

Weekday Readings

Monday, August 17: JGS 2:11-19; MT 19:16-22
 Tuesday, August 18: JGS 6:11-24A; MT 19:23-30
 Wednesday, August 19: JGS 9:6-15; MT 20:1-16
 Thursday, August 20: JGS 11:29-39A; MT 22:1-14
 Friday, August 21: RU 1:1, 3-6, 14B-16, 22; MT 22:34-40
 Saturday, August 22: RU 2:1-3, 8-11; 4:13-17; MT 23:1-12
 Sunday, August 23: JOS 24:1-2A, 15-17, 18B; EPH 5:21-32; JN 6:60-69

Prayer List

Please pray for: Bishop John Kinney, Dorothy Ludwig, Lori Crozon, Lisa Heinen, Jane Anderson, Lucille Lahr, Tim Eder, Jackie Boulton Family, Ruth Johnson, Carol Bacon, Theresa Welle and Mary Spartz.

Local Events

August 15: Church of Our Lady, Manannah is hosting a Pie and Ice Cream Social from 4-7 p.m. They are serving: BBQs, potato salad, beans, pie, ice cream, and beverages for a free will offering. Mass will be at 8 p.m.
 August 15-16: Boni-fest, St. Boniface Parish Festival. Bluegrass Mass, dance, fireworks, chicken and dressing dinner, parade and general raffle and car raffle. For more details go to www.stboniface.com.
 August 16: St. Andrew's Fun Fest, Fairfax, MN. 9:30 AM Polka Mass, deep fried chicken dinner 10:30 AM -1:00 PM. Adults \$11.00, Children (5-10) \$5.00, under 5 free. Afternoon music, cash raffle, games for all ages, quilt raffle, bingo, tacos and much, much more! 10:30-4:00.
 August 30: 18th Annual Quilt Bingo, Sts. Peter & Paul Parish Center, Richmond. Paper bingo cards, bring your own dabbers. Quilt raffle and hotdogs and refreshments.

Activities & Announcements

Faith Formation Registration - Registration packets for families in Assumption and St. Anthony's have been mailed. Please return your packet as soon as you are able and remind others to do so. Thank you!

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August 16th, 2015
20th Sunday in Ordinary Time
Fr. Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB
Fr. Richard Gross, Retired Priest



Welcome to the Catholic Faith Community of

Church of the Assumption

P.O. Box 9, Eden Valley, MN 55329
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 Parish Contacts: Jessica Teicher, Secretary, Becky Haag, Director of Faith Formation, Bonnie Meyer, Faith Formation Assistant
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Church of St. Anthony

P.O. Box 409, Watkins, MN 55389
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 Parish Contacts: Jessica Teicher, Secretary
 Arliss Stenger, Coordinator of Faith Formation (Grades 1-6)
 Adam Teicher, Maintenance

Parish Secretary Hours

*these hours are subject to change

Monday: 8:00-11:00 Assumption, 11:30-4:30 St. Anthony
 Tuesday: 7:30-4:00 St. Anthony
 Wednesday: 7:30-11:00 St. Anthony, 11:30-3:00 Assumption
 Thursday: 7:30-4:00 St. Anthony
 Friday: 8:00-11:00 Assumption, 11:30-3:30 St. Anthony

Help Wanted!

The parishes of Assumption & St. Anthony are looking for a Youth Activity Coordinator to help plan and facilitate youth activities of both parishes. This is a part time position with hours varying from week to week with an average of 8 hours each week. Send your resumes to either parish office.

Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, August 17: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, August 18: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, August 19: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Thursday, August 20: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Friday, August 21: 9:00 a.m. Mass - Lawrence Huschle
 Saturday, August 22: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Janelle Reetz
 Sunday, August 23: 10:00 a.m. Mass - Jim Sieben
 *Note Fri. Mass Time Change & Wed. Communion Service

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 18: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop- Luella Looman
 Thursday, August 20: 8:30 a.m. Mass at Manor - Clifford Loch
 Friday, August 21: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, August 22: 4:00 p.m. Mass - Florence Heinen
 Sunday, August 23: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Alvin Hennen

***Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's and at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption**

A Message from Father Jerome



20th Sunday: Today's readings stress the fact that the Holy Eucharist, the perfect fulfillment of the symbol of the manna of the Old Testament, is the Food that gives us life forever. In last Sunday's Gospel, Jesus declared that the Bread he gives is his Flesh. This Sunday, Jesus asserts that to eat this Bread is to have eternal life.

We need to allow our body to be broken and our blood to be shed for others as Jesus did. That is why, at the end of the Mass, we are sent out to announce the Gospel of the Lord by our humble service and exemplary lives, radiating Jesus' love, mercy, forgiveness and spirit of service all around us.

Let us say with Jesus, "This is my body, given over for you" and "This is my blood, poured out for you" and live out these words by living for others. We need to keep the hunger and thirst for God alive in our hearts: Every human being is blessed with an insatiable longing for God. We want God as our Father to hold us gently in His arms, keeping us safe throughout the dangers we face. But often we use substitutes as an escape from that need: fast living, fast food, fast cars, needless luxuries, unrestricted sexual fulfillment. We demand the right to do whatever we want to do whenever we want. But let us remember the truth that unless we keep the hunger for God strong in our hearts, we will eventually realize the emptiness of our lives without Him.

Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

August 23: Teacher and Aides safe environment/orientation 11:00 AM, religion center

Ministry Schedule: August 22 & 23

Greeters: 7 p.m. Mary Jo Ruhland
10 a.m. Reuben & Janice Stommes

Gift Bearers: 7 p.m. The Family of Janelle Reetz
10 a.m. The Family of Jim Sieben

Lectors: 7 p.m. Lona Brutger
10 a.m. Cyrilla Nohner

Ushers: 7 p.m. Ralph Hennen, Francis Bischof,
Frank Meyer & Jerome Ludwig
10 a.m. Chad Field, Jim Rademacher,
Gene Bischof & Francis Theis

Ministers of Communion- H.M: Sherri Zieglmeier
7 p.m. Bill Tschumperlin, Anna Mae Gruenes &
Paige Thielen
10 a.m. Sarah Kuechle, Tom Ruhland &
Steve Schoenecker

Servers: 7 p.m. Shelby Kuechle*, Sidney Kuechle,
Sawyer Kuechle & Porter Kuechle
10 a.m. McKenzie Field*, Ellie Field,
Skylar Field & Ethan Nohner

Rosary Leaders: August 17-21, Rose Becker
7 p.m. Larry & Jeanne Schmitz
10 a.m. Dorothy Schultz

Music: 7 p.m. Chloe Cutten 10 a.m. Kris Latcham

Collection Counters: Linda Thielen & Colleen Sogge

Children's Liturgy: 1st Sunday: Helen Theis
2nd Sunday: High School Youth
3rd Sunday: Molly Z. & Janet Binsfeld
4th Sunday: Jenni Scherer
5th Sunday: Helen Theis

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	8/9/15	8/10/14
Loose Plate	164.75	152.05
Adult Envelopes	2370.00	1630.00
Youth Envelopes	3.50	16.27
Votive	32.96	43.00
RE Tuition	0.00	750.00
Total	\$2571.21	\$2590.32

Thank you for your
Donations!

Monthly Auto Drafts:
\$1554

Mass Attendance:
Aug 8, 7 p.m. 78
Aug 9, 10 a.m. 176
Total 254

Married in Christ

Congratulations to Travis Schlangen and Elizabeth Stang-Walz who were married on August 15th, 2015 at the Assumption Church.

Annual Assumption Cemetery Mass

The annual Mass at the Assumption Cemetery will be on Sunday August 30th at 10:00 a.m. Please bring your own chairs. Refreshments will be served at the cemetery following mass.

Thank You

Thank you to Art & Margie Kuechle & family and Don Trout for hosting the Fishing Outing and Cookout on Long Lake, Friday August 7th. The day was beautiful, the fishing good, and there was plenty of fish for everyone. Do it again next year Margie, Art and Don! Job well done.

Faith Formation News

All teachers and aides are asked to attend the safe environment/orientation meeting on Sunday, August 23rd at 11:00 in the religion center.

Banns of Marriage

Jim Ruhland and Linda Reiter are to be married on August 22, 2015 at the Assumption Church.

Rally for Life

Please join in a National Rally for Life at Planned Parenthood in St. Cloud located on East St. Germain Saturday August 22, 2015 from 9:00-11:00 AM. We will join hands with thousands of people in a peaceful rally praying and "Walking with Signs" to educate and express our concern for their barbaric practice of killing babies and then selling baby parts for profit. All 40 Days for Life rules will apply as far as being peaceful as well as not parking in their private parking lot. Our prayers are being heard and answered and we ask of your participation in this effort. If interested, call or E-Mail Judy Haag at judy4life@melitel.net - 453-7592 or Mary Jo at rhlgr@aol.com - 453-3695. Thank you and see you at the Rally!

Meals on Wheels

The Eden Valley Meals on Wheels program is looking for a Monday driver (20-30 minutes). If interested, call Claudia at 320-295-9966.

Garden Vegetables

If you have extra vegetables from your garden, please consider donating them to the church. Just bring them to church and place them on the table in the back. Call Tom or Mary Ruhland at 453-2575 with any questions.

Eucharistic Adoration Hours

There is still an open hour for Eucharistic Adoration on Thursdays from 12:00-1:00 AM. If interested in this hour please call Mary Ann Ruhland at 453-2575 or Rose Becker at 453-7496. Or if you currently adore from 6-11 PM and would be willing to trade for this hour, please call.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

Monday, August 17: Mary's Cenacle, 7:00 PM
Thursday, August 20: Thrift Store is open 9:00 AM
Saturday, August 22: Thrift Store is open 9:00 AM
Sunday, August 23: Online RE meeting, 7:00 PM Rectory

Ministry Schedule: August 22 & 23

Servers: 4 p.m. Brad Dockendorf, Troy Geislinger
Maddie Umana & Alison Olson
8 a.m. Reyse Hesse, Cambel Hesse,
Anna Kramer & Olivia Kramer

Lectors: 4 p.m. Mary Kay Kieilty
8 a.m. Kelly Meierhofer

Eucharistic Ministers:
4 p.m. Heidi Schoenecker & Rosie Loch
8 a.m. Terry Pauls & Jessica Lorentz

Ushers: 4 p.m. Joe Rathmann, Chuckie Unterberger,
Don Schmitt & Doris Rathmann
8 a.m. Earl Dockendorf, Ralph Huberty,
Tammy Winter & Joe Rathmann

Rosary Leaders:
4 p.m. Jan Vossen & Lori Unterberger
8 a.m. Sharon Simmons

Homebound: Betty Vossen, 764-9163

Church Cleaning: August 16-29
Jeanne Olson, Kari Olson
Jerry Oster & Terry Pauls
and Families.

*Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock the church.

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	8/9/15	8/10/14
Adult Envelopes	2989.00	2456.00
Loose Plate	205.35	135.50
Weekly Auto Drafts	115.00	0.00
Youth	5.50	5.31
Votive	725.00	8.25
Building Fund	562.58	280.00
CCD Tution	100.00	0.00
Vac. Bible School	270.00	182.00
Total	\$4254.68	\$3067.06

Thank you for your donations!

Mass Attendance:
Aug 8, 4:00 p.m. 182
Aug 9, 8:00 a.m. 116
Total 298

New Parish Center	8/9/15
New Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$207,726.29)
Funds on Hand	\$1,051,041.08
Remaining Goal	\$638,186.57

****We have reached our goal to start Phase I, but we will still need more money and pledges to continue with Phase II after Phase I is complete.**

Vacation Bible School 2015

"Everest - Conquering challenges with God's mighty power." With the help of all our volunteers we conquered challenges. A big thank you to Dockendorf Bus Service, Joe & Doris Rathmann, Adam & Jessie Teicher, Becky Haag, Bill Hesse, Gwen Asfeld, Michelle Kramer, Ruth Geislinger, Dolores Faber, Sarah Geislinger, Jeanne Neisen, Margi Schreifels, Diana Gertken, Morgan Schlangen, Karen Kramer and Dolores Finken. Youth helpers: Taylor Mackedanz, Josie Stenger, Alex Haag, Claire Roeser, JaDyn Nohner, Lucas Neisen, Brooke Geislinger, Jayce Stenger, Seth Roeser, Chloe Walz, Nicole Holthaus, Emily Walz, Ayanna Ertl, Lesly Geislinger, Kalene Andrusick and Nicholas Zadra. And also to all the parents and children.

† Rest in Peace

-Florence Heinen, age 90, of Watkins, passed away on August 9. The Mass of Christian burial took place on Wednesday, August 12 at the St. Anthony Church. Please keep Florence and her family and friends in your thought and prayers.

-Lenore Drontle, age 84, formally of Watkins, passed away on August 9. The Mass of Christian burial took place on Wednesday, August 12 at the St. Benedict's Catholic Church in Avon. Please keep Lenore and her family and friends in your thought and prayers.

Thank You

The family of Florence Heinen would like to thank everyone who have offered condolences, prayers, memorials, Masses and words of encouragement at this difficult time. A special thank you to Fr. Gross, Ertl Funeral Home, Rice Hospice and the Hilltop Care Center. Also, thanks to who participated in the Mass of Christian Burial: Kathy Pauls for her music, St. Anthony Ladies for serving dinner and to all those who donated in any way. Your service and caring is greatly appreciated. God bless you all!
-the Heinens and their families

Faith Formation News

Parents interested in pursuing online faith formation classes for their children are asked to attend the parent meeting on Sunday, August 23rd at 7:00 pm in the rectory.

Funeral Containers

Ladies, if you brought cake, bars or salads for a funeral dinner please check the table in the new addition to see if any of these dishes are yours. We will leave them out until Aug 30th. Any remaining dishes will be taken to the thrift store. Thank you. - Kathy Erpelding CCW Co-president.

Thank you, Fr. Gross

Thank you to Fr. Gross who will be taking care of the daily and funeral masses during Fr. Jerome's time back in India. We wish Fr. Jerome safe travels back to his Monastery. The following priests will be covering the weekend masses:

Rev. Eb Schefers on August 15/16
Rev. Bob Kieffer on August 22/23