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**23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time  
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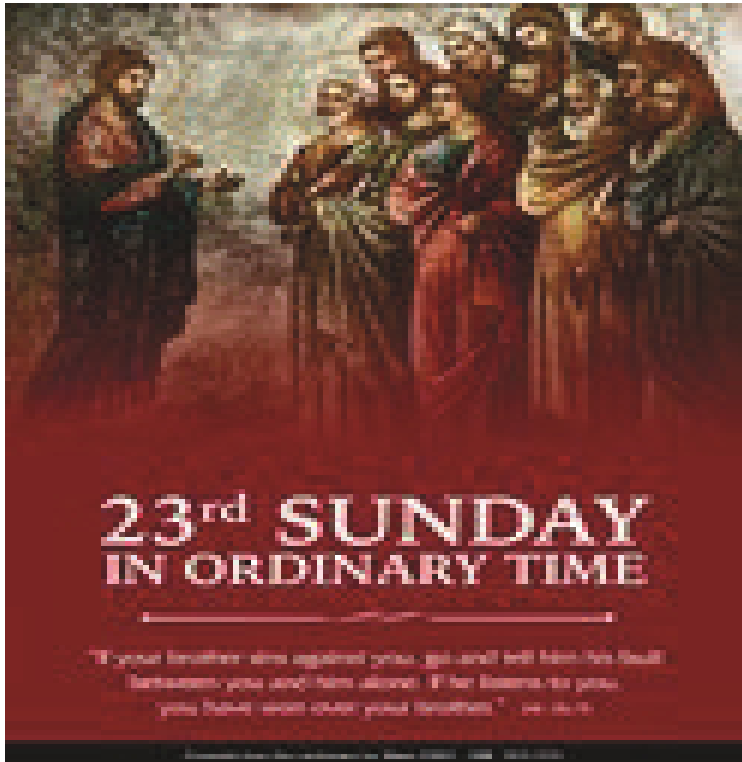
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 Office hours: Mon — Thu 8:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.  
**SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION**  
 3:30—3:50 pm on Saturdays at St. Rita  
 8:30—8:50 am on Sundays at St. Mary  
 10:30—10:50 am on Sundays at St. Anne  
 (Or call Fr. Joseph for an appointment)

**CONTRIBUTIONS for August 30, 2020**

		Online	
St. Anne - \$	330.00	St. Anne - \$	55.00
St. Mary - \$	1,046.00	St. Mary - \$	105.00
St. Rita - \$	2,135.00	St. Rita - \$	290.00

We encourage your parish giving by going onto our website: <https://ncc.weconnect.com>. Or you can mail your envelope to the parish office at PO Box 110-Boulder Junction, WI 54512. If you have any questions please call the office @715-385-2390

**REGULAR MASS SCHEDULE**  
**Wednesdays at 8:00 am—St. Mary, Sayner**  
**Thursdays at 9:00 am—St. Anne, Boulder Junction**  
**Fridays at 9:00 am—St. Rita, Presque Isle**  
**Saturdays at 4:00 pm—St. Rita, Presque Isle**  
**Sundays at 9:00 am—St Mary, Sayner**  
**Sundays at 11:00 am St Anne, Boulder Junction**  
Due to the fact we are only allowed to have 25% of total occupancy, we are asking you to call the office Mon—Thurs. 8:30 to 4:30 at 715-385-2390 or email me at [stannechurch@centurytel.net](mailto:stannechurch@centurytel.net) to preregister each week for which Mass you are attending and how many people. You are encouraged to attend our Masses through the week to help in this matter.  
 We are also live streaming Sunday Mass on YouTube on Sundays. Go to YouTube, Type in Northwoods Catholic Churches , Scroll down to St Anne Mass. You can watch anytime on Sunday after 11:00 am.  
 Thank you and God Bless



*The office will be closed on Monday September 7th and Thursday September 10th*



**2020/2021 CATHOLIC SERVICES APPEAL**

Thank you for filling out a Catholic Services Appeal envelope. For those who did not fill one out, please do so before you leave church today. No gift is to small, and our parishes are trying to reach 100% participation.

**Our goals for this year are: St. Mary-\$15,139.00  
 St. Rita-\$12,680.00, St Anne-\$9,476.00**

There are many challenges that face us today. The shortage of priests in one such challenge. The responsibility our parish has to help provide diocesan services and ministries such as support for vocations and the education of seminarians is an answer to the challenge.

When making your donation at Mass or sending to the parish office please **make check payable to your parish, and in memo write CSA. Thank you!**

Online Giving to the Catholic Services Appeal provides ([www.Catholicdos.org](http://www.Catholicdos.org)) donors with a secure and easy way to make a gift to Catholic Services Appeal. Your parish is automatically credited with your gift.

**ALL THREE PARISHES**

**Special Prayer Request:** Please pray for the health of Joe Lakota, Greg Shimon, Dale Muth. Our prayers also go out to all Police, Fireman, First Responder, and the active-duty men and women who are serving in the military.

If you have a special prayer request, please contact Kathy in the church office at 715-385-2390

**ST. ANNE PARISH**

**Reader for Sept 13th:** Jeff Lucas

If you need help with getting groceries or anything else, we have willing volunteers. Please contact the office @ 715-385-2390

**Lay Leadership: Trustees:** John Ader, Therese Safford

**Parish Council:** Barbara Douglas-Johnson (Chair), Susie Schwanda (Vice-Chair), Dennis Aukstik (Secretary), Peter Kable, Mary Van Grinsven.

**Finance Council:** Tom Wierzba, Greg Van Grinsven.

**Bible Study:** Is not meeting at this time

**Gather Us In Capital Campaign****Campaign Kick Off  
Next Sunday, September 13**

Next Sunday we will officially launch our capital campaign to raise the funds to expand and renovate our church. It's our first such effort in 60 years!

This parish-wide campaign will run six weeks. It will be a time of prayer and discernment and an opportunity for each one of us to grow in faith and generosity.

St. Anne parishioners will soon receive the *Gather Us In* Capital Campaign kickoff announcement in the mail. Please take time to read this communication, and others to follow over the next few weeks, to stay informed about this important initiative in the life of our church.

Stay tuned!

**SCHEDULE OF MASSES/MASS INTENTIONS**

<b>09/05 Sat.</b>	<b>St. Rita, Presque Isle</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>
	+Judie Sanders, by Jerry Sanders All Souls in Purgatory, by St. Rita Altar Society	
<b>09/06 Sun.</b>	<b>St. Mary, Sayner</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
	In Memory of Anthony Pintozzi, By Maureen Pintozzi For the People of the Cluster	
<b>09/06 Sun.</b>	<b>St. Anne, Boulder Junction</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
	+Judy Durand, by Scott Durand	
<b>09/09 Wed</b>	<b>St. Mary, Sayner</b>	<b>8:00 am</b>
	+Shirley Pohlman +Kay Schultz, by Jim & Diane Guckenberg Eucharistic Adoration	
<b>09/10 Thur.</b>	<b>St. Anne, Boulder Junction</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>09/11 Fri.</b>	<b>St. Rita, Presque Isle</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
<b>09/12 Sat.</b>	<b>St. Rita, Presque Isle</b>	<b>4:00 pm</b>
	+Patricia Beattie, by Nellie & Dick Hemming	
<b>09/13 Sun.</b>	<b>St. Mary, Sayner</b>	<b>9:00 am</b>
	For the Safety & Health of all Children and Teachers going back to classes. For all on the St. Mary Prayer Chain, by St Mary Altar Society For fallen away Catholics	
<b>09/13 Sun.</b>	<b>St. Anne, Boulder Junction</b>	<b>11:00 am</b>
	For the People of the Cluster	

**ST. RITA PARISH**

**Reader for Sept 12th:** Rich Schmalzer

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**Lay Leadership: Trustees:** Bob Hagen, Jerry Sanders

**Parish Council:** Otto Novak (Chair), Faith Newberry (Vice chair), Leo Crawley, Jim Steines, and Lisa Roan

**Finance Council:** Richard Schmalzer

**Food Pantry Donations:** St Anne and St Rita will be accepting donations for the Food Pantry. Items needed are: Toilet bowl cleaner, disinfectant wipes, glass cleaner, anti-bacterial hand soap, disposable gloves, and paper towels. Please be generous in your giving. Thank you !!!

**Eucharistic Adoration**

**St. Anne,** (1st Tues) of the Month at 5:30 pm

**St. Mary,** (2nd Wed) of the Month after Mass

**ST. MARY PARISH**

**Reader For Sept 13th:** Jessica Grafwallner

**Religious Education**

We are exploring options for our fall religious education program. A survey will be sent out to all who are interested in our youth program. If you are new to the parish, contact Ida Nemec at [ilnemec@frontier.com](mailto:ilnemec@frontier.com) or call 715-542-3127 or text 715-499-4016.

**Lay Leadership:** Trustees: Sue Kessro, Nick Chicka. Parish Council: Jim Nellessen (Chair), Ida Nemec (Secretary) Stan Rakowski, Jessica Grafwallner

**Finance Council:** Ed Johnston

To add a name to the prayer chain call Peggy Taming at 715-542-3799 or Monica Fath at 715-542-2351.

**The Following businesses give a percentage of their sales to our church.** Camp's receipts: Mark CD3 on them and turn them into the red basket at camp's or drop them in the collection basket. Also save receipts from St. Germain Shell and turn them into the box in the front entrance of church.

**Senior Lunch at Boulder Beer Bar  
Boulder Junction**

Anyone 60 or older are welcome to pick-up a Lunch Serving on every Monday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**Call Josie Allen @ 715-385-2617 the Day Before**

Pick-up Lunch at Boulder Beer Bar Promptly at 11:45 am Suggested Donation of \$5.00

**GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE  
DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE**

It's all about reconciliation and conversion, not punishment. Relationships are not static adventures but wonderful gifts that continue to develop, grow, change, and mature. We are meant to be social beings, so isolating ourselves from others is rarely helpful. But, because human beings are on the one hand tremendously gifted, talented, and blessed creations, they are on the other also flawed, broken, and sinful. We all need to humbly admit that we are works in progress and not only capable of enriching each other's lives but causing deep hurts and wounds as well. Hence, we always need to be reconciled. We are always growing, changing, and expanding our knowledge of who we are and how we are meant to share life together.

Because reconciliation and conversion are always part of the mix of life, honesty is crucial. Without honesty, we can easily find ourselves living a lie and causing more harm than good. Being able to freely share our feelings, especially those involving pain and hurt, is a charism necessary to pursue and an art to learn. When we are wronged or wrong someone else, we do not enjoy the confrontation that can and needs to come. We are taught to keep our feelings to ourselves, especially when they are negative, and we tend to avoid difficult conversations. Hence, we never really learn how to confront another, successfully resolve conflict, find reconciliation, and welcome conversion. When we hurt or wrong someone, it does not mean that we are a bad or sinful person who deserves only punishment and excommunication. Quite the opposite! We are simply a human person who can make poor choices and sin and can be forgiven. We can restore and deepen the relationship that has been affected and find our way home again.

Jesus clearly wants to avoid shame because it has no purpose in achieving reconciliation and conversion. All broken relationships deserve a chance at reconciliation. Every person has room for growth and a need for conversion. We have to learn to be okay with honesty and not be afraid to hear and process what someone needs to say, even if it is difficult for us to hear. Severing a relationship, both personally or with the church community as a whole, ought to definitely be a last resort and only pursued when all else has failed.



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