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will pass away,  
but my words  
will not pass away.

MARK 13:31

**THIRTY-THIRD**  
Sunday in Ordinary Time  
November 14, 2021

“The end of the world is at hand!” says the placard carried by the devout believer on the side of the street. Each age has had its share of true believers who maintained that the world was doomed, ready to be destroyed by God who was waiting for only a few moments before bringing down his fiery wrath on the heathens. In Jesus’ own day, and in the decades that followed, apocalyptic fever was high. Messianic expectation combined with a desire for God’s judgment of the wicked were saturating the environment. And yet, the world continued, and Rome dominated for hundreds of years hence. At the turn of the first millennium monasteries and convents were filling up with those who understood that the thousand-year reign of the saints was quite literally being fulfilled, after which the dragon who had been locked up for one thousand years would be released (Rev 20:2-6)! Yet, the year 1,000 came and went, followed by 1,001, 1,002, and so on. The monasteries and convents gradually lost some of their devoted converts from only a few years earlier.

In our own days there are many prophecies and predictions about the end of the world. Preaching about the end of the world with zany predictions about pending doom can certainly attract attention and might even bring in the parishioners and churchgoers, but is it accurate?

In today’s gospel perhaps the most significant line is at the end, when Jesus says, “But of the day or hour, no one knows, neither the angels in heaven, nor the Son, but only the Father.” Despite that rather stark, plain sentence, we have all undoubtedly heard some say, “Jesus says nobody knows the day or hour, but he doesn’t say anything about the month or the year!” And then the wild predictions start again. Such interpretations miss the mark wildly.

Rather than worry about when the world will end, it might be more productive to wonder about our own personal end. That is, when will I die? How have I prepared myself for the eventual end? How have I lived my days knowing that nothing I accumulate on earth will be taken with me when I pass from this life? We know that we are definitely going to experience our own personal end, our own death. We are less likely to be here for the end of the world. (Living Liturgy, p. 250)

**Changes:** St. Anastasia will be experiencing some changes at the end of this year. Merrienne Miller and Donna Conrad after many years of faithful ministry and service to St. Anastasia will be making changes in their lives. Merrienne will be retiring by the end of this year and Donna will be going part-time. We wish them well in their transitions and new opportunities.

Cindy Meier will be taking over the financial/bookkeeping responsibilities that Merrienne has done. Donna will keep some of her present duties and a new full-time hire will be sought to take on the following duties, which include: Assist the pastor in the management of all parish programs, census, and records. Assist in the preparation of the weekly bulletin, mass announcements, liturgical ministry schedules, and mass schedule. Process, post and provide reports and statements regarding contributions and receivable accounts. Maintain sacramental records. Manage computerized programs. Coordinate opportunities for parishioners to participate in addressing social concerns—Common Cup Ministry, collections, fundraisers, etc. Interested parties please contact the office for a full job description. Interviews will take place the week of November 29-December 3. Hire: January 3, 2022.



**The Thirty-third Sunday  
in Ordinary Time**

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**Readings for the Week**

**Mon:** 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63; Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158; Lk 18:35-43

**Tue:** 2 Mc 6:18-31; Ps 3; Lk 19:1-10

**Wed:** 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31; Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b, 15; Lk 19:11-28

**Thu:** 1 Mc 2:15-29; Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15; Lk 19:41-44

**Fri:** 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59; 1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11-12; Lk 19:45-48

**Sat:** 1 Mc 6:1-13; Ps 9:2-4, 6, 16, 19; Lk 20:27-40

**Sun:** Dn 7:13-14; Ps 93:1-2, 5; Rv 1:5-8; Jn 18:33b-37

*The just shall shine  
like the stars*



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55385

**This Week's Area Worship Schedule**

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 5am on Monday until 5pm on Friday.</i>		
<b>MONDAY, November 15</b>		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Souls in Purgatory
<b>TUESDAY, November 16</b>		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	
<b>WEDNESDAY, November 17</b>		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Dan Holy
<b>THURSDAY, November 18</b>		
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Mary Ludowese
<b>FRIDAY, November 19</b>		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+James G. DeMeyer
<b>SATURDAY, November 20</b>		
3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	+Chuck McLagan, +Jim Hartl
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	
<b>SUNDAY, November 21</b>		
7:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	++Al & Gertrude Krebsbach +Robert Schmid
9:00am, Mass	St. Boniface	++Dick & Marie Richards
10:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Jerry Beeler
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community

**Calendar of Events**

<b>MONDAY, November 15</b> 6:30pm, GriefShare	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>TUESDAY, November 16</b> 7pm Parish Administration Council		Parish Center Conference Room
<b>WEDNESDAY, November 17</b> 6:30pm, RE grades 6-11 6:30pm, Adult Ed "Sanctuary" 7pm, Youth Nite/open gym		<b>Last Day to drop off Box of Joy!</b> St. Anastasia St. Anastasia day chapel St. Anastasia gym
<b>FRIDAY, November 18</b> 6am, TMIY	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>SUNDAY, November 21</b> 9am, RE grades 1-5 10am, Atrium	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	
<b>MONDAY, November 22</b> 6:30pm, GriefShare	St. Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>WEDNESDAY, November 24</b> Set Up for Community Thanksgiving Dinner		<b>No School, No RE</b>
<b>THURSDAY, November 25</b> Community Thanksgiving Dinner—Everyone is Welcome!		
<b>FRIDAY, November 26</b> No School, Parish office is closed		



**The Roman Catholic Area Faith Community of  
St. Anastasia & St. Boniface**



## Community Thanksgiving Dinner

“If you offer one of the least among you a cup of water in my name, you have done it to me.”

Once again St. Anastasia is blessed to be sponsoring a Community Thanksgiving Dinner on Thanksgiving Day. This is an annual tradition of a free Thanksgiving Dinner for all Nov 25, 11am-1pm

We are blessed to have our parishioners willing to donate financially as well as their time to help us provide this Community Meal. If this is something you or your organization would like to support, we are seeking volunteers, financial donations, and food donations.

- **PRAYERS:** Please pray we are able to reach those in need and lonely this Thanksgiving and that they are well provided for at the meal, both in body and soul. Please also pray for those serving the meal.
- **Financial donations** can be sent into the parish office. Please put Thanksgiving Meal in the memo line. All funds received over and above the cost of serving the meal will be donated to a local non-profit organization (McLeod County Food Shelf or Common Cup).
- **Food donations** such as turkeys (20 lbs), cans of green beans (100 oz.), pies, gravy, cans of cranberry sauce, beverages such as water, milk, juice, etc. Gift cards to grocery stores in Hutchinson would be appreciated (if you purchase through Scrip we will gain an added benefit!). Stickers are found in the back of the church and drop off times are Wednesdays 5:30-7:30 in the cafeteria and Sundays 8:30 to 10:30 in the cafeteria.
- **Volunteers!!!** We have slots for volunteers from Tuesday through Thursday, Thanksgiving Day from potato peelers to setting up chairs to cleaning up the gym. Find a time that works for you!! Sign ups will be after Masses this weekend.

Please contact Jen at [religioused@stanastasia.net](mailto:religioused@stanastasia.net) to inquire about any of the above items or sign up over the weekend or call Donna at the parish office.

**THANK YOU for all your generosity!**  
**It takes a Community to serve the Community!**

## Diocesan Ministries Appeal

Next Sunday is commitment Sunday for the 2021 Diocesan Ministries appeal. Watching the video today, we are reminded of the good work the DMA is doing in ministries too big for parishes to do alone, ministries that are important to us. Remember, in supporting the DMA, we contribute to those important ministries in the diocese, but we also support the project we have identified for St A's: the Capital Campaign. As you reflect on what your pledge should be, prayerfully keep in mind God's generosity to you. The DMA offers a great opportunity to make a return to God of the blessings we have received. This year with the theme "One Faith, One Family, One Mission," we are invited to recognize the ways that God not only calls us to be a community of faith, He also invites us into his mission—to share our gifts to build up the body of Christ. Be assured that your gift will only be used to support those ministries designated in the DMA brochure and no other.

## Flower Memorials

If you would like to enhance the environment of St Boniface or St Anastasia by donating a flower, lights, candles, or other decorative materials, please put your contribution in an enveloped marked "Flowers" and drop it in the collection basket at either church. Please include the name(s) of the loved ones you wish to have remembered at this special time.

## On Line Giving

As we come to the end of the year, this could be a good time to consider on-line giving. Its convenient, secure, (adheres to bank standards) flexible (change or stop at anytime) allows for direct withdrawals or credit card use. For more info, check out the St A's website.

### Important Message

Jesus Himself is calling you to spend one special hour with Him each week in Eucharistic Adoration!! (Blessed John Paul II) Call the parish office for more information.

### Holiday Adoration Hours

**Thanksgiving:** Closing Nov 24 @ 5pm. Reopening Nov 29 @ 6am

**Christmas:** Closing Dec 22 @ noon. Reopening Jan 3 at 6am

If there are changes to this schedule they will be posted on the Adoration Hotline 320-484-7126.



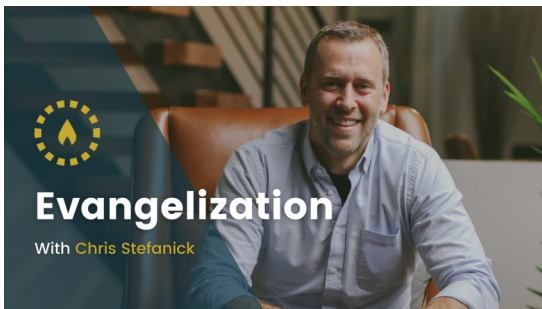
## ADULT FORMATION

### GriefShare.

Mondays at 6:30 PM in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.



**That Man Is You.** Fridays 6 AM in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.



**Evangelization with Chris Stefanick.** We are all on a mission. Pope Paul VI famously said, "the Church exists to evangelize" - that is, to spread the Good News of Jesus Christ and make disciples. Let renowned speaker, writer, and expert Chris Stefanick teach you his tried and true methods of spreading the Gospel, that is, evangelization. We will email you (if we have your email) the session to be watched and invite you to a Facebook round table of discussion.

**The Sanctuary Course for Catholics.** One in four people will be affected by a mental health problem at some point in their lives, yet the stigma surrounding mental illness silences many and prevents faith communities



from responding compassionately and effectively. This eight-session course - beginning November 3rd at 6:30 PM in the Hospitality Area - designed for use in small groups - explores the realities of mental health and illness, as well as the vital need for faith-based community conversations about these topics. The sessions are accompanied by compelling films that feature the stories of Catholics living with mental health challenges, along with the insights of archbishops, theologians, and psychologists. All are welcome, drop your children off and join with us for insight, prayer, and discussion.

## FEAST OF FAITH

### Blessing and Dismissal

At the beginning of Mass, the priest made the sign of the cross with us. At the conclusion of Mass, he makes the sign of the cross over us, a sign of blessing. We are then dismissed—not just let out, but sent forth with a mission “to love and serve the Lord.” Just as Jesus blessed his disciples as he ascended to heaven, so this leave-taking is joined to a blessing, a prayer for God’s continuing protection. As we leave the church, we bear the invisible sign of the Master whom we follow. In the words of an ancient letter to Diongetus, “Christians are indistinguishable from other [people] either by nationality, language, or customs. They do not inhabit separate cities of their own, or speak a strange dialect, or follow an outlandish way of life. . . . And yet, there is something extraordinary about their lives” (*Liturgy of the Hours*, Vol. II, p. 840). We are ordinary people sent forth to live extraordinary lives, lives like Christ’s own life—pouring ourselves out for others in prayer, service, and love.

## God’s Reign

By pointing to the end times, today’s readings speak to the coming reign of God, when God will make all things new. In Christ, this time has already begun. We, by our energized watchfulness, can further God’s reign. We can heal broken hearts, free captives, spread the Good News. Even so, the reign of God will not be complete without the second coming of Christ. Our weekly eucharistic gathering is a sign of the fullness of the end times. At Mass we join as an assembly to recall and to claim the story of Jesus as our own. Together we give thanks to God for the many gifts bestowed upon us. We receive nourishment in the simple but profound meal. And our weak and weary selves are invigorated and transformed by the power of Christ, so that we ourselves might become effective signs of God’s reign present and to come.

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## St A's School Views

This week we celebrated Vocation's Week during Religion classes. The objective of the lessons is to listen to the ways God calls us.

Original, engaging stories with titles like "The Ladybug and the Priest" and "A Princess Becomes a Nun" taught children about the meaningful lives of priests and religious life.

Classic artwork such as "Institution of the Eucharist" by Fra Angelico was viewed, and the students enjoyed fun activities to teach virtue and charity in family life.



Along with these activities, they visited the Diocese of New Ulm website and discussed the seminarian's lives and activities.

The students have written letters to the seminarians and the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus in the past and will continue to do so to stay connected.

Pray for our vocations.

### Happy Veterans' Day!



### Jimmy's Pizza Fundraiser:

Enjoy at night off in the kitchen after the Thanksgiving holiday weekend AND support our St. Anastasia Catholic School by eating pizza! Jimmy's Pizza of Hutchinson will donate a generous portion of all purchases made on **Tuesday, November 30**. This includes all dine-in, carry-out, delivery, and gift card purchases. What a tasty way to support our St. A's students!

The Richard M. Schulze Family Foundation has generously offered St. Anastasia School & Kids Depot the opportunity for a \$25,000 Challenge Grant! Our school has been tasked with raising \$25,000 in new or extended (giving more than their largest previous gift) donations, and the Foundation will match it! We will be using these funds to improve our playground and create a more excellent learning experience for all of our students here at St. Anastasia! We've seen our community and school do amazing things and know that we can count on you as we work together to meet this goal! The deadline to make a donation for this grant is December 30th, 2021! For more information on donating or to learn more about this incredible opportunity, please visit: <https://www.stanastasia.net/playground-grant-challenge/>

**BEST BUY** **RICHARD SCHULZE**  
FAMILY FOUNDATION

PRESENTED TO ST. ANASTASIA SCHOOL

# A CHALLENGE MATCHING GRANT!

BE A PART OF THE CHALLENGE!

**Grant Guidelines:**  
Must be a new donor to St. Anastasia School  
OR  
A previous donor whose donation exceeds their largest previous donation to St. Anastasia  
Deadline to Donate: 12/30/21



## Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Maureen Reiner Barb Olson Jenny Trettin Al Cotter Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl Delores Muetzel Gloria Pohlmann Betty Gunderson Darlene Artmann Terry Bisbee Marilyn Reinarts Cristy Wallstrom Roseanne Genz Logan Erpelding Veronica Jacobs Special Intention



Names will be listed for one month, if you would like to continue your pray request after that time please contact the office and ask for reinstating.

*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. For a clear path in our troubled times.*

### 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.



As we enter the holiday season, our greatest wish for you is to experience the joy of giving. But we know sometimes all of the tasks that come at this time of year can pile up - making our gift wrapping and check writing less joyful and more arduous. Instead of waiting, consider tackling one to-do on your long holiday prep list early. Here are four facts about holiday giving:

- 1. Nonprofits need your donations before year-end, but they don't necessarily need them at the end of the year.** A gift in November is no less effective than one in late December. In fact, with the busyness of processing last-minute donations, an early gift might be the best gift.
- 2. You get the same tax benefits for the year whether you make a gift in October or December.** Why not ease the burden your financial advisors and stockbrokers feel at the end of the year by giving before the rush? You'll be less stressed, too.
- 3. The market doesn't perform according to calendar dates.** Why should your giving? For **appreciated assets**, the best time to give them is when you believe they've appreciated and can maximize your charitable giving. Don't let December 31st make that decision.
- 4. There's no need to wait until you receive your year-end bonus or sell appreciated stock to get the ball rolling on a donor advised fund.** You can start the paperwork to establish a fund now. Then, transfer your gift into the fund when you're ready, and start recommending grants!
- 5. Thank you for your Gift. Please consider a Gift to St. Anastasia in your Estate.**

## Stewardship

### St. Anastasia

Nov 7 Contributions \$13,225.00

#### CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Pledges Received \$1,505,332

Contributions Received \$804,288

Fund balance \$336,587.29

#### DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

<u>St A's</u>		Parish
Goal	Total rec'd	Portion
\$50,517	\$54,595	\$10,236

#### 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.

### St. Boniface

Nov 7 \$761.13

#### DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL

Goal	Total rec'd	Parish Portion
\$3,999	\$4,425	\$885

## 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> Nov 16, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STB Administrative Council</b> Chair: Mark Maiers	Nov 8, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
<b>Cemetery Committee</b> Chair: Jeff Lehn	Jan 13, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>School Advisory Committee</b> Chair: Jason Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> Dec 7 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>	Nov 11, 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	Dec 8, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
<b>Knights of Columbus Squires</b>	Dec 1, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

## Area Faith Community Staff

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<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b>		
Richard Navara, Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-562-2128	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.