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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 – MAR 16 - MAR 22

Date	Time	Parish	Intention
Mon 16			<i>Father's Day Off</i> / <i>No Mass</i>
Tues 17	10:00 am	Maple Lawn	† No Mass
Wed 18	9:00 am	Lindenwood	† No Mass
Thur 19	8:30 am	IHM	† No Mass
Fri 20	8:30 am	St. Anthony	† No Mass
Fri 20	5:30 pm	IHM	† No Mass
Sat 21	4:00 pm	St. Anthony	†Dorothy Kuehl
Sat 21	6:00 pm	IHM	†Terri Luft
Sun 22	8:00 am	St. Gabriel	Parishioners
Sun 22	10:00 am	St. Ann	†Jean Eich

CHURCH SUPPORT - MAR 7 - MAR 8

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$ 1,900.00	\$ 199.00/23	\$ 957.45
St. Gabriel	\$ 755.00	\$ 158.00/53	\$1,195.00
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,010.00	\$ 242.00/10.30	\$ 71.00
St. Anthony	\$ 375.00	\$ 87.00	\$ 171.75

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2026 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$17,830	Pledged \$
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,457	Pledged \$
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9,548	Pledged \$
St. Anthony	Goal \$ 4,524	Pledged \$

ST. ANN

MASS & STATIONS OF THE CROSS:

Mar 20-Cancelled

Mar 27 – 5:30pm – St. Gabriel (YES, morning Mass Westbrook)

COMMUNAL PENANCE will take place at St. Gabriel, in Fulda TODAY, at 2pm for our cluster. If you are unable to make Communal Penance; Adoration and Confessions are held Thursday evenings at St. Ann, from 5 – 6pm with Father Schuster.

TABERNACLE CANDLE lit week of Mar 15 for: *Bruce Parrott*
SPRING DINNER is March 29th. Please consider donating a raffle prize to help make the raffle a success. Donated items can be dropped off at KDL Insurance with Jan Kluis. Spring Dinner meal will be: Ham, Mashed Potatoes w/gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Buns, Dessert, & Beverages. Take outs will be available. All are welcome!

HOLY WEEK SCHEDULE

Holy Thursday—6:00 pm at St. Ann in Slayton

Good Friday—Noon at St. Anthony in Westbrook

Good Friday—5:30 pm at St. Gabriel in Fulda

Easter Vigil—8:00 pm at IHM in Currie

Easter Sunday—8:00 am at St. Gabriel in Fulda

Easter Sunday—10:00 am at St. Ann in Slayton

CDA will meet March 24, 5pm, Divine Mercy Hall.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2025-2026

THE SOPHOMORE Confirmation Class will be receiving the Sacrament on Fri, April 10 @ St. Francis Xavier in Windom. The following students from the St. Ann Parish are finishing their final preparations for this Sacrament:

Eli Baumgartner

Brooklyne Bergman

William Biren

Logan Dahlhoff

Natalie Einck

Noah Frisk

Trenton Heard

Madison Jessop

Carli Kesteloot

Madilyn Kramer

Chloe Kremer

Tyler Reith

Please keep these students close in prayer as they prepare for this Sacrament. Come Holy Spirit!

CONFIRMATION 2027/2028 Students that are currently in grades 8 & 9: Please mark your calendar for a Student/Parent Meeting on Weds, April 22 @ 6pm @ St. Ann-Slayton. Please plan to attend with a parent. For additional information, please message Diann Timmerman.

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAR 22

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp	Judy P, Clayton M, Darwin J, Jill M
Servers	Eli B, Kiya T
Reader	Amy K
Gifts	Adam Pick Family
EMHC	Missy B, Angie F, Jill M
Comm to HB	Sarah B
Music	Rita, Judy

ST. GABRIEL

PARISHIONERS—The office will be closed from March 7th thru March 30th. If you have something for the bulletin, please contact Dana/Slayton (507-836-8030) or office@acmcatholic.org.

Those Parishioners that normally get the bulletin emailed to you will not be getting them from March 15th thru March 29th. There will be extra copies of the bulletin at Church.

MEALS ON WHEELS—Ken and Cathy Salentiny are scheduled to deliver meals March 23rd thru March 27th.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES for March and April are in the red folder at the elevator entrance.

DON'T FORGET to turn in your completed liturgical volunteer form that was in the bulletin last week. We need more volunteers. Even if you are available for only part of the year, we will gladly take you. Just make that notation on the form. Thank you.

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

FRIDAY MORNING YOUTH ROSARY

We meet every Friday Morning at 7:15 a.m. Followed by donuts & juice. Students up to school well before first bell. Parishioners are most welcome to join us!

CONFIRMATION RITE OF COMMITMENT is today for Eva Lang and Aiden Appel.

STATIONS OF THE CROSS BOOKLETS-YOUTH FUNDRAISER

The parish youth will be selling Station of The Cross booklets this Lent, featuring St. Gabriel's very own beautiful Station of The Cross photos. They will be available after Mass on Sunday mornings, with a suggested minimum donation of \$10 each. You may pick up a copy of the booklet on the table in the back of church during the week, and place your donation in an envelope marked "Youth Station Booklet Donation" and drop it in the collection box or basket. Limited number left.

FULDA LIONS CLUB BREAKFAST is Sunday, March 29 from 9:00 am to 12:30 pm at the Fulda Community Hall. Menu includes French Toast, Pancakes, Sausage, Scrambled Eggs and Beverage. **Free Will Offering.** Everyone Welcome!

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAR 22

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp	Ken & Kathy S
Server	Ivan & Truman O
Lector	Katie C
Comm	Sue (J) Z
EHMC	Lenore W, Peg O, Mike V
Sacristan	Mark V
Money Counters	Dave T, Jim E

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: FF March 18th Class at 6:30pm
**Reconciliation; Confirmation 9th: March 18th Class at 6:30pm **1st Session with Parents; Confirmation 10th: March 21st interview and Reconciliation starting at 5:30pm; April 8th Rehearsal at 7pm in Windom

Prayers for Confirmation Class of 2026: Please keep Alice Carlson, Evan Schreier, and Luke Sweetman in your prayers as they are in their final weeks of preparation of Confirmation on 4/10 in Windom. You can find prayer cards for each student at both entrances of church. Please take 1 or all 3 to pray over in the months to come.

ST. MARY'S RAFFLE WINNERS:
3/13/2026 \$100 winner Steve Larson.

CHOIR PRACTICE: Choir practice for Lent and Easter will be starting Tuesday, March 17th at 7:00pm. Please consider sharing your time and talent this season. If you are interested in joining and/or would like more information, please contact Patty LeClaire at 507-227-9965. New voices are always welcome!!

ST. ANTHONY

PRAYERS FOR THE 2ND GRADERS: Please pray for the four 2nd graders that are preparing for their 1st Holy Communion on April 11th. We have 2 students from IHM and 2 students from St Anthonys. Otto Schreier, Laken Sweetman, Colt Swenson and Sawyer Quade.

WEEKDAY MASS: Since Father Antony will not be home until a later date, yet to be determined, **NO** daily Mass at St. Anthony on Friday, March 20th.

SNOW REMOVAL: When we receive a "dusting of snow, volunteers will be needed to clear the sidewalks and steps for Mass on Friday and Saturdays. Please contact Joyce to join this group. You will receive a text and the first to respond will take care of this task. Together we can keep everyone safe.

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

HELP NEEDED: Looking for someone to compile the liturgical role schedules each month. Please let Joyce know if you would be willing to do this.

FR. SCHUSTER will be offering Mass & Stations of the Cross on Friday during Lent, starting at 5:30pm. Final Stations will be:

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Mar 27-5:30pm – St. Gabriel (YES, morning Mass Westbrook)

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAR 21

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server Mesa E, Lauren G
Lector Kelly K
Gift Bearers Dan & Sue S
EMHC Tim R, Becky L, Romane D
Song Leader Choir
Ushers Rich L, Dan S, Mark G, Jon O

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAR 21

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts Sheila K, Jan J
Lector Pat M
Servers No Server Available
EMHC Shelly M
Cleaners Derrick & Ann J

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

Observations on Lent and Holy Week

In this column, I would like to offer some observations on Lent. Let us begin with the weather. Because Lent falls between the months of February and April, the weather is unpredictable. We can have a 50-degree day only to follow the next day with a temperature in the teens. We can have snow or rain. We can see people wearing t-shirts or parkas. The ups and downs recall the story of my life. I have good days and bad days. Such ups and downs also apply to my spiritual life. My prayer during Lent is no matter what comes my way I trust completely in God.

When I was a child, my father brought in sand which became our sandbox. It was located just outside the shed where my father and mother could keep an eye on us. I had fun in that sandbox. I would plant and plow with both being pulled by a John Deere tractor. Come to think of the tractor, it would have some value today if I had only kept it in the box. Being a kid, I didn't care about the value. I just liked to play with my tractor. Lent recalls Jesus' journey in the desert. The desert contains sand like that of my sandbox. In that desert sand, Jesus came to understand his mission.

Another thing about the desert is how dry it can be. I have never experienced desert climate. What I have been told is that the days are very hot and the nights have a cool feel to them. I wonder what it was like for Jesus in the desert. Was he ready for the heat? Was he ready for the cold of night? It is difficult to answer as it isn't a footnote in the gospels.

Lent, and Holy Week, is about colors. My favorite color growing up was purple. Why purple? The Minnesota Vikings? I can't say with utter certainty. The colors of Lent and Holy Week are tried and true:

- Violet speaks of preparing and penance.
- Red speaks of the blood Jesus shed on the cross for our sins.
- White recalls the Last Supper and the resurrection.

When growing up, another memory which comes to mind was the dark of the fields. If Easter fell later in April, there was a chance my father started planting corn. What I never remember is the corn being out of the ground by Easter. The fields were dark awaiting the opportunity to bring about life. Our churches in Lent are dark/stark. The flowers are removed. Everything is simplified. Like a field, our churches prepare to spring forth life. Easter Sunday sees a full display of banners and flowers. Life is present. That life came in Jesus Christ.

I still think about my family and our younger years. I had one brother and two sisters. We all attended Ash Wednesday, the Sundays of Lent, the Holy Week Masses, and Good Friday Service. We would also pile into the car for Stations of the Cross on Friday evening. Family brings with it people. Spring ahead to today and we celebrate the same Masses/Service. What do we see? People! People come in all types of shapes and sizes. As people, we gather together in churches to remind ourselves of our utter dependence of God.

Easter brought with it gifts. I still marvel at how the Easter bunny knew what each kid enjoyed. Baskets were filled with anything from chocolate to colored eggs. Each was looked upon as a gift, and each was cherished. These gifts point to the greatest gift of all, the gift of Jesus Christ.

What memories do you have of Lent and Holy Week? Cherish them for they are yours.

Electric Motors

Do you have any electric motors that are lying around, and you would like to be rid of? Even with the passing of my father, I would be happy to take any electric motors. You can leave them by the rectory garage in Slayton, or I can pick them up at any of the parishes. Thanks!

Peace be to you!

Father Peter Schuster

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

ALL PARISHES - Lenten Communal Penance is scheduled for Sunday, Mar 15, at St. Gabriel's at 2:00 pm.

THIS WEEK we will take up a second collection for the Catholic Relief Services, (CRS). Donations provide relief and support for struggling communities and work for peace and reconciliation among our marginalized brothers and sisters, both here and around the world. Thank you for your generosity!

THE ST. ANN CATHOLIC CHURCH, SLAYTON Spring Dinner will be held on Sunday, March 29th, serving from 11am to 1pm. Menu includes: Ham, Mashed Potatoes with Gravy, Corn, Coleslaw, Desserts and Beverage. Adults- \$15; Kids (ages 10 & under): \$10; Take Out: \$15. Raffle prizes available with drawing taking place at 12:45pm. Everyone is welcome!

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FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION

STEUBENVILLE: If your student is interested in going, please contact Dawn Kopperud or Diann Timmerman.

TOTUS TUUS: June 7th – 12th, all students entering grades K-12 in Fall 2026.

We have filled one of our host homes for our Totus Tuus Missionaries! Please prayerfully consider serving our Parishes in this way. If you would like more information, please contact Diann Timmerman @ 507-401-1038.

CAMP SUMMIT NEEDS YOUR HELP!! Nurses/EMTs— Camp Summit needs nurses/ EMTs for our first week of camp. Week one runs July 25- 30th. The nursing team ensures the safety and care of all the middle school youth, high school youth, and adult volunteers at camp. The nursing team will provide general first aid, help youth through illnesses, injuries, homesickness, and help chaperones with medications and medical emergencies as needed. Visit our website at campsummitwinona.org to learn more about Camp Summit. If interested or would like more information, please email campsummitwinona@gmail.com

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TEXT TO GIVE option is also available through online giving. Text the word "GIVE" to 507-610-7933. The reply will provide you with a link to the online site.

THE 2026 WILMONT FIRE & RESCUE fundraiser breakfast has been scheduled for Sunday March 22 from 8 am to 12 pm at the Wilmont VFW (snow date April 12). Serving pancakes, eggs, grilled sausages, coffee and beverages. Free will donation. Raffles available also. All are welcome!

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