

MOTHER OF HOPE

AFC

St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls

APRIL 12, 2026 | DIVINE MERCY SUNDAY YEAR A



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"Then he said to Thomas, 'Put your finger here and see my hands, and bring your hand and put it into my side, and do not be unbelieving, but believe.'" (John 20:27) In my early 20s, I volunteered at a parish youth group. I witnessed teens encountering Jesus with a fresh, romantic wonder that reminded me of my own teenage conversion. But something had changed in me. I was quietly jaded and cynical. When teens shared stories of encountering Christ, I'd want to sarcastically murmur, "Well, good for you." I had grown suspicious of the zeal I once knew. Then we brought the group on a pilgrimage. I was standing in an old church in France, ignoring a long-winded tour guide. I found myself before a crucifix. In that moment, I heard something, not audibly, but unmistakably in my heart: "I came to be your friend...and you wish to be my enemy? Why do you stand far from me? I suffer gladly for you. I was pierced for you. Why do you run from me?" My heart opened. I saw how cold and cynical I had become. But Jesus had not given up on me. He had returned, and his mercy broke through. So I can relate to the scoffing-and transformation-of Thomas when the Risen Jesus presents his wounds for inspection. Thomas is not simply doubting; he is guarded, suspicious, even cynical. But Jesus comes to him. No lecture. Just understanding and mercy.

He invites Thomas to touch his wounds. This burns away his cynicism like the morning mist.

Divine Mercy Challenge: This week, rejoice with someone who is newly alive in faith.

If your own heart has grown skeptical or tired, ask Jesus to help you. He will. — Father John Muir ©LPi

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Sunday

WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 3/29/26

St Anne

Weekly Total	\$7,398.53
DMA Goal	\$23,730.67
DMA Pledged	\$33,032.47
DMA Difference	\$8,636.80

St Catherine

Weekly Total	\$7,206.50
DMA Goal	\$36,957.61
DMA Pledged	\$45,191.00
DMA Difference	\$6,068.39

Thank you for your generous support of our Parish Community!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

MILITARY

- 4/13: Walker Clark II, Logan DeBeer
- 4/14: Jack Frank, James Frank
- 4/15: All enlisted soldiers
- 4/16: Austin Gunderson, Heidi Imker
- 4/17: Jacob Iverson, Drake Lieser
- 4/18: Alecia Plaetz, Aaron Struntz
- 4/19: Blaine Stoltenburg, Logan Wagner

VOCATIONS

- 4/13: Fr Andrew Michels, Fr Robert Mraz, Dcn Anthony Grack, Brent Sundve
- 4/14: Fr John Nordick, Fr Brian Oestreich, Dcn John Hansen, Noah U'Ren
- 4/15: Fr Jerome Paulson, Fr Samuel Perez, Matthew Collins
- 4/16: Fr Todd Petersen, Fr John Pearson, Aaron Gnerer
- 4/17: Fr Zachary Peterson, Fr Shawn Polman, Dcn Mark Kober, David Rabaey
- 4/18: Fr Germain Rademacher, Fr Brendan Rolling, Fr Keith Salisbury, Mark Schommer
- 4/19: Fr Beschi Savarimuthu, Fr George Schmit, Dcn Michael McKeown, Brent Sundve

THE SICK

- Week 1:** Marlene, Don, Al, Jim, Gary
- Week 2:** Craig VanLoy, Blaine Kleinwachter
- Week 3:**

Names are placed on the prayer list for 3 weeks. Names can be listed as often as desired but the request must be renewed each time by calling the office 507-342-5190 or 507-644-2278.

Calendar of Events

Sunday
4/12

4p SC Holy Hour

Monday
4/13

DEADLINE FOR 4/19 BULLETIN
8a OLV Rosary/Prayer
4p SC Flame of Love Rosary
5:30p SC Griefshare
7p Baptism Class-SC

Tuesday
4/14

Wednesday
4/15

AFC Faith Formation Classes

Thursday
4/16

9a SC Adoration

Friday
4/17

Saturday
4/18

8:30a SA Adoration

New to our Parishes? Register below

Name(s) _____
 Phone _____
 Email _____
 Address _____
 City/State/Zip _____

Parish Preference *St Anne* *St Catherine*

Visit from priest Yes No

Faith Formation Information Yes No

Ministry Volunteer Yes No

Registration can also be done on our website: www.lowafc.org

Prairie Arts Chorale - "The Stories that Shape Us"

Join for the Prairie Arts Chorale for an evening of music and storytelling as the choir presents: "The Stories that Shape Us".

Thurs 4/16 7:30p - Granite Falls Lutheran Church
 Fri 4/17 7:30p - First Lutheran Church, Marshall
 Sat 4/18 4p - Crossroads Lutheran Church, Dawson
 Sun 4p - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls

St. Michael's - Morgan, Breakfast for the Needy

Sunday, April 12th - Serving Breakfast 9:30a-11:30
 Proceeds to Benefit building stoves for Guatemala

Memory Scrapbook -

St. Anne & St. Catherine CCW are seeking entries for a memory scrapbook for the 25th Anniversary of Father Tony's Ordination in June. Anyone who'd like to contribute a short story and/or photograph relating to how his ministry touched your life or that of your family, please submit entries to Dani Ourada droulada@gmail.com or Tammy Houle dthoule@hotmail.com by May 1st. Thank you to those who have already submitted items to be included!

2026 NUDCCW CONVENTION
Grow in God's Love

His Love Stands Firm Forever

Saturday April 25, 2026

Registration 7:30 AM - 8:30 AM • Keynote 9:30 AM
 Church of St. Michael • Morgan

Keynote Speaker:

Jessica Bartholomew
 Founder & Executive Director
 ACT United (Anti Child Trafficking)



The Genius of Women:

Helping to Save a Fallen Race

Presented by the Handmaids of Heart of Jesus

Cost: \$40 (before April 13) or \$50

Keynote Only: \$10

(payment as cash or check can be brought to the convention)

Register with the QR Code or the link:



<https://forms.gle/2ca4fDf6pVSwwPe6>

Church Directory

Scan the QR code below, or go to ucdir.com to schedule your appointment for our new Church Directory.

Upon Log-In you will need the following information:

Church Code: MN638

Password: MNparish638

Appointment Location: St. Catherine's - A, St. Anne's B



Appointment Availability:

St Catherine's (Location A):

Wednesdays - 5/20, 6/3, 6/17

Thursdays - 5/21, 6/4, 6/18

Fridays - 5/22, 6/5, 6/19

Saturdays - 5/23, 6/6, 6/20

St. Anne's (Location B):

Wednesdays - 5/13, 5/27, 6/10

Thursdays - 5/14, 5/28, 6/11

Fridays - 5/15, 5/29, 6/12

Saturdays - 5/16, 5/30, 6/13

Please contact the Parish Office with any questions, or for assistance with scheduling.

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

**St Anne School CUF
 Calendar Raffle Winners**

- April 6 - Audrina Irlbeck
- April 7 - Charlotte Salfer
- April 8 - Barbara Wesely
- April 9 - Joleen Irlbeck
- April 10 - Joleen Irlbeck
- April 11 - Curt & Karen Mathiowetz
- April 12 - Laura Guetter

ST ANNE

Thank You

A sincere thank you to Fr. Paul and all who helped with the funeral mass. To the CCW ladies who prepared and served the luncheon, the lay ministers who came weekly to River Valley for Communion services and to all who sent cards, flowers and monetary gifts for masses & family wishes. -The Family of Jane Lensing

Congratulations!

Congratulations to Megan Irlbeck & Jason Veenstra who were married this weekend at St. Anne's! Please keep them in your prayers.

Prayer Line

We are reorganizing the framework of our current Prayer Line and would love to have some new participants join! The Prayer Line is a request-based opportunity that allows individuals to request specific, urgent prayers for loved ones in their life. Members of the prayer line are asked to answer a phone call with the current prayer request, say a prayer for that individual, and pass the prayer along to the next assigned member. If you would like to be added to the list please call Joanne Trembl at 342-5737 or Mary Frericks at 342-5712 within the next two weeks.

Come & Go Couples Bridal Shower

Come & Go Couples Bridal Shower honoring Chloe Kahley, Daughter of Heather & Mark Kahley (Spencer, Iowa) and Tyson Doubler, Son of Ann & Tim Doubler (Wabasso) will be held at their home 20228 Frontier Ave, Lucan MN 56255 from 5-7p on Saturday, 4/18. The Couple is registered at theknot.com/tysonchloedoubler

CCW Meeting

St. Anne's CCW will meet Thursday 4/16 at 6:30p in the Gathering space. We hope to see you there!

Bridal Shower

Open House Bridal Shower honoring Halle Huhnerkoch, *bride to be of Austin Frank*, at The Golden Rule Coffee House in Redwood Falls on Sunday, May 3, from 1:00-3:00. She's registered at Target and Amazon.

ST CATHERINE

Job Opportunity

Administrative Assistant position in the St. Catherine Office.
General reception & secretarial duties as needed.
Please provide resume to the St Catherine Office.

St Catherine Calendar Raffle Winners

April 8 - Bill Bohn
April 10 - Russ/Ruth Beert
April 12 - Mary Buckley

AFC FAITH FORMATION

Upcoming Dates

Apr 15: FF Class
Apr 22: *Final* FF Class

Confirmation 2027 Meeting

There will be a Student/Parent meeting for all current 10th Graders for Confirmation 2027 at 7p on April 15th at SA



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507-430-9955
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VBS

Come join us in Rainforest Falls!

- VBS will be Tuesday-Friday May 26-29 from 12:30-3:30p in Wabasso for ages 4-9
- VBS will be Monday-Thursday June 8-11 from 8:30-11:30a in Redwood for ages 4-9

Registration Information is available on the Parish and School Websites, or for pick up at the School/Parish Offices.