April 3, 2022 "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her."

John 8:7





A woman has been dragged from the act of intercourse with a man not her husband and now cowers in the temple court before her accusers, the scribes and Pharisees. They approach Jesus with the dilemma they have carefully orchestrated. Jesus is actually the first one they want to put on trial.

With mock reverence for the "Teacher," they put the case to Jesus. If Jesus argues that the woman should not be stoned, he violates the Mosaic teaching and the community tradition. If he says she should be stoned, he will violate his own compassionate teaching and be regarded by many as a charlatan who preaches one thing and does another.

Bent over, silent, eyes fixed on the ground, Jesus assumes the same stance as the woman. But then he straightens up and tosses at the accusers of both of them his conclusion: "Let the one among you who is without sin be the first to throw a stone at her" (Jn 8:7). The scribes and Pharisees realize suddenly that they themselves are now on trial. One by one they drift away.

Now, for the first time, the woman is addressed as a human being. Jesus speaks to her as more than just a heap of evil that has been dumped in the temple and must be cleansed as soon as possible. His concern is more for the woman's future than her past: "Go, and from now on do not sin any more." This is no moralizing lecture, simply the powerful command of love lived for her at a moment of great risk for both of them.

Far away from the temple, in our own experience, are we tempted to use the sins of others to mask our own self-righteousness, our personal failures and limitations? What attitude do we show to those who believe they have the right to arbitrarily dispense death by war, capital punishment, euthanasia, abortion, or subtle defamation? Are we brave enough to oppose their ethic, in personal encounter or by the ballot box? Do we pray that they will read their own hearts and change them? And are some of us still most condemnatory about those who sin against the two commandments that seem to be written larger than the other eight in our Christian psyches because they are concerned with things sexual? What we need to heap up in our own hearts and in our church is compassion that heals, not stones that hurt. Living Liturgy, pp. 89-99



Palm Sunday April 9/10: weekend schedule Holy Thursday, April 14: 5pm - B and 7pm - A Good Friday, April 15: 3 pm - A, 5pm - A (Stations of the Cross), and 7pm - B Holy Saturday (Easter Vigil), April 16: 8pm - A Easter Sunday, April 17: 7am - A, 9am - B, and 11am - A

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I consider everything as a loss because of the supreme good of knowing Christ Jesus my Lord.

— Philippians 3:8

Readings for the Week

Mon: Dn 13:1-9, 15-17, 19-30, 33-62 [41c-62]

Tue: Nm 21:4-9; Ps 102:2-3, 16-21: Jn 8:21-30

Wed: Dn 3:14-20, 91-92, 95; Dn 3:52-56; Jn 8:31-42

Thu: Gn 17:3-9; Ps 105:4-9: Jn 8:51-59

Fri: Jer 20:10-13; Ps 18:2-7; Jn 10:31-42

Sat: Ez 37:21-28; Jer 31:10-12abcd, 13; Jn 11:45-56

Sun: Lk 19:28-40 (procession); Is 50:4-7; Ps 22:8-9, 17-20, 23-24; Phil 2:6-11; Lk 22:14 — 23:56 [23:1-49]



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME LOCATION INTENTION

 $Eucharistic\ Adoration:\ 6am\ on\ Mondays\ until\ Noon\ on\ Fridays.$

MONDAY, April 4

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia +Ginny Hoffman, +Brian Dooley

TUESDAY, April 5

7am, Mass St. Anastasia All Souls in Purgatory

Jim Pilarski

WEDNESDAY, April 6

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia ++Dick & Marie Richards

THURSDAY, April 7

9am, Mass St. Anastasia +Christopher Karl

FRIDAY, April 8

7am, Mass St. Anastasia +Arlene Gehlen

5pm, Stations of the Cross/Mass

SATURDAY, April 9 Palm/Passion Sunday

3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia +Al Krebsbach

4.50pm, mass St. Anastasia +Ai Krebsbac

SUNDAY, April 10 Palm/Passion Sunday
7:30am, Mass St. Anastasia +Roger Lhotka, Therese Hlavka

9:00am, Mass St. Boniface +Miles & Mike Kenney

10:30am, Mass St. Anastasia +Greg Jodzio

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

Calendar of Events

MONDAY, April 4

5:30pm, GriefShare St. Anastasia Youth Room 6:30pm, Choir Practice for Holy Week (all are welcome) St. A's Church

TUESDAY, April 5

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

WEDNESDAY, April 6

5pm, Mass/Stations/Supper/Into His Likeness St. Anastasia Hospitality Area 6:30pm Discipleship Groups/Youth Ministry St. Anastasia

8pm Knights of Columbus St. Anastasia Cafeteria

THURSDAY, April 7

6:30pm, ALPHA St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

FRIDAY, April 8

11am, Stations of the Cross/School St. Anastasia Church 5pm, Mass/Station/Supper/Seven Deadly Sins-Seven Lively Virtues

SATURDAY, April 9

3pm, Confessions St. Anastasia Church

SUNDAY, April 10

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

MONDAY, April 11

5:30pm, GriefShare St. Anastasia Youth Room 6:30pm, Choir Practice for Holy Week (all are welcome) St. A's Church

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

Community News

Easter Flower Memorials

If you would like to donate flowers for the Easter season at either St Boniface or St Anastasia, please put your donation in an envelope marked "Flowers" and drop it in the collection plate at either church. Please include the name(s) of the people you would like remembered in prayer. Thank you!

Looking For

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

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 Mngr.



McLeod Food Shelf Open House

April 5, 2022, 3-7pm at the new facility at 719 13th St E Glencoe. Take a tour of the building, sneak a peak inside the mobile bus. Enjoy

light refreshments and hear the many ways we're distributing rescued and donated food to anyone in need. Hope to see you there!



Meals on Wheels

MoW has a need for volunteer drivers in Hutch on Mondays and Thursdays. Delivery routes go from

10:30am-11:30am. It is contact-less delivery (you knock and leave the meal and then walk away to see if they pick up the meal). Gloves and masks are available for volunteers. People interested in volunteering can contact the Site Coordinator in Hutch at 320-282-1002.

High School Students

High school students continue to gather on Wednesday evenings, 6:30-7:45pm. For Discipleship Group, great gatherings!



CCW Convention 2022

April 30, 2022, Holy Redeemer Church, Marshall MN

Theme: Trust in His Goodness

Guest Speakers Angela Kennecke and Fr Brendan Rolling, OSB. Angela Kennecke is a veteran broadcast journalist and award winning investigative reporter. She will speak about the issues surrounding opioid addiction and the death of her daughter by a Fentanyl overdose. Fr Brendan Rolling grew up in Arco, MN and was inspired at World Youth Day in Denver to join St Benedict's Abbey in Atchinson, KS. He currently preaches retreats, gives conferences and provides spiritual direction to missionaries as they pursue holiness. Registration forms available on the NUDCCW website. Our St. Anastasia CCW will pay the registration fees. And we can car pool from St. Anastasia. Questions? Contact Lori Dahlberg.



Common Cup Update

Items currently needed for Common Cup are Raman noodles for the backpack program, personal care products and food items. Put in donation bin at

church. Upcoming needs are road ready bikes now through the summer and a coat collection April to May. Volunteer opportunities are posted on bulletin board in church. New St A's reps to Common Cup are Gail Lehn and Catherine Libor-Huse. Many thanks to Diane Sweely for her years of dedicated service as our representative to Common Cup! God bless you always!

First Communion

The second grade students have been preparing for the sacraments of Reconciliation and the Eucharist by meditating on the Vine & the Branches, remaining on the vine and seeking to bear fruit. We are so close to receiving Jesus! Please pray for us!

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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, at 6:30 pm. All are welcome come experience: hospitality, a talk and good conversation.

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 \$25 at the office

or after the weekend masses or online cost \$39 per person or group rate \$30 per person with order of at least 4. Purchase tickets at:

http://
reallifecatholic.com/
events/rboothutchinson/



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

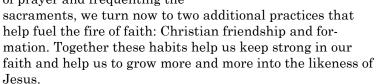
Date	Series
Apr. 5, 8	Virtue of Chastity, Episode 8
Apr. 12, 15	Permanence & Indissolubility, Episode 9
Apr. 19, 22	Forgiveness and Healing, Episode 10
Apr. 26, 29	Parenting and Pass on the Faith, Episode 11
May 3, 6	Vision for Marriage, Episode 12
May 10, 13	Frequently Asked Questions, Episode 13

<u>Into His Likeness</u>

(Wednesday)

Episode 5: Transformed by Fire - Fellowship & Teaching

Having looked at the key habits of prayer and frequenting the





Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues (Friday)

Gluttony & Asceticism

Gluttony involves an excess of love for sensual pleasure - food, drink or sex - over the love

of God. Asceticism helps discipline our lower nature to allow the higher desires for God to emerge.

SOMETHING NEW IN CHRIST

Jesus knew that the scribes and Pharisees were trying to trap him. They put him in what seemed to be a no-win situation. Let the woman who was caught in adultery go, and he would have been accused of ignoring the law. Let her be stoned, and he would fail to show mercy toward her, contradicting his life's message. Jesus' response teaches three crucial lessons: none of us is free of sin; we are not the ultimate judges of others; Jesus is the mercy of God, in whom we can always trust. In Christ, God does something new. When we give our hearts to Christ, we have the hope of new life, a life in which mercy reigns.

PRAYER OF THE WEEK

By your help, we beseech you, Lord our God, may we walk eagerly in that same charity with which, out of love for the world, your Son handed himself over to death.

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 do I follow the example of Jesus in loving others?

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School News

What a "Grace" filled day we had with Sister Divine Grace. Visiting her family from Italy one last time before she takes her contemplative vow, she stopped in to join us for Mass and to see the students. Sister Divine Grace, from the Order of Incarnate Word, spoke of her journey as a religious sister, the vows she has and will take, and shared her life. The students asked many questions and learned much. She has such a joyful way about her. We are proud of her accomplishments and the students wish her the best.







Revive

Holy Trinity Church, Winsted MN

Come be revived and inspired as we encounter God through praise, worship and dynamic Catholic speakers. Enjoy fellowship with wine, chocolate and refreshments. Join us at these women's faith gatherings in 2022:

Monday, April 18

Monday, May 16

Monday, Sept 19

Monday, Oct 17

Social-Fellowship, 6:30-7pm, Event, 7-8pm, Prayer Hour, 8-9pm.

Prayer Hour includes Eucharistic Adoration, confessions, worship music lead by Alex Schindler and opportunities for prayer ministry.

Revive topics are relevant to you and your life. Each gathering is a stand alone event. Come when you can. All women are welcome!

ADORATION

GOLDEN OPPORTUNITY!!

<u>ADORATION</u> provides a place of serenity, peace and calm to a hurting world, a place to lose and renew yourself in a simpler and quieter world for just an hour. We all find ourselves struggling

with everyday life in some shape or form. Find one hour each week to unload all the distractions we have in our lives! JESUS is waiting in the Day Chapel for us.

Please join the 100+ "Adorers" that share in that quieter world:

Times available:

Monday: 7am

Tuesday: 3:00pm (2nd & 4th Tuesdays) 6pm & 7pm

Wednesday: 1am / 9am

Thursday: 1am / 5pm / 11pm

Friday: 7am (March & April) 9am

Parish office: (320) 587-6507

Adoration Hot Line: (320) 484-7126

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Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Barb Olson Jenny Trettin
Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl
Delores Muetzel Betty Gunderson Gloria
Oltmann Terry Bisbee Cristy Wallstrom
Roseanne Genz Special Intention Bruce Bjerkelund
Genny Lhotka Sheldon Nies Donohoo Sharon Nohner
David Berger Jen Schnichels Marilyn Schreiner Bev
Wangerin Amanda Dressel

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.

Spring Has Sprung

And soon the lawn will need mowing (Trust us—it will happen!) We are looking for a few volunteers to take on mowing the parish grounds. We have a riding lawn mower and—for the old school mowers—a walk behind mower. If you can spare an hour or two for the beautification of the parish grounds, please give Fr Paul or Jon Skoog a call. And many many cheers and thanks to Shannon Lyons, Terry Mraz and Dwight & Linda Clark for all their help in keeping our grounds looking good!

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Mar 27 Contributions \$ 11,113.00

Capital Campaign

 Pledges Received
 \$ 1,509,332.

 Contributions Received
 \$ 1,173,368.80

 CC Fund Balance
 \$ 174,455.18

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. 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

Mar 27 Contributions \$ 1,212.05



Prayer For a New Bishop

Almighty God, who by the Holy Spirit moves the hearts of Your people, m 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.

Please provide some contact information for us to reach out to you!					
Name:					
Phone Number:	CL Angelosia				
Address:	St. Anastasia atholic Community				
Email:					
I would like more information on:					
☐ Education Classes	☐ Volunteer Opportunities				
St. Anastasia School	Eucharistic Adoration				
Confession	Masses				

I would like a call or visit from Father Paul

Are you new to St. Anastasia? Want more information?

I'm Updating My Information

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	$\begin{array}{ccc} usually \ meets \ on \ the \ 3rd \ Tuesday \ of \ each \ month \\ {\rm Apr} \ 19, \ 7pm & {\rm St} \ {\rm Anastasia} & {\rm parish \ office} \end{array}$		
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	Apr 21, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen	usually meets on a April 5, 7pm	the 1st Tuesday e 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	hospitality area
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Mark Maiers	April 6, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	April 6, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hosp. kitchen

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St. Anastasia Cemetery Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15 320-583-7199 mgschall@mediacombb.net	
St. Boniface Cemetery Terry Maiers, Co-Manager Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stews 320-894-8758 320-583-4345	art on City Rd 7

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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Fr. Paul Wolf Pastor