



## 2<sup>ND</sup> SUNDAY OF EASTER

Thomas answered and said to him, "My Lord and my God!" Jesus said to him, "Have you come to believe because you have seen me? Blessed are those who have not seen and have believed." - Jn 20:28-29

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Fear grips the disciples as they huddle together on the first day of the week. Their leader and friend just died an excruciating death on the cross. A woman from Magdala claims he still lives, but her story sounds like nonsense. Jesus died. The tomb is closed. The story is over, right? Doors are not the only things locked on that first day.

Then Jesus appears. Jesus, the one who died, stands in their midst in all his glorified humanity, and with his scars. The resurrected Jesus still bears the marks of the cross on his hands and side when he offers the disciples the gift they so desperately needed: peace. The peace Jesus offers does not promise the absence of fear, violence, or suffering. Rather, it is a promise of wholeness and fulfillment, an assurance of the divine presence always and everywhere. Peace be with you wherever you go. Peace be with you in your darkest hours. Peace be with you when you feel most alone. Peace be with you in the face of death. Peace be with you because I will be with you.

Jesus returns to the disciples a week later when Thomas is with them. Knowing he missed the first appearance, Jesus gives Thomas exactly what he needs. He invites Thomas to touch the wounds on his resurrected body. Thomas often gets a bad rap for doubting, but what about his desire to draw closer to his Savior? Thomas asks for what many of us need: the assurance that Jesus is truly present in our midst. *Living Liturgy, p. 105*

### Everyday Stewardship

What do you own and what owns you? You can find this question asked many times in several different contexts. Are you looking to find some kind of financial freedom? How about trying to live simply in a complex world? Has a mountain of stuff invaded your home garage to the point where parking a car inside is only a dream?

The early Church practiced a radical form of fellowship called *koinonia*, which literally means "sharing in common." Those who had homes and other major possessions would sell them and then place the proceeds in the care of the Apostles to be shared with the entire community. People focus mostly on the fact that people sold all their possessions for the benefit of the community. However the real point is the action that occurred after every selling: the proceeds were given to Church authority, in essence, to God first. I wasn't just selling my house and then giving the money to random people. My offering was to God and it was for the Apostles (those who personally encountered Jesus and now represented him on earth) to decide how to divide up the wealth.

Why do such a thing? One could say it was so that no one wanted for anything. If we push that thinking too far, as some in history have done, we can create a system that takes from some to give to others. Nothing was taken from anyone in that first Christian community. It was freely given. And perhaps the reason why people were moved to do so lies at the heart of stewardship: because all we have already belongs to God anyway.

--Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



## Readings for the Week

**Mon:** Is 7:10-14; 8:10/PS 40:7-8a,8b-9, 10, 11/Heb 10:4-10/Lk 1:26-38

**Tues:** Acts 4:32-37/Ps93:1 ab, 1 cd-2, 5/Jn 3:7b-15

**Wed:** Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34: 2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Jn 3:16-21

**Thu:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20/Jn 3:31-36

**Fri:** Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1,4, 13-14/Jn 6:1-15

**Sat:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33: 1-2, 4-5, 18-19/Jn 6:16-21

**Sun:** Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 (7a)/1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48



Since Christ Himself has said,  
'This is My Body,' who shall  
dare to doubt that it is His Body?

- ST. CYRIL OF JERUSALEM

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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>		
<b>MONDAY, April 8</b>		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Carol Dummer
<b>TUESDAY, April 9</b>		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Diane Kostecka
10am, Mass	Harmony River	Souls in Purgatory
<b>WEDNESDAY, April 10</b>		
5pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Doris Neske
<b>THURSDAY, April 11</b>		
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Souls in Purgatory
<b>FRIDAY, April 12</b>		
7am, Mass	St. Anastasia	Diane Kostecka
<b>SATURDAY, April 13</b>		
9am, Mass/Confessions	St. Anastasia	Souls in Purgatory
3pm, Confessions	St. Anastasia	Day Chapel
4:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	+ Carol Dummer
6pm, Confessions/Rosary	St. Boniface	Church
6:30pm, Mass	St. Boniface	+++Anna, Arthur & Lyle Burge
<b>SUNDAY, April 14</b>		
9am, Mass	St. Anastasia	For Our Area Faith Community
7:30pm, Mass	St. Anastasia	Phil, Helen & Glenn Pilarski & Carl Miska

## Calendar of Events

<b>MONDAY, April 8</b>		
4pm, A Bible Study on the Sorrowful Mysteries: The Crucifixion and Death	Youth Room	
<b>TUESDAY, April 9</b>		
4:30pm, Gala	St. Anastasia	Conference Room
6:30pm, Home & School	St. Anastasia	Library
<b>Wednesday, April 10</b>		
6:30pm, Religious Education	St. Anastasia	School & Church
7:45pm, Youth Groups	St. Anastasia	Youth Room
<b>THURSDAY, April 11</b>		
9am, School Mass	St. Anastasia	Church
6pm, Young Adult Gathering	St. Anastasia	
<b>FRIDAY, April 12</b>		
<b>SATURDAY, April 13</b>		
6:30pm, First Communion	St. Boniface	Church
<b>SUNDAY, April 14</b>		
<b>MONDAY, April 15</b>		
✠ Parish/School Kitchen and Cafeteria will be closed to begin Renovations Hospitality Area and Church Kitchen will be used for Day Care/ Pre-School/School kitchen and cafeteria during the week. We are hoping the Parish/School Kitchen and Cafeteria will reopen by the end of August.		
✠ Renovations for the Hospitality Area and East Hallway with new Confessionals and security concerns will begin June 1		
✠ Thank you for all of the support that you have given to the Capital Campaign that we may accomplish these improvements. Please consider a contribution to these ongoing renovations and improvements.		

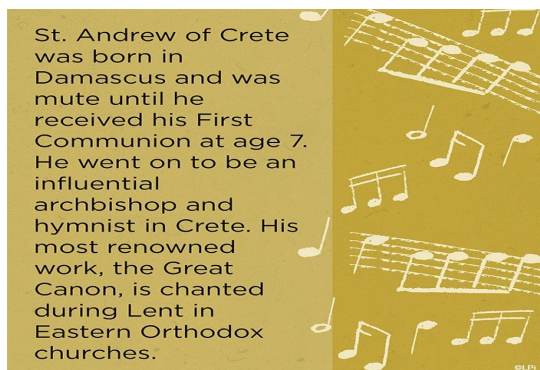
## The Roman Catholic Area Faith Community of St. Anastasia & St. Boniface

**63rd Annual New Ulm Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Convention** on Saturday, April 27, 2024 at the Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe, MN. The theme for the convention is **“Be an Instrument of Salvation.”**

Our keynote speaker in the morning is Kelly Wahlquist. Kelly is the founder of the national women’s ministry WINE:Women IN the New Evangelization and the Director for the Catechetical Institute at The Saint Paul Seminary in the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis. The title of her talk is “Being Women in the New Evangelization.” In the afternoon Leonard and Yazmin Gutierrez will present on evangelization. Leonard is our Diocesan Director of Evangelization, and both served as FOCUS missionaries.

Join other women of the Diocese for Mass and the presentation of the NUDCCW Woman of the Year, along with lunch, silent auction and various exhibits and booth displays to fill the day Register by April 15th. Check the bulletin board for more information.

**Food Shelf Donations**– Thank you to all who donated to the Food Shelf we took in 14 pounds of food and a \$100 monetary donation on March 17, 2024. The school collected 119 pounds of food. On March 27 we took in 73 pounds of food and \$230 in monetary donation. We took in 28 more pounds of food on March 28.



**Additional St A’s Easter Flower Memorials have been donated in the name of:** Gerry & Jan Urban; David Troska; Paul Troska; Brent Markgraf; Ralph Krebsbach; Henry & Helen Dusoski; Kathy Andreen ;Erpelding Family; Carl & Florence Christensen; Alex Doering; Joe Ritchey; Conner Forcier



**Common Cup** will be collecting Ramen Noodles for the Backpack program. Common Cup will collect winter coats, boots, snow pants, hats, mittens the month of April. Items can be put in the coat box or bin.



**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.**

**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
Apr 9, 12	Alzheimer’s and Spirituality
Apr 16, 19	Alzheimer’s– Responding with Love
Apr 23, 26	Alzheimer’s– Begins in Childhood
Apr. 30, May 3	Alzheimer’s and Its Stages

2024 **MAY**  
Friday 3rd + Saturday 4th

**St. Anastasia CATHOLIC COMMUNITY**  
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FRIDAY FOR ALL	SATURDAY FOR ALL	
6:30 pm <b>FROM ADDICT TO EVANGELIST</b> John's Powerful Conversion Story	8:00 am Mass	10:00 am Break
7:45 pm Reception Meet + Greet	8:30 am Light Breakfast	10:15 am <b>THE MOST IMPORTANT THING</b> A Personal Relationship with Jesus
	9:00 am <b>RESTORING YOUR IDENTITY</b> Who You Are, Whose You Are, and Why You're Here	11:15 am Mission Ends
	<b>MEN ONLY SATURDAY</b> 11:15 am-1:00 pm	Men's Lunch + Men's Ministry Training

Scan here to register.



**RESERVE YOUR SPOT TODAY!**



**Living Stations of the Cross and Easter Egg Hunt!** On Wednesday, March 20, St. Anastasia high school students reenacted the Living Stations of the Cross for all Faith Formation students grades 1-8. The young viewers were greatly impacted by the Stations, and many left reflecting more deeply on Christ's sacrifice and love for us. Thank you to all of the high school students who made this powerful experience possible! Additionally, our high school youth helped to organize a special Easter Egg Hunt for the children of the parish following the 7am and 11am Easter Sunday Masses. Everyone had a blast! Thank you again to all those who volunteered their time for this event.



**Lifeline!** On Saturday, April 20, St. Anastasia high school students will travel to the Net Ministries Center in West St. Paul for the last Lifeline event of the year, featuring praise and worship music, Mass, and a live Christian concert!! Please contact Jake for more information and to sign-up!!



**Middle School Night!** On March 22, students gathered for Middle School night for pizza, games, and prayer. They competed in Minute-to-Win-It challenges and had so much fun! Our April Middle School Event will be on Friday, April 19th at Hutch Bowl! We will be cosmic bowling from 8-10 p.m.! There will be unlimited bowling for two hours & lots of fun lights! Be sure to wear clothes that will glow! Cost is \$10/youth. Sign-up on our website & contact Jake with any questions. Thank you!



# School News



If you happen to be spring cleaning, just wanted to remind you that the Kid's garage sale is right around the corner. We will start collecting gently used donations the first Saturday in May. Home and School Committee



Our service project for Lent this year was to donate food to the McLeod County Food Shelf. Our students collected 119 pounds of food. Each dollar donated holds significant purchasing power, equivalent to about 10 pounds of food, maximizing the impact of contributions according to Director Carrie Lewis. March is their Food Share campaign which is a matching mechanism that correlates funds raised locally with a percentage-based match. Thank you to all who donated!




Saint Families braided palms with the help of several volunteers. Every year those palms become increasingly more fun to braid. This year many of our students learned first hand how to braid the palms into crosses. Thank you volunteers! We appreciate you!

Family Stations of the Cross and Family Fun night is much more than bouncy houses & pizza! Several games are spread throughout the gym for students to engage with each other. Chess was a popular game!





Middle School grades 6-8<sup>th</sup> now enrolling. Registration continues to be open for all grades.



We are now on On-line giving . Kid's Depot staff would appreciate anything that you can give.

Summer Registration is open. Please email Michelle at [depot@stanastasia.net](mailto:depot@stanastasia.net).

We had an Easter egg relay over spring break.

**Adoration Moments**


**Saint Francis de Sales**

If during prayer, you do nothing but bring your heart from distraction again and again into God's presence, though it went away, every time you brought it back, your time would be very well spent.

Half an hour's meditation each day is essential, except when we are busy. Then a full hours is needed!

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

MONDAY:	NOON/4:00P.M.
TUESDAY:	3:00A.M.
THURSDAY:	1:00 A.M. /11:00 P.M.
FRIDAY:	Midnight



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ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126

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

## Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Jenny Trettin Benita Quast  
 Brenda Popp Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei  
 Donna Conrad Marilyn Stevens Phyllis van der Hagen  
 Nellie Czech Gladys Homan Tom Donohoo  
 Deb Kalenberg Diane KostECKa Megan Caroline Arlt  
 Jennifer Holte William Zivkovich Janet Hall  
 LeRoy Carriere 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.



## Stewardship

### St. Anastasia

March 24 Contributions	\$21,139.00
Easter	\$15,123.00
March 31 Contributions	\$10,073.00

### Current Capital Campaign

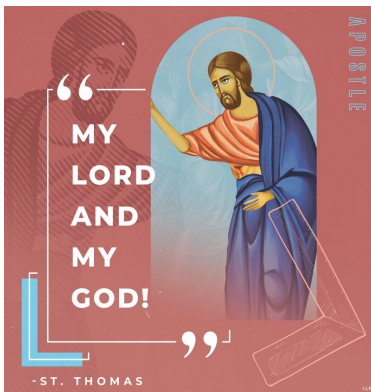
Pledges	\$1,378,711.96
Actual Money	\$ 637,892.96
Pledges Need	\$1,621,288.04
Actuals Need	\$2,362,107.04

### 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](http://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](http://OLGapp.com). Register by entering our church ID of 78.

### St. Boniface

March 24 Contributions	\$3,335.00
March 31 Contributions	\$4,517.52



**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. 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 the 3rd Tuesday of each month</i> April 16, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>STB Administrative Council</b> Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
<b>Cemetery Committee</b> Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>School Advisory Committee</b> Chair: Berit Spors	<i>usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month</i> May 7, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>Home &amp; School Association</b> Co-Chairs: Nicole Tanata Denise Schewecke	<i>usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month</i> April 9, 6:30pm	St Anastasia	library
<b>Worship &amp; Outreach Committee</b>	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Maintenance Committee</b>	TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
<b>Social Concerns Committee</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Anastasia	parish office <i>usually meets on the 2nd Thursday each month</i>
<b>STA Council of Catholic Women</b>	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
<b>STB Council of Catholic Women</b>	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
<b>Knights of Columbus</b> Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	May 8, 7:30pm	St Anastasia	cafeteria
<b>Knights of Columbus Squires</b>	May 8, 5:30pm	St Anastasia	hospitality area

## Area Faith Community Staff

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<b>St. Anastasia Cemetery</b>		
Mike Schall, Manager	1 mile north of Hutchinson on Highway 15 320-583-7199	mgschall@mediacombb.net
<b>St. Boniface Cemetery</b>		
Terry Maiers, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-894-8758	
Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	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.