



3RD SUNDAY OF LENT

His disciples recalled
the words of Scripture,
*Zeal for your house will
consume me.* - Jn 2:17

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Today's first reading offers a chance to reflect on a primary goal of the Ten Commandments: freedom. Rather than viewing the Ten Commandments as a series of actions we ought not do, let us consider it a list of liberation. By commanding us to refrain from such sins as worshipping false gods, distorting relationships, and harming others, God invites us to direct our energy to relationships and ways of being in the world that bring life. God longs to liberate God's people from the slavery of sin.

The passage featured today from John's Gospel lifts up anger as a holy emotion. Upon finding the temple turned into a shopping center, an angry Jesus overturns the tables and drives out the money changers. One can imagine an exasperated, red-faced Jesus shouting, "stop making my Father's house a marketplace." The Son of God demonstrates a righteous anger in this scene that moves him to act for justice. Recall times when you felt or saw anger expressed at an injustice. In light of this week's gospel, consider how individuals and collective anger can be expressed for positive change.

Lent is a season of cleansing out the sanctuaries of our bodies. We work to rid ourselves of the temptations that distract us from discipleship through times of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving. *Living Liturgy*, p. 75

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS: Parents Just Don't Understand

Anybody remember the old rap song by the Fresh Prince, aka Will Smith, "Parents Just Don't Understand?" As we grow up, it is sometimes a struggle for us to imagine that our parents understand us. It can seem impossible that Mom and Dad remember the stress of exam week or peer pressure. We never saw them as children; we never saw their disappointed faces when they weren't invited to a party, or their dashed hopes at a bad test grade. We never saw them homesick their first week of college or nervous to ask their crush to Homecoming.

We're often the same way about God. We gripe about what He asks of us. "He doesn't understand sin — he's all-good," we think. "He doesn't understand temptation — He is perfect."

In Scripture, God can be very much a father, telling us what we can and cannot do. And yet, in His divine genius, He is sometimes simply a man at a well, asking for a drink.

For me, it turns out I didn't need to tell my parents anything about what I was going through as a kid — they knew already. What I needed was for them to tell me what to do, and how to do it.

Similarly, we don't need to tell God about human nature. We need God to tell us about His nature. He's good enough to ask us for a drink, to enter into our humanity. But we have to remember, for our own sakes, to have the humility to ask Him for something, too — the water that will quench our eternal thirst.

— Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS ©LPi

HOW
ARE YOU
CHOOSING TO
WALK IN HIS
SANDALS
THIS LENT?

Readings for the Week

Mon: 2 Kgs 5:1-15ab/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3,4/Lk 4:24-30

Tue: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9/Mt 18:21-35

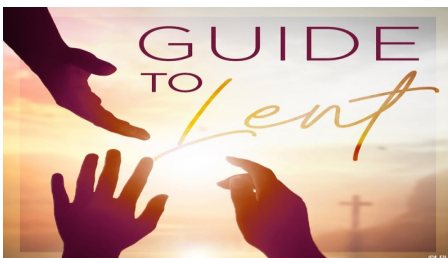
Wed: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20/Mt 5:17-19

Thu: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/Lk 11:14-23

Fri: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17/Mk 12:28-34

Sat: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab/Lk 18:9-14

Sun: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 (6ab)/Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21 *Scrutiny:* 1 Sm 16:1b, 6-7, 10-13a/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/Eph 5:8-14/Jn 9:1-41 or 9:1, 6-9, 13-17, 34-38



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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, March 4		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Pat Norton
TUESDAY, March 5		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+Bishop Fulton Sheen
WEDNESDAY, March 6		
5pm, Mass/Stations of Cross	St. Anastasia	++ Florian "Doyle" Sellner, Monica Fischer
THURSDAY, March 7		
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Bishop Robert Reed, +Robert Cady
FRIDAY, March 8		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Roger Schackmann
5pm, Mass/Stations of Cross	St. Anastasia	+ Sr, Ida Marie Primus
7pm, Mass/Stations of Cross	St. Boniface	+ Dick Navara
SATURDAY, March 9		
9am, Mass/Confessions	St. Anastasia	+Sr. Collette Primus
3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	Day Chapel
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	l & d Aritt Family
6pm, Confessions/Rosary	St. Boniface	Church
6:30pm, Mass/Bible Study	St. Boniface	+ Anna Burge
SUNDAY, March 10	Fourth Sunday of Lent	
8am, Confessions/8:30 Rosary	St. Anastasia	Church
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Virgil Voigt
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community

Calendar of Events

MONDAY, March 4		
1pm, GriefShare	St. Anastasia	Youth Room
4pm, A Bible Study on the Luminous Mysteries: Transfiguration		Youth Room
TUESDAY, March 5		
6:30pm, Education Advisory	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
Wednesday, March 6		
5pm, Mass/Station/Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues -	St. Anastasia	
5:30pm, KC's Squires	St. Anastasia	Small Kitchen
6:30pm, ALPHA	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
6:30pm, Religious Education	St. Anastasia	School & Church
6:45pm, Exodus 90	St. Anastasia	Side Chapel
7:45pm, Youth Groups	St. Anastasia	Youth Room
8pm, Knights of Columbus	St. Anastasia	Cafeteria
THURSDAY, March 7		
5pm, Lectio Bible Study: The Case for Jesus		Youth Room
FRIDAY March 8		
6am, TMIY	St. Anastasia	Hospitality Area
7pm, Mass/Station/Seven Deadly Sins, Seven Lively Virtues -	St. Boniface	
SATURDAY, March 9		
9am, CCW Deanery 3	St. Boniface	Church Basement
SUNDAY, March 10		
2pm, Penance Service	St. Anastasia	Church
6pm, RCIA	St. Anastasia	Youth Room

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

Community News

CCW: Events Coming Up: Saturday March 9th Deanery 3 Spring Gathering at St. Boniface in Stewart. 8-9 am Reconciliation with Father Bob Mraz, 8:30am Holy Rosary Led by Lisa Stifter, 9 am Holy Mass with Monsignor Lozinski, 9:45 am Brunch and then our Speaker Deacon Mike McKeown speaking about "Healing Ministry". We will need a count of how many will be attending by March 6th. All are Welcome! Call the Parish office and add your name to the list. Saturday April 27th the New Ulm Diocesan CCW Convention at Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe. More info later. Posters will be on the bulletin boards - check them out - plan to attend.

CCW Rummage Sale: CCW Spring Rummage Sale March 28 & 29. Thursday 8 am to 6 pm, Friday 8 am to 4 pm. We will start taking donations on Saturday March 23. We need lots of help— come join the fun! There will be a sign up sheet for workers needed during the sale. Please no large furniture or appliances. Questions contact: Lori Dahlberg dahlberg@hutchtel.net or 583-3422.

COME BOLDLY WITH CONFIDENCE—Join us for Prayer, Fasting, Peaceful Witness

February 14– March 24, 2024 **40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

Monday– Friday 7am-7pm at Planned Parenthood 451 East St Germain Street, St. Cloud, MN contact Judy4life@meltel.net or Jan @ hoelscherhorj@charter.net

You can protect mothers & children by joining this worldwide mobilization to pray & fast for an end to abortion! You can also join us on Saturday, March 23 at 11am at St. Augustine Church 442 2nd ST SE- St. Cloud, MN for Prayer Action Persistence.

The **Bishop Lucker Lecture** is scheduled for Friday, March 15 and will feature Dr. Edward Sri, noted theologian and founding leader of FOCUS (Fellowship of Catholic University Students) Ministries. This year the event will include Mass at 6:00 PM followed by the presentation at 7:00 at the Church of St. Catherine in Redwood Falls. Everyone is also invited to the day program March 15 beginning at 9:00 AM with Dr. Sri. Please visit www.dnu.org for more information and to register for the day program.



Huge Thanks!
The **St A's**
Knights of

Columbus wish to pass along our sincere thanks to all parishioners who helped and supported our 37th Annual Fish Fry making it another great success.



Common Cup will be collecting Ramen Noodles for the Backpack program. They are also collecting personal care products & laundry soap.

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.**

Next week our parish will take up the **Catholic Relief Services Collection**. Funds from this collection provide food to the hungry, support displaced refugees, and bring Christ's love and mercy to vulnerable people here and abroad. Next week, please give generously to the collection and **reveal Christ's love** to those most in need. Learn more about the collection at www.usccb.org/catholic-relief.

Envelopes: Starting in May we will be changing how we get our collection envelopes. They will come monthly instead of every 2 months.

Remembering Jesus: A Catholic Approach to Alzheimer's Disease on HCVN public access, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Hosted by Dr. Vincent Fortanasce and Fr. Roger Landry goes beyond a medical analysis of Alzheimer's and other dementias and gets people to see the person behind the disease. A much needed Catholic perspective in today's culture's disregard for the sanctity of all stages of life, the powerful insights presented in *Remembering Jesus* make it a must see for everyone - especially for those who know or care for someone suffering with dementia.

Date	Episode
Mar 5. 8	Alzheimer's Diet, Menu & Supplements
Mar 12, 15	Exercise– Brawn Builds Brains
Mar, 19, 22	Accentuating the Brain's reserve– Neurobics

Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation

Lifeline Event by Net Ministries! This weekend, on Saturday, March 2, St. Anastasia high school students are travelling to the Net Ministries Center in St. Paul for Lifeline, an event including Mass, Adoration, praise and worship, and a professional Catholic speaker. This weekend's event will feature Chenele Shaw, who serves as a Catholic writer and a board member of the National Federation of Catholic Youth Ministry as well as the Before Gethsemane Initiative. Interestingly, she will be discussing the omnipresence of God in our daily lives. In addition to attending the Lifeline event, the students will enjoy a meal and discussion together. It is sure to be a fun evening!



National Eucharistic Preacher Father Joe Laramie! As part of the National Eucharistic Revival, Father Joe Laramie visited St. Anastasia on Saturday, February 24. He spoke on the miraculous power of the Eucharist and offered personal reflections for his audience, sharing that much like the institution of the Eucharist, we too are taken and set apart, blessed, broken, and serve as a gift from God. Father Joe referred to Matthew 26:26 to further emphasize his main ideas surrounding the Eucharist. As the National Director of the Pope's Prayer Network, Father Joe also provided guests with various opportunities for daily, weekly, monthly, and yearly devotions and practices. Moreover, following Father Joe's talk, the Lenten Retreat with the Sacred Heart continued, offering praise and worship during Adoration as well as Reconciliation and prayer groups. This event was very special for the parish and we thank everyone who helped to make it possible!

Youth Mission Trip to Duluth! Our mission trip will look new this year! In addition to moving our trip up to the last week of June (23-28), we are no longer partnering with Youth Works. For the very first time, we will be creating our own experience here in MN! Excitingly, we will primarily be up in the Duluth area, partnering with the Diocese of Duluth for service work in various ministries! More details are to come, so please reach out to Jake if you are interested in being a part of the many aspects of this trip!



Faith Formation! As part of Lent, faith formation students have been completing Lenten calendars. Each day of the calendar, students have been writing in different devotions and practices they can be doing for Lent. Some examples include: Spending more time in prayer, reading the Bible, helping parents and family, attending Mass, giving up online time, and more! Additionally, the students have been learning and practicing the Rosary using different games in the gym. It's been a blast!



School News

Spotlight on Teachers: Mrs. Gregor/First Grade

One of the many reasons St. Anastasia Catholic School is a special place is because of our amazing teachers. Hear first-hand from our 1st Grade Teacher, Mrs. Gregor, why she loves teaching at St. A's"

"As a dedicated educator, I enjoy the opportunity to be involved in a family-like atmosphere where students, parents, and staff feel right at home. With exciting activities and unique field trips and fun dress-up days, we go beyond traditional learning to make education an adventure. Our faith-based approach enables us to live out and share our beliefs through weekly masses, where we come together to celebrate the values that unite us. I would encourage any educator to join us on this transformative journey of academic excellence, service to others, and a lifelong love for learning. Together I feel our St. Anastasia family is building a brighter future!"
- Mrs. Holly Gregor, 1st Grade Teacher.



Thank you, Mrs. Gregor, for your dedication to our students and school family.

A new reading/language arts curriculum is in the works. Our process is to research 3-5 different programs and have discussions. These discussions include zoom meetings with representatives from the various companies. This same process took place when we acquired the new math curriculum last year. Evaluation of the math curriculum, so far, is as follows:

Math practice ties to our curriculum.

Resources available to students and parent online to help with math topics.

Students and parents can review assignments and scores online.

Teaches the process not just the facts.

We are excited to update our curriculum and provide new material and resources to our students and families. Thank you for your support!

Kid's Depot: is also now a part of the Online giving. The Kids' Depot staff is appreciative of any donations given.

Preschool Registration for the 2024-2024 school year is now open. Please email Michelle at depot@stananastasia.net for registration paperwork

Open Houses for Daycare, Preschool and our School Age Program



Adoration Moments

SILENCE– By Mother Teresa

"Silence of our eyes. Silence of our ears. Silence of our mouths. Silence of our minds. ...In the silence of the heart– God will speak."

"As Jesus Himself spent 40 days and nights in the desert in silence and solitude, we too are called to withdraw at certain intervals into deeper silence and aloneness with God– without our books, thoughts, and memories, to dwell lovingly in His presence– silent, empty, expectant and motionless!

Silence of the heart is necessary, so we can hear God everywhere, in the closing of the door, in the person who needs you, in the birds that sing, in the flowers, in the animals. There is so much talk, so much repetition, so much carrying on of tales in words and in writing. Our prayer life suffers so much because our hearts are not silent." "NO GREATER LOVE"– Mother Teresa

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

MONDAY: NOON /4:00 P.M.
TUESDAY: 3:00A.M.
THURSDAY: 1:00 A.M. /11:00 P.M.
FRIDAY: Midnight
PARISH OFFICE 320-587-6507
ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126



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 Tom Donohoo
 Deb Kalenberg Deb Mundt Colleen Loe Diane Kostecka
 Special Intention Megan Caroline Arlt Jennifer Holte
 Troy & Mackenzie William Zivkovich Janet Hall
 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.

FOOD SHELF BINGO sponsored by St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial in Gibbon-Sunday, March 17th, 1pm-4pm in the St. Willibrord's social hall. We will play 30 games, including a special kid's game, \$5 per card. Bring an item to donate to the food shelf (The food shelf is in need of paper products, shampoos, conditioners, laundry detergent along with groceries) and receive one chance for our door prize of a Samsung Galaxy 8.7" Tablet for each item, up to 5 chances! Pies & refreshments, served during intermission- free will donation. All proceeds will go to the Sibley County Food Shelf.- Come for an enjoyable afternoon! Fun for all ages! This event is sponsored by a grant from Catholic United Financial.

Stewardship

St. Anastasia

February 25 Contributions \$ 14,024.00

Current Capital Campaign

Pledges	\$ 1,374,824.96
Actual Money	\$ 595,643.69
Pledges Need	\$ 1,625,175.04
Actuals Need	\$ 2,404,356.31

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

February 25 Contributions \$421.00



Pray Every Day

This Lent

Join Mark Wahlberg and Jonathan Roumie on **Hallow**, the #1 prayer app, try Hallow for free this Lent.



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 premartial 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

Chair: Jim Fahey

usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month
March 19, 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

usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month
March 5, 6:30pm St Anastasia hospitality area

Home & School Association

Co-Chairs: Nicole Tanata
Denise Schwewe

usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month
March 12, 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
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

March 6, 7:30pm St Anastasia cafeteria

Knights of Columbus Squires

March 6, 5:30pm St Anastasia hospitality area

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St. Boniface Cemetery

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: Anyone who has suffered sexual abuse by a priest or another person involved in Church ministry is encouraged to immediately report such abuse to local law enforcement, regardless of when it occurred, if it has not yet been reported. A listing of all county law enforcement and child protection agencies within the 15 counties of the Diocese of New Ulm is posted on the diocesan Web site at <https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>.

Victims and survivors of abuse by clergy are also encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator or the bishop's delegate in matters pertaining to sexual misconduct at 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, or by phone at 507-233-5313, for counseling or other assistance in healing.