St. Anne Parish CHRISTMAS: Feast of the Baptism of the Lord - 9 JANUARY 2022

THERE WAS NO DOUBT a lesson in the chaotic nature of our new neighbors' arrival on Wednesday, Dec. 29.

I'd announced the previous Sunday the good news that the refugee resettlement agency had matched us with a family of four – parents and sons ages 13



and 8 – who would arrive sometime after Jan. 10, giving us a couple weeks to anticipate and prepare.

On Tuesday morning, however, came the news that the family was arriving Wednesday night at 9:30, two weeks earlier than planned, and well before our leadership team, much less other parishioners, had completed, or even begun, orientation on welcoming refugees. Circumstances, however, prompted fast action and so a determined group of parishioners put aside their routines or ongoing holiday plans and got to work. The refugee agency had procured an apartment, but it needed to be furnished and equipped.

Preparations were going smoothly when we got word on Wednesday morning that the family would be on a flight to Central Wisconsin Airport at 2:15. People planning to be part of the welcome effort were stuck at work. Others made arrangements to do the welcoming. Signs were made, snack bags assembled and a small but enthusiastic group gathered at the airport — to wait. The 2:15



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ST. ANNE PARISH Living the Gospel with love and courage.

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JOINING OUR PARISH: Fr. Tom would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at *frtom@stanneswausau.org* or call 849.3930.

CELEBRATING BAPTISM: We gladly welcome children to faith through the waters of Baptism. If you want to raise your child in the Catholic faith and celebrate your child's baptism, please call the parish office, 849.3930. Parents celebrating the baptism of their first child are asked to complete a baptism orientation seminar.

CELEBRATING MARRIAGE: We eagerly welcome couples seeking to celebrate the Sacrament of Marriage. Contact Fr. Tom to talk about scheduling your wedding and to learn about marriage preparation.

COMMUNICATION: Email is a primary means of communication in the parish. If you are not getting our weekly parish emails, please send an email to *mail@stanneswausau.org* and we'll add you to the email list. Profession of Faith (The Apostles' Creed)

I believe in God, the Father almighty, Creator of heaven and earth, and in Jesus Christ, his only Son, our Lord,

who was conceived by the Holy Spirit, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, died and was buried; he descended into hell;

on the third day he rose again from the dead;

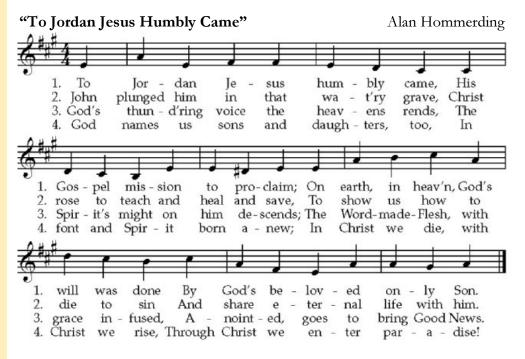
he ascended into heaven, and is seated at the right hand of God the Father almighty;

from there he will come to judge the living and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Spirit, the holy catholic Church,

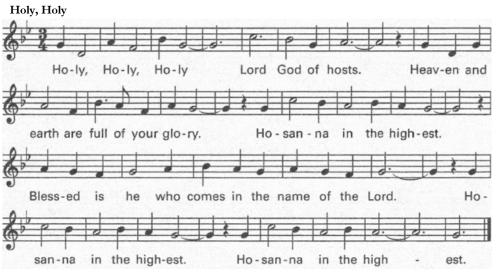
the communion of saints, the forgiveness of sins,

the resurrection of the body, and life everlasting. Amen.

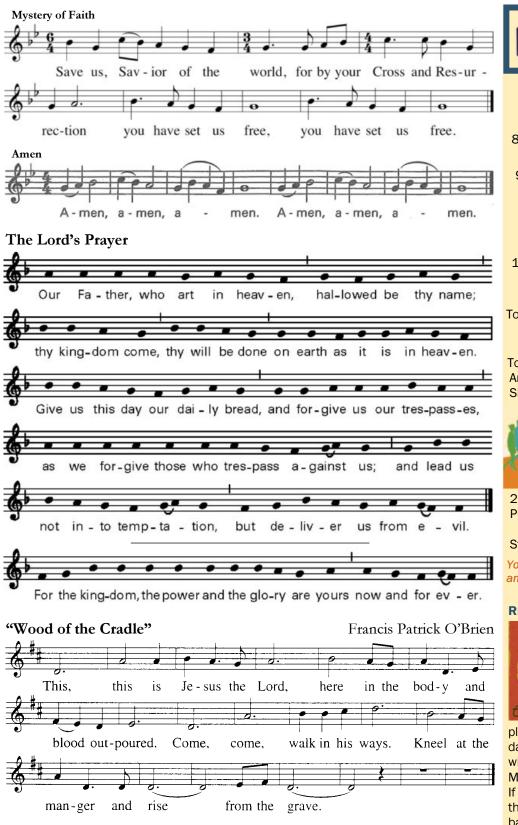


Eucharistic Prayer

Mass of Creation, Marty Haugen



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THANKS TO THE 30 + PARISHIONERS WHO HELPED MOVE PEWS AND PREPARE OUR CHURCH FOR RENOVATION!

Find more information in the Quick Things email and at stanneswausau.org/reimagining.

Stewardship

PARTICIPATION AT MASS CHRISTMAS

2 PM - 350; 4 PM - 183; 6 PM - 175 8 PM - 110; 9:30 AM - 140; Online - 294

Dec. 26 - Holy Family 9:30 AM - 171; 6 PM - 91; Online - 154

Dec. 31 - Mary, Mother of God 4 PM - 67; Online - 124

Jan. 1/2 - Epiphany 4 PM - 120; 8:30 AM - 147 10:30 AM - 134; 6 PM - 78; Online - 186

ST. ANNE PARISH GIVING

Total collected (Dec. 25/26): \$27,665 (Jan. 2): \$18,340 Weekly need: \$15,099 Total collected (since http://www.since.it/since/

Total collected (since July 1, 2021):	\$39	96,486
Amount needed:	\$39	98,516
Shortfall:	\$	2,030



2021-22 Parish Target:	\$2	110,760
Pledges/Contributions:	\$	45,438
149 contributors / 13%	of	oarish
Still needed:	\$	65,322

You can make your contributions to the parish and the Annual Appeal at stanneswausau.org.

RESUMING COMMUNITY MEALS: St.

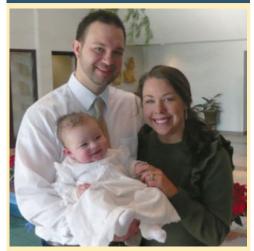


Anne has a long tradition of serving Community Meals, but continuing that tradition depends upon a sufficient group of coordinators and volunteers. We

plan, prepare and serve meals one Thursday a month to people who might otherwise go without a good, nutritious meal. Meals are served at St. Matthew School. If you'd be interested in participating in this important outreach, send an email to barbl@stanneswausau.org. St. Anne's first meal is Jan. 27.

TINS AND VACES: Smalls tins are used by Circle of Joy to distribute Christmas cookies to the homebound, and glass bud vases are used to share carnations at Eastertime. If you have tins or vases that you can share, please put them in the designated box in the library over the next three weeks. Thank you!

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NEW LIFE: Everett Arthur Anderson was claimed for Christ and washed in the waters of Baptism last Sunday. He is the son of Jacob and Alyssa Anderson.

🗊 This Week

MONDAY 10 JAN / 1 Sm 1:1-8/Mk 1:14-20

TUESDAY 11 JAN / 1 Sm 1:9-20/Mk 1:21-28

- 7 AM Communion service
- 6:30 PM Sunday Scripture Study, Gathering Space

WEDNESDAY 12 JAN / 1 Sm 3:1-10,19-20/Mk 1:29-39

• 8:15 AM - Mass +Art Guralski

6:30 PM - Forming Young Disciples

THURSDAY 13 JAN / 1 Sm 4:1-11/Mk 1:40-45 • 8:15 AM - Mass +George Waldvogel

FRIDAY 14 JAN / 1 Sm 8:4-7,10-22a/Mk 2:1-12 • 7 AM - Mass +Ernest Zebuhr

SATURDAY 15 JAN / 1 Sm 9:1-4,17-19; 10:1/Mk 2:13-17 • 9 AM - Reconciliation in Library

SECOND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

15/16 JAN Is 62:1-5/1 Cor 12:4-11/Jn 2:1-11

4 PM Saturday +Gerald Klopotek -LIVESTREAM

- 8:30 AM Sunday + Jim Tilton
- 10:30 AM Sunday -People of St. Anne Parish

• 6 PM Sunday +Gary Peters

BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. ANNE: As the Red Cross experiences its worst blood shortage in more than a decade, your donation is more beneficial than ever. A Red Cross blood drive will be held from noon to 5 p.m. Thursday, Jan. 20 in McKillip Hall. The blood drive is being organized by Addison Puent as part of an Eagle Scout project. You can register at redcrossblood.org, entering 54401, or by calling 800-733-2767.

"Joy to the World"

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Psalm 98, Watts/Handel

Joy to the world, the Lord is come! Let earth receive her King; let ev'ry heart prepare him room, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n and nature sing, and heav'n, and heav'n and nature sing.

He rules the world with truth and grace and makes the nations prove the glories of his righteousness, and wonders of his love, and wonders of his love, and wonders, wonders of his love.

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Witness the Difference

Newman Catholic Schools Open Houses and Parent Informational Meetings

THURSDAY, JANUARY 13, 2022

Newman Catholic Early Childhood Center St. Michael

3 Yr Old Preschool, 4K* & Licensed Child Care 615 Stark Street, Wausau Open House 9:00am-3:00pm (drop in) Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours (715) 848-0206 - Sarah Welch, Site Director (*Free Tuition - WSD)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 19, 2022

Newman Catholic High School Grades 9-12 1130 W. Bridge Street, Wausau New to Newman High School & Future Freshman Meeting at 6:30pm (715) 845-8274 - Carl Fech, Principal

THURSDAY, JANUARY 20, 2022

Newman Catholic Elementary School St. Mark

3 Yr Old Preschool, 4K*, Kindergarten & Grades 1-5 602 Military Road, Rothschild Open House 8:00am-2:30pm (drop in) Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours (715) 359-9662 - Tina Meyer, Principal (*Free Tuition - DCE)

TUESDAY, JANUARY 25, 2022

Newman Catholic Early Childhood Center St. Therese

4K* & Licensed Child Care 112 W. Kort Street, Schofield Open House 8:00am-4:00pm (drop in) Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours (715) 355-5254 - Amy Faust, Site Director (*Free Tuition - DCE)

WEDNESDAY, JANUARY 26, 2022

Newman Catholic Middle School Grades 6-8 1130 W. Bridge Street, Wausau New to Newman Middle School & Future 6th Grade Meeting at 6:30pm (715) 845-8274 - Carl Fech, Principal

MONDAY, JANUARY 31, 2022

Newman Catholic Elementary School St. Anne

Kindergarten & Grades 1-5 604 N. 6th Avenue, Wausau Open House 8:00am-2:30pm (drop in) Informational Meeting at 6:00pm with tours (715) 845-5754 - Terry Vechinski, Principal

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flight arrived at 3:15.

It was all inconvenient and contrary to schedule, a considerable imposition. Which is to say, it might have been the perfect context in which to welcome this family. It offered a humbling reminder of how chaotic and frenzied and frightening, not to mention inconvenient and imposing, life has been for them the past six months or so. Forced to quickly leave their home in Afghanistan, the frantic airport evacuation, living on a military base in a safe but not necessarily comfortable environment, shuttled off to a strange place on a seemingly random day, arriving to people waving signs with words written in a language they don't understand, and then getting in the cars of, one hopes, trustworthy strangers.

Someday we'll be able to communicate with our new neighbors, maybe eventually friends, and listen to their experience. In the meantime I'm pretty certain in thinking our anemic ordeal of chaos couldn't begin to compare with theirs. **TL**

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY BEGINS TUESDAY:

The Sunday readings are the focus of a new weekly gathering at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Gathering Space. We'll begin this week. Bring your Bible, if you have one, and a curiosity for delving more deeply into God's word, as we anticipate what we'll hear on Sunday.

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More info and register at: www.stanneswausau.org

GRIEF DOESN'T FOLLOW A CALENDAR

Grief doesn't disappear at a certain point. Grief isn't easily described or understood. Each person's grief is distinct. What's often true, however, is the value of knowing you do not grieve alone and that how you're grieving and what you're feeling, while unique to you, is also being experienced by oth-

ers. That's why GriefShare is so important.

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through a weekly meeting of presentations, discussions and prayer. Gatherings are at 6 p.m. on Monday nights, and are led by dedicated St. Anne parishioners. A new series begins Jan. 17.

The meetings are on Zoom. To get a Zoom link, or to learn how Zoom works, send an email to bosdad.johnson2@gmail.com.

CORRECTION: Last week's column about re-imagining the church incorrectly stated the year of Fr. Bob McKillip's death. He died in 1994.

SEEKING OFFICE VOLUNTEER: A

FIRST MEETING NEXT SUNDAY: Plans are

set for another great summer youth mission

trip for youth and adult chaperones! We will

once again partner with Group Mission Trips

and head to Grand Rapids, MI, July 2-9. Find

registration details at stanneswausau.org/

mission-trips. Only a \$50 deposit is required

now to secure your spot. Fund-raising helps

raise remaining funds. Why wait? The first

organizational meeting is Sunday, Jan. 16.

long-time parish office volunteer, Barb Laurent, is moving to DePere soon and we are looking for someone to take over her duties. Ideally, the office volunteer could spend most of one day or parts of a couple days each week in the office. Tasks include coordinating Mass intentions, mailing bulletins and preparing the bulletin calendar. If you're interested in learning more, please contact Kristine Lato, our administrative coordinator, at kristinek@stanneswausau.org.



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