



ALL SAINTS

AREA FAITH COMMUNITY



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FAIRFAX, MN



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GIBBON, 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 16	NO MASS		
Tuesday, November 17	8:30 AM	Fairfax	Spec. Int. – Phillip Blumhoefer
Wednesday, November 18	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Stan Lauwagie
Thursday, November 19	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Curtis Frank
Friday, November 20	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Mr. & Mrs. Arnold Kienlen
Saturday, November 21	3:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	4:00 PM	Winthrop	+Raymond Broz
Sunday, November 22	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Leroy Schreiner
	10:30 AM	Gibbon	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

Reflection Questions for the Thirty-Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

Do I have a gift that maybe I've kept to myself out of fear or apprehension that I could develop and share?



Readings for the Week of November 15, 2020

Sunday: Prv 31:10-13, 19-20, 30-31/Ps 128:1-2, 3,

4-5 [cf. 1a]/1 Thes 5:1-6/Mt 25:14-30 or 25:14-15, 19-21

Monday: Rv 1:1-4; 2:1-5/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6 [Rev 2:17]/
Lk 18:35-43

Tuesday: Rv 3:1-6, 14-22/Ps 15:2-3a, 3bc-4ab, 5
[Rev 3:21]/Lk 19:1-10

Wednesday: Rv 4:1-11/Ps 150:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 [1b]/Lk 19:11-28

Thursday: Rv 5:1-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b
[Rev 5:10]/Lk 19:41-44

Friday: Rv 10:8-11/Ps 119:14, 24, 72, 103, 111,
131 [103a]/Lk 19:45-48

Saturday: Rv 11:4-12/Ps 144:1b, 2, 9-10 [1b]/Lk 20:27-40

Next Sunday: Ez 34:11-12, 15-17/Ps 23:1-2, 2-3, 5-6 [1]/
1 Cor 15:20-26, 28/Mt 25:31-46

The word “talent” in today’s parable was used at the time of Jesus to describe an actual unit of money. Since the mid-fourteenth century, that same word has also been used to describe a natural skill or ability. Of course, many of us turn our skills and abilities into cash through our work. Our “talents” become a means of commerce through which we earn a living. So, the connection of the word to money has never really been lost. A question for us today might be: In what ways do I put my talents/money and abilities at the service of God?

“Lord Jesus, you have given me precious gifts. Help me to multiply them by sharing them.”

November is the **month of the Poor Souls in Purgatory**. During this month we pray especially for our departed friends and loved ones who are making their journey toward heaven. As Catholics, we believe that although those who have died are separated from us physically, they remain connected to us as members of the Church.

The **2020 Diocesan Ministries Appeal commitment weekend** is November 21/22. The DMA gives us a chance to help our parish as well as to touch our neighbors throughout the diocese. Parish goals for the 2020 DMA: **Sharing the Light of Hope** is St. Andrew \$10,781.67, St. Willibrord \$7,129.81, and St. Francis de Sales \$3,477.96. Remember that 20% of our donations come back to each parish.

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*

Fr. Bruno OSB

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

WINTHROP ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING, Tuesday, November 17th, at 7:00 pm in Winthrop
GIBBON ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING, Thursday, November 19th, at 7:00 pm in Gibbon

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Nov 16 Tom Palmer, Pat Buboltz, Roberto & Lidia Gonzalez Anniv., Fidencia Banda
Nov 17 Jacob Ewers, Kristin Ochs, Robert & Cecilia Senkyr Anniv., Laurreta Stutsman
Nov 18 Jennifer & Jason Haas Anniv., John (Jack) Rossow, Paul Liebl
Nov 19 Jean Weinzetl, Mark & Deb Evenson-Huiras Anniv., Dennis Hanlon, Bruce & Rita Prigge Anniv.
Nov 20 Paul Clobes, Connie Haas, Wade Werner, Stacy Helget
Nov 21 Reeve Huiras, Cindy Schweiss, Patrick Sullivan, Delores Bullemer
Nov 22 Joe Nachreiner, Cecilia Lyon, Angela Kothari



Please remember in your prayers . . .

Beverly Bregel who passed away on Saturday, November 7th. Her mass of Christian Burial will be on Thursday, November 12th, at 11:00 am at St. Willibrord’s Catholic Church with burial in the church cemetery.

We offer our sympathy to the family.



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
Scott Vandeest

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.

Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men’s program – Week 9 – Step 4: Purity and Pastoral Formation. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

NEXT SUNDAY IS COMMITMENT SUNDAY FOR THE 2020 DIOCESAN MINISTRIES APPEAL.

Watching the video today, we are reminded of the good work the DMA is doing in ministries too big for parishes to do alone, ministries that are important to us. Remember, in supporting the DMA, we contribute to those important ministries in the diocese, but we also support the project we have identified for our parish. As you reflect on what your pledge should be, prayerfully keep in mind God’s generosity to you. The DMA offers a great opportunity to make a return to God of the blessings we have received. This year with the theme “Sharing the Light of Hope,” we are invited to recognize the ways that God continues working in our midst and to be a sign of hope for others by our stewardship. Be assured that contributions to the DMA will be used only for the benefit of the ministries designated in the brochure and no other purpose.

NEXT WEEK OUR SPECIAL COLLECTION WILL SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC CAMPAIGN FOR HUMAN

DEVELOPMENT. Forty million people in the United States live in poverty. This collection supports programs that empower people to identify and address the obstacles they face as they work to bring permanent and positive change to their communities. Learn more about the Catholic Campaign for Human Development at www.usccb.org/ccchd/collection.

ADVENT BEGINS NOVEMBER 29, 2020! How are you planning to prepare your heart? Check out any one or more of these resources:

- * Wordonfire.com Bishop Barron's Advent Reflections books will be available at all parishes
- * Dynamiccatholic.com Best Advent Ever, reflections can be sent to your inbox
- * Rejoiceprogram.com *Rejoice!* Advent Reflections with the Holy Family, books are available, Contact Kellie Sloom
- * FORMED Sign up at allsaintsaafc.org

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,108.00	3,610.00	390.00
Loose Plate	103.00	21.00	25.00
Fuel Collection	235.00		
Rosemary Cuff funeral	80.00		
Pork Chop/Chicken Dinner		100.00	
Building/Maintenance			60.00
Fall Festival			7,100.00
All Saints		10.00	10.00
Donation Rel Ed-St W-CUC			
Cemetery Operating			50.00
TOTAL	\$1,526.00	\$3,741.00	\$7,585.00

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, 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, November 18, 2020:** Class
- Wednesday, November 25, 2020:** No Class
- Sunday, November 29, 2020:** Advent begins!
- Wednesday, December 2, 2020:** Class

PLEASE CHECK THE DEVOUT WEEKLY at allsaintsaafc.org 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!*

CONFIRMATION STUDENTS Please contact Kellie Sloom if you do not have your online account set up with Ascension Press! This is an important part of your Confirmation preparation!

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, November 22nd -10:30 AM Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan: Connie Tautges
Wednesday, November 25th -7:00 PM (THANKSGIVING EVE) Lector: Melvin Neyers Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan:
Sunday, November 29th -10:30 AM Lector: Jerome Petersen Ushers: Jay Howe, Jerry Howe, Donny Forst Sacristan: Charlene Forst
Sunday, December 6th -10:30 AM Lector: Amy Weber Ushers: Ron Klement, Rick Klement, Greg Stadtherr Sacristan: Rose Forst

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, 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.

ATTENTION CCW MEMBERS: After further discussions, it has been decided to cancel the 2020 Fall Bazaar with the exception of the Quilt Raffle. A letter with additional details and your raffle tickets has been mailed out to those who did not pick them up in church. This year's quilt has been donated by Kay Klement and will be displayed in church until the drawing is held. Additional tickets will also be sold before and after Mass each weekend until the drawing is held on November 15, 2020 following Mass. In place of the Fall Bazaar, we are asking all our members to please donate \$20.00 to the CCW. Your donation can be placed in the collection basket in an envelope labeled "CCW Fall Bazaar".

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD’S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1, 2020-November 11th, 2020	
Income	\$ 21,392.25
Expenses	\$ <u>32,743.43</u>
Net Gain/Loss	\$(11,351.18)

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Saturday, **November 21st**-4:00 PM

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

Saturday, **November 28th**-4:00 PM

Lector: Mary Nelson **Ushers:** Joel & Lynn Majeski, Harry & Kellie Slood **Sacristan:** Sharon Wersal **Money Counters:** Lynn Majeski & Harry Slood

Saturday, **December 5th**-4:00 PM

Lector: Harry Slood **Ushers:** Bill & Che May, Gay & Vickie Neid **Sacristan:** Che May **Money Counters:** Gary Neid, Bill May

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!

THE COMMUNITY THANKSGIVING DINNER WILL CHANGE A LITTLE THIS YEAR. We will be conducting a drive though only event at St. Francis Church in Winthrop on Thursday, November 26th, from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. We will only be accepting reservations this year and pick up will be from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm at St. Francis parking lot. We will only be accepting 225 reservations this year, with a limit of 10 meals per immediate family. For reservations, please call Bill or Che May at 507-647-2238 or Ted or June Oman at 507-647-5771. If you leave a message, please include name, phone number, number of meals needed and a time you will pick up. The deadline is November 20, 2020.

ST. ANDREW’S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **November 22nd**-8:30 AM

Lector: Anita Weir **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Brenda Runck

Thursday, **November 26th**-8:30 AM (**THANKSGIVING DAY**)

Lector: Mike Beranek **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Brenda Runck

Sunday, **November 29th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Agnes Kiecker **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Brenda Runck

Sunday, **December 6th**-8:30 AM

Lector: Janet Simonsen **Ushers:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe

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 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. We want to thank Lisa for her time and dedication.

THANKSGIVING FOOD DRIVE – Starting November 1st, 2020 thru November 29th, 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 through these very trying and uncertain times. Any questions, call Agnes W. at 426-7675 or Sandy H. at 426-7480.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED TO DELIVER MEALS ON WHEELS during the month of December. Please call Barb Freitag at 507-426-7759 if you can help. Please leave a message. Thank you!

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-November 11, 2020

Income	\$ 65,020.36 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00)
Expenses	\$ (<u>54,383.33</u>)
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 10,637.03

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$51,759.30.30/(\$80,582.34) = \$(28,823.04)

President of U.S. Bishops' Conference Issues Statement on 2020 Presidential Election

November 7, 2020

WASHINGTON – Archbishop José H. Gomez of Los Angeles and president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops has issued the following statement on the 2020 presidential election:

We thank God for the blessings of liberty. The American people have spoken in this election. Now is the time for our leaders to come together in a spirit of national unity and to commit themselves to dialogue and compromise for the common good.

As Catholics and Americans, our priorities and mission are clear. We are here to follow Jesus Christ, to bear witness to His love in our lives, and to build His Kingdom on earth. I believe that at this moment in American history, Catholics have a special duty to be peacemakers, to promote fraternity and mutual trust, and to pray for a renewed spirit of true patriotism in our country.

Democracy requires that all of us conduct ourselves as people of virtue and self-discipline. It requires that we respect the free expression of opinions and that we treat one another with charity and civility, even as we might disagree deeply in our debates on matters of law and public policy.

As we do this, we recognize that Joseph R. Biden, Jr., has received enough votes to be elected the 46th President of the United States. We congratulate Mr. Biden and acknowledge that he joins the late President John F. Kennedy as the second United States president to profess the Catholic faith. We also congratulate Sen. Kamala D. Harris of California, who becomes the first woman ever elected as vice president.

We ask the Blessed Virgin Mary, patroness of this great nation, to intercede for us. May she help us to work together to fulfill the beautiful vision of America's missionaries and founders — one nation under God, where the sanctity of every human life is defended and freedom of conscience and religion are guaranteed.