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# THE SPIRIT OF THE LORD IS UPON ME,

because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor.

**LUKE 4:18** 

As we begin to journey with Luke through the semi-continuous gospel readings of Year C, it is appropriate that the first four verses are read to remind us of Luke's purpose in writing his two-part good news, the gospel and Acts of the Apostles In the latter, the church is committed to doing in the power of the Spirit of Jesus what he himself did in the days of his flesh. Theophilus ("God-lover"), who is addressed in verse 3, was probably a significant Christian and a patron of Luke. God-lover though he may be, there is always more truth to be discovered a greater commitment to be made, a new excitement about the tradition that has been handed down by those who were both eye witnesses and servants of the word. Using his own human gifts and guided by the holy Spirit, Luke is eager to record, order, and interpret the Jesus tradition for the sake of his patron and the wider community of believers. "Today" we are among those believers, gathered into the Liturgy of the Word, into the presence of Christ.

In the reading, Jesus is called up to the reading desk in the Nazareth synagogue. The people are expectant: here is the hometown boy made good, with a teaching reputation already established throughout Galilee. They think they know him, but Jesus is the Messiah, the anointed One, with the fullness of the Spirit upon him. Born, baptized, proved the faithful Israelite par excellence in the wilderness, Jesus speaks forth as the prophet the words of Isaiah as a summary of his mission that he is about to begin. The prophet, he proclaims, is called to announce good news to the poor - their liberty, healing, freedom from all oppression - as in the Jubilee year of release described in Leviticus 25 and Deuteronomy 15.

Then comes the climax, the moment of interpretation of the word of God. "Today this scripture passage is fulfilled in your hearing," says Jesus. That Jesus is the Word in human flesh is what we have so recently celebrated in our Christmas festivities. In the weeks of Ordinary Time, what will the "Amen, amen!" in the first reading mean for us in our lives? Will the teas and joy of Ezra's and Nehemiah's community, the amazement of the Nazareth synagogue in response to the word of God, be reflected in our responses to what we hear proclaimed in the liturgy of the Word? (Living Liturgy, p. 50).

# Save the Date! Monday, January 31st

Parent Meeting to address School Updates. Hear it first hand!

5:00 pm Mass, dinner and presentation to follow. Childcare will be provided during the meeting.

Agenda: Plan & Mission

- Expand grades to 7 & 8
- Tuition
- Gala Spring of 2023
- Greater Commitment through service
- Playground fund-a-need kick off infor-
- Monthly responsibility of 10:30am weekend Mass



**Catholic Schools** Week 2022 January 30-February 5

www.NCEA.org/csw

#CSW22



The Spirit of the Lord is upon me, because he has anointed me to bring glad tidings to the poor. — Luke 4:18a

# Readings for the Week

**Mon:** 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10; Ps 89:20-22, 25-26; Mk 3:22-30

**Tues:** Acts 22:3-16 or 9:1-22; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Mk 16:15-18

**Wed:** 2 Tm 1:1-18 or Ti 1:1-5; Ps 89:4-5, 27-30; Mk 4:1-20

**Thu:** 2 Sm 7:18-19, 24-29; Ps 132:1-5, 11-14; Mk 4:21-25

**Fri:** 2 Sm 11:1-4a, 5-10a, 13-17; Ps 51:3-7, 10-11; Mk 4:26-34

**Sat:** 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17; Ps 51:12-17; Mk 4:35-41

**Sun:** Jer 1:4-5, 17-19; Ps 71:1-6, 15, 17; 1 Cor 12:31 — 13:13 [13:4-13]; Lk 4:21-30



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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

<u>DATE/TIME</u> <u>LOCATION</u> <u>INTENTION</u>

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

MONDAY, January 24

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia

TUESDAY, January 25

7am, Mass St. Anastasia

WEDNESDAY, January 26

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia

THURSDAY, January 27

9am, Mass/School St. Anastasia +Ed Karl

FRIDAY, January 28

7am, Mass St. Anastasia

SATURDAY, January 29

3pm, Confessions

4:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia +The Aritt Family

SUNDAY, January 30

7:30am, Mass St. Anastasia

9:00am, Mass St. Boniface ++Melvin & Alyce Klinkner

10:30am, Mass St. Anastasia

7:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia For Our Faith Community

# Calendar of Events

# New Office Hours: 7:30am to 4:30pm

SUNDAY, January 23

9am, First Communion parents St. Anastasia Hospitality Area 12:30pm, KC's Free Throw Contest St. Anastasia Gym

MONDAY, January 24

TUESDAY, January 25

WEDNESDAY, January 26

6:30pm, RE grades 6-11 St. Anastasia 7:00pm, Youth Nite St. Anastasia

THURSDAY, January 27

10am, Card Ministry St. Anastasia Parish Office

FRIDAY, January 28

6am That Man Is You St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

SATURDAY, January 29

9am Alpha Reunion St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

SUNDAY, January 30

MONDAY, January 31

5-7pm School Parents Meeting St. Anastasia Gym/Cafeteria

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

# **Community News**

## KC Free Throw Contest

The St. John's Knights of Columbus, Council 4797, would like to invite the youth of your school or programs to take part in our free throw shooting contest. This is for girls and boys, age 9 - 14 as of January 1st, 2022. This contest will take place at St. Anastasia Catholic School gym on January 23th with registration starting at 12:30 pm and the competition will begin at 1:00pm. This is a free event.

PARISH OFFICE TRANSITIONING: As Donna is trying to transition her life into the retirement mode there will be some changes as to where things should be sent. Please make sure that you send all bulletin items to Bobbi Ludewig at bludewig@stanastasia.net by Tuesday 's so we can get the information in the bulletin.



### Catholic Podcast from Fr. Mike Schmitz



Takes Listeners Through the Entire Bible in a Year with Fr. Mike Schmitz featuring Jeff Cavins. This Bible in a Year brings it all together. — Ignacio G. All Devices - listen now on all major podcast platforms and YouTube by simply searching

"The Bible in a Year."

Start Listening!iPhone/iPad - scan this QR code to listen now on Apple Podcasts

# HOLY FAMILY PARISH OFFICE ASSIS-

TANT (PART-TIME): We are looking for a Catholic, faith-filled person with good "people skills" to answer calls, help parishioners, and assist with basic administrative tasks in the Holy Family parish office. Competency or experience in data entry and word-processing required. A complete description of this position is available upon request. For more information, please contact Fr. Matthew Wiering (mwiering@dnu.org) or Shirley Nowak

(businessadmin@stpiusxglencoe.org).



REBOOT! is a high-energy, 2 ½ hour renewal event led by world renowned speaker and TV host Chris Stefanick that is designed to bring a brand new energy and vitality to your life. The event has two parts: (1) It begins with an inspirational, high-energy unpacking of the genius of the heart of the Gospel, revealing its power and real beauty. The experience is fresh and compelling, and is like hearing the Gospel for the first time all over again! People commonly say: "THAT reminded me - all over again - why I ever even wanted to be a Christian, to be a Catholic!" There is a lot of laugh-

ter, and there are some real tears.

And, (2) It finishes strong with real-life, practical, "can-do" ways of applying the genius of the Gospel in everyday life. From prayer and spirituality, to work, dating, marriage, parenting, health and more: there is no part of a person's life that will be left untouched.

At St A's: April 20, 7-9pm, cost \$39 per person. Group rate \$30 per person with order of at least 4.



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# **Faith Formation**

### ADULT FORMATION

**That Man Is You.** New set of 13 sessions began January 7, 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.

# **Elusive Happiness**

Happiness will never be ours if we do not recognize to some degree that God's blessings were given us for the well-being of all.

—Anonymous

### God's Law

Scripture has always held God's law to be the path to human happiness. In today's first reading, Ezra the priest reads the scroll of the law to the people returned from exile. They weep—then are joyful. Israel's relationship with God had always been defined by how they kept and lived God's law. The author of Psalm 96 likewise praises the law of God as the source of wisdom, joy and enlightenment, purity and justice.

In his advice to the bickering Corinthians, Paul points out that, just as God has made all parts of a human body essential for the health of the whole, living as "Christ's body" requires that each member be recognized as necessary for the good of all. Finally, in Luke's Gospel Jesus claims that the Spirit is sending him to relieve human suffering. Like Ezra, he is reading from a scroll, proclaiming God's "law" of mercy to those in need.

### St A's Faith Formation

**First Communion Parent Meeting**: Sunday, Jan 23, 9am, in the hospitality area.

**Confirmation**: Booklets with the preparation materials are due Wed, Jan 26 at class.

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sat. Mar 5, at the 4:30pm Mass. Please pray for the 67 students who will receive the sacrament from our parish!

Questions? Contact Jen: religioused@stanastasia.net

## Prayer of the Week

Almighty ever-living God,

Direct our actions according to your good pleasure, that in the name of your beloved Son we may abound in good works. Through our Lord Jesus Christ, your Son, who lives and reigns with you in the unity of the Holy Spirit, God, for ever and ever.

# Reflection question:

How can I allow God to direct my actions this week?

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What is St Thomas Aquinas the patron saint of?

After his death in 1274, Pope John XXII canonized him in 1323 and was deemed Patron Saint of **Catholic schools and students**. He also is known as the Angelic Doctor or the Universal Teacher.

# **School News**



Deacon Joshua Bot visits St. Anastasia school.

There are several times throughout the year that we celebrate our seminarians. Catholic Schools week is one of those times. Seminarian's schedules are very busy! We were lucky to get Deacon Joshua to visit, even though it's not quite Catholic Schools Week. The students learned all about the life of a seminarian and the road to priesthood. They had many questions. Joshua said, "God gives you help when he makes it hard". This is a great statement for school as students face difficulties in their studies and relationships. Please pray for Deacon Joshua and all of our seminarians and sisters for guidance and support in their vocations.



Fleece hats sewn by students with assistance from several volunteers. Kim A., Interim 4-H Extension Educator, with the help of Mary N., our education assistant, has provided students several demonstrations over the past couple of months. From preparing fruits and vegetables with dip to grilled cheese sandwiches. This time it was sewing fleece hats. They brought in a team of volunteers to help.

The kids were able to pick out their fabric, learn about the sewing process and actually sew the seam. They learned how to make a pompom for the top as well.



Thank you volunteers! It was fun to see all the students with new hats running around the playground.

Diane K., Kim A., Wanita B., Val, Kevin B., Mary N.

1st grade class

National Catholic Schools Week is the week of January 30 through February 5. In conjunction with that significant event, Msgr. Douglas Grams announced that a second collection be taken up at all Masses in the diocese to benefit Catholic Schools in the Diocese of New Ulm the last weekend in January.

In those Area Faith Communities that have Catholic schools, 75 percent of the proceeds will go directly to that Catholic school. The other 25 percent will be deposited equally in two endowment funds already set up to benefit Catholic schools. Where there are no schools, 100 percent of the funds will go into the endowment funds. Please be generous in supporting this collection.

Don't miss your opportunity to support St. Anastasia school in the 2022 Catholic Schools Raffle sponsored by Catholic United Financial. This is a wonderful opportunity for our school because **100** % **of the proceeds go directly to the school**, our goal this year is \$10,000. There are \$40,000 in prizes with the grand prize being a 2022 Ford Escape or \$20,000 cash. Tickets are \$5.00 each and can be purchased after each weekend mass and from all St. Anastasia School and Kids Depot Preschool students. Thankyou for you supporting our school.



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# 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 Mark
Olson Bruce Bjerkelund Jenny Lhotka Sheldon Nies Lucy
Newcomb Carol Zieman Cathy Plath

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.

### **Adoration Moment**



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Please come join the over 100 St. A's members that take that one hour each week to visit Jesus at

### ADORATION.

Following are time slots that are waiting for you!

MONDAY: 7:00 A.M./10:00A.M./ TUESDAY: 2nd & 4th 3:00P.M./ 5:00 P.M.– Temp./ 6:00 & 7:00P.M./ WEDNESDAY: 1:00A.M./ 9:00A.M./ THURSDAY: 1:00A.M. & 2:00 A.M./ 4:00A.M./ 7:00A.M. / 4:00P.M./ 5:00P.M./ FRIDAY: 7:00A.M. (Jan.– Feb.) / 9:00 A.M./

"ADORATION of the Blessed Sacrament consoles a soul far beyond what the world can offer." ... Bishop Fulton J. Sheen

Please call the Parish Office (587-6507) Jesus would love your company.



# Stewardship

# St. Anastasia

Jan 9 Contributions \$ 14,323.

### Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$ 1,509,332. Contributions Received \$ 1,100,000. CC Fund balance \$ 359,134.52

Contribution statements will be ready before the end of the month. If you need yours immediately, please contact the parish office.

#### 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

Jan 16 \$ 711.00

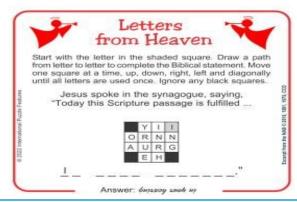
#### Thank You!

Thank you to all who have generously contributed to the ongoing work of St Boniface and St Anastasia. It is your commitment to our faith community that makes it possible for us to move forward. Thank you so much!

# 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.



# **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	usually meets on t Feb 8, 7pm	he 3rd Tuesday o St Anastasia	f each month parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	Feb 8, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	Feb 1, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen	usually meets on t Feb 1, 7pm	he 1st Tuesday ed St Anastasia	ach month 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	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	Feb 2, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	Feb 2, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

# Area Faith Community Staff

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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.

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