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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 – MAY 11 - MAY 17

	<i>Father's Day Off</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
Mon 11		
Tues 12	8:30 am St. Gabriel	†Souls of the Faithful
Wed 13	8:30 am St. Ann	†Gay Metz
Thur 14	8:30 am IHM	†Bob Ackerman
Fri 15	8:30 am St. Anthony	†Ivy Goergen
Sat 16	4:00 pm St. Anthony	†Steve Schreiber
Sat 16	6:00 pm IHM	†Clarence/Sue Almjeld
Sun 17	8:00 am St. Gabriel	Parishioners
Sun 17	10:00 am St. Ann	†Marge Miranowski

CHURCH SUPPORT - MAY 2 - MAY 3

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$ 1,395.00	\$490.00/110.00	\$1,244.25
St. Gabriel	\$ 1,131.00	\$274.00/61.50	\$ 35.00
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,130.00	\$236.00/9.78	\$ 711.00
St. Anthony	\$ 961.00	\$114.00	\$ 171.75

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2026 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$17,830	Pledged	\$ 6,775.00
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,457	Pledged	\$ 3,221.00
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9,548	Pledged	\$ 525.00
St. Anthony	Goal \$ 4,524	Pledged	\$ 320.00

ST. ANN

A MEMORIAL DAY MASS will be held on Monday, May 25, at the St. Columba Cemetery, Iona at 9am. Bring a lawn chair with you if needed. In case of rain – the Mass will be moved into St. Ann Church. All are welcome to attend!

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Mary Galles. Mary passed away on April 29. Her funeral will be on May 22 at St. Ann Church. May she rest in peace.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Rosemary LeTendre. Rose passed away on May 4. Her funeral was on Fri, May 8 at St. Ann Church. May she rest in peace.

CDA, Court Queen of Peace will meet at Pizza Ranch on Weds, May 20 at 5pm.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2025-2026

Baccalaureate Congratulations to our 2026 Senior Class!

We celebrate these students:

Walker Biren, Kate Blankenship, Kyle Dahlhoff, Ava Deacon, Calleigh Doeden, Rachael Huso, Colby Keseloot, Teague Meyer, Emma Risacher, Josie Spartz. St. Ann Parish will continue to pray for you as you begin your next chapter.

Confirmation 2027 and 2028 students; if you were unable to attend the Student/Parent meeting that was held last week, please contact Diann Timmerman to schedule a meeting.

Steubenville Lunch Fundraiser: Sun, June 7 there will be a lunch fundraiser after the 10am Mass at St. Ann. We will be serving Hot Ham & Cheese (hotdog option), hash brown patties, Jell-o fluff salad and cookies. Please join us to support the students traveling to Steubenville in July. Free will offering.

ST. GABRIEL

BACCALAUREATE RECEPTION TODAY after Mass for the 9 seniors that are graduating - Owen Olsem, Alex Kueny, Kellen Hollahan, Nevaeh Echternach, Brenton Erdmann, Andrea Lang, Valeria Flores, Elizabeth Haper and Gavin Gerdes.

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Edna Lyons. Edna's funeral was held at St. Gabriel's on April 25th. May she rest in peace.

OUR SYMPATHY also goes out to the family of Janet Kirchner. Janet passed away on April 20. Her funeral was held on Thursday, April 30 at St. Gabriel's. May she rest in peace.

FOUND IN CHURCH– There are several items (child's book, little bracelet, leather glove, baby rattle) that have been left in Church. They have been here for quite some time. They are on the back table. If they are not gone in a few weeks, I will get rid of them.

LITURGICAL SCHEDULES - The **May, June and July** schedules are completed and in the red folder on the table by the elevator entrance. *Thank you for volunteering.*

FAITH FORMATION NEWS

TOTUS TUUS-Sign up sheets are on the table at the back of Church and on our website. **Totus Tuus is June 7th-12th.** For students going into grades 1-6, your classes are in Fulda from 9:00 am-2:30 pm beginning Monday June 8th. Students 7th-12th grade, your classes are in Slayton beginning Sunday the 7th thru Thursday the 11th from 7:00-9:00 pm. There will be a Totus Tuus picnic held on Wednesday, June 10th at St. Ann Church from 5-6:30 pm for all members of our cluster. Please join us for fellowship and to support the Totus Tuus campers and our missionaries.

There are also sign up sheets on the table at the back of Church for anyone willing to donate snacks for the children or meals for the Team during Totus Tuus. Please consider volunteering. *Thanks*

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 17

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp Servers	Bill & Jan B, Joe & Renee G
Reader	Olivia K, Emersyn M
Reader	Judy P
Gifts	Justin Hoffmann Family
EMHC	Dana C, Katie H, Daryl J
Comm to HB	Dave & Kathy S
Music	Judy, Sue

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 17

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp Server	Childrens Mass
Lector	Childrens Mass
Comm	Childrens Mass
EHMC	Ted W, Barry H, Levi Z
Sacristan	Margene V
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)

FAITH FORMATION: Summer Break
Confirmation 9th: May 13 at 6:30pm- IHM PC with Sponsor

ST. MARY'S RAFFLE WINNERS:
5/8/2026 \$100 winner Mark LaVoy

ROSARY VOLUNTEERS NEEDED - IHM is seeking volunteers to help lead the rosary not only during the month of May, but throughout the year. Our goal is to offer the rosary before every Mass if we have enough volunteers. At Father Schuster's request, the rosary will begin at 5:30 p.m. If you are interested in volunteering, please contact Marie Heronimus, Andrea Schreier, or Kelly Kurth.

CHURCH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS - It is that time of year again—church council nominations are now open. Please consider serving on one of our committees. Any parishioner who has been confirmed is eligible to serve. The Church Council meets quarterly, though individual committees may meet more frequently. Serving on a committee is a wonderful way to give back to the parish and share your ideas on how we can continue to make IHM an even stronger community. If you are interested, please contact Marie Heronimus, Andrea Schreier, or Kelli Kurth. Voting for church council positions will be May 30 & June 6 with the newly elected members attending the next church council meeting June 23, 2026, at 5:45 in the church basement. Committees with Open Positions:

Liturgy (1 position open): Assists with decorating the church and coordinating Mass roles.

Education (1 position open): Helps with faith formation planning, the reconciliation luncheon, and other faith formation needs.

Parish Life (1 position open): Assists with planning the Anointing of the Sick Mass, recruiting rosary leaders, maintaining church bulletin boards and the outdoor sign, supporting church council elections, and welcoming new parish members.

Finance (2 positions open): Assists with managing church finances, approving repairs and updates, and reviewing and approving budgets.

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.

SEEKING VOLUNTEERS: In order to maintain our parish and to worship well, we are always seeking more volunteers to assist with the various ministries. We enjoy the presence of our visitors and if you find our Mass time favorable and would like to participate more, please contact Joyce (507-822-4318) We can add you to the list or fill in as needed. There is a sign-up list in the back of church.

OUR SYMPATHY: We extend our deepest condolences to Joan Baxter and her family, at the passing of her daughter-in-law, Alona Baxter, wife of Bob Baxter. Alona passed away on April 5, 2026 in St. Charles Missouri. Burial services were held Friday, May 8th at the Calvary Catholic Cemetery in Walnut Grove, MN. May she rest in peace.

CONGRATULATIONS NEIL: On Saturday May 9th, we will be recognizing Neil Kuehl, who will be graduating from WWG on May 31. Neil will be attending SDSU for Ag Systems and Technology.

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 16

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server Nolan G, Lauren G
Lector Seniors
Gift Bearers Seniors
EMHC Becky L, Kim O, Loretta G
Song Leader Matt K
Ushers Joe S, Jake S, Mark G, Marcia S

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 16

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts Jesse Jenson Family
Lector Pat M
Servers No Server Available
EMHC Shelly M
Cleaners Nicki P, Amy S

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

Does God forget our sins?

Question: Our priest has taught us that at our particular judgment, our life – good and bad, sin, and sorrow and joy – will be reviewed. If that is so, it would seem confession does not truly remove sin. Scripture does tell us, “You will cast into the depths of the sea all our sins” (Micah 7:9) and “I will forgive their evildoing and remember their sins no more” (Hebrews 8:12). Are confessed sins still with us as part of our final judgment?

Answer: To say that God forgets our sins is a manner of speaking that is not intended literally. God is omniscient and cannot forget. To say God “remembers our sins no more” means that he no longer ascribes the guilt of them to us; thus, he has forgiven us. Forgiveness, however, does not remove all the effects of sin or all punishments due to sin. For example, if a man sinfully gambles away his paycheck and seeks forgiveness from God in confession, the money does not magically reappear, neither are his bills paid. Hence, many of the effects of his sin remain, such that he experiences his punishments of late fees and so forth. These are experienced in this world.

But what of our particular judgment? Scripture teaches a personal or particular judgment. St. Paul says, “For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil” (2 Corinthians 5:10). He also writes: “It is written: ‘As I live, says the Lord, every knee shall bend before me, and every tongue shall give praise to God.’ So each of us shall give an account himself [to God]” (Romans 14:11-12). And the Book of Hebrews says, “It is appointed that human beings die once, and after this be judgment” (Hebrews 9:27). So there is to be some review of our life and what it has amounted to. But how such an accounting takes place is not revealed. Does our life pass before us as some imagine, or are we given a kind of infused knowledge to know in an instant our state before God? While the guilt of past sins does not accrue to us, nevertheless, our sins and our virtues are part of our story; they have affected us and others.

Rather than a kind of courtroom scene, we might find more helpful the honest image of an honest conversation or encounter with the Lord. At our particular judgment, the key question is: Do we desire the kingdom of heaven on its terms and with its values or not? But even for those who pass this first judgment, there would seem to be another judgment to make: Is the Lord’s work in us complete? Jesus said, “be perfect, just as your heaven Father is perfect” (Matthew 5:48). This is not a threat; it is a promise. The Lord is saying, “When the power of my cross and sacrifice have had their full effect in you, you will have a godly perfection.” Most of us understand that this I not fully realized in us now, and, if we were to die today, some finishing work would be needed. St. Paul wrote: “the one who began a good work in you will continue to complete it until the day of Christ Jesus (Philippians 1:6). Hence, at the judgment seat, any lingering imperfections and sinful patterns will be consigned to purgation. Further, it is not merely sins that afflict us, it is also hurts, sorrows and regrets. We cannot take these things to heaven. Hence, these things must also be purged.

There are two images in Scripture that point to the process of this final healing and perfecting of the promises of the Lord. There is a kind of fiery purification described by St. Paul: “the work of each will come to light, for the Day will disclose it. It will be revealed with fire, and the fire will test the quality of each one’s work. If the work stands that someone built upon the foundation, that person will receive a wage. But if someone’s work is burned up, that one will suffer loss; the person will be saved, but only as through fire” (1 Corinthians 3:13-15). Of the second kind of purgation of our sorrows and hurts, the Book of Revelation says that regarding the dead, Jesus “will wipe away every tear from our eyes” (Revelation 21:4).

(Written by Msgr. Chales Pope, appeared on page 15A in the March 6-12, 2022 edition of Our Sunday Visitor).

The Bathtub

It doesn’t hurt to take a hard look at ourselves from time to time, and this should help us get started.

During a visit to a mental asylum, a visitor asked the Director what the criterion was which defined whether or not a patient should be institutionalized. “Well,” said the Director, “we fill up a bathtub, then we offer a teaspoon, a teacup, and a bucket to the patient and ask him or her to empty the bathtub.” “Oh, I understand,” said the visitor. “A normal person would use the bucket because it’s bigger than the spoon or the teacup.” “No,” said the Director, “A normal person would pull the bathtub plug.”

Thus, do we make life more difficult than need be? Do we make our spiritual life more difficult than need be? Keep it simple!

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

TODAY'S SECOND COLLECTION-CATHOLIC CHARITIES ANNUAL MOTHER'S DAY WEEKEND APPEAL

On this Mother's Day Weekend, we honor all those who have nurtured, protected, and guided us with a mother's love.

Inspired by the Blessed Mother Mary's compassionate "yes", Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota continues this legacy of care by service those who are often unseen or overlooked in our communities.

Through your support, we are able to accompany *local* families in need, individuals experiencing homelessness, and older adults seeking dignity and stability-**making Christ's compassion visible in the world.**

Please consider supporting the Catholic Charities Appeal today.

FAITH FORMATION- TOTUS TUUS WILL BE COMING JUNE 7TH – 12TH.

The day program will be held @ St. Gabriel – Fulda from Monday, June 8th – Friday June 12th, from 9 am – 2:30 pm. There will be a bus from Slayton to Fulda and back each day.

The night program will be held @ St. Ann – Slayton from Sunday, June 7th – Thursday, June 11th.

Registration forms and flyers can be found in the back of the church, or call Diann Timmerman or Chelsea Hein for more details.

There will be a Totus Tuus picnic held on Wednesday, June 10th @ St. Ann Church from 5-6:30 pm for all members of our cluster. Please join us for fellowship and to support the Totus Tuus campers and our missionaries.

We are still in need of a few families to host an evening meal for our Totus Tuus missionaries. If you are interested, please contact Diann or Chelsea.

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.

- * The current collection amounts for CMA26 are listed on the front of the bulletin. Information is not completely up to date, but details ARE getting caught up for our parishes. Mailings were sent out to parishioner homes. Please remember that the remittance location for donations **IS** listed correctly, LCI headquarters is in Connecticut.

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CATHOLIC EDUCATION - ST. LEO'S PIPESTONE: A group of Catholic parishioners at St. Leo's in Pipestone are praying about starting a Catholic classical homeschool co-op. The students would meet 3 days a week with tutors and have guided work at home the other 2 days. They'd attend mass and adoration weekly, have daily religion and music class in a quality classical environment with flexibility to learn at their level. Our next meeting is Sunday, May 17th after 10:30 am Mass in Pipestone - families from surrounding parishes are welcome to join us. Sloppy joes will be provided, please bring a side or dessert to pass; RSVP to Holly Baatz 507-320-8441. We appreciate your prayers as we seek to do God's will!

Divine Mercy Classical homeschool co-op is looking for tutor/teachers! The position includes teaching three days a week at St. Leo's at Pipestone, as well as providing detailed instructions for parents for two homeschool days. Interested candidates should send their resumes to admin@divinemericyclassical.com

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