

Fourth Sunday of Easter

April 30, 2023



# ALL SAINTS

## AREA FAITH COMMUNITY



ST. ANDREW'S  
FAIRFAX, MN



ST. WILLIBROD'S  
GIBBON, MN



ST. FRANCIS DE SALES  
WINTHROP, MN

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**AFC Website:** [www.allsaintsaafc.org](http://www.allsaintsaafc.org)

**Diocese Website:** [www.dnu.org](http://www.dnu.org)

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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, May 1	NO MASS	Private	Spec Int-Mary Myerly-Welfare of Family
Tuesday, May 2	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Daniel & Dorothy Borth
Wednesday, May 3	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Miran Altmann
Thursday, May 4	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Christian Mothers
Friday, May 5	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Lorraine Ravnaas
		<i>Winthrop-Eucharist Adoration</i>	
Saturday, May 6	4:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	5:00 PM	Gibbon ( <b>Time Change</b> )	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
Sunday, May 7	8:00 AM	Winthrop ( <b>Time Change</b> )	+Marvin Weber
	10:00 AM	Fairfax ( <b>Time Change</b> )	+Marian Wendinger
	12:30 PM	Fairfax-Spanish Mass	

#### **Reflection Question for Fourth Sunday of Easter**

How can I be that gate, in imitation of Jesus? How do I protect others from danger or trauma and how do I comfort those who are lost or in pain?



#### **Readings for the Week of April 30, 2023**

**Sunday:** Acts 2:14a, 36-41/Ps 23:1-3a, 3b-4, 5, 6 (1)/  
1 Pt 2:20b-25/Jn 10:1-10

**Monday:** Acts 11:1-18/Ps 42:2-3; 43:3, 4/Jn 10:11-18

**Tuesday:** Acts 11:19-26/Ps 87:1b-3, 4-5, 6-7/Jn 10:22-30

**Wednesday:** 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5/Jn 14:6-14

**Thursday:** Acts 13:13-25/Ps 89:2-3, 21-22, 25 and 27/  
Jn 13:16-20

**Friday:** Acts 13:26-33/Ps 2:6-7, 8-9, 10-11ab/Jn 14:1-6

**Saturday:** Acts 13:44-52/Ps 98:1, 2-3ab, 3cd-4/Jn 14:7-14

**Next Sunday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 (22)/  
1 Pt 2:4-9/Jn 14:1-12

The metaphor of the "sheep" an everyday feature of Jewish life, permeates the Old Testament. **God himself is called Israel's "Shepherd," and His people are the "sheep of his pasture."** The sheep recognize his voice and follow him. He calls them by name, leads them out and goes before them. Jesus becomes very specific and personal in illuminating the meaning of this metaphor when he says "I am the gate of the sheep". He further says, **those who enter through him will be saved and will have life in abundance.** He is the Good Shepherd, our Savior. He leads us in, and he leads us out. Under his care we find pasture. But the only condition is that we must enter through him. Are we ready to enter through the gate of Jesus to inherit eternal life? Do we believe that he is our Good Shepherd?

**"Damnation is for the soul who wants to be damned, but for the one who desires salvation, there is the inexhaustible ocean of the Lord's mercy to draw from."**

~St. Faustina Kowalska

During the **month of May**, we highlight Mary's role in allowing God's Son to come into the world. This serves as a good reminder for us to give extra attention to our own openness to allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives as did Mary. Pope Francis said the Blessed Virgin Mary "...gave a human face to the eternal Word, so that all of us can contemplate God." He describes her entire existence as "a hymn to life, a hymn of love to life" because she gave birth to Jesus in the flesh, and was there at the birth of the Church in the upper room at Pentecost.

### **Rosary Procession**

Sunday, May 7, there will be a Rosary Procession with Bishop Zielinski in Sleepy Eye at **7:00 P.M.** beginning at **Schoenstatt on the Lake and ending at St. Mary's Church.** There will be a shuttle bus available from the St Mary's parking lot to Schoenstatt on the Lake beginning at 6:00 P.M.

**All are welcome!**

**Please earnestly pray for more vocations to the priesthood!**

I encourage you to listen to Liturgy Matters and learn more about the mysteries of the sacred liturgy. Visit the Diocese of New Ulm website, [www.dnu.org/liturgy-matters](http://www.dnu.org/liturgy-matters) where the series is available in both audio and text.

Fr. Bruno O.S.B

**REMEMBER STARTING MAY 6<sup>TH</sup> & 7<sup>TH</sup> MASS SCHEDULES WILL CHANGE.** St. Willibrord's-Gibbon will be on Saturdays at 5:00 pm, St. Francis de Sales-Winthrop on Sundays at 8:00 am, followed by St. Andrew's-Fairfax at 10:00 am.

**MASS INTENTIONS** 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**

**ST. ANDREW'S ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING** Wednesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 pm in Fairfax, Maintenance meeting at 6:30 pm

**AREA PASTORAL COUNCIL MEETING** Wednesday, May 17<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 pm in Fairfax

**ST. WILLIBRORD'S ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING** Thursday, May 25<sup>th</sup>, 7:00 pm in Gibbon

**ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING** Wednesday, May 31<sup>st</sup>, 7:00 pm in Winthrop

### **AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES**

**Apr 30** Richard & Marge Schmidt Anniv.

**May 1** Oswaldo Puentes

**May 2** Tom Runck, Dennis Weinzetl, Steve & Sheila Schroeder Anniv., Tom & Sue Prax Anniv., Charles Rieke, Chad Klement, James Pulley

**May 3** Pat & Lana Schreiner Anniv., Dennis Hauer

**May 4** Gusty Isaacson

**May 5** Isaac Vos, David & Delores Kokesch Anniv., Megan Schmidt

**May 6** Madalynn Nachreiner, Aggie Mattes, Jennifer Willegal

### **Liturgy Matters #26**

The poetic summary used at this point in the third Eucharistic prayer expresses the climax of God's plan for the world as being "so that from the rising of the sun to its setting a perfect offering may be made to the glory of your name." This expression echoes Malachi 1:11, a phrase which the very first generations of Christians saw as a prophecy of the Eucharist. "From the rising of the sun, even to its setting, my name is great among the nations; and everywhere they bring sacrifice to my name and a pure offering."



*Please Remember in Prayer*

**Casey 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  
**Karen Guggisberg**  
St. Andrew's

Understanding that the word "sacrifice" is essential for understanding what is happening now, we must take note of its occurrences throughout all four of the Eucharistic prayers. We must recall the words of St. Paul to indicate the particular understanding of sacrifice that we as Christians have: "I urge you, therefore, by the mercies of God to offer your bodies as a living sacrifice, holy and pleasing to God, your spiritual worship" (Romans 12:1) The sacrifice offered by Christians is the spiritual worship rather than the carnal worship of animals offered in the Temple. Our bodies are a living sacrifice, but we do not offer it up by ourselves, we can only do this through, with, and in Christ's offering. We acknowledge this: "Through him we ask you Father, to accept and bless these gifts we offer you in sacrifice"; that is, the bread and wine we have brought as the sign of our whole lives. We cannot emphasize enough that at this time we are offering our entire selves. This includes our joys and sorrows, sins and weaknesses, pains and sufferings, loves and hates; it is all to be united with Christ's offering.

To be present at this time with our entire being helps each one of us to grasp the immensity of the gift that the Father gave us in the sacrifice of His son. Let us recognize just how fortunate we are to be able to join with Him on the altar.

**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 24 – Renewed in Mercy All men 18 and older are welcome. We meet on Thursdays at 5:45 am at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon.

**SUPPORT THE CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL TODAY!** Nearly 40% of dioceses in the United States and its territories are considered mission territories because they are unable to fund essential pastoral activities needed in their communities. Your support funds religious education, seminary formation, lay ministry training, and other programs that build vibrant faith communities right here in the United States. Please be generous. More information can be found at [www.usccb.org/home-missions](http://www.usccb.org/home-missions).

**RENEWED IN HOPE DMA Appeal Funds Summary** as of April 24th, 2023. Parish goals: St. Andrew's \$13,073.39, total cash received \$9,733.70; St. Willibrord's \$8,142.20, total cash received \$4,725.00; St. Francis's \$4,931.19, total cash received \$5,900.00. Remember that 20% of our donations come back to each parish.

**EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR** – Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, at St. Willibrord's, from **7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** (note time change for the season). Holy Hour will include praying the rosary, scripture readings, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

**THANK YOU** to the St. Willibrord's CUF an CCW for generous donations to the St. Willibrord's youth and chaperone attending the Steubenville Youth conference this summer, and to the Winthrop Knights of Columbus for their generous donation to the St. Francis youth and chaperone also attending the conference.

**ANYONE WHO HAS SUFFERED SEXUAL ABUSE** by a priest or another person involved in Church ministry is encouraged to immediately report such abuse to local law enforcement, regardless of when it occurred, if it has not yet been reported. A listing of all county law enforcement and child protection agencies within the 15 counties of the Diocese of New Ulm is posted on the diocesan Web site at <https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>. Victims and survivors of abuse by clergy are also encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator or the bishop's delegate in matters pertaining to sexual misconduct at 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, or by phone at 507-233-5313, for counseling or other assistance in healing.

Toda persona que haya sido víctima de abuso sexual por parte de un miembro del clero u otra persona en el ministerio de la Iglesia debe reportar dicha mala conducta a las autoridades policiales inmediatamente, independientemente de cuando haya sucedido, si aún no ha sido reportado. Un listado de todas las entidades policiales y los servicios de protección al menor dentro de los quince condados de la Diócesis de New Ulm se encuentra en nuestra página de internet, <https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>. También se exhorta a las víctimas y sobrevivientes de abuso por parte del clero ponerse en contacto con el Coordinador de asistencia para víctimas o el delegado del Obispo en cuestiones sobre el mal comportamiento sexual 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, o al 507-233-5313 para consejería u otra ayuda de sanación.

### WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,533.00	791.00	496.00
Loose/Youth Plate	29.00	139.00	92.00
Holy Land		45.00	
DMA		60.00	
Votive Lights			3.00
Hall Rent		50.00	
Easter	950.00	50.00	
Catholic Home Missions	75.00		10.00
Building/Maintenance	100.00	100.00	120.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$2,687.00</b>	<b>\$1,235.00</b>	<b>\$721.00</b>

### 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

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

**Wednesday, May 3, 2023:** Class

**Wednesday, May 10, 2023:** Class, End of the Year Mass at St. Willibrord's @ 6:30 pm

**THE END OF THE RELIGIOUS EDUCATION YEAR** will be celebrated with Mass on May 10, 2023 at 6:30pm at St. Willibrord's in Gibbon. Classes will run through May 3rd.

**YOUTH CHOIR** will sing for our year-end Religious Education Mass at 6:30 p.m. on Wednesday, May 10<sup>th</sup> at St. Willibrord's. We will meet to practice at 6 p.m. in the social hall of the church. For Fairfax students, or anyone from Gibbon or Winthrop that needs help, please contact Berny at (320)583-7975 or email at [jbberger1972@gmail.com](mailto:jbberger1972@gmail.com), to have the music links sent to you to practice. We encourage all our youth to participate and enjoy this wonderful music!

## ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Saturday, **May 6th-5:00 PM (Note Time Change)**

**Lector:** Gail Herschman **Dist:** Grace Rubischko **Servers:** Jennifer Guzman, Melody Exum, Briana Roche **Ushers:** Mike Willegal, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Gifts:** Fran Meyer, Linda Olson **Sacristan:** Charlene Forst

Saturday, **May 13th-5:00 PM**

**Lector:** Melvin Neyers/Regie Mattes **Dist:** Geneva Klover **Servers:** Abby & Kelly Willegal **Ushers:** Mike Willegal, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Gifts:** Melissa Rettig, Sharon Briese **Sacristan:** Jeannine Grosam

Saturday, **May 20th-5:00 PM**

**Lector:** Jerome Petersen **Dist:** Jeannine Grosam **Servers:** Imani & Mandy Prigge **Ushers:** Mike Willegal, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Gifts:** Melvin & Genny Neyers **Sacristan:** Connie Tautges

**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!

**SATURDAY, MAY 6<sup>th</sup>, AT 4:35 PM (BEFORE 5:00 PM MASS)**, Catholic United Financial (CUF) Parish Volunteer Team #275 will pray the rosary in remembrance of Davis Biebl, a long time active member of CUF, who also held the office of Secretary for many years up until his death. Please come and join in praying the rosary for the repose of Davis' soul.

Catholic United  
**Financial** 

**DONATIONS FOR THE INDIAN WELL WATER TREATMENT SYSTEM** are welcome any time with a separate envelope marked for this and dropped in the collection basket. (Checks can be made to St. Andrews with a note "India Well") Please take a look at the display in the back of church to realize how much work goes into this to get the people of India clean, healthy water. Thank you for your generosity.

## **STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH**

**Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023**

Giving July 1st, 2022-April 26th, 2023

Income \$107,095.20 (\$11,500 Fall Festival)

Expenses \$ 77,071.55

**Net Gain/Loss \$ 30,023.65**

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Saturday, **May 7<sup>th</sup>-8:00 AM (Note Time Change)**

**Lectors:** Barb Pagel **Eucharistic Ministers:** Che May **Servers:** Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda **Gifts:** Gary & Mary Renner **Ushers:** Chad & Laura Hacker, Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Money Counters:** Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Sacristan:** Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Saturday, **May 14th-8:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Dave Schauer **Eucharistic Ministers:** Mary Renner **Servers:** Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Brynn Busse **Gifts:** Mary Nelson, Joe Wersal **Ushers:** Chad & Laura Hacker, Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Money Counters:** Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Sacristan:** Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Saturday, **May 21st-8:00 AM**

**Lectors:** Kellie Sloom **Eucharistic Ministers:** Karen Weitzenkamp **Servers:** Lincoln McCue, Emilee Krueger, Blaise Krueger **Gifts:** Joel & Lynn Majeski **Ushers:** Chad & Laura Hacker, Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Money Counters:** Leon Lang, Brent Lang **Sacristan:** Pete & Marianne Machaiek

**SYMPATHY TO RON HILLESHEIM AND HIS FAMILY** on the death of his brother, Paul Hillesheim, who passed away on Saturday, April 22nd. His mass of Christian Burial will be on Monday, May 1st, at the Cathedral of the Holy Trinity Catholic Church in New Ulm.

**KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS COUNCIL 7051(WINTHROP/GAYLORD)** will be meeting on Tuesday, May 2<sup>nd</sup>, at St. Francis de Sales in Winthrop. Rosary will be at 7:00 pm with meeting at 7:30 pm.

**JUST A REMINDER THAT OUR ANNUAL SPRING CHICKEN DINNER** is May 7<sup>th</sup>. The church will be open on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, from 9:00 am until 10:30 am for setting up your area or dropping off your desserts, tickets, money, etc. Thanks in advance from the committee!

## ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **May 7th-10:00 AM (Note Time Change)**

**Lector:** Pat Buboltz **Dist:** Karen Bastian **Servers:** Ely Hellendrung, Hailey Weinzetl, Volunteer **Ushers:** Tom Palmer, Gerald Jandl, Myron Schweiss, Jerry Pelzel **Gifts:** Steve & Sheila Schroeder **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, **May 14th-10:00 AM**

**Lector:** Anita Weir **Dist:** John/Elaine Palmer **Servers:** Kaden Weir, Luke & William Bastian, Bernardo Davila **Ushers:** Tom P Borth, Joe Nachreiner, John Rieke, Brian Marquardt **Gifts:** Leo & Cindy Schweiss **Sacristan:** Kathy Schroeder

Sunday, **May 21st-10:00 AM**

**Lector:** Jan Simonsen **Dist:** Paul Simonsen **Servers:** Nathan & Zach Sandgren, Nico Nosbush **Ushers:** Leroy Schweiss, John Case, Leroy Nosbush, Dave Nosbush **Gifts:** Kevin & Sue Schweiss **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

**ST ANDREW'S IS IN NEED OF PEOPLE WHO CAN PLAY PIANO OR ORGAN FOR MASS.** Carmin will be stepping back from playing every week starting in June. We are asking everyone to think of people who would consider this ministry. Please contact Carmin, Brad Nosbush, Frank Ziegler, Danette, or Fr. Bruno if you are interested. We have faith that we can find interest from our Parish.

**ST ANDREW'S WILL HAVE MAY CROWNING** on Sunday, May 7<sup>th</sup>, at the 10:00 am mass.

**WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK EVERYONE** for the generous donation for the Renville County Food Shelf. Donations of food was 74#. Also, thanks much for the cash donations. Agnes Wendinger & Sandy Hellendrung

**A SPECIAL THANK YOU TO THESE GREAT VOLUNTEERS** for delivering Meals on Wheels during April; Frank and Desiree Ziegler, Sheila Schroeder and Tony Freitag, Kathy Schroeder and Bev Blumhoefer, and Colleen Schweiss.

The 4 churches in Fairfax take turns delivering meals. St. Andrew's has the months of April, August and December.

We are ALWAYS in need of volunteers. It isn't hard to deliver meals and it doesn't take very long. For any questions, feel free to call Barb Freitag at 507-426-7759 (please leave a message) Thank You!

**WELL PROJECT FOR INDIA:** We will start this project now. Please consider donating for this project. Please place your money in envelope and state it is to be used for the well project Thank you,

**JOIN US FOR A CARIBBEAN KNIGHT PARTY** on Saturday, May 6<sup>th</sup>, 2023, 5:30 pm – midnight at St. Mary's School, Sleepy Eye. Proceeds are used to increase enrollment and maintain affordable tuition. There will be music, food, drinks, games and a huge silent and live auction. There is also the raffle to win a Caribbean Vacation or \$4,000 cash plus 13 additional cash prizes. Tickets are \$25 and you can purchase them from Sara or Brad Nosbush. Need not be present to win. All are welcome.

**ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 2:** Jan Simonsen, Jill Pelzel

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

**Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023**

Giving July 1st, 2022 – April 26th, 2023

Income	\$ 154,506.03	Donations to Maintenance Fund	\$55,255.28
Expenses	\$ <u>116,274.74</u>	Roof Payment	<u>93,578.75</u>
<b>Net Gain/Loss</b>	<b>\$ 38,231.29</b>	Shortfall	(\$38,323.47)



*St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church*



**26<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL SPRING CHICKEN DINNER**

**Sunday, May 7, 2023**  
**510 North Brown St. WINTHROP, MN**

**DINE IN OR TAKE OUT**

**SERVING FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 1:00 P.M.**  
**OR UNTIL GONE.**

Menu:  $\frac{1}{4}$  grilled chicken (light or dark meat)  
potatoes, bread, hot vegetable, and dessert

**Meal Tickets \$12.00 each**

