AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

St. Andrew's FAIRFAX, MN

ST. WILLIBRORD'S GIBBON, MN

St. Francis de Sales WINTHROP, MN

December 25, 2022

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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.

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Monday, December 26	NO MASS	Private	+Clarence & Marie Guggisberg Family		
Tuesday, December 27	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Sylvester Fahey		
Wednesday, December 28	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Rickey Morrissey		
Thursday, December 29	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Elaine Infoefer		
Friday, December 30	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+John O'Brien		
Saturday, December 31	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass			

Winthrop-Time Change New Year's Eve 5:00 PM +Greg Bieraugel

Sunday, January 1 8:00 AM **Fairfax-Time Change** People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

10:00 AM New Year's Day **Gibbon-Time Change** +Cathy Willegal

Reflection Question for the Nativity of the Lord

How can the seeds of divinity sown in me bloom for all to realize? Do I recognize the seeds of divinity in me? in others?



Readings for the Week of December 25, 2022

Sunday: Vigil: Is 62:1-5/Ps 89:4-5, 16-17, 27, 29 (2a)/ Acts 13:16-17, 22-25/Mt 1:1-25 or 1:18-25 *Night*: Is 9:1-6/

Ps 96:1-2, 2-3, 11-12, 13/Ti 2:11-14/Lk 2:1-14

Dawn: Is 62:11-12/Ps 97:1, 6, 11-12/Ti 3:4-7/Lk 2:15-20 Day: Is 52:7-10/Ps 98:1, 2-3, 3-4, 5-6 [3])/Heb 1:1-6/Jn 1:1-18 or 1:1-5, 9-14

Monday: Acts 6:8-10; 7:54-59/Ps 31:3cd-4, 6 and 8ab, 16bc

and 17/Mt 10:17-22

Tuesday: 1 Jn 1:1-4/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 11-12/Jn 20:1a, 2-8 **Wednesday:** 1 Jn 1:5—2:2/Ps 124:2-3, 4-5, 7b-8/Mt 2:13-18 **Thursday:** 1 Jn 2:3-11/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 5b-6/Lk 2:22-35 **Friday:** Sir 3:2-6, 12-14 or Col 3:12-21 or 3:12-17/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5/Mt 2:13-15, 19-23

Saturday: 1 Jn 2:18-21/Ps 96:1-2, 11-12, 13/Jn 1:1-18 **Next Sunday:** Nm 6:22-27/Ps 67:2-3, 5, 6, 8 (2a)/

Gal 4:4-7/Lk 2:16-21

The spell of darkness, the shame of sin is broken - the Prince of Light is born to us.

Christmas celebrates God's entry into the world as the dawn of a new day, a light shining in the darkness. People have fumbled in darkness for the meaning of life and the answers to its many mysteries. Though we may not comprehend it fully, in Jesus we read a meaning to the darkness of our ignorance, human limitation, in and death; in him we see light break into our pains, failures, disappointments and sufferings; in him we feel hope amid injustice and oppression. Proclaiming the victory over darkness, Christmas challenges us to recognize and receive Jesus as our light. Like Jesus, we are then to be lights amid darkness, rays of hope amid despair. Christmas invites us to be lamplighters. Jesus tells us, "You are the light of the world. Let your light shine before others, that they may see your good deeds and glorify your heavenly Father" (Mt 5:14,16).

> "Faith is to believe what you do not see; the reward of this is to see what you believe." ~St. Augustine

I would like to wish all of you a happy and blessed Christmas. May God grant you abundant peace and overflowing joy.

Fr. Bruno OSB

OFFICE HOURS For the coming next two weeks, I will be in the office Tuesday-Thursday from 8:00 am to 4:30 pm. Thanks.

REMEMBER STARTING DECEMBER 31ST & JANUARY 1ST mass schedule times will change. Winthrop will have mass on Saturdays at 5:00 pm, Fairfax will be on Sundays at 8:00 am, followed by Gibbon at 10:00 am.

PLEASE NOTE: We have had some issues with our old email so we have set up a new email. Please use this new email immediately. It is allsaints7739@gmail.com. I have set up the group emails for sending out the bulletin each week. If you don't receive one, please let me know. If you get these bulletins by email and don't want to be sent one, also, please let me know. You can always go on our website at allsaintsafc.org to look at the bulletin. Sorry for the inconvenience.

THERE ARE FEW MASS INTENTIONS SCHEDULED ON THE CALENDAR Infinite graces flow from prayers offered at Mass. Intentions can be offered for a variety of reasons: thanksgiving, birthday or anniversaries of the living and most commonly for the repose of the soul of a deceased loved one. If you have been thinking you would like to have a Mass intention offered, you can put the request in the collection basket with the name of the person/persons to be prayed for and make a note of whether the person is deceased or living; or list the reason of the intention (e.g. thanksgiving, peace, living family members, etc.) If you have a specific date in mind, please make note of that as well. Include your financial gift

(typically \$10 per Mass). Or call the All Saints AFC office or email the office and get the intention scheduled and send in your donation. Thank you!

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Dec 25 Jolene Fahey, Samuel Rico

Dec 26 Mitchell Schroeder, Mike McCorquodale, Marie Wiltscheck

Dec 27 Katie Louisiana, Grace Sullivan, Ronald Bastian

Dec 28 Linda Drexler

Dec 29 Tim & Sarah Sullivan Anniv., Alana Rieke, Nick Krueger, Everly Marin

Dec 30 Agnes Mathiowetz, Agnes Wendinger, Lidia Gonzalez, Zachary Sandgren, Jeff McColley, Rodney & Sharon Briese Anniv., Michael O'Brien

Dec 31 Dan Fahey, Rondee Nosbush, Bill Kapolyznski, Kay Klement, Brian & Jennifer Kretsch Anniv., Gavin Arceneau, Gricelda Cardenas, Sherry Koep

Liturgy Matters #8

Following the apostolic greeting is the penitential rite, that is, the acknowledgment of our sins, "so that we may celebrate these sacred mysteries worthily." To better understand the inspired word of God that is about to be read, we must first confess our sins before him and ask for mercy, so that our minds, heart, and souls may be open to hearing the wisdom of the scriptures. We must draw near to the word and the altar with repentance. There are

different formulas the priest may use for this, but most common is the communal prayer, The Confiteor. What is beautiful in this prayer is that in it we not only confess our sins to God but also to one another, in addition, we ask Mary and all the angels and saints to pray for us. By so praying we are immediately brought into an awareness that the liturgy is not about just me and God. All of us together come into His presence, together with angels and saints, and we ask Him to show us His mercy and grant us His salvation. It bears repeating, insistence, even a kind of stammering: "Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Christ, have mercy. Lord, have mercy. Lord, have mercy."



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

Lorraine Ravnaas St. Francis de Sales Adeline Roiger St. Andrew

St. Willibrord's

Pat Fahev St. Andrew's Dory Schreiner

St. Andrew's

Next, the Gloria is sung. We are singing now for the same reason that the angels first sang; namely, that God has sent His Son among us born in our same flesh. In the first part of the song our words are addressed to God the Father, then we address Jesus Christ Himself, acknowledging him first as "only Son of the Father." Then we cry out to him as "the lamb of God who takes away the sins of the world." And so in the midst of our praise we beg him again for mercy. This hymn is meant to be an outburst of joy and praise with the additional wonder that the liturgy of the Word is about to begin, that God is about to share with us His wisdom through the scriptures.

JOIN US EACH WEEK ON WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 PM as we pray the Rosary live on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page!

Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program – There will be a break until February 9th.

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR –Sunday, January 1st, at St. Willibrord's, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m.. Holy Hour will include praying the rosary, scripture readings, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

YEAR-END GIVING

The end of the year is not far away, and it is time to start thinking of strategies to maximize the tax benefits of year-end giving. Federal tax laws and many state laws make it possible to reduce or eliminate taxes on gifts to charities like your parish, diocese, schools and other ministries. Remember that only gifts made by December 31st can help reduce the amount of taxes you owe next April. Please consult your professional tax advisor for tax strategies for your personal situation.

Donor Advised Fund

Did you have an event that resulted in higher taxable income this year? Maybe it was the sale of a business, company stock, or other appreciated asset. Or maybe your income is just higher this year. A donor advised fund can allow you to receive a charitable deduction for your giving this year, while providing you the flexibility to use it for charitable giving over time.

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 SGT Colin Jackson, CSM Rebecca (Zitzmann) Booker

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	6,619.48	892.00	1,575.16
Loose/Youth Plate	56.00	68.00	71.00
Catholic Ed	25.00		
Retirement for Religious	30.00	1,506.00	25.00
Fall Collection	1,500.00		
Immaculate Conception	10.00		
Christmas	910.00		625.00
Christmas Flowers	165.00	10.00	70.00
Maintenance/Building	4,100.00		25.00
Rent		50.00	
Votive Lights			8.00
CUF-St. Willibrord's			100.00
Energy/Fuel			110.00
TOTAL	\$13,415.48	\$2,526.00	\$2,609.16

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday, Dec 28, 2022: No Class
Wednesday, Jan 4, 2023: Class
Wednesday, Jan 11, 2023: Class
Wednesday, Jan 18, 2023: Class

Wednesday, Jan 25, 2023: Class

STEUBENVILLE YOUTH CONFERENCE & FUNDRAISING – Registration is now open for the Steubenville Youth Conference being held next summer in Rochester (July 14-16). Steubenville is an *extraordinary*, and affordable youth conference opportunity! Come and experience the peace of Jesus Christ, who is always faithful and will never abandon us! Flyers are being sent home with 8th Grade and older students at religion classes. Early Bird registration is due by January 15th but sign up should be sooner. Contact Kellie Sloot, Anita Wier or Berny Berger for more information held.

ST. WILLIBRORD'S - GIBBON

Sunday, January 1st-10:00 AM (Notice Day & Time Change)

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Dist: Connie Tautges Servers: Sofia & Ella Nachreiner Ushers: Clete Krzmarzick, Joel

Wiltscheck, Tom Forstner Gifts: Brad & Kjersti Bastian Sacristan: Connie Tautges

Sunday, January 8th-10:00 AM

Lector: Amy Weber/Imani Prigge Dist: Mavis Lindmeyer Servers: Kyler & Mirra Sjogren Ushers: Clete Krzmarzick, Joel

Wiltscheck, Tom Forstner Gifts: James & Berny Berger Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

Sunday, January 15th-10:00 AM

Lector: Alan Neyers Dist: Genny Neyers Servers: Christopher Ruiz, Gabriel Ruiz, Regie Mattes Ushers: Clete Krzmarzick, Joel

Wiltscheck, Tom Forstner Gifts: Jim & Cheryl Dingles Sacristan: Charlene Forst

St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial "Calendar Raffle Winner" of \$100 for Week #39, goes to **David Schiltz**, of Gibbon. Congratulations, and thank you for your support!

CHOIR will sing <u>Saturday</u>, <u>December 17th</u>, at the 5 p.m. Mass, meeting to practice at 4:30 p.m. We will also practice for a half hour after that Mass for Christmas eve. Choir sings for <u>Christmas Eve</u>, <u>December 24th</u>, at the 4:30 p.m. Mass, meeting to practice at 3:45 p.m. that afternoon. New members welcome and needed!

<u>Friends of San Lucas Coffee</u> can be purchased directly from <u>www.sanlucasmission.org/juan-ana-cafe/order-a-bag/</u> or by stopping at Chuck Spaeth Ford in New Ulm (507-354-3673) or Sleepy Eye (507-794-3673). Contact Mavis 507-829-4416 if you have any questions. Thank you for your continued support of our Guatamala Mission

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Giving July 1st, 2022-December 21st, 2022

Income \$65,230.70 (\$11,500 Fall Festival)

Expenses <u>\$44,394.57</u> **Net Gain/Loss \$20,836.13**

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Saturday, **December 31st-**5:00 PM (**Day & Time Change**)

Lector: Bob & Laurie Kaukola Eucharistic Ministers: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Servers: Lincoln McCue, Emilee Krueger, Blaise Krueger Gifts: Matt & Kristin McCue Ushers: Dave & Lorie Schauer, Leon Lang, Phil Dummer Money Counters: Phil Dummer, Tom Witucki Sacristan: Dave & Lorie Schauer

Saturday, January 7th-5:00 PM (Day & Time Change)

Lector: Barb Pagel Eucharistic Ministers: Jason & Carly Tupy Servers: Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer Gifts: Bill & Che May Ushers: Dave & Lorie Schauer, Leon Lang, Phil Dummer Money Counters: Phil Dummer, Tom Witucki Sacristan: Dave & Lorie Schauer

Saturday, January 14th-5:00 PM

Lector: Dave Schauer **Eucharistic Ministers:** Connie Portner **Servers:** Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda **Gifts:** Gary & Mary Renner **Ushers:** Dave & Lorie Schauer, Leon Lang, Phil Dummer **Money Counters:** Phil Dummer, Tom Witucki **Sacristan:** Dave & Lorie Schauer

2023 ENVELOPES are on table in narthex and parishioners should pick them up.

THANK YOU TO ALL who gave so generously to the water project cookie sale. Together, we can do great things.

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, January 1st-8:00 AM (Time Change)

Lector: Jan Simonsen **Dist:** Karen Bastian **Servers:** Annika Nosbush, Keyden Buboltz, Micahl Nachreiner **Ushers:** Joe Nachreiner, John Rieke, Brian Marquardt, LeRoy Schweiss **Gifts:** Mary & Melvin Eckstein **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, January 8th-8:00 AM

Lector: Cindy Rieke Dist: Eloina & Rodrigo Carillo Servers: Luke & William Bastian, Kaden Weir Ushers: John Case, Leroy Nosbush, Dave Nosbush, Mike Vait Gifts: Richard & LeAnn Frank Sacristan: Brenda Runck/Brenda Frank

Sunday, January 15th-8:00 AM

Lector: Mike Beranek Dist: LeRoy Schweiss Servers: Ashley, Isabelle, Isaac & Alex Vos Ushers: Dennis Weinzetl, Jason Weinzetl, Pat Schreiner, George Wendinger Gifts: Mike & Barb Freitag Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Giving July 1st, 2022 - December 21st, 2022

 Income
 \$ 88,652.91
 Donations to Maintenance Fund
 \$24,280.00

 Expenses
 \$ 70,398.36
 Roof Payment
 93,578.75

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 18,254.55
 Shortfall
 (\$69,298.75)



CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & ENVIRONMENT - ST. ANDREW'S

<u>DONOR</u> Kathy Schroeder

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Deceased Members of St. Andrew's Parish

Francis & kay Schweiss

CHRISTMAS FLOWERS & ENVIRONMENT – ST. WILLIBRORD'S

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Diane Hartmann Michael Hartmann

Anonymous Deceased Members of St. Willibrord's Parish

Barb Stueber Kenny & Donna Forstner
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