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30TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

Jesus said to him in reply, "What do you want me to do for you?" The blind man replied to him, "Master, I want to see." Jesus told him, "Go your way; your faith has saved you." Immediately he received his sight and followed him on the way. - Mk 10:51-52

MARRIAGES

For information, please contact the pastor, either by telephone or email.

PRAYER CHAIN

To request prayers or to become a member of chain, please contact Yvonne Guckeen at 507-665-2282.

BAPTISM

For information, please contact the pastor, either by telephone or email.

NEW PARISHIONERS

Registration forms are available either in the back of church, at the Parish Center Office or on our web site.

St. Anne's Catholic Church Mass Schedule

MASS SCHEDULE

Public Mass on Saturday at 5:15 pm and Sunday at 8:00 am and 10:30 am will be held at Church with restrictions. Mass will be broadcast on Facebook live Saturday at 5:15 pm. Go to facebook.com/stannescatholicchurchlesueur/ to watch.

You will be able to watch the Saturday, 5:15pm Mass the next day by going online to Youtube.com and search for St. Anne Le Sueur.

HOLY DAY MASSES

See bulletins for date & times

SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

Saturdays:
9:00am to 10:00am
4:00pm to 4:45pm

**FOR UP TO DATE MASS SCHEDULES
PLEASE VISIT OUR WEB SITE:**

www.stanneschurchlesueur.org

From Father Shofner

Brothers and Sisters in Christ,

On March 5, 2014 (Ash Wednesday), Pope Francis gathered in St. Peter's Square with 30,000 faithful to give his general audience to the people. The faithful came to hear him speak and to receive his blessing. Embarking upon those forty days of repentance and conversion, Pope Francis encouraged the people to recall two things: (1) To be more aware of the redemptive work of Jesus Christ, and (2) To live out our Baptism in a more committed way.

Pope Francis said: "The awareness of the wonders that the Lord carried out for our salvation should lead our minds and hearts to gratitude to God." This must fundamentally change our attitude toward God and others. Becoming incorporated into the Body of Christ and "fully living out our Baptism...means not becoming [accustomed] to the situations of degradation and poverty that we encounter when walking the streets of our cities and towns. There is the risk of passively accepting certain types of behavior and not marveling at the sad realities that surround us. We grow accustomed to violence, as if it were a normal part of our daily news; we get used to seeing our brothers and sisters sleeping in the streets, as if they have no roof to shelter them. We are used to refugees who search for freedom and dignity, but are not received as they should be. We get used to living in a society that claims to be able to do without God, in which parents do not teach their children how to pray or how to make the Sign of the Cross. This [desensitization] to forms of behavior that are not Christian, that are the easy way, anesthetize the heart." In response to this reality, Pope Francis asked the faithful, "Do your children know how to make the Sign of the Cross? Do they know how to pray the Our Father and the Hail Mary?"

Of course, knowing a simple prayer or gesture in and of itself is not going to remedy the situation. We have to *act*. But to act, we need a *foundation* from which to act. Creating an environment in which Jesus Christ and the truths of our faith are foremost in our minds gives us that proper foundation. We know who we belong to and what's expected of us as Christians.

No doubt, our society is on a dangerous path, and it is only too certain that we will continue to face an increasingly casual attitude toward the suffering of humanity, toward sin, and toward our relationship with God...*unless we decide to make a change*. We must recover our sense of relationship with one another and our need for Jesus, so that we can help one another and reclaim the foundation of our lives in Christ.

This is done only by a clear resolve on our part, in cooperation with the grace of God. We must call upon the Lord to give us the strength and courage to love one another boldly and without shame, so that we can feed the hungry, advocate for the abused, heal the broken-hearted, and

counsel the grieving. We must ask for the understanding and courage to face our individual and societal sins head-on and not be afraid to call them out for what they are. God most certainly provides what we need, if we are sincere in our resolve.

Ultimately, the call to become more aware of the needs of those around us is not a message reserved only for Lent. It is a message we should recall and live out every day. Jesus Christ died and rose for us so that we would be freed from the yoke of sin and be renewed through Him. Our life should be lived as a constant moment of conversion and renewal on a personal and community level, by drawing closer to God and by trusting in the Gospel. And in doing so, we can look upon our neighbors and their needs with new eyes.

God Bless,
Fr. Chris Shofner
Fr.Chris@hotmail.com

A Call to Serve: The Seven Sisters Apostolate is a call to strengthen the Church by ensuring that a Holy Hour is prayed each day of the week for the sole intention of our parish priest, Fr. Shofner. A group begins with 7 women who each commit to pray a holy hour on a specific day each week, thus covering a complete week. The hour can be prayed at any time of the day and anywhere, though before the Blessed Sacrament is ideal. The commitment is for 1 year. Please contact Ruth Vortherms (507-381-0843) if you are willing to spend an hour strengthening our parish. There are brochures in the back of church or you can check the website: www.sevensistersapostolate.org.



Please note that Tess Miller will not be in the office for the short term as she recovers from a recent accident. During her absence, office hours will vary. If you plan

to stop by the office, please call ahead (507-665-3811) to make sure a staff member will be available to attend to your needs. Thank you for your flexibility!

Prayers for the Sick & Recovering

Please remember in your prayers friends and members of our parish family who are sick, recovering from illness, and also for those who care for them. To add or remove a name, please contact the Parish Office at 507-665-3811.

Rick Almich, Mary Ann Bauer, Emma Jane Burns, Andy Conroy, Richard Doherty, Theresa Doherty, Beverley Foskett, Denise Hogan, Kathy Lang, Bob Meyer, Birdy Morsching, Mary Ann O'Rourke, Vicki Plonske, Rebecca Popowski, Brina Powers, David Powers, John Roby, Anna Mae Scheiber, Colleen Schoeppner, Joann Schwartz, Lori Steffens, Cheryl Zachman, LeeAnn Ziegler, Tess Miller

Weekly Parish Notes

MASS INTENTIONS

Tuesday, October 26th - 10:00 am

School Mass

Robert Doering †

Wednesday, October 27th - 8:00 am

Valerie and Lana Pilman ♥

Thursday, October 28th - 8:00 am

Melissa & Brent Leinonen family ♥

Friday, October 29th - 8:00 am

Deward "Sockie" Savage †

Saturday, October 30th - 5:15 pm

Leon and Craig Glazier †

Sunday, October 31st - 8:00 am

Parish of St. Anne ♥

Sunday, October 31st - 10:30 am

Clayton & Margaret Wacker †

† Deceased Individuals

♥ Special Intention

AltarMinistry

SATURDAY, October 30th - 5:15 pm

Altar Servers: Kendra Biedscheid, Harper Simonette

Music: Art and Barb Straub

SUNDAY, October 31st - 8:00 am

Altar Servers: Luca Greenig, Owen Greenig

Music: Joe Roby

SUNDAY, October 31st - 10:30 am

Altar Servers: Katelyn Culbert, Jack Ammann

Music: Adult Choir (Sandy Pinney)

***** New Altar Server scheduling process *****

We have changed the process for Mass server assignments. To give families the ability to choose the Masses that work best for their schedules, we have set up a SignUp Genius page. If you sign up and later find out that your child cannot serve, please go back into SignUp Genius and remove your child's name from that Mass (please do this with as much notice as possible so that another server can be found).

Depending on the month, we need 24 - 30 servers so please sign up for at least 1-2 Masses per month. See here for the SignUp Genius link:

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0D4FAEAA29A5F5C25-stannes>



OCTOBER

Giving

October Giving

Amount Needed Weekly \$7,480.00

Weekend of	Amount Received
October 3, 2021	\$ 7,574.00
October 10, 2021	\$ 6,657.00
October 17, 2021	\$ 6,414.00
October 24, 2021	\$
October 31, 2021	\$

We want to **Thank You** for your generosity. You can give by using your weekly giving envelopes, by mailing your offering to the Parish Office at 503 N. 4th Street, Le Sueur, MN 56058, or you can go online and sign up for **WeShare** online giving.

Le Sueur Community Blood Drive

First Lutheran Church

116 Inner Drive, Le Sueur

Monday, November 1, 2021

12:00 pm to 6:00 pm

For more information or to schedule an appointment, call Kay at 612-298-3478.

Sunday Giving – Online Giving with WeShare

Thank you to all of you who have already signed up for **WeShare** giving online. The WeShare service is for electronic giving (from a bank account) and / or by credit card. To sign up for WeShare giving, go online to: **[stanneslesueur.weshareonline.org](https://www.stanneslesueur.weshareonline.org)**

St. Anne's Happenings



Anne Lewis, Principal
annelewis@stanneslesueur.org

Friday, October 15th was our Marathon Day. We celebrated surpassing our \$50,000 goal. The students, parents and staff had a wonderful afternoon of fellowship, service projects, and great fun! We want to give a **BIG THANK YOU** to all who contributed to our Marathon and made it so successful. We are blessed to have such wonderful support for our school.



St. Anne's Gala - Under the Paris Sky



Please join us for an evening of socializing, dancing, and fun. Proceeds will go towards refurbishing the front doors of St. Anne's Church. Must be 21 or older.

Friday, October 29, 2021

5:30 to 11:00 pm

- Social 5:30 pm

- Dinner 6:30 pm

- Dance 7:30 pm

at the Scenic Escape Barn
25628-337th Lane, Henderson, MN

**Tickets are \$75.00 a seat or
\$600 for a table (seats 8)**

Ticket purchase includes appetizers, one drink ticket, and meal. Tables of eight must be paid in full to hold entire table. Persons purchasing individual tickets may request tablemates, but there are no guarantees.

Ticket Purchasing Options:

1. Drop off a check and names of tablemates/requests at either St. Anne's School or Parish Center.
2. Pay via VENMO @St_Annes_LeSueur. List tablemates/requests in the "What's it for?" section.
3. Give check and tablemates/request to any Gala Committee Member.

Contact one of the Gala Committee Members for more information.

Kristan Pfarr, Abby Lewis, Amanda Bemmels, Emily Wentzlaff, Anne Lewis or Julie Rabaey.



St. Anne's Happenings

Come to the Table is Back!

We are looking forward to the return of the Come to the Table program! This year our Come to the Table meals are being hosted by various groups in our parish, and our CCW has volunteered for our first one! Please join us for a delicious Tator Tot Hotdish meal, good conversation, and growing fellowship on **Wednesday, November 3rd from 5:00-6:30 PM** in the school gym. Free will offerings will be accepted, but not required.

As part of Come to the Table, our Stewardship Committee is sponsoring special activities for young and old. Stop by their table on November 3 to make a Rosary or to pack a Birthday Bag for the Food Shelf (filled with all the supplies necessary to make birthday cakes).

Patrons of St. Anne's School & SCRIP

The Scrip box is back at the School Office weekdays during school hours.

SCRIP Sales have resumed after weekend Masses. You can now stop by the Scrip table after Mass and purchase Scrip.

A reminder that EVERYONE who purchases Scrip should complete a Scrip Agreement Form. The form can be completed online on the church website. Just click on the Scrip tab. If you have questions, please call the school or email stannespatronsboard@gmail.com.

Thank you for supporting our Scrip Program and earning money for our church and school!



Attention Men of parish, 18 years and older.

The Knights of Columbus are looking for new members. Our Council was established in 1944. We have assisted our parish since then in many areas. To find out more about us and what we do, you can contact any brother Knight or call on of the following numbers:

651-338-1580 or 507-665-6077

"I will never leave you or forsake you..." (Hebrews 13:5)

If you or someone you love is grieving the loss of a child to abortion, come and experience the healing mercy of Jesus Christ on our confidential weekend retreat. The next Rachel's Vineyard Twin Cities' retreat is November 5-7, 2021. For more information contact Nancy at rachels@rvineyardmn.org, call 763-250-9313, or see www.rvineyardmn.org.



Emily Sunderman
Director of Religious Education
esunderman@stanneslesueur.org

Our Faith Formation year has started out strong with 90 registered students in grades 1-10! We are grateful for both our returning families, new families, and dedicated catechists! Out of our 90 students on Wednesday nights, we have 3 preparing for First Sacraments and 30 in our Confirmation Program, 15 of which will be confirmed this spring. Please keep all of our students and their teachers in your prayers as we continue to guide them to a deeper faith and relationship with Jesus Christ!

Youth Group is Next Weekend!

Please join us on Saturday, October 30 at 7:00 PM at the home of Pat and Carrie Osborne for a fun night of bonfire, s'mores and hayrides. Be sure to check out the event under St. Anne's Faith Formation Page for more details!

Rosary for Tess Miller:

All are welcome to join our Faith Formation program in praying the rosary for Tess Miller, our parish administrative assistant. Tess was in an accident on October 9th and is now home recovering for the foreseeable future. Please join us to end the Month of the Rosary by lifting our prayers for her recovery. We will begin in the school gym at 6:00 PM with classes following.



Come join us for one of our upcoming Synod Small Group sessions that have been taking place at St. Anne's. Our parishioners have been gathering

for four weeks so far to prayerfully discuss key issues in our Church today, and to discern input that will be passed on to our Archbishop.

We have TWO MORE WEEKS of Small Group sessions still to come:

Sunday, October 24, 8:00 pm

No Meeting on Sunday, October 31 due to Halloween

Sunday, November 7, 8:00 pm

All sessions will take place at St. Anne's School.

This Sunday, we will discuss the third focus area (Forming youth and young adults in and for a Church that is always young). In particular, we will talk about:

Parents as primary educators (birth to adult)

Helping the young to encounter Jesus (birth to Grade 6)

Pre-registration is appreciated, but not required. To pre-register, call the Parish Office at 507-665-3811 or email esunderman@stanneslesueur.org.

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