

Weekday Readings

Monday, August 24: RV 21:9B-14; JN 1:45-51
 Tuesday, August 25: 1 THES 2:1-8; MT 23:23-26
 Wednesday, August 26: 1 THES 2:9-13; MT 23:27-32
 Thursday, August 27: 1 THES 3:7-13; MT 24:42-51
 Friday, August 28: 1 THES 4:1-8; MT 25:1-13
 Saturday, August 29: 1 THES 4:9-11; MK 6:17-29
 Sunday, August 30: DT 4:1-2, 6-8; JAS 1:17-18, 21B-22, 27;
 MK 7:1-8, 14-15, 21-23

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, Mary Spartz and Jim Hesse.

Local Events

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.
September 18: Central Minnesota Koinonia retreat, \$60 person. For registration or more information, call LeRoy or Mary Lou Raden at (320) 293-2080 or email at cmkoinonia@gmail.com.
September 28: Half-day retreat at St. Philip's Catholic Church, with guest speaker Nancy Jo Sullivan. All women of the parishes are invited to attend, \$15.00. Registration begins at 8:15 AM. Register by calling Mary Peltier at 320-593-6080.

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. If you have not received yours, call the Assumption Faith Formation office (453-5765) or the St. Anthony Rectory (764-2755). St. Anthony registration forms are also available on the website. Feel free to email either parish as well. Thank you!

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August 23rd, 2015
21st 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
www.churchoftheassumptionedenvalley.org

Parish Office: 320-453-2788 Parish Email: assumptionev@meltel.net
 Parish Contacts: Jessica Teicher, Secretary, Becky Haag, Director of Faith Formation, Bonnie Meyer, Faith Formation Assistant
 Religion Office: 320-453-5765, email: assumptionre@meltel.net

Church of St. Anthony

P.O. Box 409, Watkins, MN 55389
www.stanthonywatkins.com

Parish Office: 320-764-2755, Email: stanthony@meltel.net
 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, 11:30-4:00 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

**We will no longer be accepting applications for the youth activity coordinator for both parishes. The position has been filled and will be announced soon. Thank you!

Assumption Mass Intentions

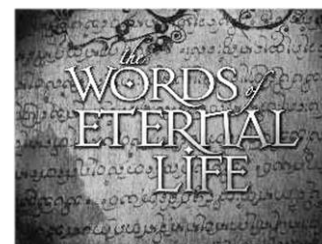
Monday, August 24: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, August 25: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, August 26: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Thursday, August 27: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Friday, August 28: 9:00 a.m. Mass - Harold & Mary Topp
 Saturday, August 29: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Christine Maul
 Sunday, August 30: 10:00 a.m. Mass - Bonnie Trout
 *Note Fri. Mass Time Change & Wed. Communion Service

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 25: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop- Norbert Donnay
 Thursday, August 27: 8:30 a.m. Mass at Manor - Mike & Arletta Turner
 Friday, August 28: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, August 27: 4:00 p.m. Mass - Cliff Loch
 Sunday, August 30: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Maynard & Jeanette Walz
 50th Wedding Anniversary

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

A Message from Father Jerome



21st Sunday: The main theme of today's readings is that Christian life is a series of daily choices for God or against God, as we choose to live out or reject the truths He has revealed through His prophets in the Old Testament and especially through His Son Jesus in the New Testament. The fundamental choice we make determines how we live our lives, deciding whom we will serve.

Let us make our choice for Christ and live it: We Christians have accepted the challenge of following the way of Christ and making choices for Christ, fortified by the Bread he gives and relying on the power of his Holy Spirit. The Heavenly Bread and the Holy Spirit will give us the courage of our Christian convictions to take a stand for Jesus, to accept the Church's teachings and to face ridicule, criticisms and even social isolation for our adherence to sound Christian principles in our lives. That is what we mean by our "Amen" while receiving Jesus in Holy Communion. We express without any conditions or reservations our total commitment to him in the community to which we belong. Christ's thoughts and attitudes, his values, his life-view must become totally ours. Above all, we are to identify with him in the offering of his Flesh and the pouring out of his Blood on the cross by spending our lives for others.

Update from India: Congratulations to Father Jerome who has been elected the new Major Superior, or Prior, of his monastery!! We will certainly miss Father and his energy, but wish him luck on this new journey. Father will be returning on August 28th and will need to report back to India in a month. The diocese has been informed and we will update everyone on the plans when we received them.

Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

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

August 30: Assumption Cemetery Mass, 10:00 AM.

September 8: Faith Formation classes begin

September 20: Theology of the Body parent mtg, 11 AM,
lower level

September 20: Reconciliation parent mtg, 11 AM, lower level

Ministry Schedule: August 29 & 30

Greeters: 7 p.m. Gary & Colleen Sogge
10 a.m. Nick & Doris Thielen

Gift Bearers: 7 p.m. The Family of Christine Maul
10 a.m. The Family of Bonnie Trout

Lectors: 7 p.m. Jason Huschle
10 a.m. Wanda Reiter

Ushers: 7 p.m. Art Holdvogt, Bud Binsfeld,
Gene DeMorett & Gary Sogge

10 a.m. Joel Thielen, Jeff Magedanz,
Jim Linn & Alvin Stommes

Ministers of Communion- H.M.: Donna Bischof

7 p.m. Jenny Evens, Joyce Gertken & Edith Fink
10 a.m. Lisa Ludwig, Dawn Schramel & Volunteer

Servers: 7 p.m. Lisa Holdvogt*, Jack Evens,
Mallory Evens & Peyton Thull

10 a.m. Jakob Thielen*, Carter Laudenbach,
Ethan Laudenbach & Reece Bischof

Rosary Leaders: August 24-28, Helen Theis

7 p.m. Bertie Weinmann
10 a.m. Janet Schwartz

Music: 7 p.m. Lisa Thielen 10 a.m. Gutitar Group

Collection Counters: Don Trout & Barb Hartkopf

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	8/16/15	8/17/14
Loose Plate	106.00	352.00
Adult Envelopes	1806.00	2577.95
Youth Envelopes	2.50	16.25
Votive	37.60	67.00
RE Tuition	900.00	400.00
Total	\$2852.10	\$3413.20

Thank you for your
Donations!

Mass Attendance:

Aug 16, 7 p.m. 74

Monthly Auto Drafts: Aug 17, 10 a.m. 168
\$1554 **Total** 242

Married in Christ

Congratulations to James Ruhland and Linda Reiter who were married on August 22nd, 2015 at the Assumption Church.

Fall Dinner Planning Meeting

Sunday, August 23rd, 7:00pm in the church basement. Those asked to attend are: the women's guild officers, the chairperson and co-chairperson from Groups 1, 4, 7, and 9 and anyone else who would like to help plan the fall dinner. The fall Dinner will be on Sunday, October 4th. Thank you, - Bev Neu. Women's guild President.

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 or blankets. Refreshments will be served at the cemetery following mass. Youth will release balloons before Mass in memory of someone. The balloons represent our prayers rising to God.

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.

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.

Financials

The financial documents for this last fiscal year (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015) are now available in the back of church and on the website. These documents include an income and expense report, current assets and a summary of the interior renewal project.

40 Days for Life

TAKE PRAYERFUL ACTION DURING 40 DAYS FOR LIFE: www.40daysforlife.com. We invite you to take this to prayer by joining us at 40 Days For Life-St Cloud in PRAYER, FASTING and PEACEFUL VIGIL TO END ABORTION, from Wednesday, September 23 to November 1, 2015. Make a decision now to come & pray for an hour with us at St Cloud, Planned Parenthood at 451 East St. Germain. For more information or to sign up, contact Mary Jo Ruhland rhlg@aol.com 320-453-3695 or Judy Haag judy4life@meltel.net 320-453-7592, -co-coordinators for 40 Days For Life-St Cloud.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, August 23: Online RE meeting, 7:00 PM Rectory

Monday, August 24: Mary's Cenacle, 7:00 PM

Ministry Schedule: August 29 & 30

Servers: 4 p.m. Emma Donnay, Ellie Donnay
Kennedy Schoenecker & Brooke Geislinger
8 a.m. Madison Mueller, Josie Huberty,
Jenifer Kipf & Ryan Wirz

Lectors: 4 p.m. Heidi Schoenecker
8 a.m. Rich Stenger

Eucharistic Ministers:
4 p.m. Adam Teicher & Lori Unterberger
8 a.m. Scott & Emily Piccerillo

Ushers: 4 p.m. Eldred Froehling, Leila Froehling,
Jay Schoenecker & Alan Dockendorf
8 a.m. Jim Schreifels, Margi Schreifels,
Joe Rathmann & Leander Salzl

Rosary Leaders:
4 p.m. Carol Huberty
8 a.m. Maynard & Jeanette Walz

Homebound: Molly Schlangen, 764-2209

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	8/16/15	8/17/14
Adult Envelopes	1261.00	2656.00
Loose Plate	74.25	241.13
Weekly Auto Drafts	115.00	0.00
Youth	7.25	6.75
Votive	17.65	21.00
Building Fund	240.00	200.00
CCD Tuition	275.00	150.00
Total	\$1990.15	\$3274.88

Thank you for your donations!	Mass Attendance:	
	Aug 16, 4:00 p.m.	104
	Aug 17, 8:00 a.m.	138
Total	242	

New Parish Center	8/18/15
New Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$207,726.29)
Funds on Hand	\$1,051,281.08
Remaining Goal	\$637,946.57

****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.**

A BIG THANK YOU

A big thank you to Willow Creek Concrete Products for donating the blocks to be used for the repair of the front steps of the church; also to KUE Contractors for the use of the truck to haul them and to Andy Hesse and Ron Oster who hauled them from their warehouse in St. Cloud. We will be replacing the caps sometime in the next 2-3 weeks.

Thrift Shop

The thrift shop will not accepting donations until further notice. Also, we would like to thank everyone for their hard work in helping with the water problems in the church basement. Sorry for any inconvenience this may have caused for anyone hoping to shop in the thrift store.

Faith Formation News

-We are in need of a 6th grade teacher for our Faith Formation classes. Please consider helping pass on our faith through the wonderful gift of teaching our youth! Please contact Becky Haag or Arliss Stenger if interested.

-On Sunday, August 23rd at 7:00 pm in the rectory there will be a meeting for families interested in pursuing online faith formation classes for their children. Parents and students are asked to attend this meeting.

-On Wednesday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm in the rectory there will be teachers & aides orientation. There will also be computers available for anyone who doesn't have access to a computer to renew their Virtus training.

Other Upcoming Faith Formation Dates:

•September 2nd, 7:00 PM in church entrance-Confirmation meeting (10th grade students and parents)

•September 9th, 6:30 first night of classes.

•Saturday, September 19th, 4:00 PM Youth Mass, with catechetical recognition (all ages, attend as a family and sit together)

•September 20th, 9:00 AM, Theology of the Body meeting (parents of 7th graders)

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Caps of Love project

If you've been collecting caps for this project, please drop them in the boxes in church or the entry way of the rectory by Sept. 1. We will be sorting and boxing them for shipping at our CCW meeting that evening. Thank you for your support, Kathy Erpelding CCW Co-president

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.