

Third Sunday of Lent

March 4, 2018



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AREA FAITH COMMUNITY



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MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Please contact Fr. Jeff at least six months ahead of time to plan and prepare for your wedding. No wedding date is final until approved by Fr. Jeff.

BAPTISMS: Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Sister Mary Ann anywhere from one to two months prior to the date of the baptism of a child.

Catholic Charities of the Diocese of New Ulm:
1-866-670-5163.
(Confidential Counseling Services and Referral Information)

LITURGY SCHEDULE: In case of a funeral a regular scheduled morning Mass will be canceled that day.

Monday, March 5	NO MASS		
Tuesday, March 6	10:15 AM	Fairfax Nursing Home	+Leo & Regina Jandl
Wednesday, March 7	8:30 AM	Gibbon	Living & Deceased Members of St Willibrord's CCW
Thursday, March 8	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Clarence Wenninger
		<i>Eucharistic Adoration following Mass in Fairfax</i>	
	10:15 AM	Franklin Nursing Home	+Alice Goelz
Friday, March 9	9:30 AM	Winthrop Nursing Home	+Richard & Verna Rein
Saturday, March 10	3:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	4:00 PM	Gibbon	Living & Deceased Members of St Willibrord's CUF
	5:45 PM	Franklin	+Mary Eisenbarth
Sunday, March 11	8:30 AM	Winthrop	People of the All Saints AFC
	10:15 AM	Fairfax	+Leroy Schreiner

Reflection Questions for the Third Sunday in Lent

How can you grow in your grasp that you are temples of God, and your bodies, too, will be raised up?

How does your keeping of God's law witness to your relationship with God?

If Jesus were to visit you as his temple, what would need cleaning?



Readings for the Week of March 4, 2018

Sunday: Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 [Jn 6:68c]/ 1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25

Monday: 2 Kgs 5:1-15b/Ps 42:2, 3; 43:3, 4 [cf. 42:3]/Lk 4:24-30 or Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Tuesday: Dn 3:25, 34-43/Ps 25:4-5ab, 6 and 7bc, 8-9 [6a]/Mt 18:21-35 Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Wednesday: Dt 4:1, 5-9/Ps 147:12-13, 15-16, 19-20 [12a]/Mt 5:17-19 or Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Thursday: Jer 7:23-28/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 [8]/Lk 11:14-23 or Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Friday: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 81:6c-8a, 8bc-9, 10-11ab, 14 and 17 [cf. 11 and 9a]/Mk 12:28-34 or Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Saturday: Hos 6:1-6/Ps 51:3-4, 18-19, 20-21ab [cf. Hos 6:6]/Lk 18:9-14 or Ex 17:1-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7ab, 7c-9 [8]/Jn 4:5-42

Next Sunday: 2 Chr 36:14-16, 19-23/Ps 137:1-2, 3, 4-5, 6 [6ab]/ Eph 2:4-10/Jn 3:14-21

PASTOR'S NOTES Our Exodus reading lays out the Ten Commandments. Why do the first three, focused on God, require many more verses than the last seven? It could be argued that respect of and love toward God makes following the commandments toward other people more likely. In cleansing the temple, Jesus showed his passion for God's house. Lent is a good time to reflect on how we have strayed from the Ten Commandments, from love of God and others. How are you doing in your practice of the disciplines of Lent: prayer, fasting, and almsgiving? Lenten Penance Services are Sunday, March 11 at Winthrop at 2 pm, and Tuesday, March 13, at Fairfax at 7 pm. Remember that daylight savings time begins March 11th so turn your clocks ahead one-hour March 10th before bedtime.

Next weekend we will have The Catholic Relief Services Collection (CRSC). Your support of this collection serves Jesus in disguise in some of the most marginalized communities in our world. Proceeds from this national collection provide services for immigrants and refugees, humanitarian aid in the wake of natural disasters, and advocacy for peace and justice around the world. Please join in this collection to support those suffering on the margins around the world.

AREA PARISH

AREA PARISH CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Mar 5** Blakely Pulley
Mar 6 Marge Schmidt, Mike Harazin, Grace Rubischko, Richard Gruska
Mar 7 Angela Kiecker, Katherine McClain, Jackie Schlueter
Mar 8 Alexis Avalos, Joe Volz
Mar 9 Richard Harris
Mar 10 Erinn Domeier-Grosklags, Kimberlynn Miketey
Mar 11 Dick Scharfencamp, Jerome Rubischko

LENT: The traditional Lenten practices of prayer, fasting, and almsgiving are to be part of our life, especially during Lent. During this season we are encouraged to find ways of growing closer to Christ. Each week a few ideas will be given. Choose two different actions and practice each one on separate days. What do you want to turn away from and toward this Lenten season? May they lead us closer to Christ and others.



FASTING: Spend some time together as family – give up time on the computer
 Refrain from complaining

PRAYER: Spend 10 -15 minutes in prayer before your day begins

ALMSGIVING: Shovel snow for someone who needs help

LECTORS: Readings for the “Third, Fourth and Fifth Sundays of Lent”

Please note that the first set of readings given in your lector Workbook will be used for the third, fourth and fifth Sunday of Lent – and not cycle A readings listed as optional readings for those weekends.

LENT ENRICHMENT SESSIONS: There will be one more enrichment session offered after the 5:30 p.m. evening Mass in Gibbon on March 21. The topic of the session will be posted in a few weeks.

AREA COMMUNAL PENANCE SERVICES: Please note the dates and times for the last two penance services: Sunday, March 11, 2:00 pm – Winthrop Tuesday, March 13, 7:00 pm – Fairfax

“ANOINTING OF THE SICK”: The “Anointing of the Sick will take place at all our healthcare centers this coming week: Tuesday, March 6, 10:15 am (Fairfax)
 Thursday, March 8, 10:15 am (Franklin)
 Friday, March 9, 9:30 am (Winthrop)

If anyone missed the opportunity for the “Anointing of the Sick” this past weekend due to the weather please join us at one of the healthcare centers. Those who are more confined to their homes and desire to participate in this sacrament please contact Sister Mary Ann so visits can be scheduled soon.



*Please Remember in
 Prayer*

Mary Illg
 St. Andrew's

Frank Ziegler
 St. Andrew's

Yvonne O'Brien
 St. Francis de Sales

Clarence Schroedl
 St. Andrew's

Mike Palmer
 St. Andrew's

Leyla Ahlbrecht
 St. Willibrord's

Ordell Grosam
 St. Andrew's

Casey O'Brien
 St. Francis de Sales

Francis Schweiss
 St. Andrew's

Randy Zollner
 St. Francis de Sales

Richard Mathiowetz
 St. Andrew's

Orren Rathke
 St. Francis de Sales

Paula Wittgraf
 St. Willibrord's

Clarence Borgheinnck
 St. Francis de Sales

Edward Garrahy
 St. Andrew's

Reynold Evenson
 St. Willibrord's

MARCH FOOD DRIVE: March is the month the area food shelves rely on our assistance and generosity. A collection was taken up this past weekend for them. The March food drive is very important for our area food drives. If you still want to give financial contributions please put it in an envelope, mark it “Food Shelf” and drop it in the collection basket. Please note the statistics for the area food shelves for the past year:

Renville County Food Shelf Statistics 2017

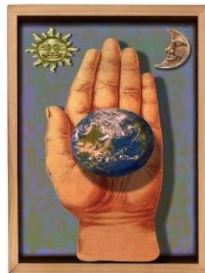
2810 families were served
 9,029 Individuals benefitted from the food shelf
 Ages 0-17 3,388
 Ages 18-64 5,225
 Seniors 416
 Total pounds given out - 239,651

Sibley County Food Shelf Statistics 2015

Total households – 150 households per month
 Total individuals – over 5,300
 Total pounds distributed – 140,634
 Our area food shelves need our help!

WE WERE GIVEN
 THIS CREATION
 FROM GOD.

Recycle...
 Reuse...
 Reduce...
 Renew...



Laudato Si (Praise be to You)
Ecological Education and Spirituality – Chapter 6
 “Beyond the Sun”
 We come together to take charge of tis home which has been entrusted to us, knowing that all the good which exists here will be taken up into the heavenly feast. In union with all creatures, we journey through this land seeking God, for “if the world has a beginning and if it has been created, we must enquire who gave it this beginning, and who was its Creator”.
 -WE are the ones who must and can care for our common home. Let’s do it together.
 -Take time to pray the following prayer in union with all creation.

A Christian Prayer in Union with Creation

Father, we praise you with all your creatures.
 They came forth from your all-powerful hand; they are yours, filled with your presence and your tender love.
 Praise be to you!
 Son of God, Jesus, through you all things were made.
 You were formed in the womb of Mary our Mother, you became part of this earth,
 and you gazed upon this world with human eyes.
 Today you are alive in every creature in your risen glory. Praise be to you!
 Holy Spirit, by your light you guide this world towards the Father’s love and accompany creation as it groans in travail.
 You also dwell in our hearts and you inspire us to do what is good. Praise be to you!
 Triune Lord, wondrous community of infinite love, teach us to contemplate you in the beauty of the universe,
 for all things speak of you.
 Awaken our praise and thankfulness for every being that you have made.
 Give us the grace to feel profoundly joined to everything that is.
 God of love, show us our place in this world as channels of your love for all the creatures of this earth,
 for not one of them is forgotten in your sight.
 Enlighten those who possess power and money that they may avoid the sin of indifference,
 that they may love the common good, advance the weak, and care for this world in which we live.
 The poor and the earth are crying out.
 O Lord, seize us with your power and light, help us to protect all life, to prepare for a better future,
 for the coming of your Kingdom of justice, peace, love and beauty. Praise be to you! Amen.



LENTEN EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR—Sunday, March 4th, at St. Willibrord’s, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour will include praying either the Chaplet of Divine Mercy or the Rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!
ST WILLIBRORD'S CUF Matching-Grant Lasagna Supper, Saturday Evening, March 17, 2018
 Menu: Lasagna, lettuce salad, garlic bread, dessert, coffee, milk and lemonade.
 Serving from 4:30PM to 6PM. Free will offering! Raffle drawing to follow!

ALL SINGERS ARE INVITED TO JOIN A DIOCESAN CHOIR FOR THE CHRISM MASS that will be held on March 22 at the Cathedral in New Ulm. To allow more people from throughout the diocese to be part of the choir, we will be having a special rehearsal on Tuesday, March 13 at 7:00 p.m. in Olivia. If you would like to be part of the choir and plan to attend this rehearsal please rsvp (with your voice part: soprano, alto, tenor, or bass) to Sr. Anna at 507-233-5320 or sranna@dnucatholic.org.

WANT TO MAKE YOUR CATHOLIC VOICE HEARD AT THE CAPITOL? Register today to join Catholics from across Minnesota for Capitol 101. On March 16th and April 17th, Minnesota Catholics will be gathering at the State Capitol to learn about the issues impacting our faith and daily life. You'll have the chance to hear from and meet with legislators, pray with fellow Catholics, and get a window into the legislative process. These are opportunities for you to share your story and make your voice count. For more information or to register, head to www.mncatholic.org and click on the Capitol 101 banner. Preregistration is required for this free event and space is limited. A free-will offering will be accepted.

K OF C STEAK FRY on Saturday, March 3, at Squirrel's Bar & Grill from 5:00 – 7:30 pm. T-bone, ribeye, hamburger, salad bar, baked potato, garlic bread and dessert.

THE MEN OF ST. MARY'S CHURCH IN SLEEPY EYE WILL HOST THEIR ANNUAL SAUSAGE & SAUERKRAUT DINNER on Sunday, March 4th. Dinner will be served from 10:30 am until 2:00 pm in the St. Mary's school cafeteria. The menu consists of country sausage, old-fashioned sauerkraut, mashed potatoes, gravy, applesauce, bread, ice cream and beverages. The cost for dinner is \$12.00 for adults, \$4.00 for children 6-12 and \$1.00 for pre-schoolers. USDA inspected sausage and a variety of other kinds of meat will be available for sale. Everyone is welcome! Take-outs for adults only are available starting at 9:30 am.

GRACE BEFORE MEALS: Recipes and Inspirations for Family Meals and Family Life – Host & Creator, Rev. Leo E. Patalinghug, STL, St. Mary's Church, 417 S Minnesota St, New Ulm, on March 7th, 2018 from 7:00-8:15 pm.

ST. ANNE'S CCW OF MORGAN is holding a Hotdish Supper on Wednesday, March 7th, from 4:30 to 7:00 pm at the St. Michael's Church social hall. Come and join us for delicious hotdishes, salads and scrumptious desserts.

SPRING FEVER AT THE ST. GEORGE SOCIAL HALL on March 10th and 17th. Social hour 5:00, Dinner 6:00, Entertainment 7:00 – the play, "BOARDING HOUSE REACH". Tickets on sale after February 4th, call (507) 354-2428 for reserved seating.

CHURCH OF ST. PAUL, NICOLLET - Enjoy a pre-Saint Patrick's Day Breakfast and bucket raffle served by the men on Sunday, March 11th from 9:00 to 11:30 am

ST MICHAEL'S CUF MATCHING GRANT RUMMAGE SALE AND LUNCH will be held Friday, March 16th from 9 am to 6 pm and Saturday, March 17th from 8:00 am to 1:00 pm, bag sale starting at 10:00 am at the St. Michael's Social Hall in Morgan.

"GOOD GRIEF" is sponsored by Renville County Hospice. This group is for anyone who has gone through or experienced the death of a loved one. The sessions will be held on Monday nights March 19th, March 26th, April 2nd, April 9th and April 16th from 4:30 pm to 6:00 pm at Renville County Hospital (Willette Room), 100 Healthy Way in Olivia. All are welcome. Please call Heidi at 320-523-3451 to register.

PILGRIMAGE TO SPAIN, LOURDES & FATIMA: Come along Nov. 5-15, 2018, to some of the most sacred places in all of Europe! We'll visit both of the Great Shrines to Mary, Lourdes in southern France and Fatima in Portugal, and many great places in Spain. Mass each day in great Churches and Cathedrals along the way. Cost is \$3,249 with departure from Omaha. For a brochure and more information, contact Fr. Dan Guenther, St. Mary's Parish, 311 - 4th St. N., Humboldt, Iowa 50548 or call 515-332-2856 or email frdanguenther@gmail.com

KINDERGARTEN ROUND-UP AT SLEEPY EYE ST. MARY'S!

We can't wait to meet the Class of 2031 at St. Mary's in Sleepy Eye! Kindergarten Round-up will be held on Thursday, March 15 from 6:30 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. Please meet in the kindergarten classroom. All potential kindergarteners and their parents are invited to join us for a fun evening of meeting the kindergarten teacher and the various specialists, meeting new kindergarten classmates, seeing the school and learning more about how much fun kindergarten at St. Mary's will be! If you are unable to attend Kindergarten Round-Up, but are interested in sending your child to St. Mary's, please contact the school at 507-794-6141 or visit our website at www.sesmschool.com. We are so excited to see you on March 15!

RELIGION EDUCATION

CALENDAR

Saturday, Mar. 3, 2018: 2nd Grade First Reconciliation 9:30 am Gb

Wednesday, Mar. 7, 2018: Class, Stations of the Cross Gb & Fr

Wednesday, Mar. 14, 2018: Class, Stations of the Cross Fr & Fx

Wednesday, Mar. 21, 2018: *NO CLASS GB, WN & FX, CLASS FN*, Lenten Mass 6 pm Faith formation following

Wednesday, Mar. 28, 2018: *NO CLASS FN, CLASS GB, WN & FX*

STEBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE – There are still openings available if anyone is interested in joining our AFC group attending the Steubenville Youth Conference at either St. Thomas [on July 27-29](http://www.stthomas.org), or Rochester [Mayo Civic Center on July 13-15](http://www.mayociviccenter.org). Check out <http://www.partnershipforyouth.org/> to see what this conference is all about! Contact Kellie Sloot or Berny Berger with any questions or check availability.

WEEKLY OFFERING

	FX	WN	GB	FR
Adult	1,238.00	635.00	495.00	550.00
Loose Plate	4.00	32.00	27.00	168.00
Student			5.00	2.00
Spanish Mass	27.39			
Easter Flowers	10.00			
Rice Bowl	5.00			
Catholic Relief Services	2.00			
Catholic Home Missions	55.00		50.00	75.00
Holy Land (Good Friday)	5.00			
Fuel/Maintenance				320.00
Seminary				50.00
Food Shelf	155.00	91.00	214.00	196.00
TOTAL	\$1,501.39	\$758.00	\$791.00	\$1,361.00

PRAY FOR OUR MILITARY: Please continue to pray for the following military personnel who are members of our parish families and are serving full time or active duty in the military: SFC William R. Schmidt, SSG Jeff Ziegler, Kyler J. Rieke, Ryan E Lawrenz, SGT, Sgt. Chris Levinske, Amber Lindberg, Captain Martha Serbus, Sgt Kenneth Coleman, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Major Steven Weber and Jackie Rieke.

SACRED HEART – FRANKLIN

Saturday, **March 10th -5:45 PM**

Lector: April Sullivan **Dist:** Sheila Robinson, Larry & Julie Serbus **Servers:** Keagan Lorang, Grace Sullivan **Cross:** Vincent Ochs
Ushers: John Robinson, Kevin Fox **Gifts:** Joel & Linda Harmoning

Saturday, **March 17th -5:45 PM**

Lector: Katie Madsen **Dist:** Katie Madsen, Connie Serbus, Deacon Roger **Servers:** Roz & Hunter Madsen **Cross:** Maverick Weber
Ushers: Jim Koupal, Jered Weber **Gifts:** Joshua & Beth Hoffman

Saturday, **March 24th -5:45 PM Palm Sunday**

Lector: Bob & Karen Fox **Dist:** Karen Fox, Jane Sullivan **Servers:** Emma & Sam Sullivan, Maverick Weber **Cross:** Addison Sullivan
Ushers: Pat Sullivan, Mike Sullivan **Gifts:** Katie & Tim Joehnck

This week's winner of \$100.00 is Jordan Hacker of Morgan.

SYMPATHY TO Amy Koupal on the death of her mother, Virginia Liebl.

CCW NEWS Thank you to all who came to Sunday morning coffee and thanks to Linda, Tina and Macy for helping.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS on Wednesday night. All are welcome.

WEDDING SHOWER for Vanessa Goodthunder, bride-to-be of Austin Koupal, on Saturday, March 17, 2018 at 1:00 p.m. at Franklin Community Center. Registered at Target, JCPenny and Menards.

SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE: We are still looking for a new Social Concerns committee member to join Jane Sullivan. Please consider joining the committee. Being a member does not entail a large amount of time. Contact Jane or S. Mary Ann in the next few weeks. Thanks!

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Saturday, **March 10th-4:00 PM**

Lector: Chuck & Ann Southworth **Dist:** Mavis Lindmeyer, Jay Howe, Connie Tautges **Servers:** Brooklyn & Lincoln Werner, Briana Roche **Ushers:** Rick Klement, Chad Klement, Jerome Rubischko **Gifts:** Randy & Theresa Fischer

Saturday, **March 17th-4:00 PM**

Lector: Gail Herschmann, Jessica Willegal **Dist:** Charlene Forst, Rose Forst, Vickie Dreier **Servers:** Jordan & Lexi Rettig, Alexandra Kretsch **Ushers:** Rick Klement, Chad Klement, Jerome Rubischko **Gifts:** Don & Charlene Forst

Saturday, **March 24th-4:00 PM Palm Sunday**

Lector: Stacy Helget, Alan Neyers **Dist:** Jeannine & Steve Grosam, Dawn Hoffman **Servers:** Wyatt, Madison & Anden Hoffmann
Ushers: Rick Klement, Chad Klement, Jerome Rubischko **Gifts:** Lyle & Rose Forst

CAKE PANS that were provided by CCW for kitchen use, and marked "St. Willibrord's", have been borrowed and not returned over time. Would you check your kitchens and see if you accidentally have any of our pans? If so, just bring them back and put them on the shelf in the hallway by the kitchen. Thanks ladies!

ST. WILLIBRORD'S WOULD LOVE AFTERNOON SNACKS FOR RE KIDS. Anything will do: cookies, cheese, crackers, fruit. Kids are always hungry.

CUF RAFFLE TICKETS are here and will be available every weekend before Mass. Winners need not be present to win. All proceeds from this Matching Grant fundraiser will be given to the Religious Education program at St. Willibrord. In the past, our council has raised \$38,202.10 with Catholic United Financial matching \$19,831.00, totaling \$58,033.10. Thanks for your support!

CUF MEMBERS - anyone wishing to donate a pound or two of butter, or 4 doz eggs, please call Berny at 834-6321. Someone will be calling in the next two weeks if you can help with preparing, serving and/or donate a dessert. Please consider helping if you can. Thanks so much!

EASTER TREATS!!! - CUF members and anyone wishing to donate individually wrapped Easter treats, please leave in upper entry cabinets before March 24, Palm Saturday night Mass. It is very much appreciated! CUF

ST. WILLIBRORD'S CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL meeting after Palm Saturday night Mass March 24, 2018
Please come to share ideas on the supper and plan the upcoming events for the year..

"DIVINE MERCY AFTER SUICIDE" pamphlets are provided by CCW in the clear plastic CCW file on the table in the entryway. Please help yourself or share with anyone you know has somehow been affected by suicide.

COME ALONG LADIES TO THE REGION 5 CCW SPRING GATHERING, which will be held Saturday, March 17, 2018 at St. Aloysius in Olivia from 8:30 AM until 11:30 AM. The speaker will be John Verly on "The Power of Prayer and Love". John Verly overcame brain cancer while in his 20's and with that a change in his faith. Registration begins at 8:30 AM, Mass at 9:00 AM, and continental breakfast and John Verly's talk will follow. Please contact Berny Berger at 834-6321 to register for this morning of prayer and fellowship with your Sisters in Christ. Car pooling will be available from St. Willibrord's.

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, **March 11th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Pete Machaiek **Dist:** Dennis Dording, Tom Witucki, Che May **Servers:** Derek & Logan Steele **Cross:** Madyson Steele
Gifts: Donovan Steele Family **Ushers:** Mary & Gary Renner, Barb Pagel, Mike Rein

Sunday, **March 18th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Yvonne O'Brien **Dist:** Deacon Roger, Kevin & Sue Lauwagie **Servers:** Logan & Kaylee Felska **Gifts:** Harry & Kellie Sloom
Ushers: Mary & Gary Renner, Barb Pagel, Mike Rein

Sunday, **March 25th**-8:30 AM **Palm Sunday**

Lector: Dave Schauer, Mary Nelson **Dist:** Deacon Roger, Pete & Marianne Machaiek **Servers:** Miah Busse, Carter Burns, Jose Farias
Gifts: Andrew & Megan Schmidt Family **Ushers:** Mary & Gary Renner, Barb Pagel, Mike Rein

STATIONS OF THE CROSS AT ST. FRANCIS, 7:00 pm, on these dates: Wed. March 7, Wed. March 14, Wed. March 21.

ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING March 8, at 7:00 pm.

COFFEE AND DONUTS will be in the Social Hall following Mass in the month of March. Proceeds to benefit the Sibley County Foodshare. Please help us help Minnesota Families and end food insecurity! Non-perishable food items will be collected in the white box. Cash and checks will be collected during coffee and donuts. Ron and Barb Dietl will host the first week and volunteers will be needed for 3/11, 3/18 and Palm Sunday 3/25. We might consider making a substantial breakfast on Palm Sunday if parishioners would like that. Please call Barb at (h) 507-228-9802. Thanks be to God for our good people!

THE COLLECTION FOR THE HOMELESS PROJECT OF SIBLEY COUNTY went well. Thank you for your generosity! The items were picked up on Wednesday 2/28.

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **March 11th**-10:15 AM

Lector: Carter Nachreiner **Commentator:** Jolene Palmer **Dist:** Maria Davila, Manuel & Maria Munoz **Servers:** Zach & Kayln Hellendrung, Emily Liebl **Ushers:** Gene Nachreiner, Roman Huiras, Gilbert Borth, Ron Marlowe **Gifts:** Dennis & Jean Weinzetl
Visit the Sick: Chuck Marlowe

Sunday, **March 18th**-10:15 AM

Lector: Mike Beranek **Commentator:** Jody Busch **Dist:** Eloina & Rodrigo Carillo, Lidia Gonzalez **Servers:** Maddy & Lydia Nachreiner, Jaedan Nachreiner **Ushers:** Dave Borth, Randy Boehm, Kevin Schweiss, Tom Brandel **Gifts:** Jason & Kelly Weinzetl
Visit the Sick: Agnes Wendinger

Sunday, **March 25th**-10:15 AM **Palm Sunday**

Lector: Cindy Rieke **Commentator:** Jan Simonsen **Dist:** Margaret Liebl, Jolene Palmer, Agnes Wendinger **Servers:** Ashley & Isabelle Vos, Kaden Weir **Ushers:** Ralph Fairchild, Frank Ziegler, Kevin Roiger, Richard Hellendrung **Gifts:** Ron & Lori Wendinger **Visit the Sick:** Jean Fairchild

CEMETERY COMMITTEE MEETING March 6 at 7:00 pm.

ALL CUF MEMBERS are invited to our annual breakfast on March 11th following the 10:15 mass in the church social hall.

PALM SUNDAY BRUNCH There will once again be a Palm Sunday Brunch in Fairfax. This is a great fundraiser for our students attending future NCYC and Steubenville trips. Please contact Jody Busch at 507-426-7761 if you are able to help.

LOOKING FOR VOLUNTEERS – St. Andrew's has Meals on Wheels starting April 2nd and goes through the month of April. We also have the Birthday Party for the Fairfax Community Home in April. Any help would be appreciated. Please contact Barb Freitag at 507-426-7759.

BLOODMOBILE IN FAIRFAX during Lent this year. The date is set for Tuesday March 20 from 1 to 7 at Prairie Lutheran School. What a perfect thing to do during Lent! Give the gift of Life. Donors can schedule appointments already. Please call Barb Freitag for appointments or questions at 507-426-7759. Please leave a message for a return call.

FUN FEST: We are in need of new Chair persons for this August's Fun Fest. Please consider saying yes. Fr. Jeff

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 1: Cheryl Kiecker and Angela Case

IMPORTANT NEWS ABOUT OUR SCHOOL BUILDING

The Administrative Council and the Maintenance Committee met together on Feb. 13th to consider again what we should do with our school building. We have had the building up for sale since June but have not received any serious offers. We noted that the building does not get used very much. And some things it is used for, such as Religious Education classes, could be held in the church social hall. The \$16,200 it usually costs per year for heat, insurance and general maintenance is only part of the cost. With leaking roofs and the need for tuck-pointing, steam heating leaks, windows that need replacing and electrical problems, the conclusion was that we should continue to try to find a buyer. But if a buyer cannot be found in the next few months, we should begin the process of fund raising to take the building down. It was decided that we should not heat the school after this spring. We know that this decision will sadden many, but we feel it is the best use of our long-term resources.

We will be in the process of determining where the AFC office will be relocated.



EASTER FLOWERS & ENVIRONMENT

If you wish to make a donation for Easter flowers/environment in memory of deceased loved ones you can use the form below. Detach the form from the bulletin and place in an envelope marked with YOUR parish. The form can be dropped in the collection basket. All forms received by **Tuesday, March 27th** will be printed in the Easter bulletin. Requests can also be emailed to the Parish office – ffgw@centurytel.net. **For those who collect the money** please send the names to the Parish office **BY** March 27th Thanks!

DONOR NAME: _____

PARISH: _____

IN MEMORY OF: _____