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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

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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			
	2 nd Tuesday of every month after the 8:30			
	Mass.			
Інм	Adoration and Confession the 2 nd 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 – MAY 12 - MAY 18

Mon 12	Father's Day Off		No Mass
Tues 13	10:30am	St. Gabriel	†Funeral Mass-Betty Olsem
Wed 14	8:30am	St. Ann	†Norbert Schmitz
Thur 15	8:30am	IHM	†Jane Weis
Fri 16	8:30am	St. Anthony	†Cathy Vaupel
Sat 17	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	†Ray & Carole Quade
Sat 17	6:00 pm	IHM	†Rose Reiter
Sun 18	8:00 am	St. Gabriel	Parishioners
Sun 18	10:00 am	St. Ann	†Jim LeTendre

CHURCH SUPPORT - MAY 3-4

	Envelop	es Pla	ate/Children	s Online/ACH			
St. Ann	\$2,765.0	0 \$3	387.00/66.75	5 \$1,676.63			
St. Gabriel	\$1,575.0	0 \$3	362.00/39.00	\$			
IHM-Currie	\$1,110.0	0 \$3	394.00/63.60	\$			
St. Anthony	\$ 680.00) \$6	50.00	\$			
CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2025 GOALS							
St. Ann	Goal	\$17,016	Pledged	\$12,220			
St. Gabriel	Goal	\$11,065	Pledged	\$ 6,740			
IHM-Currie	Goal	\$ 9,991	Pledged	\$ 6,775			

Goal \$4,872

Pledged **\$ 3,900**

St. Anthony

ST. ANN

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of David Herrig. Dave passed away on Sat, May 3, his funeral was Sat, May 10 at St. Ann Church. May he rest in peace.

THE LATEST COURIER paper copy is available on the tables by the entryways.

A MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be held at the St. Ann Cemetery in Slayton on Mon, May 26 at 9:00am. Bring a lawn chair with you if needed. In case of rain – the Mass will be moved into St. Ann Church. All are welcome!

PLEASE MARK YOUR CALENDARS: for Sunday June 22, following the 10:00am Mass at St. Ann we will be holding a priest appreciation & congratulations on 30yrs of priestly ordination for Fr. Peter Schuster. The Slayton cluster of St. Ann, St. Gabriel, Immaculate Heart of Mary, St. Anthony, and any others are all invited to come. A lunch of Bar-B-Qs, chips, cake, and beverages will be served. Please watch the bulletin for more details as the date approaches. *June 22*. If you are unable to make it, cards can be mailed to Father's attention at St. Ann Church, 2747 29th St, Slayton, MN 56172.

FOUND: a necklace was turned into the office after Mass last weekend that was found in the parking lot. If you are the owner and missing one, please stop by the office to identify and collect. Thank you!

MAY CROWNING will take place on May 18 during the 10:00am Mass. Court Queen of Peace will meet May 21 at 5:00pm in the Slayton Pizza Ranch.

BACCALAUREATE CELEBRATION for graduating Seniors Krystyna B, Carson E, Brady F, Simon H, Jackson K, Theron M, Grace N, Sophia N.

KINDERGARTNERS FOR 2025-2026 FF year. Let me know if you have a kindergartner who will be joining us for faith formation.

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 18

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Marilou C, Judy P, Todd & Penny B

Servers Fabiola C, Teague M

Reader Julie K

Gifts Lon Jackels Family
EMHC Bill B, Judy C, Gary E
Comm to HB Dave & Kathy S
Music Dana C, Sue B

ST. GABRIEL

HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY to all mother's and grand-mothers.

OFFICE HOURS: Several people have asked what the office hours are so I decided to include them in the bulletin. They are as follows: Tuesday 10:30-2:30; Wednesday 8:00-11:30; Thursday 10:30-12:30; Friday 9:00-10:00.

FLOAT FOR 2025 WOOD DUCK PARADE-Is anyone interested in building a float for the parade this year? It would be great if St. Gabriel's would participate. There is a registration form on the table at the back of church.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Betty Olsem. Betty passed away on Monday, May 5. Her funeral will be Tuesday, May 13 at 10:30am, at St. Gabriel Church. May she rest in peace.

BACCALAUREATE MASS TODAY ~ CONGRATS TO THE CLASS OF 2025! Please come down to the church hall after Mass to congratulate our graduates and remember to hold them close in prayer in the days ahead! (Special thanks to Shannon Welling and the Junior Class for hosting today's reception.)

CLASS OF 2025:

Caleb Appel (son of Heidi & Jason Appel); Everly Henning (daughter of Shannon and Darin Henning);

Wyatt & Zachary Kirchner (sons of Monica & Jacob Kirchner); Ellie Kremer (daughter of Wendi & Adam Kremer); Giselle Meza (daughter of Petra Jimenez & Jairo Meza)

Totus Tuus June 8-13: Totus Tuus week will be here before we know it! Please send your family's registration forms ASAP! We are still in need of one more host home for the team; and also evening meals for the High School youth and leaders Sun., Mon. and Tues. If you'd be able to help with either of these items, contact Peg at (507)329-2103. Look for sign-up sheets and registration forms in back of church. Registration forms can also be found at our parish webpage: *triparishcfw.orp*

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 18

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

Min of Hosp Steve & Lori T, Dave T, Paul R

Servers Brady M, Gerardo C

LectorDale KCommLinda C

EHMC Roger & Karyn Z, Lenore W

Sacristan Shelby S **Money Counters** Linda C, Lisa R

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)

FAITH FORMATION: On Summer Break; Confirmation working on Time and Talent project

CONGRATULATIONS to Isaac Arnold, Raelynn Buysse, Garrett Gervais, Theron Laleman, Vanessa Radke, Claire Schreier, Levi Schreier and Tyson Spielman as they received their 1st Holy Communion last weekend! ADDITIONAL FINANCES: \$394-plate for Cemetery; Easter-\$50.00; Rice Bowl-\$32.07

ST. MARY'S SCHOOL CALENDAR RAFFLE:

4/25-\$500 Grandparent Day Richard Brown 5/2-\$100 Oliver Mayes

5/9-\$100 Dennis Hemish

SPECIAL APPRECIATION: Thanks to Ed Sweetman for providing his equipment and an operator to keep the church parking lot clear of snow last winter. Thanks to the IHM Youth, families, and whoever else helped to clean the branches, etc. from the church property recently. Also, thanks to those who volunteer to do the 'little' things in the church and around the parish property....you know who you are.....know that you are appreciated!

PRAYERS FOR THE SENIORS-during the month of May please take time to pray for our seniors and their parents! The 5 seniors' pictures and future plans can be found on the right side of the altar. Dawson Schreier, Hailey Peschges, Katelyn Ruppert, Allison Edwards and Ava Carlson. God Bless you in the days and years to come.

BACCALAUREATE MASS will be May 10th, please join them after Mass for a small reception to congratulate them and enjoy a snack at the back of Church after Mass.

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.

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 17

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server Nolan & Mason G

Lector Kelli K

Gift Bearers Overman Family

EMHC Becky L, Romane D, Jon W

CANTOR Linnea S

Ushers George A, Jon o, Jerry F, Tim R

ST. ANTHONY

WEEKDAY MASSES: Please be aware that while Fr Antony is away, weekday masses will be alternated between the Windom cluster and the Slayton cluster. This also depends on Fr Schuster's availability. Watch the bulletin and text messages for mass schedule changes.

ROSARY: During the month of May, we will be praying the rosary before Saturday mass. Please contact Shelly Merrick if you would be willing to lead any of the weekends.

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

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.

PLEASE SEE THE additional information page for the update regarding Online Giving. Now available to all the parishes in our cluster of St. Ann, St. Gabriel, IHM, and St. Anthony. Any questions, please call the office at 507-836-8030.

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LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 17

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts Scott & Judy S Lector Steve K

Servers Hadley & Easton

EMHC Ann J

Cleaners Helen P, Jan J

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

Testing One's Faith

This is a follow-up, part 2, to a two-part series. To review part 1, please read my column from last week under the title "Testing One's Faith." Father Michael Schmitz in an article found within <u>The Catholic Spirit</u>, on April 12, 2018, page 19 deals with the following question common amongst people when it comes to death, "I have been having a hard time trusting God lately. Ever since a family member died, I keep blaming God and finding it difficult to keep my faith. Do you have any thoughts on what I can do?"

Father Schmitz responds, (picking up where we left off from last week)...Most blaming is just that: useless. For example, maybe it was your co-workers who passed the illness on to you, but that wasn't intentional, and maybe they passed on the contamination before they even knew they were sick. What is more, they had to endure the same illness themselves, so what good would it do to blame them? If we think about it, you probably passed the sickness on to more people than you imagine as well. This is the result of living in a world touched by sin, suffering, and death.

If I can't find someone to blame for a bad thing, then the most obvious person to accuse is God. I mean, after all, he is God. If anything happens at all, it is ultimately his fault, isn't it? He created the world. He could change whatever he wants, however he wants, right? God is the easiest target of blame, especially when we secretly believe that God owes us something. But the hard truth is: God doesn't owe us anything.

Now, I want to pause a moment and reaffirm what I said at the beginning. Whenever we suffer a loss of death, this is real, and the pain is real. But to turn this pain into blame is the wrong move. It reveals that we ultimately believe that God is in our debt; that, in order to get our love, God has to do whatever we ask of him.

But that isn't a relationship. And that isn't faith in God. That is more like manipulation. It's less like faith and more like superstition. It I only trust God as long as he gives me whatever I want, then I have revealed that I might actually not want him, I just want what he can do for me.

This is one of the reasons moments of pain and loss are essential for our faith. These times reveal in whom we are truly placing our trust. These moments can serve to clarify our intentions and purify our hearts. You have suffered. You are definitely invited to grieve. But God has revealed that he enters into our pain. He isn't the one to blame for our suffering, he is the one who has embraced our suffering and redeemed it. One of the main reasons why he did this was to prove to us that we can trust him, even when we are hurting most.

I invite you to bring your sadness and loss to the God of the Broken Heart - Jesus, who suffered abandonment by his friends, who grieved the deaths of those he loved, and who entered into the darkness of death himself so that we wouldn't be alone in our moments of abandonment, grief and death.

A Taxi Driver and A Minister

A taxi driver and a minister both died and went to heaven. St. Peter met them at the gate and asked their name and occupation. The taxi driver gave his name and said he had driven a taxi in New York City for 30 years. St. Peter looked him up in the book and says, "Oh yes, here's your name." He then gave him a gold staff and a silk cloak. Next the minister walked up, gave his name and said he had preached for 35 years. St. Peter found his name in the book but gave him a wooden staff and a cotton cloak. The minister was miffed and asked why the taxi driver got so much better. St. Peter explained that in heaven they go by results on earth. Seems like when people got in the taxi they prayed the whole time, while the people who went to church slept.

Catholic Ministries Appeal

If you haven't done so, please send in your pledge for the Catholic Ministries Appeal. Any monies raised over the goal are returned to each respective parish at 100%. Also, any monies raised over the goal are not assessed by the diocese. The Catholic Ministries Appeal is a great way for us to raise funds for our parishes. Please be generous!

Peace be to you! Father Peter Schuster

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

Confirmation Meetings for NEW Confirmation Class (Attention Parents of 8th & 9th Grade Students): If you are a parent of an 8th or 9th grade student, plan to attend one of the following two meetings: May 18 @ 6:30 p.m. at IHM (church basement) in Currie or May 21 @ 6:30 p.m. at St. Ann (Divine Mercy Hall) in Slayton. New guidelines from the Diocese on Confirmation Preparations will be discussed. Contact Marcie Cowan (507)360-1885 or Dawn Kopperud (612)554-5663 if you have questions.

Summer Totus Tuus Program: JUNE 8-13 IN FULDA: This is a wonderful weeklong program for <u>all</u> students from our cluster (grades K-12). Forms to register are available through your Faith Formation office and in back of each church. (Registration forms may also be found on the St. Gabriel parish website: <u>triparishcfw.org.</u>) The high school (Gr. 7-12) session will begin on Sun., June 8 at 6 p.m. and run through Thurs., June 12 (evening sessions should be done by 9:15 p.m. and supper will be served); There is a preschool program Mon., June 9 – Fri., June 13 (9-11 a.m.) and Elementary Program (students entering Gr. 1-6), Mon.-Friday from 9 a.m.-2 p.m.

We are hoping for a <u>GREAT TURNOUT!</u> Please register soon so we can plan well. Contact your Faith Formation director if you have questions or would like to form carpools from your parish to attend. Contact Peg @ (507)329-2103.

CATHOLIC CHARITIES—THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT

We are deeply grateful to everyone who supported the appeal this year. Your donations stay in our diocese and help us carry out vital work-providing shelter for the homeless, caring for families, and advocating for the vulnerable. Without your support, we couldn't fulfill our mission of answering God's call to serve others. Thank you for being a part of this mission. Your kindness and generosity make it possible for us to reach those who need us most in our communities. God bless you.

Online Giving is now available for all parishes in our cluster. The following Church/Cemetery funds are listed as:

- **St. Ann, Slayton Church Support **St Ann Cemetery **St Columba Cemetery ** St Rose of Lima Cemetery
- **St. Gabriel, Fulda Church Support **St. Gabriel Cemetery, Fulda **St. Mary Cemetery, Dundee
- **St. Anthony, Westbrook Church Support
- ** IHM, Currie Church Support **IHM, Currie Calvary Cemetery

Online Donations can be set up as a One-time Gift or as a Recurring Gift. One-time is just that, one and done. Recurring gifts give you the option to select the frequency such as weekly, monthly, quarterly, annually, etc. and a start date. The site takes credit cards, debit cards, or ACH through your bank account. Depending on your selection of payment, will determine which steps you will need to follow for set up. The easiest access to the online giving site is through the website at www.acmcatholic.org (listed on the front of each bulletin) and clicking on the green button "Slayton Online Giving" or by using the QR code to the right. Nothing is saved until you hit submit. Feel free to investigate what is available. Donations can also be made to the CMA appeal (this fund will require you to list your parish in the note box for proper distribution).

The diocesan appeal funds are also listed, such as Catholic Charities - Peter's Pence - World Mission, etc as these funds are always forwarded onto the diocese for distribution. If you have any questions please feel free to call the office, 507-836-8030. I do appreciate the inclusion of your phone number if you set up an account - that way if a question arises I can call you to verify information. Thank you to the **many** that utilize the online giving option!

Please use current email addresses and phone numbers that receive text messages if you are wanting the verification codes sent to your phone when needed.



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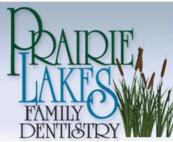
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