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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 18

Sun [Prv 9:1-6](#) [Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7](#) [Eph 5:15-20](#) [Jn 6:51-58](#)  
 Mon [EZ 24:15-23](#) [Deut 32:18-19, 20, 21](#) [Mt 19:16-22](#)  
 Tues [Ez 28:1-10](#) [Deut 32:26-28, 30, 35-36](#) [Mt 19:23-30](#)  
 Wed [Ez 34:1-11](#) [Ps 23:1-3A, 3-4, 5, 6](#) [Mt 20:1-16](#)  
 Thur [Ez 36:23-28](#) [Ps 51:12-13, 14-15, 18-19](#) [Mt 22:1-14](#)  
 Fri [Ez 37:1-14](#) [Ps 107:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9](#) [Mt 22:34-40](#)  
 Sat [Rv 21:9-14](#) [Ps 145:10-11, 12-13, 17-18](#) [Jn 1:45-51](#)  
 Sun [Jos 24:1-2, 15-17, 18](#) [Ps 34:2-3, 16-17, 18-19, 20-21](#)  
[Eph 5:21-32 or 5:2, 25-32](#) [Jn 6:60-69](#)

## MASS INTENTIONS— AUG 19-25

Mon	<i>Father's day off</i>	†No Mass
Tues	10:30 am Maple Lawn	†No Mass
Wed	9:00 am Lindenwood	†No Mass
Thur	8:30 am IHM	†No Mass
Fri	8:30 am St. Anthony	†No Mass
Sat	<b>4:00 pm</b> St. Anthony	†William Merrick
	<b>6:00 pm</b> IHM, Currie	†Christina Toupal
Sun	<b>8:00 am</b> St. Gabriel	†Ray & Donna Kremer
Sun	<b>10:00 am</b> St. Ann	For The People

## CHURCH SUPPORT - AUGUST 10-11

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$ 935.00	\$ 367.50	\$ 482.25
St. Gabriel	\$ 1,395.00	\$ 156.00	\$
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,581.00	\$ 334.00	\$
St. Anthony	\$ 501.00	\$ 64.00	\$

## CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2024 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$12,900	Pledged \$ 17,875
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,065	Pledged \$ 5,000
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9,769	Pledged \$ 5,625
St. Anthony	Goal \$ 4,872	Pledged \$ 4,250

## ST. ANN

**THANK YOU.** Marti Engelkes has taken over the Liturgical Duties scheduling process. If you would like to be added to any Liturgical duties, please let Marti or Dana know – we'd love to have you! Parishioners, please know that gift carriers have been added back to the weekly Mass schedule, starting September. Check to see if you are listed. If you and your family would like to be on the list as gift carriers, please contact Marti and let her know. Thank you!

**ADDITIONAL WEEKEND SACRISTAN** is needed to help setup for the 10am Mass on Sundays at St. Ann. We have one person doing this, a second or third would be great to have as a rotation or backup option. If you can help, please call the office.

**THE FALL DINNER** is fast approaching, and we need your help! Anyone interested in helping please contact Penny Boock @ 507-227-1560. Areas to sign up for: Serving line, Dining Room, Kitchen, Carry out, Raffle, Floater, Desserts, Dishes, & Clean up.

**ATTENTION ALL MASS GOERS.** The CCW Ladies group will be handing out ice cream treats following Mass next weekend on Sun, August 25<sup>th</sup>. Be sure to grab a treat before you leave. **\*\*Also**, the CCW dues envelope is out, and we are collecting this year's dues, \$5. Pink envelopes can be placed into the collection baskets.

**MERGED PARISHES:** Please note that in the consolidation of envelopes, people, and churches old files were resurrected and incorporated, numbers overlapped, etc. The office has been working to "get it right" but things will be missed and unknowns may surface. Please be patient as this process is being dealt with and new envelope numbers assigned. Do not hesitate to call the office, in the following weeks, if you have questions. Thank you!



**KINDERGARTEN ORIENTATION** Wed. Aug 28 5:30pm. Come see where you will have faith formation. If you have a kindergartner-contact Marcie.

**FAMILY NIGHT** at Faith Formation will be Wed, Sept 25. Faith Formation will start Oct. 2. Catechists needed for sure 8th & 10th/Confirmation. Please pray about teaching the great Catholic faith.

### LITURGICAL DUTIES AUGUST 25

#### St. Ann - 10:00 am

<b>Min of Hosp</b>	Clayton M, Denny S., Mike M., Jim O.
<b>Servers</b>	Ava D., Brynn B.
<b>Reader</b>	Karen J.
<b>Gifts</b>	Volunteer
<b>EMHC</b>	Kathy S., Dave S., Karen J.
<b>Comm to HB</b>	Joanne B
<b>Music</b>	Connie M., Judy A.

## ST. GABRIEL

**Meals on Wheels**—Roxie Reith and Terry Crowley are down to deliver meals the week of August 26-30.

**Reminder**—Linda will be out of the office beginning Tuesday, Sept. 3rd. After that date, please send all bulletin information to Dana Clarke at Slayton. Her email address is: [office@acmcatholic.org](mailto:office@acmcatholic.org).



**Harvest Festival** ticket envelopes are on the table at the back of Church along with all the sign-up sheets for furnishing food and working. Please pick up your tickets so we don't have the added expense of mailing them and sign up to help make this event happen.

**Altar Society**— Kay K & Kathy E-Aug 23-29; Edie T. Aug 30-Sept 5; Tammy A.-Sept 6-Sept 12



**Release Time** - Elementary Release will begin on **Mon., Sept. 16** (1:50 – 2:50 p.m.). Classes for the **HS begin**

**Thur., Oct. 24** (1st & 2nd hour). We have our teaching positions filled (*Thanks everyone!*) but are always in need of good substitute teachers and volunteers. Contact the Faith Formation office if you could help out in this manner. **FAMILIES:** Registration forms were emailed off last week. Forms are available in back of church and also at the public-school offices. We will also be present at the schools' open houses Aug 28 & Sept 3

*If you are new to the community and have children you'd like to register, please contact Peg at (507)329-2103 or the parish office (507)425-2615.*

### Support Pro-life Laws in Minnesota:

Please consider signing the petition in back of church encouraging our MN State Legislators to create and support laws that protect the unborn. It is important, as Catholics, to defend and speak up for the most vulnerable in our midst ... this most certainly includes innocent children within the womb. This petition will be available through September to sign.

### LITURGICAL DUTIES AUGUST 25

#### St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

<b>Min of Hosp</b>	Sue Z., Barb K., Mike & Suzi Z.
<b>Servers</b>	Kole & Aiden A.
<b>Lector</b>	Caleb A.
<b>Comm</b>	Edie T.
<b>Sacristan</b>	Shelby S.
<b>EMHC</b>	Mike & Margene V., Linda C.
<b>Money</b>	Dole & Betty A., Mike & Suzi Z.

## IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

**ST. MARY'S CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS:** 8/10-Tammy Hinz -\$100; 8/17-Francis Gervais \$100

**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.

**ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFO:** Plate: 301; IHM Youth: \$33; Donations: \$125

**CALENDAR RAFFLE:** St. Mary's School is once again selling Calendar Raffle tickets. Weekly drawings of \$100, 4 - \$500 drawings and the final drawing of \$1,000! Tickets are \$52 and can be purchased from any St. Mary's family or by contacting the school office at 507-629-3270. Thank you for supporting our amazing students, staff and school!

**NO MASS-THURSDAY:** Father will be on vacation.

**LITURGICAL ROLES:** Sept. and Oct. roles are on the website. [Triparishcfw.org/currie/](http://Triparishcfw.org/currie/)



**FAITH FORMATION** classes will start on September 25th at 6:30 pm.

**CONFIRMATION CLASS** of 2025 classes with start October 23rd at 7:00 p.m.

## ST. ANTHONY

**MASS INTENTIONS:** If you would like to have Mass said in memory of someone or for a special need, there are envelopes available at the back of church. Remember the requested donation is now \$10.00.

**BOXES OF JOY:** Boxes are again available in the back of church for anyone to take, fill with recommended gifts for under privileged children around the world. Instructions are included. Return by October 20<sup>th</sup>.

**COMBINED BULLETIN:** Starting August 1, we will have a combined bulletin with the four parishes. As a result, all bulletin announcements will need to be sent to Elizabeth or Joyce by **Tuesdays @ 5:00p.m.**

**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.

**MEALS ON WHEELS:** St Anthony's is responsible for delivering Meals on Wheels for the month of September. If you can help out, please sign up on the back bulletin board at church.

**QUILTS OF VALOR:** Congratulations to Leo Vortherms who was presented with a Quilt of Valor earlier today. The quilt was presented to honor, appreciate and thank him for his service: and to bring comfort, peace and healing.

### LITURGICAL DUTIES - AUGUST 24

#### IHM - 6:00 PM

**Servers** Luke S., Nolan G.  
**Lector** Matt S.  
**Gift Bearers** Chuck & Claudette Ankrum Family  
**EMHC** Loretta G., Lori M., Jackie R.  
**Cantor** Linnea S.  
**Ushers** Steve & Diane S., Harold & Deb L.

### LITURGICAL DUTIES - AUGUST 24

#### ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

**Greet/Gift** Josh & Courtney B.  
**Lector** Pat M.  
**Servers** Hadley & Easton  
**EMHC** Ethan J., Shelly M.  
**Cleaners** Carol E., Kassandra Q.

## Weekly Words from The Rock:

### Eat!

In the sixth chapter of John's gospel, we hear over and over the words "eat" and "bread." I mentioned last week some of the favorite foods I like to eat. Here they are:

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

Others popped into my mind this week.

Biscuits and Gravy

Raspberry Pie

Tater Tot Hotdish

If I put more thought into it, I could come up with a lengthy list.

Recalling my childhood, there were times when I was sick and I didn't feel like eating. My mother used to bring me chicken noodle soup and would command the word, "Eat." Being obedient, I would eat mom's homemade chicken noodle soup. I still like soup, especially chili, yet it is more enjoyable when one isn't sick.

There was a time when I brought on my own illness. I had a one-pound bag of M&M's. I believe Frito Lays has the commercial which states, "I bet you can't eat just one." Such is true also of M&M's. My problem with this one-pound bag was I couldn't put it down. I ate one M&M after another until the whole bag was gone. I have a piece of advice. DON'T DO IT! I was sick and, on this occasion, my mother didn't even bother to offer homemade soup.

The command of Jesus in our recent gospels has been to eat. We hear these phrases:

Unless you eat the flesh of the Son of Man you do not have life within you.

The one who feeds on me will have life because of me.

Whoever eats this bread will live forever.

So let us together gather around the altar of our Lord and "eat." The Eucharist is the food to eternal life.

Blessings to you!

Father Peter Schuster

## ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

### Confirmation Notes:

There are 22 students entering the final weeks of preparation for the Sacrament of Confirmation on Saturday, Sept. 21 at Our Lady of Good Counsel parish in Wilmont.

#### **PLEASE KEEP THE FOLLOWING STUDENTS IN YOUR PRAYERS:**

*Tyler Arnold, Walker Biren, Kate Blankenship, Kyle Dablbhoff, Ava Deacon, Calleigh Doeden, Nevaeh Echternach, Brenton Erdmann, Valeria Flores, Gavin Gerdes, Kyla Grogan, Elizabeth Haper, Kellen Hollaban, Rachael Huso, Laney Kathman, Colby Kesteloot, Andrea Lang, Teague Meyer, Owen Olsem, Aaron Overman, Emma Risacher & Josie Spartz*

### **Important upcoming dates for Confirmation Candidates:**

**Retreat (Aug. 25)** at Full Family Farms in Edgerton (Talk to your Faith Formation director about meeting spots and carpooling). Students from all parishes will meet at *approximately* noon to ride over to our retreat site. The retreat will run from 1 p.m. – approx. 6:30 p.m. (Supper will be served) Students are reminded to bring waiver forms and their completed “Holy Spirit” assignments. (Also, a reminder to wear comfortable clothing/shoes ... We will be outdoors and **eat lunch before leaving home!**)

### **Bishop Letters & Interviews with Fr. Schuster**

Student letters to Bishop Barron are due to your respective Faith Formation director by (or preferable before) the date of the retreat, Aug. 25. Interviews with Fr. Schuster (and confessions) will be **Sept. 7** (*St Ann*), **Sept. 11** (*IHM*) and **Sept 14** (*St. Gabriel*)

**Rite of Testimony/Sending** for St. Gabriel & IHM youth will be Sat., **Aug. 24** (*IHM*) & Sun., **Aug. 25** (*St. Gabriel*). Students and sponsors should attend and plan to sit together at Mass. Father will call you forward after the Gospel.

### **Catechesis of the Good Shepherd Training:**

Are you gifted in teaching elementary and preschool aged youth? Do you love Jesus and our Catholic Faith? If so, the Catechesis of the Good Shepherd program might be something to look into! This program (CGS) is a method of teaching that focuses on a Montessori (hands-on) method of learning. We are hoping to incorporate CGS into some of our elementary level Faith Formation programs. Visit: [www.cgsusa.org](http://www.cgsusa.org) to learn more, or contact your parish Faith Formation office. Training will be at St. Edwards Catholic Church in Minneota Oct. 18- Oct. 20 and Dec. 13 - Dec. 15. (\$235 cost – Individual parishes may be willing to pay a portion of this fee – Check with your Faith Formation director).

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**Rummage Sale: August 24<sup>th</sup> from 9 am – 3 pm.** St. Ann’s Church and School. Much help is needed for set up, sale day and clean up. A sign up was emailed to families-this is a faith formation fundraiser.

**CDA, Court Queen of Peace** Summer Potluck will be held on Tuesday, August 27<sup>th</sup> at 5 pm in Gullord Park.

**Second Collection** next weekend supports Catholic Home Missions and Black and Native Americans. The Appeal strengthens the Catholic Church in the United States and its territories in 87 Latin and Eastern Catholic dioceses. The Subcommittee on the **Catholic Home Missions** funds a wide range of pastoral services, including evangelization, religious education, and the maintenance of mission parishes, the training of seminarians and lay ministers, and ministry with ethnic groups. The 125-year-old **National Collection for Black and Indian** people continues as the embodiment of the Church’s concern for evangelizing the Black and Indian peoples of the United States. The funds are distributed as grants to dioceses throughout the United States, supporting and strengthening evangelization programs which otherwise would cease.

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