

We are made to do hard things. All three of today's readings feature people called by God to be prophetic in difficult situations. God sends Ezekiel to preach to the rebellious Israelites who want nothing to do with him. The scene begins with Ezekiel, who was a priest, laying prostrate before the Lord. He is keenly aware of his mortal stature as a "son of man." The odds of success are stacked against Ezekiel given the obstinance of the people. It is only through the power of the Spirit that Ezekiel can rise up and go out to do God's works.

The prophet's responsibility is to God's call. He need not, and cannot, force people to receive God's word. God gave humankind free will. People are bound to fall short. Yet God calls Ezekiel to persist, to preach and teach anyway. We are called to embrace this same mentality.

Jesus himself returns to his hometown of Nazareth to a faithless people eager to question his authority. We do not know exactly what Jesus said to the crowds in the synagogue, but they took offense to his teachings. Perhaps Jesus jarred them out of their comfortable ways of thinking about family, work, or religion. The message of God calls Jesus to preach is a racial one. Perhaps it is no surprise that most people could not handle it. Their lack of faith made Jesus' job more difficult. Nevertheless, he persisted. Jesus continued to preach and teach, heal and bless. He did the hard thing time and time again. The world is forever changed because of it.

Living Liturgy, p. 171

Everyday Stewardship

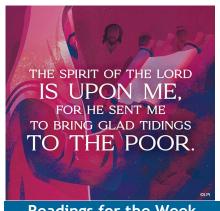
Sometimes we need a dose of healthy skepticism. Do you see some of the claims on the Internet, in social media, or even on the cover of supermarket tabloids? If we are not careful, we can easily be led astray.

However, when we find ourselves skeptical all the time, unable to trust anyone or anything, we have a problem. Trust is essential in a conversion process, and we all are in a continual process of turning toward and moving closer to God. If we find it hard to trust the promises of God, then we will find ourselves lost and bewildered.

Sometimes the biggest obstacle to a stewardship way of life is lack of trust. This is true for individuals as well as parish communities. Do we believe that God will provide for our needs? Do we believe that if we give it all away we will receive even more in abundance? Do we believe that there is true freedom in complete surrender?

Many will say that the principles of a stewardship way of life sound good spirituality and are inspiring. But when really faced with the tough decisions, they will fall back on placing trust in themselves, material goods, or money. Are we true disciples and good stewards as we claim? Where do you place your trust? Have you chosen a path where you are all in or are you still keeping something for yourself because you just aren't sure all this talk of "consider the lilies" is real or just pretty words on a page?

-Tracy Earl Welliver, MTS



Readings for the Week

Mon: Hos 2:16, 17c-18, 21-22/ Ps 145:2-3, 4-5, 6-7, 8-9/Mt 9:18-26

Tue: Hos 8:4-7, 11-13/Ps 115:3-4, 5-6, 7ab-8, 9-10/Mt 9:32-38

Wed: Hos 10:1-3, 7-8, 12/Ps 105:2-3, 4-5, 6-7/Mt 10:1-7 **Thu:** Hos 11:1-4, 8e-9/Ps 80:2ac and 3b, 15-16/Mt 10:7-

Fri: Hos 14:2-10/Ps 51:3-4, 8-9, 12-13, 14 and 17/Mt 10:16-

Sat: Is 6:1-8/Ps 93:1ab, 1cd-2,

5/Mt 10:24-33

Sun: Am 7:12-15/Ps 85:9-10, 11-12, 13-14 (8)/Eph 1:3-14 or 1:3-10/Mk 6:7-13



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This Week's Area Worship Schedule

DATE/TIME LOCATION INTENTION Eucharistic Adoration: 6am on Mondays until Noon on Friday. MONDAY, July 8 5pm, Mass St. Anastasia + Clarence Juncewski TUESDAY, July 9 7am, Mass St. Anastasia Souls in Purgatory 10am, Mass Harmony River + Carol Dummer WEDNESDAY, July 10 St. Anastasia ++ Albin & Helen Mickolichek 5pm, Mass THURSDAY, July 11 7am, Mass St. Anastasia ++ Jim Madson, Mark Madson FRIDAY, July 12 7am, Mass St. Anastasia + Ann Lewandowski SATURDAY, July 13 9am. Mass/Confessions St. Anastasia + Amy Graham Jones 3pm, Confessions St. Anastasia Day Chapel + Dale Douglas 4:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia Mass of Thanksgiving St. Boniface 6pm, Confessions/Rosary Church 6:30pm, Mass St. Boniface +++ Anna, Arthur & Lyle Burge

SUNDAY, July 14 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

8am, Confessions/8:30 Rosary St. Anastasia Church 9am, Mass St. Anastasia ++ Robert & Carol Cogley Family 7:30pm, Mass St. Anastasia For Our Area Faith Community

Calendar of Events

PARISH OFFICE SUMMER HOURS MONDAY-THURSDAY 7AM-4PM AND FRIDAY'S 7AM -11AM

MONDAY, July 8

TUESDAY, July 9

Wednesday, July 10

4-8, Men's Ministry: Social Brewery

7pm, Youth Group St. Anastasia Youth Room

THURSDAY, July 11

FRIDAY, July 12

SATURDAY, July 13

Wedding: Marianna Rockers & Brendan Frank St. Anastasia

SUNDAY, July 14

The Roman Catholic Area Faith Community of St. Anastasia & St. Boniface

Community News

Pie in the Park 2024

Pie in the Park - Sponsored by Edward Jones is back for 2024 on **July 22nd** in Library Square in Hutchinson. An annual fundraiser taking place during Hutchinson's "Music in the Park" Summer Series that we look forward to every year, mostly because of the delicious pies that get donated to us to sell . Not only would we love to see you at this event, but we would also greatly appreciate your generosity of time.

We rely on the donation of desserts (pie and ice cream) and volunteers to make Pie in the Park a success. In 2024, we need at least 35 pies and 7 gallons of ice cream to ensure that everyone gets their favorite dessert. But also, about 10 people to work from 4:30pm-8:30pm in Library Square to prep and serve pie, scoop ice cream, distribute drinks, and help to keep our tables and supplies clean.

If you'd like to sign up as a "Dessert Donor" or "Pie in the Park" Volunteer, follow this link: https://crhfh.charityproud.org/

VolunteerRegistration/Calendar

If you won't be able to attend Pie in the Park, but still want to show your support for our 2024 Habitat Homes Projects, you can follow this link to make a Financial Donation: https://www.crhfh.org/donate/

The Diocese of New Ulm has clearance to cablecast THE HISTORY OF THE CATHOLIC CHURCH IN THE UNITED STATES on HCVN public access, channel 10, at 4 p.m. on Tuesdays and Fridays. Historian Fr. Charles Connor hosts a stand-out EWTN Home Video series on Catholicism in the United States, from Colonial days to the present day. With the approach of a scholar and the heart of a lover of history, Fr. Connor takes us from the parishes of the 13 colonies, to the Civil War era, through ongoing religious persecutions and discriminations, to post-World War II years.

Date	Episode
July 9, 12	Church & The American Revolution - Episode 3
July 16, 19	Organizational Tensions in Early National Period - Episode 4
July 23, 26	Jacksonian Era - Episode 5
July 30, Aug 2	The Civil War Era- Episode 6



Common Cup would like St. Anastasia & St. Boniface to collect diapers, wipes and pull ups for the months of June &



July. Put them in the collection box.

Back to School Supplies needed:

20 Backpacks 35 Water colors 100 Lg Pink Erasers #2 Pencils 100 Pencil top erasers

Please drop these off in the bin. Please have them turned in by Sunday August 11.

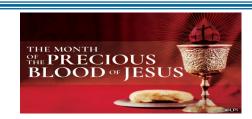
Thank you for your generous support in last week's **Peter's Pence Collection!** Our contributions will join those from our brothers and sisters worldwide to help Pope Francis in his ministry to the Universal Church including relief to people in need and support for the Holy See. If you missed the collection, it is not too late to give. Visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.

Annual PRO-LIFE RETREAT at Assumption Church in Eden Valley on Saturday, August 17 8amnoon. Mass, Eucharistic Adoration, Procession & Prayer Service at the Tomb of the Unborn in the Assumption Church Cemetery. SPEAKER at 11AM, Refreshments & light lunch provided. Cost will be free will with no pre-registration required. Please come join us for the morning as we pray and seek "GUIDANCE TO SPEAKING THE TRUTH" from speaker Maggee Hangge from the MN Catholic Conference.

SCRIP

Just a reminder: SCRIP is available for sale after weekend masses and during regular business hours at the St A's School office.

SCRIP allows you to purchase gift cards for hundreds of local/national merchants. You always receive a card for the full value of your purchase.



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Religious Education/Youth/Adult Formation



Summer Youth Ministry Kick-Off! Our summer schedule has been posted online. Please check it out! All middle school and high school students were invited to join us for a fun night of color and water wars on Monday, July 1! The students had a great and very messy time!!





Work has begun in the Hospitality Area to make additional educational spaces and confessionals.







Totus Tuus! Our church will be hosting the Totus Tuus missionaries from July 12-19! There is a daytime program for the younger kids, as well as an evening program for the older. If interested in being a volunteer for the day program, and/or donating snacks for the students and lunches for the missionaries, please reach out to Elli Burmis at faithformation@stanastasia.net! To sign your child (ren) up for Totus Tuus, please visit: https:// www.osvhub.com/st-anastasia-hutchinson/forms/totustuus



Mission Trip Students Return! Our St. Anastasia Mission Trip students and leaders are back from their trip to Duluth! The week was full of spiritual growth and enrichment as well as rewarding service projects and time together with faithful friends. Everyone had an amazing and deeply impactful time, making lasting memories! Please feel free to visit with our participants about their experiences and learn more about the various opportunities and aspects of the Youth Ministry Program here at St. Anastasia!

> Men of the Cross Men's Ministry

An invitation is extended to all men of the parish to join. We meet Wednesday evenings at 7:30. A rotation of the four pillars during the month accrues: Social, Service, Worship, and



Formation. Next gathering, July 10, Brewery.

We are looking for Service opportunities from individuals, families and organizations in the parish and community that might need some simple, basic work done. In particular those who may not have family members, aged, or limited physical ability. Let us know your need and we will try to accommodate. Please contact Fr. Paul at 302-587-6507 with your request.

School News

We're over a month into our summer vacation. If the kids are saying, "Mom, I'm bored" look no further. There are plenty of opportunities to spend a little time staying up to date on studies. IXL will run through the summer. Math and language practice is available at the student's level in this program. Some students will benefit from Xtra Math, which is a 10-minute online fact practice program. Spelling City is another program teachers have suggested. Of course, nothing beats a good mystery or adventure book. Journaling about summer activities is a great way to practice handwriting.

Here is a look at what some kids are doing this summer.

Theo Pessek, 3rd grader, fundraising volunteer representing the Acoma Acorn 4H club, at the community cookout hut at Cashwise.



Ben Lauinger, 5th grader, spending time with Grandpa grocery shopping.

Kindergarteners who spend their days in Kids' Depot share how they spend their time:

Margo: "Grandma Camp"

Keegan (1st gr.): "At my neighborhood park"

Noah: "At the pool"

Charlie: "So much vacation at the cabin"



Others hanging out at Latch Key this summer!

Whatever it is you're doing, relax and have fun!







Kid's Depot—we are now on Online giving. Kid's Depot staff would appreciate anything that you can give. Any questions about our program please email Michelle at depot@stanastasia.net.











Adoration Moments

We often find ourselves restless and searching for answers. We long to know we are headed in the right direction in life, and wish for some guidelines from GOD. Adoration is an invitation to find in Jesus the answers to our questions and longings, and in our communion with Him to find joy in life.... "COME FOLLOW ME."

PLEASE HELP FILL THESE OPEN TIMES IN THE CHAPEL FOR ADORATION:

MONDAY: NOON/4:00P.M.

TUESDAY: 3:00A.M.

THURSDAY: 1:00 A.M. /11:00 P.M.

FRIDAY: Midnight (12:00 A.M.)/ 7:00 A.M.

PARISH OFFICE 320-587-6507

ADORATION HOTLINE 320-484-7126

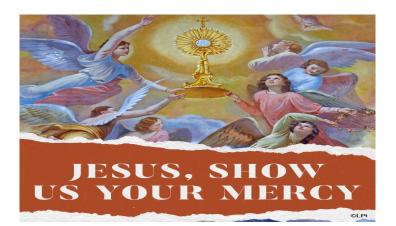
ADORATION HOURS: Mon. 6:00AM to Fri. Noon

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Please Keep In Your Prayers

Nicole Glesener Jenny Trettin Benita Quast
Jeanette Neubarth Robyn Chrast Lois Pollei
Donna Conrad Marilyn Stevens Phyllis van der Hagen
Nellie Czech Gladys Homan Tom Donohoo
Deb Kalenberg Diane Kostecka Megan Caroline Arlt
Jennifer Holte William Zivkovich Janet Hall
2 -Special Intentions For peace in our world
For those who serve our country

Names will be listed for one month unless we are told otherwise. If you would like to continue your prayer request after that time please contact the office and ask for reinstating.



Stewardship

St. Anastasia

Financials not available due to early bulletin deadline

Current Capital Campaign

Pledges	\$
Actual Money	\$
Pledges Need	\$
Actuals Need	\$

TRY ONLINE GIVING AT ST A'S!

Online Giving is a secure way to give to the parish. Manage your account and donations by computer, tablet, or smart phone. Go to www. stanastasia.net, and click on the Online Giving icon. You can download the free App in the App Store, Google Play Store, or go to OLGapp.com. Register by entering our church ID of 78.

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I would like more information on:	
Education Classes	Volunteer Opportunities
St. Anastasia School	Eucharistic Adoration
Confession	Masses
I would like a call or visit from	Father Paul
Other:	I'm Updating My Information

General Information

Sacrament of Reconciliation

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is available at 3pm on Saturday at St. Anastasia or by appointment.

Marriages

Contact the Area Faith Office at least 6 months in advance of the planned wedding date. Couples complete a premarital inventory and are required to attend an approved pre-marriage program.

Baptisms

Contact Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507, to schedule a baptism and the necessary preparation. The pre-Baptism program helps parents take an active role in their child's Baptism. It provides reflection and instructions for parents as they assume their new responsibility as the primary teachers of their child.

Hospital Visitation

If you, or anyone you know, is hospitalized or ill at home, notify the Area Faith Office to arrange for visitation.

Prayer Requests

You may list your prayer intentions in the Book of Communal Prayer in the Eucharistic Chapel.

Prayer Chain

St. A's has a prayer chain that prays for any needs you have. Anyone can call with a prayer request, and anyone can be a part of the prayer chain. If you would like to participate or ask for prayer support, call Janet Hall at 320-455-7927 email 3furballmom@gmail.com.

New Parishioners

Please register! Call or stop by the Area Faith Office. You can register on-line.

RCIA (Rite of Christian Initiation) Considering becoming fully Catholic? Call Fr Paul Wolf, 320-587-6507.

Area Bulletin Deadline Tuesdays, 11am, at St. Anastasia.

KC Picnic Shelter Rental at St. A's Call Mark Lewandowski, 320-583-0357.

Adoration Hotline

For the latest changes to the Adoration schedule call 320-484-7126.

The Area Faith Office is open Mon-Th 7am-4pm, Fri. 7am-11am 320-587-6507.

Area Faith Community Leadership

STA Administrative Council Chair: Jim Fahey	usually meets on the 3rd Tuesday of each month July 16, 7pm St Anastasia parish office		
STB Administrative Council Chair: Mark Maiers	TBA, 9am	St Boniface	church basement
Cemetery Committee Chair: Jeff Lehn	TBA, 3pm	St Anastasia	parish office
School Advisory Committee Chair:	usually meets on the 1st Tuesday each month August 6, 6:30pm St Anastasia hospitality area		
Home & School Association Chair: Nicole Tanata	usually meets on the 2nd Tuesday each month July 9, 6:30pm St Anastasia library		
Worship & Outreach Committee	TBA, 7pm	St Anastasia	parish office
Maintenance Committee	TBA 5pm	St Anastasia	parish office
Social Concerns Committee	TBA, 6pm St Anastasia parish office usually meets on the 2nd Thursday each month		1
STA Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 10am	St Anastasia	hospitality area
STB Council of Catholic Women	TBA, 6pm	St Boniface	basement
Knights of Columbus Grand Knight: Paul Mraz	August 7, 7:00pm	St Anastasi	a Latch Key Room

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St. Boniface Cemetery Terry Maiers, Co-Manager Adam Tanata, Co-Manager	1 mile south of Stewart on City Rd 7 320-894-8758 320-583-4345		

TO REPORT ABUSE: Anyone who has suffered sexual abuse by a priest or another person involved in Church ministry is encouraged to immediately report such abuse to local law enforcement, regardless of when it occurred, if it has not yet been reported. A listing of all county law enforcement and child protection agencies within the 15 counties of the Diocese of New Ulm is posted on the diocesan Web site at https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse.

Victims and survivors of abuse by clergy are also encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator or the bishop's delegate in matters pertaining to sexual misconduct at 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, or by phone at 507-233-5313, for counseling or other assistance in healing.

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