

St. Anne's Church

February 24, 2019

Seventh Sunday in Ordinary Time



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Mission Statement: *We, the people of St. Anne's Parish, together with the Diocese of St. Cloud and the Roman Catholic Church, are called to know, love and serve God through Jesus Christ in the power of the Holy Spirit. Our mission is to educate ourselves and our children and to carry on Christ's ministry in our daily life as His members.*

Reconciliation: Saturday at 4:30pm.

Weddings: Engaged couples should see the pastor at least 6 months before the planned wedding date.

Anointing of the Sick: Call the parish office for homebound/hospitalized.

Secretary's Hours: Lana Vossen - Mon., Thurs. 8:30-12:00 & Wed. 8:30-3:00 (Bulletin materials must be in by Thurs.AM)

Religious Education: Betty Nystrom 320-398-2211 Ext. 12, email – reledsanne@meltel.net

Diocesan Web Site: www.stcdio.org

Trustees: Tom Ehlinger and Robin Schiefelbein

Parish Council: Greg Stang, Trudy Westrich, Lois Jensen, Fritz Hoffmann, John Donnay and Mary Lou Pivec

MASS INTENTIONS

February 25	Monday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	Weekday	+Agnes Boeckman
February 26	Tuesday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	Weekday	
February 27	Wednesday	[SA]	8:30 a.m.	Weekday	+Bev Kuechle
February 28	Thursday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	Weekday	
March 1	Friday	[SA]	No Mass	Weekday	
March 2	Saturday	[SA]	5:00 p.m.	8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Pat Jansky
March 3	Sunday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	8 th Sunday in Ordinary Time	+Family of Barry & Laura Hanson

Weekend Masses at St. Nicholas are Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 10:00 a.m.

LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>SACRISTAN</u>
March 2, 5:00 p.m.	Pat Brandt, Mary Hinz Kathy Tenney	Steve Maus	William Serbus Matt Serbus	Robert Stelten Chuck Froehling	Tammy Konz
March 3, 8:00 a.m.	Paul DeGree, Colleen DeGree Becky Kastanek	Tom Ehlinger	Jason Pierskalla Tristan Pierskalla	Chad Spaulding Fritz Hoffmann	Irene Maske

STEWARD OF TREASURE

Adult	xxx	35 Envelopes of 283
Youth	xxx	9 Envelopes of 97
Loose	xxx	
Total	xxx	

St. Cloud Visitorxxx

PRAY FOR THESE PEOPLE of the parish and community who have asked for our prayers: Steven Whalen, Allen Kuhn, Walter White, Barb Huckenpoehler, Mary Ann Bechtold, Nancy Stang, Mary Baker, Julie Anderson, Kathy Wholman, Ed Ougel, Madison Brown, Madison Woodford, Fran Schmitz, Kristie Orn and Gene Gohmann. Also pray for the women and men serving in the armed forces. Your contact persons are 236-7947, 398-7525 (also the prayer line) or the parish office 398-2211.

BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL, 2019: Please support our Diocesan Mission to be Christ's heart of mercy, voice of hope and hands of justice. The Bishop's Annual Appeal supports the Tribunal Office, where people experiencing broken relationships receive mercy and healing. If you have not sent in your envelope you still can. There are extra envelopes on the table in the Gathering Area.

EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION: St. Anne's monthly Eucharist Adoration will be Wednesday, March 6th from 9:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. St. Nicholas' Adoration is on Tuesday, March 5th from 5:00 - 8:00 p.m. We need two people throughout the day please sign up in the Gathering Area, even if you have a regular time each month you attend.



ASH WEDNESDAY MASS SCHEDULE: Ash Wednesday is March 6th. Mass at St. Anne's will be at 5:30 p.m. and St. Nicholas at 7:30 p.m. There will be no Mass at 8:30 a.m. at St. Anne.

PRAY FOR OUR STUDENTS: Pray for our First Communion and Confirmation students who will be receiving these sacraments in the coming weeks. There is a banner hanging in the Gathering Area with these students names attached. Please take a name and pray for this student as they are making preparations to receive the sacrament.

--- RELIGIOUS EDUCATION ---

*Ash Wednesday is March 6th this year. With the start of Lent, Religious Ed. students are challenged with our annual Food Shelf Drive. Students in all grades are invited to bring food, household items, or cash to donate to our local food shelf. Classes earn rewards for meeting goals based on the number of students in a class. Please start thinking about what your family will donate, and let this be a learning opportunity. Let your student choose a few extra items when shopping and talk about what might be needed most. Items will be collected during classes between March 10 and April 7.

*With Lent beginning on March 6th, our next class time on March 10th all students in grades 2 through 11 will celebrate the Sacrament of Reconciliation during class time. Both Fr. Statz and Fr. Vernig will be available to hear Confessions. Any parents or family members, who would like to receive the Sacrament, are welcome to do so at the end of class time (about 10:30). Parents, please review the steps of making a good Confession with your children beforehand.

CATHOLIC UNITED MINISTREE CARDS have been posted on the bulletin board in back of church. If you volunteer in these areas, please follow the instructions posted on the board for filling out the cards. This is a chance for "free" money from Catholic United Financial- Dave Stang, who sponsors the program. Since its inception here at St. Anne's in 2013, we have earned \$2,560. Thank you for participating! Kathy Roos

KIMBALL AREA FOOD SHELF: March is Food Shelf Month. Money donated in March receives an additional percentage from the state. We currently served on the average 36 families or 110 persons per month and give out 3500 pounds. Most of those that we serve are either still working to have recently become unemployed, seniors trying to make ends meet, some that are disabled or have medical bills that have set them back. So would you please help out your neighbors, friends and family by giving generously to the Kimball Area Food Shelf inc. this March. All checks may be sent to Kimball Area Food Shelf Inc., PO Box 99, Kimball, MN 55353, Or you can put them in the collection marked Kimball Food Shelf, there is also a box in the Entry marked Food Shelf that items can be dropped off.

AREA BENEFITS:

Luxemburg Parish is hosting an all you can eat breakfast with bake sale and raffle. We invite you to join us on February 24, 2019 at St. Wendelin's Mary Hall, serving between 8:30 am - 11:30 am.

Holy Cross School is having a Spaghetti Supper on Saturday, March 2nd from 4:30 to 7:30 p.m. . The Supper is sponsored by the Knights of Columbus and the proceeds will go to the Holy Cross School.

Kimball Lions annual Lenten Fish Fry, March 8th, held at Kimball Legion Club from 4:30-7:30pm. Adults \$10, Children 12 and under \$5, Children 5 and under FREE! Serving our great fish, potato salad, beans, bread, dessert and beverage of coffee, milk and water. Come for a great dinner out and support your local Lions fund raising for your community

LENTEN BOOK STUDY: Looking for a Lenten experience? How about a book club? A group of us are reading Matthew Kelly's book- The Biggest Lie in the History of Christianity.

Mr. Kelly's books give us the opportunity to discuss our faith and how to grow closer to God. This is very low-key and we will meet every week during the 6 weeks of Lent, starting on March 7th. We meet on Thursdays at St. Anne's - 1:00 pm - 2:30 pm. Questions - call Kathy Roos - 398-3006.

GOSPEL CONNECTION: 7th Sunday of the Year
Breaking the fear cycle

The otter sought an audience with the king of the forest.

"My lord, you love justice and rule fairly. You have established peace among all the animals. But, sire, the peace has been broken."

"Who has broken the peace?!" the king demanded to know.

"The weasel!" the otter cried. "I dove into the water to hunt for food for my children, leaving them in the care of the weasel. While I was gone, my little ones were killed. I demand justice!"

The king summoned the weasel.

"Alas, my lord," the weasel wept, "I am responsible for the deaths of the otter's children, but, sire, it was an accident. I heard the woodpecker sound the alarm, and I rushed out to defend our homeland. In doing so, I trampled the otter's children by accident."

The king interrogated the woodpecker. "Is it true that you sounded the alarm with your mighty beak?"

"I did, my lord," replied the woodpecker. "I sounded the alarm when I spied the scorpion sharpening his dagger."

The scorpion was next called before the king. "You realize that sharpening your dagger is an act of war?"

"I understand," the scorpion answered, "but I prepared my weapon only after I observed the turtle polishing his armor."

In his defense, the turtle explained, "I did so only after I saw the crab preparing his spear."

The crab defended himself: "But I saw the lobster brandishing his sword."

But the lobster testified, "Sire, I began to brandish my sword when I saw the otter swimming toward my children, ready to devour them."

The king turned angrily to the otter. "You, not the weasel, are responsible for the deaths of your children. Whoever sows evil and death shall reap it."

[From Stories for Telling by William White.]

In his teachings on loving one's enemies, Jesus challenges us to break the cycle of fear, hatred and vengeance that ensnares us and society by realizing how our self-centered interests diminish the dreams and hopes of others. Only in seeing the griefs and disappointments of those we love — and of those we find difficult to love — can we begin to move beyond feelings of bitterness and demands for retribution. Such a greater understanding of the impact of our own actions and seeking the greater good of the community are heart of Jesus' Gospel. The faithful disciple seeks to break that destructive rut of hatred and distrust by taking that formidable first step to love, to trust, to heal, to be reconciled with those from whom we are separated.