

TWENTY-SEVENTH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

October 2, 2022

“If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this mulberry tree, ‘Be uprooted and planted in the sea,’ and it would obey you.”

Luke 17:6

In the literary masterpiece *The Fellowship of the Ring*, J.R.R. Tolkien writes, “Faithless is he that says farewell when the road darkens.” While it is easy to discuss the notion of faith in the abstract, having faith becomes much more challenging when one is in the midst of a difficult situation. This is perhaps why Jesus does not end his discussion of faith with the story of the mustard seed and mulberry tree. The story of the servant reminds us that, no matter how much good we may do, we are all unprofitable or seemingly useless servants if we do not rely on God. Faith is no longer an abstract concept but a lived reality.

Here the disciples are building on the lessons we’ve heard the last few weeks. Knowing that following Jesus takes planning, intention, and lots of hard work, they ask for an increase in their faith. This isn’t just the ability to do good, but the desire to do good. It is a request “to want” to follow Christ.

This is a very good place to start. Thomas Merton famously said, “I believe that the desire to please you does in fact please you.” Our hearts must be in it. And if they aren’t, it’s okay to ask for help not only with our work, but in the intentions of our work.

The dialogue between God and the prophet Habakkuk in the first reading reinforces this idea that faith is necessary, but not necessarily easy. The prophet exclaims, “I cry for help but you do not listen!” We continue to cry out today. We cry out in response to racial injustice and senseless killings. We cry out for all who are sick and suffering in body, mind, or spirit. We cry out against the destruction of our common home. We cry out to God.

We might think about these realities and be tempted to believe that God does not care about us or that God does not or cannot intervene. Instead, we are called to recognize that God’s creative works continue now and through the end of time. God continues to create and re-create our world and our lives, inching us ever closer to the day when God’s glory will be fully realized at the eschaton. Faith keeps us looking forward to this day and gives us the strength and courage to be co-creators with God, for God’s kingdom is both “here” and “not yet.” *Living Liturgy, pp. 225-226*



The process of the Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA), those wanting to enter into the Catholic Church formally, as well as those that would like to have a deeper understanding of the church will begin Sunday, October 9th. All Sessions will be held in the Hospitality Area at 5:30 PM on Sunday evenings unless stated differently.

Welcome, Congratulations, and Prayers

Bishop Chad W. Zielinski

named fifth bishop of New Ulm!

Bishop Zielinski will be with us next Sunday, October 9 at the 10:30am Mass for Confirmation





Come, let us bow down in worship; let us kneel before the LORD who made us.

— *Psalm 95:6*

Readings for the Week

Mon: Gal 1:6-12; Ps 111:1b-2, 7-9, 10c; Lk 10:25-37

Tue: Gal 1:13-24; Ps 139:1b-3, 13-15; Lk 10:38-42

Wed: Gal 2:1-2, 7-14; Ps 117:1bc, 2; Lk 11:1-4

Thu: Gal 3:1-5; Lk 1:69-75; Lk 11:5-13

Fri: Gal 3:7-14; Ps 111:1b-6; Lk 11:15-26

Sat: Gal 3:22-29; Ps 105:2-7; Lk 11:27-28

Sun: 2 Kgs 5:14-17; Ps 98:1-4; 2 Tm 2:8-13; Lk 17:11-19



St. Anastasia Catholic Church
460 Lake St SW Hutchinson, MN 55350

Office Hours: M-Fr 7:30am-4:30pm

Phone: 320-587-6507

Emergencies: 507-829-0965

St. Boniface Catholic Church
551 Main Street, Stewart, MN 55385
Phone: 320-562-2344

This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION	INTENTION
<i>Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.</i>		
MONDAY, October 3 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	++ Daniel Holy, Christopher Karl
TUESDAY, October 4 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Sr. Lucille Hass ++ Dick & Marie Richards
WEDNESDAY, October 5 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	++ Cindy Ziemer, Genny Lhotka
THURSDAY, October 6 9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ All Souls in Purgatory
FRIDAY, October 7 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	++ Dick & Marie Richards
SATURDAY, October 8 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Allan & Phyllis Maiers All Souls in Purgatory
SUNDAY, October 9 7:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	All Souls in Purgatory
9:00am Mass	St. Boniface	Allan & Phyllis Maiers
10:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	John & Bernie Griep 71st Ann.
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community

Calendar of Events

SUNDAY, October 2 8:45am, The Bible Timeline 9:00am, Faith Formation 1st-5th grade 10:30am, 3yo-2nd grade, Sunday School 1pm, Pet Blessing	Twentieth-Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area St. Anastasia St. Anastasia KC Shelter
MONDAY, October 3 NO SCHOOL (St. Anastasia) 5:30pm, GriefShare	Redwood Falls St. Anastasia	Faith Formation Day Youth Room
TUESDAY, October 4 6:30pm, Education Advisory Committee	St. A's	Hospitality Area
WEDNESDAY, October 5 5:30pm, KC's Squires 6:30pm, Eucharist (Bible Study) 6:30pm, Faith Formation 6th-8th 7:30pm, Youth Group 7:30pm, Knights of Columbus	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Cafeteria Hospitality Area School Youth Room/Gym/Church Cafeteria
THURSDAY, October 6 9am, School Mass 2pm, Eucharist (Bible Study)	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
FRIDAY, October 7 6am, That Man Is You (TMIY) 1pm, Marathon	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area School
SATURDAY, October 8		
SUNDAY, October 9 8:45am, The Bible Timeline 9:00am, Faith Formation 1st-5th grade 10:30am, 3yo-2nd grade, Sunday School 10:30am, Confirmation	Twentieth-Eighth Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area St. Anastasia St. Anastasia Church

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

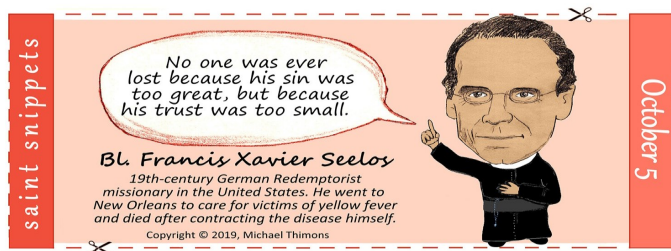
Community News

REVIVE ~Women's Faith gathering~ Monday October 17th ~ Starts at 6:30pm

Guest Speaker Sr. Annunciata with the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus will be sharing her faith journey to joining the Handmaids and giving a talk on "True Femininity" at Winsted Holy Trinity Catholic Church ~ ALL women are invited.

The night consists of fellowship with wine/ refreshments, chocolates, dynamic Catholic Speakers with amazing messages, worship lead by Alex Schindler, small group discussion, Eucharistic Adoration, Reconciliation, prayer teams and personal prayer time. As women, we give so much to everyone and everything- take this time to **revive YOUR** soul to be able to give to others! This is a FREE will offering event. Invite a friend!

Psalm 19:7 "The law of the Lord is perfect, **REVIVING the soul**; the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple".



St. Aloysius Catholic Church in Olivia Fall Dinner

Please join us for our annual Fall Dinner on October 9, 2022. We will be offering dine in or take out from 11:00am-1:00pm. The menu includes fried chicken, mashed potatoes and gravy, dressing, candied carrots, coleslaw, cranberries, dinner roll, pumpkin dessert. Cost is \$15.00 for all meals. All are invited!

CCW Rummage Sale-

The next CCW Rummage Sale is scheduled for October 20th & 21st during MEA break in the gym. Get ready to gather all your treasures for the sale.



Common Cup

Winter coat collection will be Thur. Oct 20 from 9-2:30 at Christ the King. Help needed to sort and transport coats as well as distribute coats. Winter apparel donations accepted until Oct 19. On call volunteers also needed for quick projects. Contact jenwicklund@gmail.com to volunteer. Coming Together in Song concert will be Nov 20 at 2:00 pm.



PRAYER OF THE WEEK

Almighty ever-living God, who in the abundance of your kindness surpass the merits and the desires of those who entreat you, pour out your mercy upon us to pardon what conscience dreads and to give what prayer does not dare to ask. 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 has God's kindness surpassed what I think I deserve?

Collect text from the English translation of *The Roman Missal*, © 2010, International Commission on English in the Liturgy Corporation. All rights reserved. Copyright © J. S. Paluch Company, Inc.

PRACTICE WHAT YOU PREACH

Preach always; if necessary, use words.

—Attributed to St. Francis of Assisi

WELL-READ?

When the day of judgment comes, we shall not be asked what we have read, but what we have done.

—Thomas à Kempis

The Guatemala Mission Group will have their fall sale on Saturday, October 8 at the Kucera farm (22829 Jet Avenue, Silver Lake) from 9:00am until 3:00pm. Selling items from Guatemala, kolaches, pies, fudge, horseradish, garden produce, sauerkraut etc. On August 22, Fr. Jeremy Kucera and his dad went to San Lucas delivering blankets and purchasing beans and corn for 130 widows to last each for a month. It is desperate there so please help them out.

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.

Oct 4,7	<i>Ep. 9 Apocalyptic Journey: Hebrews and Revelations</i>
Oct. 11,14	<i>Ep. 10 The Bible Day by Day</i>

Faith Formation - ADULT FORMATION

Teachers are needed for this coming year of Faith Formation. We are looking for teachers and supervisors for all grades. Please call the parish office at 320-587-6507 and help pass on the Faith to our children.

A Prayer of Thanksgiving for Our New Bishop

God our Father and Creator,
From ancient days, you have called shepherds after your own heart, to wisely and prudently guide your people. In your abundant goodness, you have faithfully provided pastoral leadership for the Diocese of New Ulm for nearly 65 years.

With gratitude, we celebrate the appointment of Bishop Chad Zielinski, as your servant, to lead us as we strive to realize the Kingdom of God in our midst.

As we joyfully welcome Bishop Zielinski, pour out upon him the gifts of the Holy Spirit to strengthen him for his ministry in our local Church.

United with our bishop, we make this prayer through your Son, Jesus Christ the Good Shepherd, who lives and reigns with you and the Holy Spirit, God forever and ever. Amen.

THE GIFT OF FAITH

Faith is a gift. When the disciples asked Jesus to increase their faith, they were going to the source of that faith with their request. God is the giver of all good gifts, including faith. When we put our faith in Christ, we believe that God is with us, even though we cannot physically see God. Or can we? If we are attentive, we see the evidence of God's presence in the love of family and friends, care poured out in service of our neighbors, the living beauty of creation. This is not blind faith, but rather is the result of seeing with the eyes of faith. Followers of Jesus look beyond what is apparent to see what is possible with the power and presence of the Holy Spirit within and among us.

Copyright © J. S. Paluch Co.



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 9, 2022 at 5:30 pm. All are welcome!

Family Fun Fest— We thank all of you who chaired the event and all who volunteered to work at the event also all who set up and took down. We had a great time even though it might have been cold or windy. We thank all of you who donated items for the festival. We also thank our community for joining us in this fun event. We hope everyone had a great time!

Thank you to everyone (Jon included!) who helped set up on Friday. Many hands certainly make the work load lighter.

Thanks for all the donations and the shoppers who helped clear out our store. We appreciate everyone's commitment to making the Country Store an awesome place to work and shop at.

Country Store Committee

Raffle Prize Winners

\$100 Winners: Rube Schutz, Lynette Ludowese, Pam Kramer, Carson Markovic, Marge Nohner

\$200 Winners: Brian Schmeling, Linda van der Hagen, Sam Keeler, Dennis & Diane Sweely

\$300 Winners: Diane Jankowski, Bruce Eckhart, Diane Jahnke

\$500 Winners: Mark Schreiner, Jim Young

\$1,000 Winner: Char Havelka

Coloring Contest Winners:

Age Group 0-7

1st Place: Adelynn Skoog, 2nd Place: Millie Dumyron, 3rd Place: Dahlia Schumann

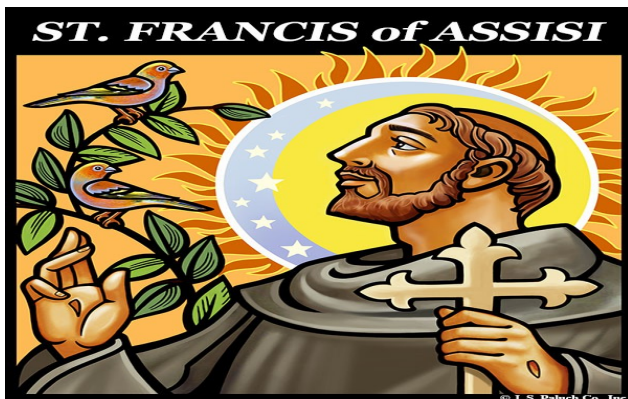
Age Group 8-13

1st Place: Julia Knorr, 2nd Place: Olivia Mach, 3rd Place: Laynee Weseloh

School News

In one week, our students will walk a 3.5 marathon to raise awareness and support for non-public education. Students have been challenged to help raise money for this cause. The Marathon is our largest fundraiser. Every cent of every dollar donated goes directly to funding daily operations of our school and to providing the best education for our students. Our students participate in a wide variety of activities from picking tomatoes, apples and cantaloupe from our school garden to making vegetable soup. Our kids grow in their learning of life skills as well as academics.

Many of you contribute a set amount yearly to the Marathon. We thank you and appreciate your support! This year I encourage you to increase your donation so we can continue to grow in a manner consistent with the economy. If you would like to see the results of your donation please contact Principal Jodzio, principal@stanastasia.net for a tour and conversation of how your dollars make an impact on our St. Anastasia students. THANK YOU!



Saint Francis of Assisi was a **Catholic friar who gave up a life of wealth to live a life of poverty.** He established the Franciscan Order of friars and the women's Order of the Poor Ladies. Francis was born in Assisi, Italy in 1182. He grew up leading a privileged life as the son of a wealthy cloth merchant.

ADORATION MOMENTS

We often find ourselves restless and searching for answers. We long to know we are headed in the right direction in life, and wish for some guidelines from GOD. Adoration is an invitation to find in Jesus the answers to our questions and longings, and in our communion with Him to find joy in life....”COME FOLLOW ME”

ADORATION OPEN TIMES AVAILABLE:

Monday: 2:00 P.M.
Tuesday: 11:00 P.M.
Wednesday: 12:00-1:00-2:00 A.M. /9:00- 10:00 A.M./ 4:00P.M.
Thursday: 1:00 & 7:00 A.M. / 5:00 & 11:00 P.M.
Friday: 9:00 A.M.

PARISH OFFICE: 587-6507

ADORATION HOTLINE: 320-484-7126

ADORATION: Monday 6:00 A.M. to Friday NOON

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Barb Olson Jenny Trettin
 Clinton Gruett Roger Steintl Terry Bisbee
 Delores & Martin Muetzel Cristy Wallstrom
 Roseanne Genz Bruce Bjerkelund Tom Donohoo
 Jen Schnichels Bev Wangerin Janelle Woller
 Bonita Quast Brenda Popp Sr. Lucille Matousek
 Irene Matousek Cathy Plath Donna Conrad
 Special Intention Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei Irene Beeler
 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.

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

September 25 Contributions \$7,133.00

Capital Campaign

Pledges Received \$1,509,332.
 Contributions Received \$1,266,900.74
 CC Fund Balance \$ 224,889.57

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

September 25 Contributions \$350.00

We pray for the repose of the soul of James Blommer & Todd Givens whom we buried this week. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them.

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:

- | | |
|--|--|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Education Classes | <input type="checkbox"/> Volunteer Opportunities |
| <input type="checkbox"/> St. Anastasia School | <input type="checkbox"/> Eucharistic Adoration |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Confession | <input type="checkbox"/> Masses |
| <input type="checkbox"/> I would like a call or visit from Father Paul | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> 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-Fri, 7:30am-4:30pm
320-587-6507.*

Area Faith Community Leadership

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> Oct 18, 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: Berit Spors	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> Oct 4, 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	October 5, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	October 5, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria

Area Faith Community Staff

Fr. Paul Wolf, Pastor	507-829-0965 (cell)	pwolf@stanastasia.net
St. Anastasia Parish Staff	320-587-6507	
Cindy Meier, Administrative Assistant		Admin@stanastasia.net
Bobbi Ludewig, Secretary		bludewig@stanastasia.net
Jon Skoog, Facilities Manager	320-552-1264	
St. Boniface Staff		
LaMae Maiers, Administration		
Merri Schaufler, Contributions/Admin.	320-562-2245	
St. Anastasia School		
Betty Jodzio, Principal	320-587-2490	principal@stanastasia.net
Marilyn Schreiner, Secretary	320-587-2490	secretary@stanastasia.net
Kids' Depot Daycare & Preschool		
Michelle Nies, Director	320-587-4760	depot@stanastasia.net
Religious Education & Youth Ministry		
RE Dir, St Anastasia	320-587-6507	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.