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PARISH SERVICES

NEW PARISHIONERS We warmly welcome you to our Catholic parishes of St. Ann, St. Gabriel, Immaculate Heart of Mary and St. Anthony! Contact the office to register.

MARRIAGE Recently engaged? Before setting up any other arrangements, call Father to start your preparation for this beautiful sacrament! Preparation must begin at least six months before a wedding.

BAPTISM Call Dana at St. Ann to make arrangements to have your child baptized as soon as possible! Those who have not had a child baptized before will also schedule a preparation session.

ADORATION AND RECONCILIATION

St. Ann Adoration and Confessions every Thursday

from 5:00-6:00 pm.

St Gabriel Confessions-Before the 8:00 am Mass Sunday.

(7:30 - 7:45 am) Adoration and Confession the 2nd Tuesday of every month after the 8:30

Mass.

IHM Adoration and Confession the 2nd Thursday

of every month after the 8:30 Mass.

St. Anthony Confessions-Before the 4:00 pm Saturday

Mass. (3:30 - 3:45pm)

MASS INTENTIONS – APR 14 - APR 21

Mon 14	Father	's Day Off	No Mass
Tues 15	8:30am	St. Gabriel	Fr. Andy Olsem/Daniel Olsem
Wed 16	9:00am	Lindenwood	†Brittany Lais
Thur 17	6:00pm	St. Ann	†Joe LeTendre
Fri 18	Noon	IHM	Sacred Triduum
Fri 18	5:30pm	St. Anthony	Sacred Triduum
Sat 19	8:00 pm	St. Gabriel	Parishioners
Sun 20	8:00 am	IHM	†Fran Gervais
Sun 20	10:00 am	St. Ann	†Robert Robinson

CHURCH SUPPORT - APR 5 - 6

	Envelopes	Plate/Children	s Online/ACH			
St. Ann	\$ 2,465.00	\$341.00/42.00	\$1,957.50			
St. Gabriel	\$ 2,550.00	\$236.00/14.00	\$1,270.00			
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,902.00	\$199.00/6.00	\$			
St. Anthony	\$ 425.00	\$174.25	\$			
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2025 GOALS						
St. Ann	Goal \$17,	016 Pledged	\$ 9,720			
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,	065 Pledged	\$ 6,505			
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9,9	91 Pledged	\$ 5,275			
St. Anthony	Goal \$ 4,8	Pledged	\$ 2,950			

ST. ANN HOLY THURSDAY LITURGICAL DUTIES-Servers-Eli B,

Brynn B; Reader-Judy P; Gifts-Jordan Jessop Family; EMHC-Dana C, Judy C, Gary E; Music-Sharon L, Paula H **DIVINE MERCY** Sunday is April 27. Exposition of the Blessed Sacrament will take place at 2pm with confessions available. The Chaplet of Divine Mercy will be prayed at 3pm. The 9 day Novena brochure (starts on Good Friday) is on the tables in Divine Mercy hall. All are welcome! FR. ANTONY will be in India following Easter until mid June. Watch the bulletin for Mass times as they will be rotating weekly between the Slayton & Windom clusters. THANK YOU! The final Youth Mass for the 2024-25 school year took place last Sunday. This was a work in progress. Missy, Sharon and JoAnn, feel the last Sunday greatly improved from the first Sunday Youth Mass. Everyone wants to read, but youth have to work up to that point, they must understand that attending Mass itself is very important. Sharon would like more singers/musicians taking part and we still need to get the chimes going. We will need a few adults to help us. Our long held belief that you won't read unless you attend the practice the weekend before will be adhered to.

ST. ANN CATHOLIC DAUGHTERS wish to thank all of you who donated to Bishop Dudley House in Sioux Falls. Your donations are greatly appreciated.

CDA will meet April 22, 5:30pm in Divine Mercy Hall.

FF SUPPER SCHEDULE FOR APRIL 16

K-5 Faith Formation 30-35 people 4:45 to church **6-9** Faith Formation 25 people 6pm to church **SUB SALE** to Apr 16 \$5 for 12 " white sub roll, ham and American cheese. Making subs April 23rd or 25th Contact participating youth or Marcie

STATIONS OF THE CROSS 6:45pm w/grades 6-9 FF. April 16 **CHRISM MASS** Mon, Apr 14 2 pm Sacred Heart Parish in Heron Lake

1ST COMMUNION May 4 10 am - please pray for Brooks B, Micah B, Guillermo C, Oliver D, Lucas E, Tucker G, Owen J, Zavion J, Emmett J, Gabe K, & Taya N.

NO RUMMAGE SALE the finance council has decided to no longer offer the rummage sale, citing the space needed & the work involved as main reasons for discontinuing.

EASTER LITURGICAL DUTIES APR 20

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Bill & Jan B, Dennis S, Mike M

Servers Noah F, Olivia K

Reader Kate H

Gifts Chad Baumgartner Family EMHC Kathy S, Dave S, Missy B

Comm to HB

Music Judy A, Rita L

ST. GABRIEL

CMA25-Great start to the annual appeal! Remember anything over and above our goal is returned to the parish, NON-assessed.

ADDITIONAL FINANCIAL INFO: Catholic Relief Services \$582

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES for April and May are in the red folder on the table by the elevator.

A BOX IS LOCATED in the back of church for the collection of Rice Bowls. Rice Bowls can be returned at any time. Thank you for your donations.

ONLINE donation option is coming soon for St. Gabriel, please see additional information page.

ELEMENTARY RELEASE: Our last elementary faith formation class of the year is tomorrow, April 14. Thank you to all the wonderful teachers who have made this a successful, learning-filled year:

Pam Mailander, Suzi Zins (KG-1st gr.) Sue Zins (2nd gr.), Kay Klein (3rd gr.), Cathy Stewart (4th gr.) & Chelsea Hein (5th & 6th grs.)

Also, a very special thank you to Renee Dorpinghaus for coordinating the Passover Meals this year for every class. Tomorrow, the 2nd grade students will celebrate their Passover/Seder Meal with Renee. A great lead-in to receiving their First Holy Communion soon!

DIRECTOR OF FAITH FORMATION NEEDED: Would you be interested in serving as Director of Faith Formation for St. Gabriel's? Job descriptions are available in back of church, at the parish office and also online at our parish website. If interested in applying, please contact Fr. Peter Schuster (pastor@acmcatholic.org) or (507)304-2541

1ST COMMUNION: First Communion is Sun., April 27. Practice and Reconciliation is Wed., April 23 at 6:30pm. Please pray for the following students & their families: Hudson Baumgartner, Matthew & Noah Bertrand, Makenzie Echternach, Eli Gonzales, Darrin Hakeneis, Gray Hein and Teddy Parish.

BACCALAUREATE/ATTENTION SENIORS: If you haven't already done so, give Lori at the HS a copy of your senior picture and contact Peg about your "item" that you will be carrying up for Baccalaureate Mass. Baccalaureate is Sun., May 11. Senior Retreat/practice is the day before, Sat., May 10 at 9 a.m.

EASTER VIGIL LITURGICAL DUTIES APR 19

St. Gabriel - <u>8:00 pm</u>

Min of Hosp Tom & Mary A, Glenn C, Paul R

Servers Kellen H, Grace S

Lector Genell H Lector Lenore W

EHMC Sue (J) Z, Mark V, Suzi Z

Sacristan Edie T

Money Counters Mike V, Mark V

IMMACULATE HEART OF MARY

PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Lita Schreier (507-227-8844) to add someone in need of prayers.

FUNERAL LUNCHEONS: To help with food or working, please contact Marie Heronimus (507-360-2307) or Sandy Anderson (507-227-7063)

ADDITIONAL FINANCES:

\$199.00 plate collection for cemetery. Catholic Relief collection: \$621.00

Chandler Co-op stock retirement: \$336.34

FAITH FORMATION: April 16th LAST NIGHT of Classes!

6:30-7:30

Confirmation: April 16th at IHM with Sponsor -Start

time is 7pm

SMS CALENDAR RAFFLE WINNERS:

4/4 Shelley Sweetman-\$100

CHOIR PRACTICE: Please consider sharing your time and talent this Lent and Easter season. Practice will be on Tuesday, 04/15 at 7:00 p.m. New voices are always welcome!

IN MEMORY: Mass of Christian Burial was celebrated for Donald Schettler, 81, at IHM on Saturday, April 5, 2025. May he rest in peace.

ROSARY: The Rosary will be led by Ellen LaVoie prior to Mass during the month of May beginning Saturday, May 3rd. Come early to spend time in prayer.

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL: IHM parish is over 1/2 way to meeting our CMA goal of \$9,991. Remember, all money given that exceeds our goal will be returned to our parish without assessment and will be used for a memorial in our cemetery for the unborn.

GOOD FRIDAY LITURGICAL DUTIES: Servers-Nolan & Mason G; Gift Bearers-Josh Schreier Family; Lector-Joe & Marcia S, EHMC-Romane D; Music-Choir

ONLINE donation option is coming soon for IHM, please see additional information page.

ST. ANTHONY

WELCOME: To Raelyn Ann Comnick daughter of Julia and Jake who received the sacrament of Baptism last weekend at St Anthony's.

HOLY WEEK SERVICES: Are listed on our website and following. Please make plans accordingly. No Easter service at St Anthony's this year.

HOLY WEEK MASS SCHEDULE:

Holy Thur 6 pm St. Ann, Slayton (adoration will

follow Mass from 7 - 9 pm.)

Good Fri Noon IHM, Currie

Good Fri 5:30 pm St. Anthony, Westbrook

Easter Vigil 8 pm St. Gabriel, Fulda

Easter Sun 8 am IHM, Currie Easter Sun 10 am St. Ann, Slayton

GOOD FRIDAY: Service will be held at St Anthony's at 5:30 p.m. April 18th.

MASS INTENTIONS: Mass intentions are \$10 now. Please place them in the collection basket.

STORDEN FIRE DEPT BREAKFAST: Will be held April 13th from 10 a.m. till 1 p.m. All are welcome.

EASTER SEASON DECORATING: If anyone would have time to assist on Monday April 21st, please reach out to Elizabeth J or Joan O. Many hands make light work.

PRAYER CARDS: There are prayer cards in the back of church with names of our confirmation students. Please pick up one or more and pray for our students. St. Anthony students are Hadley Jenniges, Jackson Jenniges, Ian Knakmuhs, Sydney Swenson.

ONLINE donation option is coming soon for St. Anthony, please see additional information page.

EASTER LITURGICAL DUTIES - APR 20

IHM - <u>8:00 AM</u>

Server Tyler & Emma A

Lector Matt S

Gift Bearers Steve & Diane S

EMHC Loretta G, Joe & Marcia S

CANTOR Choir

Ushers Deb & Harold L, Denny J, Jon Wendorff

LITURGICAL DUTIES - APR 19

ST. ANTHONY - NO MASS

Greet/Gifts

Lector

Servers No Mass

EMHC Cleaners

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

This Is It...

Think of how much we reference the phrase, "This is it." Let me share with you some ways:

- 1. This is it. We are finally to the championship game of the NCAA tournament.
- 2. This is it. It is Super Bowl Sunday.
- 3. This is it. It is time for the fishing opener.
- 4. This is it. The golf course is open for the season.
- 5. This is it. It is April 15th and I must pay my taxes.
- 6. This is it. It is time to plant my garden.
- 7. This is it. It is the end of the school year.
- 8. This is it. It is time for our first track meet.
- 9. This is it. It is time for a well-earned vacation.
- 10. This is it. It is once again time for the first mowing of the lawn.

For the Church, this is <u>literally</u> it. This is Holy Week. This is the week that marks the story of the Church. If the story of the Savior is marked by a day, the story of the events leading up to Jesus' death and resurrection is defined by a week. Let us take a closer look at the week.

Palm Sunday

What always catches my attention on Palm Sunday is the stance of the crowd. In the gospel which begins our Mass, the people "Hail" their king. Jesus has arrived at the outskirts of Jerusalem. They know there is a mood in the air, something is adrift. Something is about to happen. Will Jesus,

- A. Bring justice amid so much injustice?
- B. Overthrow the Roman government?
- C. Put power back in the hands of those to whom it belongs?

As we learn in the Passion story of that day, the mood of the crowd changes violently. Realizing Jesus' power lay elsewhere, their words are jolting, "Crucify him." Think of that for a moment. What would it take each for each of us to yell out the death of another? And not just any type of death but death by crucifixion?

Holy Thursday

I would ask all of you to read the Farewell Discourse in John's gospel (John chapters 14–17). Holy Thursday is marked by the word "last." Think about it:

- A. Jesus' last night on earth.
- B. Jesus' last supper with his disciples.
- C. Jesus' last conversation with his disciples before his death.

Little would one know that while much of Holy Thursday would be marked by the "last" it would also prepare us for the "first."

Good Friday

I can understand the "good" which comes from Good Friday; however, who can't help but be moved by the horror of this day. Because of our sins, we placed God on the cross. In the Passion Narratives, we hear words like:

- Darkness.
- Earthquake.
- Tearing. The veil in the sanctuary being torn in two.
- Mocking.
- Anger.
- Ridicule.

And the list could go on and on. Only in the mighty workings of God, can any "good" be found in all of this. For that to happen, we must wait for the word I mentioned above, the "first." It is that word "first" which will be my focus of next week. Until then, have a blessed Holy Week! Peace be to you! Father Peter Schuster

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Fulda Host Homes for Totus Tuus Team: Would you be willing to host two young men or women in your home June 8 -13? Hosting these Totus Tuus team leaders is pretty low-key! (They will be spending the majority of their time at St. Gabriel's). Simply put, what they need is a comfortable place to sleep at night and a simple breakfast in the morning before they head out early. Contact Peg (507)329-2103 with any questions you may have, or if you are interested in hosting. The host families must be members of Fulda/St. Gabriel. Also, there will be Totus Tuus 'Help Sign-up Sheets" in and registration forms available soon! Also, registration forms will be sent home with ALL elementary Release Time students. Consider signing your student up for this WON-DERFUL week of learning and fun!

<u>Divine Mercy Sunday - April 27:</u> Encounter the beautiful power of Christ's Divine Mercy with Confessions and the Chaplet of Divine Mercy at St. Ann's beginning at 2 p.m. Divine Mercy Sunday is always celebrated the first Sunday after Easter. Instituted by Saint John Paul II in 2000, during the canonization of St. Marie Faustina, the feast day is a time to reflect and embrace God's merciful love; especially as revealed to us in the dying and resurrection of Jesus Christ! Don't miss this opportunity to experience God's incredible mercy and love!

<u>Summer Totus Tuus Program</u> JUNE 8-13 IN FULDA: *Mark your calendar TODAY!* This is a wonderful weeklong program for ALL students from our cluster in grades K-12. Forms to register are available through your Faith Formation office. Totus Tuus (Latin for 'Totally Yours') is a wonderful program where four college-aged missionaries, trained through the DOW-R will be present to lead the week that includes daily Mass; tons of fun for the youth and deep learning about the beauty and truths of the Catholic Faith. Join us!

ADULT FAITH FORMATION

Discipleship Quads/ LOOKING FOR A FEW GOOD MEN!: We have a new women's Quad group beginning soon and now need the men to step up!! Contact Marcie at (507)360-1885 or Peg Olsem (507)329-2103 for more information. A Quad group is committed to meeting and studying Scripture and the Faith on a weekly basis for a year. Great sharing and learning, along with rock solid relationships are formed. *Please consider joining a Quad group! You won't regret it!*

SPECIAL COLLECTION – GOOD FRIDAY: This collection is for the support of the Holy Places, but above all for those pastoral, charitable, educational and social works, which the Church supports in the **Holy Land** for the welfare of their Christian brethren and of the local communities.

CHRISM MASS APRIL 14TH AT SACRED HEART IN HERON LAKE - 2PM

FATHER ANTONY will be leaving for India after Easter and will be gone until mid-June. He is returning home to celebrate his 25yr Jubilee of Priestly Ordination. Please watch the bulletin for Mass locations & times as the WEEK<u>DAY</u> Masses will be rotating every other week between the Slayton and Windom clusters. Fr. Schuster will be the only priest available for 7 1/2 weeks between our 7 parishes. There will be other priests helping on weekends but not weekdays.

PARISHIONERS OF St. Gabriel, Fulda; IHM, Currie; and St. Anthony, Westbrook please note: Online giving will soon be available to all parishioners of these parishes! Steps are being taken to get this option set up. You will be able to set up recurring gifts or do one-time gifts to your parish and/or cemetery. Please watch the bulletin for more information, the goal is to have this up and running right after Easter with the following fund choices available.

St. Gabriel, Fulda – Church Support

St. Gabriel Cemetery, Fulda

St. Mary Cemetery, Dundee

IHM, Currie – Church Support

Calvary Cemetery, IHM - Currie

St. Anthony, Westbrook – Church Support

St. Ann's is hosting a Spring Dinner on Sunday, April 13th from 11:00 am to 1:00 pm. Menu included: Ham, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Desserts and Beverage. Dine In or Carry Out. Proceeds to go repairing the church bells and framing stain glass windows from St. Columba in front of the church.

The Fulda Lions Club is hosting their annual Pancake Breakfast next Sunday, April 13th serving from 9:00-12:00. Menu includes: Pancakes, French Toast, Scrambled Eggs, Sausage, Juice and Coffee. Meals to go will be available but please bring your own container.

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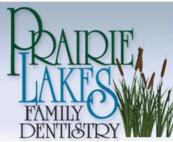
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