

Weekday Readings

Monday, May 1: ACTS 6:8-15, JN 6:22-29
 Tuesday, May 2: ACTS 7:51-8:1A; JN 6:30-35
 Wednesday, May 3: 1 COR 15:1-8; JN 14:6-14
 Thursday, May 4: ACTS 8:26-40; JN 6:44-51
 Friday, May 5: ACTS 9:1-20; JN 6:52-59
 Saturday, May 6: ACTS 9:31-42; JN 6:60-69
 Sunday, May 7: ACTS 2:14A, 36-41; 1 PT 2:20B-25; JN 10:1-10

Prayer List



Please pray for: Bishop John Kinney, Lori Crozon, Jane Anderson, Lucille Lahr, Tim Eder, Jackie Boulton Family, Theresa Welle, Jeff Pauls, Elwood Hurley, the Ertl Family, Alexis Vossen, Jerry Weinmann Jr., Joe Hines and Leonard Nistler.

****Traveling Chalice and Madonna****

FAITH AND PRAYER do not resolve problems but enable one to address them with a new light and strength, in a way fitting to man, and also more serenely and effectively... -Pope Benedict XVI. Pray to hear God's call. Thank you to our host families Norb and Michelle Kramer family of St. Anthony Parish and Jeremy and Michelle Brutger of Assumption Parish in Eden Valley.

The Magnificat magazines for the month of May are now in the back of the churches.

Grasshopper Chapel Novena Masses

You are invited to come attend the Annual Novena of Masses at the Assumption (Grasshopper) Chapel in Cold Spring EVERY Thursday evening in May and June. Rosary at 7:00 PM, Mass at 7:30 PM. Mass is outdoors, so bring a chair and dress for the weather. In case of rain or severe cold Mass will be celebrated in the Church of St. Boniface.



Assumption and St. Anthony have been selected to help with the ministries of the Mass for June 8th. Please talk to Father or call the office if you are interested in the following roles: a lector, two (2) Eucharistic Ministers, musician, choir/cantor, servers, and one or more people to lead the rosary.

April 30th, 2017

3rd Sunday of Easter
Fr. Aaron Nett,
Pastor/Parochial Administrator



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Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, May 1: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Tuesday, May 2: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Wednesday, May 3: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
 Thursday, May 4: 5:45 p.m. Mass - † Frank Lahr
 Friday, May 5: 7:00 a.m. Mass - † Michael Raymond Ruhland
 Saturday, May 6: 7:00 p.m. Mass - † Christine Maul
 Sunday, May 7: 10:00 a.m. Mass - Esther Magedanz (B-day)

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, May 2: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop † Adam Schlangen
 Wednesday, May 3: 6:45 p.m. Youth of the Parish
 Thursday, May 4: NO Mass
 Friday, May 5: 9:30 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
 Saturday, May 6: 4:00 p.m. Mass - † Renee Topp
 Sunday, May 7: 8:00 a.m. Mass - † Edwin Neisen

Reconciliation: Saturdays at 3:30 p.m. at St. Anthony & 6:30 p.m. at Assumption

A Message from Father Aaron

“He was made known to them in the breaking of bread.”

Today our First Communicants from St. Anthony's complete the journey to their very first reception of Our Lord in the Blessed Sacrament. Last week the Assumption First Communicants celebrated their First Communion with great excitement as well. What wonderful days these are for our parishes to celebrate! The children reveal to all of us once again that simple and “childlike” faith in the Eucharist. Their excitement to receive Jesus in the Eucharist perhaps was what the disciples in the Gospel today were also feeling as Jesus broke bread with them and was made known to them in a very personal way.

God proves his love and desire to be close to us by sending Jesus; both in his person, and in the Eucharist, the true and hidden presence of Jesus in the bread and wine. This mystery of our faith hopefully continues to be revealed as we practice our faith and continue to worthily receive the Eucharist each weekend. May we never take it for granted but have continued respect and love for the bread that brings us into the life of heaven. Like the disciples, may “our hearts burn within us” out of love for God and each other through the power and the presence of Jesus in this great Sacrament.

Congratulations to our First Communicants from St. Anthony's and Assumption Churches! May Jesus be always near you and made known to you in the Eucharist; the breaking of the bread.

In Christ's Peace, Father Aaron



Congratulations to our RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults) Candidates for their full reception into the Catholic Church at the Easter Vigil!

We welcome **Lindsey Kavanagh, Adam Frank, Steve Reis and Nick Koltes**. We are very proud to welcome them as brothers and sister in Christ!



“Vigil Prayer for Peace” Saturday, May 13th marks the 100th year anniversary of the apparitions of Mary in Fatima, Portugal. To celebrate this, the Church of St. Anthony will have a **Candlelit Fatima Procession** at 8:30 p.m. starting at the church. This procession is also another opportunity for a plenary indulgence which includes praying before a statue of Our Lady of Fatima, going to Confession and Communion, being interiorly detached from sin, and praying for the intentions of the Holy Father. All are welcome! Extra confession time for this indulgence will be available by walk-in on Friday, May 12th from 4-5 PM at St. Anthony's. More details to come...

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Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

April 30: *Mass Time Change* 8:00 AM Mass

May 3: Altar Server Practice, 3:00-5:00

May 14: Youth Mass, May Crowning of Mary

May 21: EV-W Baccalaureate, in Manannah, 7:00

Ministry Schedule: May 6 & 7

Lectors: 7 p.m. Bill Tschumperlin

10 a.m. Sarah Kuechle and Shelby Kuechle

Ushers: 7 p.m. Gary Sogge, Nick Thielen,

Darrin Hondl & Andy Arens

10 a.m. Larry Schmitz, Alvin Stommes,

Les Brutger & Joel Thielen

Ministers of Communion: H.M: Rita Haan & Rose Becker

7 p.m. Denise Nohner, Ron Ruhland & Jody Bauer

10 a.m. Mary Jo Ruhland, Jeanne Schmitz & Donna Bischof

Servers: 7 p.m. Jack & Paige Kneip

10 a.m. Emily Rose, Anna Rose,

Alex Haag & Carmen Haag

Rosary Leaders: May 1-5, Rose Becker

7 p.m. Lona Brutger

10 a.m. Larry & Jeanne Schmitz

Music: 7 p.m. Joanne Bischof

10 a.m. Guitar Group

Collection Counters: Deb Huschle & Dorothy Brutger

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	4/23/17	4/24/16
Loose Plate	311.25	285.80
Adult Envelopes	2116.00	2285.00
Easter Envelopes	2430.00	0.00
Holy Lands	125.00	0.00
Youth Envelopes	11.30	7.50
Votive	84.00	60.00
Total	\$5077.55	\$2638.30

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Adoration Open Hour

The Friday morning 3-4 adoration hour is still open. Please prayerfully consider filling this spot! If you are interested, call Rose Becker at 453-7496 or Rita Haan at 453-7865.



Guild Pizza Orders

The guild will still be collecting pizza orders before and after masses on April 29 and 30. Orders must be received by May 7th to be included. Pizza pick-up is Sunday, May 21st, 9:00-noon.

Youth Mass & Crowning of Mary

On May 14, the youth will do the ministries for the Mass and the 2nd graders will crown Mary queen of heaven and earth because she was the perfect follower of Jesus Christ. The crowning of Mary is a beautiful Catholic devotion that leads us to imitate her so that we might love God more fully. We need only to sit at her feet and learn.

Faith Formation Class Thank You

Our religion classes have come to an end for this school year. We pray that our students have grown closer to Jesus and strengthened themselves in their faith. We would like to thank our teachers for their unending love that they have for Jesus and their faith, because without their faith, they wouldn't be able to do such a wonderful job leading and guiding the students. Thank you to the class helpers that assist the teachers but more importantly are great examples for the students. Thank you to the classroom angels; your prayers are so appreciated and your treats always bring smiles to the students' faces. Thank you to Janet and her wonderful helpers in organizing and leading the Children's Liturgy this year. What a great way to introduce these kids to learn about their faith. Thank you to Father Aaron for the surprise visits to the classrooms. It is great to see the students interacting with Father.

*Our classroom time is done for the school year but there is much to look forward to for the summer...watch the bulletin for coming events to join in on.

Interested in becoming a mass server?

Any students who are finishing third grade or older are encouraged and welcome to become mass servers. Father Aaron will train new servers on Wednesday, May 3, 2017 after school. Contact Sheri Blonigen for details or questions at nsblonigen03@lakedalelink.net or phone/text 320-248-4617.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

The Prayer Shawl Ministry is in need of more yarn. The Red Heart brand works the best. We thank our knitters for the fantastic work they do. If you know of someone in need of a prayer shawl please call Judy Tschumperlin at 453-5613, or Rose Becker at 453-7496. The container for the donated yarn is in the back of the church.

Red Cross Blood Drive

The American Red Cross will be in Eden Valley on Tuesday, May 2nd from 1:00-7:00pm at the Eden Valley Event Center (306 State Street North). Appointments available online at www.redcrossblood.org or by calling or texting Bonnie at 320-282-1468 or via email to mbmeyer@meltel.net *Bring along your identification--it is required to donate.

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Weekly Schedule

Sunday, April 30: 1st Communion, 10:00 AM Mass*

Monday, May 1: Mary's Cenacle, 2:00 PM

Tuesday, May 2: CCW Meeting, 7:00 PM, Parish Center

Wednesday, May 3: Faith Formation Mass, 6:45 PM

(classes start at 6:30)

Thursday, May 4: Thrift Shop opens 9:00 AM

Saturday, May 6: Thrift Shop opens 9:00 AM

Ministry Schedule May 6 & 7

Servers: 4 p.m. Emma & Ellie Donnay

8 a.m. Reyse & Cambel Hesse

Lectors: 4 p.m. Pam Loch

8 a.m. Jada Jesberg

Eucharistic Ministers:

4 p.m. Hosts: Joe Kramer

Precious Blood: Roxy Geislinger & Volunteer

8 a.m. Hosts: Ralph Linn

Precious Blood: Rich & Mary Ann Hesse

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. Volunteer

8 a.m. Betty Donnay

Homebound: Ethel Donnay, 398-7332

Children's Liturgy: Amber Huberty

Church Cleaning: April 23-May 6

Willie & Marge Kuechle, Brad & Amanda Landwehr,

Robert & Lynn Lange and Ben & Jolene Leither

and families.

*Please call Theresia at 764-7251 to unlock the church.

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	4/23/17	4/24/16
Adult Envelopes	2315.00	1821.00
Easter Envelopes	710.00	0.00
Loose Plate	293.00	134.00
Youth	6.00	6.25
Rice Bowl	63.49	0.00
Weekly Auto Drafts	280.00	175.00
Votive	6.00	14.50
Building Fund Auto Draft	35.00	25.00
Building Fund	0.00	2704.59
Total	\$3708.49	\$4880.34

Thank you for your donations!

New Parish Center	4/27/17
Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$1,523,197.31)
*Funds on Hand	\$131,849.97
Pledges (not paid)**	\$127,775.90
Remaining Goal	\$114,130.82

1st Communion Congratulations

Congratulations to our 2nd graders who received the sacrament of First Communion this Sunday, April 30th: Elizabeth Donnay, Tatum Eder, Macy Geislinger, Brennen Huberty, Annika Klein, Courtney Leither, Finn Lorentz, Kamryn Mathies, Brooke Pelzer, Avery Schmitt, Madelynn Thielen, Kaylie Twardy, Natalie Vossen and Emma Wirz.

Youth Mass and Mary Crowning

The Faith Formation students will be celebrating the end of the faith formation year with a Youth Mass put on by the 4th graders and a special crowning of Mary by the 2nd graders. Mass will be held on Wednesday, May 4th at 6:45 followed by root beer floats for the students and their families. All are welcome!

Mother's Day Flowers

Treat your mother this Mother's day with flowers benefiting MCCL (Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life). You have the choice of corsages, potted plants or flowers in vases. Preorder forms will be available at the entrances or the back of church after both Masses next weekend. Call Ethel Donnay at 398-7332 or email at robertethel@meltel.net with questions or to order your flowers.

CCW Meeting

Come join us on Tues May 2 @ 7:00 in the new social hall for our meeting. We will be voting on our new budget, looking for ladies to help make Mother's Day corsages and discussing the Fatima Anniversary plenary indulgence. This will be our last meeting until Sept. Hope to see you there! Kathy Erpelding, Co-president.

Tootsie Roll Drive

The Knights of Columbus will be having their annual Tootsie Roll Drive at the Masses on April 29-30. We distribute Tootsie Rolls to parishioners and ask for a free-will donation. All funds support Camp Friendship near Annandale, EV-W Special Olympics, and MN Special Olympics. Thank you for supporting this worthy cause.

Upcoming Meetings

There are Finance Council and Parish Council meetings schedule for Tuesday, May 9th at the parish center. The Finance council will meet at 6:00 PM and the Parish Council will meet at 7:30 PM.

Youth Collection Envelopes

There are now collection envelopes available for the youth of the parish to use. Envelopes have been sent home with the faith formation students and more are available in the back of church on the usher's table to take as needed. Any children in the parish are welcome to use these envelopes. Thank you for supporting your children in the "joys of giving" and the offering of their time, talents and treasures back to God!