

## Weekly Readings

Monday, Aug. 4: JER 28:1-17; MT 14:22-36  
 Tuesday, Aug. 5: JER 30:1-2, 12-15, 18-22; MT 14:22-36  
 Wednesday, Aug. 6: DN 7:9-10, 13-14; 2 PT 1:16-19; MT 17:1-9  
 Thursday, Aug. 7: JER 31:31-34; MT 16:13-23  
 Friday, Aug. 8: NA 2:1, 3; 3:1-3, 6-7; MT 16:24-28  
 Saturday, Aug. 9: HB 1:12-2:4; MT 17:14-20  
 Sunday, Aug. 10: 1 KGS 19:9a, 11-13a; ROM 9:1-5; MT 14:22-33

## 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

**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. 8 - Kimball Area Historical Society "Supper in the Park"** from 5-8 p.m. at the Willow Creek Park Shelter.

**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. 15 - Church of Our Lady, Manannah Pie and Ice Cream Social**, from 4-7:30 p.m. Sponsored by Council of Catholic Women.

**Aug. 17 - St. Andrew's Fun Fest** in Fairfax from 9:30 a.m. - 4 p.m. Polka mass, chicken dinner and much more.

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

**Aug. 31 - Holy Cross Parish Breakfast** benefitting Holy Cross School in Marty. Breakfast is served from 8 a.m. - 12 noon.

**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 - Retrouvaille** can save a marriage. Are you, or someone you know, living in the pain of a marriage in trouble? Retrouvaille 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.

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# August 3, 2014

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

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

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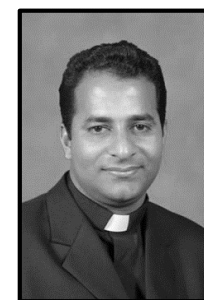
## Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, Aug. 4: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Tuesday, Aug. 5: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Wednesday, Aug. 6: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Leo McCann  
 Thursday, Aug. 7: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service  
 Friday, Aug. 8: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Adella Theis  
 Saturday, Aug. 9: 7:00 p.m. Mass - Virgil Rettig  
 Sunday, Aug. 10: 10:00 a.m. Mass - Marcella Mueller

## St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, Aug. 5: 9:30 a.m. Mass - Norbert Donnay at Hilltop  
 Thursday, Aug. 7: 8:30 a.m. Mass - Kenneth Geislinger at Manor  
 Friday, Aug. 8: 9:15 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop  
 Saturday, Aug. 9: 4:00 p.m. Mass - Roger Kramer  
 Sunday, Aug. 10: 8:00 a.m. Mass - Marcella Hesse  
**Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony's  
 Saturdays at 6:30 p.m. at Assumption**

## A Message From Father Jerome



The central theme of today's readings is the provident care of a loving and merciful God who generously shares His riches with us, giving us His Son Jesus as our spiritual food, preparing us for the Heavenly banquet, and challenging us to share our blessings with others.

We need to nourish our souls with Jesus in word and sacrament: We nourish our souls with the word of God (by listening to God through reading the Bible) and with the bread of life (by receiving Jesus in Holy Communion). We need to find time to be with Christ both in personal

and in family prayer. One way of listening to God is to read a passage in the Bible until it speaks to the heart, then stop to reflect on the message God is conveying to our hearts. The next step is to respond to God by prayer which is talking to Him, as to a friend in conversation, telling Him everything and asking Him for whatever we need. We need to be "Eucharistic ministers": We too, can perform miracles in our own time and place, by imitating the four "Eucharistic actions" of Jesus: take humbly and generously what God gives us, bless it by offering it to others in God's love, break away from our own needs and selfish interests for the sake of others, give with joy-filled gratitude to God who has blessed us with so much. We need to be generous in sharing God's blessings: We need to share our blessings with others around us generously and sacrificially in order to alleviate their spiritual and physical hunger. God lavishly blesses the large-hearted who generously and sacrificially share their resources with others.

Father Jerome Naduvathaniyil, OSB

# Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

## Upcoming Events

**Thursday, Aug. 7** - Building Committee Meeting at 7 p.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. 9 & 10 Ministry

**Greeters/Gift Bearers:** 7 p.m. Volunteer  
10 a.m. Cyrilla Nohner and Janet Schwartz

**Lectors:** 7 p.m. Jason Huschle  
10 a.m. Madison Field

**Ushers:** 7 p.m. Jerome Ludwig, Bill Reiter, David Braegelman.  
10 a.m. Arnie Gruenes, Jim Schutz, Bill Ruhland.

**Ministers of Communion- H.M.:** Mary Jo Ruhland  
7 p.m. Jenni Evans, Andrea Huschle, Sharon Schettler.  
10 a.m. Pat Arnold, Dawn Schramel, Lisa Ludwig.

**Servers:** 7 p.m. Dyani Acosta\*, Anthony Schettler, Jack Evens, Mallory Evens.  
10 a.m. Sydney Ruhland\*, Erica Rausch, Maria Holdvogt, Lisa Holdvogt.

**Rosary Leaders:** Aug. 4-8 Weekday - Larry and Jeanne Schmitz  
7 p.m. Helen Theis  
10 a.m. Janet Schwartz

**Music:** 7 p.m. Becky Haag  
10 a.m. Lisa Thielen

**Collection Counters:** Sheila Laudenbach and Dolores Braun.

**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	07/27/14	07/28/13
Adult Envelopes	1,929.00	2,387.00
Loose Plate	152.26	291.67
Youth Envelopes	5.05	7.00
Votive	42.00	31.25
Mission	0.00	260.00
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,128.31</b>	<b>2,976.92</b>

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

**Mass Attendance:**  
July 26, 7 p.m. 79  
July 27, 10 a.m. 197  
**Total 276**

## Thank You for Your Prayers

Sincere appreciation for the prayer support given for 30 energetic, faithful youth who attended the Steubenville North Youth Conference at St. Thomas University in St. Paul last weekend. It was awesome to worship with over 2,500 attending. It was an excellent gathering with inspiring-motivating talks, great music and faith sharing which encouraged us to take Jesus everywhere we go. Much grace was generated and many seeds were planted! We thank all the parishioners for all the contributions, especially the Men's Group. Without your help, we could not have attended this year. The students will be sharing their experience with you this weekend at Mass. For a follow-up to the conference we will be hosting a once a month prayer experience for anyone who wishes to attend. Please call the parish office for more information.

## Fall Dinner Raffle

There are only nine weeks until our Fall Dinner and Raffle. As the spring and fall raffles have now been combined, we are making this a parish event. This can be a major fundraiser for our parish, and by selling the tickets that are being distributed, we also show our appreciation to the many businesses and individuals who so generously donated items. All tickets SOLD and UNSOLD must be returned to comply with MN State law. Please return the tickets and money by September 7<sup>th</sup> by placing in the collection basket, dropping off or mailing to Assumption Parish at P.O. Box 9, Eden Valley, MN 55329. Your support is greatly appreciated.

## Adoration Opportunity

We are in need of an adorer to be in the Adoration Chapel Tuesdays 5-6 a.m. If you can fill this hour, please call Mary Ann Ruhland 453-2575.

## 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.churchoftheassumptionedenvalley.org](http://www.churchoftheassumptionedenvalley.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.

## Rest In Peace

Sr. Elizabeth Gruenes, OSB passed away on July 27. The Funeral Mass was celebrated on Thursday, July 31 at Saint Benedict's Monastery, St. Joseph. She was member of Assumption Parish.

## 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; and Sr. Margaret Kramer. Please call Helen Theis 453-6681 with any questions.

# Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

## Weekly Schedule

**Vacation Bible School runs Monday-Friday, 9 a.m. - 12 p.m.**

**Monday, Aug. 4:** 7:00 p.m. Mary's Cenacle  
7:00 p.m. Knights of Columbus at St. Anne's

**Thursday, Aug. 7:** 9:00 a.m. Thrift Store is Open

**Saturday, Aug. 9:** 9:00 a.m. Thrift Store is Open  
5 p.m. Baptism of Elsie MaryKaye, daughter of Jesse and Kari Olson

## Aug. 9 & 10 Ministry

**Servers:** 4 p.m. Matt Schindler, Kayla Schindler, Ayanna Ertl, Alex Ertl.  
8 a.m. Lauren Libbesmeier, Breanna Walz, Chloe Walz, Emily Walz.

**Lectors:** 4 p.m. Mary Kay Kielty  
8 a.m. Andy Hesse

**Eucharistic Ministers:** 4 p.m. Rosie Loch, Don Gruenes.  
8 a.m. Maynard and Jeanette Walz.

**Ushers:** 4 p.m. Eldred Froehling, Leila Froehling, Jay Schoenecker, Alan Dockendorf.  
8 a.m. Jim Schreifels, Margi Schreifels, Joe Rathmann, Leander Salzl.

**Rosary Leaders:** 4 p.m. Carol Huberty  
8 a.m. Maynard and Jeanette Walz.

**Homebound:** Molly Schlangen 764-2209

**Church Cleaning - August 3 - August 16**  
Duane, Kenny, Mark, and Tony Faber and Families.  
Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock the church.

## Financial Blessings

<b>Parish Income</b>	<b>07/27/14</b>	<b>Mass Attendance:</b>
Adult Envelopes	1,960.00	July 26, 4 p.m. 166
Loose Plate	213.00	July 27, 10 a.m. <u>130</u>
Youth Envelopes	0.75	<b>Total 296</b>
Votive	31.50	
Silent Auction	28.00	
<u>Building Fund</u>	<u>100.00</u>	
<b>Total</b>	<b>2,333.25</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>

**Our Goal** 1,600,000.00  
**We Still Need** **679,769.38**  
**Thank you for your contributions and pledges!**

## Thank You to our Trustee

A special Thank You to our trustee, Maynard Walz, for all of his years of service to our parish as he retires out of this service. Maynard and Jeanette volunteer in many areas of the parish, and their dedication to St. Anthony's over the years is a wonderful example to follow. A new trustee will be appointed by Bishop LeVoir soon.

## Rectory Cleaning Thank You

Thank You to Mary Streit, who has graciously volunteered to clean our rectory as we go forward. Thank you, Mary, for this special donation of your time.

## Photos for Parish Directory

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. Committees and organizations can submit their group photos. We do not have the group photos taken by Renee last spring. Families are still able to submit a photo to be included in the Directory. The cost is \$10, and you will receive a Directory.

## 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.

## Successful Blood Drive

Thank you to all who donated at the Blood Drive in Watkins on July 23. 71 units were collected, which exceeded our goal of 68. Thank you to the many community members who volunteered to work, to the organizations who donated, prepared, or served the snacks to donors and the meal to the Red Cross workers, and to those who set up or took down equipment. You all made a difference in saving lives.

## Mass Intention Requests

Ruth Geislinger has volunteered to handle mass intention bequests and requests. It is a challenging job, and we thank her for time and talent. If you have a mass intention bequest or request, please contact Ruth at 764-6431.

## Banns of Marriage

To be married in Christ: Adam Hiltner and Hannah Linz on August 16, 2014 at Church of St. Anthony.

## Rest In Peace

Joe Adolph, age 57, of Watkins, died Sunday, July 27, Mass of Christian Burial was held Friday, August 1, at St. Anne's Catholic Church. Joe was a member of the Church of St. Anthony.