

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

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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 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, November 2	9:30 AM	Winthrop-All Soul's Day
Tuesday, November 3	8:30 AM	Fairfax
Wednesday, November 4	8:30 AM	Gibbon
Thursday, November 5	8:30 AM	Fairfax
Friday, November 6	9:30 AM	Winthrop
Saturday, November 7	3:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass
Notice Time Changes	4:00 PM	Winthrop
Sunday, November 8	8:30 AM	Fairfax
	10:30 AM	Gibbon

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#### Reflection Questions for All Saints Day

Besides myself, who do I know that is in need of God's mercy? What can I do so that it flows through me to those in need?



## +Jim Essler +Deceased Members of Mary's Legion Spec. Int. – Steve Forst +Christian Mother's +Benjamin Holicky

People of the All Saints Area Faith Community +Joe & Clara Wendinger +Deceased Members of Alfred Drexler family

Readings for the Week of November 1, 2020

Sunday: Rv 7:2-4, 9-14/Ps 24:1bc-2, 3-4ab, 5-6 [cf. 6]/ 1 Jn 3:1-3/Mt 5:1-12a Monday: Wis 3:1-9/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 [1]/Rom 5:5-11 or Rom 6:3-9/Jn 6:37-40 Tuesday: Phil 2:5-11/Ps 22:26b-27, 28-30ab, 30c, 31-32 [26a]/Lk 14:15-24 Wednesday: Phil 2:12-18/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [1a]/Lk 14:25-33 Thursday: Phil 3:3-8a/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7 [3b]/Lk 15:1-10 Friday: Phil 3:17—4:1/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [1]/Lk 16:1-8 Saturday: Phil 4:10-19/Ps 112:1b-2, 5-6, 8a and 9/Lk 16:9-15 Next Sunday: Wis 6:12-16/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 7-8 [2b]/ 1 Thes 4:13-18 or 4:13-14/Mt 25:1-13 Who am I? This is a question of identity. In what terms do you define yourself? Is your identity found in your qualifications, your wealth, your social status, your social roots, your language? The readings of today's liturgy shed light on God's views on what should define us. What defines us is that we are God's children. Therefore, our identity is rooted in the spiritual realm and not in the social realm. Further, as God's children, the measure of blessedness is in terms of God's standards as presented in the beatitudes in today's gospel. If we live in the awareness of our true identity and blessedness, we too will be counted among the people who have been through the great trial: who have washed their robes white again in the blood of the Lamb. It is definitely not easy, but it is also not impossible to withstand the pressures which work against living holy lives. Our saints have set an example for us of living according to God's standards. If they could, we can too. But will we?

#### "Holy Spirit, give me the grace to survive but also to thrive as a disciple of Jesus!"

Today **we celebrate the Feast of All Saints, a holy day** to celebrate all those who have entered heaven, including saints who are formally recognized by the Church (canonized) and those whose sainthood is known only to God. We are challenged to remember that all of us are called to be saints. All Souls Day (November 2) commemorates the faithful departed who have not yet reached the perfection of heaven. These feasts remind us that there is a prayerful spiritual communion between those in heaven and those who are being purified in purgatory.

The **Book of Remembrance will be available during the month of November** for you to include the names of deceased loved ones from any time and place. Eternal rest grant unto them, O Lord, and let perpetual light shine upon them. May their souls and the souls of all the faithful departed, through the mercy of God, rest in peace. Amen

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Fr. Bruno OSB

# AREA PARISH

#### AREA CALENDAR

**AREA LITURGY MEETING** Tuesday, November 10<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in Winthrop **AREA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**, Tuesday, November 17<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in Winthrop **GIBBON ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**, Thursday, November 19<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in Gibbon

#### AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Nov 2 Andrew Kiecker, Jolynn Sullivan, Joel Majeski, Orren Rathke, Jake & Jennifer Langemo Anniv.
- Nov 3 Dorothy Borth, Kevin Fox, Lois Schmidt, Mary Ann Nelson
- Nov 4 Colleen Schweiss
- Nov 5 Joni Nachreiner, Sue Fox, Arlys Schiltz, Sue Buntrock, John & Kim Klehr Anniv.
- Nov 6 Fran Meyer, Mandy Prigge, Keith Roche
- Nov 7 Steve Schroeder, Leo & Doris Csukker Anniv., Dan Mikkelson, Tim Sandgren, Logan Felska, Joey & Patricia Bastian Anniv.
- Nov 8 Anita Weir, Roberto Gonzalez Jr, Adrain Herrera, Katie Fox



#### Please remember in your prayers...

**Rosemary Cuff** who passed away on Tuesday, October 27<sup>th</sup>. Her mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, October 31<sup>st</sup>, at 10:30 am at St. Andrew's Catholic Church with burial in the church cemetery.

We offer our sympathy to the family.

**BOOK OF REMEMBRANCE:** The "Book of Deceased" is displayed in church. Please take time to write names of your deceased loved ones in it. They will be remembered in a special way during the month of November.

**REMEMBRANCE OF THE DECEASED:** On the weekend of October 31st/November 1st we will remember all deceased loved ones who died this past year. They will be named in each parish during Mass that weekend.

#### DECEASED PARISHIONERS: NOVEMBER 2019-OCTOBER 2020

We remember with gratitude all who died from our AFC this year: Delores Kortz (Nov 19, '19) Eugene Schroeder (Dec 4, '19) James Essler (Dec 30, '19) Janet Evenson (Feb 19, '20) Mary Hartmann (Feb 21, '20) Gregory Waibel (Feb 21, '20) Otto Hartmann (Mar 1, '20) Harriet Schlueter (Mar 12, '20) Ordell Grosam (Mar 22, '20) Anita Blais (Mar 27, '20) Janet Peichel (Apr 28, '20) Raymond Broz (May 21, '20) Adeline Dickmeyer (June 12, '20) Gerald Pagel (June 17, '20) Michael Palmer (July 11, '20) Shirley Frank (July 31, '20) Mary Ziegler (Aug 17, '20) Roman Huiras (Sept 14, '20) Stanley Lauwagie (Oct 13, '20)



**REMEMBER STARTING OCTOBER 31<sup>ST</sup>/NOVEMBER 1<sup>ST</sup>** mass schedule times will change. Winthrop will have mass on Saturdays at 4:00 pm. Fairfax will be on Sundays at 8:30 am followed by Gibbon at 10:30 am.

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**–Sunday, November 1st, at St. Willibrord's, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. We will be praying a <u>Patriotic Rosary for our country</u> for the upcoming election. Holy Hour will also include scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

**Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program** – Week 7 – Step 2: Joyful Service. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

**ADORATION FOR OUR NATION, A NATIONWIDE DAY OF PRAYER, 3 NOVEMBER 2020** - On election day Catholic churches across the country are opening their doors for Eucharistic Adoration. We are joining this effort to bring healing, hope and prayer to our nation through our Lord, Jesus. There is no better way to ask for God's grace. Catholics throughout the U.S. can offer prayers, beg for mercy and be in the calming, loving presence of Jesus. We are inviting our AFC members to spend some time in prayer and adoration between the hours of 9 A.M. and 1 P.M. on Tuesday, November 3, at St. Willibrord's church in Gibbon. If you cannot be present for adoration, please offer your prayers as you can. Let's unite our country in prayer on election day!

**2020 INDIA WELL WATER PROJECT**: This 2020 year has given us many unexpected challenges! Because of not being able to gather for Mass and for social events and have fundraisers, our All Saints AFC **Well Project** with Fr. Stephen at the Benedictine Monastery in Sivagangai, India had to be put aside for a few months. Thank you to any who have given donations during the pandemic; it is much appreciated! Now that we are able to be somewhat back together, and have some social gatherings, we hope that we can again try to reach our goal to reduce, or even eliminate, the \$20,000 loan the monastery has borrowed to pay for the well. The well has given the local people in the village a renewed water supply, and supplies water for the irrigation of the crops. The local people are very dependent on the crops they grow to provide a living for their families. Having the well totally paid for will allow the monastery to use their funds to help the local people in a variety of other ways. Through prayer and heartfelt consideration, we hope you will be able to give a generous donation! 100 % of the money donated to the Well Project will go to pay down the Well Project bank loan. Checks can be written out to: **Church of St. Andrew** and can either be left in the can at your church's Well Project display, or mailed to: Fr. Bruno Santiago, Box C, 15 1<sup>st</sup> St SE, Fairfax, MN 55332. Thank You from Fr. Stephen and Fr. Bruno!

**TAKE AND BAKE APPLE PIES AND APPLE CRISP FOR SALE,** St. Raphael School in Springfield. You can call the office and place an order for some – or stop in and pick one up. They will be available anytime the school is open until our apple supply is depleted. Call Today – 507-723-4135. Proceeds benefit St. Raphael School in Springfield.

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	2,003.40	3,358.06	495.00
Loose Plate	53.00	2.00	15.00
Catholic Education	30.00		
Fall Collection	2,505.00		
Pork Chop Dinner		25.00	
Christmas	500.00		
Building/Maintenance			
Memory of Stan Lauwagie			20.00
All Saints			
World Mission	25.00		
TOTAL	\$5,116.40	\$3,385.06	\$530.00

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

#### 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, 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**

Saturday, October 31, 2020: Drive by Trick-or-Treating at St Francis after 4pm Mass Wednesday, November 4, 2020: Class Wednesday, November 11, 2020: Class Wednesday, November 18, 2020: Class Wednesday, November 25, 2020: No Class

PLEASE CHECK THE DEVOUT WEEKLY at <u>allsaintsafc.org</u> Hard copies will be sent home the first Wednesday of each month.

**PLEASE! TAKE A MOMENT TO VISIT ALLSAINTSAFC.ORG TO REGISTER** your student for CCD! This must be done whether you are in person or distance learning! We need your current information to keep in touch! 50% of our families have registered, we are halfway there!

HAVE YOU SIGNED THE COMMUNICATION RELEASE FORM? Check your e-mail ! THANK YOU!

# ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, November 8th-10:30 AM

Lector: Gail Herschman Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan: Charlene Forst

Sunday, November 15th-10:30 AM

Lector: Jessica Willegal Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

Sunday, November 22nd-10:30 AM

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan: Connie Tautges

FEED THE HUNGRY....Social Concerns will be sponsoring a food drive for the Sibley County Foodshare during the month of November and continuing all year long. Your donations can be any non-perishable item, perishable or monetary. Place your non-perishable items in the box in the back of church. Monetary donations can be dropped in the collection basket in an envelope marked for Sibley County Foodshare or mailed directly. (make checks to Sibley County Foodshare) to 111 Industrial Ave. S., Gaylord, Mn 55334. Perishable items are accepted, ex. Apples, garden produce, etc. Contact Betty Schreiner 320.593.7254 or Mavis Lindmeyer 507.834.6537 so your items can be delivered promptly. The holidays are an extra special time of need and your donations are greatly appreciated. Thank you for your generosity.

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1, 2020-October 28th, 2020 Income \$18,940.26 Expenses \$ 27,720.86 **Net Gain/Loss** 

\$(8,780.60)

# **ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP**

Saturday, November 7th-4:00 PM

Lector: Yvonne O'Brien Ushers: Joel & Lynn Majeski, Harry & Kellie Sloot Sacristan: Sharon Wersal Money Counters: Lynn Majeski & Harry Sloot

Saturday, November 14<sup>th</sup>-4:00 PM

Lector: Pete Machaiek Ushers: Joel & Lynn Majeski, Harry & Kellie Sloot Sacristan: Sharon Wersal Money Counters: Lynn Majeski & Harry Sloot

Saturday, November 21st-4:00 PM

Lector: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Ushers: Joel & Lynn Majeski, Harry & Kellie Sloot Sacristan: Sharon Wersal Money Counters: Lynn Majeski & Harry Sloot

A VERY BIG THANK YOU! We can't say it enough, a BIG THANK YOU for the generosity at the Well Project Fundraiser "Breakfast to Go" Sunday 10/25 at St. Francis. Fr. Bruno's special project is dear to many people, especially when we remind ourselves of the necessity of clean water.

CHRISTIAN HALLOWEEN DRIVE-BY to be held at the parking lot at St. Francis on Saturday 10/31/2020 following the 4 pm Mass. We have collected plenty of candy and will have goodie bags to give away to trick or treaters! This will start at 5:15 and should be COVID-19 safe event. Thank you to all who donated bags of candy and to the helpers that set up the goodie bags. Please spread the word--Trick or Treaters, come to St. Francis on Halloween this year!!!

THANK YOU TO THOSE WHO CONTRIBUTED TO THE PORK CHOP DINNER. We have received \$1,700.00 so far. If you want to contribute put it in the collection basket marked "pork chop dinner".

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (Gaylord/Winthrop) will be having their meeting on Tuesday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, at 7:00 pm at St. Francis Church in Winthrop.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE Non-perishable food will be collected during the month of November to be distributed to the Sibley County FoodShare. Sibley County FoodShare's slogan is "Neighbors Helping Neighbors". We want to be supportive during these unsure times. The FoodShare has remained open and has participated in several COVID food giveaways and has been a good neighbor to many. A collection box is available at church during the month of November. Thank you for participating!

# **ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX**

Sunday, November 8th-8:30 AM Lector: Jody Busch Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Colleen Schwiess Sunday, November 15th-8:30 AM Lector: Pat Buboltz Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe Sunday, November 22<sup>nd</sup>-8:30 AM Lector: Anita Weir Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Brenda Runck

**CUSTODIAN NEEDED**: We have recently been notified that Lisa Nachreiner will be retiring from her position as custodian for the St. Andrew's Parish. Interested applicants should contact Ross Nachreiner at 507-430-3406 or email at <u>ar\_nachreiner@yahoo.com</u>. Position is open until filled. Total hours per week are dependent on activities within the church (average 4-6/week). Work hours are flexible. We want to thank Lisa for her time and dedication.

**THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE** – Starting November 1, 2020 thru November 29<sup>th</sup>, 2020, we will be taking non-perishable food donations or cash donations for the Renville County Food Shelf. The donation boxes will be at both entries of church. Thank you for all your help and generous donations for all our people of need thru these very trying and uncertain times. Any questions, call Agnes W. at 426-7675 or Sandy H. at 426-7480.

**FALL BAZAAR NEWS** - Due to COVID, this year's Fall Bazaar will be donation only. The Bazaar Chairpersons will be contacting CCW Members. The suggested donation amount is \$30. Please mark your donation "Fall Bazaar" and place in the collection, drop at office or mail to Box C. Thank you for supporting CCW. CCW funds are used to help various charitable organizations: Projects at St. Andrews - Santa's Workshop, Benson Girls, Food Shelf, Crisis Nursery, etc.

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-October 28th, 2020			
Income	\$ 58,831.90 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00)		
Expenses	\$ ( <u>46,448.05)</u>		
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 12,383.85		
Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$51,759.30.30/(\$80,582.34) = \$(28,823.04)			

**ANNUAL CEMETERY REPORT** – St. Andrew's Cemetery had a successful financial year in Fiscal 2019-2020 in spite of finishing the year with a minus net of \$620. Extraordinary expenses of \$3870 for the cemetery's share of the new lawnmower and \$1475 to pay for the fix on the signage that was not covered by donations for that purpose, were paid for in the Fiscal Year that ended on June 30. Ordinary annual expenses came to \$2900. On the income side, \$2978 came from interest on investments, \$550 from lots sold, and \$525 for staking fees. Money received in memory of Father John Brunner, Robert Murphy, and Harold Schweiss totaled \$2597, and donations thru the Cemetery Envelope in parishioner's envelope pack amounted to \$975.

The Principal Balance in the Cemetery's Perpetual Care Fund stands at \$84,193.46. This amount can never be spent. Only the interest that it earns is available to pay for annual upkeep expenses at the cemetery. It is currently invested in a Catholic United Financial Annuity that earns 3% interest.

As you can see, income from the Perpetual Care Fund does not quite cover normal annual upkeep expenses and any out of the ordinary expenses rely mostly on the generosity of individuals to get paid. Donations are always needed and gratefully accepted.

On behalf of all cemetery lot owners, the Cemetery Committee Thanks all the contributors for the \$3572 that was received in Fiscal Year 2019-20.

Dave Buboltz, our groundskeeper, is retiring at the end of this mowing season. He did a wonderful job of upkeep at the cemetery and taking care of the lawnmower. We should all be grateful to him for his service.

Any cemetery questions or concerns can be addressed to any Cemetery Committee member – Richard Hellendrung-President, Agnes Wendinger-Secretary, Chuck Marlowe-Treasurer, Chuck Hellendrung-Sextant, or Kevin Roiger. Carolyn Borth's death in 2018 created an opening on the Cemetery Board. If you have an interest in filling that vacancy, let your desire be known. We meet twice a year, March and September, unless there is a need to call a special meeting.

# Adoration for our Nation

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Join us for a day of prayer for our nation on **November 3, 2020** 

St. Willibrord's Catholic Church, Gibbo 9:00 A.M. to 1:00 P.M.

Please come to pray and adore our Lord.

Visit UniteOurNation.net for a complete set of resources!