

April 28th, 2019 • Sunday of Divine Mercy



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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Mass Times

Wednesdays	5:45 PM
Fridays	7:00 AM
Saturday	4:00 PM
Sunday	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 Sunday......10:00 AM

Reconciliation

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

Office Hours

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

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A Message from Father Aaron

Mercy that Brings Peace

Dear Friends,

Our beautiful Gospel of John proclaims today, that "Jesus came and stood in their midst and said to them, 'Peace be with you." Jesus came to the disciples in their time of fear and doubt and said those consoling words, "Peace be with you." Jesus came to show them his abundant mercy in their hour of need. He comes to do the same for each of us.

Today, the Second Sunday of Easter, is Divine Mercy Sunday. It is a day to proclaim the peace of God that comes from his mercy. Sister Maria Faustina Kowalska, (1905-38) was canonized a Saint in 2000, was a polish nun who was gifted with mystical visions of our Lord Jesus. Her diary called, *The Diary of Saint Faustina: Divine Mercy in My Soul*, records her dialogue with Jesus as He proclaimed His message of mercy. They include the following messages of God's mercy:

"My daughter, have fear of nothing; I am always with you. All your adversaries will harm you only to the degree that I permit them to do so. You are my dwelling place and my constant repose. For your sake I will withhold the hand which punishes; for your sake I bless the earth." (No. 431)

"All grace flows from mercy, and the last hour abounds with mercy for us. Let no one doubt concerning the goodness of God; even if a person's sins were as dark as night, God's mercy is stronger than our misery. One thing alone is necessary; that the sinner set ajar the door of his heart, be it ever so little, to let in a ray of God's merciful grace, and then God will do the rest." (No. 1507)

"The Lord said to me, 'The loss of each soul plunges Me into mortal sadness. You always console Me when you pray for sinners. The prayer most pleasing to Me is prayer for the conversion of sinners. Know, My daughter, that this prayer is always heard and answered." (No. 1397)

The message of Divine Mercy is simple. It is that God loves us – all of us. And, he wants us to recognize that His mercy is greater than our sins, so that we will call upon Him with trust, receive His mercy, and let it flow through us to others. Thus, all will come to share His joy.

Peace in Christ, Father Aaron

Twinned Parish News

Divine Mercy Sunday Today, Sunday, April 28th, is Divine Mercy Sunday! Our celebration of this special feast day will take place at Assumption from noon until 3pm, it will include adoration of the Blessed Sacrament, hourly Divine Mercy reflections, recited rosaries and chaplets and it all will end with a sung Chaplet of Divine Mercy. All are welcome to join us for this special devotion to the Lord's mercy. "Jesus, I trust in you!" The Chaplet will also be sung after the communion service at the nursing home.

Diary of St. Faustina Contact the office if you would like a copy of this best selling book that birthed the Divine Mercy movement. This amazing narrative stirs the heart and soul while it chronicles the experience of this simple Polish nun said to be one of the greatest mystics of our time. You can get a copy for as little as \$6.36 and there are other styles and designs available.

Mass Switch The Nursing Home Mass on April 30th will be moved to Friday, May 3rd, due to Father Aaron being gone for the New Ulm Priest Retreat.

THANK YOU! The end of the Faith Formation programs have arrived! The year goes by so quickly and we never feel like we have enough time with your sweet children. Thank you for giving us the opportunity at St. Anthony and Assumption to help support your family in your faith journeys. We pray the students can continue to shine their light at home and in our communities over this summer break. A HUGE thank you goes out to all of our volunteers who give up their time and talent to keep our parish communities vibrant and being so willing to teach about our faith. The programs would not be possible without them! Thank you!

Mom's Morning - Saturday, May 4 All moms are welcome to come and join in for breakfast, spiritual growth, prayer and fellowship. The next meeting will be Saturday, May 4, 6:30 am - 8:00 am. We will begin a new series titled "That One Thing". Come as you are, relax, and enjoy breakfast! RSVP to Christy at the Faith Formation Office.

May Crowning May Crowning will be celebrated at both Parishes the second weekend of May. We are inviting our second graders to take part in these beautiful celebrations and dress in their First Communion outfits or their Sunday best.

Assumption: Saturday, May 11th, at 4:00 pm **St. Anthony:** Sunday, May 12th, at 10:00 am

Assumption Parish News

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, May 1:

5:45 pm Mass: † Walter Johnson

Friday, May 3:

7:00 am Mass: † Harry Halladay

Saturday, May 4:

4:00 pm Mass: † Frances Schoenecker

Sunday, May 5:

8:00 am Mass: † Joan Riley

Ministry Schedule

-May 4, 4:00 PM

Lector: Jason Huschle

Ushers: Reuben Stommes, Robert Binsfeld, Thomas Binsfeld & Bud Binsfeld

Ministers of Communion:

Andrea Huschle, Ellen Stenger & Jody Bauer Servers: Carter Laudenbach, Jack Kneip,
Paige Kneip & Reece Bischof

Music: Marlene Fischer

-May 5, 8:00 AM

Rosary Leader: Lona Brutger

Lectors: Deb Huschle & Eileen Reiter Ushers: Gene Bischof, Chad Field, Ernie Heinen & Don Trout

Ministers of Communion:

Steve Schmitt, Chad Field & Tom Mathies

Homebound: Donna Bischof & Marge Kuechle Servers: Jack & Mallory Evens,

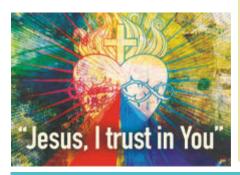
Ellie & Skyler Field **Music:** Guitar Group

Rosary Leader: Tom & Mary Ann Ruhland

Financial Blessings

Income	4/14/19	4/21/19
Loose Plate	201.09	450.36
Adult Env	3105.00	7567.00
Youth Env	7.25	1.75
Good Fri.	10.00	635.00
Votive	<u>35.50</u>	46.75
Total	\$3358.84	\$8700.86

Monthly Auto Deposits: \$2116



1st Communion Congratulations! Congratulations to the 12 second graders that received First Holy Communion today, Sunday, April 28th, 2019.

Leland Bischof, Aubrielle Holthaus, Zoey Huschle, Elan Kuechle, Miley Kuechle, Abigail Ludwig, Chloe Neuman, Elizabeth Notch, Easton Rausch, Jase Rohrbeck, Rylie Sieben & Trevor Thielen.

May Jesus' light shine more brightly in all of them. Thank you to all that helped make this Mass such a memorable day for these students and their families.

Carnation Sale! The Baptism Committee will be having a Carnation Sale in the back of church on the weekend of May 11th and 12th to help raise money for the Baptism Baskets. The flowers will be \$3.00 each, or 2 for \$5.00, or 5 for \$10.00. They will have a Baptism Basket on display too!



THANK YOU!

A huge thank you goes out to the Assumption Men's Group for their generous donation of \$2,600 to our Faith Formation Program and Youth Activities at Assumption! They put on a wonderful fish fry for our community and worked very hard! Thank you for your hard work and generous donation! Every bit helps keep our community learning, vibrant, and active!

Guild Pizza Orders Pizza pick-up will be Sunday, May 5 from 9 – 10:30 in the church basement.

ATTENTION ALL PARISHIONERS Your generosity & support helped to make last year's annual raffle a huge success. We are once again reaching out for cash donations so we can put together a nice raffle ticket that we can proudly sell. All donation commitments need to be in by May 30. If you have any questions, please contact one of the Raffle Committee Chairs: Marlene Brulla, 320-699-1017; Janice Stommes, 453-7672; Jody Bauer, 320-282-1479; Denise Nohner, 453-2366.

Updated Adoration News! We have two open Adoration hours: one on <u>Thursdays at 6-7 a.m.</u> and another on <u>Friday mornings at 1-2 am</u>. If interested in taking this hour please call Rose Becker 453-7496 or Rita Haan at 453-7865.

The American Red Cross will be in Eden Valley on Thursday, May 9th from 1:00-7:00pm at Eden Valley Community Center. Appointments slots available online at www.redcrossblood.org or by contacting Bonnie at 320-282-1468 or via email at mbmeyer@meltel.net Remember your identification -- it is required to donate.

Grasshopper Chapel Novena Masses Assumption 'Grasshopper' Chapel in Cold Spring (9 week) Mass Novena begins Thursday, May 2 (7pm rosary, 7:30pm Mass). Please bring a lawn chair. If inclement weather we will celebrate in the Church of St. Boniface in Cold Spring. The St. Anthony & Assumption parishes will provide the ministries for the Mass on May 23rd. We are looking for volunteers for rosary leader(s), musicians, Mass servers and Eucharistic ministers. Please contact the either office if you would like to help.

St. Anthony Parish News

Mass Intentions

Tuesday, April 30: No Mass at Hilltop Thursday, May 2:

8:30 am Mass: CCW Members

Friday, May 3:

9:30 am Mass: † Jeanetta Gross

Sunday, May 5:

10:00 am Mass: 1st Communicants

Ministry Schedule

May 5, 10:00 AM

Lectors: Kelly Meierhofer & Michelle Kramer Ushers: Ralph Vossen, Maynard Walz, Mike Erpelding & Stan Welle

Ministers of Communion:
Precious Body: Ethel Donnay
Precious Blood: Kathy Erpelding &
Theresa Faber

Homebound: Ethel Donnay, 398-7332 Servers: Carly & Cadence Meierhofer, Alicia Hansen & Lily Schlangen

Rosary Leader: Kevin & Erin Donnay & Family

Children's Liturgy: Kaila Schmitt (Rosie & Josie)

Financial Blessings

Income	4/14/19	4/21/19
Adult Env	1420.00	9712.00
Loose Plate	160.00	696.00
Youth Env	8.00	9.00
Rice Bowl	0.00	593.87
Good Friday	0.00	468.03
Wkly Auto	325.00	325.00
Votive	70.30	43.37
A/C Fund	0.00	500.00
Build Fund	0.00	100.00
Build Auto	35.00	35.00
Total	\$2018.30	\$12,482.27

A/C Fund: \$6465.50

Thank you!

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

Apr 21-May 4: Pam & Dennis Loch, Bob & Linda Linz, Larry & Jodi Looman, Harold & Alisa Mackedanz and families.

*Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock.

Mother's Day Flowers Sale



Honor the moms in your life and help support the pro-life cause in MN by ordering flowers for Mother's Day. Preorder forms will be available at the entrances or the back of church on Sunday, April 28th and May 5th. Call Ethel Donnay at 398-7332 or email her at robertethel@meltel.net with questions or to order your flowers.

Help "Beat the Heat" at St. Anthony's The Finance and Parish councils have approved

The Finance and Parish councils have approved moving forward with installing air conditioning in the church. The total cost of this project is



\$19,992.63 and we are roughly half way there with past donations and the proceeds from the Catholic Order of Foresters soup and Bouja sales this winter (not yet deposited). Plans have been made to have this installed in May. Please consider helping us "beat the heat"! We will be having a second collection for this on May 12th or you can donate anytime by putting your donation in a marked envelope.

1st Communion The second graders are on their final prep work to receive this wonderful Sacrament! As their church community and faith formation program, we are so excited for them to participate fully in the Mass with us. Please keep the second graders, their families, and their teachers in your prayers as they continue their journey. Retreat: May 4, 9:00 am -12:00 pm, First Communion: May 5, 10:00 am Mass

Knights of Columbus Tootsie Roll Drive

This weekend your local Knights of Columbus councils will be handing out tootsie rolls for free-will donations for their "Campaign for People with Intellectual Disabilities."

RCIA Mystagogy As fully initiated members of the Church, the neophytes join parishioners in ongoing, life-long formation. During the seven weeks from Easter to Pentecost, <u>all members of the community</u> are encouraged to participate in mystagogical sessions with the neophytes. Join in as often as you would like! All sessions conclude at 9:30 or 11:30 (about 20 minute sessions). Here are some of the dates, locations, and session topics:

April 28th, **WAT**: *Conversion: Truth, Grace, & Spiritual Growth*May 5th, **EV**: *Sacramental Living in an Apostolic Church*May 12th, **WAT**: *Evangelization & the Call of the Good Shepherd*



The Divine Mercy message is one we can call to mind simply by remembering ABC: A - Ask for His Mercy. God wants us to approach Him in prayer constantly, repenting of our sins and asking Him to pour His mercy out upon us and upon the whole world. Receive the Sacrament of Reconciliation, the Sacrament of God's mercy. B - Be merciful. God wants us to receive His mercy and let it flow through us to others. He wants us to extend love and

forgiveness to others just as He does to us. **C - Completely trust in Jesus.** God wants us to know that the graces of His mercy are dependent upon our trust. The more we trust in Jesus, the more we will receive.



Assumption & St. Anthony

May 04: Mom's Morning, 6:30 am-8:00 am, WAT Rectory St. Anthony First Communion Retreat 9-12 WAT

May 05: St. Anthony First Communion, 10:00 am, WAT May 08: Faith and Fun Wednesday, Grades K-6, EV

May 11: May Crowning, 4:00 Mass EV
May 12: May Crowning, 10:00 Mass WAT
May 19: Baccalaureate, 7:00 pm, EV
May 23: Grasshopper Chapel Mass, 7:30 PM (Rosary at 7)

Youth Activities!



Friday Mass & Kids Breakfast

Students are welcome to join us after Mass on Friday mornings for a Sacred Heart Breakfast. Mass is at 7:00 am 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!

Steubenville Weekend For Grades 8-12

Steubenville Youth Conference Rochester the weekend of July 12-14, students in grades 8-12 (school year 2018-2019). We are asking parents to pay \$75 of the cost and the parishes will cover the rest. Any adults who would be interested in chaperoning contact the Faith Formation Office. Faith 'N Fun Wednesday - May 8th Students in grades 1-6 (Pre K and Kinder are invited with an older sibling or buddy) are invited to come and join us for Faith and Fun Wednesday on May 8th at Assumption. We will be learning all about our Mother Mary! Students will be picked up off their bus at the high school and will walk over to the church with Bonnie and/or Christy. Our afternoon will include a snack, discovery stations, games outside, procession and rosary (4:40 pm) and end with Mass (5:45 pm). Students can be picked up at the church after Mass. Please call/email the Faith Formation office (453-5765, assumptionre@meltel.net) if your child would like to participate! Parent permission is required.

Summer Registration is now OPEN Please see the Parish Websites for more information or call the Faith Formation Office at 453-5765. Totus Tuus, July 8-12, 9:00am-2:30pm, Grades K-5 (2018-19 School Year) Totus Tuus, July 7-11, 7:00pm-9:00pm, Grades 6-12 **Steubenville**, July 12-14, Grades 8-12 Vacation Bible School, August 5-9, 9:00am-12:00pm, 4yrs old-4th Grade and Grades 5-12 can be leaders/helpers

Daily Readings

Monday: Acts 4:23-31/Ps 2:1-3, 4-7a, 7b-9 [cf. 11d]/Jn 3:1-8

Tuesday: Acts 4:32-37/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2, 5 [1a]/Jn 3:7b-15

Wednesday: Acts 5:17-26/Ps 34:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9 [7a]/Jn 3:16-21

St. Joseph the Worker: Gn 1:26--2:3 or Col 3:14-15, 17, 23-24/Ps 90:2, 3-4, 12-13, 14 and 16 [cf.17b]/Mt 13:54-58

Thursday: Acts 5:27-33/Ps 34:2 and 9, 17-18, 19-20 [7a]/Jn 3:31-36

Friday: 1 Cor 15:1-8/Ps 19:2-3, 4-5 [5]/Jn 14:6-14 **Saturday:** Acts 6:1-7/Ps 33:1-2, 4-5, 18-19 [22]/Jn 6:16-21

Sunday: Acts 5:27-32, 40b-41/Ps 30:2, 4, 5-6, 11-12, 13 [2a]/Rv 5:11-14/Jn 21:1-19 or 21:1-14

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. Baptism classes: May 5 or June 2 (after 8AM Mass) call the office to sign up.

Anointing of the Sick - contact the parish office when anointing is needed.

Bulletin Deadline

Bulletin announcements are due by noon on Tuesdays.

Traveling Chalice and Madonna

WHAT WILL YOU DO with your life? What are your plans? Have you ever thought to committing yourself totally to Christ? "Do you think there can be anything greater than to bring Jesus to people and people to Jesus?" - Pope John Paul II.

Thank you yo Marlene Fischer 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., Carol Wieneke and Laverne Torborg.



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