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31ST SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

The scribe said to him, "Well said, teacher. You are right in saying, 'He is One and there is no other than he.'" And when Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, "You are not far from the kingdom of God." - Mk 12:32, 34ab

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,

St. Paul once wrote: “Be imitators of me, as I am of Christ” (1 Corinthians 11:1). In this, we find the foundation for our devotion to the saints. Especially this week, as we start the month of November with our celebration of the Feast of All Saints on November 1, we honor those that imitated Jesus Christ, for the very fact that their lives are reflections of the life of Jesus Christ. The saints are our models in the way of Christian perfection – that is, we see in them how the grace of God can transform hearts and lives. Countless stories of the saints tell how great sinners were converted into men and women of extraordinary holiness – St. Paul, St. Augustine, St. Mary Magdalene. We hear in the stories of the saints how God’s grace turned fear into courage and strength, so that they were willing to give their lives for Christ – St. Peter, St. Edith Stein, St. Maximilian Kolbe. We even find stories of the saints in which God’s grace helped them to faithfully live out their vocations in the ordinary circumstances of life as husbands and wives, priests and single people – Sts. Louis & Zelie Martin, St. John Bosco, St. Gianna Beretta Molla. All of these individuals, and many more, glorify God now in the joys of Heaven, where they intercede for us in our need, and pray that we may one day enter into that same eternal glory.

What do the lives of saints mean for us? There are at least four ways that their lives directly impact how we live and how we consider our relationship with God:

- 1) We strive to ground our lives on the virtues and principles that guided the lives of the saints. In all things, they were guided by faith in God and His Son Jesus Christ, hope in His promises, and love for God and neighbor—supernatural values that did not allow them to be distracted or swayed by selfish human motives.
- 2) The saints are meant to be an inspiration and example to us in how to live our lives. How they practiced the virtues that guided their lives inspire us to the same practice of dedicated service of God, complete surrender to God’s will, detachment from our dependence on worldly things, and advancement in the life of prayer and self-sacrifice. We imitate the saints, not by merely reproducing their actions, but by endeavoring in our lives to live as Jesus.
- 3) We glorify God in all that He accomplished through these men and women, for they were able to rise to such great heights not through their own power, but only through the power of God working in and through them. It is a cause for wonder and awe in the presence of so great a God who wants to and can do the same things in us.
- 4) In considering the lives of the saints, we form a proper idea of the dignity and greatness of the saints, and hold onto a lively hope and desire to attain the same greatness. Our lives are shaped consciously and unconsciously by our ideals. Our worldview, and thus how

we live, changes if we believe that true greatness is found by fostering a likeness to God in our life, and not by attaining worldly goods such as wealth, status or accomplishment. The saints are considered great, not because they did good things, but because they decided to obey Jesus’ command: “Follow me”. And in doing so, they came to resemble Jesus Christ, who is the perfect realization of human greatness.

I hope that you will take time this Feast of All Saints to glorify God in His saints by attending Mass. This year, because the feast day falls on a Monday, it is not considered a holy day of obligation (though usually it is). However, we will still be offering one Mass on Monday at 8:00 am. If you’re free to join us, then come and celebrate the good work that God accomplishes in His saints, the countless men, women and children who have dedicated their lives to Him in faith, hope and love. If you’re unavailable for Mass on Monday, then join us by lifting up prayer that we all may advance in the ways of holiness and one day be counted among the blessed saints in Heaven.

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



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!

Feast of All Saints
Monday, November 1
8:00 AM Mass

Feast of All Souls
Tuesday, November 2
10:00 AM Mass
(School Mass)

November is the Month of the Holy Souls, when we pray in a special way for all those who have gone before us. It is a great act of charity to lift up our prayers and our Masses for these souls who are still awaiting the fullness of their reward of Heaven.

- ◆ Among your offertory envelopes, you will find a **special envelope for All Souls**. We will place on the altar those envelopes with the names of your loved ones. If you are unable to find this envelope, other envelopes will be available at the church entrance.
- ◆ Once again this year we have our **Book of Remembrance**, in which you can inscribe the names of deceased loved ones. Blank pages will be available at the church entrance, or you can write names in the book before or after Mass.

Weekly Parish Notes

MASS INTENTIONS

Monday, November 1st - 8:00 am

ALL SAINTS DAY

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Tuesday, November 2nd - 10:00 am

ALL SOULS DAY - School Mass

Jackie Callahan †

Wednesday, November 3rd - 8:00 am

Leon and Craig Glazier †

Thursday, November 4th - 8:00 am

Deward "Sockie" Savage †

Friday, November 5th - 8:00 am

Maisie Leinonen ♥

Saturday, November 6th - 8:00 am

Pat and Marge Osborne †

Saturday, November 6th - 5:15 pm

Robert Doering †

Sunday, November 7th - 8:00 am

Parish of St. Anne ♥

Sunday, November 7th - 10:30 am

Deward "Sockie" Savage †

† Deceased Individuals

♥ Special Intention

AltarMinistry

SATURDAY, November 6th - 5:15 pm

Altar Servers: Abby Lewis, Joe Lewis

Music: Adult Choir (Sandy Pinney)

SUNDAY, November 7th - 8:00 am

Altar Servers: Ben VonEschen, [*Volunteer needed*]

Music: Art and Barb Straub

SUNDAY, November 7th - 10:30 am

Altar Servers: [*2 volunteers needed*]

Music: Art and Barb Straub

*** New Altar Server scheduling process ***

To sign up your child for altar serving, please visit our new SignUp Genius page at:

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

We changed our process for Mass server assignments in order to allow families the ability to choose the Masses that work best for their schedules.

Please note that at times we may be in need of volunteers for a given weekend. If you are willing to be present and serve, please sign up at the link above.

Thank you for helping to make this process go as smoothly as possible!

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



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	\$ 5,859.00
October 31, 2021	\$

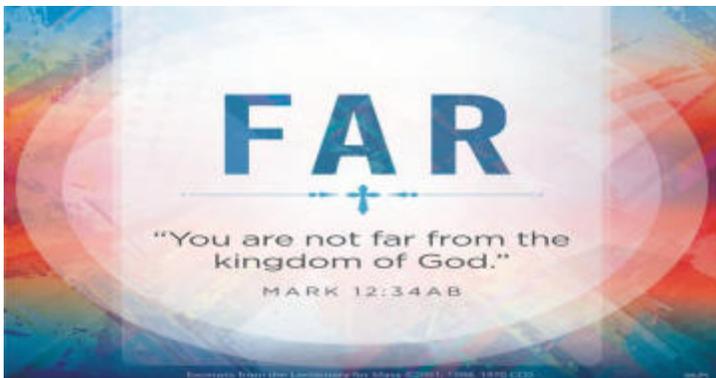
We want to **Thank You** for your generosity. You can give by using your weekly giving envelopes, by mailing your offering to the Parish Office at 503 N. 4th Street, Le Sueur, MN 56058, or you can go online and sign up for **WeShare** online giving.

St. Anne's Happenings



Anne Lewis, Principal
annelewis@stanneslesueur.org

The 5th grade class went to Eagle Bluff on October 11-13th. The students and the parents that went had a great time. They were able to dodge the rain and end their time at Eagle Bluff with some beautiful views!



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

Applefest 2021



Our Parish Festival was a great success. God blessed us with beautiful weather!!! It was so wonderful to see so many people from our parish and the community come out and support the festival and enjoy the day! A special thank you to our committee members and volunteers that made the day a success! We are excited to share that the generosity of time and donations helped us reach a grand total of \$42,542.89.

In gratitude,
Barb and Patty
2021 Applefest Co-chairs

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.

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 **THIS 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!

Help raise money for St. Anne's School & Church during our **Scrip Black Friday Event!**

November 1st - November 23rd

For every \$100 of Scrip you purchase during the event, your name will be entered into a drawing. The more Scrip you buy, the more chances you have to win!

Four lucky winners will each receive a \$50 gift card of their choice! Winners will be drawn live on Facebook on Wednesday, November 24.

**"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

After taking a week off for MEA break, our students gathered together again and began class with a rosary for Tess Miller. The next few weeks will continue to offer special events for our students with the Come to the Table meal before class on Wednesday, Nov 3rd and the NET Retreat for our 9th & 10th graders on Wednesday, Nov 10th. Students in grades 1-8 will still hold class on 11/10.



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651-338-1580 or 507-665-6077



We have had some very fruitful prayer and discussions over the past 5 weeks, as a group of our parishioners have joined together to talk about some of the key focus areas that our Church has asked us to address.

It's not too late to join us in our final discussion. You don't need to have attended the other sessions in order to attend this final session. All sessions are taking place at St. Anne's School.

Please note that there will be NO SMALL GROUP this Sunday, October 31, due to the Halloween observance. Our final Small Group session will take place on **Sunday, November 7 at 7:00 PM at St. Anne's School.**

Please note the time change for this session. We will discuss how to engage our youth and young families in the life of the Church, specifically: 1) Youth Ministry (Grades 6-12), and 2) Young Adult Ministry (ages 18-35).

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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