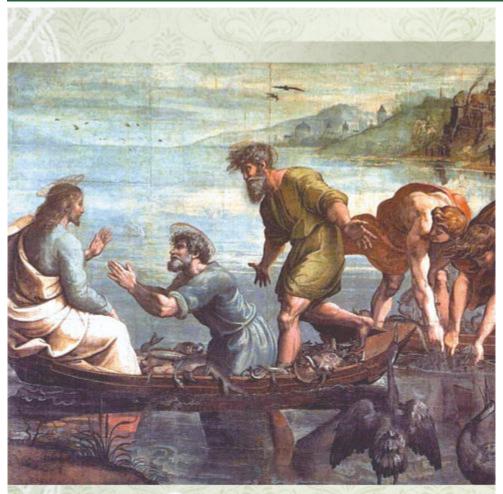


#### February 10th, 2019 • 5th Sunday in Ordinary Time



# 5th Sunday TIME

Simon said in reply, "Master, we have worked hard all night and have caught nothing, but at your command I will lower the nets." - Lk 5:5

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All Visitors and Guests Welcome to the Assumption and St. Anthony parishes! Thank you for joining us for the Holy Sacrifice of the Mass. If you would like to become a member of either parish please call or email the parish offices. "May the Lord guard your coming and going both now and forever." -Psalm 121

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Assumption Church of Eden Valley

#### **Mass Times**

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		7:00	
Sat	urdav	4:00	PM
Sun	ıday	8:00	AM

#### **Reconciliation**

Wed: 5:15 PM, Fri: 8:00 AM Sat: 3:30 PM & Sun 7:30 AM

#### Office Hours

Mon: 12:30-4:30, Wed: 8-4 Fri: 8-12:00 (hours may vary)

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Church of St. Anthony of Watkins

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#### **Mass Times**

Tuesdays (at Nursing Home)9:30	AM
Thursdays8:30	AM
Sunday10:00	

#### **Reconciliation**

Thursdays: 8:00 AM, Sundays: 9:45 AM

#### **Office Hours**

Mon: 8-12, Tues: 8-4 Thurs: 8-4 (hours may vary)

#### **Twinned Parish Contacts**

Pastor Father Aaron Nett
Secretary Jessica Teicher
DRE Christine Louwagie
RE Assistant Bonnie Meyer
Sacramental Assistant Becky Haag

## A Message from Father Aaron The Beauty of Marriage and Family

Dear brothers and sisters,

This Sunday, World Marriage Day, calls attention to the significant influence that marriage has on the Church, the society and the world. The witness of a strong Catholic marriage brings about a ripple effect of blessings that reaches far and wide for many years to come. Today we pray for and promote strong, faith-filled and happy marriages between one man and one woman in the Catholic Church that bears witness to God's loving plan.

Today there are significant challenges posed to traditional Christian marriage and family. This should be no surprise to followers of Christ as from the very beginning Satan has attacked marriage. From the time of Adam and Eve, to the beheading of John the Baptist for calling Herod to conversion for marrying his brother's wife, to our time today in which Christians are made into "discriminators" or authors of "hate speech" for believing in faith and good conscience that the God of creation has ordained marriage to be between one man and one woman. "God created mankind in his image; in the image of God he created them; male and female he created them." (Gen. 1: 27)

At times there may be confusion over what the Church today really teaches about marriage and the issue of gender in our culture. What the Church teaches about same-sex attraction and marriage is crucial for each follower of Christ to know, understand and be able to articulate. Is the Church against those with same-sex attraction? The short answer is, no, of course not. The Church loves and cares for all of God's children and She also continues to call all to the holiness of life and conversion that God desires.

A distinction here must be made between a person who has a tendency to be attracted to the same sex and one who is actively living out a same-sex relationship. Therefore, an individual who may be burdened with the tendency to same-sex attraction is called to chastity and purity of life and not to act on impulses which reject God's plan for sexuality which leads them into grave sin. In Pope Francis' encyclical Amoris Laetitia, it clearly states, "There are absolutely no grounds for considering homosexual unions to be in any way similar or even remotely analogous to God's plan for marriage and family." At the same time the Church lovingly extends a hand to those in need, as Francis states, "Those who struggle with homosexual tendencies, "can receive the assistance they need to understand and fully carry out God's will in their lives.""

As Christians we do not judge the heart but we must judge the action. We must hate the sin, not the sinner. And we believe that true love is found in proclaiming and calling each other into God's truth of creation. In these trying times for marriage and family may we continue to pray that our Creator's beautiful plan is known and lived out in its fullness.

God bless you, Father Aaron

## Twinned Parish News Upcoming Mass changes

The nursing home Masses on both February 12th & 19th will be moved to Friday, February 15th & 22nd.

## **Early Bulletin Deadline**

There will be an early bulletin deadline for the February 24th bulletin on Monday, February 18th.

#### **RCIA News**

On February 10th, the catechumens (unbaptized people studying the catechism) are continuing their initiation process through a minor exorcism. A minor exorcism is a petition addressed to God. "They draw the attention of the catechumen to the real nature of Christian life, the struggle between flesh and spirit, the importance of self-denial for reaching the blessedness of God's kingdom, and the unending need for God's help." RCIA 90

#### Palm Turn-In

There will be containers in the back of each church for you to bring in your palms from last year to be burned and the ashes used for Ash Wednesday.

## **Catholics at the Capitol**

Don't miss this incredible opportunity to make Catholic voices count at the Capitol! You'll hear from amazing speakers including actor Jim Caviezel, Archbishop Charles Chaput, musician Danielle Rose, and emcee Gloria Purvis. You'll learn about issues affecting life & dignity and get to meet with your legislators. **Registration for Catholics at the Capitol has been extend to February 14th!** Transportation available. Contact Mary Jo Ruhland at 223-4946 if interested.

#### **Men's Conference**

Saturday, February 23rd, 8:30AM-5:00PM, Sauk Rapids. For men (confirmation student age and older). Contact Reuben Stommes at 320-310-2493 if interested. See the next page for more details.

## **Mom's Morning**

The next meeting for Mom's morning will be on Saturday, March 2nd, 6:30 am-8:00 am. We will be discussing Lent in the home and sharing ideas and resources. Please come as you are and join us for breakfast and fellowship. RSVP to Christy at the Faith Formation Office if you are attending.

## **Assumption Parish News**

#### **Mass Intentions**

Wednesday, February 13: 5:45 pm Mass: † Walter Johnson Friday, February 15:

7:00 am Mass: † Marie Gruenes Saturday, February 16:

4:00 pm Mass: People of the Parish **Sunday, February 17:** 

8:00 am Mass: † Adam Schlangen

## Ministry Schedule

## -February 16, 4:00 PM

Lector: Shelly Kern

Ushers: Jim Ruhland, Darrin Hondl, Mark Ruhland & Bud Binsfeld

#### **Ministers of Communion:**

Sheila Laudenbach, Jim Schutz & Volunteer Servers: Marissa & Carter Laudenbach, Chloe Lemke & Katie Ruhland

Music: Marlene Fischer

Rosary Leader: Mary Jo Ruhland

#### -February 17, 8:00 AM

Lectors: Olivia Kuechle & Steve Ries Ushers: Brian Nohner, Gene Bischof, Larry Ludwig & Taylor Ludwig

#### **Ministers of Communion:**

Jody Bauer, Ron Ruhland & Sharon Schettler **Homebound:** Tom & Mary Mathies **Servers:** Nathan, Macey & Allison Brutger and Isabella Rausch

Music: Guitar Group Rosary Leader: Edith Fink

## **Financial Blessings**

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Total	\$2721.42			
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Thank you for your support!

## **Calling All Men!**

For men from either parish (confirmation student age & older) Contact Reuben Stommes at 320-310-2493 if interested. Carpooling options available.

Join men of all ages and walks of life to explore new ways to renew your faith. Take the time to listen to how Christ is calling you to follow Him. Set aside this one day to reflect on your chosen vocation and how being a man of integrity impacts those around you. This is an excellent opportunity for men of faith to gather together to learn, experience fellowship, and grow and strengthen their relationships with their families, their Church, and their communities.

#### **Sub Sales - Thank you!**

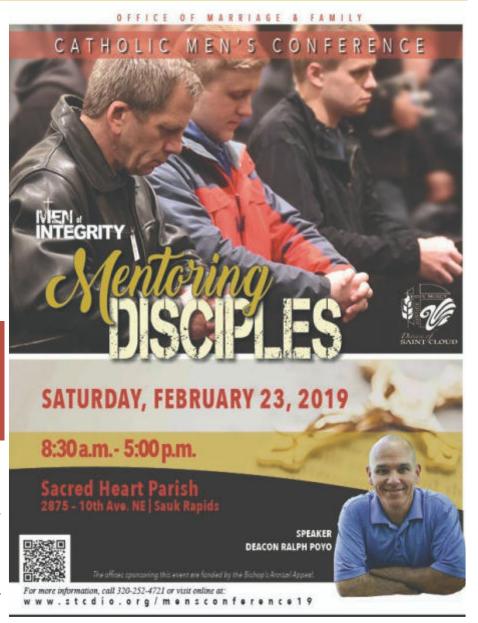
Thank you SO MUCH for the overwhelming support for our Sub Fund Raiser on Sunday, February 3rd. Fundraisers are a big way to keep the youth activities going in our church and we couldn't do it without our wonderful parishioner support! Thank you to anyone that made treats at home! Thank you to Guy and Jenny Evens for heading this up, gathering the food and picking up the tab. Another BIG thank you to all of the students and parents that came down to help! We were blown away by the amount of help that we received! Everyone's efforts made it an easy and fulfilling day!

## **Bishop's Annual Appeal**

Please see this week's bulletin insert about the Bishop's Appeal and prayerfully consider your donation this year.

#### **Andrew Dinner**

Young men in grades 8-12 who are interested in the priesthood are invited to a dinner with the Bishop Kettler called an "Andrew Dinner". The next dinner is on February 22. Contact the parish if interested.



## St. Anthony Parish News

#### **Mass Intentions**

**Tuesday, February 12:** 

No Mass

Thursday, February 14:

8:30 am Mass: : John & Mary Holthaus

Friday, February 15:

9:30 am Mass at Hilltop:† Isadore & Clara

VonBank

Sunday, February 17:

10:00 am Mass: † Scott Piccerillo

## **Ministry Schedule**

#### February 17, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Chad Dockendorf & Mary Ann Hesse Ushers: Earl Dockendorf, Ralph Huberty,

Tammy Winter & Joe Rathmann

**Ministers of Communion** 

Precious Body: Ralph Linn
Precious Blood: Theresia Linn &

Jessica Lorentz

**Homebound:** Betty Vossen, 764-9163 **Servers:** Emma Donnay, Ellie Donnay,

Ryan Wirz & Max Geislinger

Rosary Leader: Ethel Donnay

Children's Liturgy: Molly Schlangen (Morgan & Nick/Amy)

#### **Financial Blessings**

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## Thank you for your donations!

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**A/C Fund:** \$5440.50

## Weekly Schedule

#### Mondays:

Mission Sewing, 12:00-3:30 Mary's Cenacle, 2:00

Thursdays: Thrift Shop, 9-12 Saturdays: Thrift Shop, 9-12

## Church Cleaners Feb 10-23:



Walter & Deb Kramer, Joe & Mary Kuechle, Joe & Cindy Kuechle and Jay & Cindy Kuechle and families.

\*Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.

## **Thank You from the Werner Family**

The family of Jack Werner would like to thank everyone for the kindness shown to us at the time of Jack's passing. We appreciate your cards, food donations, memorials, flowers, prayers, kind words and presence at the visitation and funeral. A special thank you to Tom Ertl, Fr. Aaron Nett, Nikolas Zabinski, the American Legion, the VFW, Theresia Linn, Mary Streit, the funeral choir, and to the CCW members for their time, food donations and assistance with the funeral lunch. Your kindness will always be remembered, Lorraine Werner and Family

#### **Mission-of-Love Valentines**

I will be selling valentines on Sun. Feb. 17 & 24 before and after mass. The cost is \$2.00 each. The valentines are handed out to the widows, orphans and other needy people in San Lucas. They can be exchanged for school supplies, corn, beans or rice. Thank you for your support, Kathy Erpelding



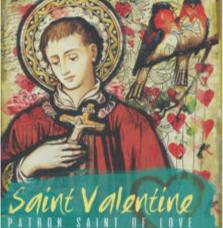
#### **Adoration Sub Needed!**

St. Anthony's Thursday adoration is in need of a sub from February 28th until April 4th for the 5-6 PM hour. We could also use other subs for our sub list. Call Sharon Simmons at 764-7465 if interested. Thank you!

## **Upcoming Fish Fry Meeting**

On Thursday, February 21st at 7:00 PM there will be a meeting for planning this year's fish fry! All are welcome, please join us if you are interested in helping. **St. Anthony Fish Fry Save the Date:** March 29th.





National Marriage Week (Feb. 7-14) and World Marriage Day (Sunday, Feb. 10) is an opportunity to focus on building a culture of life and love that begins with supporting and promoting marriage and the family.

Looking for more resources to strengthen your marriage?

www.foryourmarriage.org www.messyfamilyproject.org www.usccb.org

\*Watch upcoming bulletins for marriage retreat opportunities!

## **Prayer for Married Couples**

Almighty and eternal God, You blessed the union of married couples so that they might reflect the union of Christ with his Church: look with kindness on them. Renew their marriage covenant, increase your love in them, and strengthen their bond of peace so that they may always rejoice in the gift of your blessing. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen. Saint Valentine, pray for us!

## )UPCOMING EVENTS

#### **Assumption** & St. Anthony

Feb 10: Confirmation Parent/Student Mtg, 2:00-3:00, WAT RCIA Inquirer Drop-In, 7pm EV

Feb 12-13: Release Classes, EV Feb 13: No Faith Formation Classes, WAT

Feb 13: Pizza Night for all students grades 7-12, WAT

Feb 14: No Release Classes, EV Feb 15: No Youth Breakfast Feb 19-21: Release Classes, EV

Feb 20: Faith Formation Classes, Parish Adoration, WAT

Feb 22: Youth Breakfast to follow 7:00am Mass, EV

Feb 24: Powder Ridge Family Day! 1:30-3:30

Feb 26-28: Release Classes, EV

Feb 27: Faith Formation Classes, Parish Adoration WAT

Mar 01: Youth Breakfast to follow 7:00am Mass, EV

Mar 5-7: Release Classes, EV

Mar 06: Faith Formation Classes, All Student Ash Wednesday Mass, 6:45 PM WAT

\*Assumption = **EV** \*St. Anthony = **WAT** 



## Friday Mass & Kids **Breakfast**



Students are welcome to join us after Mass on Friday mornings for a Sacred Heart Breakfast. Mass is at 7:00am and breakfast is immediately after. The elementary kids are driven to school and high school students can walk. Come and start your morning with Jesus! There will be no Student Breakfast on February 15th, due to President's Day Break.

Pizza Night, Grades 7-12 - Feb. 13 Pizza Night for grades 7-12 is on WEDNESDAY, February 13th, 6:00pm-8:00pm at St. Anthony Faith Formation Center. Come

and play games, spend some time in prayer and Q&A with Fr. Aaron.

Family Day at Powder Ridge - Feb 24

Come and join in on the FUN at Powder Ridge for a Family afternoon of tubing! On Sunday, February 24th, 1:30-3:30 the Faith Formation office is hosting tubing for all families in our church community and our Faith Formation programs at St. Anthony and Assumption. The churches will be paying towards a discounted rate of \$10 per person for 2 hours of tubing! Children ages 4 and up are able to tube down the hill. Spectators and children under 4 are free of charge. Bring the whole family to join in the fun or enjoy chatting while you watch (There is a warming building right by the hill with nice big windows!). Concessions are sold on site. Powder Ridge does require a waiver to be signed by a parent, you can find it on Powder Ridge's website, or either church websites if you would like to sign it before hand.

## **Daily Readings**

Monday: Gn 1:1-19/Ps 104:1-2a, 5-6, 10 and 12,

24 and 35c [31b]/Mk 6:53-56

**Tuesday:** Gn 1:20-2:4a/Ps 8:4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [2ab]/Mk 7:1-13

**Wednesday:** Gn 2:4b-9, 15-17/Ps 104:1-2a,

27-28, 29bc-30 [1a]/Mk 7:14-23

**Thursday:** Gn 2:18-25/Ps 128:1-2, 3, 4-5 [cf.

1a]/Mk 7:24-30

**Friday:** Gn 3:1-8/Ps 32:1-2, 5, 6, 7 [1a]/Mk 7:31-37 **Saturday:** Gn 3:9-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4abc, 5-6, 12-13

[1]/Mk 8:1-10

**Sunday:** Jer 17:5-8/Ps 1:1-2, 3, 4, 6 [40:5a]/1 Cor 15:12, 16-20/Lk 6:17, 20-26

Sacraments

Marriage- Couples should contact the parish at least 6 months prior to wedding date.

**Baptism-** Parents/expecting parents should contact the parish office to sign up for a baptismal prep class and to schedule a meeting with Father. The next class is scheduled for March 3 after Mass. **Anointing of the Sick -** contact the parish office when anointing is needed.

#### **Bulletin Deadline**

Bulletin announcements are due in the office by noon on Tuesdays.

## **Traveling Chalice and Madonna** IN THESE DAY OF STRIFE AND CONCERN

our efforts for vocations is real and in need of everyone's attention. What would be tragic would be for good people to do nothing! Sincere thanks to George and Mary Lou Ruhland for hosting the Traveling Chalice and Madonna this week.

## Remember in Your Prayers...

Bishop Kinney, Jane Anderson, Tim Eder, Jackie Boulton Family, Theresa Welle, Jeff Pauls, the Ertl Family, Alexis Vossen, Laura Miller, Alizabeth Ludwig, Grace Hohenstein, Paula Schlangen, Charlie Schoen, Jane Torborg, June Berg., Deb Landwehr, Carol Wieneke and Laverne Torborg.



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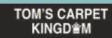
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