

# MOTHER OF HOPE

AFC

*St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls*

APRIL 19, 2026 | 3RD SUNDAY OF EASTER YEAR A



## GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

When I first read Homer's *Odyssey* as a teenager, one scene captured my imagination:

Odysseus finally returning home after 20 years, yet no one recognized him. Disguised as a beggar, he speaks with his wife, his son, and even his enemies. He is fully present, yet hidden. Only at the right moment does he reveal himself, and everyone realizes he has been with them all along. I was struck by the mystery that he could be so close to his loved ones, and yet they simply could not identify him.

A similar mystery is at the heart of today's Gospel. Two disciples walk the road to Emmaus with Jesus, but **"their eyes were prevented from recognizing him."** (Luke 24:16)

He listens, teaches, and eats with them, yet they remain blind until he breaks the bread.

Suddenly their eyes are opened - and at that very moment, he vanishes. His disappearance is not absence. Rather, it is revelation. The Risen Lord is now present in a new way, in the breaking of the bread and in the life of His Church. Faith is this shift of vision. Instead of searching for a visible Jesus as if he were absent, we learn to recognize him unveiled in hidden ways - in Scripture proclaimed, in the Eucharist, in the sacraments, in the very life of the Church.

And what is true of him is true of us. Just as he disappears into the mission of his Body, we too are meant to be hidden in him. When we live hidden in Christ, we are seen for who we really are.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Sunday

## WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 4/5/26

### St Anne

Weekly Total \$18,978.17  
 DMA Goal \$23,730.67  
 DMA Pledged \$33,032.47  
 DMA Difference \$8,636.80

### St Catherine

Weekly Total \$18,165.00  
 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

4/20: Jordan Warnke, Jacob Weddle  
 4/21: All enlisted soldiers  
 4/22: Soldiers serving overseas  
 4/23: All Veterans  
 4/24: Soldiers who lost their lives  
 4/25: Those considering the military  
 4/26: Those in the Navy

### VOCATIONS

4/20: Fr Philip Schotzko, Fr Paul Schumacher,  
 Dcn Jason Myhre, Noah U'Ren  
 4/21: Fr Joseph Steinbeisser, Fr Mark Steffl,  
 Dcn Kenneth Noyes, Matthew Collins  
 4/22: Fr Bernie Steiner, Fr Tanner Thooft,  
 Dcn Roger Osborne, Aaron Gnerer  
 4/23: Fr Craig Timmerman, Dcn Ryan Pope, David Rabaey  
 4/24: Fr Paul Timmerman, Dcn Barry Reindl, Mark  
 Schommer  
 4/25: Fr Paul vandeCrommert, Dcn Steven Spilman, Brent  
 Sundve  
 4/26: Fr Steven Verhelst, Dcn Michael Thoennes, Noah  
 U'Ren

### THE SICK

**Week 1:** Patty R, Jeff, Patricia Schmidt  
**Week 2:** Marlene, Don, Al, Jim, Gary  
**Week 3:** Craig VanLoy, Blaine  
 Kleinwachter

*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**  
**4/19**

4p SC Holy Hour

**Monday**  
**4/20**

DEADLINE FOR 4/27 BULLETIN  
 8a OLV Rosary/Prayer  
 4p SC Flame of Love Rosary  
 5:30p SC Griefshare

**Tuesday**  
**4/21**

**Wednesday**  
**4/22**

Final AFC Faith Formation  
 Classes

**Thursday**  
**4/23**

9a SC Adoration

**Friday**  
**4/24**

**Saturday**  
**4/25**

8:30a SA Adoration  
 10a SC 1<sup>st</sup> Communion Practice

### 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](http://www.lowafc.org)*

### Prairie Arts Chorale - "The Stories that Shape Us"

Join for the Prairie Arts Chorale for an evening of music and storytelling.

Sat 4/18 4p - Crossroads Lutheran Church, Dawson

Sun 4/19 4p - Gloria Dei Lutheran Church, Redwood Falls

### 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 drouada@gmail.com or Tammy Houle dthoule@hotmail.com by May 1st.**

*Anyone who has suffered sexual abuse by a priest or another person involved in Church ministry is encouraged to immediately report such abuse to local law enforcement, regardless of when it occurred, if it has not yet been reported. A listing of all county law enforcement and child protection agencies within the 15 counties of the Diocese of New Ulm is posted on the diocesan Web site at <https://www.dnu.org/report-abuse>.*

*Victims and survivors of abuse by clergy are also encouraged to contact the diocesan victim assistance coordinator or the bishop's delegate in matters pertaining to sexual misconduct at 1421 6th Street North, New Ulm, MN 56073, or call 507-233-5313, for counseling or other assistance in healing.*

### Easter Flowers

In Memory of Mary Kuehn, Joey Kuehn and Murl Kuehn.

-Marlin Kuehn

In Memory of George & Louise Salfer Family,

Marlin & Grace Seifert Family

-Alfred and Florence Salfer



### 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

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#### Keynote Speaker:

Jessica Bartholomew

Founder & Executive Director

ACT United (Anti Child Trafficking)



#### The Genius of Women:

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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:



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## Church Directory

Scan the QR code below, or go to [ucdir.com](http://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 13 - Angie Traxler

April 14 - Andy Plaetz

April 15 - Baylor Haase

April 16 - Wendy Snyder

April 17 - Magan Simon

April 18 - Joel Dudgeon

April 19 - Andrew Turbes

## ST ANNE

### 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 Treml at 342-5737 or Mary Frericks at 342-5712 within the next week.

### 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 5/3 from 1-3. She's registered at Target and Amazon.

### St. Anne CCW Spring Cleaning

The St. Anne's CCW Spring Cleaning will be held on Monday, April 27. Schedules are available in the church foyer & online at [lowafc.org/ccw-information](http://lowafc.org/ccw-information). As always, if you complete your task early, please check your name off the master list. If you are unable to make it, please find a sub. Thank you so much for helping keep our church clean!

## ST CATHERINE

### Job Opportunity

An Administrative Assistant position is now available 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 15 - Jason/Kris Garman  
April 17 - Stanley Dworshak  
April 19 - Heather Wolner

### St. Catherine-CCW Salad Luncheon

The St. Catherine's CCW invites you to their Salad Luncheon to be held on Tuesday, May 5 from 11a – 1p.  
*Delicious salads and desserts!*  
Adults: \$10, Kids: 6-12 \$4, 5 & Under: FREE

### Cub Scouts of Redwood Falls

The Cub Scouts of Redwood Falls invites you to get involved in one of their upcoming events:  
**4/20 - Pizza Ranch Community Impact Fundraising Event** at the Redwood Falls Pizza Ranch from 5p-7:30p  
**4/27 - Adventure On Event** at the Redwood Valley Elementary School beginning at 6p

## AFC FAITH FORMATION



### VBS

*Come join us in Rainforest Falls!*

**May 26-29<sup>th</sup>** (Tuesday - Friday) *Wabasso*: 12:30-3:30p (ages 4-9)

**June 8-11<sup>th</sup>** (Monday-Thursday) *Redwood*: 8:30-11:30a (ages 4-9)

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

[faithformation@mystcatherines.org](mailto:faithformation@mystcatherines.org)  
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### Faith Formation Upcoming Dates

Apr 22: *Final FF Class*

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