

# St. Anne's Church

June 9, 2019  
Pentecost Sunday



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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](mailto:reledsanne@meltel.net)

**Diocesan Web Site:** [www.stcdio.org](http://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

June 10	Monday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	Weekday	Special Intension RD
June 11	Tuesday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	St. Barnabas	
June 12	Wednesday	[SA]	8:00 a.m.	Weekday	+Rossman Family
June 13	Thursday	[SN]	8:00 a.m.	St. Anthony of Padua	
June 14	Friday	[SA]	No Mass	Weekday	
June 15	Saturday	[SA]	5:00 p.m.	The Most Holy Trinity	+Sharon Lauer
June 16	Sunday	[SA]	10:00 a.m.	The Most Holy Trinity	Members of Both Parishes

**Weekend Masses at St. Nicholas are Saturday at 7:30 p.m. and Sunday at 8:00 a.m.**

## LITURGICAL MINISTRIES

	<u>EUCCHARISTIC MINISTERS</u>	<u>LECTOR</u>	<u>SERVERS</u>	<u>USHERS</u>	<u>SACRISTAN</u>
June 15, 5:00 p.m.	Lois Jensen, Rita Donnay Kathy Tenney	Steve Gohman	Luci Schiefelbein Mark Schiefelbein	Al Dingmann M. Dingmann	Sue Maus
June 16, 10:00 a.m.	Ada Adolph, Paul DeGree Colleen DeGree	Dave Traurig	Jason Pierskalla Tristan Pierskalla	Gary Vossen Justin Ettel	B. Hoffmann

## STEWARD OF TREASURE

Adult	xxx	45 Envelopes of 283
Youth	xxx	5 Envelopes of 97
Loose	xxx	
Total	xxx	

Peter's Pence Collection xxx  
Cemetery upkeep xxx

**BISHOP'S ANNUAL APPEAL:** Your generosity directly affects vital ministries in the St. Cloud Diocese. Bishop Kettler needs your help to extend the loving hand of Christ throughout the diocese to youth, families, young men and women discerning their vocations, homebound individuals, and all people who are hungry for God's word. Visit [www.stcdio.org/annualappeal](http://www.stcdio.org/annualappeal).

**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, Kathy Wholman, Madison Woodford, Fran Schmitz, Kristie Orn, Gene and Gloria 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.

**PARISH COUNCIL NOMINATIONS:** We are fast approaching that time of year when we make a change in Parish Council membership. The next two weekends, June 22/23 and June 29/30 you will be asked to "Nominate men and women whom you consider would make good representative on the Council. To be eligible to be on the council you must be at least 18 years of age, received the Sacrament of Confirmation and be a registered active member of St. Anne's Parish.

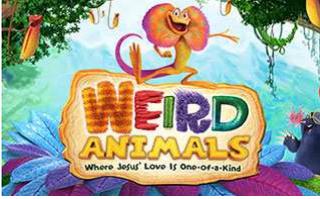
**QUILT RAFFLE:** St. Anne's Women's Group will be offering you an opportunity to donate \$1.00 and put your name in the bucket giving you a chance to win their new quilt. The quilt will be on display this weekend June 8 and 9 with the new owner being chosen on June 16th which is Father's Day. Stop by and check it out before or after those Masses. Thank you for your support.



**PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES** from the last meeting on May 15<sup>th</sup> are available on the table in the Gathering Area.

**PETER PENCE COLLECTION:** Today is the worldwide collection that supports the charitable works of Pope Francis. Funds from this collection help victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Take this opportunity to join with Pope Francis and be a witness of charity to our suffering brothers and sisters. Please be generous today. For more information, visit [www.uscch.org/peters-pence](http://www.uscch.org/peters-pence).

**ST. ANNE'S VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL** theme this year is



"Weird Animals." VBS will run July 15-18, from 9 to 11:30 a.m. This is a free program for youth in grades preschool - 6th grade. Participants will

rotate between the following activity stations with their crew leaders: One-of-a-Kind Bible Adventures, Sing & Play Stampede, KidVid Cinema, Imagination Station, Wild Crafts, Untamed Games, Critter Cafe, and The Tail End. **Registration is due by July 1, and forms can be found on the table in the Gathering Area.**

\*We are in need of adult volunteers to serve as Activity Station Leaders. We need youth grades 7-12 to serve as our Crew Leaders. If you are interested in sharing your gifts of time and talent, please email Erin Donnay at [erin.donnay@gmail.com](mailto:erin.donnay@gmail.com) or contact Lana in the parish office.

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**ST. MARY HELP OF CHRISTIANS PARISH** in St. Augusta invites you to our annual parish festival on June 22 and 23. Events kick off on Saturday morning with a 1K and 5K run and continue in the evening with BLT and Diamondback playing from 6:00 - midnight. On Sunday, we have a chicken dinner, Kevin Lange band, children's games, quilt auction and much, much more. Check out [www.smhoc.org](http://www.smhoc.org) (Calendar/Events) for more details.



be with you.  
As the Father has  
sent me,  
so I send you."

John 20:21, NRSV

**GOSPEL CONNECTION:** Pentecost  
The Threshold Choir

In June 1990, Kate's friend Larry lay in a coma, dying of HIV/AIDS. When she came to visit, she didn't know what to say or do, so she found herself doing what she did when faced with any difficult situation.

She sang.

For two and half hours she sang for her friend. Her music was a comfort both to Larry and to Kate herself. That was the beginning of the Threshold Choir: singers who gather to sing for the dying. The first Threshold Choir was formed by Kate and 14 friends in El Cerrito, California. Within the next year, Kate had established four other choirs. Today, there are over 200 Threshold Choirs in the United States and around the world.

Threshold Choirs are made up of three or four singers who go to hospices and hospitals to sing for the chronically ill and dying. Sometimes the singers find themselves singing a soul into eternity. Their a capella repertoire includes songs like Amazing Grace and Simple Gifts, but also includes short, uncomplicated pieces written especially for the choir, like "Hold this family in your heart" and "Rest easy, let every trouble drift away."

A music therapist at a hospice in Nashville believes that the choir's music is a transformative experience for the dying: "Music has the power to reach people on a deeper level than any type of verbalization or even sometimes touch can . . . Whether the patient has dementia and can't remember his or her own name or their daughter's name, they may remember the song their mother used to sing to them as a child. Taking memories from your past life and being able to experience them as you're dying is a wonderful thing."

Singing in such an emotional environment takes practice and the sensitivity to realize that this is a service, not a performance. While their soft harmonies can be very comforting to the dying, the Threshold Choir's very presence can bring the immediacy of death to struggling families sitting nearby. As one veteran Threshold Singer says of their work, "We sing in a circle of love. In music we are joined."

This is "holy ground," another singer notes. "The music literally puts its arms around you." [The Boston Globe, April 18, 2019; The Washington Post, May 5, 2018; NPR, August 14, 2014.]

In moments of such transforming peace, in simple melodies expressing compassion and care, the Spirit of God is present. The Spirit of God is that love that enables us to do for others what we don't believe we can do, that love that inspires the courage and generosity to endure what terrifies us, that love that reveals the strength and hope we possess to move stones to open tombs of despair and fear. May the Spirit of God lift our hearts and voices to "sing" compassion and care, whether our song be a song of peace for the dying or outreach to the lost, the vulnerable, the despairing.