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St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls

AUGUST 30, 2026 | 22ND SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Do you know what it is like to be thrilled by the power of Christian faith one moment and then utterly fail in it the next? I do. That is Peter in today's Gospel. After last week's bold confession, he now hears Jesus speak of suffering and death, and something in him recoils. He takes Jesus aside and tries to correct him. Jesus responds with the shocking rebuke, **"Get behind me, Satan."**

Peter is the mirror of every disciple. We love Jesus until he contradicts the script we have written for our lives. Peter does not reject Jesus. He rejects a *suffering* Jesus. So do we, whenever we avoid a hard responsibility, resist a demanding relationship, or cling to comfort instead of choosing love. We want a Lord who supports our plans, not one who overturns them. Yet Jesus does not discard Peter. He redirects him. **"Whoever wishes to come after me must deny himself, take up his cross, and follow me."** In effect, Jesus says, stop trying to lead me. Let me lead you. Discipleship does not begin with heroism or clarity but with surrender. It means trusting that God's path to life often passes through places we would never choose. Peter is all of us. We move from insight to confusion, from confidence to correction. That is why we should have hope. Jesus patiently teaches us again and again. Trust me. Get behind me. Follow me. When we stop fighting the crosses that come and start carrying them with him, we discover a freedom deeper than comfort and a love stronger than fear.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Ministry Schedules are available on our Website

Priest Vestments

Question: *Why do priests wear vestments? Do they have a special meaning?*

Answer: Vestments are clothes worn for a specific purpose. Priests will joke that they cover a thousand flaws. But our own manner of dress often corresponds to what we do. We dress up for special occasions, and for special guests. We wear certain clothes for golf, for outdoor activities, and years ago, we even had our "Sunday best" clothes we wore just for Church. Vestments are much the same, and each one has a meaning. The alb is a reminder of the baptismal garment. The stole is a symbol of ordained ministry and authority within the Church. The chasuble reminds us that we are on a pilgrimage of faith, passing through this life towards heaven. Priests wear vestments for two basic reasons. First, they draw attention to the importance and solemnity of the act of worship. The color of the vestments indicates the season of the year or the feast being celebrated. Secondly, vestments draw attention to what the priest does, rather than who he is. In the celebration of the Mass, the focus is on what we do together, on our common unity, and on the mystery and person of Christ. ©LPi

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SA-St Anne; SC-St Catherine; SS-Serenity Suite; GG-Garnette Gardens

Saturday August 29
5:00pm | SC | d. Jerry, Mary & Daniel Lipetzky

Sunday August 30
8:00am | SC | d. Paul Pryor
10:00am | SA | d. Virginia "Ginny" Lang
5:00pm | SA | People of Our Parishes

Monday August 31
5:00pm | SC | d. LeRoy Brau

Tuesday September 1
7:00am | SC | d. Evelyn Gewerth
8:30am | SA | d. Frank Rohlik
10:00am | SS | d. MaryAnn Woelfel

Wednesday September 2
7:00am | SC | d. Dick Gewerth
8:30am | SA | Souls in Purgatory

Thursday September 3
7:00am | SC | d. Paul Neudecker
8:30am | SA | l. Anniversary of Ron & Nancy Plaetz
10:00am | GG | d. Donald Frank

Friday September 4
7:00am | SC | l. 50th Anniversary of Steve & Monica Luckhardt
8:30am | SA | d. Merlin Baune

Next Saturday September 5
4:00pm | SA | People of Our Parishes
5:30pm | SC | d. Tom & Melanie Ochs

Next Sunday September 6
8:00am | SA | d. Jim Steffl
10:00am | SC | d. Sandy Jensen

CONFESSION AND ADORATION

Confession
½ hour before Masses - *Other times by appointment*

Saturday-Adoration
8:30am-9:30am | SA

Sunday-Adoration
4:00pm - 5:00pm | SC

Thursday-Adoration
9:00am-6:00pm | SC

BAPTISM SACRAMENTAL PREPARATION

September 14- 7pm St. Anne's (SA) - *Contact the Parish Office for more info.*

WEEKLY READINGS
WEEK OF AUGUST 30-SEPTEMBER 6

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
22nd Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Corinthians 2:1-5	1 Corinthians 2:10b-16	1 Corinthians 3:1-9	*Memorial of St Gregory the Great*	1 Corinthians 4:1-5	1 Corinthians 4:6b-15	*23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Jeremiah 20:7-9	Luke 4:16-30	Luke 4:31-37	Luke 4:38-44	1 Corinthians 3:18-23	Luke 5:33-39	Luke 6:1-5	Ezekiel 33:7-9
Romans 12:1-2				Luke 5:1-11			Romans 13:8-10
Matthew 16:21-27							Matthew 18:15-20



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 8/16/26

St Anne

Weekly Total	$7,274.52
DMA Goal	$23,730.67
DMA Pledged	$34,017.47
DMA Difference	$10,146.80

St Catherine

Weekly Total	$2,868.90
DMA Goal	$36,957.61
DMA Pledged	$48,201.00
DMA Difference	$10,703.39

Thank you for your generous support of our Parish Community!

PLEASE PRAY FOR OUR PARISHIONERS

MILITARY

8/31: Those in Space Force
9/1: Johnny G, Jaydan Baune
9/2: Frank Bryson, Walker Clark II
9/3: Logan DeBeer, Jack Frank
9/4: James Frank, Austin Gunderson
9/5: Heidi Imker, Jacob Iverson
9/6: Drake Lieser, Alecia Plaetz

VOCATIONS

8/31: All Deceased Priests & Deacons
9/1: Pope Leo XIV
9/2: Bishop Chad Zielinski
9/3: Fr Joshua Bot, Fr James Barry, Dcn Arthur Abel, Matthew Collins
9/4: Fr David Breu, Fr Eugene Brown, Dcn Russell Blaschko, Aaron Gnerer
9/5: Fr Patrick Casey, Fr James Devorak, Dcn Bruce Bot, David Rabaey
9/6: Fr Michael Doyle, Fr Cornelius Ezeiloaku, Dcn Rick Christiansen, Mark Schommer

THE SICK

Week 1: Marlene S
Week 2: Jon K, Lynn M, Jean, Al, Gary, Jim, Craig Palan
Week 3: Craig VanLoy, Alexander

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 8/30 — 4p SC Holy Hour

Monday 8/31 — 8a OLV Rosary/Prayer
4p SC Flame of Love Rosary

Tuesday 9/1

Wednesday 9/2 — 6p SA Virtus Training

Thursday 9/3 — 9a SC Adoration (Rooms 9 & 10)

Friday 9/4 — 3p SA Frank/Rasmussen Wedding

Saturday 9/5 — 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

AFC NEWS & EVENTS

That Man is You!

Come join an interactive men's program focused on development of male leadership in the modern world. The 13-week session begins Thursday 9/10 at 6a in the St Catherine's library and Friday 9/11 at 6a in the St Anne's Church Basement.
All are welcome!

GriefShare

GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences. Our 13-week session begins Monday 9/14 at 5:30p in the St Catherines library. *All are welcome!*

Discipleship Quad

Discipleship Quad groups 4 people together to journey as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion, and learning. This 12-month path fosters growth through prayer, accountability, and authentic relationships.
Contact the office if you are interested in leading and/or partipating in this program.

Youth Group

Our mission is to help young people grow in their relationship with Jesus Christ, deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith & build lasting friendships rooted in love, respect, and service. *To join, here is a link for BAND which can be accessed on a phone or a computer.*

Alpha Youth

Alpha Youth Series is designed to give high school Seniors and young adults (up to age 30) space to explore their questions about life, faith, and purpose.
It will be offered monthly in each parish.

Religious Education

Religious Education begins Wednesday 9/9. Please refer to the Religious Education Handbook 26-27 for info. We will be using *Blest Are We*, RCL Beniger series for Elementary; *Connect*, St Mary's Press for Middle School; *Chosen*, Ascension, for 10th Grade; and *Confirmed in the Spirit*, Loyala Press for Juniors.
We are in need of teachers, please consider!!
Registration + tentative calendar online on our website.



Donations Requested

An individual located in Wabasso, MN is seeking donations for the following items, as they do not have financial means to purchase on their own.
---Shoes: 10/10.5
(Pair of tennis shoes w/ good support)
---Shirts/Sweatshirts: Size Large
---Pants: W – 30, L 30-32 (L-XL)
Donations may be dropped off at the Parish Office

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

Wabasso Virtus Session

Wed 9/2 from 6p-9p at St. Anne's Church, Wabasso.
Need a new VIRTUS account? Register on the diocesan Website
https://www.dnu.org/safeenvironment/
(Click on large red button in left margin of Safe Environment Web page)
(Individuals with existing pending accounts that haven't registered for a session - log back in to your VIRTUS account using the user id and password you created to register)

St Anne School CUF Calendar Raffle Winners

August 24: Beau Ourada
August 25: Lauree Price
August 26: Alicia Vogl
August 27: Bentley Mathiowetz
August 28: Jackie Rohlik
August 29: Jeff Monson
August 30: Theresa Welu

ST CATHERINE

SC 2026 Fall Festival Sponsorship Opportunity

Anyone interested in sponsoring a part of the cost of the St. Catherine Fall Festival is now welcome to do so! You may sponsor the entire expense or any part of it. When signing up, please indicate a second and third choice; in the event that all your choices have been taken, your donation will be applied to an expense that needs a sponsor. Also, indicate on the form below if you do not wish to have your name published. Please place the completed form in the collection basket of drop off at the parish office.

Thanks to all who can help!!

A	$40	Pie Plates	I	$350	Beer
B	$225	Hot dogs/pulled pork meat	J	$300	Games & Prizes
C	$75	Chips	K	$500	Picnic Tables
D	$375	Postage	L	$275	Misc. supplies
E	$150	Water/pop	M	$300	Meal supplies
F	$200	Advertising	N	$800	Laser Tag/Paintball
G	$200	Coffee	O	$1,000	Printing Cost
H	$225	Milk	P	$4,000	Dinner meal

St. Catherine Fall Festival

1st choice: _____ 2nd choice_____3rd choice_____ Total donation: _____

___check here if you do NOT wish to have your name published

(Name)_____

CCW Board Member Needed

We are in need of someone to take the role of Reverence Life Coordinator and/or Spirituality Commission.
Contact Tammy Houle for more information.

St. Catherine's Fall Festival

Donations now being accepted:
– any size new or gently used toys, books, puzzles, kids trinkets and gadgets, stuffed animals, juice boxes, wrapped candies, 20oz & 2 liter bottles of pop, dumdum suckers & wrapped snacks for game prizes
– plastic or glass jars
– Quilts, Afghans, silent auction items, theme baskets & country store donations
Any of these items can be brought in at any time and put in the old social hall.

Baked items, canned goods, fresh vegetables, plants and homemade crafts are desired as additions to the Farmers Market that will be held at this year's Fall Festival (No Used Items) Please put items on the tables by the East Entrance by Sunday 9/13.

Redwood Area Food Shelf

The RAFS is in need of montary & physical donations of food items to assist those in our community who are in need.
Call (507) 627-3653 with any questions.

St Catherine Calendar Raffle Winners

August 26 - Jenna Speicher
August 28 - Bill Bidinger
August 30 - Jason Steffl

ST ANNE

St. Anne's Fall Festival

St. Anne's is looking for individuals willing to take over the following roles for the 2026 Fall Festival:
--General Co Co Chair --Dining Room Co-Chair *Contact the Parish Office if you are interested.*

We are including homemade pie with the meal and ask volunteers to sign up for apple or pumpkin pies on the sign up lists in the Church Foyer (put A or P after your name).

The following items are now being accepted as donations toward our game prizes:
Juice Boxes, Pop, Candy, Treats (Little Debbie's), Fruit Snacks *(donations may be brought to the parish office)*

Fall Festival Raffle Ticket Packets will be available for Pick Up beginning 8/26 in the church foyer

Parking Lot available at Public School - Shuttle Service will be provided

Ron and Jane Baune's 50th Wedding Anniversary

Please join us in celebrating Ron and Jane Baune Open house Saturday, 9/12 from 5-8 at the Wabasso Community Center. Food and beverages provided.
Let your presence be your gift!

St. Anne's CCW Meeting

There will be a CCW meeting on Tuesday, 9/8 at 6:30p in the St. Anne's Church Foyer.
We hope to see you there!

SA Parish Office Hours

SA Parish Office Hours have extended to 7:45a-3:15p beginning 8/31 (Closed Fri 9/4 & Mon 9/7 for Holiday)

Wabasso Legion Auxilliary Meeting

The Wabasso Legion Auxiliary will meet Monday 9/7 at 6:30p at the Wabasso Community Center.

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