



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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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 3	NO MASS		
Tuesday, May 4	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Gene Schroeder
Wednesday, May 5	5:00 PM	Gibbon (Notice Time Change)	+John & Cecilia Tautges
Thursday, May 6	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Christian Mothers
Friday, May 7	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+James Essler
Saturday, May 8	4:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
Saturday, May 8	5:00 PM	Winthrop (Notice Time Change)	+Julie Dummer
Sunday, May 9	8:00 AM	Fairfax (Notice Time Change)	+Marian Wendinger
	10:00 AM	Gibbon (Notice Time Change)	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

Reflection Questions for Fifth Sunday of Easter

In order to flourish and bear fruit, the vine needs to be pruned. What in me needs to be pruned so that I can bear fruit to the fullest extent possible?



Readings for the Week of May 2, 2021

Sunday: Acts 9:26-31/Ps 22:26-27, 28, 30, 31-32 [26a]/
1 Jn 3:18-24/Jn 15:1-8

Monday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14

Tuesday: Acts 14:19-28/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13ab, 21 [cf. 12]/
Jn 14:27-31a

Wednesday: Acts 15:1-6/Ps 122:1-2, 3-4ab, 4cd-5 [cf. 1]/
Jn 15:1-8

Thursday: Acts 15:7-21/Ps 96:1-2a, 2b-3, 10 [3]/Jn 15:9-11

Friday: Acts 15:22-31/Ps 57:8-9, 10 and 12 [10a]/Jn 15:12-17

Saturday: Acts 16:1-10/Ps 100:1b-2, 3, 5/Jn 15:18-21

Next Sunday: Acts 10:25-26, 34-35, 44-48/Ps 98:1, 2-3,
3-4 [cf. 2b]/1 Jn 4:7-10/Jn 15:9-17

"If you remain in me and my words remain in you, ask for whatever you want and it will be done for you." What a lovely promise! Imagine how satisfying it would be to ask for whatever we wanted and then to see that wish granted. Truly, it would be difficult to think of anyone who would not love to see a promise like this fulfilled. Jesus puts it in today's Gospel, this promise is extended to those who "remain" in him. He uses the beautiful analogy of the vine and the branches to explain what this means. ***"A branch cannot bear fruit on its own unless it remains on the vine... I am the vine you are the branches."*** The idea here is that we are to be connected to Jesus so closely that our very life, our growth, our actions, indeed even our desires come from him as their source. When we are authentically rooted in Christ, and when his words remain in us, then that cannot help but transform us into people who want what Jesus wants. And when we want what he wants, why wouldn't he give it to us?

"Happiness can only be achieved by looking inward and learning to enjoy whatever life has, and this requires transforming greed into gratitude."

~ St. John Chrysostom

During the **month of May, dedicated to the Blessed Virgin Mary**, we highlight Mary's role in allowing God's Son to come into the world. We allow the Holy Spirit to work in our lives as Mary did, the Mother of Jesus and our Mother.

Fr. Bruno OSB

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- May 3** Pat & Lana Schreiner Anniv., Lauryn Menk, Dennis Hauer
May 4 Mike & Jane Sullivan Anniv., Gusti Isaacson
May 5 Isaac Vos, David & Dolores Kokesch Anniv., Megan Schmidt
May 6 Madalynn Nachreiner, Aggie Mattes, Jennifer Willegal
May 7 Mark Schaefer, Miranda Grewe
May 8 Carter Nachreiner, Gary Rieke, George & Doris Schweiss Anniv.
May 9 Thomas Ochs, Erin Haas

Please remember in your prayers . . .

Francis Schweiss who passed away on Saturday, April 24th. His mass of Christian Burial was held on Wednesday, April 28th, at 1:00 pm at St. Andrew's Catholic Church with burial in the church cemetery and,

Stanley Forst who passed away on Friday, April 23rd. His mass of Christian Burial will be held on Saturday, May 8th, at 11:00 am at St. Willibrord's Catholic Church with burial in the church cemetery.

We offer our sympathy to their families.



Please Remember in Prayer

Frank Ziegler
 St. Andrew's
Mary Illg
 St. Andrew's
Pat O'Brien
 St. Francis de Sales
Casey O'Brien
 St. Francis de Sales
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
Mary Schweiss
 St. Andrew's

KNOW A SAINT James the Less Apostle - May 3

James was given the nickname "the Less" so that he would not be confused with the other Apostle named James, whose feast we celebrate on July 25. It is believed that it means that he was younger than the other St. James, who was called "the Greater." James the Less was the son of Alphaeus. His mother stood at the Cross with Mary on the day Jesus was crucified. After Jesus' Ascension, James the Less became an important part of the Church's growth in Jerusalem. He led an important meeting of the early Church, the Council of Jerusalem, in the year 50 AD. At this meeting, St. Paul, St. Peter, and other Church leaders discussed people who were not Jewish. James listened carefully to the discussion and helped the group to decide that the Church was open to all and that all people could be saved by living as followers of Jesus. James was martyred for spreading the Gospel. His life of faith inspires us to listen for the Lord's call in our lives and to respond with love and faith.

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!

THANK YOU FOR YOUR GENEROUS SUPPORT OF LAST WEEK'S CATHOLIC HOME MISSIONS APPEAL. We helped strengthen the Church at home and ensure that the Gospel is spread across the United States. If you missed the appeal, it's not too late to give. Just visit www.usccb.org/home-missions.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR—Sunday, May 2nd, at St. Willibrord's, from **7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** (Note time change for the season) Holy Hour will include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	2,348.00	695.00	320.00
Loose/Youth Plate	77.00	74.00	17.00
Easter	1,351.72		
Air Conditioning	10,800.82		
Catholic Home Missions	139.00	237.00	86.00
Ascension	5.00		
Votive Lights	100.00		6.00
Maintenance			100.00
TOTAL	\$14,821.54	\$1,006.00	\$529.00

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, Sgt Kenneth Coleman, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Lt. Col. Steven Weber, Jackie Rieke and Pvt Jordan Lindmeyer, SGT Colin Jackson

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, May 9th -10:00 AM Lector: Jessica Willegal Ushers: Greg Hartmann, Roger Holm, Greg Stadtherr Sacristan: Rose Forst
Sunday, May 16th -10:00 AM Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Ushers: Greg Hartmann, Roger Holm, Greg Stadtherr Sacristan: Connie Tautges
Sunday, May 23rd -10:00 AM Lector: Melvin Neyers Ushers: Greg Hartmann, Roger Holm, Greg Stadtherr Sacristan: Charlene Forst

WEDNESDAY, MAY 12th - St. Willibrord's CCW spring meeting, at 7 p.m. in the church social hall. We will have election of officers for the next fiscal year, and discuss other upcoming projects and needs. We have need for volunteers to consider being Vice-President/Leadership Commission, to assist the president in her duties. If anyone is willing to assist with any other office or commission, please let Berny know – jbberger1972@gmail.com or call 834-6321. Dessert will be provided at the meeting! All are welcome!

MISSALETTES – If you had taken home a missalette last December, before we could have them in the pews again, please return it to the church if you are not using it. We have received 125 missalettes at Gibbon this year, but only have about 90 in church. They are allowed to be in the pews as there are several days between each of our Masses, but we are only able to have a couple in each pew with the shorter numbers, and sometimes people do not have one available to use at Mass. If you bring them back, you can put them in the stands in the library area and we can put them out into the pews that need them.

VOTE FOR THE CATHOLIC UNITED VOLUNTEER OF THE YEAR Berny Berger has been nominated for her outstanding service to our community. The person with the most votes between May 8th - May 23rd will receive \$500 and, also, \$5,000 for the parish! Check next week's bulletin for more information on how to vote.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-Apr 28th, 2021

Income \$ 74,760.94 (Includes \$7,100 Fall Festival)

Expenses \$(72,654.80)

Net Gain/Loss \$ 2,106.14

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Saturday, May 8th -5:00 PM Lector: Barb Pagel Ushers: Tom Witucki, Andrew Schmidt, Leon Lang, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek Money Counters: Leon Lang, Brent Lang
Saturday, May 15th -5:00 PM Lector: Dave Schauer Ushers: Tom Witucki, Andrew Schmidt, Leon Lang, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek Money Counters: Leon Lang, Brent Lang
Saturday, May 22nd -5:00 PM Lector: Kellie Sloom Ushers: Tom Witucki, Andrew Schmidt, Leon Lang, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek Money Counters: Leon Lang, Brent Lang

MAY CROWNING WILL BE HELD before mass this Saturday, May 1st. Blaise Krueger will be doing the crowning.

KNIGHTS OF COLUMBUS (GAYLORD & WINTHROP) will be holding their meeting on May 4th 2021, 7:00 pm at St. Francis's Church in Winthrop.

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, May 9th -8:00 AM Lector: Jody Busch Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Colleen Schweiss
Sunday, May 16th -8:00 AM Lector: Pat Buboltz Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe
Sunday, May 23rd -8:00 AM Lector: Anita Weir Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Brenda Runck

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.

WE WOULD LIKE TO THANK ALL ST. ANDREW'S PARISHIONERS AND ANYONE who has supported the Cemetery Maintenance Fund in the past year. As you may have noticed, there is an envelope for your continued support on May 9, 2021. As most of you know, the only income for the maintenance of the grounds comes from the sale of grave sites, and then only a portion of that, the rest must be put into Perpetual Care funds. Also, out of that income, we purchase the mower, pay for the mowing and any other expenses incurred such as fixing of the older stones when we are unable to contact family members.

With Memorial Day approaching, many of you will be placing memorials to your loved ones. Please remember we cannot be responsible for those left after June 15th. Thank you again for your past and future support. If you have any questions, feel free to contact a cemetery committee member or Father Bruno. St. Andrew's Cemetery Committee

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.

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

CCW - We have a CCW meeting scheduled for May 4th at 6:30 pm in the church basement. The main thing on the agenda will be the election/volunteering of new officers.

CCW has been an asset for St. Andrew's church for many years with many women stepping up to play various roles in our church activities. It is now time for new women to step up as officers for the next year. We are in need of a Secretary, Treasurer, Vice President and President. Brenda Frank has served the last two years as Secretary, Lisa Nachreiner has served as Treasurer for the past 7 years. We currently have no Vice President and the current President has served 2 years.

The future of CCW is in the hands of all members and each woman has gifts and talents that they can bring and share with us all. Without new members and leadership, there will have to be a larger discussion of where we are as a group and how we want to continue.

We ask that you prayerfully consider what your role can be in the CCW and consider standing up for our CCW to continue.

Thank you! If interested, please contact one of the CCW Officers – Carmin VanEpps, Lisa Nachreiner or Brenda Frank

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-April 28th, 2021

Income \$ 153,731.78 (Funfest included - \$13,270.00)

Expenses \$ (118,043.16)

Net Gain/Loss \$ 35,688.62

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$56,757.30/(\$80,582.34) = \$(23,825.04)

St. Francis de Sales Catholic Church



24TH ANNUAL SPRING CHICKEN DINNER

Sunday, May 2, 2021

510 North Brown St. WINTHROP, MN

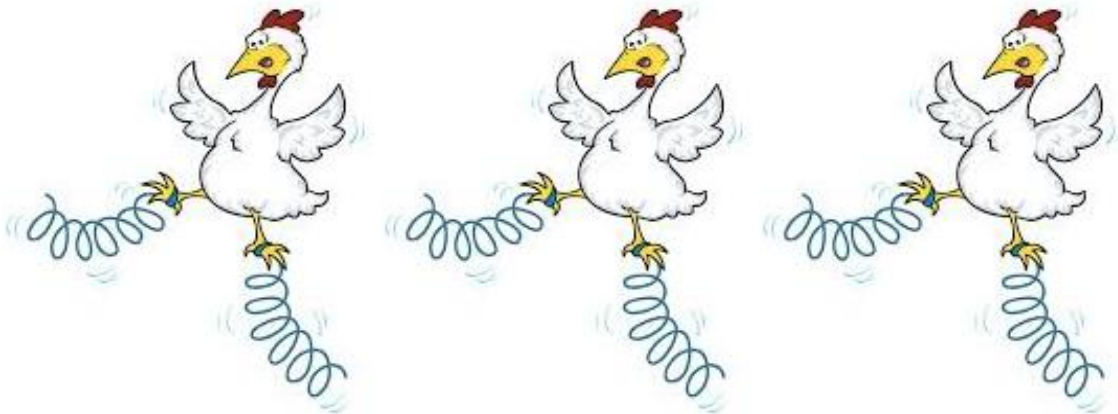


**DRIVE THRU
TAKE OUT ONLY**

**SERVING FROM 11:00 A.M. TO 12:30 P.M.
OR UNTIL GONE.**

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

Meal Tickets \$10.00 each



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.