

Weekday Readings

Monday: Nm 11:4b-15; Mt 14:13-21
Tuesday: Nm 12:1-13; Mt 14:22-36
Wednesday: Nm 13:1-2, 25--14:1, 26-29a, 34-35;
 Mt 15:21-28
Thursday: 2 Cor 9:6-10; Jn 12:24-26
Friday: Dt 4:32-40; Mt 16:24-28
Saturday: Dt 6:4-13; Mt 17:14-20
Sunday: 1 Kgs 19:9a, 11-13a; Rom 9:1-5; Mt 14:22-33

Prayer List

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

III. Wedding Banns: Mike Sullivan and Makayla Hesse will be united in marriage on August 12, 2017 at St. Anthony's.

Local Opportunities!!

The American Red Cross will be in Eden Valley on **Wednesday, August 9th from 1:00-7:00pm at the St. Paul's Lutheran Church in Eden Valley.** Appts. available online at www.redcrossblood.org or by contacting Bonnie at 320-282-1468, or mbmeyer@meltel.net Bring along your identification--it is required to donate.



Outside Parish Events:

August 7: Historical author, Candace Simar will speak at the Eden Valley Civic Center
August 14: Catholic United Financial Credit Union will be hosting a free Identity Theft/ Fraud Seminar on August 14th, 2017 @ 1PM. It will be held at St Anne's Dining Center, 441 Hazel Avenue East Kimball, MN 55353
August 15: Manannah, Pie & Ice Cream Social, 4:00-6:30 PM.
August 19-20: Church of St. Boniface, Cold Spring "Boni-Fest 2017" Music, food, fireworks, games, parade, quilt auction, car raffle and more.



"Church of St. Anthony Watkins"
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New Bulletin Format Coming!

Starting in September there will a big exciting change in the bulletin. The bulletin will still be prepared by parish staff and then it will be sent to be printed (in color) by an outside company. At the end of this month, the bulletin company will be reaching out to local companies to discuss advertising. These ads, in turn, then pay for the new bulletin.

Available Ad Space

Build your business and help us grow a vibrant faith community!

Chris Blocher from Liturgical Publications, our bulletin printer, will be in our office the week of **7/24/17** securing new ads for our bulletin. We need your help! Please consider purchasing an ad. Your participation makes our bulletin successful, and you attract customers!

BENEFITS OF ADVERTISING

- Local, targeted community advertising for **one full year, at one low price.**
- A FREE ad listing on parishesonline.com.
- FREE, professional ad design, and 4 free ad changes per year.

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August 6th, 2017
The Transfiguration of the Lord
Fr. Aaron Nett,
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Assumption 125th Anniversary Celebration: August 13th

The day will include Mass, a Mary procession, a German-singing choir, \$5 dinner, history displays, history movie, grilled turkey legs, beer garden, volleyball, basketball, coloring table, face-painting, photo area, kiddie train rides, bouncy house, and more! There will be two port-a-potties available, one of which will be handicap accessible. The silent auction for Father Aaron's jeep ends at 3:30.

Assumption Mass Intentions

Monday, August 7: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
Tuesday, August 8: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
Wednesday, August 9: 5:45 p.m. Mass - † Ralph Haan
Thursday, August 10: 8:00 a.m. Communion Service
Friday, August 11: 7:00 a.m. Mass - † Frances Schoenecker
Saturday, August 12: 5:30 p.m. Mass- † LuVerne Becker
***Sunday, August 13: 10:00 a.m.** Mass - † Jim Sieben

St. Anthony Mass Intentions

Tuesday, August 8: 9:30 a.m. Mass at Hilltop - † Marie Roeser
Thursday, August 10: 5:45 p.m. Mass at Church - † Gordie Kramer
Friday, August 11: 9:30 a.m. Communion Service at Hilltop
***Sunday, August 13: 8:00 a.m.** Mass - † Margery Banken

Reconciliation: St. Anthony- Thursdays: 5:15 pm & Sundays: 9:45 am
Assumption- Wed: 5:15 pm, Fri: 8:00 am & Sat: 4:30 pm & Sun 7:30 am

A Message from Father Aaron

Transfiguration

Dear Brothers and Sisters,

This past weekend was a fabulous weekend with our youth in St. Paul on the St. Thomas campus at the 2017 Steubenville Catholic Youth Conference! All of us, priests and lay faithful need to feel energized and lifted up in our faith journey from time to time. This past weekend, for me, (and I think I can speak for the other adult chaperones and leaders) was certainly a time for that. Not to mention our students who joined nearly 2,000 Catholic youth from all around the region who came to engage in: great Christian rock music, faith testimonies, Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Confession (about 1,500 students went to confession), Catholic teaching and moral topics, and lots of laughs and fun. They seemed to all have a wonderful, and perhaps, life-changing experiences this weekend. And all of this was centered on one single theme, being made new, or transfigured in Jesus Christ.

This weekend is the *Feast of the Transfiguration* of Jesus on Mount Tabor (a real pilgrimage site in the Holy Land today) as Jesus takes Peter, James and John up the mountain and his true identity as the Son of God is shone before them in bright light and majesty. On this mountaintop is one of the very few times that God the Father actually speaks in the New Testament as he gives a simple and powerful command, "listen to him."

Jesus desires that we would also experience a certain renewal or "transfiguration" into a life of holiness. God is willing and certainly able to do the work in us if we are willing to drop our pride, self-reliance and old ways and come with hearts youthful, open and ready to listen to him.

In Christ,
 Father Aaron

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Church of the Assumption Bulletin Notes

Upcoming Events

August 7: 125th Anniversary Mtg, 5:15
August 10: 125th Choir Practice, 7:00
August 13: 125th Anniversary, 10 AM Mass
September 4: 33 Days to Morning Glory
September 6: Teacher Potluck, meeting, 12:00

Ministry Schedule: August 12 & 13

Lectors: 5:30 p.m. Bill Tschumperlin & Al Mueller
 10:00 a.m. Sarah Kuechle & Anna Mae Gruenes

Ushers: 5:30 p.m. Art Holdvogt, Bud Binsfeld
 Ron Ruhland & Mark Ruhland
 10:00 a.m. Larry Schmitz, Alvin Stommes,
 Les Brutger & Joel Thielen

Ministers of Communion: H.M: Mary & Tom Ruhland
 5:30 p.m. Stacey Moehrl, Jody Bauer & Denise Nohner
 10:00 a.m. Steve Schoenecker, Kris Gruenes & Donna Bischof

Servers: 5:30 p.m. Tyler Brutger, Eric Bauer,
 Peyton Thul & Ellaree Anderson
 10:00 a.m. Noah Stommes, Adam Stommes,
 Ellie Field & Skyler Field

Rosary Leaders: August 7-11, Tom & Mary Ann Ruhland
 5:30 p.m. Lona Brutger
 10:00 a.m. Nick & Sheri Blonigen

Music: 5:30 p.m. Marlene Fischer
 10:00 a.m. 125th Anniversary Choir

Collection Counters: TBD

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	7/30/17	7/31/16
Loose Plate	233.00	415.00
Adult Envelopes	2351.00	2221.51
Youth Envelopes	16.25	3.75
Votive	54.00	34.75
Total	\$2654.25	\$2675.01

Thank you for your donations! Monthly Auto Drafts: \$1739



Bid on a Holy Roller!

2002 Jeep Wrangler Sahara, under 134,000mi, soft top, automatic, good condition, reserved at \$8,500

125th Anniversary Preparation

Before the weekend, parishioners are welcomed to stop by church to tidy up the church grounds. This could be sweeping, pulling weeds, cleaning, cleaning the garage, decorating downstairs, etc. By Thursday, tables for photos and other items will be set up in the chapel room. Feel free to add to the collection; remember to label your items. The history tables will be left in place for one week for people to browse at leisure.

Adoration News

There is an open Eucharistic Adoration holy hour open for Friday mornings from 3-4 a.m. for the last two weeks of every month, starting Sept. 22nd. If interested please call Mary Ruhland at 453-2575, or Rose Becker at 453-7496.

Are you interested in teaching?

Grade 1-10 classes are during the day either Tuesday, Wednesday, or Thursday. Children's Liturgy is during the 8AM Mass on Sundays. Please contact Becky or Bonnie (assumptionre@meltel.net or 453-5765) if you would be able to help.

Faith Formation Registration

The registration forms will be in the back of church the first two weekends in August. The remaining forms will be mailed. There will also be extra forms available.

Facebook

The Assumption Church now has its own Facebook page. You can find the page by searching "Assumption Parish Eden Valley". "Friend" the page to keep updated on parish happenings and events!

Bid on a Holy Roller!

Fr. Aaron's Jeep is being auctioned off August 13th at Assumption's 125th Anniversary Festival! Here are the specs on the Jeep: 2002 Jeep Wrangler Sahara, under 134,000mi, soft top, automatic, good condition, reserved at \$8,500, sentimental value for Fr. Aaron....priceless! (All bids above the reserved amount go towards the parish.)

For Both Parishes...

Traveling Chalice and Madonna

"DEAR YOUNG PEOPLE...do not be afraid of Christ; He takes nothing away and He gives you everything. When we give ourselves to Him, we receive a hundred fold in return."-Pope Benedict XVI. Thank you to Larry and Jeanne Schmitz of Assumption Parish for hosting the Traveling Chalice and Madonna this week. St. Anthony still needs more sign-ups! Sign up in the back of church on the usher's table.

Steubenville

Many thanks to all those who helped out with the Steubenville this past weekend! It was an awesome weekend for our students who joined almost 2,000 youth in St. Paul for inspiring moments in Mass, Adoration, and Confession, with great music and lots of fun! We are truly blessed.

****Mass Time Change** Due to Assumption's 125th Anniversary next weekend Sunday Mass times will be switched. Mass will be at St. Anthony at 8 and Assumption at 10 next Sunday.



Weekly Schedule

Monday, August 7: Mary's Cenacle, 2:00 PM
Thursday, August 10: Thrift Shop opens 9:00 AM
Saturday, August 12: Thrift Shop opens 9:00 AM
Sunday, August 13: *8:00 AM Mass* & Coffee & Rolls

Ministry Schedule: August 13

Servers: 8 a.m. Ben Teicher, Charlie Teicher,
 Ethan Geislinger & Max Geislinger

Lectors: 8 a.m. Andy Hesse & May Kay Kielty

Eucharistic Ministers:
 8 a.m. Hosts: Kathy Erpelding
 Precious Blood: Dolores Faber & Theresa Faber

Ushers: 8 a.m. Ralph Linn, Norb Kramer,
 Doris Rathmann & Joe Rathmann

Rosary Leader: 8 a.m. Kevin & Erin Donnay & Family

Homebound: Molly Schlangen, 249-8235

Children's Liturgy: Kaila Schmitt

Church Cleaning: July 30- August 12
 Kim Mauer, Ron & Laurie Molitor,
 Brian & Julia Libbesmeier and Brian & Tanya Neu
 and families.

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

Faith Formation Help Needed

The St. Anthony Faith Formation program is looking for anyone willing to help with religious education classes for this upcoming school year (teachers, aides, volunteers). If you are interested in helping shape and nurture the faith of the youth of our parish, prayerfully consider helping! Call or email the parish office if interested or if you have any questions about the program.

Faith Formation Registration

Registration for Faith Formation classes will begin soon. Faith Formations classes will be offered on Wednesday nights (Starting September 13th) from 6:30-7:30 and begins in the 1st grade. If you are not yet registered with the parish and have child(ren) that you would like to enroll, please contact the parish office to become members and enroll your child(ren).

Church of St. Anthony Bulletin Notes

Rest in Peace

Rest in peace, Marie Roeser, 94, of Watkins who passed away on July 29th. The funeral Mass and burial was held on August 1st. Please keep Marie and her family and friends in your prayers.

Vacation Bible School

This week Monday-Friday from 9-12 Vacation Bible School will take place at the St. Anthony parish center! Preschoolers should bring a backpack each day. Parents please remember to use caution in the parking lot when dropping off and picking up your children. Please pray for our youth, helpers and volunteers for a successful and faith-filled week! Call Arliss at 453-8153 with any questions.



Coffee & Rolls

Please join us next Sunday after the 8:00 AM Mass for coffee, rolls and fellowship in the parish center after Mass.

Festival News

Raffle books to sell are available after Masses on Sundays, you can also pick yours up at the office. We encourage each parishioner to sell at least 2 raffle books. Everyone who sells two books or more will be entered into a drawing to win \$100 cash! The raffle is the major moneymaker for the festival and it's important that it do well! We will also be looking for baked goods for the bake walk, pies for Pie & Ice Cream, items from your garden for the Farmers' Market, inexpensive kids toys for the kids games and also silent auction baskets and items. Save the date for the festival: **September 10th**. Look for the workers' sign-up sheets next Sunday.

Financial Blessings

Parish Income	7/30/17	7/31/16
Adult Envelopes	981.00	1522.00
Loose Plate	125.01	238.00
Youth	6.00	5.00
Weekly Auto Drafts	280.00	205.00
Votive	7.50	35.72
Building Fund Auto Draft	35.00	25.00
Building Fund	50.00	1585.00
Total	\$1484.51	\$3615.72

Thank you for your donations!

New Parish Center	8/3/17
Total Project Goal	1,896,954.00
Expenses Paid	(\$1,523,197.31)
Funds on Hand	\$145,661.64
Pledges (not paid)	\$84,434.23
Remaining Goal	\$143,660.82