

WATER IS STRANGELY ABSENT, or at

least not as abundant, as we celebrate Easter this year.

We'll bless water and be sprinkled with water to remind us of that first dousing at Baptism, but it won't come from our magnificent font, usually flowing and ample with water. After two years without water due to pandemic restrictions, this year the font is buried



under heavy plastic with a thickening coat of dust.

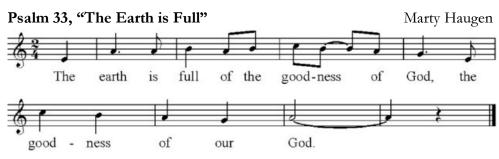
It's a reality of construction that the font was drained and we are prevented from accessing it, which that may be significant in its own way.

One of the key elements guiding the re-imagining of our church was the priority of connecting the baptismal font with the altar, of establishing what the guidelines on Church design and construction identify as the "integral relationship between the baptismal font and the altar." Until the altar is in place and we are able to gather around it, so too the font is inaccessible. One will be consecrated and the other renewed – together.

The architectural drawings of the reimagined church understandably emphasize the primary sanctuary, where the altar, ambo, tabernacle and other furnishings will be located. What those renderings did not depict was how the font, essentially, inspires that plan. It's pre-

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THE GREAT VIGIL IN THE HOLY NIGHT OF EASTER





Exodus 14, "Sing the Song of Freedom"

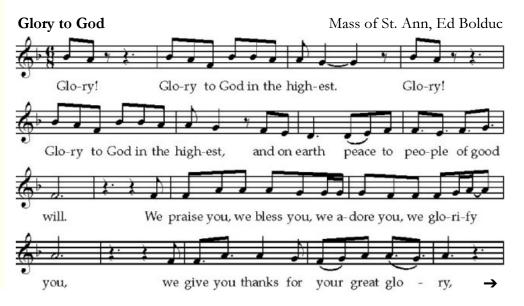
Rory Cooney

Repeat after the cantor:

Sing the song of freedom! God has won the vict'ry. Horse and chariot are cast into the sea.

Horse and chariot, fear and loneliness, death and emptiness, horse and chariot are cast into the sea.

Horse and chariot, hate and prejudice, chains and slavery, horse and chariot are cast into the sea.





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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 send an email or call Fr. Tom. 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.

CARING FOR THE SICK: If you or a loved one are seriously ill or anticipating surgery, please call or email Fr. Tom to schedule the celebration of the sacrament of Anointing of the Sick.





SAVE THE DATES: JUNE 18 & JUNE 19



St. Anne's revamped summer celebration—SummerJam—will be Saturday, June 18!

What to expect: Live music, food trucks, basket raffles, corn-hole tournament, big-prize raffle & more from 11:30 a.m. to 11 p.m.

TAKE RAFFLE TICKETS TODAY to sell to friends and family.

Watch for volunteer opportunities to help make SummerJam happen.

Be ready to help spread the word. More details will be coming soon!



RE-IMAGINING OUR CHURCH

Bishop Callahan will join us on Sunday, June 19 to dedicate our new altar and renovated church. There will be one Sunday morning Mass at 9:30 a.m. at which all parishioners are encouraged to participate. There will also be Saturday and Sunday night liturgies.

Check stanneswausau.org/reimagining for new construction photos, as well as the Quick Things email for a weekly video update. You can also peek through doors in the Gathering Space to see the progress. A complete overview of the project also is provided at the web site.



2021-22 Parish Target: \$110,760 Pledges/Contributions: \$60,371 180 contributors / 17.5% of parish Still needed: \$50,389

You can make parish contributions and contribute to the Annual Appeal at stanneswausau.org/supporting-st-anne

ANTICIPATING THE SACRAMENTS

The following children have celebrated the sacrament of Reconciliation and are now anticipating joining the rest of the community in gathering at the Lord's table as they celebrate First Communion the weekend of May 1 or on other Lord's Days of the Easter season:

Stella Berghammer Helena Cha Frances Condon **Jason Deasy Alexis Dowe** Arabella Gelhar Elijah Gomez Penelope Gaffney Allison Guckenberg Lauren Hodek Hayley Knoll Isabella Krenke Max Main Eleanor Matuszewski Evelyn Matuszewski Eli Nelson **Gavin Nelson** Zayden Nickel Sophia Notz James Ochodnicky Arabelle Osowski Spencer Rodewald Mason Savage Shea Stankowski Quinn Horn Maya Xiong Lilian Xiong





The presider says, "Christ is risen!" All respond, He is risen indeed!

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This Week

EASTER MONDAY 18 APR / Acts 2:14, 22-33/ Mt 28:8-15

- · Parish office closed
- 6 PM GriefShare on Zoom

EASTER TUESDAY 19 APR / Acts 2:36-41/ Jn 20:11-18

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

EASTER WEDNESDAY 20 APR / Acts 3:1-10/ LK 24:13-35

- 8:15 AM Mass +Lawrence Rebman
- 6:30 PM Forming Young Disciples

EASTER THURSDAY 21 APR / Acts 3:11-26/ Lk 24:35-48

- 8:15 AM Mass +Minnie Ress
- 9 AM Finance Council on Zoom
- 6:30 PM Pastoral Council

EASTER FRIDAY 22 APR / Acts 4:1-12/ Jn 21:1-14

• 7 AM - Mass +Alex & Marion Wisnewski

EASTER SATURDAY 23 APR / Acts 4:13-21/ Mk 16:9-15

• 9 AM - Reconciliation

SECOND SUNDAY OF EASTER | SUNDAY OF DIVINE MERCY | 23/24 APR

Acts 5:12-16/Rv 1:9-11a, 12-13, 17-19/Jn 20:19-31

- 4 PM Saturday +Virginia LaGaras
- 8:30 AM Sunday +Mary Lewandowski
 -LIVESTREAM
- 10:30 AM Sunday +AI & Joan Koppa
- 6 PM Sunday -People of St. Anne Parish

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

MASS LIVESTEAM: Beginning Easter morning the livestream of Lord's Day Mass will move to Sunday at 8:30 a.m. This time is more agreeable to those who generously offer this ministry. Sunday is the Lord's Day, so offering the livestream then seems appropriate. As before, you can participate in the Mass online anytime after 8:30.

"Jesus Christ Is Risen Today"

All: Thanks be to

Jesus Christ is risen today, Alleluia! Our triumphant holy day, Alleluia! Who did once upon the cross, Alleluia! Suffer to redeem our loss. Alleluia!

God.

WOMEN: Hymns of praise then let us sing, Alleluia!

Unto Christ our heavenly King, Alleluia! Who endured the cross and grave, Alleluia! Sinners to redeem and save. Alleluia! 14th century

MEN: But the pains which he endured, Alleluia! Our salvation have procured; Alleluia! Now above the sky he's King, Alleluia! Where the angels ever sing. Alleluia!

Sing we to our God above, Alleluia! Praise eternal as his love; Alleluia! Praise him, now his might confess, Alleluia! Father, Son and Spirit blest. Alleluia!

ANTICIPATING THE SACRAMENTS

The following young members of our parish are anticipating the completion of initiation into our Catholic Christian faith through the sacrament of Confirmation May 21:

Jackson Albee Olivia Berens Xander Blum Collin Colwell Isabella DeMeyer **Audrey Doering** Gisselle Gomez Isaac Grabow Paige Guld Elijah Gustafson Madeline Hahn Jacob Hahn **Antony Hoffer** Kelly Kray Michael Lella Geneva Michlig **Aubrey Norgord** Nathaniel Pease Zoe Reinardy Isaac Rozwadowski Allison Schauls Maggie Schmidt

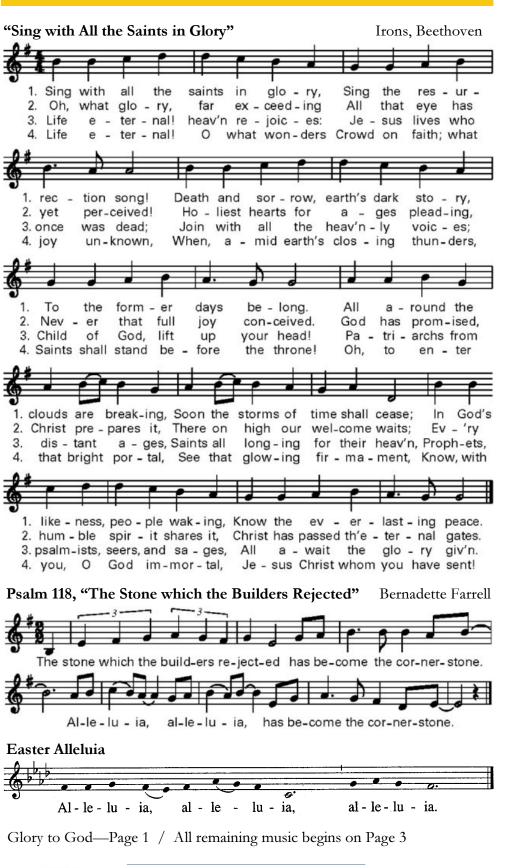
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EASTER SUNDAY OF THE RESURRECTION OF THE LORD



RICE BOWLS AND OTHER DONATIONS TO SUPPORT CATHOLIC RELIEF SERVICES WILL BE GATHERED THROUGHOUT THE EASTER SEASON. RICE BOWLS CAN BE PLACED IN BASKETS IN THE ENTRANCEWAY. CASH OR CHECK DONATIONS CAN BE PUT IN THE COLLECTION BASKETS. CHECKS SHOULD BE ISSUED TO "ST ANNE." CONTRIBUTE ONLINE AT STANNESWAUSAU.ORG/LITURGY.



SAVE THE DATE: Join us July 25-29 at St Anne for God's Big Beautiful World Vacation Bible Camp. Your child will experience Bible stories about God's amazing world and discover the ways God cares for every part of creation. Your child will make new friends, sing fun songs, watch dramatic presentations of the

Bible stories, play active games, go on a nature scavenger hunt, do art projects and science explorations, and dig into the Bible. Sign-up information will be available soon.

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sumed that we are looking into the renovated church from the font, although several people viewed the plan and wondered what would happen to the font.

While not evident in the plans, that essential link of font and altar, of Baptism and Eucharist will be impossible to miss. As you enter the church and approach the font, it will be crystal clear as to how to proceed, where to go next, just as in our sacramental life we proceed from the waters of new life to the food and drink of the Lord's table.

And, then, nourished and renewed, we pass the font again, maybe marking ourselves again, sealing and signing ourselves with the cross, before returning to the ongoing mission we share as people baptized and fed, the mission of discipleship.

Water may not be as abundant in our worship this Easter, but that doesn't detract from our baptimsal mission. TL





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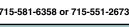


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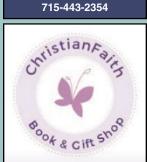
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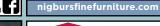
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