## ST. ANDREW'S FAIRFAX, MN <br> † St. Willibrord's <br> Gibbon, MN <br> $\dagger$ St. Francis de Sales <br> WINTHROP, MN

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Diocese Website: www.dnu.org
Join Flocknote by visiting flocknote.com/asafc or text allsaints4 to 84576

## RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COORDINATORS

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National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-422-4453


BAPTISMS: Please make arrangements for attending a baptism session with Father Brendan 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, July 17 NO MASS

Tuesday, July 18 NO MASS
Wednesday, July 19
Thursday, July 20
Friday, July 21
Saturday, July 22

Sunday, July 23
8:30 AM
Gibbon +Marian Tragner
Eucharistic Adoration following Mass
8:30 AM Fairfax +Betty Riley
9:30 AM Winthrop +Lorraine Ravnaas
4:30 PM Reconciliation prior to Mass
5:00 PM Winthrop +Thelma Nierengarten
8:00 AM Fairfax People of the All Saints Area Faith Community 10:00 AM Gibbon +Bernice Holm

## Reflection Question for the Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

The Sacrament of the Holy Eucharist is the source and summit of our Catholic faith because Christ is truly present in the Eucharist in every tabernacle throughout the world! Our AFC community is already responding to Jesus in the Holy Eucharist with great love through good preaching, good music, good community and good parking. What more will you personally do this week?

Readings for the Week of July 16, 2023
Sunday: Is 55:10-11/Ps 65:1, 11, 12-13, 14 (Luke 8:8)/
Rom $8: 18-23 / \mathrm{Mt} \mathrm{13:1-23} \mathrm{or} \mathrm{13:1-9}$
Monday: Ex $1: 8-14,22 / \mathrm{Ps} 124: 1 \mathrm{~b}-3,4-6,7-8 / \mathrm{Mt} 10: 34-11: 1$
Tuesday: Ex 2:1-15a/Ps 69:3, 14, 30-31, 33-34/Mt 11:20-24
Wednesday: Ex 3:1-6, 9-12/Ps 103:1b-2, 3-4, 6-7/
Mt 11:25-27
Thursday: Ex 3:13-20/Ps 105:1 and 5, 8-9, 24-25, 26-27/
Mt 11:28-30
Friday: Ex 11:10—12:14/Ps 116:12-13, 15 and 16bc, 17-18/Mt 12:1-8
Saturday: $\operatorname{Sg} 3: 1-4 b$ or 2 Cor 5:14-17/Ps 63:2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9/Jn 20:1-2, 11-18
Next Sunday: Wis 12:13, 16-19/Ps 86:5-6, 9-10,
15-16 (5a)/Rom 8:26-27/Mt 13:24-43 or 13:24-30


#### Abstract

We know seeds and the yield they produce at harvest contribute to millions of food and manufactured products that feed and benefit the human race. Yield. In addition, seeds and crops contribute trillions of dollars to the United States' and global economy. Yield. Long before the USDA defined a seed as a "fragile, living organism," Christ makes the same point in Matthew 13:1-23. A seed planted on an open path, can be stolen. Planted on rocky ground, it develops shallow, not deep, roots and easily dries up during drought. Planted in a field of established weeds it struggles to compete for the water and nutrients it needs. It's rate of production is limited or eliminated. Our Lord compares his followers, aka disciples, to seeds. The conditions we are surrounded by affect our ability to grow and know God's love. Do you want to learn about who God is, how to love him, how to receive love from the Father, Son and Holy Spirit? Then your heart, soul and mind (Matthew 22:36-40; Mark 12:30-31; Luke 10:27) are like "rich soil" "who hears the word and understands it, who indeed bears fruit and yields a hundred or sixty or thirtyfold." Think the numbers Jesus refers to are too much? Think again. A midwestern corn field with 32,000 to 39,000 plants per acre, ppa, can yield upwards of 190 bushels per acre at harvest. Like seeds, IF a follower of Jesus, a disciple, is healthy, he or she can yield other disciples, more people who will love and decide to follow Christ.

Last week I met so many people after each of the Masses who love God with their hearts, souls and minds. Here are a few practical examples of the yield God is bringing about by people in our own community. There is a married couple from the Franklin area who are members in Fairfax. They are hoping to invite friends to be active in the AFC. Yield. There is Romey Peterson from Gibbon who made this observation. He bought " 1 " of Bishop Barron's books and shared it with a friend. The friend liked Bishop Barron's points so much, he bought " 20 " copies and shared them with his friends and family. Yield. There is Will, a server and young leader from Winthrop, who is attending the Steubenville Youth Conference at the Mayo Civic Center in Rochester with the goal of growing in his faith. Our youth group and adult leaders, along with Fr. Tanner Thooft and I, will join Will and thousands of others at this Eucharistic and Christ-centered event. There is the Platz family who are baptizing the next generation of family into the faith of Jesus Christ. Yield! It's not that hard to tell others about Christ if our hearts, souls and minds love him enough to be good soil, what we call having a good attitude. When you know Christ, you have something - someone to offer family and friends. As Saint Paul says in Romans 8:18-23, "Creation awaits with eager expectation the revelation of the children of God."

Blessings, Fr Rolling


MASS INTENTIONS can be offered for a variety of reasons: thanksgiving, birthday or anniversaries of the living and most commonly for the repose of the soul of a deceased loved one. If you have been thinking you would like to have a Mass intention offered, you can put the request in the collection basket with the name of the person/persons to be prayed for and make a note of whether the person is deceased or living. If you have a specific date in mind, please make note of that as well. Include your financial gift (typically $\$ 10$ per Mass) or call the All Saints AFC office or email the office and get the intention scheduled and send in your donation. Thank you!

## AREA CALENDAR

ST. ANDREW'S ADMINISTRATIVE MEETING Wednesday, July 20 ${ }^{\text {th }}, 7: 00 \mathrm{pm}$ in Fairfax, Maintenance Meeting at 6:30 pm

## AREA PARISH BIRTHDAYS AND ANNIVERSARIES

July 16 Sharon Briese, Zachary Weber, Donavan Steele, Jayden Bautch
July 17 Greg Merkel, Jon Borth, Tom \& Celeste Witucki Anniv.
July 18 Rodney Weber, Sue Hillesheim
July 19 Mateo Davila, Susan Prax, Rose Forst, Jim \& Debbie Halverson Anniv., Rich \& Becky Busse Anniv.
July 20 Gary \& Vickie Neid Anniv., Alex Burns
July 21 Julie Ahlbrecht, Ronald \& Barbara Bastian Anniv., Harry Sloot
July 22 Joel Herrera, Kendal Reinhart, James \& Arlene Phillips Anniv.


We welcome into the Area Faith Community through the waters of Baptism:
Hugh Walter Platz, son of Eric \& Haleigh Platz, who was baptized at St. Francis de Sales on July $15^{\text {th }}$.

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

JOIN US EACH WEEK ON WEDNESDAY AT 9:00 PM as we pray the Rosary live on Facebook on the All Saints Area Faith Community page!

YOU MAY HAVE HEARD ABOUT THE "EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL," BUT WHAT IS IT AND HOW CAN YOU HELP?
The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB) has launched a three-year long Eucharistic Revival. The revival is to foster deeper faith, proclaim the gospel, evangelize all people, empower Christians and embrace Christ in the Sacrament of the Eucharist. We are to encounter others, bring them to Jesus in the Eucharist, preach the truth about the Eucharist and send them on a mission to bring Jesus to the world. The Diocese of New Ulm has embraced the Eucharistic Revival. All Catholics will be given the opportunity to be involved in the process.

If you are looking for an opportunity to bring the love of Jesus in the Eucharist to others in our AFC, please prayerfully consider joining the AFC "Core Team!" Please contact Kellie Sloot at yesterdayskitchen@ gmail.com, or, Berny Berger at jbberger1972@gmail.com, to let us know you want to help be a part of the team that will help all of grow in our Catholic faith. Our Core Team will work with Deacon Mike McKeown, mmckeown@dnu.org, to increase love for Jesus in the Holy Eucharist among family, friends, and neighbors.

## BECOME A EUCHARISTIC REVIVAL PRAYER PARTNER!

If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner in the Diocese of New Ulm contact our religious sisters, the Handmaids, at the chancery by emailing worship@dnu.org. If you are interested in becoming a prayer partner for the national Eucharistic Revival go here for more information - Get Involved: How Will You Respond? (eucharisticrevival.org)

FROM THE BISHOP! Check out our very own Bishop Zielinski’s reflection called "Liturgy Matters!" Go here: www.dnu.org/liturgy-matters.

PLEASE PRAY FOR STUDENTS in the AFC attending Steubenville that their hearts are open to find Refuge In Jesus during the coming weeks in preparation for the weekend.

THE NEXT YOUTH CONNECT (AREA CHURCHES) event is July 19th at St. Peter's north of Gibbon! Join us for kickball and snacks! All youth 6th-12th grade are invited. 63924 240th St Gibbon. We hope to see you there!

THE WORD AMONG US July/August issue is now out for you to take.

## WEEKLY OFFERING

|  | St. Andrew's | St. Francis's | St. Willibrord's |
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| Adult | $1,198.00$ | $1,166.00$ | $3,161.00$ |
| Loose/Youth Plate | 65.00 | 84.00 | 78.77 |
| Building/Maintenance |  | 30.00 |  |
| DUF | 50.00 |  |  |
| Cemetery Reimbursements | $2,449.19$ |  |  |
| Funeral - use of church | 50.00 |  | 976.80 |
| Spanish Mass Collections | $1,480.95$ |  | 15.00 |
| Miscellaneous Collection | 600.00 |  | 50.00 |
| Peter's Pence |  | 30.00 | $\mathbf{\$ 4 , 2 8 1 . 5 7}$ |
| Energy/Fuel |  |  |  |
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> 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: MSG William R. Schmidt, SSG Jeff Ziegler, Ryan E Lawrenz, SGT, Sgt. Chris Levinske, Amber Lindberg, SFC Timothy R. Green, Spc Adam Nosbush, Lt. Col. Steven Weber, Jackie Rieke and SGT Colin Jackson, CSM Rebecca (Zitzmann) Booker

## ST. WILLIBRORD'S - GIBBON

Sunday, July 23rd-10:00 AM
Lector: Alan Neyers Dist: Rose Forst Servers: Sofia \& Ella Nachreiner Ushers: Clete Krzmarzick, Dean Schreiner, Butch Weber Gifts: William \& Chris Unger Sacristan: Charlene Forst
Sunday, July 30th-10:00 AM
Lector: Gail Herschman Dist: Steve Grosam Servers: Jennifer Guzman, Melody Exum Ushers: Clete Krzmarzick, Dean Schreiner, Butch Weber Gifts: Butch \& Amy Weber Family Sacristan: Kathy Bruns
Sunday, August 6th-10:00 AM
Lector: Melvin Neyers/Regie Mattes Dist: Genny Neyers Servers: Abby \& Kelly Willegal Ushers: Greg Stadtherr, Jay Howe, Jerry Howe Gifts: Wade \& Jennifer Werner Sacristan: Rose Forst

SIBLEY COUNTY FOODSHARE: On recently volunteering at the foodshare, we learned that the number of families needing assistance has increased dramatically and the amount of food needed does not reach from the time of the truck deliveries. There are not enough donations coming from local businesses. Your help is greatly appreciated. Any donations of baking, cereal, can goods, paper goods, and fresh garden produce would be greatly appreciated. Call Mavis 834-6537, Charlene 276-8678, or Connie 834-6790 or the Sibley County Foodshare 507-237-5253 in Gaylord. They are open Mondays and Wednesdays and the First Friday of the Month. A box is always available in the back of church for donations. Thank you for your generosity. Social Concerns and volunteers.

## STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST. WILLIBRORD'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024
Giving July 1st, 2023-July 13th, 2023
Income \$ 5,638.57
Expenses \$ 1,069.21
Net Gain/Loss \$ 4,569.36

## ST. FRANCIS DE SALES - WINTHROP

Saturday, July 22nd-5:00 PM<br>Lectors: Dave Schauer Eucharistic Ministers: Mary Renner Servers: Riley Hacker, Megan Hacker, Volunteer Gifts: Gary \& Vicki Neid Ushers: Mary Nelson, Mike Rein, Brent Lang, Paulette Messerli Money Counters Mary Renner, Brent Lang Sacristan: Michelle Oswald<br>Saturday, July 29th-5:00 PM<br>Lectors: Kellie Sloot Eucharistic Ministers: Tom Witucki Servers: Jose Farias, Jossue Farias, Alan Banda Gifts: Donovan \& Susie Steele Family Ushers: Mary Nelson, Mike Rein, Brent Lang, Paulette Messerli Money Counters Mary Renner, Brent Lang Sacristan: Michelle Oswald<br>Saturday, August 5th-5:00 PM<br>Lectors: Yvonne O’Brien Eucharistic Ministers: Dennis Dording Servers: Will Lang, Quinn Schmidt, Claire Schmidt Gifts: Tom \& Sam Langhoff Ushers: Kevin \& Sue Lauwagie, Dennis \& Joan Dording Money Counters Kevin Lauwagie, Lorie Schauer Sacristan: Gary \& Mary Renner

## ST. ANDREW'S - FAIRFAX

## Sunday, July 23rd-8:00 AM

Lector: Jody Busch Dist: John \& Elaine Palmer Servers: Luke \& William Bastian, Kaden Weir, Bernardo Davila Ushers: Jason Weinzetl, Pat Schreiner, George Wendinger, Jim Prax Gifts: Michael \& Barbara Beranek Sacristan: Brenda Runck/Brenda Frank Sunday, July 30th-8:00 AM
Lector: Pat Buboltz Dist: Eloina/Rodrigo Carillo Servers: Zach Sandgren, Nico Nosbush Ushers: Tom Nachreiner, Dave Borth, Randy Boehm, Kevin Schweiss Gifts: Maury \& Mary Bleess Sacristan: Cindy Rieke
Sunday, August 6th-8:00 AM
Lector: Volunteer Dist: LeRoy Schweiss Servers: Michahl Nachreiner, Ely Hellendrung, Hailey Weinzetl Ushers: Frank Ziegler, Kevin Roiger, John Palmer, Charles Lehar Gifts: Dave \& Jody Busch Sacristan: Chuck Marlowe/Carol Gregory

FUN FEST MEETING FOR CHAIRPERSONS and anyone else who would like to attend on Monday, July $17^{\text {th }}$ at $6: 30$ in the Church basement.

STELLAR - Shine Jesus' Light Vacation Bible School 2023 will be held August 14-17 ${ }^{\text {th }}$ from 6:00 to 8:00 pm at Our Savior's Lutheran Church in Fairfax. Four-year-olds thru $4^{\text {th }}$ grade our welcome. Open to the community. Registration deadline is July 23, 2023. Register on line at: myvbs.org/fairfaxmn. Music, crafts, bible stories, games. Meals provided each evening for students.

VOLUNTEER DRIVERS ARE NEEDED during August for Meals on Wheels. This is a GREAT opportunity for students who need community service hours. Please call Barb Freitag at 507-426-7759 if you can help or if you want more information.

ST. ANN'S FUNERAL GROUP 4: Theresa Grunke, Idalia Vigil

## STEWARDSHIP OF GIVING - ST ANDREW'S CHURCH

Fiscal Year July 1, 2023-June 30, 2024
Giving July 1st, 2023 - July 13th, 2023

| Income | $\$$ | $6,662.80$ |
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| Expenses | $\$$ | $6,085.25$ |
| Net Gain/Loss | $\$$ | $\mathbf{5 7 7 . 5 5}$ |

## MARK YOUR CALENDARS

AUGUST 20, 2023
St Andrew's Fun Fest
10 a.m. Polka Mass with the St A's Polkateers
Deep Fried Chicken Dinner served in Church basement
Serving dinner $11 \mathrm{am}-1 \mathrm{pm}$
Activities and lunch stand $11 \mathrm{am}-3 \mathrm{pm}$
12-12:30 Cogley Sisters performing outside
12:30-2:30 Alpensterne-Duo of Jim Strehlke, the singing Yodeler and horn player and Eric Ray playing accordion and button box performing outside.

We are in need of:
*Money and /or prizes for our Sunday Funday Raffle
If you would like to donate prizes or make a monetary donation, please call, Mary Nachreiner 507-276-6846 or LeAnn Frank 426-7015 by July 25th.
*Garden produce for the Country Store
*Prizes Kids Game (Little Debbie snacks, Hostess treats, Gatorade, juice boxes, water, pop, small bags of chips, gum, snack bags, school supplies, prizes for teenagers or cash donations) Donations may be dropped off at the AFC office or give Lisa Nachreiner a call 507-276-7929

We are still in need of workers, please be willing to give a couple of hours of your time and give us a call and let us know where you would like to help.

Thank You!

The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast Real Life Catholic on WSC-TV, channels 7 and 8, at 11 a.m. on Fridays and 5 p.m. and 8 p.m. on Sundays.

Date Series Episode
July 23, 28 Real Life Catholic Episode 1 Steamboat Catholic
July 30, Aug. 4 Real Life Catholic Episode 2 Texas Bounty
Aug. 6, 11 Real Life Catholic Episode 3 City on a Hill
Aug. 13, 18 Real Life Catholic Episode 4 Haiti 180 PT. 1
Aug. 20, 25 Real Life Catholic Episode 5 Haiti 180 PT. 2
Aug. 27, Sept. 1 Real Life Catholic Episode 6 Little Town of Bethlehem
Sept. 3, 8 Real Life Catholic Episode 7 Beyond the Wild PT. 1
Sept. 10, 15 Real Life Catholic Episode 8 Beyond the Wild PT. 2
Sept. 17, 22 Real Life Catholic Episode 9 Brew and Wine in the Northwest
Sept. 24, 29 Real Life Catholic Episode 10 Gators \& Saints

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