



# Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time February 27, 2022

We are fond of logos: schools, business, sporting clubs and teams, community groups, travel agencies - all use them to say: "You belong to us, and we belong to each other." As we prepare to enter into the season of Lent, the church presents us with a "logo." Not a very elegantly designed logo, this cruciform smudge of ash on our foreheads, but then neither was the crucifixion of Jesus elegant. As we receive the ashes, the words of both options are stark and urgent: "Repent, and believe in the Gospel" or "Remember that you are dust, and to dust you shall return." Remember what Lent is all about.



The ritual of Ash Wednesday speaks of realities that our glossy personal and social masks usually try to hide, and perhaps so many people come to receive the ashes because it is a relief to admit in ritual what we find so difficult to put to words. In many parishes, today's ashes are made of the burnt palms from last year. Here are the palms that we held in our hands a year ago when, on Palm Sunday, we sang our "Hosannas." And yet we know that so often we have been unfaithful to the king we hailed. Many times our commitment to Christ has become as insubstantial as ash. But as those who live in bush-fire-prone areas know, ash is also the regenerating remnant of what was once alive and can again bring forth prolific new life.

Many things that were once alive in us have probably died and turned to ash: loved ones have died, illness has struck, friendships have been broken, illusions about ourselves or others have been destroyed. It is out of such ashes that we hope Christ will raise us up to new life with him at Easter. In the season of Lent, therefore, the church calls us to traditional practices: to prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. Whatever we do in Lent should seep unobtrusively into our world and relationships, and yet it will also transform us with the lingering "odor of the knowledge of him" (2 Cor. 2:14) and our attempts to live his mystery more deeply during this season.

"Do not be like hypocrites, who love to stand and pray in the synagogues and on street corners so that others may see them." Our world is filled with spiritual "posturing." Even in the midst of the pursuit of heaven, humans tend to judge one another and create an arbitrary hierarchy of spiritual "success." Our relationship with God and the Eucharist is one of the most tender and personal we can have. May we encounter him this season of Lent. (*Living Liturgy*, p. 76)

A good tree does not bear rotten fruit,  
nor does a rotten tree bear good fruit.  
For every tree is known by its own fruit.

Luke 6:43-44

LENT

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.



Every tree is known by its own fruit. For people do not pick figs from thornbushes, nor do they gather grapes from brambles.

— Luke 6:44

### Readings for the Week

**Mon:** 1 Pt 1:3-9; Ps 111:1-2, 5-6, 9, 10c; Mk 10:17-27

**Tue:** 1 Pt 1:10-16; Ps 98:1-4; Mk 10:28-31

**Wed:** Jl 2:12-18; Ps 51:3-6ab, 12-14, 17; 2 Cor 5:20 — 6:2; Mt 6:1-6, 16-18

**Thu:** Dt 30:15-20; Ps 1:1-4, 6; Lk 9:22-25

**Fri:** Is 58:1-9a; Ps 51:3-6ab, 18-19; Mt 9:14-15

**Sat:** Is 58:9b-14; Ps 86:1-6; Lk 5:27-32

**Sun:** Dt 26:4-10; Ps 91:1-2, 10-15; Rom 10:8-13; Lk 4:1-13



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**St. Boniface Catholic Church**  
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## This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME                      LOCATION                      INTENTION

*Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Fridays.*

### MONDAY, February 28

5pm, Mass                      St. Anastasia

### TUESDAY, March 1

7am, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      + Delores Shimanski

### WEDNESDAY, March 2

#### *Ash Wednesday*

7am, Mass                      St. Anastasia  
12n, Mass                      St. Anastasia  
5pm, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      + Ken Schons  
7pm, Mass/Confession                      St. Boniface                      + Ruth Wangen

### THURSDAY, March 3

7am, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      ++ Dick & Marie Richards  
+ Agnes DeMeyer

### FRIDAY, March 4

7am, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      +Theresa Ireland  
5pm, Stations of the Cross/Mass

### SATURDAY, March 5

#### *Confirmation/First Sunday of Lent*

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

### SUNDAY, March 6

#### *Confirmation/First Sunday of Lent*

7:30am, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      Paul & Barbara Hoerner & family  
9:00am, Mass                      St. Boniface                      +Dick & Marie Richards  
10:30am, Mass                      St. Anastasia  
7:30pm, Mass                      St. Anastasia                      For Our Faith Community

## Calendar of Events

### MONDAY, February 28- March 4

No School—Spring Break

### TUESDAY, March 1

6:30pm, School Advisory Committee                      St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

### WEDNESDAY, March 2

5pm Mass followed by Cheese Pizza/Salad Fundraiser                      St. Anastasia Hosp. Area  
8pm, Knights of Columbus                      St. Anastasia

### THURSDAY, March 3

CCW Rummage Sale                      St. Anastasia Gym  
6:30pm ALPHA                      St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

### FRIDAY, March 3

CCW Rummage Sale                      St. Anastasia Gym  
6am, That Man Is You                      St. Anastasia Hospitality Area  
5pm, Mass/Station/Supper/Seven Deadly Sins-Seven Lively Virtues

### SATURDAY, March 4

4:30pm, Confirmation                      St. Anastasia

### SUNDAY, March 5

9-10:15am, Pre-School-5th grade FF                      St. Anastasia  
10:30am, Confirmation                      St. Anastasia

### MONDAY, March 6

6:30pm, GriefShare                      St. Anastasia

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

## Community News



### Clothing Drive

Clothing, Jackets, shoes, boots, etc.

St. Boniface Confirmation Students are collecting clothing to benefit the Common Cup Ministries. Bring your gently used clothing to St. Boniface Catholic Church, Stewart, MN, basement between: February 20<sup>th</sup> – March 20<sup>th</sup>.

All clothing is donated to Common Cup Ministries Thrift Store, Glencoe, MN where clothing is sold and proceeds used to benefit Common Cup Ministries Clients. Monetary donations are also accepted. Pick up of your donations can be arranged. Contact Lisa Stifter: 320-562-2305

### Mission Trip & Steubenville Fundraiser

In addition to our pizza and salad fundraiser, after the 5:00 pm Ash Wednesday Mass, the annual envelope board will be up in the entryway of the church, starting on Ash Wednesday. All money donated goes directly towards the mission trip and Steubenville conference. We greatly appreciate your support. Thank-you.

### Looking For

The Cemetery Committee would like some help in locating relatives of the following people:

Andrew & Johannah McCarthy

Arthur and Agnes Plaisance

We would like to speak to them concerning needed maintenance on their headstones. If you know of anyone connected to these people, please contact the parish office or Mike Schall, Cemetery Manager.

### Area KC Fish Fry

Bird Island: March 4 at St Mary's Church Hall. Adult \$13/ Children 6-10 \$5. Deep fried fish, shrimp, potato wedges, coleslaw, corn, buns, beverage & dessert.

Winsted: March 11 at the Blue Note. Drive thru 3-6:30pm; dine in 3:30-7pm. Advance tickets \$13; at the drive thru or door \$14. Ages 6-10 \$6. Serving: Alaskan Pollock, Potato Salad, Baked Beans, French Fries or Potato Chips, Cole Slaw, and Bread

### Job Opening

St Anastasia Parish has an opening for Facilities Manager. This is a full time position with benefits. Job duties include maintenance of parish facilities and equipment; scheduling and overseeing repairs/replacements; coordinating/overseeing ongoing maintenance of property (including outdoor areas); coordinating safety drills with school staff; maintaining clean and safe environment. Salary commensurate with experience. Contact Fr Paul for more information or to schedule an interview.



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 3 & 4.

**Please no large furniture or appliances!**

We will start taking donations on February 26th.

**Scholarships are available** through the New Ulm Diocesan CCW. These scholarships are for training and spiritual growth for liturgists, teachers, lectors, musicians, secretaries, eucharistic Ministers, CCW education or any volunteers involved in parish ministries. Scholarships can be used for workshops, conferences, seminars or classes to aid individuals in parish ministry. Scholarship money can be used for tuition or registration fees only. Maximum amount of the scholarship is \$200.

Applications are available at the parish office or from Sandy Bjerkelund (587-6878). **Deadline to apply is Feb 28.** Sandy must have the application by Feb 28 to process it.

# 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. 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 & 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

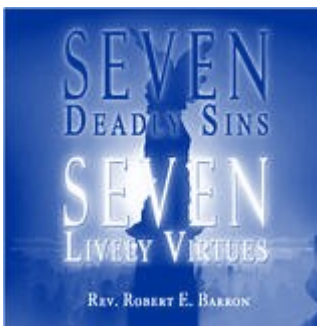
In the ancient disciple-rabbi relationship, the disciple would follow the rabbi so closely that he would be covered in the dust kicked up from his rabbi's feet.

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/>



## School News

### Junior Achievement

The Junior Achievement Program is a program dedicated to educate young people about business, economics, and free enterprise. The JA Program is taught by volunteers who enter the classroom and teach about five half hour lessons. Volunteers are trained and receive all the materials needed for the lessons. The lessons range from Kindergarten with learning about “Ourselves” and moves through the various grades with *Our Families, Our Community, Our City, Our Region, and Our World*.

Second graders in Mrs. Evenson’s class are learning about our community. “Our Community” explores the interdependent roles of workers in a community, the work they perform, and how communities work. Ben Wehseler is the volunteer in this grade. Thank you, Ben!



## Prayer of the Week

### Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time

Grant us, O Lord, we pray,  
that the course of our world  
may be directed by your peaceful rule  
and that your Church may rejoice,  
untroubled in her devotion.

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 help bring about God’s peaceful reign?

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**THE DIFFERENCE** The difference between perseverance and obstinacy is that one often comes from a strong will, and the other from a strong won’t. —Henry Ward Beecher

**THANKS** No duty is more urgent than that of returning thanks. —Ambrose of Milan



Shepherd of Souls AFC will host the Eucharistic Miracles exhibit March 25<sup>th</sup> thru March 31<sup>st</sup> @ the St. Philip’s Church social hall. This exhibit includes 126 historically documented Eucharistic miracles that have occurred in various

countries since the Last Supper. These are visible proof of Jesus Christ’s Real Presence in the Holy Eucharist. All are welcome including members of other faiths. Free admission. For more information call Deacon John Hansen (320) 221-4987. The Church of St. Philip is located at: 821 East 5<sup>th</sup> Street Litchfield, MN 55355

**March 2 - April 10**

**40 Days for Life**

[www.40daysforlife.com/stcloud](http://www.40daysforlife.com/stcloud)

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

**OPENING & CLOSING RALLIES : Sat Mar 5 & Sat Apr 9 10am-Noon**, (both begin at 10am at the planned parenthood site & end at St Aug’s cafeteria for pizza lunch). Our **Opening Rally on March 5** will feature a **Speaker from the (PRC) PREGNANCY RESOURCE**. We will host a **BABY SHOWER for the PRC**. Attendee’s are encouraged to bring at least one item to the shower.

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Barb Olson Jenny Trettin  
 Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl  
 Delores Muetzel Gloria Pohlmann Betty Gunderson  
 Gloria Oltmann Terry Bisbee Cristy Wallstrom  
 Roseanne Genz Special Intention Bruce Bjerkelund  
 Genny Lhotka Sheldon Nies Cathy Plath Tom Donohoo  
 Sharon Nohner David Berger



Names will be listed for one month, if you would like to continue your prayer 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*



"Thanks for calling, but the rectory is closed right at the moment. However, God's ears are always open. Praying is the best hotline anyone could ever want."

## Stewardship

### St. Anastasia

Feb 20 Contributions \$ 14,832.00

### Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$ 1,509,332.  
 Contributions Received \$ 1,146,851.27  
 CC Fund balance \$ 193,129.40

Contribution statements are ready to be picked up in the church entryway.

### 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. 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

Feb 20 Contributions \$ 1,328.



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.

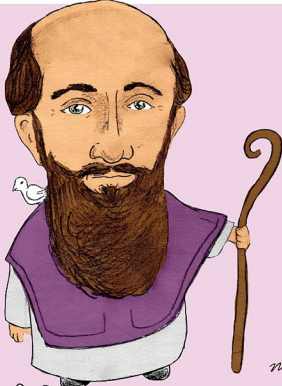
**Donations needed most are:** whole grains, nuts & nut butters, canned meats, cooking & baking items, meal side – dish items, personal care items, household care items, cash for purchasing perishables such as eggs, cheese, & fresh produce.

## 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.

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St. David

6th-century Bishop of Wales who founded many monasteries known for their austerity.

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March 1

*Be joyful, brothers and sisters. Keep your faith, and do the little things that you have seen and heard with me.*

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

## Area Faith Community Staff

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<b>St. Anastasia Cemetery</b>	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15	
Mike Schall, Manager	320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b>	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.