

Weekday Readings

Monday, August 31: 1 THES 4:13-18; LK 4:16-30
 Tuesday, September 1: 1 THES 5:1-6, 9-11; LK 4:31-37
 Wednesday, September 2: COL 1:1-8; LK 4:38-44
 Thursday, September 3: COL 1:9-14; LK 5:1-11
 Friday, September 4: COL 1:15-20; LK 5:33-39
 Saturday, September 5: COL 1:21-23; LK 6:1-5
 Sunday, September 6: IS 35:4-7A; JAS 2:1-5; MK 7:31-37

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.

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

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

ARE YOU READY FOR AN OPPORTUNITY?

Coming Sunday, September 20th at 6 pm. **Doug Barry, Co-Host of EWTN's Life on The Rock will be presenting a Battle Ready Rally at the Saint Boniface Church.**

This event is for men, women and children ages 7 and older. Mark your calendars. More information coming...

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August 30rd, 2015

22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB

Fr. Richard Gross, Retired Priest

Welcome to the Catholic Faith Community of

Church of the Assumption

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 Arliss Stenger, Coordinator of Faith Formation (Grades 1-6)
 Adam Teicher, Maintenance



Rest in Peace

† Leona Young, 71, of Watkins, passed away on Sunday, August 23rd. The Mass of Christian Burial was held on Friday, August 28th at the St. Anthony Church with the interment at the St. Anthony Cemetery. Please keep Leona and her family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

† Travis Monson, 19, of Watkins, passed away on August 25th. Visitation will be on Monday, August 30th in the St. Anthony Church from 4-8 PM, and the funeral Mass will be on Tuesday, September 1st at 10:30 with the interment at St. Anne's Cemetery in Kimball. Please keep Travis and his family and friends in your thoughts and prayers.

Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, August 31: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, September 1: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, September 2: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Mary Boeckmann
 Thursday, September 3: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Friday, September 4: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Monica Huschle
 Saturday, September 5: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Alan Schmitz
 Sunday, September 6: 10:00 a.m. Mass - David Lahr

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 1: 9:30 a.m. No Mass due to Funeral
 Thursday, September 3: 8:30 a.m. Mass at Manor - CCW Members
 Friday, September 4: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, September 5: 4:00 p.m. Mass - Leona Young
 Sunday, September 6: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Arthur Court

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

A Message from Father Jerome



22nd Sunday: In today's Gospel, Jesus describes true religion as serving God and all His children with a pure and holy heart. The Gospel explains the encounter of Jesus with the Sanhedrin observers and the Pharisees who had been sent to assess his unique, controversial teachings. These experts had found Jesus' teachings an open violation of the "Traditions of the Elders, and His implied and spoken claims "blasphemous. It was in the fifth century BC that the scribes started adding *oral traditions* as interpretations and practical applications of the Mosaic Law. The Pharisees observed them and insisted that all the Jews should do so. The original noble purpose was to sanctify the daily lives of the people, making them "holy as God is holy" ("*You are a priestly kingdom, a holy nation*" -- Ex 19: 6), and different in lifestyle from their pagan neighbors. Jesus uses the occasion as a teachable moment to give them the following lessons: 1) Don't teach human doctrines as dogmas. 2) Internal disposition, purity and holiness are more important than external ritual observances. 3) Keep your heart holy as it is the source of sins, vices and evil habits. The observance of traditions and of washing rituals does not correct the internal motivations and inclinations that really defile people. 4) External piety without internal holiness is hypocrisy.

We need to learn and keep the spirit of the Church's laws and ritual practices. For example our Sunday obligation is intended to allow us to worship God in the parish community, to offer our lives to God, to ask His pardon for sins, to thank God for His blessings and to receive Divine life and strength from Him in Holy Communion. Our daily family prayers are meant to thank God for his blessings, to present the family's needs before God, to ask pardon for sins and to maintain the spirit of unity and love in the family.

Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

- August 30:** Assumption Cemetery Mass, 10:00 AM.
September 8: Faith Formation classes begin
September 13: Confirmation Parent/Student/Sponsor Mtg. 11AM
September 20: Theology of the Body parent mtg, 11 AM, lower level
September 20: Reconciliation parent mtg, 11 AM, lower level

Ministry Schedule: Sept. 5 & 6

- Greeters:** 7 p.m. Volunteers
 10 a.m. Volunteers
- Gift Bearers:** 7 p.m. The Family of Alan Schmitz
 10 a.m. The Family of David Lahr
- Lectors:** 7 p.m. Anna Mae Gruenes
 10 a.m. Dave Ruhland
- Ushers:** 7 p.m. Mark Ruhland, Randy Kuechle, Pat Schettler & Jason Kuechle
 10 a.m. Brian Nohner, Kevin Nohner, Joe Streit & Larry Schmitz
- Ministers of Communion- H.M:** Shirley Hennen
 7 p.m. Jim Schutz, Andrea Huschle & Sharon Schettler
 10 a.m. Marge Kuechle, Becky Haag & Rhonda Kuechle
- Servers:** 7 p.m. Jamison Kuechle*, Meryl Kuechle, Anthony Schettler & Kendra Kuechle
 10 a.m. Paige Thielen*, Dyani Acosta, Megan Blonigen & Ava Blonigen
- Rosary Leaders:** August 31-September 4, LeRoy & Jeanette Smoley
 7 p.m. Rose Becker
 10 a.m. Marge Kuechle
- Music:** 7 p.m. Joanne Bischof 10 a.m. Kris Latcham
- Collection Counters:** George N. Ruhland & Sandy Mueller
- 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	8/23/15	8/24/14
Loose Plate	237.25	109.00
Adult Envelopes	1922.00	1830.00
Youth Envelopes	5.25	0.00
Votive	77.25	8.00
RE Tuition	1150.00	0.00
Total	\$3391.75	\$1947.00

Thank you for your Donations!

Mass Attendance:	
Aug 22, 7 p.m.	63
Aug 23, 10 a.m.	235
Total	298

Monthly Auto Drafts: \$1554

Adoration Chapel Hours

The adoration chapel will be closed for Labor Day (September 7th) and be reopened Tuesday, September 8th, after the communion service.

Fall Dinner Announcement

The sign-up sheets for the fall dinner on Sunday, October 4th, are in the back of church. All members of groups 1, 4, 7, and 9 are asked to sign up. If you are not a member of these groups but would like to sign up your help would be greatly appreciated! Thank you.

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

-The Assumption Church's Faith Formation program is looking for a 5th grade teacher. Please consider passing on our faith through the wonderful gift of teaching our youth! Please contact Becky Haag if interested.

- The Confirmation Candidates will be studying "Decision Point" from Dynamic Catholic this year. Parents and sponsors are asked to subscribe to the program. The program consists of a short video clip from Matthew Kelly e-mailed to you every Monday and Thursday. I'm inviting all parishioners to participate in this inspirational program. Go to <http://dynamiccatholic.com/confirmation/for-parents-and-sponsors/> to sign up!

-Looking for donations of file cabinets . . . 3 file cabinets desired, 4 drawer preferred. Call or e-mail if you have one to donate.

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.

Financials

The financial documents for this last fiscal year (July 1, 2014-June 30, 2015) are available in the back of church and on the website.

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. For more information or to sign up, contact Mary Jo Ruhland rhlgr@aol.com 320-453-3695 or Judy Haag judy4life@metel.net 320-453-7592, -co-coordinators for 40 Days For Life-St Cloud.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

- Monday, August 31:** Mary's Cenacle, 7:00 PM
Wed., September 2: -Religious Ed volunteer orientation, 7:00 PM in the rectory
 -Confirmation parent/student mtg. 7:00 PM church gathering space

Ministry Schedule: Sept. 5 & 6

- Servers:** 4 p.m. Tori Reikofski, Sheila Riebe, Ben Teicher & Charlie Teicher
 8 a.m. Kayla Schindler, Carly Meierhofer, Cadence Meierhofer & Alison Waldorf
- Lectors:** 4 p.m. Jessie Teicher
 8 a.m. Tammy Winter
- Eucharistic Ministers:**
 4 p.m. Ed & Marilyn Kuechle
 8 a.m. Margi Schreifels & Sharon Simmons
- Ushers:** 4 p.m. Elmer Geislinger, Brian Linn, Jack Schlangen & Vic Geislinger
 8 a.m. Ralph Vossen, Maynard Walz, Mike Erpelding & Stan Welle
- Rosary Leaders:**
 4 p.m. Kevin & Erin Donnay & Family
 8 a.m. Volunteer
- Homebound:** Jack & Rachel Kinzer, 764-2784
- Church Cleaning: August 30- September 12**
 Glenn Pauls, Leon Pauly, Jeanne Pearson & Beth Perrier & Don Gruenes and Families.

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

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	8/23/15	8/24/14
Adult Envelopes	1488.00	1845.00
Loose Plate	220.00	204.00
Weekly Auto Drafts	115.00	0.00
Youth	1.00	5.50
Votive	1.00	38.00
Stole Fees	100.00	200.00
Building Fund	375.00	2195.00
CCD Tuition	300.00	200.00
Total	\$2600.00	\$4687.50

Mass Attendance:

Thank you for your donations!	Aug 22, 4:00 p.m.	150
	Aug 23, 8:00 a.m.	140
	Total	290

New Parish Center	8/18/15
New Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$207,726.29)
Funds on Hand	\$1,051,656.08
Remaining Goal	\$637,571.57

****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.**

Baptized Through Christ

The Church of St. Anthony welcomes its newest member through the waters of baptism, Molly Sue Pederson. Molly is the daughter of Rob and Erin Pederson and was baptized on August 29th.

Lectors

A sincere thank you to all of our lectors at the St. Anthony Church. Reading at your scheduled times, being prepared and articulating God's word is very much appreciated. The 2015-16 schedule will be prepared soon. Anyone interested in joining this ministry, please call Bev Schmitt at 764-9170.

CCW Meeting

Join us on Sept 1 @ 7:00 in the rectory for our meeting. We will have reports from the Resource & Guidance, Summer board & Lighthouse media meetings. We will also have information for Fall Gathering & CCW Sunday. For enrichment we will be sorting & boxing the caps collected for the Caps- of -Love project. Hope to see you there! Kathy Erpelding, CCW Co-president

Faith Formation News

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

-On Wednesday, September 2nd at 7:00 pm in the rectory there will be teachers, aides and other religion volunteer orientation. There will also be computers available for anyone who doesn't have access to a computer to renew their Virtus training. Please make this a priority in your schedule.

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.

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Caps of Love project

Please drop off your plastic caps 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.

Food Driver Needed

Hilltop Health Care Center needs a part time driver to deliver & serve food to Annandale Behavior Health Unit. Training & Vehicle provided. Shifts are 11am-12:30p and or 5pm-6:30pm Apply at Hilltop HCC if interested, 764-2300, a good retirement position.

Funeral Containers

Any dishes or containers left from funeral dinners we beje left out in the gathering space until Aug 30th. Any remaining dishes will be taken to the thrift store.