9

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Total Contributions for:
July 19, 2021

Contribution Budget 2021-2022	\$847,550
July 11 Contributions	\$14,543
Total Contributions YTD	\$43,147
Total Budget YTD	\$32,598
Average weekly given in 2020-21	\$14,382
Average weekly needed during 2021-22 to make budget	\$16,299
Average weekly needed for remaining 49 weeks to make budget	\$16,416

Capital Campaign

Pledges Received	\$1,505,332
Contributions Received	\$683,048
Fund balance	\$487,625.30

DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

<u>St A's</u>		Parish
Goal	Total rec'd	Portion
\$50,517	\$49,772	\$9,954
<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, 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 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

Area Faith Community Leadership

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> July 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 Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> August 3, 7pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area
Home & School Association Chair: Gina Jennissen	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	Sept 9, 10am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	August 4, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria

Area Faith Community Staff

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Karen Maiers, RE Dir, St Boniface	320-833-6020	karenmaiers1@gmail.com
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St. Anastasia Cemetery		
Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15 320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacommb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery		
Richard Navara, Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-562-2128	rnavara@embarqmail.com

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