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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.

ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION

St. Ann Adoration and Confessions every Thursday from 5:00-6:00 pm.

St Gabriel Confessions-Before the 8:00 am Mass Sunday. (7:30 - 7:45 am) Adoration and Confession the 2nd Tuesday of every month after the 8:30 Mass.

IHM Adoration and Confession the 2nd Thursday of every month after the 8:30 Mass.

St. Anthony Confessions-Before the 4:00 pm Saturday Mass. (3:30 - 3:45pm)

MASS INTENTIONS – FEB 24 - MAR 2

Mon 24	<i>Father's Day Off</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
Tues 25	8:30am St. Gabriel	†Ann Ryan
Wed 26	8:30am St. Ann	†Francis & Wilma Gustaf
Thur 27	8:30am IHM	†Sandra Coon
Fri 28	8:30am St. Anthony	†William Merrick
Sat 1	4:00 pm St. Anthony	Parishioners
Sat 1	6:00 pm IHM	†Teri Luft
Sun 2	8:00 am St. Gabriel	†Rich & Pat Lanners
Sun 2	10:00 am St. Ann	†Ivy Goergen

CHURCH SUPPORT - FEB 15-16

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$2,200.00	\$229.00/31.00	\$699.95
St. Gabriel	\$ 895.00	\$194.00/7.00	\$
IHM-Currie	\$ 978.00	\$178.00/6.00	\$
St. Anthony	\$1,271.00	\$74.00	\$

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2025 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$	Pledged \$
St. Gabriel	Goal \$	Pledged \$
IHM-Currie	Goal \$	Pledged \$
St. Anthony	Goal \$	Pledged \$

ST. ANN

ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE: *March 5*

St. Gabriel, Fulda 9:00 am

IHM, Currie 5:30 pm

St. Ann, Slayton 7:00 pm

MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS

During lent we are all asked to pray, fast, and give alms. Mass will be celebrated (rotated in our cluster) on Friday evenings at **5:30pm**, immediately followed by The Stations of the Cross during the Lenten Season. Extra prayer times include the following:

Mass & Stations March 14 St. Ann, Slayton

Mass & Stations March 21 St. Gabriel, Fulda

Mass & Stations March 28 St. Anthony, Westbrook

Mass & Stations April 4 IHM, Currie

Mass & Stations April 11 St. Anthony, Westbrook

SERVER TRAINING will be held at St. Ann. Any student in 4th grade and up can serve at Mass. If your child would like to become a server please have them attend **ONE** of the following trainings, students needing a review are also welcome to attend. *Option 1:* Thurs, March 6, from 6:15-7:15pm **OR** *Option 2:* Sun, March 9, from 4-5pm. We encourage students to attend and serve, as it becomes a way for them to share their time & talent, and they love the participation!

CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS will be hosting a brunch fundraiser on Sunday, March 2, from 11:00 to 12:30. Menu will be egg bakes, muffins, juice and coffee. Free will offering.

FF SUPPER SCHEDULE: February 26

K-5 Miranda DeLong 30-35 people 4:45 to church

6-9 Faith Formation 25 people 6pm to church

MARDI GRAS—Mar 1 6-8pm, Iona Township Hall. Donations needed-copy and paste the link into your browser for the sign up, or contact Marcie. Cash donations also welcome to cover expenses of items not donated. <https://www.signupgenius.com/go/60B0E48ACA72AA4F49-54817896-mardi>

ASH WEDNESDAY-Mar 5 NO FF-attend Mass 7 pm St. Ann

SHADOW STATIONS OF THE CROSS Wed Mar 12 7pm St. Ann Church.

ST. GABRIEL

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 pm in Father's office at the school.

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFO

IRA Contribution \$1,500.00

YOUTH COFFEE & ROLLS: Next Sunday, Mar. 2 after 8 a.m. Mass. *All are welcome to come down to enjoy some great homemade goodies and fellowship!* **Thank you** to the many parishioners who have donated baked goods and juice for these socials and thanks to the parishioners who have so generously donated to the parish youths' summer events. *You are appreciated!*

LENTEN DEVOTIONALS: There are Lenten devotionals available on the back table. Next weekend, we will set out a variety of books/reading materials that you will be welcome to take home with you during Lent. Lent begins on Ash Wednesday, Mar. 5 (*Mass at St. Gabriel's is 9 a.m. that morning*). Begin today to give prayerful consideration as to how you will use this season of fasting and almsgiving to draw closer to Jesus. For family ideas/activities for Lent, see the last page of this week's bulletin.

CAMP SUMMIT/STEUBENVILLE: It is not too late to consider joining us for Camp Summit or Steubenville this summer; but time *is* getting short to register! If either of these amazing summer events sound interesting, talk to Peg this week at Release, or text (507)329-2103. *There is an informational meeting for students interested in Camp Summit today (Feb. 23) in Slayton. See back page for details.*

NEW ALTAR SERVERS/PARENTS: If you have a child in grades 4-10, they recently were trained to serve at Mass on Sunday. We are making our new "Altar Server List" out *this week*; if you have not reached out to Linda or Peg, do so today so we can make sure to have your child(ren)'s names added to our list! Thanks to the many who have already done so.

SENIORS: NOTE ON BACCALAUREATE MASS: We are waiting to see how some of our Seniors do at State BPA next week ... Should some of them qualify to go to Nationals, Baccalaureate Mass will be pushed to the following weekend of May 18. *Stay tuned!*

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAR 2

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Joe & Renee G, Paul L, Jill M

Servers Children's Mass

Reader Children's Mass

Gifts Children's Mass

EMHC Dana C, Kathy S, Dave S

Comm to HB

Music Sharon L

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAR 2

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp Glenn C, Barb K, Paul R, Amy C

Servers Grace S, Mara C

Lector Katie C

Comm Margene V

EHMC Levi Z, Christian P, Mary L

Sacristan Mark V

Money Dave T, Jim E

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Lita Schreier (507-227-8844) to add someone in need of prayers.

FAITH FORMATION: Faith Formation: Feb 26 Class 6:30-7:30; Confirmation: Feb 23 YOU#9 IHM Church Basement at 6pm

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFO:

Donations: \$ 175.00

SMS CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS:

2/14 Monica Anderson - \$100 winner;
2/14 Suzanne Lightfoot - \$100 Winner

THE COURIER: There is an excellent article on page 2 of this month's COURIER from the *United States Conference of Catholic Bishops*.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Please consider sharing your time and talent this Lent and Easter season. Practices will start Tuesday, February 25th at 7:00 p.m. New voices are always welcome!

FREE: Check out various items, including booklets, pamphlets, rosary, and hard-cover history books of the Winona Diocese. All are there for the taking, please do so.

IHM MUSIC You will recall that our parish recently removed the piano and the organ and replaced them with a new grand piano. So, if you hear what sounds like organ music, your ears are not playing tricks on you. With the pressing of a couple of buttons, the new electronic/digital piano can sound just like an organ, as well as some other instruments. It is a very nice addition to our church and Patty brings out the best.

ST. ANTHONY

SAVE THE DATES: For the Holy Family Retreat and Pilgrimage Events. They will take place at various locations in Minnesota and Wisconsin from February to May. See the back bulletin board or contact Joyce for more information. This is an Adult Faith and Lay Formation Event.

PRAYER CARDS: There are prayer cards in the back of church with names of our confirmation students. Please pick up one or more and pray for our students. St. Anthony students are Hadley Jenniges, Jackson Jenniges, Ian Knakmuhs, Sydney Swenson.

THE COURIER: Copies are available for pick up in the back of church.

ADD'L FINANCIAL INFO: Catholic Foundation of So MN \$828.00

ASH WEDNESDAY SPECIAL COLLECTION

This collection provides aid by the Subcommittee on Aid to the **Church in Central and Eastern Europe** through bishops' conferences of Central and Eastern Europe and the ex-Soviet Union to meet the needs of rebuilding the Church. It focuses on training seminarians and lay leaders, supporting social service programs, youth ministry, pastoral and catechetical centers, schools, church construction and renovation, and evangelization through Catholic media. Please be generous.

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAR 1

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server Katelyn R, Connor L
Lector Jim Gervais
Gift Bearers Blake & Marie Heronimus Family
EMHC Romane D, Loretta G. Lori M
CANTOR Alyssa O
Ushers Jim H, Matt H, Wyatt P, Dan S

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAR 1

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts Barb & Josef R
Lector Carol E
Servers No server available
EMHC Nicki P, Joan O
Cleaners Brady & Sara K

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

The Rules

This column's composition centers on the rules of life. I came across a website intitled theintentionhabit.com and they provided a column on "The 10 Rules for a Happy Life." Here is what they suggest:

1. Cultivate Gratitude
2. Say Yes to the Right Things
3. Don't Live in the Past
4. Practice Self-care
5. Pursue Your Passion
6. Live Mindfully
7. Seek Balance
8. Learn Continuously
9. Be Kind
10. Embrace Change

Not content to stop there, I also came across a poster entitled "7 Rules of Life." What do you think of these?

- A. Let It Go. Never ruin a good day by thinking a bad yesterday.
- B. Ignore Them. Don't listen to other people. Live a life that's empowering to you.
- C. Give It Time. Time heals everything.
- D. Don't Compare. The only person you should try to beat is the person you were yesterday.
- E. Stay Calm. It's okay not to have everything figured out. Know that in time, you will get there.
- F. It's On You. Only you are in charge of your happiness.
- G. Smile. Life is short. Enjoy it while you have it.

Being people of faith, what are some of the key aspects/rules of living a holy life? These are some which come to mind.

1. Put God First. When we fail to put God first, things fall apart.
2. Stay away from sin. In the "7 Rules of Life" we heard, it's on you. It is on us. We can either choose good or evil. Choose good!
3. Learn to love as God loves. God loves unconditionally, wholeheartedly, and sacrificially.

One of the key rules of a life built on holiness is called the golden rule. It is golden because it is considered the rule of all rules. Whether a person believes in God or not, it something we would all take to heart. It is in our gospel of today. Luke 6:31 reads, "Do to others as you would have them do to you." There are other ways the Golden Rule is stated. Here are two:

- Do not do to others what you would not want done to you.
- Treat others the way you want to be treated.

To understand the Golden Rule is to understand ourselves. How do we want to be treated? The answer for me is all I ask of people is to treat me with dignity and respect. What does that mean? I really took it personally in school when people thought they were better than me. Being a kid, I bought it into the belief. There was no worse feeling then to walk around believing in the presence of another I didn't match up. As I've matured, I learned I was living a lie. We are all human and make mistakes. God doesn't create one better than another. What God creates is uniqueness. We are all different and we all have a mission. Life's work is to figure out the mission and get to work.

I want all of you to take time this week and ask, "How do you want to be treated?" I shared my answer above. How does your answer sound?

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

FOR OUR PARISH YOUTH ...

Camp Summit 2025 (July 21-24): *Informational meeting* Want to learn more about this fantastic Middle School Youth Adventure Camp? Held in the bluffs of eastern Minnesota (Eagle Bluff Environmental Learning Center/ Lanesboro) each summer, this camp offers adventure (high ropes & rock walls anyone?) and great Catholic experiences like Mass & Adoration. Students entering grades 5-8 are encouraged to consider attending. **To learn more about this camp, join us Today, Sun., Feb. 23 at 11:30** at St. Ann Divine Mercy Hall in Slayton. High School Youth can serve as camp leaders/counselors; but applications must be filled out. Talk with your Faith Formation director to learn more!

High School Youth Retreat (LIVING OUR FAITH IN LOVE): **Mar. 16** (1-7 p.m.), Jackson, MN. This is for all HS students in grades 9-12 and will include an afternoon of great speakers, music, food as well as Mass/ Adoration & Confessions! There will be a bus to transport students from Slayton and Fulda. Pick up times to be announced soon – Stay tuned and mark your calendars today! (Contact your Faith Formation director to register).

SAVE-THE-DATES/CONFIRMATION CANDIDATES:

The Shadow Stations of The Cross: Mar. 11 (practice) and Mar. 12 (performance) at St. Ann in Slayton. All Confirmation candidates are required to attend.

PARISHIONERS: Mark your calendars & plan to attend this special presentation!

THE BANQUET IN SIOUX FALLS Sat., Mar. 29 – Bus will transport students over.

* **NOTE CONCERNING ‘THE BANQUET’ FOR ALL PARISHIONERS:** We have room for extra volunteers to help serve this day. This is a wonderful opportunity to put your faith into action (especially during the Lenten season). If you'd like to help the Confirmation students in serving those in need in the Sioux Falls area this day, contact your Faith Formation Director so we can save room for you on the bus. All are welcome! Our tentative schedule is to depart around 9 a.m. (8:30 a.m. from IHM/ a stop in Slayton, and perhaps one in Fulda) The group will return home @ 3 p.m.

ADULT FAITH FORMATION OPPORTUNITIES ...

Lenten Suggestions for Families: Now is the time to be prayerfully considering how you will help your family draw closer to Jesus during the upcoming Lenten season. There are multiple wonderful Catholic/Family related websites that will help you as a parent develop some great Lenten practices that you can do within the walls of your home. Did you know that your “home” is a sacred and holy place? The first place where your child(ren) learn about the Faith and God The Father's love for them. YOU are your child(ren)'s first and most important teacher! Check out the following websites for some excellent suggestions to journey together as a family during the Lenten season:

<https://www.catholichomebody.com/lent-activities-for-families/>

<https://acatholicmomslife.com/lent/>

Discipleship Quads/ Bible Study Groups for Men & Women: 'Discipleship Quads' are a group of four men or women who meet together over the course of a year to study Scripture, dig deeply into the Faith and grow together in fellowship. We are opening this opportunity up to all our area parishes to connect like-minded Catholic men and women in order to build and create new relationships. There is a guided program used in a Quad group. If being involved in a study group like this is something you may enjoy doing, contact Marcie Cowan from St. Ann (507)360-1885 or Peg Olsem from St. Gabriel (507-329-2103) and we will get your name on a list for new Quad groups. *ALL* are most welcome! Once we have enough people to create a "Quad" group, we will connect you with one another, and your group, together, can determine the best meeting times/ locations. (***Learn more at <https://steubenvilleconferences.net/discipleship-quads/>***).

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