

WHAT'S IN A NAME? Identity and even destiny—in just about any culture but ours. Certainly in biblical times naming held the authority of creation in it: "God said, 'Let there be light,' and there was light." From this understanding we get Adam, whose name means created from

HELLO my name is

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By Alice Camille

earth, and Eve, mother of all the living. Abraham is the father of nations. Israel is one who strives with God. Many prophets' names bear the "El" addition, binding them to the God for whom they speak. Jesus is Emmanuel, God-with-us.

But in our culture, naming has lost some of its force for guiding us to our identity. We rarely look to our names to tell us who we are and where we're headed. Some of us may not even know why a certain name was given to us and not another. We might abandon our names in favor of nicknames or initials. All of that makes it harder to distinguish between a path of "Desolate" or "Delight," as Isaiah defines the alternatives for his generation. Still, we do have a name that supplies both identity and destiny if we take it seriously: the name Christian.

The annual Week of Prayer for Christian Unity begins this Tuesday. Today sets the stage for that observance with "World Religion Day." Today's celebration was initiated in 1950 by mem-

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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 others. 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 beginning this week, and are led by dedicated St. Anne parishioners.

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



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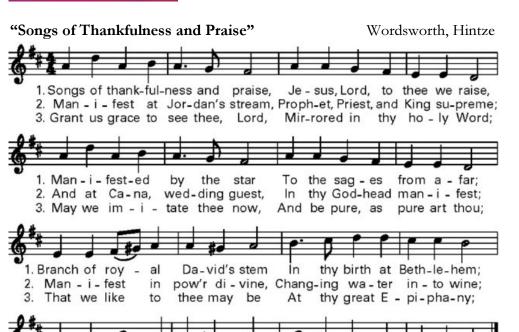
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And may praise thee, ev - er-blessed,

SUNDAY SCRIPTURE STUDY ON TUESDAY: The Sunday readings are the focus of a new weekly gathering at 6:30 p.m. Tuesdays in the Gathering Space. There is no commitment to come every week, but rather as your schedule allows. Meetings will last about an hour. 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.

God in flesh made man-i-fest.



to thee ad-dressed,

to thee ad-dressed,



OUR NEW NEIGHBORS, the Senakai family from Afghanistan, are settled into their apartment and have begun school and job-searching. Parishioners are offering neighborly assistance by driving them to stores and appointments; assisting with banking, language tutoring, learning to ride the bus, and other routine, yet challenging, tasks.

If you would like to learn more about helping with this ongoing effort, send an email to frtom@stanneswausau.org and he'll put you in touch with the appropriate leadership team member. The leadership team includes Matt Hattenhauer, Dakota Kaiser, Joan Kleist, Christine Daniels, Mary Lee Schulta, Steve and Sally Schmidt and Scott Waggoner. You can learn more at stanneswausau.org/welcome.

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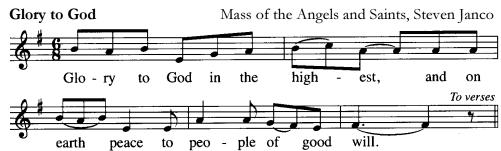
protest calling attention to the tragedy of abortion, will be at 5:30 p.m. Saturday, Jan. 22 in front of the Courthouse. Bring a flashlight; signs will be provided.



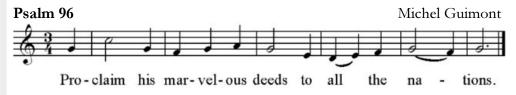
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JOINING OUR PARISH: Fr. Tom would be glad to talk with you about parish membership. Send him an email at *frtom@stanneswausau.org* or call 849.3930.



- 1. We praise you, we bless you, we adore you, we glorify you, we give you thanks for your great glory, Lord God, heavenly King, O God, almighty Father.
- 2. Lord Jesus Christ, Only Begotten Son, Lord God, Lamb of God, Son of the Father, you take away the sins of the world, have mercy on us; you take away the sins of the world, receive our prayer; you are seated at the right hand of the Father, have mercy on us.
- 3. For you alone are the Holy One, you alone are the Lord, you alone are the Most High, Jesus Christ, with the Holy Spirit, in the glory of God the Father.





Profession of Faith (Nicene Creed)

- I believe in one God, the Father almighty, maker of heaven and earth, of all things visible and invisible.
- I believe in one Lord Jesus Christ, the Only Begotten Son of God, born of the Father before all ages.
- God from God, Light from Light, true God from true God, begotten, not made, consubstantial with the Father; through him all things were made.
- For us men and for our salvation he came down from heaven, and by the Holy Spirit was incarnate of the Virgin Mary, and became man.
- For our sake he was crucified under Pontius Pilate, he suffered death and was buried, and rose again on the third day in accordance with the Scriptures.
- He ascended into heaven and is seated at the right hand of the Father. He will come again in glory to judge the living and the dead and his kingdom will have no end.
- I believe in the Holy Spirit, the Lord, the giver of life, who proceeds from the Father and the Son, who with the Father and the Son is adored and glorified, who has spoken through the prophets.
- I believe in one, holy, catholic and apostolic Church. I confess one Baptism for the forgiveness of sins and I look forward to the resurrection of the dead and the life of the world to come. Amen.



Stewardship

IN TODAY'S SECOND READING, Saint Paul makes a list of gifts dispensed to members of the Christian community by the Holy Spirit. Each gift bestowed has a specific purpose for the person for whom it is intended: wisdom, knowledge, faith, healing, mighty deeds, prophecy, discernment, tongues, and interpretation. Good stewards know these gifts are not meant to be kept hidden by the recipient but to be shared with the community and beyond. As we begin a new year, let us reflect on the gift the Holy Spirit has given to each of us. Do we recognize this gift? How was it intended that we use this gift? Are we being good stewards of this gift?

— International Catholic Stewardship Council



THROUGHOUT THE GOSPEL, JESUS RE-VEALS THE UNITY of the Blessed Trinity: The Father, the Son and the Holy Spirit. One God in three Divine Persons. God creates us in His own image, endowing us with gifts of time, talent and treasure for activity in this world. Jesus fashions us into His people in the Church where, in faith, we express our stewardship and discipleship in unity and charity with one another in His Name.

Our Diocesan Mission Statement identifies us and our God-given gifts to be used for the upbuilding of God's Kingdom on earth: "a sacramental people, who worship God, teach the Catholic Faith, and serve the needs of the human person." The Diocesan Annual Appeal provides an opportunity to unite our treasures to meet our obligations of charity and mercy united in Christ.

Our participation in the Diocesan Annual Appeal provides the necessary funding for us to finance our charitable obligations as a Diocese to put our time, talent and treasure into building up the Kingdom of God, inspiring hope for our brothers and sisters in need.

You can contribute to the parish and the Annual Appeal at stanneswausau.org.



BLOOD DRIVE AT ST. ANNE ON THURSDAY

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 redcross-blood.org, entering 54401, or by calling 800-733-2767.

This Week

MONDAY 17 JAN / 1 Sm 15:16-23/Mk 2:18-22

• 6 PM - GriefShare on Zoom

TUESDAY 18 JAN / 1 Sm 16:1-13/Mk 2:23-28

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

WEDNESDAY 19 JAN / 1 Sm 17:32-33,37,40-51/Mk 3:1-6

- 8:15 AM Mass +Librada Lagaras
- 6:30 PM Forming Young Disciples

THURSDAY 20 JAN / 1 Sm 18:6-9; 19:1-7/Mk 3:7-12

- 8:15 AM Mass +Burish & Blaskowski families
- Noon-5 PM Blood Drive, McKillip Hall
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Council

FRIDAY 21 JAN / 1 Sm 24:3-21/Mk 3:13-19

• 7 AM - Mass +Delphine Gabrielski

SATURDAY 22 JAN / 2 Sm 1:1-27/Mk 3:20-21

• 9 AM - Reconciliation in Library

THIRD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME 22/23 JAN

Neh 8:2-4a,5-6,8-10/1 Cor 12:12-30/Lk 1:1-4; 4:14-21

- 4 PM Saturday +Bob Winter -LIVESTREAM
- 8:30 AM Sunday +Allan Hilgemann
- 10:30 AM Sunday -People of St. Anne Parish
- 6 PM Sunday +Beatrice Koy

Links to the daily readings listed above, as well as video and written reflections, can be found at stanneswausau.org.

TINS AND VASES: Small 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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When we worship, we all do the "work" of liturgy. So, applause at the end of Mass isn't really necessary. While some roles are more prominent, the participation of ALL is essential.

In other words, do we really want to applaud ourselves?

YOU CAN FIND AN OVERVIEW OF THE CHURCH
RE-IMAGINING PROJECT,
AS WELL AS PHOTOS AS RENOVATION PROCEEDS
AT STANNESWAUSAU.ORG/RE-IMAGINING

St. Anne Parish Youth Mission Trip

July 2-9, 2022



More info and register at: www.stanneswausau.org



FIRST MEETING IS TODAY/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? As stated earlier, the first organizational meeting is today - Sunday, Jan. 16.

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bers of the Baha'i faith, a community committed to the idea that all religions come from God. Although interfaith principles may set off alarms, the Catholic Church is currently in formal dialogue with other world religions as diverse as Judaism, Islam, and Buddhism.

Christian Unity has been celebrated since 1894, with the Vatican's more formal involvement since 1968. What's central to both interfaith and ecumenical conversation is that they open us to areas of agreement even as they define more acutely what makes us distinct. The more we know about other religions, the better we appreciate the gifts and fruits of Christianity. The more we learn about Protestant divergence, the greater our awareness of what makes us uniquely Catholic.

When we call ourselves Christian, we embrace not only a name but a vocation: to be followers of Jesus. When we call ourselves Catholic, we declare ourselves in communion with a body of believers around the world united in creed and sacrament. "Catholic" and "Christian" aren't mere categories to check off on government forms but real identities and actual job descriptions. They tell us who we are and what we're called to become. Like the disciples at Cana, we come to know who we are as we learn more deeply what it means to call Jesus "the Christ."

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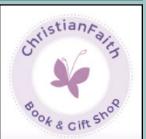
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