

Be like servants who await their master's return from a wedding.

LUKE 12:35

The gospel and the readings today call us to keep our focus on things unseen. The book of Wisdom describes the Israelites waiting for the first Passover. In the gospel, Jesus tells us to place our treasures in heaven and stay vigilant here on earth. Paul tells the Hebrews, "Faith is the realization of what is hoped for and evidence of things unseen." All of these words are urging us to look forward and plan our lives according to salvation, not earthly satisfaction, so that we may "desire a better homeland, a heavenly one."

In particular, the gospel passage opens with a tender consolation from Jesus, "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock, for your Father is pleased to give you the kingdom." Jesus wants us to be vigilant and place our reassurance in heaven, not because it is the right thing to do, but because he loves us and wants to encourage our own happiness. Peter asks one of the great questions of the gospels: Is this parable meant for Jesus' disciples, with him at that moment, or for all of us? Jesus responds by telling Peter that the servant who knows the correct thing to do, and doesn't do it, will be punished, but the servant who is ignorant about the correct things with be punished less. The disciples, and all of us who seek to follow Christ, have no excuse.

When Jesus tells us, "Do not be afraid any longer, little flock," he knows just how paralyzing fear can be. When we act (or do not act) out of fear, we bow to feelings of insecurity and misperception. These feelings are not of God. Fear is not of God. We know this throughout Hebrew and Christian Scripture, as God command, "Do not be afraid." Taking these words to heart can be challenging, as the fears we encounter every day are very real. Jesus is telling us to trust in God during these times of fear.

Jesus says, "For where your treasure is, there also will your heart be." This statement is an invitation to reflect on what is it we truly value and treasure in our lives, for what we value is where we place our hearts. Do we place our hearts in relationships with God and others? Do we place our hearts in gratitude and peace? Do we place our hearts in self-giving love? Or do we place our hearts elsewhere?

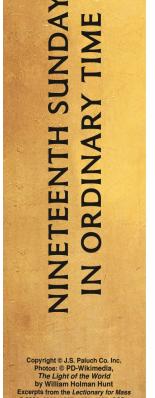
The gospel ends with a sense of urgency, as Jesus reminds us that there will be a time when the Son of Man will come. As we do not know the day or the hour, we must constantly live in relationship with God, practicing what we claim to value. This is not fear or cowardice or an act of apprehension. Rather, our constant relationship with God shows trust in what we truly treasure. *Living Liturgy, pp. 191-192*

Bishop Chad W. Zielinski

Welcome, Congratulations, and Prayers

named fifth bishop of New Ulm!

INSTALLATION MASS SET FOR TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 27, 2022







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Our soul waits for the LORD, who is our help and our shield.

— Psalm 33:20

Readings for the Week

Mon: Ez 1:2-5, 24-28c; Ps 148:1-2, 11-14; Mt 17:22-27

Tue: Ez 2:8 — 3:4; Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111, 131; Mt 18:1-5, 10, 12-14

Wed: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Ps 112:1-2, 5-9; Jn 12:24-26

Thu: Ez 12:1-12; Ps 78:56-59, 61-62: Mt 18:21 — 19:1

Fri: Ez 16:1-15, 60, 63 or 16:59-63; Is 12:2-3, 4bcd-6; Mt 19:3-12

Sat: Ez 18:1-10, 13b, 30-32; Ps 51:12-15, 18-19; Mt 19:13-15

Sun: Jer 38:4-6, 8-10; Ps 40:2-4, 18; Heb 12:1-4; Lk 12:49-53



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7am-11am

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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

<u>DATE/TIME</u> <u>LOCATION</u> <u>INTENTION</u> *Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.*

MONDAY, August 8

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia ++ Frank & Emily Vasko

TUESDAY, August 9

7am, Mass St. Anastasia + Genny Lhotka 2pm, Mass Harmony River All Souls in Purgatory

WEDNESDAY, August 10

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia + David Troska

THURSDAY, August 11

7am, Mass St. Anastasia All Souls in Purgatory

FRIDAY, August 12

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

+ Dorothy Endres

SATURDAY, August 13

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

SUNDAY, August 14

7:30am, Mass St. Anastasia + Mary Ann Stacken 9:00am, Mass St. Boniface + Margie Navara 10:30am, Mass St. Anastasia All Souls in Purgatory

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

Calendar of Events

SUNDAY, August 7 Nineteenth Sunday

MONDAY, August 8

TUESDAY, August 9

WEDNESDAY, August 10 7:30pm, Youth Group

THURSDAY, August 11 12n, Finance Council

FRIDAY, August 12

SATURDAY, August 13

SUNDAY, August 14

MONDAY, August 15

TUESDAY, August 16

7pm, Administration Council

WEDNESDAY, August 17

7:30pm, Youth Group

THURSDAY, August 18

FRIDAY, August 19

SATURDAY, August 20

Nineteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time/ Mission Coop-Missionary Appeal

Playground installation!!

St. Anastasia Youth Room

St. Anastasia Office

Twentieth Sunday in Ordinary Time Solemnity of the Assumption

St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

St. Anastasia Youth Room

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

Community News

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 / 6:00 & 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: <u>9:00 a.m.</u>

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

Wedding Congratulations to:

Alexis Wurzberger & Jonathan Kramer



Annual All Day Pro-Life Retreat



ASSUMPTION CATHOLIC CHURCH, EDEN VALLEY

SATURDAY, AUGUST 13th

8:30am-3:30pm: Outdoor PRAYER VIGIL and EUCHARISTIC ADORATION in the church

4pm: BENEDICTION and MASS (Mass intention: "For an End to Legalized Abortion")

5pm: Speaker: Molly Winters "STANDING FIRM----and HOLY"

A light Supper will be served. Contact: judy4life@meltel.net, 320-453-7592 or

assumptionev@meltel.net, 320-453 -2788

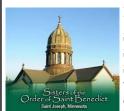
PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty ever-living God, whom, taught by the Holy Spirit, we dare to call our Father, bring, we pray, to perfection in our hearts the spirit of adoption as your sons and daughters, that we may merit to enter into the inheritance which you have promised. 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.

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Common Cup- A Big thank you for all who donated to the Common Cup Diaper & School Supply Drive. We met our goal for diapers and exceeded the goal for school supplies.

Ongoing needs are: Ramen Noodles as they give out about 200pkgs a week, personal care products, laundry soap & dryer sheets and cash. Thank you for all you do for our community in donating to this great cause.



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

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. 9, 12	Ep. 1 The Liturgy in the Bible, The Bible in the Liturgy
Aug. 16, 19	Ep. 2 The Genesis of Liturgy
Aug. 23, 26	Ep. 3 Canon and Covenant
Aug. 30, Sept. 2	Ep. 4 It's the Economy

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Faith Formation - ADULT FORMATION



GriefShare. It hurts to lose GRIEF SHARE someone. Find help at Grief-Share. 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 Tes-

tament, 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 a 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 13 years 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 $24^{\rm th}$ 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.



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.



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.



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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 For peace
in our world.

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.



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.

Thank you to all who donated food we took in 32 pounds of food to the Food Shelf.



Stewardship

St. Anastasia

July 31 Contributions \$12,709.51

Capital Campaign

 Pledges Received
 \$ 1,509,332.

 Contributions Received
 \$ 1,230,393.71

 CC Fund Balance
 \$ 230,101.09

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 Contributions

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 and much more.

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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.

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to www.centralmnkoinonia.or

g 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!

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St. Anastasia School	Eucharistic Adoration				
Confession	Masses				
■ I would like a call or visit from Father Paul					
Other:	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.

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	usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month 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	usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month 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. Anastasia Cemetery Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutch 320-583-7199	inson on Highway 15 mgschall@mediacombb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery Terry Maiers, Co-Manager Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stewa 320-894-8758 320-583-4345	rt 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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