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PARISH SERVICES

NEW PARISHIONERS We warmly welcome you to our Catholic parishes of St. Ann, St. Gabriel, Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Anthony! Contact the office to register.

MARRIAGE Recently engaged? Before setting up any other arrangements, call Father to start your preparation for this beautiful sacrament! Preparation must begin at least six months before a wedding.

BAPTISM Call Dana at St. Ann to make arrangements to have your child baptized as soon as possible! Those who have not had a child baptized before will also schedule a preparation session.

READINGS STARTING AUGUST 4

Sun	Ex 16:2-4, 12-15 Ps 78:3-4, 23-24, 25, 54 Eph 4:17, 20-24
	<u>Jn 6:24-35</u>
Mon	Jer 28:1-17 PS 119:29, 43, 79, 80, 95, 102 Mt 14:13-21
Tue	<u>Dn 7:9-10, 13-14 Ps 97:1-2, 5-6, 9</u> <u>2 Pt 1:16-19 Mk 9:2-10</u>
Wed	Jer 31:1-7 Jer 31:10, 11-12AB, 13 Mt 15:21-28
Thur	Jer 31:31-34 Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19 Mt 16:13-23
Fri	Na 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7 Dt 32:35-36, 39, 41 Mt 16:24-28
Sat	2 Cor 9:6-10 Ps 112:1-2, 5-6, 7-8, 9 Jn 12:24-26
Sun	<u>1 Kgs 19:4-8 Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 Eph 4:30—5:2 Jn 6:41-51</u>

MASS INTENTIONS—AUG 5-11

Mon	Father's day off		†No Mass
Tues	10:00 am	Maple Lawn	†Decs'd of Wisdorf Family
Wed	9:15 am	Sunrise	†Jake/Margaret Konkol
Thur	8:30 am	IHM, Currie	†Bill/Pat Pattison
Fri	8:30 am	St. Anthony	†Brian Fishel
Sat	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	†Levi Sanders
	6:00 pm	IHM, Currie	For The People
Sun	8:00 am	St. Gabriel	†Gary Holden
	10:00 am	St. Ann	†Janice Kass

CHURCH SUPPORT - JULY 28

	Envelopes	Plate/Chi	ldrens Onli	ne/ACH		
St. Ann	\$ 1,615.00	\$ 63.50	\$ 49	97.25		
St. Gabriel	\$ 1,370.00	\$ 211.00	\$			
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,676.00	\$ 359.00	\$			
St. Anthony	\$ 1,176.00	\$ 87.00	\$			
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS						
St. Ann	Goal \$12,9	00 Pledg	ged \$ 16,7	25		
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,0	65 Pleds	ged \$ 5,00	00		
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9.7	69 Pleds	ped \$ 5.30	25		

Pledged \$ 4,150

Goal \$ 4,872

St. Anthony

ST. ANN

THIS PARAGRAPH WAS EXTREMELY hard to put into words. Many things took place last weekend in the cluster of St. Ann, St. Columba, & St. Mary. It was a hard and difficult weekend which will hopefully transpire into peace for all. Tears were seen as St. Mary and St. Columba celebrated their final Mass. Each parish was met by St. Ann members who, for some, were at a loss for words. A meal was shared by those who could attend on Sunday. As time went on there were smiles, hugs, heartfelt words and so much more. The meal ended with excitement and hope as all parishioners move forward. There are numerous thank you's to extend but its listed in summary form: Thanks to Fr. Schuster, Fr. Biren, & Deacon Vern, those who decorated the parishes, set up for Mass, participated in any of the Liturgical duties, attended the Mass/Adoration, who joined in the procession, planned, set up, or served the meal, provided bars, traveled from afar, cleaned up, and the list goes on. Every part was needed to bring some joy into a difficult event.

ST. MARY CCW LADIES: We would like to have a gettogether on Monday, August 5, at 9:00am at the church to go through items stored in the kitchen and in the cry room. Please come if you are able.

ST. ANN CCW will meet on Thurs, Aug 8, at 4:30pm in Divine Mercy Hall. All ladies are welcome.

CONTRIBUTION ENVELOPES will be a little "off", for a month or 2, due to the timing of mergers for St. Mary and St. Columba, and the needed changes in the envelope mailing system. There is a delay that caused a gap —it will work itself out with time. Thank you for your patience.

WRDCCW CONVENTION will be Sat, Oct 12, starting with registration/breakfast at 7:45am, at Resurrection in Rochester. Cost \$30. See bulletin board for more information and forms.

LITURGICAL DUTIES AUGUST 11

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Clayton M, Denny S., Mike M., Jim O.

Servers Easton H., Kenadie H.

Reader Kate H.
Gifts Volunteer

EMHC Marti E., Bill B., Travis S.

Comm to HB Jill M

Music Rita L., Judy A.

ST. GABRIEL

ST. GABRIEL SALAD SUPPER is this Wednesday, August 7th at 6:00 pm. Gladys Persnickety is our entertainment for the evening. Join us for laughs and words of witty worthlessness!

FINANCE COUNCIL meets on August 6, at 7:00 pm at the school..

TUESDAY MASS SCHEDULE FOR AUGUST:

Aug 6	10:00	Maple Lawn
Aug 13	8:30	St. Gabriel
Aug 20	10:00	No Mass
Aug 27	8:30	St. Gabriel

ALTAR SOCIETY SCHEDULE: Lisa O. Aug 9-15, Deb K. Aug 16-22, Kay K and Kathy E. Aug 23-29

RECTORY ITEMS—Because the rectory is now being rented, we have several items that we needed to move out, especially the dishes and crystal that were in the hutch. The dishes are Noritake China and is a complete set of 12 with all serving pieces. We also have two complete sets of silverware including the chests. Does anyone know who donated these items? If so, please let the office know.

FAITH FORMATION

We are always looking for individuals willing to help make our Faith Formation program run smoothly. Would you consider being a substitute teacher either for the High School program on Thursdays (rotating schedule); or elementary program on Monday afternoons? We are also looking for people who would be willing to cover the office by answering phones; hall monitoring during Release time. Contact Peg if interested.

Families—Registration forms will be emailed soon; along with the Release Time calendar. *Please consider registering early!* You may also register at the schools' Open Houses and forms are available in back of church.

LITURGICAL DUTIES AUGUST 11

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp Delano & Renee D., Dave T., Paul R

Servers Ivan & Truman O.

LectorKen S.CommRandy K.SacristanLinda C.

EMHC Lenore W., Torri Z., Mark V Money Dole & Betty A., Mike & Suzi Z.

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

BULLETIN CHANGES: All bulletin announcements will need to be submitted to triparish@live.com by 5:00 pm Tuesday. Any submission after that will not be included in the bulletin. As of now, weekly liturgical roles will be listed in the IHM section in the bulletin. The full monthly schedule will need to be accessed on the parish website or reviewed on the bulletin boards. Typically, Romane also sends an email as a reminder as well. We will have limited space for our information so submissions may be shortened, if needed. Some may need to be run the next weekend.

ST. MARY'S CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS

7/26 - Richard Brown \$100; 8/2-Brenda Lenertz \$100

RELAY FOR LIFE: If anyone is interested in purchasing Luminary for the Currie Relay for Life team they can get them for \$10.00 each from Shelly Bassett, Dorothy Jensen or Sharon McClure. Relay is August 10th. Thanks for supporting our team.

FALL DINNER: This year the IHM Fall Dinner will be held on Sunday September 8. The sign up sheets for various duties and donations to help with the dinner are in the front and back entrances of the church. Please sign up and spread the word that help is needed. Also we will be looking for corn to freeze for the dinner. If you have extra or know of someone that is willing to donate some please contact Carol Schreier or Mona Boadwine. Thank you.

CMA: IHM is over halfway, but only 21 parishioners have contributed so far a total of \$5,325 towards the goal of \$9,769. More participation would be great! Thank You.

REMINDER: The Mass on Thursday (Aug. 8) is at 8:30 a.m., followed by adoration of the Blessed Sacrament and Confessions from 9:00 - 10:00a.m.

AUGUST 15 - Assumption of the Blessed Virgin Mary - *Holy Day of Obligation*. Mass schedule for the Holy Day will be:

Thur Aug 15 8:30 am St. Gabriel, Fulda

Thur Aug 15 5:30 pm IHM, Currie

(No Masses will be held at St. Ann or St. Anthony this year.)

LITURGICAL DUTIES - AUG 10

IHM - 6:00 PM

Servers Tyler A., Emma A.

Lector Kris R.

Gift Bearers Matt & Dawn Kopperud Family

EMHC Kim O., Tim R., Blake H.

Cantor Dave L.

ST. ANTHONY

MASS SCHEDULE: Please note, that the week-day Mass at St. Anthony will now be on Fridays at 8:30 am. Also note that the weekend Mass is on Saturday at 4:00 pm.

COMBINED BULLETIN: We now have a combined bulletin with all four parishes. As a result, all bulletin announcements will need to be sent to Elizabeth or Joyce by **Tuesdays at 5:00 pm**.

BULLETIN TRANSPORT: The combined bulletin will be printed in Slayton. We will be responsible for bringing our bulletins from Slayton to Westbrook. If your weekly routine finds you in Slayton on Fridays, and you are willing to bring the bulletin to church, let Joyce know.

SAVE THE DATE: Everyone is welcome to attend the installation of Fr. Peter Schuster as pastor of IHM, St. Ann, St. Anthony and St. Gabriel on Saturday, August 17th at 4:00 pm at St. Anthony in Westbrook. There will be a meal served in the basement following Mass.

LITURGICAL DUTIES - AUG 10

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gift Dean & Elizabeth J.

Servers Neil & Ian
Lector Steve Kjorness
EMHC Ethan J., Joyce V.
Cleaners Maury & Chris K.

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

Weekly Words from The Rock:

<u>John 6</u>

In our gospel of last Sunday, Andrew presents a boy to Jesus who has in his possession five loaves and two fish. Andrew asks, "But what good is five loaves and two fish for such a large crowd?" As the story reads, Jesus takes the five loaves and two fish and feeds a vast crowd of five thousand men plus numerous women and children. The point of the story being Jesus doesn't require much to do great things. All he asks is our willingness to be open and give of ourselves.

This week, in John 6:24-35, Jesus' focus remains on bread. Here is a list of my favorite foods:

- Bread (especially Potato Bread)
- Pizza
- Roast Beef
- Spaghetti (it doesn't even need to include spaghetti sauce and hamburger if I have Parmesan Cheese)
- Walleye

There are others. You get the point.

When I was a child, my mother had a garden. One of the things she planted was strawberries. Mom tells the story of how as I child I used to stand at the end of the kitchen table and she used to place a strawberry at the table's end whereby I would reach my hand up onto the table, grab the strawberry and eat it. My eyes at that age were not at table level so I everything had to be done by feel. Still, every, single time I'd find the strawberry and enjoy a fresh treat. To this day, I still enjoy fresh fruit and vegetables from the garden – potatoes, watermelon, muskmelon, etc.

The reality of all the food I have thus far mentioned is that at some point I hungered for more. I may disappear for a time but eventually I would come back to the end of the table, feel for a strawberry, and eat it. However, we are at the stage of John's gospel where Jesus makes some incredible remarks. John 6:32-33 reads, "Amen, amen, I say to you, it was not Moses who gave the bread from heaven; my father gives you the true bread from heaven. For the bread of God is that which comes down from heaven and gives life to the world." The reference here is to himself (Jesus) and how he has come down from heaven and gives life to the world. But how? How does Jesus give life to the world? The answer is found in verse 35. Jesus says to the crowd, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." Jesus gives life to the world by giving us himself in the Eucharist.

In the following verses of John 6, Jesus, the bread of life, will tell us to eat his body. How will people respond? Let us not get ahead of ourselves. More on John 6 next week.

Blessings to you!

Father Peter Schuster

FAITH FORMATION NEWS & OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST. ANN FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION:

RUMMAGE SALE collection going on now. This is a faith formation fundraiser. We will need much help! Keep posted for ways to help. We will be collecting good resaleable items until August 19th. Bring to St. Ann School, use the west door and follow the signs. NO ELECTRONICS, large appliances, mattresses, chemicals such as cleaners. If you need something picked up, please contact Marcie – 507-360-1885. Rummage sale date is August 24th.

TEC Together Encounter Christ for students in 10th grade+ will be August 9-11, in Mankato. Free for those attending from our tri parish thanks to the Knights of Columbus. Contact Marcie for a registration link.

2024-2025 FF YEAR A few catechists will be needed. Please pray about helping with the formation of our student's faith! Also, if you have a kindergartner and have not contacted Marcie, please let me know if they will be part of FF.

ST. GABRIEL FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION:

<u>CONFIRMATION NOTES</u> – Our next meeting is Wednesday, August 7th at 7:00 pm at St. Gabriel's. **Students** be prepared to tell the group what you did for your "Time & Talent Project." We will also be talking about the following important upcoming dates:

CONFIRMATION RETREAT: Sunday, August 25, 12:00-7:00 pm @ Full Family Farms in Edgerton

CONFIRMATION INTERVIEWS: Saturday, September 14, beginning at 9:00 am at St. Gabriel's School with Fr. Schuster

CONFIRMATION DAY: Saturday, September 21 at 10:30 am in Wilmont

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

ST GABRIEL SALAD LUNCHEON will be held Wednesday, August 7th at 6:00 pm in the Church Basement. **Gladys Persnickety** is coming to town! Join us for laughs and words of witty worthlessness!!!

ST GABRIEL CHURCH UPDATE: As you can see we are in the process of doing some much needed exterior repairs to the Church such as power washing, tuck pointing, cap stone repair and sealing the brick. The cost for this project is \$48,500. If you are able to donate, please use a plain white envelope for your donation and specify "Church Exterior Project". Any donations will be greatly appreciated.

St. Gabriel Finance Council

CATHOLIC CHARITIES OF SOUTHERN MINNESOTA is seeking a parish social ministry coordinator for the Worthington area. The primary mission of the deanery coordinator is to assist the Catholic parishes of Rock, Pipestone, Nobles, Murray, Jackson and Cottonwood Counties in meeting the needs of the poor and vulnerable in their communities and in working for justice. This is a work from home position that requires frequent travel and some evening and weekend work. Please submit your resume, cover letter, a letter of recommendation from your local priest, and three work-related references to Isaac Landsteiner at ilandsteiner@ccsomn.org. Position open until filled.

HOSPICE OF MURRAY COUNTY needs your help. Do you want to help but are unable to put in long hours at their annual Rummage Sale? If so, would your Ladies group be willing to help out by doing a meal to feed the volunteers? We have been feeding around 50 people for the noon meal and 30 at the evening meal. We would appreciate any thing you might be able to help out with. We are always in need of paper products and plastic silverware or coffee. If you are able to help out, contact Mary Baune (mary.baune@hospiceofmurraycounty.com.





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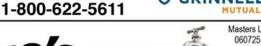


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