

HE ENDURED THE CROSS,

despising its shame,
and has taken his seat at the
right of the throne of God.

Hebrews 12:2

“I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were already blazing.”

Jesus’ words in the gospel today seem at odds with the rest of his message. Establishing division? That doesn’t sound like a Christian worldview. However, Jesus is inviting us to recognize the reality of following him in our world: it will cause division. A follower of Christ, who willingly flips the assumptions and desires of the material world, will inevitably cause division. We are called to “set the world on fire,” challenging the self-serving order of civilization and placing love at the center. Inviting people to serve God and others before themselves is an inflammatory suggestion.

These words coming from the Prince of Peace, seems so unlikely! At first glance, it may even sound like Jesus is promoting division and violence. If we look at today’s passage within the overall gospel narrative, however, we find that Jesus’ words remain consistent with what he has taught thus far and will continue to preach through his death and resurrection. Essentially, Jesus reminds us that we all have a choice to respond to God’s invitation. Some will accept the invitation and others will reject it. Because of this, there will be division among people and families. We must also remember the context of Jesus’ mission and ministry. Many people were upset that Jesus would teach and preach about the kingdom of God in a way that seemingly contradicted their established religious beliefs. There was a real tension present when Jesus spoke.

The fire and water imagery point to a cleansing and refining that will be found at the end of time. For the past few weeks our gospel readings have discussed preparing for the eschaton, and today’s readings highlight just how significant of an event this will be. We know how destructive fire and water can be, but we also know the life that can come from these primordial elements.

The reading from Hebrews today reminds us that as consequential as this reality is, it is not something to necessarily fear with great trepidation. Rather, we can find consolation that we journey with “so great a cloud of witnesses” that support and walk with us on our journey to follow Christ. We live not as isolated individuals but as a profound community of believers. With this, we can follow Christ with confidence and look forward with joy to the coming of the reign of God.

Living Liturgy, pp. 195-196

TWENTIETH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

August 14, 2022

Welcome, Congratulations, and Prayers

Bishop Chad W. Zielinski

named fifth bishop of New Ulm!

**INSTALLATION MASS SET FOR TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 27, 2022**





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— *Hebrews 12:2*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Vigil: 1 Chr 15:3-4, 15-16; 16:1-2; Ps 132:6-7, 9-10, 13-14; 1 Cor 15:54b-57; Lk 11:27-28

Day: Rv 11:19a; 12:1-6a, 10ab; Ps 45:10-12, 16; 1 Cor 15:20-27; Lk 1:39-56

Tue: Ez 28:1-10; Dt 32:26-28, 30, 35cd-36ab; Mt 19:23-30

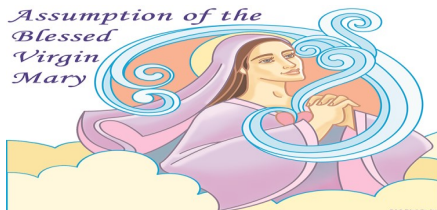
Wed: Ez 34:1-11; Ps 23:1-6; Mt 20:1-16

Thu: Ez 36:23-28; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 22:1-14

Fri: Ez 37:1-14; Ps 107:2-9; Mt 22:34-40

Sat: Ez 43:1-7ab; Ps 85:9ab, 10-14; Mt 23:1-12

Sun: Is 66:18-21; Ps 117:1, 2; Heb 12:5-7, 11-13; Lk 13:22-30



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.</i>		
MONDAY, August 15	Solemnity of the Assumption of Mary	
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Roger Lhotka
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Genny Lhotka
7pm, Mass	St. Boniface	+ Frances Swedzinski
TUESDAY, August 16	St. Anastasia	++ Dick & Marie Richards
WEDNESDAY, August 17	St. Anastasia	All Souls in Purgatory & Forgotten Souls
5pm, Mass		
THURSDAY, August 18	St. Anastasia	All Souls in Purgatory & Forgotten Souls
7am, Mass		
FRIDAY, August 19	St. Anastasia	All Souls in Purgatory & Forgotten Souls
7am, Mass		
SATURDAY, August 20	St. Anastasia	++ Dick & Marie Richards
4:30pm, Mass		
SUNDAY, August 21	St. Anastasia	+ Dolores Shimanski
7:30am, Mass	St. Boniface	+ Ruth Wangen
9:00am, Mass	St. Anastasia	All Souls in Purgatory
10:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community
7:30pm, Mass		

Calendar of Events

SUNDAY, August 14	Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time	
MONDAY, August 15	Solemnity of the Assumption	
TUESDAY, August 16	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
7pm, Administration Council		
WEDNESDAY, August 17	St. Anastasia School	KC Shelter
4pm, Back to School Picnic	St. Anastasia	Youth Room
7:30pm, Youth Group		
THURSDAY, August 18		
FRIDAY, August 19		
SATURDAY, August 20		
SUNDAY, August 21	Twentieth-First Sunday in Ordinary Time	
MONDAY, August 22		
TUESDAY, August 23	St. Anastasia School	
Teacher In-Service (23rd-25th)		
WEDNESDAY, August 24	St. Anastasia School	
4pm, Parent Orientation & Open House	St. Anastasia	Youth Room
7:30pm, Youth Group		
THURSDAY, August 25	St. Anastasia	Office
10am, Card Ministry		

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

ADORATION

Please Come – Quiet your Heart and Mind.

Whether you are praising God, giving thanks, asking for forgiveness or seeking an answer, try meditating- using passages from Scripture (*Book of Psalms is great!) Pray the Rosary..... Read the life of a saint & pray with him or her Many, many choices !!! Or just sit quietly and just “be” in the presence of Jesus!

“Of all devotions, that of adoring Jesus in the Blessed Sacrament is the greatest gift after the Sacraments, the one dearest to God and the one most helpful to us.”

Saint Alphonsus Liguori

FRONT ROW CENTER SEATS STILL AVAILABLE

Monday: Gold Star – *All times filled

Tuesday: 3:00 pm- 2 & 4 Tuesday / 11:00 pm

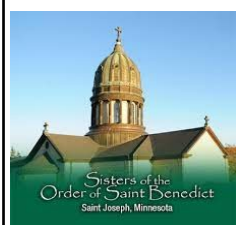
Wednesday: 12:00 a.m. / 1:00 a.m. / 2:00 a.m. / 9:00 a.m.

Thursday: 1:00 a.m. / 7:00 a.m. / 5:00 p.m. / 11:00 p.m.

Friday: 9:00 a.m.

Adoration Hours: Monday 6:00 a.m. – Friday Noon

St. Andrew's Fun Fest in Fairfax– Sunday, August 21 starting with a Polka Mass at 10am followed by a Deep fried chicken dinner, potato, salad, coleslaw, cucumber salad and dessert from 11am– 1pm. There will also be Music, raffle, kids games, beer, pull tabs, country store, bingo, food stand with burgers & hot dogs, also featuring Authentic Mexican Tacos from 11:00am-3:00pm on the St. Andrew's Church ground. Everyone Welcome! Join us for a Sunday of FUN!



REJOICE

St. A's school graduate Laura Suhr (daughter of Mark & Ann Suhr) took her Perpetual Monastic vows to the Sisters of the Order of St. Benedict in St. Joseph, MN on July 11th.

Please join us to celebrate with her at a reception on August 14th after the 10:30am Mass in the hospitality area.

Thank you to all who donated food for the Food Shelf. We took in 7 lbs of food on August 5th. Thank you for your generosity.



Please join us on our next visit to San Lucas!
February 24th through March 3rd, 2023!
Estimated cost is \$500, **plus your airfare**

For more information,
please contact Fr. Brian Oestreich
507-829-6667 or b.oestreich@hotmail.com
www.akalaff.org

Like us on Facebook: AKALA Family Foundation

Crow River Habitat for Humanity

Find us at the McLeod County Fair –Aug. 18-21
Volunteer for a few hours and share your gifts with others!

We have a booth in the commercial building during the course of the fair. We will be there from 9 am to 6 pm daily, sharing all about who we are and what we do. We will also have a family activity for folks to do when they stop by.

Volunteers are needed to:

- * assist with making and painting (snap-together) birdhouses
- *encouraging pictures with our construction worker cut-out
- *inviting folks to volunteer for our upcoming home build
- *handing out info about Crow River Habitat

We will give you all the tools you need to be able to serve. All volunteers will get a Habitat T-shirt, and the opportunity to be a part of this huge community event. Admission to the fair is free.

Letter and Spirit- American Roman Catholic theologian Scott Hahn takes on the lofty subject scripture and its relationship to liturgy. He shows how scriptural texts have been intimately tied to ritual public worship since the early Christian Church and even before that in the Jewish temple. The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast **Letter and Spirit** on HCVN, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

Aug. 16, 19	Ep. 2 <i>The Genesis of Liturgy</i>
Aug. 23, 26	Ep. 3 <i>Canon and Covenant</i>
Aug. 30, Sept. 2	Ep. 4 <i>It's the Economy</i>



GriefShare. It hurts to lose someone. Find help at GriefShare. GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you

through one of life's most difficult experiences. You don't have to go through the grieving process alone. Our 13 week session begins Monday, September 12 at 5:30 pm in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.



That Man Is You. (TMIY) That Man is You! Is an interactive men's program focused on the development of male leadership in the modern world. It combines the best research

from science with the teachings of the Catholic Church faith and the wisdom of the saints to develop the vision of authentic men capable of transforming themselves, their families, and greater society. Our 13 week session begins Friday, September 9 at 6 am in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.



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. Sundays, starting September 11, 2022 at 8:45 am. All are welcome come experience: hospitality, a talk and good conversation.



Lectio: Eucharist: Discovering the Mass in the Bible, dig down to the biblical roots of the Eucharist, through its foreshadowing in the miraculous events of the Old Testament, the Gospels, and Apostolic teaching.

"The Lamb of God," "The Bread of Life," "The Body and the Blood of Christ"... these are phrases we know from the Mass. But do we understand what they mean in the greater and deeper context of Scripture and Church teaching? We'll discover firsthand how Christ's Body and Blood are an integral and wondrous part of God's plan for our salvation.

Our 10 week session begins Wed, Sept 14 at 6:30 pm and repeats Thursday, September 15 at 2 pm in the Hospitality Area of the Church. All are welcome.



An In-Depth Exploration of Salvation History The Bible Timeline® study program takes you on a guided journey through salvation history. Presenter Jeff Cavins will show you how fourteen of the Bible's narrative books tell the biblical story from beginning to end and will give you the keys to understanding the amazing story woven throughout Scripture.

In this revolutionary approach to Bible study, The Bible Timeline divides the Bible into twelve color-coded time periods that make the narrative thread easier to follow. You will learn the major people, places, and events of the Bible and discover how they all come together to reveal the remarkable story of our Faith.

The Bible Timeline will teach you how to read and understand the entire Bible and introduce you to the wonderful narrative of Scripture in a way that will transform your life. This 24 session course begins Sunday, September 11, 2022 at 8:45 am, pre-registration required. Cost \$50.



The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults (RCIA), is a process that welcomes new members into the Catholic Church, those that would like a deeper understanding of the faith, and those that would like to be Confirmed in the Church as an adult.

Included in the process are several Rites, the study of the Gospel, professing faith in Jesus and the Catholic Church, and receiving the sacraments of Baptism, Eucharist and Confirmation. This process will begin Sunday, October 2, 2022 at 6 pm. All are welcome!

Could the Lord be calling you to serve His youth in the coming year? We are seeking disciples of Jesus, generous souls willing to be a source of goodness for the youth of the parish (ages 3 years old up to 11years old). Many roles are available to fit any calling of the Holy Spirit! Please contact Jen Eckstein if you are hearing the call to serve & share: religioused@stanastasia.net

School News

'Tis the season to get those last vacation trips in, the last visits to the beach, the last picnics and playdates with friends, and begin our wind down of summer. Well, you've got a few weeks yet before the wind up to school. Winding up to school... our school supply list is on the website and has been distributed to our local Walmart and Target stores. We'll have school news and information sent out mid-August via SchoolSpeak so watch for emails.

We're looking forward to a new year with many new faces! As you return for our back to school family picnic you'll notice many new faces. We have 14 kindergarten students joining us and several new families in the other grades. Welcome them and share your stories.

Upcoming dates

Back to school picnic: Wednesday, August 17th, new families encouraged to come at 5:30 pm for a short orientation, 6:00 pm all others. Location: KC picnic Shelter.

School Open House: Wednesday, August 24th 5:30 pm parent orientation and open house for students to meet teachers and check out their updated classrooms.

We are still accepting enrollment (K-6) if you are interested or know of a family that might be interested. Contact Betty Jodzio, Principal, with any questions or for more information.

EXPLORE THE OPPORTUNITIES AT ST. ANASTASIA CATHOLIC SCHOOL!

Now Enrolling for the 2022-2023 School Year!

"faith-based education that focuses on academic excellence"

stanastasia.net/elementary-school/admissions

The month of August is traditionally dedicated to the **Immaculate Heart of Mary**. The physical heart of Mary is venerated (not adored as is the Sacred Heart of Jesus) because it is united to her person and is the seat of her love, virtue and inner life. Just as the Sacred Heart represents Christ's love for mankind, the Immaculate Heart reflects how Mary's heart is full of love for our Savior and represents the desire of our Blessed Mother to bring all people to her Son. The Immaculate Heart of Mary gives us an example of how we as Christians should love.



CARNIVAL

SAVE THE DATE!

FALL FAMILY FUN FEST

SEPTEMBER 23-25, 2022

CARNIVAL RIDES, GREAT FOOD, MUSIC, ARTS & CRAFTS + SO MUCH MORE!

SEE YOU THERE!

We forgot to add that the \$25 Pre-Sale tickets on the letters parishioners received are for the Carnival rides and it will be a voucher for a wristband and you will exchange it on the day you come.

Letters from Heaven

Start with the letter in the shaded square. Draw a path from letter to letter to complete the Biblical statement. Move one square at a time, up, down, right, left and diagonally until all letters are used once. Ignore any black squares.

Jesus said to his disciples, "I have come to set the earth on fire, and how I wish it were ..."

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D	A	A	Z
L	A	E	I
	R	N	G

A _____ !"

Answer: *burning brightly*

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Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Barb Olson Jenny Trettin
 Delores Beich Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl
 Delores Muetzel Terry Bisbee Cristy Wallstrom
 Roseanne Genz Bruce Bjerkelund Tom Donohoo
 Marge Nohner Jen Schnichels Marilyn Schreiner Bev
 Wangerin Janelle Woller Martin Muetzel Bonita Quast
 Brenda Popp Sr. Lucille Matousek Irene Matousek
 Cathy Plath Donna Conrad Special Intention Ron
 Swenson For peace in our world.



Names will be listed for one month unless you specify to keep them on longer. If you would like to continue your prayer request after that time please contact the office and ask for reinstating.



The Capital Campaign is for the remodeling of the church. Please write out a separate check than your weekly offering check as they go into 2 separate accounts, but still write the check out to St. Anastasia not to Capital Campaign. Thanks for your assistance in this process.

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

August 7 Contributions \$15,412.00

Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$1,509,332.
 Contributions Received \$1,233,763.71
 CC Fund Balance \$ 234,845.44

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

July 31 \$1,441.00 & Aug. 7 \$1,937.00
 Contributions

saint snippets

August 19

Faith is a beam radiating from the face of God.

St. John Eudes
17th-century French priest, sought-out preacher, confessor, and zealous promoter of devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus.
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FAITH AS SMALL AS A MUSTARD SEED CAN MOVE MOUNTAINS. Are you climbing a mountain in your life right now? **CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA** is a weekend retreat program that commemorates the Paschal Mystery in a community setting. The next weekend is scheduled for September 23-25, 2022, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org for more information and to register for retreats.

Are you new to St. Anastasia? Want more information? Please provide some contact information for us to reach out to you!

Name: _____
 Phone Number: _____
 Address: _____
 Email: _____



I would like more information on:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Opportunities |
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| <input type="checkbox"/> I would like a call or visit from Father Paul | |
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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.

Area Bulletin Deadline

Tuesdays, 11am, 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.

The Area Faith Office is open Mon-Thur, 8am-4pm & Fri 8am-11am 320-587-6507.

Area Faith Community Leadership

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> August 16, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair: Jason Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> Sept 6, 6:30pm	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	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	Sept7, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	Sept 7, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria

Area Faith Community Staff

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St. Boniface Staff		
LaMae Maiers, Administration		
Merri Schaufler, Contributions/Admin.	320-562-2245	
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Kids' Depot Daycare & Preschool		
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Religious Education & Youth Ministry		
Jennifer Eckstein, RE Dir, St Anastasia	612-747-5790	religioused@stanastasia.net
Karen Maiers, RE Dir, St Boniface	320-833-6020	karenmaiers1@gmail.com
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		
Terry Maiers, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-894-8758	
Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	320-583-4345	

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.