Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time

# February 7, 2021 LLSAIN **AREA FAITH COMMUNITY**

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, February 8	NO MASS			
Tuesday, February 9	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Shirley Frank	
Wednesday, February 10	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Brian Eichten	
		Eucharist Adoration following Ma	ISS	
Thursday, February 11	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Alfred Schmitz & Maria Lux	
		Eucharist Adoration following Mass		
Friday, February 12	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Tom Sherry	
Saturday, February 13	3:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass		
	4:00 PM	Fairfax	+Carolyn Borth	
Sunday, February 14	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Reynold & Janet Evenson	
	10:30 AM	Winthrop	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community	

**Reflection Questions Fifth Sunday in Ordinary Time** How do I serve God and serve my neighbor? Will I commit to doing all I can?



Readings for the Week of February 7, 2021 Sunday: Jb 7:1-4, 6-7/Ps 147:1-2, 3-4, 5-6 [cf. 3a]/ 1 Cor 9:16-19, 22-23/Mk 1:29-39 Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12, 24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56 Tuesday: Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13 Wednesday: Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a, 27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23 Thursday: Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf. 1a]/Mk 7:24-30 Friday: Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37 Saturday: Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13 [1]/ Mk 8:1-10 Next Sunday: Lv 13:1-2, 44-46/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 11 [7]/ 1 Cor 10:31-11:1/Mk 1:40-45

We can imagine that **the appearance of Jesus with James and John at her house caused Simon's mother-in-law some distress.** In her illness, she had been unable to offer them the hospitality so important in that culture. But as soon as the fever disappeared, she regained the freedom to properly welcome her visitors. No longer sick, she was able to serve. And that was exactly what she wanted to do. Without hesitation, she began to use her restored health to care for others. And soon enough, her hospitality was extended to new levels because "the whole town was gathered at the door" to see Jesus in action. Do we think of our health as a gift from God to be put toward the service of others? Instead of focusing on how our bodies can serve us, may we follow the example of this woman who was so quick to attend to the needs of her family, her friends and her neighbors.

#### "Lord Jesus, fill me with gratitude and generosity for all you have done for me."

**The season of Lent** begins on Wednesday, February 17th. Masses for Ash Wednesday are St. Francis de Sales 8:30 A.M., St. Andrew 5:30 P.M., St. Willibrord 7:00 P.M.

Fr. Bruno OSB

## AREA PARISH

### AREA CALENDAR

**WINTHROP ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING**, Tuesday, February 9<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in Winthrop **GIBBON ADMINISTRATIVE COUNCIL MEETING** Thursday, February 11<sup>th</sup>, at 7:00 pm in Gibbon **AREA PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** Tuesday, February 16<sup>th</sup>, at 6:30 pm in Gibbon

#### AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Feb 8 Joan Forst, Amy Eckert
- Feb 9 David Guggisberg, Carson Sowers
- Feb 10 Pat & Dave Buboltz Anniv., Ashley Vos, Bernadette Boyum, Larry Wendinger, Casey Wersal, Marianne Machaiek, Jason Tupy
- Feb 11 Randy Bruns, Jamie Lauwagie, Josh Jutz, Yvonne O'Brien, Logan Steele
- Feb 12 Pat McFarland, Matthew Meyer, Anthony Weber, Damian Cardenas, Jose Farias
- Feb 13 Anthony Case, Charles Grosam, Robert Kaukola
- Feb 14 Chuck & Denine Hellendrung Anniv., Kathy & Hilary Bianchi Anniv., Jennifer Scharfencamp, Miah Busse, Abram Cardenas

**Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program** – Week 17- The 2<sup>nd</sup> Day: Religious Turmoil. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling 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!

**EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR**–Sunday, February 7<sup>th</sup>, at St. Willibrord's, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. Holy Hour will include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

**NEXT WEEK (ASH WEDNESDAY)** we will take up the Collection for the Church in Central and Eastern Europe. This collection supports the Church in more than 25 countries that still struggle to recover from former communist rule. Funds from this collection support pastoral care, catechesis, building renovations and seminary formation. Your support restores the Church and builds the future in this region. Please prayerfully consider how you can support the collection next week. More information can be found at <a href="http://www.usccb.org/ccee">www.usccb.org/ccee</a>.

<u>Lenten Faith Formation Opportunity!</u> Each morning during Lent we will read and reflect on the Gospel. You can join us on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page beginning on February 17<sup>th</sup>, Ash Wednesday. We will go live at 6:30 am. "See" you there!

#### **BIBLE IN A YEAR PODCAST**

Ascensionpress.com (Choose Ascension presents from the drop down menu then scroll down, click The Bible in A Year, scroll down and click listen now!)

If you've struggled to read the Bible, this podcast is for you. Ascension's *Bible in a Year* Podcast, hosted by Fr. Mike Schmitz, guides Catholics through the Bible in 365 daily episodes starting January 1st, 2021. Each 20-25 minute episode includes:

- two to **three scripture readings**
- a reflection from Fr. Mike Schmitz
- and guided prayer to help you hear God's voice in his Word.

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 Gerald Peichel St. Andrew's

**SEEKING MISSIONARIES!** Totus Tuus (Latin for "Totally Yours") is a program of the Diocese of New Ulm that gathers college students into teams of four and sends them out to parishes to spread the faith through Catechesis, songs, games, skits and the sacraments! It combines faith and fun! Go to <u>www.dnu.org/totus-tuus-missionary</u>.

**CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL, APRIL 15 – ON MISSION FOR LIFE AND DIGNITY!** Join Catholics from across the state to transform our state into a culture that defends life and dignity. Be formed in the faith, beginning the day with Mass at the Cathedral of St. Paul. Be informed on the issues, as we hear from inspiring speakers like international pro-life advocate Obianuju Ekeocha and Archbishop José Gomez of Los Angeles the President of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops. And be sent on mission, joining a Eucharistic procession from the cathedral to the State Capitol before meeting with your legislators to advocate for life and dignity! The big day is April 15, but registration closes March 31. Visit <u>catholicsatthecapitol.org</u> to learn more and secure your spot. Together, we can protect life and dignity!

**THE BISHOP LUCKER LECTURE** – Monday, March 8, 2021, at 7 p.m. - has been changed to a virtual event. Admission is free. To register, please visit <u>www.dnu.org</u>. You will be sent an email with a link to connect to the event via Zoom. The featured speaker will be Johnnette Benkovic Willams, founder of EWTN's Women of Grace. Her talk is entitled "Journey in Faith" will detail her journey from being a non-practicing Catholic to founding international apostolates of evangelization through Catholic media.

**FEELING DISCONNECTED?** Every married couple deserves the gift of a Worldwide Marriage Encounter weekend! The next virtual weekends in this area will be held February 12-14, 2021 and February 18-28, 2021. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: southmnwwme.org or contact Miki at applications@southmnwwme.org or 507-227-8229.

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,388.00	1,030.00	435.00
Loose Plate	84.00	5.00	24.00
Catholic Schools Week	201.00	52.00	173.00
Seminary Collection			
DUF			
Votives			
Building			
Maintenance	350.00		
TOTAL	\$2,023.00	\$1,087.00	\$632.00

#### 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: 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

## **RELIGIOUS EDUCATION**

Wednesday, February 10, 2021: Class

Wednesday, February 17, 2021: Class for 1-4 graders, No class for 5-10 grades. Please attend Ash Wednesday Mass! Wednesday, February 24, 2021: Class

ASH WEDNESDAY! Ash Wednesday is February 17, 2021. Mass schedule is as follows: 8:30 am Winthrop, 5:30 pm Fairfax, 7:00 pm Gibbon. We are asking all evening religion classes to attend Mass on Ash Wednesday!

#### **RESTORED!**

Steubenville National Youth Conference, July 23-25, 2021, Rochester MN – A transformational Catholic conference for high school youth (8th through 12th grades). Enjoy top national keynote speakers, powerful praise music, and more. Due to COVID restrictions, spots will be limited. Sign up early! See flyer for more info or contact Kellie Sloot (320) 583-6755. Fundraising opportunities will be available! Please let us know by February 15th if you are interested so fundraisers and travel plans can be arranged!

# <u>ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON</u>

Sunday, **February 14<sup>th</sup>-8**:30 AM Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Ushers: Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz Sacristan: Rose Forst Wednesday, **February 17<sup>th</sup>-7**:00 PM (Ash Wednesday) Lector: Melvin Neyers Ushers: Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz Sacristan: Connie Tautges Sunday, **February 21<sup>st</sup>-8**:30 AM Lector: Jerome Petersen Ushers: Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz Sacristan: Kathy Bruns Sunday, **February 28<sup>th</sup>-8**:30 AM

Lector: Amy Weber Ushers: Ronny Weber, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz Sacristan: Rose Forst

**THANK YOU SO MUCH TO ROSE FORST AND DAWN HOFFMANN** for making our church altar look so beautiful this past Advent, Christmas and January! Mavis Lindmeyer and Jeannine Grosam will now take over from February through Palm Sunday. Thank you ladies for all your help and service to our beautiful church!

**OUR BEAUTIFUL POINSETTIAS CAN BE TAKEN HOME** by anyone anytime as they will not be part of the liturgical decoration after February 14. If you would like one and want us to hold one for you or arrange to bring it to your home, call Mavis 507-829-4416. Thank you to all who donated towards the Christmas poinsettias.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY** will be celebrated on Sunday, February 14<sup>th</sup>, honoring all our married couples in the parish with a special blessing, and special treats for all present at Mass. Our next longest married couples this year are – Dave and Dolores Kokesch who will be celebrating 59 years of marriage on May 5th, and Donnie & Charlene Forst who will be celebrating 57 years of marriage on April 7<sup>th</sup>!

**CCW SCHOLARSHIPS** – Scholarships are again available for education in faith and spiritual growth. They can be used for speakers, workshops, seminars, classes, music lessons, etc. that aide women and girls of the parish in parish ministry. Applications are due March  $1^{st}$  – see Genny Neyers ASAP for more information and forms – 834-6659.

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

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-February 3, Income	, 2021 \$ 61,084.85 (Includes \$7,100 Fall Festival)		
Expenses	\$ <u>51,384.40</u>		
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 9,700.45		

# <u>ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP</u>

Sunday, February 14th-10:30 AM

Lector: Wendy Lang Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

Wednesday, February 17<sup>th</sup>-8:30 AM (Ash Wednesday)

Lector: Kellie Sloot Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

Sunday, February 21st-10:30 AM

Lector: Bob & Laurie Kaukola Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

Sunday, February 28th-10:30 AM

Lector: Barb Pagel Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Sue Lauwagie Money Counters: Sue Lauwagie, Celeste Witucki

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION** will be held on February 14th, honoring our next longest married couple this year - Leon and Diane Lang who will be celebrating 55 years of marriage on April 16th! We will be serving a light lunch after Mass on the 14th. Please join us!

**THERE HAS BEEN SOME CLEANING HAPPENING** in the old church entry storage area. In that space we found lots of games, puzzles, stickers, wreaths, Christmas lights, a bulletin board, a chalk board, books, etc. All of this is "up for grabs" on two tables in the social hall. Take a look and take home what you find interesting, useful, or unique. There is something for just about everyone!! It all needs to find a new home!!

# **ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX**

Saturday, February 13th-4:00 PM			
Lector: Anita Weir Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Colleen Schweiss			
Wednesday, February 17 <sup>th</sup> -5:30 PM (Ash Wednesday)			
Lector: Mike Beranek Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan:			
Saturday, February 20th-4:00 PM			
Lector: Agnes Kiecker Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe			
Saturday, February 27 <sup>th</sup> -4:00 PM			
Lector: Janet Simonsen Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Brenda Runck			

SYMPATHY TO SUE SCHWEISS (MYRON) AND HER FAMILY on the death of her mother, Phyllis Iverson, who passed away on Sunday, January 31<sup>st</sup>.

**WORLD MARRIAGE DAY** will be celebrated on Saturday, February 13<sup>th</sup>, at St Andrews Parish, honoring all our married couples in the parish with a special blessing and special treats for all present at Mass. Our next longest married couples this year are: Richard & Agnes Mathiowetz and Elgar & Arline Kiecker. Congratulations to our next longest married couples!

**CUSTODIAN NEEDED**: We are still looking for a 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.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 1: Jody Busch, Jamie Case

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ON THE YEAR END FINANCIAL STATEMENT** that got mailed out to everyone the figure of miscellaneous cost for coal bin and entry repair totaled \$6,097 not \$45,097 paid by a generous parishioner.

Also, Funfest donations were not included on your year end contribution statement.

## **STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH**

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-February 3rd, 2021 Income \$ 122,198.45 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00) Expenses \$ (<u>83,679.82)</u> Net Gain/Loss \$ **38,518.63** Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$54,217.30/(\$80,582.34) = \$(26,365.04)

#### LITANY OF ST. JOSEPH

Lord, have mercy on us. **Christ, have mercy on us.** Lord, have mercy on us, Christ hear us. **Christ gracious hear us.** 

God, the Father of Heaven, **Have mercy on us.** God, the Son, Redeemer of the world, God, the Holy Spirit, Holy Trinity, One God,

Holy Mary, Pray for us... St. Joseph, Renowned offspring of David, Light of Patriarchs, Spouse of the Mother of God, Chaste guardian of the Virgin, Foster father of the Son of God, Diligent protector of Christ, Head of the Holy Family, Joseph most just, Joseph most chaste, Joseph most prudent, Joseph most strong, Joseph most obedient, Joseph most faithful, Mirror of patience, Lover of poverty, Model of artisans, Glory of home life,

Guardian of virgins, **Pray for us...** Pillar of families, Solace of the wretched, Hope of the sick, Patron of the dying, Terror of demons, Protector of Holy Church,

Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, Spare us, O Lord Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, Graciously hear us, O Lord. Lamb of God, who take away the sins of the world, Have mercy on us.

He made him the lord of his household. And prince over all his possessions.

Let us pray, - O God, in your ineffable providence you were pleased to choose Blessed Joseph to be the spouse of your most holy Mother; grant, we beg you, that we may be worthy to have him for our intercessor in heaven whom on earth we venerate as our Protector: You who live and reign forever and ever.