Twenty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time

AREA FAITH COMMUNITY

ST. ANDREW'S FAIRFAX. MN

ST. WILLIBRORD'S GIBBON, MN

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES WINTHROP, MN

August 22, 2021

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RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS

St. Andrew – Karen Guggisberg 507-426-7348 St. Willibrord - Genny Nevers 507-834-6659 St. Francis - Kellie Sloot 320-583-6755

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. NO MASS Monday August 23

Monuay, August 25	NO MASS		
Tuesday, August 24	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Gene Schroeder
Wednesday, August 25	8:30 AM	Gibbon	+/SI – Dec & Living Mbrs of St. Willibrord's CCW
Thursday, August 26	8:30 AM	Fairfax	+Deceased Family & Friends of Dory Schreiner
Friday, August 27	9:30 AM	Winthrop	Spec Int – Spencer Nelson
Saturday, August 28	4:30 PM	Reconciliation prior to Mass	
	5:00 PM	Gibbon	+Mary & Otto Hartmann
Sunday, August 29	8:00 AM	Winthrop	+Betty Gleisner
	10:00 AM	Fairfax	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

Twenty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time

What specific action can I take to show my commitment to remain a disciple of our Lord?



Readings for the Week of August 22, 2021

Sunday: Jos 24:1-2a, 15-17, 18b/Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21, 22-23 [9a]/Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2a, 25-32/Jn 6:60-69 Monday: 1 Thes 1:1-5, 8b-10/Ps 149:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6a and 9b [cf. 4a]/Mt 23:13-22 Tuesday: Rv 21:9b-14/Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18 [12]/ Jn 1:45-51 Wednesday: 1 Thes 2:9-13/Ps 139:7-8, 9-10, 11-12ab [1]/ Mt 23:27-32 Thursday: 1 Thes 3:7-13/Ps 90:3-5a, 12-13, 14 and 17 [14]/ Mt 24:42-51 Friday: 1 Thes 4:1-8/Ps 97:1 and 2b, 5-6, 10, 11-12 [12a]/ Mt 25:1-13 Saturday: 1 Thes 4:9-11/Ps 98:1, 7-8, 9 [9]/Mt 25:14-30 Next Sunday: Dt 4:1-2, 6-8/Ps 15:2-3, 3-4, 4-5 [1a]/ Jas 1:17-18, 21b-22, 27/Mk 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

John 6:60-69 "As a result of this, many of his disciples returned to their former way of life and no longer accompanied him." These departing disciples followed Jesus to a point, but when they encountered a teaching they didn't like, they decided to leave. That was their free choice. And Jesus respected their freedom by letting them go. Then, he turned to the Twelve Apostles and asked, "Do you also want to leave?" Thankfully for us and the entire history of Christianity, Peter replied, "Master, to whom shall we go? You have the words of eternal life." We have the same choice to make. Will we follow Jesus no matter what, or will we abandon our faith in him if his ways become too uncomfortable? Our decision also makes an impact on history. If we stand firm, even when being Christian means being unpopular or countercultural, then we will make a difference. In today's Old Testament reading, Joshua speaks about choices to the Jewish people. He urges them, and us, "Decide today whom you will serve." And then, he courageously declares, "As for me and my household, we will serve the LORD." May we have the courage of Joshua to make the right decision and stay faithful to the Lord.

"Faith in the Resurrection of Jesus says that there is a future for every human being; the cry for unending life which is a part of the person is indeed answered." ~ Pope Benedict XVI

FUN FEST 2021 I remembered the festival in my prayers - for good weather, for God's guiding hand upon all the preparations and for God's blessing upon all those working to make this a successful festival.

Fr. Bruno OSB

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

AFC LITURGY MEETING Tuesday, August 24th, at 6:30 pm in St. Willibrord's Church basement. **GIBBON ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING** Thursday, August 26th, at 7:00 pm.

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Aug 23 Mark & Sandy Schaefer Anniv., Tom Lorang, Mira Sjogren, Cory & Linda Hanson Anniv., Erik Morales, Courtney Klehr, Tom & Sandra Langhoff Anniv., Michael Rein
- Aug 24 Steve Rubischko, Eric Bregel, Jeff Rettig, Kevin Lauwagie, Andrew Tupy
- Aug 25 David Runck, Greg Hartmann, Renae Schwarzrock, Salvador Ruiz
- Aug 26 Brian McCorquodale, Mark Senkyr
- Aug 27 Amy Koupal, Brett & Shannon Howe Anniv.
- Aug 28 Karen Borth, Ron Marlowe, Ava Welander
- Aug 29 Alissa Buboltz, Rodrigo Carrillo, Tom & Kristin Ochs Anniv., Nick & Mary Jo Krueger Anniv. Brandon & Melissa Marin Anniv.

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!

HOLY HOUR & EUCHARISTIC ADORATION

You are invited to come and spend some time in quiet prayer with our Eucharistic Lord. Exposition and Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament will take place in our AFC as follows:

St. Andrew's:2nd Thursday of each month following 8:30 am MassSt. Willibrord's:1st Sunday of each month (7-8 pm Spring/Summer) (4-5pm Fall/Winter)

3rd Wednesday of each month following 8:30 am Mass

St. Francis de Sales: 1st Friday of each month 7-8 pm

AS WE BEGIN ONCE AGAIN TO OFFER THE SIGN OF PEACE in our parishes, it is important to remember that this is not a social act of extending greetings, congratulations, or condolences. It is a sacred ritual gesture by

which the faithful symbolically offer to one another the peace of Christ that flows from His sacrifice made present on the altar. Because of this, the Church directs that it should be carried out in a "sober manner. . .only to those who are nearest" (*General Instruction of the Roman Missal, 82*). The exchange of peace must not be carried out in such a way that it distracts from the holiness of this point in the Mass. Rather, it should be in accord with the spirit of recollection that is fitting for this sacred moment between the offering of the Eucharist Prayer and the reception of Christ in Holy Communion.

EUCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR–Sunday, September 5th, at St. Willibrord's, from **7:00 to 8:00 p.m.** Holy Hour will also include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

ST. JOHN'S PARISH OF SEARLES WILL HOLD THEIR PARISH FESTIVAL on Sunday, August 22nd. A picnic style chicken & ham takeout dinner with homemade dressing will be served 10:15 am -1:30 pm. There will also be live music, bingo, country store, games and the big-ticket raffle with over \$10,000 in cash prizes at 4:00 pm. Festival will be held rain or shine. Everyone is welcome

Please Remember in Prayer Frank Ziegler St. Andrew's Pat O'Brien St. Francis de Sales Casey O'Brien 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 Mary Schweiss St. Andrew's **Millie Forst** St. Willibrord's **Lorraine Ravnaas** St. Francis de Sales Cathy Willegal St. Willibrord's Gerald Peichel St. Andrew's Arline Kiecker St. Andrew's **Marian Zollner** St Andrew's

ST. CATHERINE'S PARISH IN REDWOOD FALLS IS HAVING IT'S ANNUAL FALL FESTIVAL CELEBRATION on Sunday, September 12, 2021 from 11:00 AM to 1:00 PM. There will be a roast beef dinner with mash potatoes w/gravy, glazed carrots, broccoli salad and our homemade pie. Many games are available including Bingo, the Country Store, Silent Basket Auction, Cakewalk, Children's games, train ride. There will also be a food/refreshment stand.

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,051.00	827.00	120.00
Loose/Youth Plate	94.00	46.00	38.00
Catholic Education	55.00		
Votive Lights	42.00		
Spanish Mass	93.00		
Assumption	105.00		10.00
Building Fund		20.00	
Monstrance		200.00	
Rectory Reimbursement			
Cemetery Operating			
Cemetery Perpetual			
TOTAL	\$1,440.00	\$1,093.00	\$168.00

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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION

TEACHERS NEEDED!

Religious Education classes will begin in September. We are in need of a teacher for the Confirmation class in Gibbon. If you are interested in sharing your faith with our youth please contact: Kellie at 320-583-6755

<u>ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON</u>

Saturday, August 28th-5:00 PM

Lector: Melvin Neyers Dist: Connie Tautges Servers: Brooklyn Werner, Lincoln Werner Ushers: Bruce Bastian, Davis Biebl, Steve Herschman Gifts: Randy & Theresa Fischer Sacristan: Rose Forst/Jeannine Grosam

Sunday, September 5th-10:00 AM (TIME CHANGE)

Lector: Ann Southworth Dist: Grace Rubischko Servers: Abby Willegal, Kelly Willegal Ushers: Dale Forst, Lyle Forst, Clete Krzmarzick Gifts: Thomas & Jesse Forstner Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

Sunday, September 12th-10:00 AM

Lector: Jerome Petersen Dist: Geneva Klover Servers: Kyler Sjogren, Mirra Sjogren Ushers: Dale Forst, Lyle Forst, Clete Krzmarzick Gifts: Steve & Jeannine Grosam Sacristan: Connie Tautges

THE FALL FESTIVAL INFORMATION SHEETS AND RAFFLE TICKETS are ready to be picked up in the back of church, please pick yours up as soon as possible. If you would like additional raffle tickets, please contact Amy Weber.

WE ARE LOOKING FOR DONATIONS FOR "RAFFLE OF THE DAY" BUCKETS. Suggestions can be dolls, toys, books, games, puzzles, Lego's for both girl and boy. Youth suggestions may be electronic items and with the higher cost of them, it could be shared by more than one person, WII, tablets, Tracfones, Fit Bits. for them. How about a I-Tunes gift card, Amazon gift cards? For women, Home Décor items, holiday décor as well as sofa throws, youth fleece throws, themed gift baskets. For men, hand tools, grilling tools and other accessories for the grill. Gift cards from Home Depot or Lowes, lawn chairs. Please consider donating an item for this event. Please contact Betty Schreiner's cell # 320-583-7254"

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DEANERY 1 CCW will hold their Fall Gathering on September 21st at St. Catherine's in Redwood Fall. Registration will begin at 4:45 with mass at 5:15 followed by dinner and speaker, Kristin Molior. She will set you "On Fire with the Holy Spirit"- the theme for this gathering. Please register with your parish presidents – Carmin Van Epps, Fairfax (507-426-7736) or Berny Berger, Gibbon (507-834-6321) before September 15th. Registration is \$10.00. If you have never attended a Fall Gathering, please consider making this your first of many!**JUAN ANNA COFFEE** from the San Lucas Tolliman Guatemala Mission is available through CCW – there is

an order sheet for you to sign up on the Juan Anna Information display table in the upper entryway of the church. You can get whole bean and ground coffee, or K-cups. Check it out and support the Guatemala mission!

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

 Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

 Giving July 1st, 2021-August 18th, 2021

 Income
 \$10,115.08

 Expenses
 \$7,966.97

 Net Gain/Loss
 \$ 2,148.11

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, August 29th-8:00 AM

Lector: Pete Machaiek Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Renner Servers: Madyson Steele, Logan Steele, Quinn Schmidt Gifts: Donovan & Susi Steele Family Ushers: Dennis & Joan Dording, Brent & Wendy Lang Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp & Brent Lang Sacristan: Pete & Marianne Machaiek

Saturday, September 4th-5:00 PM (TIME CHANGE)

Lector: Pete Machaiek Eucharistic Ministers: Dennis Dording Servers: Will Lang, Lincoln McCue, Alan Banda Gifts: Brent & Wendy Lang Family Ushers: Peter & Marianne Machaiek, Tom & Celeste Witucki Money Counters: Lorie Schauer, Gary Renner Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

Saturday, September 11th-5:00 PM

Lector: Tyler & Emilee Stehr Eucharistic Ministers: Karen Weitzenkamp Servers: Emilee Krueger, Kaylee Felska, Brynn Busse Gifts: Tom & Sam Langhoff Ushers: Peter & Marianne Machaiek, Tom & Celeste Witucki Money Counters: Lorie Schauer, Gary Renner Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

THERE WILL BE SWEETS AND COFFEE after 8:00 am mass through the end of August!

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ANYONE WANTING TO MAKE A CONTRIBUTION towards the new monstrance can put it in an envelope in the collection basket marked "monstrance" or give it to a council member. Make checks payable to St Francis.

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, August 29th-10:00 AM

Lector: Agnes Kiecker Dist: Maria Davila or Lidia Gonzalez Servers: Nathan Sandgren, Zach Sandgren, Annika Nosbush Ushers: John Palmer, Charles Lehar, David Runck, Leander Nachreiner Gifts: Richard & LeAnn Frank Sacristan: Brenda Runck

Sunday, September 5th-8:00 AM (TIME CHANGE)

Lector: Jan Simonsen Dist: Paul Simonsen Servers: Micahl Nachreiner, Kayln Hellendrung, Elyiana Hellendrung Ushers: Richard Frank, Gilbert Borth, Ron Marlowe, Tom Palmer Gifts: Mike & Barb Freitag Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe

Sunday, September 12th-8:00 AM

Lector: Cindy Rieke Dist: Mary Ann Dummer Servers: William Bastian, Luke Bastian, Nico Nosbush Ushers: Paul Simonsen, Gerald Jandl, Myron Schweiss, Jerry Pelzel Gifts: Roberto & Lidia Gonzalez Sacristan: Colleen Schweiss

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VOLUNTEERS NEEDED FOR MEALS ON WHEELS DURING AUGUST. This is a wonderful service. Please consider volunteering. Please call Barb Freitag @ 507-426-7759 if you can help, and please leave a message.

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

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2021-June 30, 2022

Giving July 1st, 2021-August 18th, 2021					
Income	\$	25,455.30			
Expenses	\$	26,616.32			
Net Gain/Loss	\$	(1,161.02)			

THE DIOCESE OF NEW ULM HAS CLEARANCE TO CABLECAST the following series **CATHOLICS COME HOME** on AGGW Public Access, channels 7 and 8, at 11 a.m. on Fridays and 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Sundays. The public access station was down for a bit but is up and running now. Thanks.

Aug. 13, 15	Ep 1: From Atheist to Devout Catholic
Aug. 20, 22	Ep 2: Wall Street New Agers Become Catholic
Aug. 27, 29	Ep 3: Business President Rediscovers Catholicism
Sep. 3, 5	Ep 4: Agnostic Researches His Way to Catholicism
Sept. 10, 12	Ep 5: Jewish Convert to Catholicism
Sept. 17, 19	Ep 6: Young Father and His Family Convert
Sept. 24, 26	Ep 7: From Hedonism to Catholicism
Oct. 1, 3	Ep 8: Divorced Catholic Returns After 27 Years
Oct. 8, 10	Ep 9: TSA Trainer Converts Upon Return from Europe
Oct. 15, 17	Ep 10: Atheist, Convert, and Revert in One
Oct. 22, 24	Ep 11: Vatican 1 Catholic Returns After 46 Years
Oct. 29, 31	Ep 12: Occasional Catholic has Epiphany of Faith