ST. ANDREW'S FAIRFAX, MN

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ST. WILLIBRORD'S GIBBON, MN

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ST. FRANCIS DE SALES WINTHROP, MN

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#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS

St. Andrew – Karen Guggisberg 507-426-7348

St. Willibrord – Genny Neyers 507-834-6659

St. Francis – Kellie Sloot 320-583-6755

National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-422-4453

#### MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Please contact Fr. Brendan at least six months ahead of time to plan and prepare for your wedding. No wedding date is final until approved by Fr. Brendan.

**BAPTISMS:** Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Father Brendan 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.

Monday, Feb 26. NO MASS.

Monday, 1760 20	NO MASS		
Tuesday, Feb 27	NO MASS		
Wednesday, Feb 28	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+John & Loretta Moldan
Thursday, Feb 29	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Andrew, Kate & Henry Mayer
Friday, Mar 1	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Eli & Verona Tieg
		Winthrop Eucharistic Adoration	
Saturday, Mar 2	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass	
	5:00 PM	Fairfax (Time Change)	+Betty Riley
Sunday, Mar 3	8:00 AM	Gibbon (Time Change)	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
	10:00 AM	Winthron (Time Change)	+Richard & Verna Rein

#### Reflection Question for the Second Sunday in Lent

How do I think God would want my life to be transfigured this Lent? Am I willing to say "hineni" to accept that change to my life?



#### Readings for the Week of February 25, 2024

**Sunday:** Gn 22:1-2, 9a, 10-13, 15-18/Ps 116:10, 15, 16-17,

18-19 (116:9)/Rom 8:31b-34/Mk 9:2-10

**Monday:** Dn 9:4b-10/Ps 79:8, 9, 11 and 13/Lk 6:36-38 **Tuesday:** Is 1:10, 16-20/Ps 50:8-9, 16bc-17, 21 and 23/

Mt 23:1-12

**Wednesday:** Jer 18:18-20/Ps 31:5-6, 14, 15-16/Mt 20:17-28 **Thursday:** Jer 17:5-10/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4 and 6/Lk 16:19-31 **Friday:** Gn 37:3-4, 12-13a, 17b-28a/Ps 105:16-17, 18-19,

20-21/Mt 21:33-43, 45-46

**Saturday:** Mi 7:14-15, 18-20/Ps 103:1-2, 3-4, 9-10, 11-12/

Lk 15:1-3, 11-32

**Next Sunday:** Ex 20:1-17 or 20:1-3, 7-8, 12-17/Ps 19:8, 9, 10, 11 (Jn 6:68c)/1 Cor 1:22-25/Jn 2:13-25 *Scrutiny:* Ex 17:3-7/Ps 95:1-2, 6-7, 8-9 (8)/Rom 5:1-2, 5-8/Jn 4:5-42 or 4:5-15, 19b-26, 39a, 40-42

#### **Reflection meditation**

God the Father blesses Jesus in Mark 9:2-10 saying, "This is my beloved Son." Fr. Scalia goes on to say, "at the Transfiguration, the Father's voice resounds to confirm what the Son had said: *Listen to him.* Peter, who wants so much to remain on the mountain, must first learn that path of the Passion. It is a command to believe Jesus' words not only about his own death and Resurrection but also about our need to follow him. Jesus is transfigured to reveal the final goal: glory. The Father's voice is heard to highlight the means to that end: the cross. The Passion is the path to glory" (*Magnificat*, February 2024). Blessings, Fr. Rolling

**REMEMBER STARTING MARCH 2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> MASS SCHEDULES WILL CHANGE.** St. Andrew's-Fairfax will be on Saturdays at 5:00 pm, St. Willibrord's-Gibbon on Sundays at 8:00 am, followed by St. Francis de Sales-Winthrop at 10:00 am.

INTERESTED IN A MASS INTENTION? 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. 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**

- Feb 25 Haylee Case-Kopel, LeAnn Frank, Roberto Gonzalez
- Feb 26 Mike Johnson, Sara Marquez, Thomas Forstner, Stephanie Maurer, Anden Hoffmann, Lincoln McCue, Lee Zollner
- Feb 27 Jennifer Palmer, Constance Tautges, Jacob Unger, Karen Weitzenkamp, Quinn Schmidt
- Feb 28 Jean Bode, Emily Meyer, Chanel Pulley
- **Feb 29**
- Mar 1 Deb Nachreiner, Phyllis Gruenhagen, Pat Reinhart
- Mar 2 Grace Weldy, Andrea Nachreiner, Jody Busch, Tom & Charlotte Fahey Anniv., Deb Forstner, Mary Nelson

**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** – Week 17 – The Kingdom is Like a Dragnet. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at St. Willibrord's Church.

**GETTING MARRIED.** Please note the dates for the 2024 Pre-Marriage program are now posted on the Family Life page of the Diocese of New Ulm, DNU, website. New Pre-Marriage booklets are at the entrance to all churches.

**ALL SAINTS AFC IS LOOKING FOR MENTOR COUPLES** for the Fully Engaged Program. Training will be provided. This is a great opportunity to help prepare engaged couples for marriage in the Catholic Church. For more information, contact Fr. Rolling, Paul & Donita Platz @ 507-380-4178, or Carl & Michelle Oswald @ 507-766-9943.

**THE LENTEN FAST AND ABSTINENCE REQUIREMENTS:** Ash Wednesday and Good Friday are obligatory days of fasting and abstinence for Catholics. In addition, Fridays during Lent are obligatory days of abstinence from meat. When fasting, a person is permitted to eat one full meal, as well as two smaller meals that together are not equal to a full meal. The norms concerning abstinence



Casev O'Brien St. Francis de Sales **Arvina Schweiss** St. Andrew's Elsie Linsmeier St. Andrew Mary Schweiss St. Andrew's Millie Forst St. Willibrord's Adeline Roiger St. Andrew Pat Fahey St. Andrew's Lyle Muth St. Francis de Sales George Schweiss St. Willibrord's Michelle Lindenfelser (Schwecke)

RoseMarie Garrahy
St. Andrew's
Mary Liebl
St. Andrew's

St. Francis de Sales Claire Van Epp

St. Andrew's

Marianne Machaiek St Francis de Sales

#### THANK YOU TO EVERYONE WHO PARTICIPATED IN THE 140<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL BLACK AND INDIAN MISSION

**COLLECTION** last weekend. Your prayerful support enables people to come to know Jesus Christ in African American, Native American and Alaska Native communities all over the U.S.A. Spreading the Gospel couldn't happen without your support!

"WINE AND DIVINE" St. Willibrord's CCW (Council of Catholic Women) is again offering ALL the women of St. Willibrord's AND our Area Faith Community a relaxing and fun evening. You are invited to attend "Wine and Divine" night from 6:30 to about 8:30 p.m., on Sunday evening, February 25th, at St. Willibrord's church social hall. Bring a friend! The evening social includes Wine (wine tasting of several varieties), cheese & crackers, and "build your own cheesecake" (with fresh berries). Top that off with good conversation with other women (get to know some new faces), and closing with a faith inspiration presentation. Deacon Mike McKeown will be sharing about a spiritual healing ministry offered by the Diocese of New Ulm. This ministry, helps people to identify obstacles in their relationship to God, other people, and themselves, and lead them through the steps to find the peace and freedom that God has intended for us. We have several door prizes this year, and you will also receive a thank you gift. Please RSVP to Berny at <a href="mailto:jbberger1972@gmail.com">jbberger1972@gmail.com</a>, or call 834-6321 (leave a message) by February 20th, if possible, so we have an approximate number to plan for. But if you decide at the last minute that you are able to attend – no problem – come anyway! And please tell your friends or family members about this and join us...

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR** –Sunday, March 3rd, 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!

**THANK YOU** to all who attended our Youth Benefit concert last Sunday, with the Cogley sisters, and also those who donated bake sale items or helped with the event in any way! It was very successful, and we appreciate your support of our youth!

#### LENTEN LUNCHEON SERIES TO BE HOSTED BY WINTHROP AREA CHURCHES! NOON-1PM

Join with friends and neighbors for lunch and an ecumenical worship service each Wednesday during Lent. A light meal will be served at noon with a short service to follow. Hosting schedule is as follows:

Wednesday February 28th - Peace Lutheran Church

Wednesday March 6th - St Francis de Sales

Wednesday March 13th - First Lutheran Church

Wednesday March 20th - Covenant Church

Show your spouse how much you appreciate them with some quality time together. A **Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend** makes a great gift for any special ocassion. The next available **Weekends** are Apr 27-28, 2024 in Owatonna, MN and Mar 22-24, 2024 in Valley City, ND. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at <a href="mailto:applications@southmnwwme.org">applications@southmnwwme.org</a> or 507-227-8229.

**ANOTHER MALE CHAPERONE** may be needed for our Steubenville Conference trip next July 12-14 in Rochester. We have 10 boys who plan on attending, and need one male chaperone for every 8 boys. This is a great experience, and one that you would never regret volunteering for! Please contact Berny Berger (320) 583-7975, or Brent Lang (612) 418-2768 for answers to any questions you may have about this opportunity.

**INCLEMENT WEATHER POLICY** This is a winter weather reminder that if law enforcement announces a no travel advisory, or if school is cancelled or has a late start in your school district, there will be NO mass in your town that day. Also, if school is let out early due to weather, there will be no parish activity or Religious Education Class that evening. Please be sure to sign up for "Flocknote" by texting allsaints 4 to 84576 to get text updates from parish staff and listen to the following station for weather related announcements: KNUJ (860 AM) in New Ulm

#### WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	900.00	805.00	1,300.00
Loose/Youth Plate	528.00	97.00	157.00
Building/Maint/Furnace	500.00		
Catholic Education	45.00		
Ash Wednesday	396.00		81.00
Black & Indian Mission	20.00	40.00	135.00
Central & Eastern Europe	95.00	10.00	217.00
Well Project		613.00	464.00
Air Conditioning Project		100.00	
TOTAL	\$2,484.00	\$1,665.00	\$2,354.00

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, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Lt. Col. Steven Weber, Jackie Rieke and SGT Colin Jackson, CSM Rebecca (Zitzmann) Booker

"One in Christ" **DMA Appeal Funds Summary** as of February 21, 2024. Parish Goals: St. Andrew \$14,978.10, total cash received \$11,230.00. St. Willibrord \$8,665.02, total cash received \$5,375.00. St Francis de Sales \$6,932.00, total cash received \$6,585.00.

#### RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

Wednesday Feb 28, 2024: Class Wednesday, March 6, 2024: No Class Wednesday, March 13, 2024: Class Wednesday, March 20, 2024: Class

Wednesday, March 27, 2024: Class & 2nd Grade Seder Meal-5:30 pm Gb

**YOUTH MASS** – Laura Hacker and Berny Berger's religious education classes from Winthrop/Gibbon will be doing readings and participating in the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup> at St. Francis de Sales in Winthrop. Thank you to our parents and children for participating!

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing for the 10 a.m. Mass on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, at St. Francis de Sales in Winthrop, meeting to practice that morning at 9:30 a.m. in the social hall. Elementary and middle school youth are invited! Internet song links can be sent to you via email – let Berny Berger know if you would like to get them - <u>jbberger1972@gmail.co</u>. There will be a practice at 6 p.m., before religion classes, for Gibbon/Winthrop youth, on Wednesday evening, February 28<sup>th</sup>, for those that can make it!

**STEUBENVILLE CONFERENCE** – If anyone decides they would like to attend the Steubenville Youth Conference next July 12-14, in Rochester, MN, please contact Berny Berger (<a href="mailto:jbberger1972@gmail.com">jbberger1972@gmail.com</a> or 320-583-7975). Registration is still possible, though the cost is slightly higher. Fundraisers are available for this great experience for our youth, and additional chaperons are still needed!

**ALL SAINTS YOUTH GROUP 9-12TH** Every 1st Wednesday (**see day & time change**) of each month we will meet with unique activities listed monthly! Come to the Gibbon Parsonage next to the church after confirmation classes for pizza and fun in Christ. Bring your own pop or juice.

**Please note:** Religious Education classes will be held from 6:30-7:30pm beginning Wednesday January 3rd. Pizza for the confirmation students and snacks for 9th grade and under will be available beginning at 6pm. An e-mail with details was sent to all families by Flocknote. Contact Kellie Sloot if you have questions.

#### <u>ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON</u>

Sunday, March 3rd-8:00 AM (Time Change)

Lector: Chuck & Ann Southworth Dist: Steve Grosam Servers: Jennifer Guzman, Melody Exum Ushers: Jason Haas, Ron Weber, Mike Willegal Gifts: Connie Tautges, Carol Haas Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

Sunday, March 10th-8:00 AM

Lector: Amy Weber/Imani Prigge Dist: Jerome Petersen Servers: Kelly & Abby Willegal Ushers: Jason Haas, Ron Weber, Mike Willegal Gifts: William & Chris Unger Sacristan: Rose Forst

Sunday, March 17th-8:00 AM

**Lector:** Alan Neyers **Dist:** Genny Neyers **Servers:** Mandy & Imani Prigge **Ushers:** Jason Haas, Ron Weber, Mike Willegal **Gifts:** Butch & Amy Weber Family **Sacristan:** Jeannine Grosam

St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial "Calendar Raffle Winner" for Week #6 of \$100 goes to Renee Tillman of Monticello, GA. Congratulations, and thank you for your support!

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**VISIT WITH FR BRUNO,** on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, after the 8:00 am Mass. Brunch will be served with a free will offering going to the India Well Project.

**FOOD SHELF BINGO** sponsored by St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial Volunteer Team—Sunday, March 17th, 1:00 to 4:00 p.m., in the St. Willibrord's social hall. We will play 30 games, including a special kid's game, \$5 per card. Bring an item to donate to the food shelf (The food shelf is in need of paper products, shampoos, conditioners, laundry detergent along with groceries) and receive one chance for our door prize of a Samsung Galaxy 8.7" Tablet for each item, up to 5 chances! Pies & refreshments, served during intermission - free will donation. All proceeds will go to the Sibley County Food Shelf. - Come for an enjoyable afternoon! Fun for all ages! This event is sponsored by a grant from Catholic United Financial. Local Member Advisor is David Schonhardt 763-670-9058, dschonhardt@catholicunited.org

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

 Giving July 1st, 2023-February 21st, 2024

 Income
 \$106,316.99

 Expenses
 \$66,479.13

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 39,837.86

#### ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>-10:00 AM (Time Change)

Lectors: Ron Hillesheim Eucharistic Ministers: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Servers: Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer Gifts: Bill & Che May Ushers: Barb Pagel, Mike Rein, Gary & Mary Renner Money Counters Barb Pagel, Gary Renner Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

Sunday, March 10th-10:00 AM

Lectors: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Eucharistic Ministers: Connie Portner Servers: Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda Gifts: Gary & Mary Renner Ushers: Barb Pagel, Mike Rein, Gary & Mary Renner Money Counters Barb Pagel, Gary Renner

Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

Sunday, March 17th-10:00 AM

Lectors: Mary Nelson Eucharistic Ministers: Dave & Lorie Schauer Servers: Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Claire Schmidt Gifts: Joe Wersal, Mary Nelson Ushers: Barb Pagel, Mike Rein, Gary & Mary Renner Money Counters Barb Pagel, Gary Renner Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

**THANK YOU TO ALL** who supported the Grocery Bingo Fundraiser at St Francis—we raised \$997.25 for air conditioning for the social hall!!!

**ON SATURDAY, FEBRUARY 24TH, FOLLOWING 5:00 MASS**, come visit with Father Bruno and have a free-will offering meal that will include cilantro lime chicken, carnitas, hamburger tacos, as well as an alternate hot dog meal, with all the fixings and bars and cookies for dessert. Proceeds will go to the India water project led by Father Bruno.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #7051** (Winthrop/Gaylord) will be holding a Prolife Egg Bake Breakfast on Sunday, March 3<sup>rd</sup>, after the 10:00 am mass.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS #7051** (Winthrop/Gaylord) will be meeting Tuesday, March 5<sup>th</sup>, at St. Francis in Winthrop. Rosary will be at 7:00 pm with meeting at 7:30 pm.

#### ST. ANDREW'S - FAIRFAX

Saturday, March 2nd-5:00 PM (Time Change)

**Lector:** Jody Busch **Dist:** Myron Schweiss **Servers:** Keyden Buboltz, Micahl Nachreiner, Ely Hellendrung, Hailey Weinzetl **Ushers:** Tom P Borth, Joe Nachreiner, John Rieke, Brian Marquardt **Gifts:** Dave & Jody Busch **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Saturday, March 9th-5:00 PM

**Lector:** Jan Simonsen **Dist:** Paul Simonsen **Servers:** Ashley, Isaac & Alex Vos **Ushers:** LeRoy Schweiss, John Case, Dave Nosbush, Mike Vait **Gifts:** Melvin & Mary Eckstein **Sacristan:** Agnes Wendinger

Saturday, March 16th-5:00 PM

Lector: Pat Buboltz Dist: Agnes Wendinger Servers: Luke & William Bastian, Kaden Weir Ushers: Dennis Weinzetl, Jason Weinzetl, Pat Schreiner, George Wendinger Gifts: Richard & LeAnn Frank Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carold Gregory

#### ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 2: Cindy Rieke (Mark), Mary P Nachreiner

**CCW MEETING** at St. Andrews on February 26th @ 6:30 pm in the social hall. If any CCW members has a change in phone or cell phone number, please let Danette know.

**ST ANDREW'S FUN FEST PLANNING MEETING** - Everyone is invited to attend this organizational- brainstorming meeting on Tuesday, February 27<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 pm in the church basement. Fun Fest is important to our Parish as a Fundraiser but most importantly a social gathering of our family, friends and neighbors, please help us keep this going! Mary Nachreiner 507-276-6846 LeAnn Frank 426-7015.

**SOLES 4 SOULS IS BACK!!** Spread the word! During the month of April, there will be a drop box for "Soles 4 Souls" at each entrance of St. Andrew's. As thoughts of Spring-cleaning start, remember to donate shoes you no longer want or need. Help keep them out of area landfills. Help Soles 4 Souls get shoes to kids who can't go to school, because they have no shoes. Help Soles 4 Souls get shoes to adults who have none, so they can go to work. Clean, gently used kids' shoes, dress shoes, tennis shoes, boots, flip flops, sandals, slippers with soles and almost any other type of shoe can be donated. If you have any questions, please call 507-426-7759, please leave a message. We can also arrange for pick up of your shoes After Easter look for the boxes at church and watch for information on other drop off locations. Thank you to those who have donated in the past. To date, we have sent **1278 pairs of shoes**, 13 singles and 1 pair of boot liners to destinations in the U.S., Africa and Asia. Thank you, Barb Freitag

#### STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

Giving July 1st, 2023 - February 21st, 2024

 Income
 \$ 140,096.50

 Expenses
 \$ 118,838.21

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 21,258.29

#### HISPANIC COMMUNITY

#### **ENGLISH:**

Dear community: The readings of this Sunday show us how important obedience is; by the faith of one man, God blessed all the peoples of the earth. That's why I invite you to pray together..."Beloved God, You who tested the faith of Abraham, and once tested, promised to multiply his descendants like the stars of heaven and the sands of the seashore, and to bless all the peoples of the earth for his obedience to your words. Like Abraham, I will always trust in you, even in the midst of misfortunes and the shadows of death from which, Lord, you have delivered me, your servant, son of your servant. With gratitude, I offer you a sacrifice and invoke your holy name. Give me your grace to fulfill the promises I have made to you, Lord. I ask this through Jesus Christ, the Son of Man, risen from the dead. Amen"

#### SPANISH:

Querida comunidad: Las lecturas de este domingo nos muestran que importante es la obediencia; por la fe de un hombre, Dios bendijo a todos los pueblos de la tierra. Por eso les invito a orar juntos... "Amado Dios, Tú, que sometiste la fe de Abraham a prueba, y una vez probada, le prometiste multiplicar su descendencia como las estrellas del cielo y las arenas del mar y bendecir a todos los pueblos de la tierra por su obediencia a tus palabras. Al igual que Abraham, yo confiaré siempre en ti, aun en medio de las desgracias y las sombras de la muerte de las que, Señor, me has librado, a mí, tu siervo, hijo de tu sierva. Con gratitud, te ofrezco un sacrificio e invoco tu santo nombre. Dame tu gracia para cumplir las promesas que te he hecho, Señor. Te lo pido por Jesucristo, el Hijo del hombre, resucitado de entre los muertos. Amén."

### Anisabel Palma

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#### **Easter Flower Donation Form**

If you wish to make a donation for Easter flowers/environment, you may use this form. Fill out the form, place in an envelope and drop in the collection basket or Parish office by Wednesday, March 27th. Names will be printed in the March 31st bulletin. Thanks!

Donor Name:	 	
Parish:	 	
In Memory of:		

# CHURCH OF ST. WILLIBRORD-CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL NEWSLETTER

This newsletter is to inform you of our Parish Volunteer Team's activities for 2023. Because of **YOU**, Catholic United Financial Parish Volunteer Team #275 earned an activity allowance in 2023 from Catholic United Financial. Thank you everyone for the blessings of time and talent you bestowed on your parish, community and neighbors in need.

#### Our proud highlights include:

- \* Raised funds by our volunteers and team from the following activities:
  - MinisTREE cards for volunteer opportunities
  - Calendar Raffle Fundraiser from January 21 December 29, 2024
  - Donut Sunday on Priesthood Sunday with donations going towards Father Rolling's new green vestment and altar cloths
  - Grants4Good social activity grant
  - Grants4Good faith event grant
  - Matching grant
- ❖ Charitable giving to St. Willibrord's Fall Festival raffle prizes, Christmas gifts to Father Rolling and to St. Willibrord's parish, going away gift to Father Bruno, Matching Grant to religious education, donation to youth attending Steubenville, and donations to San Lucas, Msgr. Schuler Seminarian Fund, and Gather 4 Good.
- **Easter cups for children following Easter mass.**
- ❖ Held two workshops presented by Catholic United Financial representatives on Basic/Advanced Estate Planning and End of Life Decisions from a Catholic perspective
- **❖** Lectionary for Sundays was purchased with MinisTREE funds.
- **Co-sponsored with St. Andrew's for all AFC mass servers appreciation bowling party at Code 3.**
- **Sponsored Food Shelf Bingo**
- **❖** Four masses for living and deceased members of St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial and four masses for deceased members.
- \* Rosary prayed for 2 deceased members of St. Willibrord's Catholic United Financial.
- **❖** Provided information and Catholic United Financial refrigerator clips at community FunFest Business After Hours

Financial
Sales Representiave - David Schonhardt
PH: 763-670-9058

e-mail: dschonhardt@catholicunited.org

# PLEASE WATCH THE BULLETIN AND FURTHER SUPPORT LOCAL #275 CATHOLIC UNITED FINANCIAL WITH EXCITING EVENTS HAPPENING AT ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH FOR 2024:

- ❖ Father Stu movie night Sunday, February 4 at 6:30 PM
- ❖ Concert by The Cogley Sisters Sunday, February 11 at 2:00 PM (Grants4Good-Faith Grant)
- ❖ Workshop presented by Catholic United Financial representatives on Creating a Giving Plan from Life to Legacy − Sunday, March 3 following 8:00 AM mass with coffee and baked goods
- ❖ Food Shelf Bingo Sunday, March 17 (Grants4Good-Social Grant)
- ❖ Easter cups to children Sunday, March 31
- ❖ Workshop presented by Catholic United Financial representatives Wednesday, April 10 following 8:30 AM mass (topic to be determined) with coffee and baked goods
- ❖ Appreciation bowling party for all AFC mass servers Saturday, April 20
- ❖ Coffee and baked goods Priesthood Sunday in September

#### 2023-2024 Parish Volunteer Team #275

Team Director – *Kathy Bruns* Administrative Coordinator – *Carol Haas* Publicity Lead – *Vickie Dreier* Event Lead – *Berny Berger* Volunteer Leads – *Genny and Melvin Neyers* Sales Representative – *David Schonhardt 763-670-9058* 

<u>If parishioners would like to see other activities offered</u>, please talk to someone on the Parish Volunteer Team, i.e. fun things, spiritual, youth, or senior citizens.

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