

## Weekly Readings

Monday, July 28: JER 13:1-11; MT 13:31-35  
 Tuesday, July 29: JER 14:17-22; JN 11:19-27  
 Wednesday, July 30: JER 15:10, 16-21; MT 13:44-46  
 Thursday, July 31: JER 18:1-6; MT 13:47-53  
 Friday, Aug. 1: JER 26:1-9; MT 13:54-58  
 Saturday, Aug. 2: JER 26:11-16, 24; MT 14:1-12  
 Sunday, Aug. 3: IS 55:1-3; ROM 8:35, 37-39; MT 14:13-21

## Prayer List

Please pray for: Bishop John Kinney, Fr. Richard Walz, Ralph Haan, Dorothy Ludwig, Lori Crozon, Eddie Ebensteiner, Marie Thielen, Jane Anderson, Carol (Jim) Fuchs, Lisa Heinen, and Jackie Boulton Family.

Please send your prayer requests to your parish secretary.

## Local Events

July 25-28 - **Upsala Upstage Players** are excited to perform "You're a Good Man, Charlie Brown" based on "Peanuts" comic strip. Show dates: July 25, 26, & 28 at 7:30; July 27 at 2 p.m. Upsala High School auditorium. Tickets \$8 adults; \$7 seniors/students and are available at the door.

July 27 - **Eden Valley Sportsman's Club** at Browns Lake Park annual BBQ Chicken & Smoked Pork Chop Dinner -11 a.m. -3 p.m.

Aug. 1 - **Grilled Pork Chop Dinner** at St. John the Baptist Parish in Colledgeville from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m.

Aug. 3 - **Parish Festival for Church of Seven Dolors** in Albany. 10:30 a.m. polka mass, dinner, raffle, bingo, furniture raffle, country store, children's games, and many more activities.

Aug. 5 - **Daughters of Isabella** will hold their regular meeting at the St. Louis Catholic Church parish hall. Rosary will be prayed at 7:10 p.m., with the meeting to follow at 7:30 p.m. Lunch will be served, and the Knights of Columbus will join us.

Aug. 10 - **Church of St. Philip Annual Parish Bazaar** at the Meeker County Fairgrounds. Join us for worship, fun, and food.

Aug. 15 - **St. Gertrude's Pedal Pilgrimage** to Assumption Chapel in Cold Spring at 3 p.m. Visit [www.churchofstgertrude.org](http://www.churchofstgertrude.org) to register. The bike ride is just under 20 miles.

Aug. 24 - **Sacred Heart in Sauk Rapids Parish Festival**. 10 a.m. Polka mass, raffle, bingo, and more.

Sept. 12-14 - **Koinonia** is a Catholic Retreat program sponsored by the St. Cloud Diocese. Applications can be downloaded from the website: [centralmnkoinonia.org](http://centralmnkoinonia.org) or by calling LeRoy and Mary Lou Raden at (320) 293-2080. Or email them at [cmkoinonia@gmail.com](mailto:cmkoinonia@gmail.com) to get an application.

Sept. 19 - **Retrouaille** can save a marriage. Are you, or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouaille can help. Call 320-255-5314 or check the website [www.helpourmarriage.org](http://www.helpourmarriage.org) for more information. Preregistration is required.

Sept. 20 - **St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women Annual Fall Conference** at St. Marcus Catholic Church, Clear Lake, MN. It promises to be great; keynote speaker will be Bishop Donald Kettler. More information will be forthcoming. Contact info: Julie Moorhead-Miller, 320-243-3891 or Mary Jo Fitzpatrick, 320-387-2243.

Sept. 25 - Internationally known pro-life leader, Shawn Carney (co-founder of 40 Days for Life) will be speaking at Harvest of Hope Gala in Annandale.

Oct. 11 - **Catholic Women's 2014 Conference** at Holy Angels Performing Arts Center, St. Cloud. Keynote speaker will be Patty Schneier. More information will be forthcoming. Contact: Office of Marriage & Family, 320-252-4721.



# July 27, 2014

## 17<sup>th</sup> Sunday in Ordinary Time

Fr. Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB  
 Fr. Richard Gross, Retired Priest

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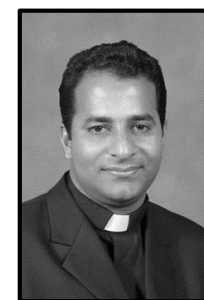
## Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, July 28: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Tuesday, July 29: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Wednesday, July 30: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Janelle Reetz  
 Thursday, July 31: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Friday, Aug. 1: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Janet Hoxmeier  
 Saturday, Aug. 2: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Kyle Becker  
 Sunday, Aug. 3: 10:00 a.m. Mass - LuVern Becker & Greg Ruhland

## St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, July 29: 9:30 a.m. Mass - Walter Schneider at Hilltop  
 Thursday, July 31: 8:30 a.m. Mass - Lorraine Klein (Sr. Citizens) at Manor  
 Friday, Aug. 1: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop  
 Saturday, Aug. 2: 4:00 p.m. Mass - People of the Parish  
 Sunday, Aug. 3: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Leo & Cleo Lorenz  
**Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's**  
**Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption**

## A Message From Father Jerome



Today's readings teach us that accepting Jesus as our God and Savior and sacrificing everything in life to do the will of God are equivalent to discovering and possessing the most valuable treasure or the pearl of great price. In other words, keeping a personal relationship with Christ and sharing his view of life are the most beautiful, the most precious things in the world.

Most of the time, we are chasing false treasures such as money, social status or worldly pleasures. Thus, the really valuable pearl of sharing in God's life through Jesus here on earth

and later in Heaven, is never found. Let us always remember that Heaven is within the reach of all of us who try to do the will of God, following the ordinary vocations of life and enjoying this world's joys and pleasures within the framework of God's Commandments. They are already living in the Kingdom of Heaven while they are still on earth. We will be able to keep our treasure of personal relationship to Jesus by accepting him every day, by doing his will in all things, by asking for the daily strengthening and guidance of his Holy Spirit, by talking to him daily in prayer, by listening to him in our meditative reading of the Bible, by getting reconciled to him and others every day asking pardon and forgiveness for our sins, by offering our lives on the altar during the Holy Mass and by nourishing our souls receiving Jesus in Holy Communion.

I accepted the Hiring Committee's recommendation to hire Jessica Teicher for the Parish Secretary position for St. Anthony. Thanks to the Hiring Committee for their time and talents.

I am joining 30 youths from our parishes to Steubenville North Youth Conference in St. Paul, July 25-27.

Father Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB

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# Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, Aug. 7** - Building Committee Meeting at 7p.m. - lower level church.  
**Friday, Aug. 8** - Meeker County School Supply Drive - money or supplies. Contact Tonya Hastings 693-5282.  
**Friday, Aug. 15** - Family Fishing and Fish Fry Outing. More details to come.  
**Sunday, Aug. 17** - 10 a.m. Mass for Religious Sisters and Jubilee of Sr. Marie Theis.  
**Sunday, Aug. 31** - Men's Group Meeting at 7 p.m.

## Aug. 2 & 3 Ministry

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** 7 p.m. Volunteer  
 10 a.m. RoseMary Becker

**Lectors:** 7 p.m. Anna Mae Gruenes  
 10 a.m. Sarah Kuechle

**Ushers:** 7 p.m. Gene Demorett, Gary Sogge, Mark Ruhland.  
 10 a.m. Mike Stommes, Craig Bischof, Austin Berg, Greg Bischof.

**Ministers of Communion- H.M:** Mary Ann Ruhland  
 7 p.m. Tom Ruhland, Kris Gruenes, Edith Fink.  
 10 a.m. Jeanne Schmitz, Donna Bischof, Steve Schoenecker.

**Servers:** 7 p.m. Paige Thielen\*, Jacob Thielen, Carter Laudenschach, Ethan Laudenschach.  
 10 a.m. Miranda Scherer\*, Amber Scherer, Ava Blonigen, Megan Blonigen.

**Rosary Leaders:** July 28 Aug. 1 Weekday - RoseMary Becker  
 7 p.m. Tom and Mary Ann Ruhland  
 10 a.m. Larry and Jeanne Schmitz

**Music:** 7 p.m. Lisa Thielen  
 10 a.m. Kris Latcham

**Collection Counters:** Shelly Kern and Colleen Sogge

**Children's Liturgy:** 1st Sunday: Helen Theis  
 2nd Sunday: High School Youth  
 3rd Sunday: Molly Z.  
 4th Sunday: Jenni Scherer                      5th Sunday: Helen Theis

## Financial Blessings

Parish Income	07/20/14	07/21/13
Adult Envelopes	2,106.00	1,567.00
Loose Plate	115.52	176.00
Youth Envelopes	14.00	12.00
Votive	<u>28.00</u>	<u>28.99</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,263.52</b>	<b>1,783.99</b>

**Automatic Deposits for June: \$1,462.00**  
 Thank you for your Donations!

**Mass Attendance:**

July 19, 7 p.m.	71
July 20, 10 a.m.	<u>210</u>
<b>Total</b>	<b>281</b>

## Consider Serving as a Catechist

Anyone interested in being a catechist educating our young people in their Catholic faith, or being an assistant teacher in the classroom, please call Sherry for more information.

## Faith Formation Registration

Registrations are now available for the upcoming faith formation school year. Registration forms will be sent via email, or can be picked up on registration night August 27, 6-8 p.m., available every day in the lower level church, chapel room, or on our website [www.churchoftheassumptionedenvally.org](http://www.churchoftheassumptionedenvally.org). Please return completed forms under the office door, drop them in the collection, or email them: [assumptionre@meltel.net](mailto:assumptionre@meltel.net). Call Sherry with any questions: 453-5765.

## Garden Produce Exchange

The garden produce area will be in the West entryway of church once again this year. This opportunity is available for those who have extra garden vegetables or who are interested in exchanging with others. Check out the new items each week!

## Aug. 17 Mass Honoring Sisters

On August 17, the 10 a.m. Mass at Assumption will be honoring the living nuns that were originally from Eden Valley, especially Sr. Marie Theis, OSF celebrating her 75th jubilee this year. Also honored will be Sr. Lorraine Bischof, OSB; Sr. Julianna Lauer, OSB; Sr. Denise Braegelmann, OSB; Sr. Margo Bischof, OSB; Sr. Elizabeth Gruenes, OSB; and Sr. Margaret Kramer. Please call Helen Theis 453-6681 with any questions.

## Youth Conference Attendees

Please keep us in your prayers as we head to the Steubenville North Youth Conference July 25-27.

Fr. Jerome, Dyani Acosta, Sherry Braegelmann, Perry Burros-Lemke & Sophie Burros, Madi & Mackenzie Field, Heidi Geislinger, Kaitlyn Gruber, Lisa Holdvogt, Sarah Koep, Rhonda Kuechle, Tori & Lexi Pauls, Mary Jo Ruhland, Roch & Sydney Ruhland, Julie, April & Rose Ruprecht, Miranda Scherer, Roger & Toni Schlangen, Katherine & Christina Schultzenberg, Mark Schumacher, Emily Sieben, Breanna Stang, Elaina Stommes, and Katie & Jacob Wicklund.

## Christian Women Meeting

We realize how busy everyone is during the summer months and how we value any time we can spend outside when the weather is nice. So, this year we have decided to try something a little different for our annual Christian Women meeting. We will be hosting Mass on Sunday, September 28 at 10:00 a.m. with our annual meeting and speaker following. More information will follow at a later date.

## Prayer Shawls for Sale

The Assumption Spiritual outreach has extra knit prayer shawls. They make excellent gifts for those who are ill. If you would like to buy one of these shawls please call RoseMary Becker 453-7496.

# Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

## Weekly Schedule

**Monday, July 28:** 7:00 p.m. Mary's Cenacle

**Thursday, July 31:** 9:00 a.m. Thrift Store is Open  
 7 p.m. Joint Parish Council & Education Committee Mtg.

**Saturday, Aug. 2:** Thrift Store is CLOSED

## Aug. 2 & 3 Ministry

**Servers:** 4 p.m. Brad Dockendorf, Troy Kelley, Sheila Riebe, Brady Erpelding.  
 8 a.m. Mitch Molitor, Mandy Molitor, Jennifer Kipf, Ben Teicher.

**Lectors:** 4 p.m. Dolores Faber  
 8 a.m. Ron Dockendorf

**Eucharistic Ministers:** 4 p.m. Mary Kay Kielty, Molly Schlangen.  
 8 a.m. Rich and Arliss Stenger.

**Ushers:** 4 p.m. Joe Rathmann, Chuckie Unterberger, Don Schmitt, Doris Rathmann.  
 8 a.m. Earl Dockendorf, Ralph Huberty, Tammy Winter, Joe Rathmann.

**Rosary Leaders:** 4 p.m. Jan Vossen and Lori Unterberger.  
 8 a.m. Sharon Simmons

**Homebound:** Betty Vossen 764-9163

**Church Cleaning - July 20 - August 2**  
 Jamie Elfering Family, Tom and Amy Ertl Family, and Dick and Carol Faber.  
 Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock the church.

## Financial Blessings

Parish Income	07/20/14	Mass Attendance:
Adult Envelopes	1,772.00	July 19, 7 p.m. 159
Loose Plate	224.00	July 20, 10 a.m. <u>151</u>
Youth Envelopes	1.55	<b>Total</b> <b>310</b>
Votive	13.55	
Silent Auction	2,957.00	
Vacation Bible School	143.00	
<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>1,000.00</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>6,111.10</b>	

Thank you for your Donations!

<b>New Parish Center</b>	<b>06/15/14</b>
Investments on Hand	675,535.98
Pledge Payment Received to Date	259,576.89
Expenses Paid to Date	<u>(8,549.32)</u>

<b>Total Funds on Hand</b>	<b>926,563.55</b>
<b>Outstanding Pledges</b>	<b>90,883.77</b>

<b>Our Goal</b>	<b>1,600,000.00</b>
<b>We Still Need</b>	<b>679,769.38</b>
<b>Thank you for your contributions and pledges!</b>	

## Welcome our New Secretary

Please give a warm welcome to our new parish secretary, Jessica Teicher. We are excited announce her as part of our parish staff. We believe our parish will greatly benefit from her time and talents. Parish office hours are Monday-Friday from 8 a.m. 4:30 p.m. Thank you to our Hiring Committee for their fine work and dedication. Special thanks to all of our volunteers who graciously came forward to fill this void for the past month.

## School Auction Thank You

Thank you to everyone who helped support the School Building Auction. There were about 200 items that generated nearly \$3,000. These funds will be deposited into the new Parish Center account.

## Parish Directory Photos

The photos submitted by families for the parish directory have been scanned and can be picked up from the box on a table in the back of the church. For the families who submitted a photo back in October, but had their photo taken by Lifetouch this spring, we will use the photo from Lifetouch for the directory. We are making steady progress on the directory. Thank you for your continued patience while we work through this project. Our goal for the directory distribution is September. We would like to have a page dedicated to our military parishioners. If a parishioner is currently serving active duty, please contact Erin Donnay or bring the photo to the parish office to use on this page. If you have questions regarding the Parish Directory, please contact Erin Donnay.

## Vacation Bible School

"Weird Animals" Vacation Bible School will be held at St. Anthony's Parish Center, Aug. 4-8, from 9 a.m. - 12 p.m. Please use the West entrance to the Parish Center. We ask that all people responsible for dropping off and picking up children exercise extra caution in the parking lot as there will be young children present. Preschoolers will need to bring a backpack with them each day. Participants are asked to bring items for the food shelf donation collected during VBS.

## Financial Update

Please read the Financial Update inserted into this week's bulletin. It details the financial action taken and completed, currently underway, and going forward. We cannot adequately express our extreme gratitude for all of the parishioners who are volunteering their time to retrieve, sort, and enter data. The rest of the parish can be proud of these individuals who are assisting St. Anthony's during this challenging time.

## Upcoming Events

**Aug. 4-8** - Vacation Bible School.  
**Aug. 19** - 7 p.m.: Joint Meeting of Building Committee and Parish Council.  
**Sept. 2** - 7 p.m.: Joint Meeting of Liturgy Committee and Parish Council.