

ST. ANDREW'S FAIRFAX, 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

NO MASS

10:00 AM

St. Willibrord – Genny Neyers 507-834-6659

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

MARRIAGE PREPARATION:

Monday, May 22

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

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.

Private

Fairfax

Tuesday, May 23	NO MASS	Private	+Verna Ludewig	
Wednesday, May 24	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+Darlene Liebl	
Thursday, May 25	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Adeline Dickmeyer	
Friday, May 26	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Arnold & Veronica Hillesheim	
Saturday, May 27	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass		
	5:00 PM	Gibbon	+Davis Biebl	
Sunday, May 28	8:00 AM	Winthrop	+Richard Portner	

Reflection Question for The Ascension of the Lord

When have I doubted myself and my ability or will to do the mission Jesus calls me to do? How has the power from the Holy Spirit helped me overcome those doubts?



Readings for the Week of May 21, 2023

Sunday: *Ascension:* Acts 1:1-11/Ps 47:2-3, 6-7, 8-9 (6)/ Eph 1:17-23/Mt 28:16-20 *Seventh Sunday of Easter:* Acts 1:12-

People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

14/Ps 27:1, 4, 7-8 (13)/1 Pt 4:13-16/Jn 17:1-11a

Monday: Acts 19:1-8/Ps 68:2-3ab, 4-5acd, 6-7ab/Jn 16:29-33 **Tuesday:** Acts 20:17-27/Ps 68:10-11, 20-21/Jn 17:1-11a **Wednesday:** Acts 20:28-38/Ps 68:29-30, 33-35a, 35bc-36ab/

Jn 17:11b-19

Thursday: Acts 22:30; 23:6-11/Ps 16:1-2a and 5, 7-8, 9-10,

11/Jn 17:20-26

Friday: Acts 25:13b-21/Ps 103:1-2, 11-12, 19-20ab/

Jn 21:15-19

Saturday: Acts 28:16-20, 30-31/Ps 11:4, 5 and 7/Jn 21:20-25 **Next Sunday:** Acts 2:1-11/Ps 104:1, 24, 29-30, 31, 34 (see

30)/1 Cor 12:3b-7, 12-13/Jn 20:19-23

Leading his disciples out of the city across the Mount of Olives, Jesus ascends to Heaven. "When they saw him, they worshiped," a statement suggestive of our own worship and the manifestation of Jesus as Lord, as the only begotten Son of God. **The main emphasis of Jesus' command is "making disciples." while asking them to observe his commandments.** As disciples we are always asked to identify with Jesus and to learn from him. The Great commission, "Go therefore, make disciples of all nations; baptize them in the name of the Father and of the Son and of the Holy Spirit" emboldened the apostles is active in us. Jesus possesses all authority; he sends us to all nations, we are to teach all people that he has commanded, and we are to know that Jesus will be with us all the days of our life. Therefore, we are asked to acknowledge his authority over the universe and follow him fully and to do whatever he has commanded in its entirety. **We have been given a very great task but we are assured that he will be with us 'to the end of the ages.'** Do we believe that we are his disciples, called to identify with him and learn from him? How do we understand his mission command today?

"In her voyage across the ocean of this world, the Church is like a great ship being pounded by the waves of life's different stresses. Our duty is not to abandon ship, but to keep her on course." ~St. Boniface

Jesus offers peace the world can't give. Jesus ascended to Heaven and left everything behind. We follow his example when we detach from worldly concerns and care more about God's will than our own. If we seek God before everything else, we can join him in his Heavenly kingdom.

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 where the series is available in both audio and text.

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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. WILLIBRORD'S ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING Thursday, May 25th, 7:00 pm in Gibbon ST. FRANCIS DE SALES ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING Wednesday, May 31st, 7:00 pm in Winthrop

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

May 21 Gary Wessale

May 22

May 23 Jerome Petersen, Brett Howe, Sandy & Jose Farias Anniv.

May 24 Adam Nunez, Kylie Unger, Jesse Jutz, Citali Rangel, Donna Gleisner

May 25 Alois Fink, Pat & Peggy Lehar Anniv., Dani Jo VanEpps

May 26 Constance Rettig, Ronald Hillesheim, Christie Isaak

May 27 Mary Joe Nachreiner, Angela Case, Cassandra Banda

Liturgy Matters #29

Two things at least are striking to us in the sign that Jesus made during this supper the night before he died. First, his use of bread and wine and the context of a meal. He is using these basic symbols of human life together, that is, the symbols of love, desire, communion; and he is declaring them to be his voluntary death. What is death for him is meant to be nourishment for us. In the signs of the meal that he selects, he is conscious

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

Please Remember in Prayer

Casey O'Brien

that he holds all of Israel and all her history in his hands as he takes up bread and wine, and he identifies that whole history with himself and with the death he will undergo the next day, saying over it, "This is my body, this is my blood." The second thing striking is the sign that Jesus made is the language he uses. We call it sacrificial language even if the word sacrifice does not appear. His is "a body handed over." His is "blood poured out" to establish a "new and eternal covenant." The repetition of this sign and Jesus' words around it certainly prepare the way for the Church to understand the Eucharist and the death of Jesus as a sacrifice. As the Church continues to celebrate the Eucharist through her first generations, she eventually comes to understand that Christ's death is in fact the sacrifice against which all others are measured and consequently eclipsed.

Throughout all this action and the accompanying words, it remains important for us to remember with attention that it all happens with the bread and wine that we brought; for this is how our communion in the one sacrifice of Christ is accomplished. It is our lives over which Jesus' once pronounced words continue to be pronounced. And it is under these words, under this blessing, that our lives are transformed, and are allowed to become, and to declare his voluntary death, his sacrifice. Saint Leo the Great expressed it this way: "Sharing the body and blood of Christ causes nothing less than our passing over into what we receive, and then in spirit and in flesh we carry him everywhere, the one in whom we were dead, buried and rose again".

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!

TODAY WE TAKE UP THE COLLECTION FOR THE CATHOLIC COMMUNICATION CAMPAIGN (CCC). Your support helps the CCC engage and build Catholic communities in the United States and around the world using the internet, television, radio and print media. Half the funds we collect remain here in the Diocese of New Ulm to support local efforts. Be a part of this campaign to spread the gospel message. Support the collection today! To learn more, visit www.usccb.org/ccc.

COME CELEBRATE FR. BRUNO!

We have been so blessed by Fr. Bruno's presence and faithful guidance in our All Saints AFC these past five years! Although saying good-bye will be hard, we want to be sure Fr. Bruno knows what a blessing and inspiration he has been!

Please join us as we gather in his honor on the following dates and locations:

Sunday, June 11th, St. Andrew's following 10:00 am Mass Saturday, June 17th, St. Willibrord's following 5:00 pm Mass Sunday, June 18th, St. Francis de Sales following 10:00 am Mass (note time change)

RENEWED IN HOPE DMA Appeal Funds Summary as of May 15th, 2023. Parish goals: St. Andrew's \$13,073.39, total cash received \$9,733.70; St. Willibrord's \$8,142.20, total cash received \$4,760.00; St. Francis's \$4,931.19, total cash received \$5,900.00. Remember that 20% of our donations come back to each parish.

GROW CLOSER TO GOD THIS EASTER SEASON! PICK UP A COPY OF THE DEVOTIONAL PUBLICATION THE WORD AMONG US AND SPEND 5 TO 10 MINUTES EACH DAY REFLECTING ON THE WORD OF GOD FOR YOUR LIFE. Copies are located at the church exits.

The Word Among Us features uplifting and thought-provoking meditations based on the daily Mass readings.

- The June issue is on the Eucharist and written by Cardinal Raniero Cantalemessa. The title is "This is My Body."
- The July/August is on St. Paul, and the articles are written by our founder, Joe Difato. The title is "A Very Human Saint."
- The September issue is on seeking to do the Father's will, and the title is "I Must Be in My Father's House."

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	2,343.00	842.00	4,145.00
Loose/Youth Plate	87.00	102.00	138.00
Catholic Home Missions		5.00	
Ascension			
Votive Lights			3.00
Building/Maintenance			176.80
TOTAL	\$2,430.00	\$949.00	\$4,462.80

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

RIVERBEND TEC

Many of you have heard about **Riverbend TEC**(Together Encountering Christ) weekends. This experience can have a profound impact on your faith journey! The next TEC weekend will be held in Marshall, June 24-26. The usual cost for attendees is \$70 for the 3-day weekend, but due to a generous donation the cost for the June TEC is only \$15.00!!! Are you in need of a faith boost? Do you have kids, grandkids, family members or co-workers that would enjoy some time away to work on their relationship with the Lord? This is available for all ages – youth who will be in 9th grade or older, adults, even grandparents! See Kellie Sloot, Berny Berger or Anita Weir for applications or for more information!

ST. WILLIBRORD'S - GIBBON

Saturday, May 27th-5:00 PM

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth **Dist:** Rose Forst **Servers:** Christopher Ruiz, Gabriel Ruiz, Regie Mattes **Ushers:** Mike Willegal, Steve Rubischko, Dave Schiltz **Gifts:** Volunteers **Sacristan:** Kathy Bruns

Saturday, June 3rd-5:00 PM

Lector: Amy Weber/Imani Priggi Dist: Steve Grosam Servers: Kitzelin Morales, Silvana Ruiz, Josse Ruiz Ushers: Don Haas, Lyle Forst, Dale Forst Gifts: Jason & Sara Rubischko Sacristan: Rose Forst

Saturday, June 10th-5:00 PM

Lector: Alan Neyers **Dist:** Genny Neyers **Servers:** Sofia & Ella Nachreiner **Ushers:** Don Haas, Lyle Forst, Dale Forst **Gifts:** Steve & Grace Rubischko **Sacristan:** Charlene Forst

SATURDAY, MAY 20th, AT 4:35 PM (BEFORE 5:00 PM MASS), St. Willibrord CCW members will pray the rosary in remembrance of Mary Rieke. Please come and join in praying the rosary for the repose of Mary's soul!

Saturday, May 20th, St. Willibrord's will be having our **World Marriage Day Celebration** for our next longest married couple in our parish – Donnie and Connie Haas, who were married 55 years on December 2nd. We normally have this celebration around Valentine's Day in February, but they were enjoying Arizona at that time. Please join us for Mass and for a light meal afterwards in the social hall to celebrate with them and their family!

CHOIR will sing for Pentecost on Saturday, May 27th, at the 5 p.m. Mass. Meet to practice in the social hall at 4:30. New Members are needed and always welcome!

LET'S LUNCH....A presentation meeting at the Gibbon Community Center to learn more about area resources for adults 60 plus for meals (dine in or home delivered) and Generations will present In-home and transportation services. Meeting is at 11:00 a.m. on Monday, May 22nd. A roast beef meal can be reserved by calling 507-317-5519 by May 17th. We need your input, see you there.

SOCIAL AND FELLOWSHIP AFTER THE SATURDAY EVENING MASS. If you would like to continue this event, we would appreciate it if you could sign up to donate food or serve a light lunch. Sign-up sheet is in the kitchen, or call Mavis Lindmeyer 834-6537 or Genny Neyers 834-6659. Your support to our church community is greatly appreciated.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2022-June 30, 2023

Giving July 1st, 2022-May 17th, 2023

Income \$112,492.00 (\$11,500 Fall Festival)

Expenses <u>\$ 84,266.65</u> **Net Gain/Loss \$ 28,225.35**

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, May 28th-8:00 AM

Lectors: Yvonne O'Brien Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Witucki Servers: Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer Gifts: Dave & Lorie Schauer Ushers: Chad & Laura Hacker, Leon Lang, Brent Lang Money Counters: Leon Lang, Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Sunday, June 4th-8:00 AM

Lectors: Ron Hillesheim **Eucharistic Ministers:** Dennis Dording **Servers:** Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda **Gifts:** Harry & Kellie Sloot **Ushers:** Andy & Connie Portner, Joe Wersal, Ron Hillesheim **Money Counters:** Connie Portner, Joe Wersal **Sacristan:** Dave & Lorie Schauer

Sunday, June 11th-8:00 AM

Lectors: Pete Machaiek **Eucharistic Ministers:** Tyler & Emilee Stehr **Servers:** Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Claire Schmidt, Brynn Busse **Gifts:** Leon Lang, Ron Hillesheim **Ushers:** Andy & Connie Portner, Joe Wersal, Ron Hillesheim **Money Counters:** Connie Portner, Joe Wersal **Sacristan:** Dave & Lorie Schauer

THANK YOU! A huge thank you to all who helped in any way with the St. Francis Annual Spring Chicken Dinner on May 7th! Thanks also to those who came and enjoyed a delicious meal! There will be a short wrap up meeting on Sunday, May 21st, during coffee and rolls after the 8:00 am Mass. All are welcome! Committee chairs, bring your folders and notes please!

ST. ANDREW'S - FAIRFAX

Sunday, May 28th-10:00 AM

Lector: Cindy Rieke Dist: Eloina/Rodrigo Carillo Servers: Michahl Nachreiner, Annika Nosbush, Volunteer Ushers: Mike Vait, Dennis Weinzetl, Jason Weinzetl, Pat Schreiner Gifts: LeRoy & Colleen Schweiss Sacristan: Agnes Wendinger

Sunday, June 4th-10:00 AM

Lector: Mike Beranek Dist: LeRoy Schweiss Servers: Maddy, Lydia, Kellen & Sylvia Nachreiner Ushers: George Wendinger, Jim Prax, Tom Nachreiner, Dave Borth Gifts: Victor & Connie Serbus Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, **June 11th-**10:00 AM

Lector: Jody Busch Dist: Maria Davila/Lidia Gonzalez Servers: Ashley, Isabelle, Isaac & Alex Vos Ushers: Randy Boehm, Kevin Schweiss, Frank Ziegler, Kevin Roiger Gifts: Paul & Jan Simonsen Sacristan: Brenda Runck/Brenda Frank

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.

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,

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 - May 17th, 2023

 Income
 \$ 163,584.75
 Donations to Maintenance Fund
 \$55,275.28

 Expenses
 \$ 129,443.24
 Roof Payment
 93,578.75

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 34,141.51
 Shortfall
 (\$38,303.47)