

"I am the Alpha and the Omega,"
says the Lord God,
"the one who is and who was
and who is to come,
the almighty."

REVELATION 1:8

OUR LORD JESUS CHRIST, KING OF THE UNIVERSE

November 21, 2021

Today's solemnity titled "Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe" is filled with paradox. Rather than a superhuman figure ruling with power and might over the cosmos, the gospel reading draws us back to Jesus' passion with the backdrop of the cross as our King's throne and the crucifixion, his coronation. This juxtaposition gives us fair warning that this day is about a different kind of kingship. Therefore any semblance of triumphalism seems very much out of step with the message of this day. As we come to the close of the liturgical year with this last Sunday of Ordinary Time, we plan for a fitting and solemn celebration that praises Christ the King. Yet tempered with the understanding that the title of "King" is more closely tied with the sense of "governance" that makes one responsible for the care and well-being of others. For us who have been baptized in Christ as "priest, prophet, and king," we recall that we have been given to one another, to be neighbor and kin to each other and good stewards of the earth. The observance of the Thanksgiving holiday this week with its themes of giving thanks, family, creation, and bounty can help us express this more humble sense of stewardship that is the primary role of those who have been crowned as children of God. (*Living Liturgy*, p. 259)



Upcoming Calendar Events (please note and save)

November

- 24-26: No School - Thanksgiving Break
- 24 - Thanksgiving Mass 5pm - Hosp. Area
- 25 - Thanksgiving Mass 9am - Hosp. Area
- 25 - Thanksgiving Day Meal—gym
- 27/28 - First Sunday of Advent - gym
- 30 - Jimmy's Pizza Fundraiser for School

December

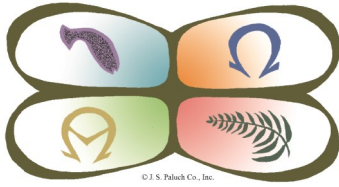
- 4/5 - Second Sunday of Advent - gym
- 5 - Penance Service 2pm - gym
- 7 - Immaculate Conception 5pm - A
- 8 - Immaculate Conception 7am - A, 9am - A, 5pm - A, 7pm - B
- 9 - School Christmas Program - gym
1:30 & 6:30pm
- 11 - Christmas Market (LEASE) - gym
- 11/12 - Third Sunday of Advent - gym

- 12 - Penance Service 2pm - gym
- 18/19 - Fourth Sunday of Advent - gym
- 23-2: No School - Christmas Break

Mass Schedule for Christmas Season (gym)

December

- 24: Christmas Eve 4pm - A, 6pm - A, 8pm - B, 10pm - A
- 25: Christmas Day 7am - A, 9am - A, 11am - A (no 4:30pm Mass this evening at St. Anastasia)
- 26: Feast of the Holy Family 7:30m - A, 9am - B, 10:30am - A, 7:30 pm - A
- 31: Solemnity of the Motherhood of Mary/ New Year's Eve 5pm - A & 7pm - B
- 1: Solemnity of the Motherhood of Mary/ New Year's Day 9am - A (no 4:30pm Mass at St. Anastasia this evening)
- 2: Feast of the Epiphany 7:30am - A,



Our Lord Jesus Christ, King of the Universe

Jesus Christ is the faithful witness,
the firstborn of the dead and ruler of
the kings of the earth.
— *Revelation 1:5*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Dn 1:1-6, 8-20; Dn 3:52-56; Lk 21:1-4

Tue: Dn 2:31-45; Dn 3:57-61; Lk 21:5-11

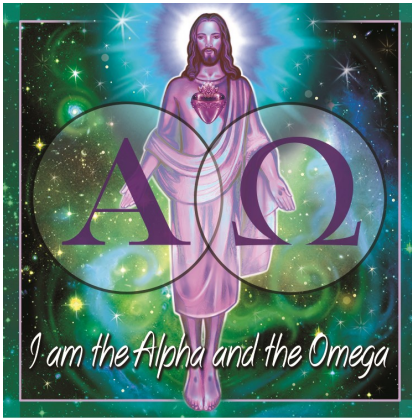
Wed: Dn 5:1-6, 13-14, 16-17, 23-28; Dn 3:62-67; Lk 21:12-19

Thu: Dn 6:12-28; Dn 3:68-74; Lk 21:20-28

Fri: Dn 7:2-14; Dn 3:75-81; Lk 21:29-33

Sat: Dn 7:15-27; Dn 3:82-87; Lk 21:34-36

Sun: Jer 33:14-16; Ps 25:4-5, 8-10, 14; 1 Thes 3:12 — 4:2; Lk 21:25-28, 34-36



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME LOCATION INTENTION

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

MONDAY, November 22

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia

TUESDAY, November 23

9am, Mass School Mass
St. Anastasia Virgil Vacek

WEDNESDAY, November 24 Mass in hospitality area today

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia +Ray Urban
7pm, Mass St. Boniface +Carsten Homan

THURSDAY, November 25 Mass in hospitality area today

9am, Mass St. Anastasia +Michael VanOverbeke
+Sonny Farenbaugh

FRIDAY, November 26

7am, Mass St. Anastasia +James DeMeyer, Sr

SATURDAY, November 27

3pm, Confessions St. Anastasia
4:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia

SUNDAY, November 28

7:30am, Mass St. Anastasia First Sunday of Advent
Eckstein Family
9:00am, Mass St. Boniface +Carsten Homan
10:30am, Mass St. Anastasia +Ken Schons
7:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia For Our Area Faith Community

Calendar of Events

MONDAY, November 22

6:30pm, GriefShare St. Anastasia hospitality area

WEDNESDAY, November 24

No School, No RE
Set Up for Community Thanksgiving Dinner

THURSDAY, November 25

No School
Community Thanksgiving Dinner—Everyone is Welcome!

FRIDAY, November 26

No School, Parish office is closed

SUNDAY, November 28

No RE today

MONDAY, November 29

6:30pm, GriefShare St. Anastasia hospitality area

TUESDAY, November 30

Jimmy's Pizza Fundraiser for St A's School!
7pm Parish Administration Council Parish Center Conference Room

WEDNESDAY, December 1

6:30pm, RE grades 6-11 St. Anastasia
6:30pm, Adult Ed "Sanctuary" St. Anastasia day chapel
7pm, Youth Nite/open gym St. Anastasia gym
7:30pm, KCs St. Anastasia cafeteria



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: WE HAVE OUR 500 LBS OF TURKEY! Thank you so much to everyone who donated!** We can still use: 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 still need volunteers for Thanksgiving Day (10:30am-1:30pm and 12:30-3pm) . If you are able to help please contact either the parish office or Jen at religioused@stanastasia.et

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



Baptismal Blessings

Violet Marie and Elodie Ruth Buchholz
daughters of Ryan & MacKenzie

celebrate the Sacrament of Baptism. We
bless them and welcome them into our

family of faith!

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.

End of Life Workshop

Attend a compassionate and timely Adult Education workshop about End of Life Planning from a Catholic Perspective. Typical questions about end of life issues: Must medical treatment always be continued? Are Catholics allowed to have Living Wills? What is Church teaching about "Death with Dignity"? How do I make my Catholic health care directive? We will address these questions and others during this workshop, Monday, Nov 22nd at St Anastasia Catholic Church, 6:30PM. We will provide steps for putting together a valid Catholic Health Care Directive. Speaker Greg Gall, Regional Manager for Catholic United Financial, will also be on hand to speak about the financial aspects of end of life decisions, including final expenses, estate plans, charitable giving, power of attorney and more. Contact local Representative Donna Nelson for more details: dnelson@catholicunited.org or call 320-221-1566.

RSVP's are appreciated; all are welcome.

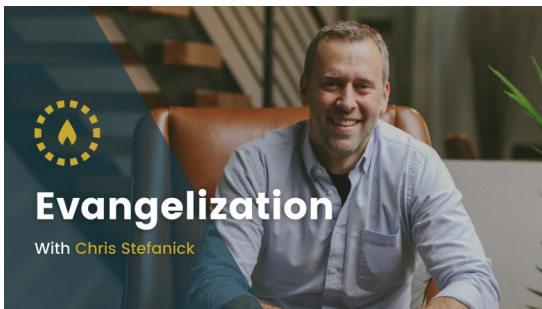
ADULT FORMATION

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.

Important Adoration Message

This Thursday is Thanksgiving Day. A day we pause and give thanks for all the blessing in our life. Adoration. What a perfect place and time to be face to face with the One that provides all that we have. To Him give praise and thanks.

Regular hours are 6am Monday through Friday noon. 24/5

Thanksgiving closing at 5pm Tuesday Nov.23rd resumes Monday Nov.29th at 6am

Christmas break

Closing on Thursday Dec. 23rd at noon and reopening on Jan 3rd at 6am

Please if you have any questions call the parish office or email parish office. Information also on the Adoration Hotline 320-484-7126

FEAST OF FAITH Procession

"The Mass is ended, go in peace." At the beginning of Mass, the ministers entered in solemn procession, an emblem of the diverse community that comes together around the altar each week to celebrate the Eucharist. As Mass ends, another procession forms, and the ministers go forth from the church. This concluding procession also acts as an emblem of the entire assembly, who, nourished by the Eucharist, will now go forth to our scattered homes and places of work to be a transforming leaven of the gospel in the world. At the beginning of Mass, the priest kissed the altar as a sign of greeting, a gesture of reverence for Christ. Now, the priest reverences the altar again, this time in a gesture of farewell. We gather our things and go forth as we entered—but not quite. Through our celebration of the Eucharist, we have renewed our commitment to service of Christ our King, and we go forth nourished, strengthened, renewed—changed.

Christ the King

The selection from the book of Daniel presented in today's first reading was part of an attempt to weave a vision of ultimate success for the Jews under persecution. Exactly whom the author had in mind when he refers to "one like a Son of Man" is hotly disputed by scholars today. The fact is, we simply do not know if the author meant anyone in particular or if this is a collective, figurative image of Israel's triumph. What we do know is that the early Christian community seized upon this passage and recognized it as a messianic prophecy, a foretelling of the ultimate triumph of Jesus as the Christ of God. The Lectionary's juxtaposition of this text with today's Gospel narrative of Jesus before Pilate is a wonderful example of how the liturgy "layers" passages with new meaning by inserting them in a particular context.

The celebration of Christ the King allows us to hear these passages with a new depth of meaning in light of our contemporary understanding of how, in Jesus and his resurrection and ascension, we have seen the fulfillment of Daniel's vision of ultimate deliverance. The veiled admission of Jesus before Pilate that he did indeed have a kingdom "not here" takes on new meaning against the cosmic vision of Daniel, who allows us to glimpse the "Ancient One" on his heavenly throne.

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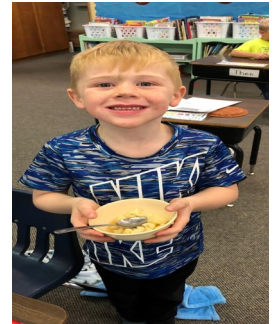
St A's School Views



Veteran's Day provides an opportunity for kids to learn about what veterans did to serve our Country. This year we had a speaker visit with us and share a few of his personal experiences and the impact it has had on his life now. Students wrote letters and colored pictures that Tim took with him to the Eagle's Healing Nest, Sauk Centre, where they were disbursed to veterans.

Thank you, Tim B., for your service and your time with us today.

Kindergarten students learn to make soup! Why, you ask? Because it's fun and it tastes delicious! Well, several of them thought so anyway. The students just finished their science unit on Plants and one of the follow up suggestions was to make soup. So, they did! One student enjoyed 4 bowls! Mrs. Johnson continues to make Kindergarten a journey full of learning many life skills. They learn to safely cut items with adult supervision. As one child said, "We cutted carrots and potatoes!"



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 \$11,506.00

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN

Pledges Received \$1,505,332

Contributions Received \$804,288

Fund balance \$356,805.33

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, 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 our church ID of 78.

St. Boniface

Nov 14 \$2,375.00

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

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> Dec 21, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	Dec 13, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	Jan 13, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> Dec 7 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	Nov 11, 10am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	Dec 1, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	Dec 1, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

Area Faith Community Staff

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Mike Schall, Manager	320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7	
Richard Navara, Manager	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.