

16TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

“He replied, ‘No, if you pull up the weeds you might uproot the wheat along with them. Let them grow together until harvest.’”
- Mt 13:29-30

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Jesus lays out a feast of parables in today’s gospel. Last week, we took in the parable of the sower and the seed. You may recall issues that some seeds faced just getting into the ground like rough soil and thorns. It seemed at least somewhat left up to chance which seeds prospered and which did not. The first of this week’s parables introduces new problems for the crop: weeds and intentionality. Any farmer or gardener knows the pain that comes with weeds, which takes significant time to uproot and can spread quickly. One wrong move and the good crops surrounding the weeds can be ruined. The weeds in today’s parable did not appear by a stroke of bad luck, either. When asked where the weeds came from, the master of the house offers an ominous reply: “An enemy has done this.”

This parable points to the reality of evil in the world. Jesus is acknowledging that there are forces at work that want to see good falter, and often, these forces persist. Like pesky weeds that will not stop spreading, forces of evil continue to wreak havoc on our world. We need only consider the realities of racism, sexism, violence, and the many other forms of hate to realize how widespread the weeds have grown.

Still, in the end, let us hold out hope that God the master gardener can and will separate the good plants from evil weeds. God who made heaven and earth will surely make all things right in the end. *Living Liturgy*, p. 177.

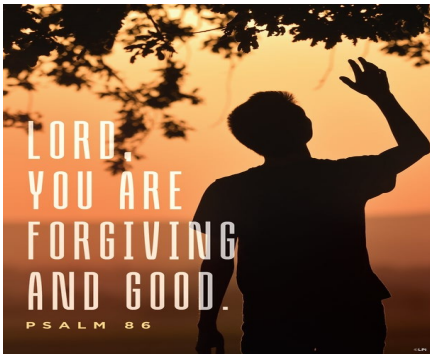
St. James the Apostle | July 25



Saint James the Apostle is also called James, son of Zebedee, or James the Greater to distinguish him from the other James in Jesus’ group of twelve. Most of what we know about Saint James is recorded in the New Testament. He and his brother John were collected by Jesus along the sea of Galilee. Matthew 4:18-22 tells the story of Jesus calling first Simon Peter and his brother Andrew and then the sons of Zebedee. In Mark 3:17 the brothers receive a nickname from Jesus who calls them “sons of thunder” because of their many extreme reactions, like that in Luke 9:54 when they offer to call down fire on a Samaritan village.

Saint James was part of Jesus’ intimate circle, a witness to the Transfiguration, the resurrection of Jarius’ daughter, and the agony in the garden of Gethsemane. In A.D. 44 Herod Agrippa had “James, the brother of John, killed by the sword.” (Acts 12:2) He is the only apostle whose martyrdom is written of in the New Testament.

According to Spanish tradition, his body was taken to Santiago de Compostela, Spain where his relics were rediscovered in 9th century. This tradition has sometimes been attributed to a passage in the Song of Roland which tells of St. James appearing to Charlemagne in a dream, prophesying that Charlemagne would conquer the Moors in Spain. This was followed by a vision of stars which if followed would lead to the saint’s lost tomb. In the Middle Ages Compostela was a hugely popular pilgrimage site. The saint’s relics continue to rest in the cathedral there and one can still undertake the pilgrimage.



Readings for the Week

Mon: Ex 14:5-18/Ex 15:1bc-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mt 12:38-42

Tue: 2 Cor 4:7-15/Ps 126:1bc-2ab, 2cd-3, 4-5, 6/Mt 20:20-28

Wed: Ex 16:1-5, 9-15/Ps 78:18-19, 23-24, 25-26, 27-28/Mt 13:1-9

Thu: Ex 19:1-2, 9-11, 16-20b/Dn 3:52, 53, 54, 55, 56/Mt 13:10-17

Fri: Ex 20:1-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11/Mt 13:18-23

Sat: Ex 24:3-8/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Jn 11:19-27 or Lk 10:38-42

Sun: 1 Kgs 3:5, 7-12/Ps 119:57, 72, 76-77, 127-128, 129-130 (97a)/Rom 8:28-30/Mt 13:44-52 or 13:44-46



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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, July 24 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Ricky Roskammer Special Intention
TUESDAY, July 25 7am, Mass 10am, Mass	St. Anastasia Harmony River	+ Sheldon Nies Souls in Purgatory
WEDNESDAY, July 26 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	++ Albin & Helen Mickolich
THURSDAY, July 27 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Diane Kostecka
FRIDAY, July 28 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Souls in Purgatory
SATURDAY, July 29 9am, Mass 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	+ Clark Bonniwell Day Chapel ++ Bernard & Bernice Stolpman
SUNDAY, July 30 7:30am, Mass 9:00am, Mass 10:30am, Mass 7:30pm, Mass	Seventeenth Sunday in Ordinary Time St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	
		Chris Hein Don & Milly Swedzinski For our Area Faith Community +++Phil, Helen, Glenn Pilarski + Carl Miska

Calendar of Events

SUMMER BUSINESS OFFICE HOURS (M-Th 7am-4pm, Fr. 7am-11am)

MONDAY, July 24

TUESDAY, July 25

WEDNESDAY, July 26
7-9pm, Youth Groups

THURSDAY, July 27
10am, Card Ministry

St. Anastasia Parish Conference Room

FRIDAY, July 28

SATURDAY, July 29

SUNDAY, July 30



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

Community News



This summer we will be collecting diapers and wipes with the larger sizes most needed in July.

Common Cup

We are continuing to collect Ramen Noodles, Personal Care items, Laundry soap, dryer sheets as people are in need.



Back to School Supply Drive

Common Cup Ministry is collecting donations for our 2023-2024 Back to School Drive. They are collecting through August 4th. Our parish is asked to collect the following:

- 20 BACKPACKS * LARGE PINK ERASERS
- 35 WATERCOLORS * CASH

PRO-LIFE RETREAT at ASSUMPTION Catholic Church—Eden Valley, MN 55329

Saturday, August 12, 2023 8am-Noon

TOPIC: SPREADING TRUTH

- 8am Mass—Eucharist Adoration begins
- 8:45 Refreshments
- 9:15-10:30 Procession & Prayer at “Tomb of Unborn”
- 10:45 Eucharistic Adoration Ends
- 11am Speaker: Joe Langfeld HLA “SPREADING TRUTH”

Noon Luncheon

Promotion tables: 40 Days For Life, Human Life Alliance, Elevate, Pregnancy Resource Center, Christian mothers

Outdoor Sidewalk Display (63 blue & pink crosses) to remember the babies lost to ABORTION!

Questions or concerns: Contact Judy Haag at 320-453-7592 judy4life@melitel.net



32nd Annual Czech Heritage Festival, featuring SqueezeBox with Mollie B and Ted Lange, will be held on Sunday, August 13th in Bechyn, Minnesota. Polka Mass at 10:00 a.m. Pork Dinner served from 11:00 – 1:30. Afternoon entertainment, Ethnic food, Silent Auction, Beer Garden, Bingo, Children’s Activities plus much more. Bechyn is located 10 miles northeast of Redwood Falls. Free Admission and Parking. Festival held rain or shine. For more info call 320.522.1218.”



Widows of Joy – August 5, 2023 @ 8:30am

Are you looking for a place to meet other widows who have lost their beloved husbands? St. John Paul II Area Faith Community invites all recent and long-time widows to attend Widows of Joy on Saturday, August 5, 2023, at The Church of the Holy Trinity in Winsted, MN. The gathering will begin with Mass at 8:30am, followed by fellowship, continental breakfast, a reflection talk on “**Complicating Factors in Grief**”, discussion, and fun! Registration is requested for meal planning. To register: 1) Call HT Parish @ 320-485-5651 2) Sign-up online @ <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/904084FACA72BA6F85-widows1> or by 3) QR Code. Register by Thursday, August 3, 2023. Questions? Contact Roxanne Felder @ 612-396-0727. Invite a widowed friend to join our next gathering!



Hello friends! We hope your summer is in full bloom as it is here at McLeod Food Shelf!

With usage trending 30% over last year, it doesn’t appear the need for food support will lessen anytime soon. So, during July, a financial gift of any amount will be increased by the Open Your Heart grant fund, making even more meals possible for those struggling to put food on the table. Checks are welcomed and may be mailed or hand-delivered, we love when you stop by and see your gifts at work! Thank you for giving generously and closing the meal gap together.

McLeod Food Shelf

Bakers needed! **Crow River Habitat for Humanity** is the non-profit highlighted at Music in the Park on Monday, July 24th in Hutchinson. We need your help to offer delicious desserts to the crowd! Please sign up to donate pies or volunteer your time serving the crowd at: <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0E48A9AD23A3FEC16-music1> Pies can be dropped off that day at the Habitat office, or at Library square between 4:30 -5 pm. We appreciate the sign ups online, so we know how many pies to expect. Thank you for your support!

Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation

Youth Projects

We are wondering if there are any parishioners in need of any help with projects, between now and the end of summer. We have groups of youth who are willing and looking for service projects! We would love to have them come, help wherever there may be a need. Please, let Jake know if you might have a service opportunity for our youth this summer. Thanks!



Baptism Congratulations to:

Liam Thomas Rothmeier

Son of:
Jayson & Andrea

Violet Daniela Brinkman

Daughter of:
Daniel & Denise

Beau Cyrus Quevi

Son of:
Cleo & Alex



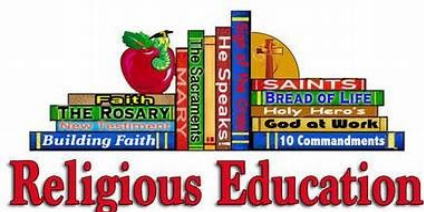
50th Wedding Anniversary

Gregory & Linda van der Hagen

Hiring Position: Religious Education/Social Concerns-Outreach Minister

(contact Fr. Paul Wolf for more information)

- ✦ Coordinate Pre-School thru Confirmation Religious Education Program
- ✦ Supervise weekly activities & special events
- ✦ Coordinate the return of Wednesday night Religious Education meal
- ✦ Collaborate with Youth Minister & Adult Formation Minister
- ✦ Coordinate Senior Outings
- ✦ Staff resource to Common Cup
- ✦ Organize Home-bound ministry: Eucharistic Distribution/Prayer Service/Rosary



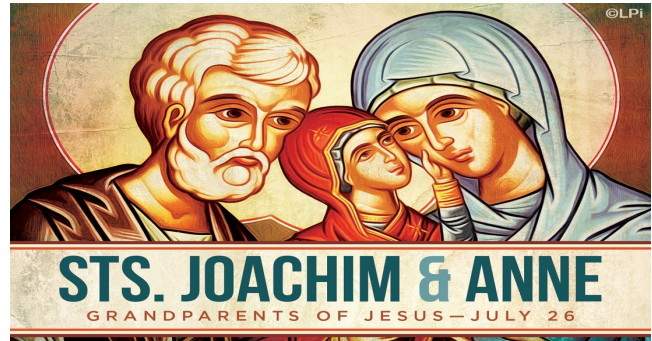
DISCIPLESHIP QUAD BASICS



WHAT IS A DISCIPLESHIP QUAD? A Discipleship Quad is a group of four people who journey together as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion, and learning. This 12-month path of

accompaniment fosters growth through prayer, accountability, and authentic relationships. All members of a Quad should be of the same sex to create an atmosphere of intimacy and vulnerability for sharing. Each Quad has a Coordinator, who serves the temporal needs of the Quad and helps facilitate the conversations by modeling authenticity.

WHO IS A DISCIPLESHIP QUAD FOR? A Discipleship Quad is for any person who has a desire to grow in faith as a Catholic and will commit to adhere to all components of the Discipleship Quad Commitment. A Quad can be made up of people at any level of spiritual maturity, from long-time, committed Catholics to those who are just beginning their spiritual journey with Jesus. Contact Fr. Paul to get started!!



The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast **Real Life Catholic** on HCVN public access, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. **Program Description:** From ski jumping to a cattle roundup to Rocky Mountain survival, Host Chris Stefanick takes viewers across the globe to meet those who live, love, and work with the true spirit of the Catholic Faith! Jam-packed with real stories from real people, Real Life Catholic is a reality show that refuses to leave faith on the cutting room floor!

Date	Episode
July 25, 28	Episode 1: Steamboat Catholic
Aug. 1, 4	Episode 2: Texas Bounty
Aug 8, 11	Episode 3: City on a Hill
Aug. 15 ,18	Episode 4: Haiti 180 PT.1
Aug 22, 25	Episode 5: Haiti 180 PT.2

School News

We're hiring!

Teacher: Be a part of our addition of 7th & 8th grade! Teacher licensure or equivalent experience required. Middle School experience preferred.



Head cook: Do you love to cook and enjoy kids? Are you familiar with the Minnesota Nutrition Program requirements? If so, this would be a great opportunity to join our school as our breakfast/lunch cook.

Contact: Principal Jodzio for information and application for either position.

St. Anastasia is adding a middle school for the 2023-2024 school year!

Learn more about our school at stanastasia.net

Blessed Stanley Rother was an Oklahoma priest killed in Guatemala on July 28, 1981, in his rectory. The Archdiocese of Oklahoma City opened a Cause of Canonization for Blessed Stanley on Oct. 5, 2007. The archdiocesan phase of the Cause was closed on July 20, 2010.

On Sept. 3, 2014, Most Rev. Paul S. Coakley, Archbishop of Oklahoma City, presented the Position of Father Rother to the Prefect of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints in Rome.

On June 14, 2015, the Theology Commission of the Congregation for the Causes of Saints voted to formally recognize Oklahoma's Servant of God a martyr.



The Knights of Columbus are looking for 95 more volunteers to help with the McLeod County Fair Parking Fundraiser this year.

The fair will be **August 17th – August 20th** and will be free admission again this year, so we can expect a large number of cars, like we had last year.

Feel free to invite your spouse and teenage children to help as well and make it a family charity fundraiser event. Likewise, if you have children that are preparing for confirmation and are looking for community service hours, this may be a great opportunity for them to fulfill those requirements. Come and help us raise funds to help others.

Visit our web page <https://kc4797.mnknights.org> calendar, event or contact Paul Mraz at 320-583-5767 to sign-up.

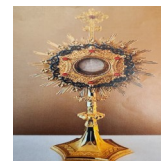
ADORATION MOMENT

EUCCHARIST ADORATION is an invitation that gives us an opportunity for a “one-on-one” visit with Jesus. This quiet place of His loving presence gives us Peace. It inspires us, comforts us in sad times, it gives us strength and guidance in good times. It is the perfect time to give God our Love and Gratitude. We all need more of God... and now we need more of YOU! “Everyone of us need a half hour of prayer every day, except when we are busy, then we need an hour!” ... St. Francis de Sales

NEEDED AVAILABLE TIMES

MONDAY:	2:00P.M.
WEDNESDAY:	4:00 P.M. / 9:00P.M.
THURSDAY:	1:00 A.M. /5:00 P.M. / 11:00 P.M.

PARISH OFFICE 320-587-6507
ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126
ADORATION HOURS: Monday 6:00AM to Friday Noon



Please Keep In Your Prayers

*Nicole Glesener Jenny Trettin Terry Bisbee
Bonita Quast Brenda Popp Donna Conrad
Special Intention Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei
Special Intention Randy Lange Marilyn Stevens
Phyllis van der Hagen Bernie "Butch" Funk
Nellie Czech Gladys Homan Gloria Anderson
For peace in our world For those who serve our country*



Names will be listed for one month unless we are told otherwise. If you would like to continue your prayer request after that time please contact the office and ask for reinstating.

We pray for the repose of the soul of Gerald Cummins whom we buried this past week. Eternal rest grant unto him, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon him.



Stewardship

St. Anastasia

July 16 Contributions	\$13,107.00
Capital Campaign	
Pledges Received	\$1,509,332.
Contributions Received	\$1,597,981.33
CC Fund Balance	\$ 524,288.66

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 16 Contributions	\$1,571.00
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Thank you to all who donated food to the Food shelf. We took in 15 pounds of food this week.



**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 |
| <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> August 15, 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> TBA, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area
Home & School Association Chair: Gina Jennissen	<i>usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month</i> 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	<i>usually meets on the 2nd Thursday each month</i> TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	August 2, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
Knights of Columbus Squires	August 2, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria

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LaMae Maiers, Administration	320-583-1302	
Merri Schaufler, Contributions/Admin.	320-562-2245	
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Karen Maiers, RE Dir, St Boniface	320-833-6020	karenmaiers1@gmail.com
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St. Anastasia Cemetery	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15	
Mike Schall, Manager	320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
St. Boniface Cemetery	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7	
Terry Maiers, Co-Manager	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) 233-5313.