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St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls

SEPTEMBER 13, 2026 | 24TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

In my parish, there was once a new employee who frequently told me she was sorry for various imperfections in her work. It could be a little tiring. I finally told her, "You know, you don't have to say 'sorry' so often." She looked me right in the eyes and said, "Father, you're right. I'm sorry." Her ear-to-ear grin betrayed that she enjoyed the irony - and that she would keep asking for forgiveness as often as she needed it.

The Gospel reading this week proclaims to us that God, in Jesus, delights in numerous requests for, and the granting of, forgiveness. To Peter's question, **"Lord, if my brother sins against me, how often must I forgive? As many as seven times?"** Jesus responds, **"I say to you, not seven times but seventy-seven times."** In other words, Peter, stop counting.

Christian life should be marked by a commitment to frequent forgiveness. God never tires of forgiving us. His limitless love has overcome the power of vengeance, hatred, and division. We tap into that each and every time we ask for forgiveness or extend it to another. How beautiful our hearts become when they become accustomed to frequent forgiveness! How joyful and attractive become our marriages, families, and parish communities! How light our souls feel when unburdened by the habit of keeping score.

Challenge: Name one thing, small or large, for which you could ask forgiveness from someone in your life. ***Then do it.***

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Communion

Question: *Why can't everyone who wants to receive Communion, receive Communion at Mass?*

Answer: Outside of the Church, many organizations have all sorts of requirements for membership: dues, achievements, professional standings, etc. The requirements bring the group together in common purposes and goals. Within the Church, there are also basic "requirements" for receiving the sacraments. As Catholics, we believe that the Eucharist is the true "Bread of Life." It is the Body, Blood, Soul, and Divinity of Jesus Christ. When we receive the Eucharist, we are receiving Jesus. Out of reverence for Christ, only those in union with this teaching and in a state of grace should receive communion. As Catholics, we should abstain from communion if we are in mortal sin. While we share many articles of faith with our Protestant brothers and sisters, their understanding of this teaching is fundamentally different. For most non-Catholic churches, they do not believe that Christ becomes truly present in the Eucharist. As such, they should not receive communion in a Catholic Church. These differences are greater for people of non-Christian faiths, and even more apparent for those who do not believe in God. Receiving communion is not a right, but a gift to be accepted in humble trusting faith. ©LPi

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SA-St Anne; SC-St Catherine; WRTC-Wabasso Treatment Center; RV-River Valley

Saturday September 12
4:00pm | SA | d. Andrew Rohlik
5:30pm | SC | d. Ed Wertish

Sunday September 13
8:00am | SA | l&d Baune family members
10:00am | SC | People of our Parishes

Monday September 14
5:00pm | SC | d. Donald Frank

Tuesday September 15
7:00am | SC | d. Steve Hammerschmidt
8:30am | SA | d. Cyrilla MacDonald
10:00am | WRTC | Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday September 16
7:00am | SC | d. LeRoy Brau
8:30am | SA | d. MaryAnn Woelfel
2:00pm | RV | d. JoAnn Sperl

Thursday September 17
7:00am | SC | d. Patricia Schultz
8:30am | SA | d. Marge Grachek

Friday September 18
7:00am | SA | l. Bob & Julie Plaetz Anniversary
12:00pm | SC | d. Evelyn Gewerth

Next Saturday September 19
4:00pm | SA | People of Our Parishes
5:30pm | SC | d. Ron Wertish

Next Sunday September 20
8:00am | SA | d. Frank & Theresa Plaetz
10:00am | SC | d. Jean Hillesheim

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 SEPTEMBER 13-20

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
24th Sunday in Ordinary Time	*Feast of the Exultation of the Cross*	*Memorial of Our Lady of Sorrows*	*Memorial of Sts Cornelius & Cyprian*	1 Corinthians 15:1-11	1 Corinthians 15:12-20	1 Corinthians 15:35-37,42-49	*25th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Sirach 27:30-28:7	Numbers 21:4b-9	1 Corinthians 12:12-14,27-31a	1 Corinthians 12:31-13:13	Luke 7:36-50	Luke 8:1-3	Luke 8:4-15	Isaiah 55:6-9
Romans 14:7-9	Philippians 2:6-11	John 19:25-27	Luke 7:31-35				Philippians 1:20c-24,27a
Matthew 18:21-35	John 3:13-17						Matthew 20:1-16a



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 8/30/26

St Anne

Weekly Total	$7,410.57
DMA Goal	$23,730.67
DMA Pledged	$34,017.47
DMA Difference	$10,146.80

St Catherine

Weekly Total	$3,864.00
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

9/14: Jack Frank, James Frank
9/15: All enlisted soldiers
9/16: Austin Gunderson, Heidi Imker
9/17: Jacob Iverson, Drake Lieser
9/18: Alecia Plaetz, Aaron Struntz
9/19: Blaine Stoltenburg, Logan Wagner
9/20: Jordan Warnke, Jacob Weddle

VOCATIONS

9/14: Fr John Nordick, Fr Brian Oestreich, Dcn John Hansen, Noah U'Ren
9/15: Fr Jerome Paulson, Fr Samuel Perez, Matthew Collins
9/16: Fr Todd Petersen, Fr John Pearson, Aaron Gnerer
9/17: Fr Zachary Peterson, Fr Shawn Polman, Dcn Mark Kober, David Rabaey
9/18: Fr Germain Rademacher, Fr Brendan Rolling, Fr Keith Salisbury, Mark Schommer
9/19: Fr Beschi Savarimuthu, Fr George Schmit, Dcn Mike McKeown, Dcn Brent Sundve
9/20: Fr Philip Schotzko, Fr Paul Schumacher, Dcn Jason Myhre, Noah U'Ren

THE SICK

Week 1:
Week 2: Craig VanLoy, Theresa M, Paula, Al, Barb, Yvonne, Pam, Jared, Elaine
Week 3: Marlene S

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 9/13
11a SC Fall Festival
4p SC Holy Hour

Monday 9/14
8a OLV Rosary/Prayer
4p SC Flame of Love Rosary
5:30p SC Griefshare
7p SA Baptism Class

Tuesday 9/15

Wednesday 9/16
3:15p SA Gr 1-6 RE
5p SC Gr 1-6 RE
7p SA&SC 7-12 RE

Thursday 9/17
6a SC TMIY
9a SC Adoration (Rooms 9 & 10)

Friday 9/18
6a SA TMIY

Saturday 9/19
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 began this week at both churches. If you would like to join this program, please contact the Parish Office. *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.*



Deanery 1 Fall Gathering

Please see the attached poster for CCW Deanery 1 Fall Gathering on 9/29. St Catherines CCW will have a sign-up sheet in the gathering space for carpooling.

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 began 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

A male individual located in Wabasso 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

Baptism Announcements

Congratulations to two individuals who were baptized in our Area Faith Community last weekend!
--Joseph Galloza - Baptized on 09/05/26 at St. Catherine.
--Summer James Heiling - Baptized on 9/5 at St. Anne.
Welcome to God's Family!

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

St Anne School CUF Calendar Raffle Winners

September 7: Katie Mathiowetz
September 8: Jean Gladitsch
September 9: Jane Baune
September 10: Maecy Altermatt
September 11: Rebecca Yusuf
September 12: Jackson Gorter
September 13: Anthony Dolan

Thursday School Mass Parking

Attendees of the Thursday Morning School Masses are being asked to please park elsewhere than North Street (right in front of the Church). This request is being made so that this area in front of church can remain available for the needs of our construction crew, as well as in an effort to keep attendees (and their vehicles) safe.

Thank you for helping us keep the area accessible and safe. We appreciate your understanding and hope to continue seeing strong attendance at this Mass time!

ST CATHERINE

Please join us at the St. Catherine's Fall Festival this Sunday, September 13th!

St Catherine Calendar Raffle Winners

September 7 (Labor Day) -
Dave Widmer
September 9 -
Wayne/Margaret Cook
September 11 -
Diane Siegfried
September 13 -
Barb Hennen

Redwood Area Food Shelf, Help Requested

The RAFS is requesting help with the following tasks:
----Unloading and placing food items
(2-3 individuals needed) (Must be able to lift up to 40 lbs)
(1st & 3rd Tuesdays 9:30a-10:30a)
----Distributing food to clients
(Tuesdays & Thursdays 9a-Noon)
----Picking up food from local vendors and delivering to food shelf, weighing food and bringing cardboard to the recycle center (7a-9a)
Please call the Food Shelf if interested in volunteering for any of these roles, or if you have any questions, (507) 627-3653.
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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.*

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)*

We are also accepting donations towards the Country Store and Silent Auction, as well as New Toys for the Toy Raffle.

Please pick up your Fall Festival Raffle Ticket Packets in the Church Foyer ASAP!

All Donations Preferably Received by Friday, September 18th. All can be brought to the SA Parish Office!

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

Bridal Shower Honoring Victoria Jorgenson

Pease join us for an open house bridal shower honoring Victoria Jorgenson (Bride to be of Collin Rohlik)! Saturday, 9/19 from 9:30-11:00a at the St. Anne's Catholic Church in Wabasso. Bring your gift unwrapped for a display shower, along with your favorite recipe card signed with your name to help build the couple's recipe box!

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