



ALL SAINTS

AREA FAITH COMMUNITY



ST. ANDREW'S
FAIRFAX, MN



ST. WILLIBROD'S
GIBBON, MN



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES
WINTHROP, MN

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National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-422-4453

MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

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

BAPTISMS: Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Father Bruno 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, January 25	NO MASS		
Tuesday, January 26	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Gordon & Stella Rieke
Wednesday, January 27	NO MASS	PRIVATE	Spec Int – Petrea Durnan
Thursday, January 28	8:30 AM	Fairfax	Spec Int – Peter & Arvina Schweiss
Friday, January 29	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Fred Witucki
Saturday, January 30	3:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	4:00 PM	Fairfax	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
Sunday, January 31	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Anita Blais
	10:30 AM	Winthrop	+Mike Harder

Reflection Questions Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

The kingdom of God is at hand, within reach. How can I answer God's call and commit myself to help realize the kingdom of God here and now?



Readings for the Week of January 24, 2021

Sunday: Jon 3:1-5, 10/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [4a]/
1 Cor 7:29-31/Mk 1:14-20

Monday: Acts 22:3-16 or Acts 9:1-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2
[Mk 16:15]/Mk 16:15-18

Tuesday: 2 Tm 1:1-8 or Ti 1:1-5/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 7-8a,
10 [3]/Mk 3:31-35

Wednesday: Heb 10:11-18/Ps 110:1, 2, 3, 4 [4b]/Mk 4:1-20

Thursday: Heb 10:19-25/Ps 24:1-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/
Mk 4:21-25

Friday: Heb 10:32-39/Ps 37:3-4, 5-6, 23-24, 39-40 [39a]/
Mk 4:26-34

Saturday: Heb 11:1-2, 8-19/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72,
73-75 [cf. 68]/Mk 4:35-41

Next Sunday: Dt 18:15-20/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 7-9 [8]/
1 Cor 7:32-35/Mk 1:21-28

“Repent and believe in the Gospel.” What would happen if Jesus spoke these commanding words today? Would his listeners accuse him of shoving his religion down their throats? Would they insist that repentance is an outdated idea from a bygone era obsessed with guilt? How many of us would actually listen to him, and do what he said? Our modern culture has been programmed to respond with skepticism, if not anger, to any suggestion that there is a “right” way of doing things or a “true” religion. **But when Jesus tells us to repent, he implies that some of the choices we are making are wrong, that we need to change, to eliminate our sins.** To turn toward God, and to become more loving, more generous, and more forgiving. And when he tells us to believe in the Gospel, he’s not just making a recommendation. He is giving us directions for entering “the Kingdom of God.” He wants us to share in the glory of his kingdom, now and for all eternity.

“Lord Jesus, change us by your word, and make us one so that the world might believe.”

God gives to us freely. What he wants in return is for us to **know him**, the reward is beyond our dreams. **Love him**, seeking Communion with him often. **Serve him**, when we make sure everyone has enough to eat, warm clothes to wear and a place to stay.

Fr. Bruno OSB

ENVELOPES/CALENDARS: If you have not picked up your church envelopes or calendar, please do so soon. Look for them in your parish church.

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Jan 25** Tim O’Brien
- Jan 26** Jared Koupal, Melissa Marin, Jake Isaacson
- Jan 27** Marlene Herschman, Brianna Holmquist, Debbie Halverson
- Jan 28** Peter & Arvina Schweiss Anniv., Pam McColley, Bernie Berger, Karen Holm
- Jan 29** Charles Lehar, Julia Schweiss, Tina Lauwagie
- Jan 30** Jerome Nelson, Jeff Rieke, Allen Rubischko, Diane Lang, August Radloff
- Jan 31** Dennis Murphy, Allen Radermacher, Tim Sullivan



Please Remember in Prayer

- Mary Illg**
St. Andrew’s
- Pat O’Brien**
St. Francis de Sales
- Casey O’Brien**
St. Francis de Sales
- Rich Mathiowetz**
St. Andrew’s
- Orren Rathke**
St. Francis de Sales
- Deloris Fink**
St. Andrew’s
- Ben Tragner**
St. Andrew’s
- Arvina Schweiss**
St. Andrew’s
- Judy Farrell**
St. Andrew’s
- Elsie Linsmeier**
St. Andrew
- John Rieke**
St. Andrew’s
- Barb Kuehn**
St. Andrew’s
- Scott Vandeest**
St. Andrew’s
- Gerald Peichel**
St. Andrew’s



Please remember in your prayers . . .

Adeline Grosam who passed away on Thursday, January 14th. Her mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, January 20th, at 11:00 am at St. Willibrord’s Catholic Church with burial in the church cemetery.

We offer our sympathy to the family.

Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men’s program – Week 15- A Novena in Nazareth. All men 18 and Older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.



KNOW A SAINT - St. Agnes (January 24)

St. Agnes of Rome was born in 291 AD and raised in a Christian family. Agnes was very beautiful and belonged to a wealthy family. For this reason many young men wanted to marry her. Whenever a man wished to marry Agnes, she would always say, "Jesus Christ is my only Spouse." One of those she refused was the Governor’s son. He tried to win her for his wife with rich gifts and promises, but she kept saying, "I am already promised to the Lord of the Universe". He then reported her for being a Christian. She was arrested and sent to a house of prostitution but an angel protected her. She was then condemned to death and is buried near Rome. St. Agnes is widely known as the patron saint of young girls, chastity and rape survivors. She is often represented with a lamb, the symbol of her innocence.

SEEKING MISSIONARIES! Totus Tuus (Latin for “Totally Yours”) is a program of the Diocese of New Ulm that Gathers college students into teams of four and sends them out to parishes to spread the faith through Catechesis, Songs, games, skits and the sacraments! It combines faith and fun! Go to www.dnu.org/totus-tuus-missionary.

ECUMENICAL PRAYER SERVICE FOR CHRISTIAN UNITY This year the annual Ecumenical Prayer Service for Christian Unity will be held virtually, due to the COVID-19 pandemic. The event will be held on Sunday, January 24, from 2-3 pm with individuals and congregations, representing several Christian denominations in the southwest and west central Minnesota, gathering for an Ecumenical Celebration of the Word of God. The theme this year is "Abide in my love and you shall bear much fruit." More information can be found at: <https://www.dnu.org/diocesan-events/2021/1/24/virtual-ecumenical-prayer-service>.

Days for Life Novena – January 21-29, 2021

The USCCB is again offering its annual virtual novena for the protection of human life, *9 Days for Life*. Taking place Thursday, January 21 – Friday, January 29, the daily messages include intentions, short reflections, suggested actions, and links to additional, informative content. The intentions, reflections and actions would be fitting for adults and students alike. For more information go to <https://www.respectlife.org/leaders-resources>

January 22, 2021 Day of Prayer for the Legal Protection of Unborn Children

Prayer Service for Life – Cathedral of St. Paul - the annual **Prayer Service for Life** scheduled for **January 22, 2021** at the Cathedral of Saint Paul will be live streamed on the Cathedral of St. Paul's face book page. This will be followed by **MCCL March for Life – at the Capitol** see <https://www.mccl.org/march>.

National March for Life – January 29, 2021

On the last day of *9 Days for Life*, **Friday, January 29**, the March for Life will livestream its annual rally and pre-rally concert from the National Mall in Washington, D.C. The rally will take place from 12:00 – 1:15 PM (ET), with the pre-rally concert beginning at 11:00 AM (ET). For more information, please visit <https://bit.ly/january-virtual-2021>

CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK WILL BE CELEBRATED THE WEEK OF JANUARY 31 THROUGH FEBRUARY 6. In conjunction with that significant event, Bishop LeVoir historically announced that a second collection would be taken up at all Masses in the diocese the last weekend in January to benefit Catholic schools in the Diocese of New Ulm. In the past, this collection, along with the annual Brunch with the Bishop event, supported our Catholic Schools Endowment. Since we will be unable to host a Brunch with the Bishop this year, we ask for a special effort with this collection.

In those area faith communities that have Catholic schools, 75 percent of the proceeds will go directly to those Catholic schools. The other 25 percent will be deposited equally in two endowment funds already set up to benefit Catholic schools. Where there are no schools, 100 percent of the funds will go into the endowment funds. The two funds are the Bishop John M. LeVoir Catholic School Endowment Fund (proceeds benefit all Catholic schools in the diocese based on enrollment) and the Bishop John C. Nienstedt Catholic School Scholarship Fund (proceeds benefit students who cannot afford tuition). Please promote and support this important second collection on January 30 and 31.

THE BISHOP LUCKER LECTURE – Monday, March 8, 2021, at 7 p.m. - has been changed to a virtual event. Admission is free. To register, please visit www.dnu.org. You will be sent an email with a link to connect to the event via Zoom. The featured speaker will be Johnnette Benkovic Willams, founder of EWTN's Women of Grace. Her talk is entitled "Journey in Faith" will detail her journey from being a non-practicing Catholic to founding international apostolates of evangelization through Catholic media.

FEELING DISCONNECTED? Every married couple deserves the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next virtual weekends in this area will be held February 12-14, 2021 and February 18-28, 2021. **Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.**

2020 HAS BEEN INCREDIBLY DIFFICULT ON ALL OF US and marriages have suffered! Commit to 2021 being the year you to find enrichment, joy, and hope in your relationship! Register for the February 13-14 Marriage Encounter. Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington. Visit www.marriages.org for additional information or call 651.454.3238.

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	948.00	1,020.00	460.00
Loose Plate	14.00	20.00	28.00
Spanish Mass	46.00		
Seminary Collection		10.00	
DUF			
Votives			
Mary Mother of God			50.00
Maintenance	518.00		
TOTAL	\$1,526.00	\$1,050.00	\$538.00

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: MSG William R. Schmidt, SSG Jeff Ziegler, Ryan E Lawrenz, SGT, Sgt. Chris Levinske, Amber Lindberg, Sgt Kenneth Coleman, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Lt. Col. Steven Weber, Jackie Rieke and Pvt Jordan Lindmeyer, SGT Colin Jackson

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday, January 27, 2021: Class & 2nd Grade First Reconciliation (**NO CLASS FOR 2nd GRADE on the 27th**)

Wednesday, February 3, 2021: Class

Wednesday, February 10, 2021: Class

Wednesday, February 17, 2021: Class for 1-4 graders, No class for 5-10 grades. Please attend Ash Wednesday Mass!

Wednesday, February 24, 2021: Class

SECOND GRADERS! Our second graders will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation on **Wednesday, Jan. 27, 2021 in Gibbon at 6:30pm**. We pray for them as they prepare.

ASH WEDNESDAY! Ash Wednesday is February 17, 2021. Mass schedule is as follows: 8:30 am Winthrop, 5:30 pm Fairfax, 7:00 pm Gibbon. We are asking all evening religion classes to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday!

ATTENTION PLEASE! COVID numbers are changing! Be sure your child's teacher has your e-mail address!

This will be the primary means of communicating potential changes regarding distance learning! PLEASE CHECK THE DEVOUT WEEKLY at allsaintsaqc.org. Hard copies will be sent home the first Wednesday of each month.

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, **January 31st**-8:30 AM

Lector: Gail Herschman **Ushers:** Jason Haas, Tom Lindmeyer, Mike Willegal **Sacristan:** Connie Tautges

Sunday, **February 7th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Jessica Willegal **Ushers:** Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Sacristan:** Kathy Bruns

Sunday, **February 14th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth **Ushers:** Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Sacristan:** Rose Forst

WELCOME! Please join us in meeting and welcoming two new couples to St. Willibrord's parish – Aaron and Dani Bruns, and Nathaniel and Samantha Struffert, and Bill Schlueter, who grew up here in Gibbon, on Sunday Morning, January 31st. Coffee and rolls will be served after the 8:30 a.m. Mass in the social hall. Social distancing and masks required. Come and join us!

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-January 20th, 2021

Income \$ 56,325.62 (Includes \$7,100 Fall Festival)

Expenses \$ 46,478.58

Net Gain/Loss \$ 9,847.04

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, **January 31st**-10:30 AM

Lector: Mary Nelson **Ushers:** Dave & Lorie Schauer, Leon Lang, Phil Dummer **Sacristan:** Dave & Lorie Schauer **Money**

Counters: Phil Dummer, Tom Witucki

Sunday, **February 7th**-10:30 AM

Lector: Harry Sloot **Ushers:** Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger **Sacristan:** Sue Lauwagie **Money**

Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

Sunday, **February 14th**-10:30 AM

Lector: Wendy Lang **Ushers:** Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger **Sacristan:** Sue Lauwagie **Money**

Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Saturday, **January 30th**-4:00 PM

Lector: Jody Busch **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Brenda Runck

Saturday, **February 6th**-4:00 PM

Lector: Pat Buboltz **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe

Saturday, **February 13th**-4:00 PM

Lector: Anita Weir **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Colleen Schweiss

IF YOU WOULD LIKE A POINSETTIA for your home please feel free to take one. Enjoy!

CUSTODIAN NEEDED: We are still looking for a custodian for the St. Andrew's Parish. Interested applicants should contact Ross Nachreiner at 507-430-3406 or email at ar_nachreiner@yahoo.com. Position is open until filled. Total hours per week are dependent on activities within the church (average 4-6/week). Work hours are flexible.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 1: Jody Busch, Jamie Case

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-January 20th, 2021

Income	\$ 111,663.57 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00)
Expenses	\$ (77,345.53)
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 34,318.04

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$53,837.30/(\$80,582.34) = \$(26,745.04)

Prayer of St. Gertrude the Great

Our Lord dictated the following prayer to St. Gertrude the Great to **release 1,000 Souls from Purgatory each time it is said.**

“Eternal Father, I offer Thee the Most Precious Blood of Thy Divine Sori, Jesus, in union with the masses said throughout the world today, for all the holy souls in Purgatory, for sinners everywhere, for sinners in the universal church, those in my own home and within my family. Amen.”

If you pray this prayer – **5 times a day** for a year, then **1,825,000** souls will be released from Purgatory.