Second Sunday of Easter(Sunday of Divine Mercy)

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SAIN AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

ST. ANDREW'S FAIRFAX, MN

ST. WILLIBRORD'S GIBBON, MN

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES WINTHROP, MN

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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. Monday April 12

Monday, April 12	NO MASS		
Tuesday, April 13	8:30 AM	Fairfax	Spec. IntDeacon Paul Treinen
Wednesday, April 14	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Frank Moldan
		Eucharist Adoration following Mass	
Thursday, Apr 15	8:30 AM	NO MASS (FUNERAL)	
Friday, Apr 16	9:30 PM	Winthrop	+Evan Margosian
Saturday, Apr 17	3:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass	
	4:00 PM	Gibbon	+Marge Berg
Sunday, Apr 18	8:30 AM	Winthrop	+Betty McCoy
	10:30 AM	Fairfax	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
	12:30 PM	Fairfax-Spanish Mass	

Reflection Questions for Second Sunday of Easter To whom do I need to offer mercy?



Readings for the Week of April 11th, 2021 Sunday: Acts 4:32-35/Ps 118:2-4, 13-15, 22-24 [1]/ 1 Jn 5:1-6/Jn 20:19-3 Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8 Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15 Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/ Jn 3:16-21 **Thursday:** Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/ Jn 3:31-36 Friday: Acts 5:34-42/Ps 27:1, 4, 13-14 [cf. 4abc]/Jn 6:1-15 Saturday: Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21 Next Sunday: Acts 3:13-15, 17-19/Ps 4:2, 4, 7-8, 9 [7a]/ 1 Jn 2:1-5a/Lk 24:35-48

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April 11, 2021

After the resurrection, the wounds of Christ take on a whole new meaning. Whereas they had originally been a sign of the tragedy and pain of the crucifixion, they now became a sign of triumph and power over physical death as well as spiritual death - sin. When Jesus invites Thomas to touch his wounds, he is allowing Thomas to experience this reality for himself. Thomas doesn't just look at the nail marks; he personally encounters them. And then, he believes. This is a powerful image for the mercy of Christ. The suffering he endured on the cross was not just a distant symbol for us to admire. The fact that Jesus suffered for us means that our suffering now has somewhere to go. Our pain, our battle with sin, our struggle to truly believe in him, all of this can be laid within the wounds of Christ and healed. When we unite our own wounds to those of Christ, when we allow ourselves to encounter the wounded but glorified Christ, we are able to move beyond our own troubles. We get to share in the victory and truly experience his peace.

"Live in faith and hope, though it be in darkness, God protects the soul. Cast your care upon God for you are His and He will not forget you. Do not think that He is leaving you alone, for that would be to wrong Him." ~St. John of the Cross

This weekend **Divine Mercy Sunday** is celebrated throughout the Catholic Church. It was established by Pope John Paul II in 2000, the year of St. Faustina's canonization. Divine Mercy is an invitation for each of us to examine the practice of our faith and to trust in God's mercy for all, especially those in greatest need.

TRAVEL TO INDIA On Monday, April 19th, I will be leaving for Asirvanam Benedictine Monastery in Bangalore, India and returning on Thursday, May 20. While at home in India, I will be visiting my dad and mom and my siblings in Chennai and Sengudi village.

Fr. Bruno OSB

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Apr 12 Sharon & Lowell Kiecker Anniv., Myron Gehrke, Vickie Dreier
- Apr 13 Mike & Jennifer Willegal Anniv.
- Apr 14 Annika Nosbush, Vic Serbus, Wendy Lang
- Apr 15 Steve Clobes, Kristi Marquardt, Adeline Mortensen, Curt Scharfencamp, Maxine Howe
- Apr 16 Brenda Johnson, Dennis & Jean Weinzetl Anniv., Richard & LeAnn Frank Anniv., Amy Kerkhoff, Paul Bregel, Lyle & Rose Forst Anniv., Leon & Diane Lang Anniv.
- Apr 17 Greg Borth, Ryan Lavrenz, Cole Howe, Andrew Portner
- Apr 18 Linda Radermacher, David Kokesh, Diane Hacker, Franz Metzger Jr.

Please remember in your prayers . . .

Kenneth (**Casey**) **Callier** who passed away on Wednesday, March 31st. His mass of Christian Burial will be held on Thursday, April 15th, at 11:00 am at St. Andrew's Church with burial in the St. Willibrord's Catholic cemetery.

We offer our sympathy to the family.

Topic for THAT MAN IS YOU men's program – Week 26- Amici Di Giuseppe. All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

DIVINE MERCY EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR–Sunday, April 11th, at St. Willibrord's, from 3:00 to 4:00 p.m. Note – change in date and time due to Easter. Holy Hour will include the Chaplet of Divine Mercy, rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

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!

CATHOLICS AT THE CAPITOL, APRIL 15 – ON MISSION FOR LIFE AND DIGNITY!

Join Catholics from across Minnesota either virtually or in-person at the Cathedral of St. Paul for this incredible day of prayer, education, and advocacy. You'll be formed in the faith through Mass and keynote speakers, informed on critical issues impacting life & dignity in our state, and sent on mission to the Capitol for Benediction and prayers for our state and elected officials. The next day, on April 16, you will get to meet virtually with your legislators to advocate on the issues you learned about during the event. Visit <u>catholicsatthecapitol.org</u> to learn more and secure your spot. Together, we can protect life and dignity.



ST. MICHAEL'S CUF MATCHING GRANT RUMMAGE SALE AND LUNCH will be held Friday, April 16th from 9:00 AM to 6:00 PM and Saturday, April 17th from 8:00 AM to 1:00 PM is the \$2 bag sale at St. Michael's Social Hall in Morgan which is handicap accessible.

"Love one another as I have loved you." John 13:34 - Attend a Worldwide Marriage Encounter Weekend and experience the love of your spouse like you never have before. The next available **Weekends** are Apr 16-18, 2021 in OLIVIA, MN and Nov 19-21, 2021 in WINDOM, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: **southmnwwme.org** or contact Miki at <u>applications@southmnwwme.org</u> or 507-227-8229.

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,006.00	2,230.70	1,010.00
Loose/Youth Plate	227.00	64.00	212.00
DUF	85.00		
Rice Bowl	5.00		
Spanish Mass	92.00		
Rent		150.00	
Easter Flowers	25.00	30.00	
Holy Thursday	334.40		
Energy/Fuel			200.00
Votives	12.00		3.00
Good Friday/Holy Land	210.00	25.00	393.00
Easter	3,795.00		1,065.00
Building		30.00	
Maintenance	600.00		
TOTAL	\$6,391.40	\$2,529.70	\$2,883.00

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

Sunday, April 11, 2021: First Comm. Wn 8:30am, Fx 10:30am Wednesday, April 14, 2021: Class Wednesday, April 21, 2021: Class Wednesday, April 28, 2021: End of the Year Mass Gb 6:30pm

YOUTH SINGERS NEEDED (!) for our AFC Year End Mass <u>on Wednesday, April 28th</u>, 6:30 p.m. at St. Willibrord's in Gibbon, meeting to practice one half hour before Mass in the social hall. Practices (half hour) will be offered in Gibbon <u>on Wednesday, April 21st at 4:45 p.m.</u> after the afternoon classes, <u>at 6:30 p.m.</u> in Gibbon before the evening classes and in Fairfax, on Sunday, April 25th, after the 10:30 a.m.

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Saturday, April 17th-4:00 PM

Lector: Amy Weber Ushers: Davis Biebl, Clete Kyzmarzick, Joel Wiltscheck Sacristan: Rose Forst

Saturday, April 24th-4:00 PM

Lector: Alan Neyers Ushers: Davis Biebl, Clete Kyzmarzick, Joel Wiltscheck Sacristan: Connie Tautges

Sunday, May 2nd-10:00 AM

Lector: Gail Herschman Ushers: Greg Hartmann, Roger Holm, Greg Stadtherr Sacristan:

DUE TO THE HIGH GAS BILLS THIS MONTH any extra contribution you can give would be greatly appreciated. Just put in a separate envelope for energy bill. Thank you.

HOLY WATER bottles are available by the font at St. Willibrord's. Please use the Blessed Easter Holy Water to bless yourselves and your families, your homes, gardens and fields!

WORLD MARRIAGE DAY CELEBRATION, which was postponed in February, will be held on Saturday, April 10th. We will be honoring Donnie & Charlene Forst who will be celebrating 57 years of marriage on April 7th! CCW will be serving a light lunch after the 4:00 p.m. Mass. Please join us!

CCW ROSARY will be prayed for our deceased member, Adeline Grosam before the 4 p.m. Mass on Saturday, April 10th. Please join us in prayer for Adeline. Thank you!

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

 Giving July 1st, 2020-Apr 7th, 2021

 Income
 \$ 70,087.60 (Includes \$7,100 Fall Festival)

 Expenses
 \$(<u>70,234.97)</u>

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$(147.37)

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

Sunday, April 18th-8:30 AM

Lector: Harry Sloot Ushers: Tyler & Emilee Stehr, Mike Rein, Jean Groehler Sacristan: Che May Money Counters: Harry Sloot, Andy Portner

Sunday, April 25th-8:30 AM

Lector: Wendy Lang Ushers: Tyler & Emilee Stehr, Mike Rein, Jean Groehler Sacristan: Che May Money Counters: Harry Sloot, Andy Portner

Saturday, May 1st-5:00 PM

Lector: Bob & Laurie Kaukola Ushers: Ron & Barb Dietl, Leon Lang, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek Money Counters: Leon Lang, Brent Lang

Addition to Easter Flowers: Donor - Dennis & Joan Dording In Memory Of - Stacy Dording, Marilyn & Cyril Dording

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **April 18**th-10:30 AM Lector: Janet Simonsen Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe Sunday, **April 25**th-10:30 AM Lector: Cindy Rieke Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Brenda Runck Sunday, **May 2**nd-8:00 AM Lector: Mike Beranek Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe

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 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.

CEMETERY & CHURCH GROUNDSKEEPER NEEDED: We are looking for a groundskeeper to mow the grass at the Catholic cemetery and the church as needed. Interested applicants should contact Richard Hellendrung at 507-426-7480. Position is open until filled. Work hours are flexible.

THANKS TO EVERYONE THAT DONATED FOR THE MARCH FOOD SHELF. We collected 171# and also had very generous cash donations for Renville County. Thanks again for sharing and caring for those in need. Agnes W. & Sandy H.

FOR A SCHOOL PROJECT, JEANA SCHROEDER is collecting shoes for "Soles 4 Souls". The collection boxes will be placed at both entrances at St. Andrew's until May 1st.

FAIRFAX AMERICAN LEGION AUXILIARY CASH BINGO on Sunday, April 11th, at 2:00 PM at Squirrels Bar and Grill. Lunch available. All ages welcome!

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEALS ON WHEELS for the week of April 19th – 23rd. 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-April 7th, 2021					
Income	\$	144,696.56 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00)			
Expenses	\$ ((<u>112,045.39)</u>			
Net Gain/Loss	\$	32,651.17			

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses

56,757.30/(880,582.34) = (23,825.04)