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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 27 - MAY 3

	<i>Father's Day Off</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
Mon 27		
Tues 28	8:30 am St. Gabriel	†Lori Speckmier-Dahlstrom
Wed 29	8:30 am St. Ann	†Wayne/Jean McDonald
Thur 30	8:30 am IHM	†Aljean Ackerman
Fri 1	8:30 am St. Anthony	†Jane Geise
Sat 2	4:00 pm St. Anthony	Parishioners
Sat 2	6:00 pm IHM	†June Schreier
Sun 3	8:00 am St. Gabriel	†Larry Schindler
Sun 3	10:00 am St. Ann	†Wm/Bertha Crommert

CHURCH SUPPORT - APR 18 - APR 19

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$ 1,900.00	\$161.00/24.25	\$656.15
St. Gabriel	\$ 2,370.00	\$218.00/34.00	\$ 76.88
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,200.00	\$198.00/5.00	\$ 71.00
St. Anthony	\$ 421.00	\$83.00	\$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

ST. ANN FINANCE COUNCIL will meet on Thursday, April 23 at 6:30pm in the St. Ann Social Room.

TABERNACLE CANDLE: Lit week of April 19-*David Schreiber Sr.*
PRAYER LINE requests can be called into Karen Juenemann 507-760-0113 or Jill McCord 507-920-3872.

FISCAL YTD UPDATE ON CATEGORIES:

St. Ann Cemetery - \$5,525.91
St. Rose Cemetery - \$6,600.92
St. Columba Cemetery - \$8,489.75
Archdiocese for Military - \$416.25
CRS - \$748
Holy Land - \$348 Rice Bowl - \$661.80

Thank you for your generous donations!

CDA will meet on Tuesday, April 28 at 5pm in Currie.
Note date change. (not April 21)

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2025-2026

2ND GRADE STUDENTS: Please bring your parent along to your 1st Communion Retreat/Practice on Wednesday, April 29th at 6:00 pm. Please bring your completed workbook to this retreat.

FIRST COMMUNION 2026 will be held on Sunday, May 3rd at the 10:00 Mass. Please pray for these 16 students as they prepare their hearts to receive Jesus in the Eucharist:

Brooks Almich, Rhett Berreau, Brooklyn Cowan, Corbin DeLong, Orion Higer, Emma Hoffmann, Grace Jacobson, Hailey Johnson, Morgan Johnson, Karter LeTendre, Kynlee LeTendre, Kyla Mahon, Alex Moger, Rhiannon Molitor, Eloise Pick, Hudson Spartz.

****Special thanks to Sarah Brands who was their Catechist during this Sacramental year as well as Katie Jacobson and Amanda Berreau who were classroom helpers.**

BACCALAUREATE SUNDAY will be held on Sunday, May 10th at the 10 am Mass. We will be celebrating 10 Seniors that day. If you would like to bring a card of congratulations, there will be a place to drop them prior to Mass on May 10th in Divine Mercy Hall.

ST. GABRIEL

OFFICE HOURS - The office is now open it's regular hours since release time is over. The hours are as follows:

Tuesday 10:30 - 2:30
Wednesday 8:00 - 11:30
Thursday 10:30 - 12:30
Friday 9:00 - 10:00

MASS SCHEDULE

1st & 3rd Tuesday at Maple Lawn @ 10:00 am
2nd, 4th, & 5th Tuesday at St. Gabriel @ 8:30 am
St. Gabriel Sunday Mass - 8:00 am

If a Tuesday Mass gets cancelled, we have a list of parishioners that I text notifying them of the cancellation. If you would like to be included in that text, please let the office know.

MEAL ON WHEELS-Elaine Kirsch and Donna Lenards are scheduled to deliver meals April 27th thru May 1st.

MAY & JUNE LITURGICAL SCHEDULES are finished and in the red folder on the table by the elevator entrance. If you do not get these schedules emailed to you, please take a copy so you know when you are scheduled. Thank you for volunteering.

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!

CHILDREN'S MASS KITS-There are Mass Kits available in back of church to keep your little ones happy and entertained during Mass. These kits are awesome and include things like coloring pages; Mass-related children's cardboard books and other nice resources to help engage your little ones. Feel free to take one from the back table when you come into church and return it after Mass. We appreciate the efforts of a creative and generous parishioner for putting these kits together.

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 3

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Bill & Jan B, Joe & Renee G
Servers Mason H, Easton H
Reader Julie K
Gifts Lon Jackels Family
EMHC Sarah B, Angie F, Dave S
Comm to HB Joyce R
Music Judy, Rita

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 3

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp Childrens Mass
Server Childrens Mass
Lector Childrens Mass
Comm Childrens Mass
EHMC Lenore W, Steve C, Sue (J) Z
Sacristan Shelby S
Money Counters Jim E, 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)

ADDITIONAL FINANCES:

Donation: \$10.00 Easter: \$15.00

Rice Bowl: \$8.80

Chandler Co-op Stock Retirement: \$135.80

FAITH FORMATION:

Faith Formation: Summer Break

Confirmation 9th: May 13 at 6:30pm- IHM PC with Sponsor

ST. MARY'S RAFFLE WINNERS:

4/24/2026 \$100 winner Loretta Gervais

CATHOLIC CHARITIES APPEAL: Our annual Catholic Charities Appeal is held each Mother's Day Weekend—a time recognized by the Diocese as an opportunity to reflect on the connection between the Blessed Mother and the early work of Catholic Charities, including orphanage and adoption services.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother Mary's loving "yes" to her unborn child, Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota continues a mission rooted in compassion and care.

More than 75 years later, our mission has grown to serve not only the unborn, but also expectant mothers, individuals, and families—offering support, refuge, stability, and hope through shelter, rent and utility assistance, diapers, essential care, and much more for our local communities. Please consider supporting our mission this Mother's Day Weekend, May 9th and 10th. Learn more at www.ccsomn.org

ST. ANTHONY

ROSARY: During the month of May, we will be praying the rosary at 3:40 p.m. before Mass. If you are able to help lead the rosary contact Shelly Merrick.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Agnes Vortherms whose Mass of Christian burial was held Thursday April 23, at St Anthony's.

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.

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 2

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server	Ethan S, Noah S
Lector	Joe S
Gift Bearers	Randy & Sharon Basset Family
EMHC	Blake H, Jo E, Christina K
Song Leader	Alyssa O
Ushers	Maury K, Neil K, Jon W, Jim H

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 2

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts	Nicki P, Helen P
Lector	Steve K
Servers	Lukas S
EMHC	Joyce V
Cleaners	Kassandra Q, Sara K

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

The Good Shepherd

The tenth chapter of John's gospel is entitled "The Good Shepherd." Let us begin with the word "good". We consider many things "good":

- A good parent
- A good teacher
- A good coach
- A good athlete
- A good leader
- A good supervisor
- A good employee
- A good student
- A good host/hostess
- A good store/business

To Jesus, we attach many titles:

- Christ
- Messiah
- The Alpha and Omega
- Emmanuel
- Lord
- Savior

And these are only a few.

John's gospel speaks of Jesus as a shepherd. I have never raised sheep yet am familiar with hogs. What characteristics define someone who raises animals?

- They are attentive to the animals, checking on them day and night.
- They feed the animals.
- They make certain they have water to drink.
- They care for the animals. If an animal has a wound or is ill, they provide what is necessary for the animal to heal.
- They know the animals. Animals have different characteristics and demeanors.

As the shepherd, Jesus cares for his sheep. All the characteristics noted above define Jesus. However, there is one attribute of Jesus which moves him above and beyond. It is his willingness to seek out the lost. Jesus is willing to leave sheep behind, to walk over deserts, mountains, and hills in search of the lost. We get the picture this could be a journey of several miles and days. And when he finds the lost sheep, he isn't abrasive. His words are soft, kind, gentle. Taking the sheep, he places the sheep on his shoulders and walks the long journey back to the fold.

Is there a chance that while away, another sheep may have wandered from the flock? Yes! How does Jesus respond? The journey for the lost sheep begins anew.

The story helps us understand how much we mean to Jesus Christ. The bounds in his search for us are limitless. May we follow the voice of the Good Shepherd for his promise is life.

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

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JOB OPENING-St. John Vianney Church in Fairmont, MN is seeking a full-time Director of Faith Formation, Youth Ministry, and OCIA for Children starting July 1, 2026, who has a passion for evangelizing the youth. Salary: \$42,000-\$46,000. Salary depends on degree and experience. Send your cover letter, resume, and two references to Father Jeff Dobbs at pastor@fmcatholic.org or mail to St. John Vianney Church, 901 S Prairie Ave, Fairmont, MN 56031. For a complete job description, visit www.FMCatholic.org.

FAITH FORMATION INFORMATION: Final Call - Steubenville 2026: All students that will be entering grades 9-12 in Fall 2026 are invited to attend Steubenville Rochester on July 10th—12th. **Last day for registration is April 30th.** Contact your local DRE for registration information.

RECENT CHANGES HAVE taken place with the Catholic Foundation (CMA), the Diocese of Winona-Rochester, and Letter Concepts, Inc. (LCI), a Cathedral Corporation company, to manage the CMA mailing and gift processing. Nothing has changed in the processing, however, please see the following requests put forth by the above listed:

- * Checks should be made payable to **Diocese of Winona-Rochester.**
- * We can still process checks made out to the Catholic Foundation of Southern Minnesota but checks payable to the diocese **ARE preferred.**
- * It is very helpful if donors include "**CMA – [Parish Name]**" in the memo line.

As always, if you have **ANY** questions, please do not hesitate to call the office at 507-836-8030. The CMA appeal, as always, remains a tremendous benefit for our parishes when goals are met and overage funds are returned.

* Please note that the **current collection amounts** for CMA26 will be released in approximately early May. With the changing of how/who is tracking all donations a few adjustments, between the foundation and DOW-R, needed to be made and has delayed the release of the new amounts. Information IS coming!

NOVENA INTENTION to OLC (April 23rd – May 1st): For the 31 DOWR pilgrims participating in the 2026 Walk to Mary Pilgrimage, that these pilgrims may have a safe, joy-filled, and spiritually fruitful pilgrimage to the National Shrine of Our Lady of Champion. As these pilgrims witness their Catholic faith, may they have profound and loving encounters with the Lord Jesus Christ while growing in deeper relationship with Him through greater devotion to His earthly father, St. Joseph, and His Immaculate Mother, St. Mary. May this pilgrimage be a transformative experience for these pilgrims that leaves a lasting impact on their lives. Please consider joining us in praying this novena prayer having this specific intention in both your hearts and minds. We appreciate any and all prayers that you can offer on behalf of our pilgrimage group!

Novena to Our Lady of Champion: O dear Lady of Champion, you revealed yourself as the Queen of Heaven to your servant Adele. You gave her a mission to pray for the conversion of sinners, to bring the Good News of Jesus Christ to others and to prepare children for the reception of the sacraments.

I trust that, as you called Adele to holiness, you are calling me, in my station in life, to live a holy life, devoted to Jesus Christ, with the help of your maternal love. I bring before you now my worries and anxieties. I abandon my attachments to them and place them at your feet. I ask you to hear the deepest longings of my heart that I pray most earnestly for (mention request here...). Dear Lady, you told Adele, and you say to all of us, "Go and fear nothing. I will help you." Help me now as I place this intention with complete confidence and trust. Amen.

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