

AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

St. Andrew's FAIRFAX, MN

St. Willibrord's GIBBON, MN

St. Francis de Sales WINTHROP, MN

October 2, 2022

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#### 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

# 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.

Winthrop

Monday, October 3	NO MASS	Private	+Robert Boisvert
Tuesday, October 4	NO MASS	Private	SI-Spencer Nelson
Wednesday, October 5	NO MASS	Private	+Mary & Otto Hartmann
Thursday, October 6	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Christian Mothers
Friday, October 7	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Jim Essler
	7:00 PM	Winthrop-Eucharist Adoration	
Saturday, October 8	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass	
	5:00 AM	Fairfax	+Marian Wendinger
Sunday, October 9	8:00 AM	Gibbon	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

# Reflection Question for Twenty-Seventh Sunday in **Ordinary Time**

What injustice, conflict, or problem does faith give me the power to address? How can I put my faith into action?

10:00 AM



## Readings for the Week of October 2, 2022

+Bennett Juenemann

**Sunday:** Hb 1:2-3; 2:2-4/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9/2 Tm 1:6-8,

13-14/Lk 17:5-10

Monday: Gal 1:6-12/Ps 111:1b-2, 7-8, 9 and 10c/Lk 10:25-37

**Tuesday:** Gal 1:13-24/Ps 139:1b-3, 13-14ab, 14c-15/

Lk 10:38-42

**Wednesday:** Gal 2:1-2, 7-14/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Lk 11:1-4 **Thursday:** Gal 3:1-5/Lk 1:69-70, 71-72, 73-75/Lk 11:5-13 **Friday:** Gal 3:7-14/Ps 111:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6/Lk 11:15-26 **Saturday:** Gal 3:22-29/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Lk 11:27-28

Next Sunday: 2 Kgs 5:14-17/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4/

2 Tm 2:8-13/Lk 17:11-19

Our faith is to be lived. We cannot be satisfied with merely doing more than our duty. We must strive to excel. In Sunday's Gospel the apostles asked Jesus to increase their faith. His response was rather indirect. "If you have faith the size of a mustard seed, you would say to this tree, "Just what is faith, the size of a mustard seed?" And are all of us lacking in even that miniscule amount? After all, you don't see many trees being uprooted and planted into the sea! Maybe the apostles asked for an increase of faith because they weren't quite sure where their hearts lay. But we know who the Master is. And we are his servants who place all our hope in him.

"Having faith does not mean having no difficulties, but having the strength to face them, knowing we are not alone." ~Pope Francis

The month of **October is dedicated to the most Holy Rosary.** The Rosary is like an ancient treasure map. It has led countless faithful to the treasures of peace, joy, clarity, and contentment. If you follow where it leads, you'll find that a devotion to praying the Rosary can transform your life.

#### **Rosary Procession**

Today there will be a Rosary Procession in Sleepy Eye at 7:00 P.M. beginning at Schoenstatt on the Lake and ending at St. Mary's Church. There will be a shuttle bus available from the St Mary's parking lot to Schoenstatt on the Lake beginning at 6:30 P.M. All are welcome!

Throughout the **Respect Life month of October**, we heighten our awareness of how sacred human life is from the moment of conception to death. We live in a society that in many ways supports a culture of death, but the Gospel is clear in calling each of us to promote a culture of life.

Fr. Bruno OSB

# AREA CALENDAR

## AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Oct 2 Brad & Cheryl Kiecker Anniv., Mike Vait, Karen Fox, Alan Neyers, Melissa Exum, Harper Marin
- Oct 3 Dave & Jody Busch Anniv., Robert Kosek, Mike Sullivan, Ivan Rangel
- Oct 4 Jim & Amy Koupal Anniv., Jessica Willegal, Delores Claussen
- Oct 5 Rich & Diane Hacker Anniv., Emmett Platz
- Oct 6 Adam Goblish, Angelica Rico, Brady Forst
- Oct 7 Brian & Dani Jo VanEpps Anniv., Megan & Ryan Hillmann Anniv., Joan Dording
- Oct 8 Thomas Mauer, Jennifer Haas, David Theis, Daryl Kokesch

**CONGRATULATIONS TO JOHN MAURER AND STEPHANIE HOWE** who were married Saturday, September 24<sup>th</sup>, at St. Willibrord's Church in Gibbon.

**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!

#### FOR YOUR CONVENIENCE: ELECTRONIC GIVING OPTION!

We are grateful for your support of the All Saints Area Faith Community. We are also exited to announce our online giving option at St. Andrew's now. Our electronic giving program offers convenience for you in a safe and secure way. This online system enables you to make regular church offerings and other contributions without the need to write checks, carry cash or prepare envelopes. Please visit our website at allsaintsafc.org, click on the INFO tab, then in the drop-down box click on ON-LINE GIVING. This option has already been in place for St. Willibrord's and St. Francis's.

Please Remember in Prayer Frank Ziegler St. Andrew's Casey O'Brien St. Francis de Sales **Arvina Schweiss** St. Andrew's Judy Farrell St Andrew's Elsie Linsmeier St. Andrew Mary Schweiss St Andrew's Millie Forst St. Willibrord's Lorraine Ravnaas St. Francis de Sales Adeline Roiger St. Andrew Pat Fahey St. Andrew's

**Dory Schreiner** 

St. Andrew's

**Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program** – Week 2 – The Road to Emmaus. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR** –Sunday, October 2nd, at St. Willibrord's, from 7:00 to 8:00 p.m. Holy Hour will include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

**AUGUSTANA LUTHERAN FALL BAZAAR AND BAKE SALE** in Gibbon will be held on Saturday, October 1<sup>st</sup>, from 9:00-1:00. Everyone welcome.

**OKTOBERFEST PARTY AT SOUTHVIEW** Sunday, October 2<sup>nd</sup>, from 11:30 am – 4:00 pm. Music by The Concord Singers. Brats and Burgers for sale. Free Beer & Root Beer for guests. Proceeds benefit Team Gibbon Walk to End Alzheimer's.

**RESPECT LIFE SUNDAY – SUNDAY, OCTOBER 2ND** Join Catholics nationwide in celebrating the start of Respect Life Month. Each October the Church in the United States celebrates *Respect Life Month*, and **the first Sunday of October is observed as** *Respect Life Sunday*. As Catholics, we are called to cherish, defend, and protect those who are most vulnerable, from the beginning of life to its end, and at every point in between. The prevalence of abortion has cost our culture a huge loss of respect for life, which has carried over into all aspects of our lives, and fomented hatred, anger, and dissension in our families, communities, and country. During the month of October, the Church asks us to reflect more deeply on the dignity of every human life – search out the truth of the church's teachings! This year we have been especially asked to pray for pregnant mothers:

#### A PRAYER FOR PREGNANT MOTHERS

O Blessed Mother, you received the good news of the incarnation of Christ, your Son, with faith and trust. Grant your protection to all pregnant mothers facing difficulties.

Guide us as we strive to make our parish communities places of welcome and assistance for mothers in need. Help us become instruments of God's love and compassion.

Mary, Mother of the Church, graciously help us build a culture of life and a civilization of love, together with all people of good will, to the praise and glory of God, the Creator and lover of life.\* Amen.

## CATHOLIC PARISHES CELEBRATE COUNCIL OF CATHOLIC WOMEN (CCW) SUNDAY

The most Reverend Monsignor Douglas Grams has proclaimed Sunday, October 9, 2022 as Council of Catholic Women Recognition Sunday in the Diocese of New Ulm.

The National Council of Catholic Women (NCCW) is an organization of concerned women established by the Bishops of the United States 100 years ago to offer women the opportunity to increase their knowledge of the Church, strengthen their leadership skills, and deepen their spirituality through prayer and service.

The year 2022 marks the 65th anniversary of the Diocese of New Ulm. The Council of Catholic Women has been a vital force in the Catholic life of the Diocese of New Ulm since the time of formation. Msgr Eugene Lozinski, the New Ulm Diocesan CCW Spiritual Advisor, believes that when women give themselves to prayer as they begin the many projects that the CCW offers through their commission and committee structure, they become more closely united with Christ.

The activities of CCW are meant to help women become better Christians. CCW exists to help the work of Christ become more evident and visible in the world by helping women to grow spiritually as individuals, as well as building up families and parishes. When women become actively involved in CCW, they are building up the Body of Christ. By inviting and encouraging other women to become involved in CCW, they are helping them grow in holiness. The Council of Catholic Women of the Diocese of New Ulm continues to encourage affiliates to work in our parishes to create a spirit of unity through prayer, enrichment and service in fulfilling the three-fold mission of Christ.

The mission statement of the National Council of Catholic Women is carried out in our New Ulm Diocese: *Supporting, empowering, and educating members in spirituality, leadership and service; reaching out with Gospel values to meet the needs of Church and society.* The work is carried out on the national, providence, diocesan, deanery, and parish levels through the work of commissions and committees. Spirituality, Service, Leadership, Legislation, Reverence Life, Scholarship and Historian are all active commissions and committees in the New Ulm Diocese. Council of Catholic Women (CCW) Recognition Sunday is the day to highlight the activities and leadership carried out by Catholic Women. All parishes are encouraged to celebrate Council of Catholic Women Recognition Sunday on October 9, 2022.

From altar boy to party boy; From non-denominational mega church back to the Roman Catholic Church. Tim Francis shares with us his quest for truth. some things you will hear about at this presentation:

- Several Eucharistic Miracles where the bread transformed into living heart tissue to show that Jesus Christ is ALIVE in the Holy Eucharist.
- A lady living today who receives the wounds of Christ while receiving messages from Jesus and Mary . You will witness her stigmata.
  - Why do bad things happen to good people? Making sense out of suffering.
  - The meaning, purpose, and POWER of the Holy Sacrifice of the MASS
     Watch Tim explain what this is all about on this short video:

www.ScienceTestsFaith.com/StMary

October 12th and 13th
St. Mary's Catholic Church
636 1st Ave. N. | Sleepy Eye, Minnesota 56085

6:30 PM - 9:00 PM (Same presentation both evenings)

#### **WEEKLY OFFERING**

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,138.00	1,215.00	290.00
Loose/Youth Plate	23.00	148.00	27.00
Religious Ed	33.00		
Maintenance/Building	80.00	20.00	
Catholic United Council			1,000.00
Catholic University		8.00	95.25
Water Project		96.00	
Hall Rent			
TOTAL	\$1,274.00	\$1,487.00	\$1,412.25

#### 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, CSM Rebecca (Zitzmann) Booker

# **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Wednesday, Oct 5, 2022: Class

Wednesday, Oct 12, 2022: Class and Safe Environment Training

Wednesday, Oct 19, 2022: No Class, MEA

Wednesday, Oct 26, 2022: Class Wednesday, Nov 2, 2022: Class Wednesday, Nov 9, 2022: Class Wednesday, Nov 16, 2022: Class Wednesday, Nov 23, 2022: No Class Wednesday, Nov 30, 2022: Class

# ST. WILLIBRORD'S - GIBBON

Sunday, October 9th-8:00 AM

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Dist: Jeannine Grosam Servers: Abby & Kelly Willegal Ushers: Ron Klement, Roger Holm, Fred Jutz Gifts: George & Doris Schweiss Sacristan: Connie Tautges

Sunday, October 16th-8:00 AM

**Lector:** Amy Weber/Imani Prigge **Dist:** Rose Forst **Servers:** Kyler & Mirra Sjogren **Ushers:** Ron Klement, Roger Holm, Fred Jutz **Gifts:** Chuck & Ann Southworth **Sacristan:** Kathy Bruns

Sunday, October 23rd-8:00 AM

Lector: Alan Neyers Dist: Steve Grosam Servers: Kitzelin Morales, Silvana Ruiz, Briana Roche, Jose Ruiz Ushers: Ron Klement, Roger Holm, Fred Jutz Gifts: Karen (Brad) Spaude, Karen (Kevin) Spaude Sacristan: Jeannine Grosam

**St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial "Calendar Raffle Winner"** of \$100 for Week #27, goes to Monica Mueller, of New Ulm. Congratulations, and thank you for your support!

**THANK YOU TO EVERYONE** who helped make this year's festival a success! We served over 700 meals! Thank you to all the chairpersons and workers who gave of their time and energy! And thank you to the many generous donations to our big raffle as well as other donations that day! Thank you to the band and the wonderful music! Amy Weber and Karen (Brad) Spaude

**GRACIAS AND THANK YOU** for attending and donating to the Catholic United Financial sponsored Breakfast Burrito brunch last Sunday (Priesthood Sunday). \$1,160.50 was donated to Fr. Bruno's India Water Filtration System. Also thank you to Sylvie and Haddie Gunnink for helping with collecting donations at the doorway! Thank you again for your participation and generosity!

"THE FLOWERS IN CHURCH ARE IN HONOR OF NATIONAL 4-H WEEK. St. Willibord members in 4-H are Jessica, Abby and Kelly Willegal. All are members of the Blazin' West Stars of Gibbon."

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

 Giving July 1st, 2022-September 28th, 2022

 Income
 \$23,842.70

 Expenses
 \$13,577.34

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$10,265.36

# ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, October 9th-10:00 AM

Lector: Mary Nelson Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Weitzenkamp Servers: Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Brynn Busse Gifts: Nick & Mary Jo Krueger Family Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Karen

Weitzenkamp, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Sunday, October 16th-10:00 AM

Lector: Harry Sloot Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Witucki Servers: Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer Gifts: Dave & Lorie Schauer Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Sunday, October 23rd-10:00 AM

Lector: Wendy Lang Eucharistic Ministers: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Servers: Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda Gifts: Harry & Kellie Sloot Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek

"PLEASE SIGN UP TO HOST A SUNDAY MORNING TREAT for September or October. The sign-up sheet will be in the entryway of St. Francis Church."

**ARE YOU LOOKING TO GET MORE INVOLVED AT ST. FRANCIS?** We are looking for those interested to join the Liturgy Committee. It involves 3 to 4 meetings during the year, help with decorating and enhancing our worship space, and being involved behind the scenes with the liturgy. Please contact Sue Lauwagie (507.276.0341) or Fr. Bruno if you could help in any way.

**K OF C COUNCIL 7051 (WINTHROP/GAYLORD)** will be holding a meeting on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, at St. Michael's Catholic Church. Rosary will be at 7:00 pm with meeting at 7:30 pm

# ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Saturday, October 8th-5:00 PM

Lector: Jan Simonsen Dist: Desiree Ziegler Servers: Elyiana & Kayln Hellendrung, Hailey Weinzetl Ushers: Dennis Weinzetl, Jason Weinzetl, Pat Schreiner, George Wendinger Gifts: Steve & Sheila Schroeder Sacristan: Mary Ann Dummer/Kathy Schroeder

Saturday. October 15th-5:00 PM

**Lector:** Cindy Rieke **Dist:** Karen Bastian **Servers:** Nathan & Zach Sandgren, Bernardo Davilla **Ushers:** Jim Prax, Tom Nachreiner, Dave Borth, Randy Boehm **Gifts:** Sue & Lawrence Schweiss **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Saturday, October 22nd-5:00 PM

Lector: Mike Beranek Dist: John/Elaine Palmer Servers: Maddy, Lydia, Kellen & Sylvia Nachreiner Ushers: Kevin Schweiss, Frank Ziegler, Kevin Roiger, John Palmer Gifts: Cindy & Leo Schweiss Sacristan: Agnes Wendinger/Agnes Kiecker

**ROOF PROJECT** We will be starting our roof project soon. Please consider donating for this project. You can either use the maintenance envelope in your contribution box or just put in an envelope and state it is to be used for the roof fund. We need everybody's help. Thank you.

**CUF MEETING** on Tuesday, October 11<sup>th</sup>, 2022 at 6:30 pm in the church basement.

**FREE 3 TV'S ON TALL METAL STANDS** (one with VCR) that were used for religious ed. If anyone is interested in taking one, please call Karen Guggisberg at (507) 426-7348.

**FALL BAZAAR** The St. Andrew's Fall Bazaar will be held Saturday, November 5<sup>th</sup>. This will be held in the church basement from 10:30 am to 1:00 pm. A committee chairperson will be contacting each CCW member for work groups and donations. A \$30 donation is suggested for those who cannot donate their time, bake goods or craft.

Contributions of new crafts, country store items or baked goods are needed and will be sold. These items can be dropped off in the church basement starting Thursday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>.

Wanted for Fall Bazaar: Haralson apples for apple dumplings and red potatoes, onions and carrots for soup.

Country Store: Whatever garden produce you are able to share is appreciated as well as pickles, jams and such.

**Baked Goods** 

Raffle: Donations of kids and adult prizes.

2022 Chairmen: Theresa Grunke, Desiree Ziegler, Maria Munoz, Alissa Buboltz, Janet Nachreiner, Rose Case

# STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

 Giving July 1st, 2022 – September 28th, 2022

 Income
 \$ 41,258.29

 Expenses
 \$ 40,680.71

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 577.58

October is "DOMESTIC VIOLENCE AWARENESS MONTH". Awareness is key! Violence is so common, not just physical but emotional and sexual. I encourage you to look at this following resource, you don't know what you don't know! <a href="http://www.uscch.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-familymarriage/domestic-violence/when-i-call-for-help.cfm">http://www.uscch.org/issues-and-action/marriage-and-familymarriage/domestic-violence/when-i-call-for-help.cfm</a> Pamphlets are also available to pick up at the entrance of church

#### **An Overview of Domestic Violence**

Domestic violence is any kind of behavior that a person uses to control an intimate partner through fear and intimidation. It includes physical, sexual, psychological, verbal, and economic abuse. Some examples of domestic abuse include battering, name-calling and insults, threats to kill or harm one's partner or children, destruction of property, marital rape, and forced sterilization or abortion.<sup>8</sup>

Domestic violence is often shrouded in silence. People outside the family hesitate to interfere, even when they suspect abuse is occurring. Many times even extended family denies that abuse exists, out of loyalty to the abuser and in order to protect the image of the family. Some people still argue—mistakenly—that intervention by outside sources endangers the sanctity of the home. Yet abuse and assault are no less serious when they occur within a family. Even when domestic violence is reported, sometimes there are failures to protect victims adequately or to punish perpetrators.

The National Domestic Violence Hotline provides crisis intervention and referrals to local service providers. Call **800-799-SAFE** (7233) or **800-787-3224** (TTY). For more information, go to *www.thehotline.org*. Hotline Advocates are available to chat <u>online</u>, Monday to Friday, 9AM-7PM CST.

# Prayer to End Domestic Violence

O God, our world at times is divided and hostile. Some people consider themselves dominate over others based on gender, race, color, class or status. Through your Son's cross our world can be reconciled; the walls of hostility can be broken. We pray for all women who experience the pain and suffering of violence, that they may feel your healing touch and be at peace in your living embrace. We pray for those who victimize and abuse others, that they may see the errors of their sins and seek repentance. Through the intercession of Our Lady of Good Counsel, may we understand and support those who may come to us for help. We ask these things through your Son, Jesus Christ. Amen.