Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time



ST. ANDREW'S Fairfax, MN

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ST. WILLIBRORD'S GIBBON, MN ST. FRANCIS DE SALES WINTHROP, MN

January 30, 2022

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Diocese Website: www.dnu.org

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**RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS** 

St. Andrew – Karen Guggisberg 507-426-7348 St. Francis – Kellie Sloot 320-583-6755

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 31	NO MASS		
Tuesday, February 1	NO MASS	Fairfax	
Wednesday, February 2	5:00 PM	Gibbon (Time Change)	+/Spec Int – Deceased & Living Mbrs of CUF #275
Thursday, February 3	5:00 PM	Fairfax (Time Change)	+Christian Mothers
Friday, February 4	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Myron Ayer
	7:00 PM	Winthrop-Eucharistic Adoratio	n
Saturday, February 5	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass	
	5:00 PM	Gibbon	+Myra Bushard
Sunday, February 6	8:00 AM	Winthrop	+LaVonne Fladmark
	10:00 AM	Fairfax	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
	12:30 PM	Fairfax-Spanish Mass	

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Who have I chosen to treat as an outsider, unworthy of my mercy and compassion? How can I change this?



Readings for the Week of January 30, 2022 Sunday: Jer 1:4-5, 17-19/Ps 71:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 15-17 [cf. 15ab]/ 1 Cor 12:31—13:13 or 13:4-13/Lk 4:21-30 Monday: 2 Sm 15:13-14, 30; 16:5-13/Ps 3:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/ Mk 5:1-20 Tuesday: 2 Sm 18:9-10, 14b, 24-25a, 30—19:3/Ps 86:1-2, 3-4, 5-6/Mk 5:21-43 Wednesday: Mal 3:1-4/Ps 24:7, 8, 9, 10/Heb 2:14-18/Lk 2:22-40 or 2:22-32 Thursday: 1 Kgs 2:1-4, 10-12/1 Chr 29:10, 11ab, 11d-12a, 12bcd/Mk 6:7-13 Friday: Sir 47:2-11/Ps 18:31, 47 and 50, 51/Mk 6:14-29 Saturday: 1 Kgs 3:4-13/Ps 119:9, 10, 11, 12, 13, 14/Mk 6:30-34 Next Sunday: Is 6:1-2a, 3-8/Ps 138:1-2, 2-3, 4-5, 7-8 [1c]/ 1 Cor 15:1-11 or 15:3-8, 11/Lk 5:1-11 Those who preach the so-called "prosperity gospel" would like us to believe that once we accept Christ into our lives, everything will be just fine. They would say that someone doesn't prosper because the person hasn't given himself or herself over completely to Christ. What such "prosperity" evangelists don't seem to remember is that Jesus himself had some pretty bad days. For instance, as in today's Gospel in which the people of his own hometown wanted to hurl him off a cliff. Death by crucifixion is not exactly the end result of a success-filled life. Although God promises us good things, he never promised us that everything would be perfect all the time. We can take comfort in the fact that we'll come out all right as long as we are faithful to God. There will be bumps along the way, but in the end God will prevail.

# The Lord does things great and unsearchable, things marvelous and innumerable! ~Job 5:9

Fr. Bruno OSB

**IN FATHER BRUNO'S ABSENCE** the priests from St. Mary's Sleepy Eye and New Ulm Cathedral will be helping out with masses and any other issues that may come up.

**THERE ARE VERY FEW MASS INTENTIONS FOR ST. FRANCIS.** If you have been thinking you would like a Mass offered for a deceased or a living relative or friend, you can always put a request in the collection basket with your name, the name of the person to be prayed for, whether they are deceased or living and your financial gift (typically \$10 per mass). Thank you.

#### AREA CALENDAR

#### AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Jan 31 Dennis Murphy, Allen Rademacher, Tim Sullivan
- Feb 1 Sara Scharfencamp, Sarah Sullivan
- Feb 2 Linda Turbes, Lillian Hanson, Michael Burns
- Feb 3 Chelsea Wahldick, Raymond Berg, Douglas Stark
- Feb 4 Doris Schweiss
- Feb 5 Gene Nachreiner, Mark Rieke, Dan Turbes
- Feb 6 Tina Nachreiner

We welcome into the Area Faith Community through the waters of Baptism:

**Christina Rae Reinhart**, daughter of Joseph Wenner & Shanon Lott, who was baptized at St. Willibrord's on January 29<sup>th</sup>.

May this child and their family grow in faith and the love of God.

#### KNOW A SAINT Saint Blaise – February 3

Blaise was both a doctor and a bishop in the area that today is Armenia. In the beginning of the fourth century Christians were being persecuted by the Romans. They believed that arresting and punishing important leaders

like Blaise would prevent other people from becoming followers of Christ. Blaise's prison was a dark cave. Legend says that wild animals came to the cave so that he could treat their wounds. It is also said that a mother brought her young son to Blaise. The boy was choking on a fish bone and Blaise saved the boy's life by saying a prayer and blessing him with candles crossed upon his throat. The grateful mother visited Blaise's in prison to bring him food and candles. During his time in prison he was sentenced to death. St. Blaise is the patron saint of people with diseases of the throat. On St. Blaise's feast day, many parishes bless the throats of their parishioners in a special ceremony. Two unlit candles are held next to each person's throat as the priest or deacon says, "Through the intercession of Saint Blaise, bishop and martyr, may God deliver you from every disease of the throat and from every other illness: In the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit." St. Blaise reminds us of the importance of taking care of our health and also to thank God for doctors and medicines that can help us to recover from illnesses. We honor St. Blaise for his faith and care for his people.

JOIN US EACH WEEK ON WEDNESDAY AT 8:30 PM as we pray the Rosary live on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page!

#### HOLY HOUR & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

You are invited to come and spend some time in quiet prayer with our Eucharistic Lord. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in our AFC as follows:

- **St. Andrew's:** 2nd Thursday of each month following 8:30 am Mass
- St. Willibrord's: 1st Sunday of each month (7-8 pm Spring/Summer) (4-5pm Fall/Winter)
  - 3rd Wednesday of each month following 8:30 am Mass

St. Francis de Sales: 1st Friday of each month 7-8 pm



**Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program** – There will be a break until the 2<sup>nd</sup> week of February.

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR** –Sunday, February 6<sup>th</sup>, at St. Willibrord's, from **4:00 to 5:00 p.m.** Holy Hour will include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

#### ST. WILLIBRORD'S CUF MATCHING GRANT FUNDRAISER

We will be selling Calendar raffle tickets before and after our 5PM Masses through the end of February and then on Sundays in March. 52-week raffle tickets can be purchased for a donation of \$52 for 52 chances to win \$500, \$200 and \$100 throughout the Calendar year starting April 2022. We thank you for considering your purchase of a ticket, which will go to our Religious Ed. program for our youth and adults but also some fun activities planned in the near future. For more information, please check the poster attached on the back page. Any questions, please feel free to contact Carol at 834-6224. Thanks so much!

**TODAY MARKS THE BEGINNING OF CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK**, the national celebration of Catholic education and the value it provides to the nation. The parishes of the diocese with Catholic schools continually make sacrifices to provide for a Catholic-based educational choice. Our society values educational choice yet does not back it with financial support. As the U.S. Bishops have stated, it is the responsibility of all the faithful, so we ask your support as Catholics within the diocese by contributing to today's second collection for Catholic school education.

#### CELEBRATE CATHOLIC SCHOOLS WEEK WITH SLEEPY EYE ST. MARY'S CATHOLIC SCHOOL

All are invited to join in our celebration of Catholic Schools Week from January 29-February 4! Highlights of the week include:

\*All School Mass on Wednesday, February 1 at 8:15 a.m.

\*Family Fun Night on Wednesday, February 1 from 5:00 - 7:00 p.m. An evening full of food, fun, and games for the entire family including free popcorn, concession sales, BINGO, STEM challenges for all ages, a dodgeball tournament, obstacle courses, 3-on-3 basketball, and / an Escape Room

\*All-School Variety Show on Friday, February 4 at 1:45 p.m. in the school auditorium

For more information about any of these events or about joining our St. Mary's Catholic School community, please call us at 507-794-4121, visit our website at <u>www.sesmschool.com</u> or visit our Facebook page!

**MESSAGE FROM SISTER MARY ANN:** Hello everyone! How time marches on, even with all the realities that are happening in our lives. This Christmas our sisters at Good Counsel were able to have visitors as well as visit their family. What a gift that was, since a year before that we were all sheltering in place due to the cases of Covid in our facility. Shortly after Christmas things changed once again for us. The new variant showed its face and so we needed to put in place protocols that would help us lessen the virus among us. At the present time we don't have visitors coming in and we leave our hill for only necessary appointments. We have lots of cases in the area and our hospital is full! We believe this is what we need to do for the time being. Needless to say, we are eager for a new "normal" – whatever and whenever that may be. We are so blessed and pray in gratitude for the goodness of people who support us every day. Know that I remember each of you, asking God to grace your lives with peace, wisdom, and a greater appreciation for life.

Once again, I will participate in the 10<sup>th</sup> "Pedal Past Poverty" event on February 26 which helps address the needs of those who are homeless. It's amazing to see our sisters, most of them in their 80s, and 90s, and our employees, doing whatever they can to support <u>Partners for Housing</u> in their outreach to those in need. There are a few of us in our 70s also taking part in everything. If you would like to sponsor me, I would be most grateful! All donations, small or large, help lessen others' needs. **My address is:** Sister Mary Ann Kuhn, 170 Good Counsel Dr., Mankato, MN 56001. (Checks made payable to <u>Partners for Housing</u>.) Deadline date: <u>Feb. 16!</u> Know that all of you are making a difference through your prayer and support of this event.

I so hope to come your way in these next months. When – I just don't know! Know that a piece of my heart remains with you! May God bless you always! S. Mary Ann

**JANUARY IS HUMAN TRAFFICKING MONTH.** It is time to make ourselves alert and aware of the signs and how to help our families, friends and others from being victims. The hotline number for reporting is 1-888-373-7888 or TEXT "HELP" to BEFREE (233733). Learn the Universal Hand Signal for Help. Visit the Prevent Child Abuse Training Site. Check out and subscribe to **ACTION169** and follow "Real Talk with Danielle and Jenna".

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS CREATED** a beautiful new documentary on St. Joseph – enjoy! <u>St Joseph: Our Spiritual Father</u> <u>FULL DOCUMENTARY - YouTube</u>

#### UNCOVER THE SECRETS TO A LASTING, SUPPORTIVE, TRANSFORMATIONAL MARRIAGE.

Even when a marriage is going smoothly, there are always opportunities to make it work better. The Marriage Encounter experience is a heart haven that helps you listen, share and connect more deeply. There is no group discussion. It is just about the two of you learning to be the best, most loving and thriving couple you can be. New weekend is February 18- 20, 2022 at Shalom Hill, Windom, MN. You can contact Miki via text or phone call @ 1.507.227.8229 or apply online at WWME.org and click the "Apply" button and find your weekend.

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	798.00	545.00	415.00
Loose/Youth Plate	57.00	47.00	55.00
DMA	1,695.00	819.00	1,139.00
Use of Church/Choir	160.00	40.00	
Maintenance	50.00		
Seminary Collection		90.00	
Votive Lights			3.00
Cemetery Operating			
TOTAL	\$2,760.00	\$1,541.00	\$1,612.00

**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, February 2, 2022: Class Wednesday, February 9, 2022: Class & Confirmation practice in Fx Wednesday, February 16, 2022: Class & 2<sup>nd</sup> Grade First Reconciliation in Gb at 6:30 pm Saturday, February 19, 2022: Confirmation 4:00 pm at St. Andrew's Wednesday, February 23, 2022: Class

## <u>ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON</u>

Saturday, February 5th-5:00 PM

Lector: Alan Neyers Dist: Rose Forst Servers: Jose & Silvana Ruiz, Kyler & Mirra Sjogren Ushers: Mark Mattes, Tom Forstner, Jerome Rubischko Gifts: Karen (Brad) Spaude & Karen (Kevin) Spaude Sacristan: Connie Tautges

Saturday, February 12th-5:00 PM

Lector: Gail Herschman Dist: Steve Grosam Servers: Kitzelin Morales, Taylor Haas, Regie Mattes Ushers: Mark Mattes, Tom Forstner, Jerome Rubischko Gifts: Greg & Tami Stadtherr Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

Saturday, February 19th-5:00 PM

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Dist: Genny Neyers Servers: Sophia & Ella Nachreiner, Abby Willegal Ushers: Mark Mattes, Tom Forstner, Jerome Rubischko Gifts: Connie Tautges, Carol Haas Sacristan: Rose Forst

THE 2021 CONTRIBUTION STATEMENTS are printed and ready to be picked up in church.

**PLEASE CHECK THE BULLETIN FOR ASSIGNMENT SCHEDULES** for lectors, servers, eucharistic ministers, gifts, ushers, etc. Be sure to get a replacement if you cannot be there. Thank you.

**THANK YOU, THANK YOU** to Theresa Fischer who used her treasured gifts and talents and made and embroidered Baptismal cloths for upcoming Baptisms in church! We so appreciate it and you, Theresa! Thank you!!

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### STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Income	\$69,639.86
Expenses	\$51,248.83
Net Gain/Loss	\$18,391.03

# <u>ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP</u>

#### Sunday, February 6th-8:00 AM

Lector: Jason & Carly Tupy Eucharistic Ministers: Dennis Dording Servers: Lincoln McCue, Emilee Krueger, Blaise Krueger Gifts: Tom & Sandy Langhoff Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie

#### Sunday, February 13th-8:00 AM

Lector: Pete Machaiek Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Witucki Servers: Quinn Schmidt, Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker Gifts: Bill & Che May Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie

Sunday, February 20th-8:00 AM

Lector: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Eucharistic Ministers: Jason & Carly Tupy Servers: Kayla Felska, Brynn Busse, Alan Banda Gifts: Gary & Mary Renner Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie

**ANY FAMILY FROM ST GREGORY THE GREAT PARISH** wanting to join St Francis de Sales parish, or wanting envelopes, needs to complete a new member form ASAP. The new member form can be found in the folder under the bulletin board. Put the completed form in the collection basket.

#### ST. WILLIBRORD'S CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL MATCHING GRANT FUNDRAISER

If any of our St. Francis' families would be interested in purchasing a raffle ticket, please contact Mike Rein after Mass. Ticket donation is \$52 for 52 chances to win \$500, \$200 and \$100. For more information, you can also check the poster attached on the back page. Thanks so much!

# ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

#### Sunday, February 6th-10:00 AM

Lector: Pat Buboltz Dist: Jolene Palmer Servers: Elyiana & Kayln Hellendrung, Hailey Weinzetl Ushers: Richard Hellendrung, Kevin Roiger, Leander Nachreiner, Richard Frank Gifts: Steve & Sheila Schroeder Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, February 13th-10:00 AM

Lector: Anita Weir Dist: Manuel & Maria Munoz Servers: Kaden Wier, Luke & William Bastian Ushers: Gilbert Borth, Ron Marlowe, Tom Palmer, Gerald Jandl Gifts: Lawrence & Sue Schweiss Sacristan: Mary Ann Dummer/Kathy Schroeder

#### Sunday, February 20th-10:00 AM

Lector: Agnes Kiecker Dist: Kristi Marquardt Servers: Ashley, Isabelle, Isaac & Alex Vos Ushers: Myron Schweiss, Jerry Pelzel, Tom P Borth, Brian Marquardt Gifts: Leo & Cindy Schweiss Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

**REVISED SERVING GROUPS** list can be picked up in the church.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 2: Barb Freitag, Brenda Johnson

### **STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

#### Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Giving July 1st, 2021 – January 26th, 2022						
Income	\$	132,991.14				
Expenses	\$	86,605.89				
Net Gain/Loss	\$	46,385.25				