



ALL SAINTS

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. Brendan at least six months ahead of time to plan and prepare for your wedding. No wedding date is final until approved by Fr. Brendan.

BAPTISMS: Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Father Brendan 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, Aug 7	NO MASS		
Tuesday, Aug 8	NO MASS		
Wednesday, Aug 9	NO MASS	Gibbon	
Thursday, Aug 10	NO MASS	Fairfax	
Friday, Aug 11	9:30 AM	Winthrop	+Wallace & Ethel Helget & Family
Saturday, Aug 12	4:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	5:00 PM	Winthrop	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community
Sunday, Aug 13	8:00 AM	Fairfax	+Joe & Clara Wendinger
	10:00 AM	Gibbon	+Eddie Wendinger

Reflection Question for the Transfiguration of the Lord

Which self-interest of mine will I promise to put aside and what cross will I pledge to carry, transfiguring my life and my little part of the world?



Readings for the Week of August 6, 2023

Sunday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14/Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9/2 Pt 1:16-19/
Mt 17:1-9

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15/Ps 81:12-13, 14-15, 16-17/
Mt 14:13-21

Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 6cd-7, 12-13/
Mt 14:22-36 or 15:1-2, 10-14

Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25—14:1, 26-29a, 34-35/
Ps 106:6-7ab, 13-14, 21-22, 23/Mt 15:21-28

Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10/Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9/Jn 12:24-26
Friday: Dt 4:32-40/Ps 77:12-13, 14-15, 16 and 21/
Mt 16:24-28

Saturday: Dt 6:4-13/Ps 18:2-3a, 3bc-4, 47 and 51/
Mt 17:14-20

Next Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a/Ps 85:9, 10, 11-12,
13-14 (8)/Rom 9:1-5/Mt 14:22-33

Reflection meditation:

Always wanting to be the first to report breaking news, journalists like getting eyewitness interviews. We remember that the Gospels are eyewitness accounts of what Jesus Christ did and said. Saint Peter says this in his letter, 2 Peter 1:16-19, “We ourselves heard this voice come from heaven while we were with him on the holy mountain.” “This is my Son, my beloved, with whom I am well pleased.” The holy mountain, is the mountain of Transfiguration, where Jesus climbs with Peter, James and John as reported in Matthew 17:1-9. They **connect, follow** and later learn to **share** Jesus. On the mountain-top they see Jesus transfigured before them. (Google map- “Church of Transfiguration, Israel” to see pictures of the views there or read more on Wikipedia.) The philosopher and theologian, St. Thomas Aquinas, points out that the words the Apostles use in Scripture to describe what they see happening to Jesus in this event means they see light shining from Jesus himself.

Jesus is changed. Jesus shows the Apostles what he will look like in heaven. Jesus personally changes the lives of all three. Like them, the patron saints of our three parishes were transfigured or changed by their encounters with Jesus. They connect with Christ, chose to follow Christ, and learn how to shared Christ with family and friends. Let’s look at the **connect, follow, share** pattern for St. Andrew, St. Willibrord, and St. Francis de Sales.

The first disciple of Jesus, St. Andrew, connects with Christ on the beach of Galilee. He brings his brother Peter into a relationship with Christ, the Messiah (John 1:40-42). By following Christ he becomes an Apostle. While evangelizing in the area of modern-day Patras, Greece, St. Andrew is arrested by the Roman Empire (around 60-70 AD) and crucified on an X shape cross for his effort to share his faith in Jesus. You can visit his relics/remains at the Cathedral of Saint Andrew, Patras, Greece and at the Cathedral of St. Andrew, in Amalfi, Italy. St. Andrew shines “like the sun in the kingdom” of the Father (Matthew 13:24-43). Google these cathedrals to see their beauty. St. Andrew’s feast day is November 30.

St. Willibrord, lived from around 658 AD to 739 AD. He connected with Christ and became “Apostle to the Frisians” (modern day Netherlands) and first bishop of Utrecht. You can visit his tomb at the Basilica of Saint Willibrord, **Echternach, Luxembourg, which was the homebase for his evangelization outreach**. The motto written over his tomb is inspired by Isaiah 12:3, “You will draw waters in joy from the fountains of the Savior.” His feast day is November 7. St. Willibrord shines “like the sun in the kingdom” of the Father (Matthew 13:24-43).

St. Francis de Sales lived between 1567-1622 and wrote, “it is not those who commit the least faults who are the most holy, but those who have the greatest courage, the greatest generosity, the greatest love, who make the boldest efforts to overcome themselves, and are not immediately apprehensive about tripping.” He shines “like the sun in the kingdom” of the Father (Matthew 13:24-43). **Bishop of beautiful Geneva, Switzerland**, he is buried in the Basilica of the Visitation in Annecy, France. Patron saint of journalists, his feast day is January 24. St. Francis de Sales shines “like the sun in the kingdom” of the Father (Matthew 13:24-43).

Like the patron saints of our parishes, may we be transfigured by a relationship with Christ. May we **connect, follow** and **share** Jesus.

Fr. Rolling

MASS 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 Tuesday, August 8th, in Gibbon.

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

Aug 6 Megan Palmer, Kellen Nachreiner, Bernardo & Maria Davila Anniv., Jeff Guggisberg, Ann & Gregg Hartmann Anniv.

Aug 7 Dean & Betty Schreiner Anniv., Alexandra Kretsch, Jose Cardenas, James Phillips

Aug 8 Frank & Desiree Ziegler Anniv.,

Aug 9 Eloina Carrillo, Leo & Cindy Schweiss, Rita Olson, Jason Rettig

Aug 10 Jill Pelzel, Jossue Farias, Dominic Metzger

Aug 11 Jeannine Grosam, Charles & Deb Schiller Anniv.

Aug 12 Aaron Bruns

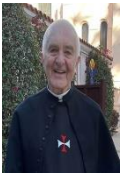
JOIN US EACH WEEK ON WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 PM as we pray the Rosary live on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page!

FROM THE BISHOP! Check out our very own Bishop Zielinski’s reflection called “**Liturgy Matters!**” Go here: www.dnu.org/liturgy-matters.



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
George Schweiss
St. Willibrord’s



PARISH MISSION, AUGUST 5-6. Welcome Fr. Virgil Petermeier, OSC, for a mission appeal. With the Crosier Fathers and Brothers religious community, Fr. Virgil was sent overseas to serve the people of the Indonesian part of New Guinea. New Guinea is an island country between Australia and Vietnam on the map. Please prayerfully consider financially supporting the educational and vocational programs for the people. Teach a man how to fish, feed his family for a lifetime! Thank you Fr. Virgil for 36 years as a priest-missionary for Jesus Christ and our Catholic faith. Thank you for inviting us to support your life-time of service to God's people.

INTERESTED IN FREE three used coffee/side tables, an old-fashioned bedframe, or 60's style bedframe? Call, Danette, at the AFC office to coordinate pick up.



FR. BRUNO SANTIAGO UPDATE: Fr. Bruno arrived in India safe and sound. It was 18 hours of travel with a lay-over in Paris, France. He sends his greetings, gratitude and prayers. Before departing, Fr. Bruno was able to visit Bishop Chad Zielinski who said this, "Fr. Bruno came by to visit me today and I offered him a most sincere thanks on behalf of the entire diocese for his six years served. He asked for a blessing which I graciously gave and told him that he has left many blessings in our diocese."

YOU MAY HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE "EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL," BUT WHAT IS IT AND HOW CAN YOU HELP? The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has launched a three-year long Eucharistic Revival. The revival is to foster deeper faith, proclaim the gospel, evangelize all people, empower Christians and embrace Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We are to encounter others, bring them to Jesus in the Eucharist, preach the truth about the Eucharist and send them on a mission to bring Jesus to the world. The Diocese of New Ulm has embraced the Eucharistic Revival. All Catholics will be given the opportunity to be involved in the process.

If you are looking for an opportunity to bring the love of Jesus in the Eucharist to others in our AFC, please prayerfully consider joining the AFC "Core Team!" Please contact Kellie Sloat at yesterdayskitchen@gmail.com, or, Berny Berger at jbberger1972@gmail.com, to let us know you want to help be a part of the team that will help all of grow in our Catholic faith. Our Core Team will work with Deacon Mike McKeown, mmckeown@dnu.org, to increase love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist among family, friends, and neighbors.

BECOME A EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PRAYER PARTNER!

If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner in the Diocese of New Ulm contact our religious sisters, the Handmaids, at the chancery by emailing worship@dnu.org. If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner for the national Eucharistic Revival go here for more information - **Get Involved: How Will You Respond?** (eucharisticrevival.org)

FREE devotional. The *Word Among Us* is a bi-monthly publication that opens up the daily Scriptures with other short prayers. Don't miss your copy. It is a great resource. Spend a few minutes being encouraged by God's Word. Pick up a **FREE** *Word Among Us* for any family or friend that is homebound. See what surprises God has for you in the *Word Among Us!*

THE NEXT YOUTH CONNECT (AREA CHURCHES) event is August 13th (notice date change) at Fairfax City Pool (weather permitting) starting at 3:00 pm. All youth 6th-12th grade are invited. Snacks provided. We hope to see you there.

COUPLE HOPING TO ADOPT - Joey and Carie Zitzman from Otsego, MN, are hoping to adopt. Joey is the son of Lenora (Hartmann) Zitzman. Please pray for them and if you know someone seeking the adoption option please contact them at, Joey.Carie.Zitzman@gmail.com, OR contact their adoption social worker, Dianne Delaney, 320.428.0199, Children's Home & LSS.

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	2,343.00	2,051.00	4,976.91
Loose/Youth Plate	148.00	172.00	110.00
Building/Maintenance			
Votive Offering			6.00
Reimbursement-Mileage			
Energy/Fuel			
TOTAL	\$2,491.00	\$2,223.00	\$5,092.91

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

IT IS TIME TO START THINKING ABOUT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES! There will be a parent in-put meeting August 16, at 6:30 pm, in Gibbon. Parents are the first educators in faith and all things to the children God has blessed them with. Parents, please bring ideas and constructive feedback to the meeting. How can we help your children connect with Jesus and the Church he founded? What helps them know and love God? Is there something you've come across you can share with us? How can we help our youth come alive in Christ? If you're not able to make it, please reach out with your ideas to Kellie at 320-583-6755 or yesterdayskitchen@gmail.com

WANT TO LEARN MORE ABOUT YOUR FAITH IN CHRIST? Learn it by teaching it. Volunteers are needed to teach, co-teach, team teach, and substitute Religious Education. Contact Kellie at 320-583-6755 or yesterdayskitchen@gmail.com to volunteer. Teacher meetings will be in late August/early September. Registration information will be coming soon

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, **August 13th**-10:00 AM

Lector: Jerome Petersen **Dist:** Mavis Lindmeyer **Servers:** Imani & Mandy Prigge **Ushers:** Greg Stadtherr, Jay Howe, Jerry Howe

Gifts: Randy & Kathy Bruns **Sacristan:** Connie Tautges

Sunday, **August 20th**-8:00 AM (Time Change)

Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth **Dist:** Connie Tautges **Servers:** Christopher Ruiz, Gabriel Ruiz, Regie Mattes **Ushers:** Greg Stadtherr, Jay Howe, Jerry Howe

Gifts: Julie Ahlbrecht, Leyla Ahlbrecht **Sacristan:** Jeannine Grosam

Sunday, **August 27th**-10:00 AM

Lector: Amy Weber/Imani Prigge **Dist:** Grace Rubischko **Servers:** Silvana Ruiz, Josse Ruiz **Ushers:** Greg Stadtherr, Jay Howe,

Jerry Howe **Gifts:** Joey & Patty Bastian **Sacristan:** Charlene Forst

ANNUAL CHURCH CLEANING- Monday, August 7th, through Friday, August 11th, ending Friday at 6:00 PM. All parishioners-women, men, and youth, are asked to give a couple of hours of time as you are able - worklists and supplies will be provided, and set up on a table in the basement. Cleaners are asked to start on the upstairs list first in order to complete cleaning before the weekend Mass. Bring your own pails and rags (there are some supplied also.) Work times are flexible, come on your own schedule. If this week doesn't work for you, contact one of the chairpersons, Berny Berger, 320-583-7975, or Bernie Sauter, 612-709-2227, and we can get you started earlier. If you cannot help, please donate \$20.00 to CCW to cover the cost of hiring extra janitorial help to finish the cleaning, (put in a marked envelope for CCW in the collection basket.) Please help us complete this important task. Thank you!

THANK YOU to those who have donated furnishings for families to St. Willibrord's cry-room and social hall. Still needed are 2 gently used soft chairs, preferably grey or brown earth tone in color, and 2-3 side-tables, preferably solid wood. To donate call, Berny Berger, 320-583-7975, or Genny Neyers, 507.834.6659.

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

Giving July 1st, 2023-August 2nd, 2023

Income \$ 13,455.04

Expenses \$ 2,666.37

Net Gain/Loss \$ 7,747.99

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Saturday, **August 12th**-5:00 PM

Lectors: Ron Hillesheim **Eucharistic Ministers:** Tyler & Emilee Stehr **Servers:** Lincoln McCue, Emilee Krueger, Blaise Krueger

Gifts: Bill & Che May **Ushers:** Kevin & Sue Lauwagie, Dennis & Joan Dording **Money Counters** Kevin Lauwagie, Lorie Schauer

Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

Saturday, **August 19th**-5:00 PM

Lectors: Pete Machaiek **Eucharistic Ministers:** Connie Portner **Servers:** Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer **Gifts:** Gary &

Mary Renner **Ushers:** Kevin & Sue Lauwagie, Dennis & Joan Dording **Money Counters** Kevin Lauwagie, Lorie Schauer

Sacristan: Gary & Mary Renner

Saturday, **August 26th**-5:00 PM

Lectors: Tyler & Emilee Stehr **Eucharistic Ministers:** Dave & Lorie Schauer **Servers:** Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda

Gifts: Mary Nelson, Joe Wersal **Ushers:** Kevin & Sue Lauwagie, Dennis & Joan Dording **Money Counters** Kevin Lauwagie,

Lorie Schauer **Sacristan:** Gary & Mary Renner

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Sunday, **August 13th**-8:00 AM

Lector: Jan Simonsen **Dist:** Maria Davila/Lidia Gonzalez **Servers:** Ashley, Isaac & Alex Vos **Ushers:** David Runck, Leander Nachreiner, Gilbert Borth, Ron Marlowe **Gifts:** Melvin & Mary Eckstein **Sacristan:** Agnes Wendinger

Sunday, **August 20th**-10:00 AM (Time Change)

Lector: Cindy Rieke **Dist:** Agnes Wendinger **Servers:** Kellen Nachreiner, Sylvia Nachreiner **Ushers:** Tom Palmer, Gerald Jandl, Myron Schweiss, Jerry Pelzel **Gifts:** Richard & LeAnn Frank **Sacristan:** Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

Sunday, **August 27th**-8:00 AM

Lector: Mike Beranek **Dist:** Myron Schweiss **Servers:** Luke & William Bastian, Kaden Weir, Bernardo Davila **Ushers:** Tom P Borth, Joe Nachreiner, John Rieke, Brian Marquardt **Gifts:** Mike & Barb Freitag **Sacristan:** Brenda Runck/Brenda Frank

ST. ANDREW'S FUN FEST will be held on Sunday, August 20th, starting at 10:00 am with Polka Mass. Deep fried chicken dinner, lunch stand, authentic Mexican tacos and activities to follow. Join us for a full day of fun!!!

FUN FEST CASH RAFFLE TICKETS are ready to be picked up on the table in the back of church. Each parishioner is asked to sell or buy their 40 tickets. Sold ticket stubs and money may be turned into the AFC office, put in the collection basket marked "Cash Raffle", or turned into the Cash Raffle table on the day of Fun Fest. The drawing will be held at Fun Fest on Sunday, August 20, 2023. **You do not need to be present to win, so sell to your neighbors, friends and relatives and make this a huge success!**

FLOWERS: Anyone with flowers or potted plants who would like to share them for the Fun Fest on August 20th should drop them off by 9:00 am on Saturday morning. The flowers/pots will be used to decorate in church and the church grounds. Thanks.

CUF MEETING on Monday August 7, 2023 @ 6:30 pm in church basement.

STELLAR – Shine Jesus' Light Vacation Bible School 2023 will be held August 14-17th from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Fairfax. Four-year-olds thru 4th grade our welcome. Open to the community. Registration deadline is July 23, 2023. Register on line at: myvbs.org/fairfaxmn. Music, crafts, bible stories, games. Meals provided each evening for students.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS ARE NEEDED during August the weeks of 21st-25th & 28th-31st for Meals on Wheels. This is a GREAT opportunity for students who need community service hours. Please call Barb Freitag at 507-426-7759 if you can help or if you want more information.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 4: Theresa Grunke, Idalia Vigil

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024

Giving July 1st, 2023 – August 2nd, 2023

Income	\$ 19,772.44
Expenses	\$ 14,668.09
Net Gain/Loss	\$ 5,104.35

AUGUST 20, 2023 FUN FEST

WE HAVE A WORKERS SHORTAGE IN THE FOLLOWING AREAS:

Take-Out 3 more workers needed and 1 cashier
Bingo 3 or 4 more workers needed
Kitchen 3 or 4 more workers needed
Taco Stand 1 cashier
Kids Games 2 or 3 more workers

Donations needed:

*Prizes Kids Game (School supplies, Little Debbie snacks, Gatorade, Juice boxes, pop, small bags of snacks, or cash donations)

*Treat Walk is back this year, Cookies, bars, brownies, muffins and breads will be accepted.

*Garden produce for the Country Store, perennials, tree fruits, canned items, jams & jelly.

HELP NEEDED FOR SET UP OF TENTS ON SATURDAY AT 8 A.M. (In case of rain or wind on Saturday, setup will take place at 7:30 on Sunday.

LOTS OF HELP NEEDED FOR TAKE DOWN AND CLEAN UP ON SUNDAY AFTERNOON.

Thank You for your generosity of your time and **talents!**

Mary Nachreiner 507-276-6846 or LeAnn Frank 507-995-5825

YOUTH UPDATE:

All Saints Faith Community youth met, Chris Bober, pro-football guard and center for the New York Giants (NFC East) and also for the Kansas City Chiefs (AFC West) of the National Football League, NFL. The pro-football player took time, shared some tips for the game and also his own testimony on how Christ changed his life. Chris was also attending the Steubenville Youth Conference in Rochester, MN, with youth leaders from his parish in Omaha, NE.

