



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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Join Flocknote by visiting flocknote.com/asafc or text allsaints4 to 84576

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS

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St. Francis - Kellie Slood 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.

Monday, September 28	NO MASS		
Tuesday, September 29	NO MASS	Private	+LeRoy Vait
Wednesday, September 30	NO MASS	Private	SI-Melvin & Genny Neyers & Family
Thursday, October 1	NO MASS	Private	+Christian Mothers
Friday, October 2	NO MASS	Private	+Gary Gleisner
Saturday, October 3	4:30 PM	<i>Reconciliation prior to Mass</i>	
	5:00 PM	Fairfax	+Deceased Friends & Relatives of Dory Schreiner
Sunday, October 4	8:00 AM	Winthrop	+Benjamin Holicky
	10:00 AM	Gibbon	People of the All Saints Area Faith Community

Reflection Questions for the Twenty-Sixth Sunday in Ordinary Time

What righteous act can I do this week that I have previously expressed reluctance to do?



Readings for the Week of September 27, 2020

Sunday: Ez 18:25-28/Ps 25:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [6a]/Phil 2:1-11 or 2:1-5/Mt 21:28-32

Monday: Jb 1:6-22/Ps 17:1bcd, 2-3, 6-7 [6]/Lk 9:46-50

Tuesday: Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 or Rv 12:7-12a/Ps 138:1-2ab, 2cde-3, 4-5 [1]/Jn 1:47-51

Wednesday: Jb 9:1-12, 14-16/Ps 88:10bc-11, 12-13, 14-15 [3]/Lk 9:57-62

Thursday: Jb 19:21-27/Ps 27:7-8a, 8b-9abc, 13-14 [13]/Lk 10:1-12

Friday: Jb 38:1, 12-21; 40:3-5/Ps 91:1-2, 3-4ab, 4c-6, 10-11 [11]/Mt 18:1-5, 10

Saturday: Jb 42:1-3, 5-6, 12-17/Ps 119:66, 71, 75, 91, 125, 130 [135]/Lk 10:17-24

Next Sunday: Is 5:1-7/Ps 80:9, 12, 13-14, 15-16, 19-20 [Is 5:7a]/Phil 4:6-9/Mt 21:33-43

Jesus cites an example of a son who after having second thoughts obeyed his father. Even sinners, once they repent and sincerely search for God, will be saved.

The Gospel parable this weekend is a reminder that God is always giving us an opportunity to respond to the invitation to salvation. But we must respond. In the parable, the one son never acted upon his father's request, while the other at first ignored it, but then later changed his mind. We cannot ignore God. We may put off our response, or we may find some excuse for not acting on God's invitation right away, but to ignore God forever leaves us without hope. The way of righteousness lies before us. We only have to choose to act.

"Lord Jesus, teach me how to become a servant after your own heart."

Congratulations and God's blessing on the eight children who made their First Holy Communion in our AFC last weekend. May the Body and Blood of Christ continue to nourish them as they grow in holiness with the good example of family and friends.

The month of October is dedicated to the most Holy Rosary. The rosary is a beautiful prayer that helps us meditate on the life of Jesus. I encourage you to pray the rosary as a family, especially during this month.

Throughout the Respect Life month of October, we heighten our awareness of how sacred human life is from the moment of conception to natural death. We live in a society that in many ways supports a culture of death, but the Gospel is clear in calling each of us to promote a culture of life.

Liturgical Ministers: We are in need of more lectors, extraordinary ministers of holy communion at Mass, sacristans, cantors, and accompanists in our AFC. If you would like to be considered to serve in any of these ministries, please call the parish office (507) 426-7739 or email ffgw@centurytel.net to volunteer.

Fr. Bruno OSB

AREA PARISH

AREA CALENDAR

AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

- Sept 28** Genny Neyers, Michael & Fran Meyer Anniv.
Sept 29 George & Mary Peichel Anniv., Marco & Graciela Puentes, John Regner
Sept 30 Jerry Pelzel, Ann Southworth, Alexis Rettig, Jay & Sandy Howe Anniv., Sandra Langhoff, Jennifer Langemo
Oct 1 Mary Eckstein, Dave & Rondee Nosbush Anniv., Elyiana Hellendrung, Darla Stark, Brooke Howe, Jesse & Maria Forstner Anniv., Pat & Yvonne O'Brien Anniv.
Oct 2 Brad & Cheryl Kiecker Anniv., Mike Vait, Alan Neyers, Brent & Wendy Lang Anniv., Harper Marin
Oct 3 Dave & Jody Busch Anniv., Ivan Rangel
Oct 4 Jessica Willegal, Neil & Stacy Helget Anniv., Delores Claussen



We welcome into the Area Faith Community through the waters of Baptism:

Emily Farias, daughter of Michael & Cary Farias, who was baptized at St. Francis de Sales on September 19th.

May this child and her family grow in faith and the love of God.



Please Remember in Prayer

Mary Illg
St. Andrew's
Pat O'Brien
St. Francis de Sales
Casey O'Brien
St. Francis de Sales
Rich Mathiowetz
St. Andrew's
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

VIRTUS SAFE ENVIRONMENT CERTIFICATION

Please take a few minutes to log in and complete your annual Virtus Certification if you have not already done so. You can do this by visiting virtusonline.org OR visit our AFC website at allsaintsafc.org go to Virtus under the Religious Education tab. The Diocese is looking for compliance by 9-18-2020. Our AFC has 24 to go. We can do it!:) Thank you and God Bless!

SEPTEMBER 27, 2020 HAS BEEN DESIGNATED AS PRIESTHOOD SUNDAY. This day has been chosen by the USA Council of SERRA International as a day to honor our priests. It is a day to reflect upon and affirm the role of the priesthood in the life of the church as a central one. Please join the church on this special day in praying for our priests, in praising God for their courage and their generosity. We urge you to make your appreciation for your parish priest known. A simple note, a smile or a phone call to assure him of your loving care and gratitude for his presence in the life of your local church will go a long way to serve the greater good of our wonderful Catholic Church.

NEXT WEEK WE WILL TAKE UP THE PETER'S PENCE COLLECTION which was postponed from June 28th, during the COVID restraints. This collection provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world. The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including war, oppression and natural disasters. Please be generous

THAT MAN IS YOU! Is a program that addresses the pressures and temptations that men face in our modern culture, especially those relating to our roles as husbands and fathers. The program uses current social and medical science combined with the teachings of the Church and the wisdom of the saints to give men tools we need to be all that Jesus calls us to be.

The weekly format is coffee and rolls followed by a half hour video and a half hour discussion time. If you're worried that you might have to stand up and talk in front people, don't worry, there's none of that. If you feel like you don't know your faith very well, that's okay too. This program is very practical and isn't heavy on theology. It's about how we relate to the challenges we face as men. We have a strict half-hour time limit on the discussion.

That Man is You will begin September 24th and run throughout the school year. We will be meeting at 5:45 a.m. at CODE3 Bowling in Gibbon. If you are a man in this Area Faith Community, I highly encourage you to give this program a chance. If you are 18 or older, married or single, I guarantee that you'll find help and support that you need to live out your calling as a Christian man.

EUCCHARISTIC HOLY HOUR—Sunday, October 4th, at St. Willibrord's, from 4:00 to 5:00 p.m. (Note seasonal time change). Holy Hour will include the rosary, scripture readings, prayer, and time for silent meditation before the Blessed Sacrament. Everyone welcome!

ON SUNDAY, OCTOBER 4, 2020, THE ST. PAUL STREET EVANGELIZERS will be speaking after Mass in Gibbon. They will be giving tips and ideas about how to visit with and invite people back to church, share our faith and live the gospel. A light lunch will follow. COVID-19 restrictions will be adhered to.



Check this out if you need a gift or a great piece of jewelry!

**Thank you for checking out and shopping our fundraiser and supporting our AFC kids!
Now through September, 50% of all proceeds go directly to our student program. Be sure to enter CODE:
5882 when you check out!
Shop here: totallycatholicfundraising.com/shop**

2020 INDIA WELL WATER PROJECT: This 2020 year has given us many unexpected challenges! Because of not being able to gather for Mass and for social events and have fundraisers, our All Saints AFC **Well Project** with Fr. Stephen at the Benedictine Monastery in Sivagangai, India had to be put aside for a few months. Thank you to any who have given donations during the pandemic; it is much appreciated! Now that we are able to be somewhat back together, and have some social gatherings, we hope that we can again try to reach our goal to reduce, or even eliminate, the \$20,000 loan the monastery has borrowed to pay for the well. The well has given the local people in the village a renewed water supply, and supplies water for the irrigation of the crops. The local people are very dependent on the crops they grow to provide a living for their families. Having the well totally paid for will allow the monastery to use their funds to help the local people in a variety of other ways. Through prayer and heartfelt consideration, we hope you will be able to give a generous donation! 100 % of the money donated to the Well Project will go to pay down the Well Project bank loan. Checks can be written out to: **Church of St. Andrew** and can either be left in the can at your church's Well Project display, or mailed to: Fr. Bruno Santiago, Box C, 15 1st St SE, Fairfax, MN 55332. Thank You from Fr. Stephen and Fr. Bruno!

WEEKLY OFFERING

	St. Andrew's	St. Francis's	St. Willibrord's
Adult	1,113.00	870.00	525.00
Loose Plate	194.00	65.00	115.00
DUF	25.00		
Spanish Mass	53.00		
Funfest/Pork Chop	275.00	425.00	
Building/Maintenance			
Votives	265.05		
CCD Tuition	50.00		
Cemetery Operating			
TOTAL	\$1,975.05	\$1,360.00	\$640.00

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:
SFC 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

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION CLASSES will begin with an opening Mass on Wednesday October 7, 2020. Please join us at St. Andrew's in Fairfax at 6:30 pm. Watch for a detailed letter in the mail.

NEW! Online registration for students attending religious education classes! Visit allsaintsaafc.org click on Religious Education, then RE registration to complete the form.

While you are there, check out the updated website to take advantage of the numerous opportunities for spiritual growth that are offered.

ST. WILLIBRORD'S – GIBBON

Sunday, October 4th -10:00 AM Lector: Chuck/Ann Southworth Ushers: Dean Schreiner, Nick Stadtherr, Butch Weber Sacristan: Charlene Forst
Sunday, October 11th -10:00 AM Lector: Melvin Neyers Ushers: Dean Schreiner, Nick Stadtherr, Butch Weber Sacristan: Rose Forst
Sunday, October 18th -10:00 AM Lector: Jerome Petersen Ushers: Dean Schreiner, Nick Stadtherr, Butch Weber Sacristan: Kathy Bruns

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1, 2020-September 23rd, 2020

Income \$ 11,056.77

Expenses \$ 20,443.08

Net Gain/Loss \$(**9,386.31**)

ST. FRANCIS DE SALES – WINTHROP

Sunday, October 4th -8:00 AM Lector: Wendy Lang Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Dave & Lorie Schauer Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp, Leon Lang
Sunday, October 11th -8:00 AM Lector: Bob & Laurie Kaukola Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Dave & Lorie Schauer Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp, Leon Lang
Sunday, October 18th -8:00 AM Lector: Barb Pagel Ushers: Tom & Sam Langhoff, Andrew Schmidt, Nick Krueger Sacristan: Dave & Lorie Schauer Money Counters: Karen Weitzenkamp, Leon Lang

FALL PORK CHOP DINNER UPDATE: Due to Covid 19, St. Francis's has decided to cancel the 2020 Pork Chop Dinner. Please send in your donation or greater if you can. A letter has been sent out. Thank you for your support.

THANK YOU TO MIKE REIN for stepping up to take Roger Osborne's place on the St. Francis Administrative Council. We still need someone to take Pam Osborne's place on the Area Parish Future Planning Committee. Please contact Tom Witucki to volunteer.

ST. ANDREW'S – FAIRFAX

Saturday, October 3rd -5:00 PM Lector: Anita Weir Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe
Saturday, October 10th -5:00 PM Lector: Agnes Kiecker Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Colleen Schweiss
Saturday, October 17th -5:00 PM Lector: Janet Simonsen Ushers: Volunteers Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe

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

STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING – ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2020-June 30, 2021

Giving July 1st, 2020-September 23rd, 2020

Income \$ 44,346.14 (Funfest included)

Expenses \$ (35,116.94)

Net Gain/Loss \$ **9,229.20**

Maintenance-Roof Income/Expenses \$50,306.36/(\$80,582.34) = \$(30,275.98)

Funfest 2020 Collected \$12,970.00