

How are you using the gifts God gives you? Do you live life to the fullest, or do you tend to play it safe? Are you willing to take risks for who and what you believe in, or does fear drive your day? These are the sorts of challenging questions evoked in today's gospel. Jesus tells this parable to his followers toward the end of his life, when he too faces big questions about what was and what is to come. The Son of God chose to leave the safety of Galilee and journey to Jerusalem, where those in power wait to persecute him. Yet Jesus goes anyway. He knows his life means something beyond himself. Jesus loves the world so deeply what he is willing to risk his very life for our growth and prosperity.

What would it look like for us, his disciples, to live the same way? God gifts us lives filled with meaning and purpose. Like the master in today's gospel, God gives us talents and expects us to grow them, especially for the sake of the poor, the marginalized, and the suffering.

Two weeks from now, we begin a new liturgical year - and a new calendar year kicks off a few weeks after that. Let us take time to consider how we can live more fully into our discipleship this next year. Where is God calling us to act with bravery and boldness for the sake of the gospel? *Living Liturgy*, *p. 251*

Everyday Stewardship

I remember watching a television show about a high school that dug up a time capsule that students had buried twenty-five years earlier. They had buried it with the purpose of showing others many years later the trends of the day and how student life was at that time. It was a fun exercise and everyone--the current students as well as those now grown--laughed at the clothing styles, corny photos, and lack of technology from years ago.

I wonder how the former students felt about how they had grown in those twenty-five years. How many of them realized their high school dreams? Did they find their purpose in this world and feel fulfilled in life? Did they use the talents and gifts God gave them to really make a difference in the world?

We have all been given talents and gifts by God to be cultivated and offered back to him and those around us for his glory. As time has passed, hopefully we have taken seriously our stewardship of these gifts. But sometimes out of fear, misunderstanding, or even apathy, we have taken one or more of our gifts and buried them, hiding them away from others and stifling all growth. This is no way to honor God and certainly not a path to fulfillment in life. If we have anything buried in our backyard we might do well to dig it back up, clean it up, and begin building upon it. Like a time capsule, those things will not be buried forever. One day the giver of that gift will ask what you have done with it. When that day comes, I pray you don't need to find a shovel.

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Readings for the Week

Mon: 1 Mc 1:10-15, 41-43, 54-57, 62-63/Ps 119:53, 61, 134, 150, 155, 158/Lk 18:35-43

Tue: 2 Mc 6:18-31/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6 -7/Lk 19:1-10

Wed: 2 Mc 7:1, 20-31/Ps 17:1bcd, 5-6, 8b and 15/Lk 19:11-28

Thu: 1 Mc 2:15-29/Ps 50:1b-2, 5-6, 14-15/Lk 19:41-44

Fri: 1 Mc 4:36-37, 52-59/1 Chr 29:10bcd, 11abc, 11d-12a, 12bcd/ Lk 19:45-48

Sat: 1 Mc 6:1-13/Ps 9:2-3, 4 and 6, 16 and 19/Lk 20:27-40

Sun: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 (1)/1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/ Mt 25:31-46



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME	LOCATION		
Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.			
MONDAY, November 20 5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Clarence Juncewski	
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TUESDAY, November 21 9am, School Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Jerry Cummins	
WEDNESDAY, November 2			
5pm, Mass 7pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Boniface	+ Robert Cady + Ann Burge	
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THURSDAY, November 23 9am, Mass	<i>Thanksgiving</i> St. Anastasia	<i>Day</i> + Joe Wesley	
FRIDAY, November 24	~		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Henrietta Blazinski	
SATURDAY, November 25	~		
9am, Mass 3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	+ Mary Nesset	
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Day Chapel ++Bernard Funk, Sonny Farenbaugh	
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SUNDAY, November 26 7:30am, Mass	<i>Our Lord Jesu</i> St. Anastasia	s Christ, King of the Universe Diane Kostecka	
9:00am, Mass	St. Boniface	+ Ruth Wangen	
10:30am, Mass	St. Anastasia	++ Mark Madson, James Madson	
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For our Area Faith Community	
	Calendar of Ev	ents	
MONDAY, November 20			
12n, Common Cup	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area	
5:30pm, GriefShare	St. Anastasia		
TUESDAY, November 21			
7:00pm, Administrative Cou	ncil St. Anastasia		
1:30pm, School Movie	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area	
Wednesday - Monday, November 22-27 NO SCHOOL - Thanksgiving Break			
Wednesday, November 22			
NO Religious Education St.	Anastasia	School & Church	
7:30pm, Youth Groups		a Youth Room	
THURSDAY, November 23	Thanksgivi	ng Day Parish Offices Closed	
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia		
11am, Thanksgiving Day Co	mmunity Dinner	St. Anastasia Gym	
FRIDAY, November 24	Parish Offic		
6am, TMIY	St. Anastasia	a Hospitality Area	
SATURDAY, November 25			
SUNDAY, November 26			
8:45am, The Eucharist	St. Anastasia	1 🚄	
6nm Rite of Christian Initia	Youth Room tion for Adults (B	CIA)	
6pm, Rite of Christian Initiation for Adults (RCIA)			
Jimmy's Pizza fundraiser for the school (see the			
details on the school page)			

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Community News

CHAP MINISTRIES ADOPT A SENIOR FOR CHRISTMAS

Adopt a Senior is a Program designed to bring Smiles & Joy to Residents of Long Term Care Facilities in McLeod County. We will be collecting gifts from the cards found on the table for residents of Harmony River this year. Please take a card on the table in the gathering area. After selecting a Gift for a Senior, please wrap the gift. Tape the greeting card to the gift and place the gift on the table in the gathering space and we will get them over to Harmony River. Please help us make the lives of those in Harmony River a little happier at Christmas. Please drop them off at church by Sunday, December 17, 2023.

Greg St. Hilaire~ Founding Director of CHAP Ministries 928-792-3100

The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast **The Future Depends on Love** on HCVN public access, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays.

The Future Depends on Love – Hosted by Drs. Angela and David Franks

Join Drs. Angela and David Franks as they discuss the importance of marriage in society from a Catholic perspective. They host a different guest on each episode, allowing them to look at marriage from a wide variety of angles. Some of the topics include the Theology of the Body, natural family planning, annulments, good preparation programs for marriage, and teaching one's children about marriage.

Date	Episode
Nov. 21, 24	Episode 8: with Maggie Gallagher
Nov. 28, Dec. 1	Episode 9: with Chris Godfrey
Dec. 5, 8	Episode 10: with Kari Colella





Common Cup will be collecting Ramen Noodles for the Backpack program.

Common Cup Coming Together in Song Benefit Concert on November 19 at 2pm at Christ the King. Come and enjoy!

Common Cup-30 Days of Thankfulness

For the Month of November Common Cup will have a month's worth of ideas to help meet the needs of people in McLeod County through Common Cup Ministry. Donate single items, fill a bag, box or basket- everything helps! Items can be brought to their office or dropped off in the bin in the front of church. Check the bulletin board for the list of items. Thank you for your cooperation!

2023 Diocesan Ministries Appeal

Next Sunday is Commitment Sunday for the 2023 Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Watching the video at mass, we are reminded of the good work the DMA is doing through important ministries that parishes are not able to provide on their own. Remember, in supporting the DMA, we contribute to those important ministries in the diocese, but we also support the project we have identified for our parish –additional funds for the cemetery.

As we reflect on what your pledge should be, prayerfully keep in mind God's generosity to you. This year's theme, "One in Christ," reminds us that we are called communion as a diocesan family. He also invites us into his mission— to share our gifts to bring hope to others. Be assured that contributions to the DMA will be used only for the benefit of the ministries designated in the brochure and not other purpose. You can wat the DMA video online at <u>https://www.dnu.org/dma</u>.

Catholic Campaign for Human Development

Please be generous in this week's special collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. In the United States, more than 11% of the population lives in poverty. Through this collection, you support programs that address the root causes of poverty and provide a sustainable future for those struggling across the country. In addition, 25% if the funds we collect remain in our diocese to fund local anti-poverty projects. Please prayerfully consider how you can support this collection and support those working on the margins. More information about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development can be found at www.usccb.org/cchd.

Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation

COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING MEAL!



Happy Thanksgiving to You and Your Family!

Come Celebrate Thanksgiving with us

Thursday, November 23, 2023, from

11:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. or until gone.

A free will offering is welcome to help cover the cost of the meal.

Serving Dinner at St. Anastasia Catholic Church

460 Lake Street SW

Take outs are available, no delivery, by calling the parish office at 320-587-6507 starting Monday, November 13th through Wednesday, November 22nd at 5:00 p.m.



Adult Gatherings with hospitality and formation. Our parish is ever changing and welcoming new members and saying good-bye to friends. We would like to address some of these changes with gatherings. We are not exactly



sure what these gatherings will look like as they develop but it is an opportunity for us to become more aware of the changing dynamic of our parish. To this end, we are proposing a number of gatherings: "Young Adult: Single and Married," "New Parishioners," and expanding our "GriefShare" group, which meets weekly for thirteen week to include a "GriefShare Social" to include all who have lost a loved one recently to many years. More information as the New Year begin.

GriefShare Social. Potluck, bring a dish to pass or serve, deserts are always welcomed! All ages, anyone who has lost a loved one (spouse, child, parent, or friend). Hospitality Area. 4th Thursday of the Month at 6pm, starting November 30th (it is the 5th Thursday this month). Our first gathering will center on "Celebrating the Holidays," as for many this is a difficult time of the year without their loved one. As we move forward: social gatherings and support for one another.

Capital Campaign Update – November 19

Sunday afternoon (today) at 4:00 p.m. is the final report session for this phase of our capital campaign.

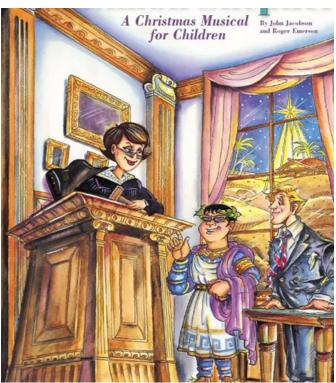
Once again, we thank the hard working Volunteer Visitors and the households they have contacted for their mutual cooperation in following the confidential process. Please continue to watch for the latest campaign results on the large screens during our worship services. Every financial decision returned will bring us one step closer to completing the Phase Two facility Master Plan priorities. Thank you!

School News

Monday, November 27 is a drive day for St. Anastasia Catholic School, as we are looking to be completed with the school year before Memorial Day. Thank you for your help!

Advent begins December 3: the students will be receiving an Advent Booklet and participate in activities throughout the Season of Advent.





Our Christmas program for this year is The Mystery of Simon Shepherd. The children are working hard on their parts and music to preform on December 14 at 1:30 & 6:30 pm. Home & School will be doing a cookie reception after the evening program. They will be asking families to bring store bought cookies to serve at the evening program.



Pizza Fundraiser! Mark your calendars for Tuesday, November 28 at Jimmy's Pizza

St. Anastasia school invites you to enjoy a night off in the kitchen after the Thanksgiving holiday weekend to support our school.

Jimmy's Pizza of Hutchinson will donate to our school a generous portion of purchases made on November 28! This includes their delicious Lunch Buffet, all Dine-In, Carry-Out, Delivery, and Gift Card purchases. Take-N-Bake pizzas to enjoy at a later date are also available for purchase. Special Delivery: Watch for familiar faces delivering pizzas to your door! 100 % of tips received by volunteer drivers go directly to our school. WOW!

You can pre-order your pizza! Schedule your order ahead of time by placing your order online at www.jimmyspizzahutch.com.

Sponsored by the Home & School Association

Adoration Moments

"Prayer not only helps people to find solutions, it makes even situations of suffering humanly bearable, so that in these situations, people will not become lost or forget their dignity and purpose in life." Pope John Paul II

PLEASE STOP BY THE CHAPEL FOR A VISIT/ TO PRAY...JESUS WILL HELP YOU!...HE LOVES US.

We are looking for someone to sub for the Monday and Friday 7am-8am Adoration for January, February, and March. If you can help with theses times let us know.

PLEASE HELP FILL THESE OPEN TIMES IN THE CHAPEL FOR ADORATION:

 MONDAY:
 NOON

 WEDNESDAY:
 4:00 P.M. /9:00P.M.

 THURSDAY:
 1:00 A.M. /11:00 P.M.

 FRIDAY:
 12:00 A.M.



PARISH OFFICE 320-587-6507

ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126

ADORATION HOURS: Mon. 6:00AM to Fri. Noon

Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Jenny Trettin Terry Bisbee Bonita Quast Brenda Popp Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei Donna Conrad Marilyn Stevens Phyllis van der Hagen Nellie Czech Gladys Homan Diane Kostecka Cathy Plath Tom Donohoo Glen Farenbaugh 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.

Merry Little Farm 11607 Page Ave Brownton, MN 55312 Come and Visit our 4th annual Christmas Shop! VIP night, Friday, November 24th 6pm-9pm Link for tickets and VIP details: merry-little-farm.ticketleap.com/merry-little-farm---vip-night/

Saturday, November 25th 10am-6pm

Start your Black Friday shopping with a VIP ticket to Merry Little Farm! Or join us for FREE on Saturday. Shop local artist pieces, handcrafter holiday décor, candles, delicious baked goods and MORE! Meet Santa's farm animals while sipping coffee or cocoa and roast a s'more or the fire! Santa visiting 11am-2pm.



St. Anastasia

No Financials due to Early	Bulletin
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Current Capital Campaign	
Goal \$	3,000,00.00
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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

No Financials due to Early Bulletin deadline

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	I would like more information on:	
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	St. Anastasia School	istic Adoration
	Confession Masses	1
	I would like a call or visit from Father Paul	
	Other: I'm Upd	lating My Information

General Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is ava able at 3pm on Saturday at St. Anasta sia or by appointment.

Marriages

Contact the Area Faith Office at least months in advance of the planned wed ding date. Couples complete a premari tal inventory and are required to atten 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 the child's Baptism. It provides reflection and instructions for parents as they as sume their new responsibility as the primary teachers of their child.

Hospital Visitation

If you, or anyone you know, is hospital ized 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-4:00pm 320-587-6507.

Area Faith Community Leadership

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ail-	STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month November 21, 7pm St Anastasia parish office		
à-	STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
6 1-	Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
i- nd	School Advisory Committee Chair: Berit Spors	usually meets on t December 5, 6:30		
0	Home & School Association Co-Chairs: Nicole Tanata Denise Schwecke	<i>usually meets on t</i> November 14, 6:3		
n	Worship & Outreach Committee	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
neir	Maintenance Committee	TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
s-	Social Concerns Committee	TBA, 6pm usually meets on t	St Anastasia the 2nd Thursday	parish office each month
	STA Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
	STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
l- ith	Knights of Columbus			

Knights of Columbus Squires

Grand Knight: Paul Mraz

Area Faith Community Staff

December 6, 7:30pm St Anastasia

December 6, 5:30pm St Anastasia

Fr. Paul Wolf, Pastor	507-829-0965 (cell)	pwolf@stanastasia.net
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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 Stewa 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) 233-5313.

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hospitality area