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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 18 - MAY 24

	<i>Father's Day Off</i>	<i>No Mass</i>
Mon 18		
Tues 19	10:00 am Maple Lawn	†Betty Pommier
Wed 20	9:00 am Lindenwood	Junita Moulds
Thur 21	8:30 am IHM	†Jim Almjud
Fri 22	8:30 am St. Anthony	†Nancy Burns
Sat 23	4:00 pm St. Anthony	†Dorothy Kuehl
Sat 23	6:00 pm IHM	†Wayne/Irma Carlson
Sun24	8:00 am St. Gabriel	†Jeanette Wieskus
Sun24	10:00 am St. Ann	Parishioners

CHURCH SUPPORT - MAY 9 - MAY 10

	Envelopes	Plate/Childrens	Online/ACH
St. Ann	\$ 3,645.00	\$335.26/44.00	\$ 982.45
St. Gabriel	\$ 1,238.00	\$235.00/52.10	\$1,195.00
IHM-Currie	\$ 1,330.00	\$203.00/6.00	\$ 96.00
St. Anthony	\$ 951.00	\$65.00	\$ 171.75

CATHOLIC MINISTRIES APPEAL - 2026 GOALS

St. Ann	Goal \$17,830	Pledged	\$ 7,450.00
St. Gabriel	Goal \$11,457	Pledged	\$ 3,521.00
IHM-Currie	Goal \$ 9,548	Pledged	\$ 1,325.00
St. Anthony	Goal \$ 4,524	Pledged	\$ 830.00

ST. ANN

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

OUR SYMPATHY goes out to the family of Jane Wagner. Jane passed away on Mon, May 11. Her funeral will be on Tues, May 19 at St. Ann Church. May she rest in peace.

FUNERAL FOR Mary Galles will be held on Fri, May 22 at St. Ann Church. May she rest in peace.

ADDITIONAL DONATIONS:

Catholic Charities - \$521.10

St. Rose Cemetery - \$500.00

St. Ann Cemetery - \$1,244.00

PRAYER CHAIN: Contact Karen Juenemann 507-760-0113 or Jill McCord 507-920-3872 with requests to add someone in need of prayers.

FAITH FORMATION CLASSES 2025-2026

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: Sunday, June 7th there will be a lunch fundraiser after the 10 am Mass at St. Ann – Slayton. 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.

IF YOU HAVE A STUDENT that will be in Kindergarten in the Fall of 2026, please message Diann Timmerman so that we can add your student to our Faith Formation Roster. You can call the Parish office @ 507-836-8030 or send an email to: faith@acmcatholic.org

NEEDED: Totus Tuus Snacks! Please help fuel our Totus Tuus Campers! If you are willing to help sponsor the snacks for our campers this year, please contact Diann Timmerman or call the Parish office. We appreciate your support!

WE ARE SEEKING CATECHISTS for the 2026-2027 School year. If you are interested, please reach out to Diann.

ST. GABRIEL

CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR SENIORS - Sorry about the mix-up in last weeks bulletin. **The reception for the seniors is today.** Please stop down and congratulate the following seniors-*Owen Olsem, Alex Kuony, Kellen Hollahan, Nevaeh Echternach, Brenton Erdmann, Andrea Lang, Valeria Flores, Elizabeth Haper and Gavin Gerdes.*

FINANCE COUNCIL MEETING is scheduled for Tuesday, May 19th at 7:00 pm in Father's office at the school.

FOR ALL PARISHIONERS-It has been brought to our attention that vehicles have been blocking the garage driveway for the house on the south side of the church making it impossible for those people to get out. Please be aware of that space when you are parking and leave it open. Thank you.

ADDITIONAL FINANCES-Catholic Charities \$870.00

FOUND IN CHURCH– We still have a few items on the back table that have been left in church. If they are not gone this week, 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 24

St. Ann - 10:00 am

Min of Hosp	Bill & Jan B, Joe & Renee G
Servers	Ethan N, Eli B
Reader	Kate H
Gifts	Dave Kathman Family
EMHC	Kathy S, Dave S, Marti E
Comm to HB	Sue B
Music	Dana, Connie

LITURGICAL DUTIES MAY 24

St. Gabriel - 8:00 am

Min of Hosp	Steve & Lori T, Ken & Cathy S
Server	Eva L, Mara C
Lector	Mary A
Comm	Margene V
EHMC	Genell H, Randy K, Mary L
Sacristan	Linda C
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: Summer Break. Be Working on your Time & Talent Project

ST. MARY'S RAFFLE WINNERS:

5/15/2026 \$100 winner – Pam Schreier

ADDITIONAL FINANCES: Catholic Charities \$477.00

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 Kelli 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 30th and June 6th 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.

ADDITIONAL FINANCES-Catholic Charities \$255.00

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.

PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS: On Saturday, May 23rd, after Mass, we will ask you to nominate people for Parish Council. Please take a few minutes during the next week to prayerfully discern if you feel called to leadership in our parish or if you know of someone who would serve our parish well on the Finance Committee, Education Committee or Liturgy Committee. The Parish Council now meets every 4 months at 5:30pm (subject to change according to schedules) Contact Joyce Vortherms (507-822-4318) with questions. Strong leadership is needed for our Parish to thrive and grow in faith.

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 23

IHM - 6:00 PM

Server	Stella O, Devin A
Lector	Marcia S
Gift Bearers	Greg & Jessica Laleman Family
EMHC	Tim R, Romane D, Lori M
Song Leader	Dave L
Ushers	Wyatt P, Kevin M, Matt H, Denny J

LITURGICAL DUTIES - MAY 23

ST. ANTHONY - 4:00 PM

Greet/Gifts	Jan J, Sheila K
Lector	Joan O
Servers	Lukas & Sydney S
EMHC	Nicki P
Cleaners	Anne W, Sheryl W

WEEKLY WORDS FROM THE ROCK:

Aren't Birthdays Meant To Be Fun?

What has been your most enjoyable birthday? I can't give an honest answer. None really stick out for me. As children, we were allowed to have friends over on one occasion for a birthday party. What comes to mind for my party?

- Plenty of food.
- A birthday cake.
- Birthday cards.
- A few gifts.
- Game stations that my parents had set up outside.

Speaking of birthday parties, I was invited to a few of my friend's birthdays during my primary school years. What do I recall? Much of the same I already mentioned:

- Plenty of food.
- A birthday cake.
- Birthday cards.
- A few gifts.

It is here that I pause. I don't remember game stations being set up at other birthday parties; although, I do recall time spent outside. At one birthday party, my classmate had a large mound of dirt. They had just built a new house, and the dirt pile was what remained from the excavation work. Somewhere near the top of the dirt pile, a 2 by 12 board approximately 12 feet long was set in place. Why was it there? I don't know. I remember bending over one end of the 2 by 12 when one of my classmates got a brilliant idea. They jumped on the opposite end. The next thing I know is my end of the 2 by 12 is heading for my face. It hit me square in the nose. I started bleeding from the nose and that was the end of the birthday party for me. They called my mother and I went home with a sore nose. Thus, the heading of my column, "Aren't birthdays meant to be fun?"

With his Ascension, Jesus told his disciples to wait in Jerusalem for the coming of Holy Spirit. In the story of Pentecost, the Holy Spirit descends upon the apostles and their ministry begins. Think of all that would face them in preaching the gospel:

- Persecution
- Being driven out of cities
- Prison
- Division within their own
- Martyrdom
- Exile
- Misunderstanding
- Sleepless nights

Yet, they persevered for the Church to be what it is today. If someone asked you which day marks the birthday of the church, is it...

- A. Christmas
- B. Pentecost
- C. Ascension
- D. Easter

The correct answer is Pentecost. The Church begins with the preaching of the gospel and her mission to the ends of the earth. Unlike my story above, this birthday has a happy ending. For those who believe, eternal life is theirs. Be faithful and never fear as eternal life is the gift which awaits!

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

THANK YOU FOR YOUR SUPPORT!

We are incredibly grateful to everyone who supported our 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 you 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. Catholic Charities of Southern Minnesota.

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.

- * Please see current collection amounts for CMA26 on page 1 of the bulletin.

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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 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@divinemeracyclassical.com

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