

The people of Nineveh turned from their evil ways. Together the "enormously large city" answered God's warning spoken through the prophet Jonah. God spared the people because of their faithfulness. What might it look like for a community today to repent from its sins and take seriously its need for reform?

Jesus calls Simon and Andrew from their work catching fish. He opens new possibilities for the disciples, saying, "Come after me, and I will make you fishers of people." Conversations about calling often center on what we are being called to: career change, friend relationships, or new ways of being in the world. But being called to something almost always necessitates being called from something else. God did not create humans with unlimited time and attention. We are constantly negotiating between giving up and taking on. There are times in life when God calls us from a particular situation or relationship. What might God be calling you away from these days? What new calling may be emerging in its place?

Today's gospel makes an intriguing statement on the priority of work. To a culture that values climbing the corporate ladder and giving your whole self to your job, Mark's Gospel says stop. There is a different way. We cannot make work into god. Discipleship must take priority. *Living Liturgy*, p. 47

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: Give Until It Hurts

One of the characteristics of Everyday Stewardship is to be committed — to persevere daily in a way of life acknowledging that everything belongs to God. I know, I know. Easier said than done.

Just ask Zebedee. It's quite an image we get from the Gospel, after all. "So they left their father Zebedee in the boat along with the hired men and followed him." There was Zebedee, about his business, mending nets with his two sons, who were undoubtedly his best workers — they had to have been more dedicated than the hired men, who worked for wages rather than for family. And in an instant off they go, following this strange man.

I don't know about you, but if my kids left me on a hot summer day to finish the lawn by myself, I wouldn't be too happy.

But Zebedee must have been someone quite special. Perhaps he realized that his sons didn't belong to him — not really. They belonged to God, and from the beginning of time, it had been appointed that they would be among the first disciples of Christ. He passed, he called, they followed, and Zebedee obliged. He simply went back to mending his nets, I imagine.

Zebedee already understood what St. Teresa of Calcutta would say millennia later: "Give until it hurts."

You're wasting my time." "Twe done so much for her; she owes me this." How often do we think things, and even people and relationships, belong to us? The truth is none of them do. We must be ready, as Zebedee was, to surrender them to God when He comes walking past. — Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi



Readings for the Week

Mon: 2 Sm 5:1-7, 10/Ps 89:20, 21-22, 25-26/Mk 3:22-30 **Tue:** 2 Sm 6:12b-15, 17-19/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Mk 3:31-35 Wed: 2 Sm 7:4-17/Ps 89:4-5, 27-28. 29-30/Mk 4:1-20 **Thu:** Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-

22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Mk 16:15-18 **Fri:** 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a, 10/Mk 4:26-34

Sat: 2 Sm 12:1-7a, 10-17/Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/Mk 4:35-41

Sun: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 (8)/1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME LOCATION INTENTION

Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday.

MONDAY, January 22

5pm, Mass St. Anastasia + Jim Pilarski

TUESDAY, January 23 St. Vincent, Deacon, St. Marianne Cope, Virgin

7am, Mass St. Anastasia Diane Kostecka

10am, Mass Harmony River

WEDNESDAY, January 24 Francis De Sales, Bishop and Doctor of the Church

+ Veronica Schurmann 5pm, Mass St. Anastasia

THURSDAY, January 25 Conversion of St. Paul 9am, Mass St. Anastasia

FRIDAY, January 26 Sts. Timothy and Titus, Bishops

7am, Mass St. Anastasia + Domiana Martinez

SATURDAY, January 27 St. Angela Merici, Virgin

9am. Mass St. Anastasia 3pm, Confessions St. Anastasia Day Chapel

4:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia ++ Bernard Funk, Edward Karl

6pm, Confessions/Rosary St. Boniface Church 6:30pm, Mass St. Boniface + Anna Burge

SUNDAY, January 28 Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am, Confessions/8:30 Rosary Church St. Anastasia 9am. Mass St. Anastasia + Terry Bisbee

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

Calendar of Events

MONDAY, January 22

1pm. GriefShare St. Anastasia Youth Room

4pm, A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Incarnation Youth Room

6pm. The Chosen St. Anastasia Youth Room

7pm, A Bible Study on the Joyful Mysteries: The Incarnation Youth Room

TUESDAY, January 23

5pm, Lectio Bible Study: Mary - Mother of the Messiah Youth Room 7pm, Administration Council St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

Wednesday, January 24

6:30pm, ALPHA St. Anastasia Hospitality Area School & Church 6:30pm, Religious Education St. Anastasia Youth Room 7:45pm, Youth Groups St. Anastasia

THURSDAY, January 25

5pm, Lectio Bible Study: The Case for Jesus Youth Room 6pm, GreifShare Alumni & Friends St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

FRIDAY January 26

6am, TMIY St. Anastasia Hospitality Area

SATAURDAY, January 27

SUNDAY, January 28

St. Anastasia Youth Room 6pm, RCIA

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

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

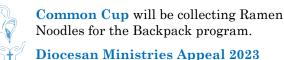


Don't miss your opportunity to support St. Anastasia school in the 2024 Catholic Schools Raffle sponsored by Catholic United Financial.

This is a wonderful opportunity for our school because 100% of the proceeds go directly to the school, our goal this year is \$17,000. The grand prize is a 2024 CHEVY TRAX or \$20,000 cash. Tickets are \$10.00 each and can be purchased at each weekend Mass January 13-February 11 and from all St. Anastasia School and Kids' Depot Preschool students. Thank you for supporting our school.

National Catholic Schools Week is the week of January 28 through February 3. In conjunction with that significant event, Bishop Chad Zielinski announced that a second collection will be taken up at all Masses in the diocese to benefit Catholic Schools in the Diocese of New Ulm the weekend of January 27-28.

In those Area Faith Communities that have Catholic schools, 75 percent of the proceeds will go directly to that Catholic school. The other 25 percent will be deposited equally in two endowment funds already set up to benefit Catholic schools.



(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.

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



Baptismal Congratulations to: Sienna Elizabeth Rewerts Daughter of Kyle & Katie And

Lilah Ann Erpelding

Daughter of Logan & Marissa

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.

Priorities 1 and 2 Funded By Campaign Financial Commitments

Thanks to the generosity of those who have stepped forward to offer \$1,367,760 in financial commitments (as of January 16) we are now able to continue the detailed planning to begin the Church Kitchen Remodeling (Priority 1) this coming spring. We are also able to start preliminary planning for the School and Church Office Remodeling (Priority 2). The collection of the financial commitments during the pledge period will determine the timing that we can begin each project. As we continue to invite additional financial commitments to fund the Church Restrooms, Gathering Space and Chapel (Priority 3), we encourage those who have not offered their financial support to help us finish the campaign on a successful note. This will enable us to complete all three objectives in the second phase of our facilities master plan. Thank you!

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Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation

We have just celebrated the Baptism of the Lord, January 8. As an adult he was baptized in the River Jordan by John the Baptist. In our Baptismal Rite for Children it calls for parents to be the primary educators of their children in the faith. Parents are their children primary educators in so many ways, but especially in faith and the ways of the Lord. As children grow and mature other mentors, adults, teachers, coaches, and so many more help in this primary role of parents. However, parents can never be seen outside this primary role. When that happens many times children lose their compass or direction. In a particular way parents are the moral and guiding principal for their children. As other professionals, leaders, and friends strive to help in this role, may we all work diligently for strong values, morals, and direction for our children. May we build a better world and kingdom for our God, one child at a time.

In our Faith Formation Programs, children and adults, school and Wednesday evenings, we need to remind ourselves that we are called to growth and maturity in the faith. This endeavor to grow and mature in faith ought include: knowledge of the faith, liturgical education, moral formation, formation in prayer and methods of prayer, education for community life and missionary initiation. As we begin a new year it might do well for us to ask the question, are we achieving this growth and maturing in the faith. These should be primary questions for myself as pastor, for our principal and director of faith formation and youth minister, for our teachers and catechists, for the Administration Council and Education Advisory Committee as they give leadership to our parish, and the parish as a whole and individually. Am I doing my part to hand on the faith by learning the faith, by attending and praying the church's liturgy (Sunday Mass and beyond) as well as praying personally, by living a moral life and giving good example, by strengthening the community by good works, and by having a sense of mission, a purpose driven life for Christ?

We might question, where is the church with all of the things that seems to be going wrong in the world and in the church. Where is the church? Where am I, making a difference and growing the faith life of the church. We are the church! It is the beginning of a new year may each one take a step forward in building a more perfect union of the Body of Christ, the Church We are the baptized may we learn, pray, participate, lead by word and action. There is much work to be done, may we enter into the Mission of the Church and make Christ present to a needing world. *Fr. Paul*







On December 10 and January 6, the St. Anastasia high school youth ministry program travelled to Lifeline, an event hosted by Net Ministries in West St. Paul. The first event featured special guest speaker David Calavitta, who discussed the



significance and power of embracing the Holy Spirit. The second speaker, Lillian Fallon, author of *Theology* of *Style*, spoke on the importance of expressing one's Catholic faith through their unique identity and Godgiven gifts. The students had a blast at both events and especially enjoyed the opportunity to gather together for Mass and dinner. The next Lifeline experience will be on March 2nd! ALL high school students are welcome!

COR Night on February 18! Similar to Lifeline, our own Diocese hosts COR nights, which include a speaker, food, Reconciliation and Eucharistic Adoration. This takes place at the beautiful church in Olivia, MN. Open to all middle & high school students, our next event will be on Sunday, February 18th. Cost is \$20. Reach out to Jake to sign-up! Drivers are needed. Thanks!

School News

Catholic Schools Week is right around the corner! It starts Sunday, January 28 with Mass at 9:00am and open house immediately after. This will be followed by a week of activities for students. This year we are adding a mini-course day the afternoon of Tuesday, January 30 and are asking for your help. Do you have a talent, craft, recipe, hobby, game, or skill you would like to share? We would like to offer many different courses and need your help. Please contact the school at your earliest convenience if you can help! We hope you will join us for Mass and open house.

Catholic Schools Week Schedule January 28-February 2, 2024

Sunday, January 28 Theme: Celebrate our Parish. 9am Mass-Students sing a song before Mass-Open House 10am-11am Family Swim- All are welcome 2:00-4:00pm at Carlson Pool at the Middle School (sponsored by Home & School)

Monday, January 29- Theme: Celebrate our Community. Sports Day: (dress as a athlete or in a jersey of your favorite team or something related to sports) Ice Skating at Burich Arena 12:45pm-2:30pm (bring your ice skates or wear your boots) Hot Chocolate in the cafeteria when we return at 2:45pm.

Tuesday, January 30 Theme: Celebrate our students. Wacky Tacky Mismatch Clothes & Hair Day, Mini Course Day

Wednesday, January 31 Theme: Celebrate the Nation. Animal/Camouflage Print Day, Lyceum

Thursday, February 1 Theme: Celebrate Vocations. Black out Day: (wear all black) Pray for our priests, religious sisters and seminarians.

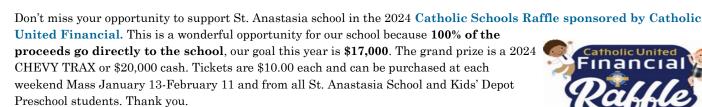
Friday, February 2 Theme: Celebrate Faculty, Staff & Volunteers. Pajama & Muffin Day: (dress in pajamas) Muffin breakfast for students and parents 8:30-9:00 am in the cafeteria). Movie & Popcorn

Service Project for LEAST (Loving the Elderly and Satiating His Thirst) from Guatemala.) Monday- pennies; Tuesday- nickels; Wednesday- dimes; Thursday- quarters; Friday- empty pockets of coins that add up to a \$1.00

If parishioners would like to donate to the LEAST coin drive please drop off your coins in the entrance of the school by February 2.

Guiding students to develop their hearts and minds to become successful and productive individuals having a full appreciation of their roles as followers of Christ and servers to others





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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.

Adoration Moments

I adore you Jesus, true God, and true man, present in the holy Eucharist, kneeling before you and united in spirit with all the faithful on earth and all the saints in heaven. In gratitude for so great a blessing, I love you with all my heart, for you are worthy of all praise and adoration.

PLEASE HELP FILL THESE OPEN TIMES IN THE CHAPEL 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



Stewardship

St. Anastasia

January 14 Contributions \$11.310.00

Current Capital Campaign

Pledges \$ 1,367,759.96 Actual Money \$ 537,588.40 Pledges Need \$ 1,632,240.04 Actuals Need \$ 2,462,411.60

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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

January 14 Contributions Snow storm

CCW Update:

CCW dues are \$10 and due now. We are planning our Spring Rummage Sale on March 28 & 29 (during Spring Break and Holy Week). Our next meeting will be February 8th at 10 am. We are helping organize the Sunday morning coffee times - it is so nice to be able to visit and maybe meet someone new. If you are interested in doing some baking for this - please call the parish office and leave your name and phone number and we will be calling. Also we are looking for groups or individuals to host these events interested let us know. Stay warm and be careful outside. Lori Dahlberg (dahlberg@hutchtel.net 320-583-3422) and Betty Neilsen (nielsen.betty@medicombb.net 32 0-455-1125)

Please provide some	asia? Want more information? contact information for us h out to you!
Name:	
Phone Number:	
Address:	St. Anastasīa atholīc Communīty
Email:	
I would like more information on:	
Education Classes	Volunteer Opportunities
St. Anastasia School	Eucharistic Adoration
Confession	Masses
I would like a call or visit from	n 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. 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

STA Administrative Council usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month Chair: Jim Fahey February 20, 7pm St Anastasia parish office STB Administrative Council

Chair: Mark Maiers TBA, 9am St Boniface church basement

Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn

Home & School Association

Co-Chairs: Nicole Tanata

TBA, 3pm **School Advisory Committee** usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month

Chair: Berit Spors February 6, 6:30pm St Anastasia

usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month February 13, 6:30pm St Anastasia

St Anastasia

parish office

hospitality area

Denise Schwecke 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 usually meets on the 2nd Thursday 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

Knights of Columbus Squires February 7, 5:30pm St Anastasia hospitality area

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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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Adam Tanata, Co-Manager