

## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus turned and saw them following him and said to them, "What are you looking for?" They said to him, "Rabbi"—which translated means Teacher— "where are you staying?" He said to them, "Come, and you will see." -Jn 1:38-39a

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Has God ever spoken to you in a dream? Are you one of the few people who even remembers our dreams? Today's first reading may feel like a foreign experience to most of us. God calls Samuel in his dreams. Three times, the Lord calls the sleeping Samuel to the point of waking him up. Only after the wise elder Eli helps interpret the happenings does Samuel understand and respond to God's call. "Speak, Lord, for your servant is listening."

Samuel's experience shows it is not out of the realm of God's power to call us through our dreams. However, dreams during sleep are not the only way in which God communicates God's desires for us. God also calls us through our hopes and daydreams, in times of quiet prayer and in the presence of beloved community. Carve out space to let your mind wander this week. Pay attention to the people, experiences, and interactions that bring you joy. What are the dreams that rest in your heart? How might God be calling you through your desires?

Jesus is perhaps more direct with his calling of the disciples than God was with Samuel. According to John's account, John and his disciples see the Lamb of God walking by and follow him. Jesus prompts the curious followers: "Come, and you will see." He calls the disciples into an experience of encounter. It is by entering into the experience that the followers come to realize their call to be disciples of Jesus. We too can discern our callings by being open to new and unexpected encounters. *Living Liturgy, p. 43* 

#### EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: Christ Is Anything but Ordinary

We're about to dive headlong into week two of Ordinary Time, and we need to admit, after the hustle and bustle of the holidays, things are indeed looking more ... ordinary, at least in our spiritual lives.

The transcendent highs of the Christmas season are flat lining a bit and the vivid imagery of the Nativity scene has faded. The solemn anticipation of the Advent season is by now a distant memory.

Are you bored yet? Here's a secret: I think that Ordinary Time can actually be quite extraordinary, if we're really living out our baptismal call. In today's Gospel, Jesus point-blank asks Andrew, who is following him after hearing John the Baptist's testimony: "What are you looking for?" He's asking us the same question.

What are you looking for? Why are you following me? Is it for the Christmas cookies and the Advent carols? Is it for the King's Cake on the Epiphany? Is it for the feeling we get on Christmas when we just know God has done a wondrous thing?

None of those things are bad, but they are not what Andrew was looking for, and they were not what Christ promised him when he said, "Come, and you will see." Andrew was looking for the Messiah — the One who makes even Ordinary Time extraordinary. The One who can sanctify the longest and dullest of to-do lists, on the longest and dullest of days. The One whose peace can reign in our homes on January 25, not just December 25. Remember what you are looking for. Come, and you will see. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



**Readings for the Week** 

Mon:1 Sm 15:16-23/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/Mk 2:18-22 Tue:1 Sm 16:1-13/Ps 89:20, 21 -22, 27-28/Mk 2:23-28 Wed:1 Sm 17:32-33, 37, 40-51/ Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10/Mk 3:1-6 Thu:1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Ps 56:2-3, 9-10a, 10b-11, 12-13/ Mk 3:7-12 Fri: 1 Sm 24:3-21/Ps 57:2, 3-4, 6 and 11/Mk 3:13-19 Sat: 2 Sm 1:1-4, 11-12, 19, 23-27/Ps 80:2-3, 5-7/Mk 3:20-21

**Sun:** Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6 -7, 8-9 (4a)/1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20



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### This Week's Area Worship Schedule

LOCATION INTENTION

#### DATE/TIME

Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday. MONDAY, January 15

5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Linda Johnson	
<b>TUESDAY, January 16</b> 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Special Intentions	
WEDNESDAY, January 17 5pm, Mass	<i>St. Anthony, Abb</i> St. Anastasia	ot Special Intentions	
<b>THURSDAY, January 18</b> 9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Special Intentions	
FRIDAY, January 19 7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Special Intentions	
SATURDAY, January 20 9am, Mass 3pm, Confessions 4:30pm, Mass 6pm, Confessions/Rosary 6:30pm, Mass	St. Fabian, Pope St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Boniface St. Boniface	& Martyr, St. Sebastian, Martyr + Virgil Voigt Day Chapel ++ Dale Douglas, Norbert Messer Church + Richard Navara	
SUNDAY, January 21	OAY, January 21 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time		
8am, Confessions/8:30 Rosary	St. Anastasia	Church	
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+++ Al Cotter, Catherine & Gary Schabel	
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community	

### **Calendar of Events**

MONDAY, January 15 1pm, GriefShare 4pm, A Bible Study on the Joyfu 6pm, The Chosen 7pm, Knights of Columbus Fish	St. Anastasia	Youth Room	<b>King Jr. Day</b> Youth Room Cafeteria
<b>TUESDAY, January 16</b> 5pm, Lectio Bible Study: Mary - 7pm, Administration Council	The New Ark St. Anastasia	Youth Room Hospitality Are	ea
Wednesday, January 17 6:30pm, ALPHA 6:30pm, Religious Education 7:45pm, Youth Groups 7:45pm, Worship Team Meeting	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Ard School & Chur Youth Room Church	
THURSDAY, January 18 5pm, Lectio Bible Study: The Ca 5:30pm, Birthright Meeting 6pm, Young Adults Gathering 6pm, New Parishioners Gatherin	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Youth Room Parish Office O Main Street Sp Hospitality Are	ports Bar
<b>FRIDAY January 19</b> 6am, TMIY 7-10pm, Middle School Event	St. Anastasia St. Anastasia	Hospitality Are Youth Room/G	
SATAURDAY, January 20			
SUNDAY, January 21 6pm, RCIA	St. Anastasia	Youth Room	

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

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### **Community News**

### **Ecumenical Prayer Service for Christian Unity**

will be held on Sunday, January 21st, 2024 at
3:00pm at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity in New Ulm. Individuals, and Congregations, representing several different Christian denominations in southwest and west-central Minnesota, will gather together for an Ecumenical Celebration of the Word of God. The Service is held as part of the annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity, There will be a reception to follow.

### **Diocese of New Ulm National Eucharistic**

**Preacher**– The Eucharist: Leading us to the Sacred Heart with Fr. Joe Laramie. There will be a talk, Adoration with prayer teams & confession and a reception. There will be three opportunities :

Friday February 23, 2024 from 6:30pm-8:30pm at St. Peter, St. Peter, MN

Saturday, February 24, 2024 from 10am-Noon at St. Anastasia, Hutchinson, MN

Sunday, February, 25 from 2pm, 4pm at St. Edward, Minneota



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### Mass Intentions for the weekday Masses:

We are in need of more Mass Intentions for the week day Masses starting in January. Please either stop by the office or put it in the collection. Masses are \$10.



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

### Diocesan Ministries Appeal 2023 (DMA): Thank

you to all who have given to the Diocesan Ministries Appeal. Your contributions to the DMA reach individuals and families across the diocese, providing family and crisis counseling, emergency assistance, religious and spiritual formation, and supporting our seminarians. If you have not had the opportunity to make your pledge or gift yet, envelopes are available in the back of church. You may return your pledge in the collection basket or simply drop it in the mail. You may also make your pledge or gift online at https://www.dnu.org/dma/. Either way, those ministries designated in the DMA brochure– ministries that are vital to our diocesan church– as well as our own project– additional funds for the cemetery.



Baptismal Congratulations to: Barrett Jacob Witte Son of Jarrod & Janae

**Cor Night—Calling All Men** to share a meal, and friendship with other men for a faith inspired talk and to participate in group prayer on the 4th Monday—Monthly at Holy Trinity School Cafeteria in Winsted starting January 22, 2024. Time: 6:15-8:30pm

**Looking for bulletin advertisers:** If you know of any new businesses in town that you think would like to advertise on our bulletin please let us know. We are looking for return businesses or new ones.



### **Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation**

### 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.

Young Adult: All young adults in their 20's and 30's, single and married, are welcome to join us for pizza and beverages at Main Street Sports Bar from 6pm-8pm on Thursday, January 18. We will continue gathering once a month for fun social events and activities, further spiritual growth as a community, and prayerful support to live a Christian life. Please contact Elli Burmis (faithformation@stanastasia.net) or Jake Burmis (youthmin@stanastasia.net) for more information. We hope to see you there!

New Parishioner: Potluck, bring a dish to pass or serve, deserts are always welcomed! All ages and families, new and old parishioners. Hospitality Area. 3rd Thursdays of the Month at 6pm, starting January 18. Informal gathering of new and old parishioners, with introductions so we can get to know each other and support the new members in our community. Social activities, formational understandings of the church, support to live a Christian life, and prayer.

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 January 25. Social gatherings and support for one another.

ALPHA started in January – Wednesday at 6:30pm, started January 3.



Lectio: Mary with Dr. Brant Pitre - Tuesdays at 5pm, started Januarv 9.

Lectio: The Case for Jesus with Dr. Brant Pitre – Thursdays at 5pm, starting January 11.





A Bible Study on the Mysteries Mysteries of the Rosary of the Rosary. Mondays at 4 & 7pm, started January 8.

GriefShare, those who have lost a Loved One Support Group. Mondays at 1pm, started January 8.





The Chosen, Mondays 6pm, started January 8.

That Man Is You - TMIY, Fridays 6am, started January 12





Middle School! We are starting something new! All students in grades 6-8 are welcome to come to our first Middle School Night on Friday, Jan. 19th from 7-10 p.m.! This will hopefully be a new monthly ministry. Stay tuned for more! Registration is required. Cost is

\$5. Friends are welcome to come! The nights will be filled with food, faith and lots of fun & games. Adults, we will need you to help play all of the games, too! Please, reach out to Jake for sign-up & volunteering information.

### **Congratulations to our Second Graders**

Who have received the Sacrament of Reconciliation, may they use this Sacrament often;

Lila Ament	Hudson Gifford	Nikolas Olson
Becca Burmeister	Addison Graczyk	Macey Piehl
Sean Byars	Mary Heitman	Asher Ritchie
Sadie Dahl	Levi Kramer	Allie Strazzinski
Amelia Dumyron	Finley Laffen	Oliver Wald
Anthony Dumyron	Quinn McClure	
Jaxton Erkenbrack- Mikulecky	Lucy Oleson	

### **School News**

The students enjoyed the snow that we finally got on Monday. They love to build snowmen and forts in the yard. As we get the colder weather and the snow we find that kids forget necessities such as hats and mittens. It seems everyday someone is looking for these items because they forgot them or have misplaced them. We normally have a supply here at school but are running short. We would like to ask for donations of heavier mittens or gloves (not the knit ones-they get too wet) and warm hats. Please bring donations to the school office.







Catholic Schools Week Family Mass is scheduled for Sunday, January 28 at 9:00 am. We want all students to be in attendance please write it on your calendar! Open House follows Mass.

Did you know...?

A Catholic education is based on the shared belief that each individual has a God-given purpose and potential. As such, students are provided with opportunities to develop critical thinking, spirituality, social responsibility, and leadership skills which guide positive character development. Our STEM activities and Saints Family partners are examples of this at St. Anastasia. Spirituality is developed not only through our daily religious education programs but also visits to adoration.

To learn more or get involved contact Principal Kloss at principal@stanastasia.net



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### **Adoration Moments**

My Lord Jesus Christ, Your Eucharistic presence teaches me how to love as you have loved me. In your great love for me you continue to give yourself, body, blood, soul, and divinity in this sacrament of your love. As I pray here in your Eucharistic presence, enkindle in me the fire of your gospel. Nourish me with your love and compassion, so that I may be your living presence to all I meet. Amen

PLEASE HELP FILL THESE OPEN TIMES IN THE CHAP-EL FOR ADORATION:

MONDAY: **7:00** A.M sub– Jan, Feb-March/ NOON THURSDAY: 1:00 A.M. /11:00 P.M. FRIDAY: Midnight

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 Bonita Quast Brenda Popp Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei

Donna Conrad Marilyn Stevens Phyllis van der Hagen Nellie Czech Gladys Homan Cathy Plath Tom Donohoo Deb Kalenberg Deb Mundt Colleen Loe Diane Kostecka Jerome Warzecha 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.



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**Current Capital Campaign** 

January 7 Contributions

\$1,392.00

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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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### Stewardship

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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. You can register on-line.

**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

<b>STA Administrative Council</b> Chair: Jim Fahey	<i>usually meets on</i> January 16, 7pm	<i>the 3rd Tuesday o</i> St Anastasia	<i>f each month</i> parish office
<b>STB Administrative Council</b> 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	usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month February 6, 6:30pm St Anastasia hospitality area		
Home & School Association Co-Chairs: Nicole Tanata Denise Schwecke	usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month February 13, 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 off usually meets on the 2nd Thursday each month		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
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	February 7, 7:30pm St Anastasia		cafeteria
	February 7, 5:30pm St Anastasia ho		

### Area Faith Community Staff

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<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b> Terry Maiers, Co-Manager Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-894-8758 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.