

SIXTH SUNDAY in Ordinary Time

FEBRUARY 13, 2022

Blessed are you who are poor, for the kingdom of God is yours.
Blessed are you who are now hungry, for you will be satisfied.

LUKE 6:20-21A

Luke's Beatitudes are part of a sermon on the plains, not on a mountain as was Matthew's chosen setting. It is not geography that governs each evangelist's choice, but rather theology and the particular challenge each emphasizes for different communities. Luke's setting reflects Jesus' very down to earth ground rules for inclusion in the kingdom of God. The Lukan Beatitudes are less spiritualized than Matthew's and, consequently, have more concrete social implications. Jesus is indulging in neither scare tactics nor praise for complacent satisfaction with one's social status, so how do we "transplant" these words into our own lives and society two thousand years later?

For Luke, the poor were not just the poor in spirit; they were the economically impoverished, the people on the margins, pushed there by society that did not take seriously the covenant responsibility to which Moses and the prophets had called them. The poor are specially loved by God, not so much because of what they are, but because of what God is, the compassionate defender of the weak and powerless.

As individuals, church, governments, our justice represents God's justice to the world. The poor, hungry, weeping, and persecuted people are those for whom the church calls us to make a special option, one that will have both personal and political consequences. In their pastoral letter Economic Justice for All, the US bishops offered a finely balanced statement about the economy: "Decisions must be judged in the light of what they do for the poor, what they do to the poor, and what they enable the poor to do for themselves" (24). Our option for the poor is to be preferential not exclusive, respectful not denigrating, enabling not patronizing.

Since the poor do not need to be told that they are poor, it seems that Luke has very much in mind the audience of affluent, comfortable, and self-satisfied Christians in his communities. To make sure that poverty is not romanticized, Jesus speaks the next two beatitudes to the hungry and weeping. Jesus and the early church, in his Spirit, will provide for the hungry and their tears are more precious in God's sight than derisive laughter. Discipleship is not to be domesticated; it may demand the high price of hatred, exclusion, scorn, and eviction from the places of the privileged. It is the struggle for justice when, for example, low-income housing estates are gentrified or when those who fear a drop in their land value protest about group homes for people with disabilities being built in their neighborhood. When governments ignore the potential impact of climate change on the small land holdings of subsistence farmers, when their social welfare budget is insignificant when compared to the money spent on war, and when we as citizens not only of our own nations but also of the kingdom of God do nothing to advocate justice then our ears need to be dug out by the "woes" of Jesus. (Living Liturgy, p. 62)

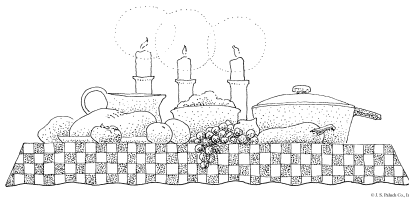


Lent begins March 2nd with Ash Wednesday.

Masses: 7AM-A, 12N-A, 5PM-A, and 7PM-B

The Mission Group will be offering a Cheese Pizza and salad supper after the 5 pm mass. Free will offering will be taken for their upcoming trip to Nashville, TN.

Wednesdays and Fridays of Lent, Mass and Stations of the Cross will be offered, following Mass a simple supper will be offered. On Wednesdays, *Into His Likeness* will be offered and on Fridays, *Seven Deadly Sins/Seven lively Virtues* will be offered for an Adult Education opportunity after Mass. Descriptions are found inside.



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— Luke 6:20-21a

Readings for the Week

Mon: Jas 1:1-11; Ps 119:67-68,
71-72, 75-76; Mk 8:11-13

Tue: Jas 1:12-18; Ps 94:12-
13a; 14-15, 18-19; Mk 8:14-21

Wed: Jas 1:19-27; Ps 15:2-4ab,
5; Mk 8:22-26

Thu: Jas 2:1-9; Ps 34:2-7; Mk
8:27-33

Fri: Jas 2:14-24, 26; Ps 112:1-
6; Mk 8:34 — 9:1

Sat: Jas 3:1-10; Ps 12:2-3, 4-5,
7-8; Mk 9:2-13

Sun: 1 Sm 26:2, 7-9, 12-13, 22-
23; Ps 103:1-4, 8, 10, 12-13; 1
Cor 15:45-49; Lk 6:27-38



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Fridays.</i>		
MONDAY, February 14 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Ann Lewandowski
TUESDAY, February 15 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Sharon Berning
WEDNESDAY, February 16 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	
THURSDAY, February 17 9am, Mass/School	St. Anastasia	+ John & Kitty Ortmeier
FRIDAY, February 18 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY, February 19 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Leo & Betty Cogley
SUNDAY, February 20 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass 7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+ Dick & Marie Richards + +Melvin & Alyce Klinkner + Ken Schons For Our Faith Community

Calendar of Events

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

SUNDAY, February 13 9-10:15am, Pre-School-5th grade FF	St. Anastasia	
MONDAY, February 14	Valentine's Day	
TUESDAY, February 15 7:00pm, Admin. Council	St. Anastasia	Parish Office
WEDNESDAY, February 16 6:30pm, RE grades 6-11 7:30pm, Youth Nite	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	
THURSDAY, February 17		
FRIDAY, February 18 6am That Man Is You	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
SATURDAY, February 19		
SUNDAY, February 20 9-10:15am, Pre-School-5th grade FF 12:30pm KC District Free Throw Contest in the Gym	St. Anastasia	
MONDAY, February 21		

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

Community News

St. A's Knights of Columbus Council No. 4797 35th Annual Fish Fry

Date: Friday, Feb. 25th

Time 11:30am-6pm or until fish is gone.

Place: MCLEOD COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS

Tickets: \$13

Serving Alaskan Pollock, Baked Potato, Cole Slaw, Baked Beans, Bread, Cookie DRIVE- UP and DELIVERY ONLY



St A's KC's Request Parish Help Bagging (2200) Condiment Bags for Fish Fry meals

Date: Thursday Feb 24

Time: 6 - 8 PM

FEELING BLESSED

Congratulations! Welcome to the Kingdom! Rejoice and leap for joy! Sounds a little like Easter, doesn't it? Well, in a very real way, it is. This Sunday, the scriptures remind us that we are blessed and beloved, especially when we have difficulties and don't feel especially blessed. Jesus reminds us that God blesses us in our trials, so we should trust in the saving power of God. We are "raised from the dead," as it were, each time we arise from our hardships. The ultimate proof of all of this is our new life in Christ, who died so that we could be free of sin, and was raised from the dead so that we might all have new life. Wouldn't that be something? A new life, in which poverty is riches and sadness is transformed into lightness of spirit? It's a topsy-turvy world, isn't it? Do you feel blessed today?

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PRAYER OF THE WEEK

O God, who teach us that you abide in hearts that are just and true, grant that we may be so fashioned by your grace as to become a dwelling pleasing to you. 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's grace to fashion me into a pleasing dwelling for the Lord?

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March 2 - April 10

40 Days for Life

Join us
Monday thru Friday
(7AM - 7 PM)
for peaceful & prayerful
witness to *end abortion!*

Planned Parenthood
451 East St Germain St
St. Cloud

Opening Vigil Mar 5 10 AM-Noon
Closing Vigil Apr 9 10 AM-Noon

Judy 320-453-7592
judy4life@meltel.net

Jan 320-253-1779
hoelscherhorj@charter.net

"SOUPER" BOWL- SOUP AND SANDWICH FUNDRAISER & BAKE SALE

Where: St. Boniface Church, Stewart

Date: Sunday, February 13th

Time: 10am- 12:00



Free will donation

The Sacrament of Confirmation will be celebrated on Sat. Mar 5 at the 4:30pm Mass & Sun Mar 6 at the 10:30am Mass. Please pray for the 75 students who will receive the sacrament from our parishes!



CCW News

We are planning our CCW Spring Rummage Sale during Spring Break on March 3rd & 4th.

Please no large furniture or appliances!

We will start taking donations on

February 26th.



INSEPARABLE

Faith and works are like the light and heat to a candle; they cannot be separated.

-Anonymous



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Faith Formation

ADULT FORMATION



We believe that everyone should have the chance to explore faith, ask questions and share their point of view.

Alpha is a series of sessions exploring the Christian faith. Each talk looks at a different question around faith and is designed to create conversation. Alpha is run all around the globe and everyone is welcome. Thursdays, starting March 3, 2022 at 6:30 pm. All are welcome come experience: hospitality, a talk and good conversation.



GriefShare. New set of 13 sessions begin March 7, Mondays at 6:30

PM in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.

Marriage Works in Christ (Enriching Your Marriage)

Fr. Justin Damien Dean, O.S.B., and Greg and Julie Alexander talk with couples about all aspects of married life. Couples share their struggles as well as the ways they overcame difficulties through prayer, the sacraments, and studying and implementing the Church teachings.

The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast **Marriage Works in Christ** on HCVN, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays

Date	Series
Feb. 15, 18	Vocation of Marriage, Episode 1
Feb. 22, 25	Spirituality of Stewardship, Episode 2
Mar. 1, 4	Understanding Family of Origin, Episode 3
Mar. 8, 11	Role of Men as Husbands, Episode 4
Mar. 15, 18	Roles as Wives, Episode 5
Mar. 22, 25	Sanctifying Your Marriage, Episode 6
Mar. 29, Apr. 1	Communication in Marriage, Episode 7
Apr. 5, 8	Virtue of Chastity, Episode 8
Apr. 12, 15	Permanence and Indissolubility, Episode 9
Apr. 19, 22	Forgiveness and Healing, Episode 10
Apr. 26, 29	Parenting and Pass on the Faith, Episode 11
May 3, 6	Vision for Marriage, Episode 12
May 10, 13	Frequently Asked Questions, Episode 13

Into His Likeness

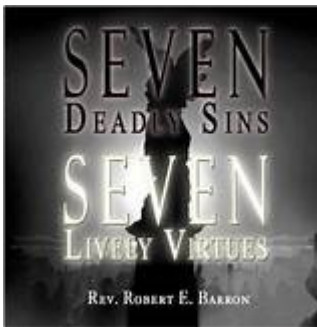
In the ancient disciple-rabbi relationship, the disciple would follow the rabbi so closely that he would be covered in the dust kicked up from his rabbi's feet.

Thousands of years later, though we walk on roads of pavement and not dust, we are still called to be disciples—to follow our Rabbi, Jesus Christ, so closely that we are covered with his life, changed, and made new.

But this transformation in Christ doesn't happen overnight. In this series, Edward Sri reminds us of two basic truths: First, (A) The truth of our human condition: we are full of many weaknesses, wounds, and sins. And second, (B) The truth of our high calling—we are called to be perfected in God's love and transformed in Christ. Living as a disciple is all about the process of getting from A to B.



Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues



Join Bishop Robert Barron for this engaging presentation concerning the seven deadly sins, those great spiritual blocks that inhibit our flourishing in relationship with God and one another. Based on Dante's writings, the seven deadly sins correspond to the seven stories of Dante's Mt. Purgatory. Pride, envy, anger, sloth, gluttony, avarice and lust are all presented as patterns of dysfunction within us that lead to unhappiness.

However, Bishop Barron shows us how to counteract these seven sinful patterns through a conscious process of opposition, which are the "seven lively virtues." The seven lively virtues offer antidotes to each sin and help set us on the right path to healing and happiness.

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.

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

<http://reallifecatholic.com/events/reboothutchinson/>



Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Maureen Reiner Barb Olson Jenny Trettin Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl Delores Muetzel Gloria Pohlmann Betty Gunderson Darlene Artmann Terry Bisbee Marilyn Reinarts Cristy Wallstrom Roseanne Genz Logan Erpelding Special Intention Mark Olson Bruce Bjerke-lund Genny Lhotka Sheldon Nies Cathy Plath Tom Donohoo Donna Conrad Sharon Nohner



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.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Maureen Reiner whom we buried this past week. Eternal rest grant unto her, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon her.

Adoration Moment

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION is a invitation that gives us an opportunity for a “one-on-one” visit with Jesus. **WOW!**

This quiet place of His loving presence gives us Peace. It inspires us, comforts us in sad times, it gives us strength and guidance in good times. It is the perfect time to give God our Love and Gratitude. We all need more of GOD!.....and now we need more of YOU!

“Everyone of us need a half hour of prayer every day, except when we are busy, then we need an hour!”

... St. Francis de Sales



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saint snippets

“Go, therefore, and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit.”
—Matthew 28:19

Sts. Cyril and Methodius
Two brothers and Byzantine theologians in the 9th-century. They are known as the “Apostles to the Slavs” because of their missionary work with the Slavic people.
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February 14

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Feb 6 Contributions \$ 12,273.75.

Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$ 1,509,332.
Contributions Received \$ 1,138,877.57.
CC Fund balance \$ 368,688.40

Contribution statements are ready to be picked up at the parish office during the week or at Mass on the weekends.

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

Feb 6 Contributions \$ 1,036.00

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 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.



The McLeod Emergency Food Shelf is having a food drive from February 28– April 10, 2022 and all donations collected during the campaign are multiplied by the Food Fund. **Donations needed most are:** whole grains, nuts & nut butters, canned meats, cooking & baking items, meal side– dish items, personal care items, household care items, cash for purchasing per-

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> Feb 15, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	Feb 8, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	Apr 21, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> March 1, 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	Feb 10, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	March 2, 8pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	March 2, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

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Jake Burmis, YM Director	320-587-6507	youthmin@stanastasia.net
St. Anastasia Cemetery		
Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15 320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery		
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.