

Weekday Readings

Monday, September 14: NM 21:4B-9; PHIL 2:6-11; JN 3:13-17
 Tuesday, September 15: 1 TM 3:1-13; JN 19:25-27
 Wednesday, September 16: 1 TM 3:14-16; LK 7:31-35
 Thursday, September 17: 1 TM 4:12-16; LK 7:36-50
 Friday, September 18: 1 TM 6:2C-12; LK 8:1-3
 Saturday, September 19: 1 TM 6:13-16; LK 8:4-15
 Sunday, September 20: WIS 2:12, 17-20; JAS 3:16-4:3; MK 9:30-37



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 and Jim Hesse.

Local Events

September 13: St. Agnes Christian Women Breakfast & Quilt Raffle, 8:30-12:30, Roscoe.
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 19: The St. Cloud Diocese Council of Catholic Women, 62nd Annual Fall Conference, 8:30 AM - 3:00 PM. St. Mary Church, Upsala. For more info contact Julie Moorhead at 320-243-3891 or julimoorhead@meltel.net.
September 20: Church of St. Anne, Kimball Fall Festival. 9:00 AM Polka Mass, Bean Bag Tournery, Raffle and much more.
September 20: Church of St. Pius X in Glencoe Fall Festival. 10 AM Mass, Old-Fashioned Chicken & Sausage Dinner. 10:30-2:00. Bingo, Raffle, Country Store, Lemonade and Popcorn, Taco Stand and kids games.
September 27: Church of Our Lady, Manannah. Pork Chop Supper & Raffle, 4-7:30. Cash bingo and Country Store.
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.



ASA (Assumption/St. Anthony) Youth Encountering Christ

We are planning to build a Youth Group comprised of 9-12 graders from both Assumption and St. Anthony Parishes (ASA) that will gather 1-2 times monthly to participate in and discover various ways to Encounter Christ. This youth group is being built to provide opportunities for our youth to discover, grow and hopefully work toward creating the "best version of themselves possible." by coming to really know Christ. More information regarding this will follow as planning continues to take place.

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September 13th, 2015

24th Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB

Fr. Richard Gross, Retired Priest

Welcome to the Catholic Faith Community of



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Adam Teicher, Maintenance

MARK YOUR CALENDARS! for the Doug Barry, of EWTN's "Life on the Rock" event to be held next Sunday, Sept. 20, 6 p.m. at St. Boniface Church in Cold Spring. This opportunity is being brought to you by the St. Boniface Parish in conjunction with support and assistance from both Assumption, St. Anthony and surrounding parishes. We are asking that as many of our youth and families attend as possible. Doug has been active in faith formation for our youth for many years and has a **POWERFUL MESSAGE** to all families; in particular to youth ages 7-and up. This is a great way to **KICK-OFF** our parishes' faith formation for this 2015-2016 year! We are providing rides for any youth from 7-12th grade that do not have families going or need a ride to and from the event. Rides will be leaving both parish parking lots at 5:15 p.m. Information and permission slips to reserve a ride were handed out this past week in the religious education classes. This event is for ALL, admission is FREE, please take advantage of these opportunities, especially when they are held so close to our communities.

Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, September 14: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, September 15: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, September 16: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Walter Johnson
 Thursday, September 17: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Friday, September 18: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Norbert Jansen
 Saturday, September 19: 7:00 p.m. Mass - People of the Parish
 Sunday, September 20: 10:00 a.m. Mass - Kyle Becker

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, September 15: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop - Norbert Donnay
 Thursday, September 17: 8:30 a.m. Mass at Manor - Beata Hesse
 Friday, September 18: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, September 19: 4:00 p.m. Mass - People of the Parish
 Sunday, September 20: 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

25th Sunday: Today's Gospel explains the basis of our Faith as acceptance of Jesus as the Christ, the Son of the Living God and our Lord and Savior. It also tells us that Christ Jesus became our Savior by his suffering, death and Resurrection. Finally, it outlines the three conditions of Christian discipleship, namely, denying oneself, taking up one's cross and following Jesus. Jesus wants to become a living, present reality for us, loving us, forgiving us, helping us, transforming our lives and outlook and building a personal relationship with us. The knowledge of Jesus as Lord and personal Savior needs to become a living, personal experience for each Christian drawing each of us to loving response. The relationship deepens and grows as we listen to him through the daily, meditative reading of the Bible, speak to him in our daily, personal and family prayers, offer him our lives on the altar in the Holy Mass and get reconciled with him, asking his forgiveness for our sins every night and in the Sacrament of Reconciliation. In the Eucharistic celebration today, we are celebrating and experiencing in our lives the death and Resurrection of Christ, the Messiah, our Lord and personal Savior. We need to surrender our life to Jesus whom we experience as our Lord and Savior: The next step is the surrender of our lives to Jesus whom we have experienced by rendering humble and loving service to others with the strong conviction that Jesus is present in every person. The final step is to praise and thank God in all the events of our lives, good and bad, realizing that God's love shapes every event of our lives.

September 14th Exaltation of the Holy Cross: This feast is celebrated to remember the first installation of the remnants of the true cross of Jesus in the Church of the Holy Sepulcher at Mount Calvary on September 14, 335 AD and its reinstallation on September 14, 630 A.D. The original cross on which Jesus was crucified was excavated in A.D. 326 by a team led by St. Helena the mother of the first Christian Roman Emperor, Constantine. The Emperor built the Church of the Holy Sepulcher on Calvary, it was consecrated on September 14, 335, and the remains of the cross were installed in it by Archbishop Maccharios of Jerusalem. After three centuries, the Persians invaded Jerusalem, plundered all valuables and took with them the relic of the holy cross. In 630, Heraclius II defeated the Persians, recaptured the casket containing the holy relic and reinstalled it in the rebuilt Church of the Holy Sepulcher. The largest fragment of the holy cross is now kept in Santa Croce church in Rome.

Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

- September 13:** -Christian Women Annual Mass, 10 AM
 -Confirmation Parent/Student/Sponsor Mtg. 11AM
- September 20:** -Theology of the Body parent mtg, 11 AM, lower level
 -Reconciliation parent mtg, 11 AM, lower level
 -Doug Barry, St Boniface Church, 6 PM
- September 25:** Fr. Jerome's Farewell Party, 6-8 PM
 Eden Valley Event Center
- October 4:** Fall Dinner

Ministry Schedule: Sept. 19 & 20

- Greeters:** 7 p.m. Lyle & Sheila Laudenbach
 10 a.m. Don Trout
- Gift Bearers:** 7 p.m. Arnie & Kris Gruenes
 10 a.m. Family of Kyle Becker
- Lectors:** 7 p.m. Bill Tschumperlin
 10 a.m. PJ Connors
- Ushers:** 7 p.m. Arnie Gruenes, Josh Bischof, Leander Thielen & Art Lahr
 10 a.m. Ron Ruhland, Bill Ruhland, Don Trout & Dan Schlangen
- Ministers of Communion- H.M.:** Mary Ruhland
 7 p.m. Joyce Gertken, Sheila Laudenbach & Paige Thielen
 10 a.m. Deb Huschle, Mary Jo Ruhland & Jeanne Schmitz
- Servers:** 7 p.m. Arnie Gruenes*, Ashley Gruenes, Andy Gruenes & Carter Brown
 10 a.m. Ben Ruhland*, Katie Ruhland, Johanna Ruhland & Kallie Jo Becker
- Rosary Leaders:** September 14-18, Tom & Mary Ann Ruhland
 7 p.m. Donna Bischof
 10 a.m. Larry & Jeanne Schmitz
- Music:** 7 p.m. Chloe Cutten 10 a.m. Lisa Thielen
- Collection Counters:** Deb Huschle & Dan Thielen
- 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



Catholic United Financial Meeting

St. Joseph St Mary's Council of Catholic United Financial will have a meeting on Sunday, Sept. 20th at 8:30 AM, before Mass, in the lower level. We need to plan for the server's party & St. Nick day. All members are welcome.

Adoration Chapel Hours

There are two new adoration hours open. Thursdays 8-9PM and 10-11PM. There will also be one hour open on Friday mornings from 2:00-3:00 AM for the winter months (Nov-Apr). If you are interested in taking any of these hours, please contact Mary Ann Ruhland at 453-2575 or Rose Becker at 453-7496.

Christian Women Mass

The Christian Women annual Mass will be Sunday, September 13th at 10:00 a.m. Mary Jo Ruhland will be giving a talk on Spiritual Adoption before the annual meeting immediately following Mass. Anyone interested in joining the group or current members that are interested in having their name put on the ballot for a position as Treasurer or Vice President, please call Sarah Field 453-5678 day or 453-2866 evening. Thank you.

Mother Teresa Mission

Mother Teresa Mission will begin tying and stitching quilts on Monday, Sept. 14 from 1 - 4 p.m. Anyone is welcome to join us for an afternoon of quilting. We will be happy to teach anyone the art of quilting.

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.

Faith Formation News

- There will be a meeting for parents of 2nd graders on Sunday, September 20th at 11:00 in the religion center in the lower level. The meeting is to discuss Reconciliation and the preparations required.
- There will be a meeting for parents of 7th graders on Sunday, September 20th at 11:00 in the chapel room in the lower level. The meeting is to learn the topics that will be covered in the 7th grade Theology of the Body class and the parent component of the class.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

- Monday, September 14:** Mary's Cenacle, 7:00 PM
 Knights of Columbus, 7:00 PM, Marty
 Bouja Worker's Party, 6:30, Rectory
- Saturday, September 19:** Faith Formation Youth Mass, 4:00

Ministry Schedule: Sept. 19 & 20

- Servers:** 4 p.m. Faith Formation Students
 8 a.m. Anna Kramer, Olivia Kramer, Jenifer Kipf & Josie Huberty
- Lectors:** 4 p.m. Faith Formation Students
 8 a.m. Dolores Faber
- Eucharistic Ministers:**
 4 p.m. Jack & Rachel Kinzer
 8 a.m. Betty Vossen & Dolores Faber
- Ushers:** 4 p.m. Faith Formation Students
 8 a.m. Jim Schreifels, Margi Schreifels, Joe Rathmann & Leander Salzl
- Rosary Leaders:**
 4 p.m. Ramona Hokanson
 8 a.m. Betty Donnay
- Homebound:** Ruth Geislinger, 764-6431
- Church Cleaning: September 13-26**
 Darlene Phillipp, Rob Pederson, Scott & Emily Piccerillo and Joe & Doris Rathmann and families.

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

Financial Blessings

	9/6/15	9/7/14
Parish Income		
Adult Envelopes	2899.00	1759.00
Loose Plate	136.00	215.00
Weekly Auto Drafts	115.00	0.00
Youth	6.50	4.81
Votive	2.00	24.86
Stole Fees	200.00	0.00
Building Fund	300.00	0.00
CCD Tuition	1200.00	850.00
Total	\$4858.50	\$2853.67

	Mass Attendance:
Thank you for your donations!	Sept 5, 4:00 p.m. 117
	Sept 6, 8:00 a.m. 128
	Total 245

Safe Environment Training Update

-The annual VIRTUS volunteer online training was posted on August 24, 2015 for all those who work with youth in our parish. All volunteers who work with our young people need to complete the annual safe environment update, and if you already completed the one-time, 3-hr training, you should have received an email reminder.

-In order to do the update, you will need to visit the VIRTUS website at www.virtus.org and log in with your username and password. You can then read the article and answer the corresponding question. If you do not know your username or password, contact our St. Anthony Safe Environment Coordinator, Michelle Kramer 764-3025 or michelleandnorbkramer@gmail.com. Feel free to contact Michelle with any questions or problems. We need to have the training completed by all of our volunteers by September 24th, so PLEASE take care of this right away! We appreciate your service to our parish and support in keeping all of our kids safe.

Lectors

A sincere thank you to all of our lectors at the St. Anthony Church. The 2015-16 schedule will be prepared soon. Anyone interested in joining this ministry, please call Bev Schmitt at 764-9170.

Bouja Workers Party

The Bouja workers party will be on September 14 at 6:30 PM at the rectory.

Faith Formation News

-The first youth Mass for the year will be held on Saturday, September 19 at 4:00 PM. The whole family is welcome and the students are to sit with their parents.

-There will be a meeting for parents of 7th graders enrolled in the classroom on Sunday, September 20th at 9:00 in the rectory. The meeting is to learn the topics that will be covered in the 7th grade Theology of the Body class and the parent component of the class.

New Caps on Front Steps of Church

Thanks to Ron Oster (project manager), Elmer Geislinger, Billie Hennen, Maynard Walz, Roman Huberty, Joe Nistler and granddaughter Samantha who helped remove the old caps and place the new caps on the front steps; also thank you to Father Dick for lunch.

Financial Blessings

	9/6/15	9/7/14
Parish Income		
Loose Plate	106.75	87.00
Adult Envelopes	2220.00	2759.75
Youth Envelopes	3.50	63.00
Votive	80.75	0.00
RE Tuition	850.00	2450.00
Total	\$3261.00	\$5359.75

	Mass Attendance:
Thank you for your Donations!	Sept 5, 7 p.m. 89
Monthly Auto Drafts:	Sept 6, 10 a.m. 165
\$1554	Total 254



Attention Members of both Parishes!!

There will be an Open House Farewell Party for Father Jerome on Friday, September 25th from 6-8 PM at the Eden Valley Event Center. Supper will be provided with a short program at 6:45. This is a joint party sponsored by both parishes. All are welcome!! Father will also be auctioning his car off at the end of the party. It is a 2003 Ford Taurus Wagon with 115,000 miles. 2 owners (both priests!), buy this car and travel with the LORD!!

There will be large sheets of paper in the back of both churches for anyone to write messages/well wishes to Father or fond memories of Father. Young children are welcome to draw small pictures if they wish. These papers will be on display at the party and given to Father afterwards. Please encourage everyone to participate – let's see how many people we can get sign the papers to show Father how much we'll miss him!

Also, please e-mail all your favorite pictures of Father Jerome to either parish. If your picture isn't digital, you can bring it in to the rectory to be scanned and then returned. Please send your pictures in by September 21st. Thank you!



	9/8/15
New Parish Center	
New Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$253,138.01)
Funds on Hand	\$1,006,554.36
Remaining Goal	\$637,261.63

****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.**