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St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls

SEPTEMBER 20, 2026 | 25TH SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

Every December, the priests of my diocese gather for a Christmas dinner with our bishop. Nearly 200 of us in one room: newly ordained and long retired, pastors of large parishes and quiet confessors, men full of energy and others moving more slowly. Some carry visible success; others bear hidden wounds. It is a tapestry of vocations and lives. When the bishop thanks us, I am always moved.

For a moment, none of our differences matter. What matters is that we belong to one another. I usually leave that evening with a deep sense of peace, but also with a sober realization. Nothing drains joy from the vineyard of the Lord faster than comparison. The quiet habit of measuring, ranking, and resenting can creep in even among those who sincerely serve God. That is what Jesus exposes in today's parable of the workers in the vineyard. The early laborers are not upset because they were treated unjustly; they are angry because others were treated generously. Their resentment blinds them to the gift already in their hands. When the landowner asks, "Are you envious because I am generous?" he names the real wound. This tension echoes throughout salvation history: the elder brother resenting the prodigal, the faithful servant scorning the latecomer. Jesus does not deny the labor of those who have borne the heat of the day, but he refuses to let God's mercy become a zero-sum game. In the end, the vineyard's reward is not about fairness but belonging. The joy offered is communion with a generous Father, who delights in gathering early and late, strong and weak, into one household of grace. — Father John Muir ©LPi

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Sign Before the Gospel

Question: *I have been going to Mass for years and have always wondered: why do we make the three signs of the cross before the Gospel?*

Answer: Certainly, many people go to Mass or other devotions, doing and saying things out of habit or reverence and not really understanding the reasons behind some of these things. But everything we do has a meaning or purpose that helps us to worship better, proclaim our beliefs, or focus the attention of the people on something that has a greater importance or significance. A review of the meaning of various gestures and practices can help us have a deeper appreciation for what we do. There is a little prayer that goes with the three crosses before the Gospel: "May the words of the Holy Gospel be on my mind, on my lips and in my heart." In standing to hear the Gospel, we asknowledge that Jesus is present, and the words of the Gospel are addressed to us. All of the gestures and special postures we adopt before the Gospel are intended to help us prepare for hearing the Word as well as act on it. The incense, the Alleluia, the deacon or priest, and the special dialogue and announcement that introduces the Gospel help us focus our attention on the Good News we are about to hear. The three signs of the cross show our desire and good intention to hear and live the Gospel. ©LPi

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

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

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

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

Monday September 21
5:00pm | SC | d. Theresa Zins

Tuesday September 22
7:00am | SC | l&d Jerry & Mary Lipetzky family members
8:30am | SA | d. David Kramer

Wednesday September 23
7:00am | SC | d. Jerry Altermatt
8:30am | SA | d. George & Gen Rohlik

Thursday September 24
7:00am | SC | d. Evelyn Gewerth
8:30am | SA | d. Frank Rohlik

Friday September 25
7:00am | SA | d. Alphonse & Mathilda Guetter
12:00pm | SC | d. Donald Frank

Next Saturday September 26
4:00pm | SA | d. Rita Goblirsch
5:30pm | SC | d. Darlene Hayek

Next Sunday September 27
8:00am | SC | d. Donald & Jane Lensing
10:00am | SA | People of Our Parishes

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

October 12- 7pm St. Catherine's (SC) - *Contact the Parish Office for more info.*

WEEKLY READINGS
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 20-27

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
25th Sunday in Ordinary Time	*Feast of St Matthew*	Proverbs 21:1-6,10-13	*Memorial of St Pius of Pietrelcina*	Ecclesiastes 1:2-11	Ecclesiastes 3:1-11	Ecclesiastes 11:9-12:8	*26th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Isaiah 55:6-9	Ephesians 4:1-7,11-13	Luke 8:19-21	Proverbs 30:5-9	Luke 9:7-9	Luke 9:18-22	Luke 9:43b-45	Ezekiel 18:25-28
Philippians 1:20c-24,27a	Matthew 9:9-13		Luke 9:1-6				Philippians 2:1-11
Matthew 20:1-16a							Matthew 21:28-32



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 9/6/26

St Anne	
Weekly Total	$13,486.94
DMA Goal	$23,730.67
DMA Pledged	$34,017.47
DMA Difference	$10,146.80

St Catherine	
Weekly Total	$5,289.20
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

9/21: All enlisted soldiers
9/22: Soldiers serving overseas
9/23: All Veterans
9/24: Soldiers who lost their lives
9/25: Those considering the military
9/26: Those in the Navy
9/27: Those in the Army

VOCATIONS

9/21: Fr Joseph Steinbeisser, Fr Mark Steffl, Dcn Kenneth Noyes, Matthew Collins
9/22: Fr Bernie Steiner, Fr Tanner Thooft, Dcn Roger Osborne, Aaron Gnerer
9/23: Fr Craig Timmerman, Dcn Ryan Pope, David Rabaey
9/24: Fr Paul Timmerman, Dcn Barry Reindl, Mark Schommer
9/25: Fr Paul vandeCrommert, Dcn Steven Spilman, Dcn Brent Sundve
9/26: Fr Steven Verhelst, Dcn Michael Thoennes, Noah U'Ren
9/27: Fr Matthew Wiering, Dcn Paul Treinen, Matthew Collins

THE SICK

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

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 9/20
SA Donuts & Coffee
Following Mass
Wabasso Area Knights of Columbus
(Proceeds to benefit new Pro-Life Signs)
4p SC Holy Hour

Monday 9/21
8a OLV Rosary/Prayer
4p SC Flame of Love Rosary
5:30p SC Griefshare

Tuesday 9/22

Wednesday 9/23
3:15p SA Gr 1-6 RE
5p SC Gr 1-6 RE
7p SA&SC 7-12 RE

Thursday 9/24
6a SC TMIY
9a SC Adoration
(Rooms 9 & 10)

Friday 9/25
6a SA TMIY

Saturday 9/25
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

Get Involved. Get Connected.

Discipleship Quad groups of 4 journey as disciples through weekly gatherings of fellowship, ongoing conversion, and learning.
GriefShare is a friendly, caring group of people who will walk alongside you through one of life's most difficult experiences.
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.
That Man is You Come join an interactive men's program focused on development of male leadership in the modern world.
Youth Group Our mission is helping young people grow their relationships with Jesus Christ, deepen their understanding of the Catholic faith & build lasting friendships rooted in love, respect & service.

If you would like to join any of these programs, please contact the Parish Office. All are welcome!



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.

Women's Emmaus Retreat

Registration is Open!
Women's Emmaus Retreat is October 9-11.
Is this your year? Come, walk with Jesus & deepen your faith! "A retreat experience is always very good for us, our soul & our relationship with God. Please come."
When: Friday evening to Sunday afternoon
Where: Lake Shetek Retreat Center
Cost: $150, scholarships available.
To register, visit https://www.mmogafc.org/emmaus.html or contact Lisa Meyer at 507-530-2841.

SHE - She Shall Be Called Woman

Starting its 3rd year, SHE will be held at St. Anne's in the Gathering space every Monday. 9/28-11/23 - 6:30p. The theme is "Lift Up Your Hearts". Worship is one of the most fundamental aspects of what it means to be a Christian. All of creation was made to worship, and we, as humans, have an intimate connection to the call to praise, revere and venerate. It is what we were made for. This season, dive deep into not only the practical aspects of worship, but more importantly, recenter your deep longing to pour out your heart fully to the Lord.
Questions? Contact: DeVonna Zeug 507-828-7188

St. Mary - Cottonwood, Fall Festival and Raffle

9/20 - 11a-12:30p, Sunday Mass at 9:30a
Turkey Dinner + All the Trimmings with Home Made Desserts. (Adults: $15, Students 5-12: $10, Children 4 & Under: $Free, Take-Outs: $15) *Dine-In or Take-Out
Cake Walk, Country Store, Games, Online Auction

St. Aloysius - Olivia, Fall Festival & Chicken Dinner

10/11 - 11a-1p, Sunday Mass at 10a
Parish raffle with drawing at 1p (live on FB), pumpkin patch, farmers market, baked goods & silent auction.
Menu: Fried Chicken, Mashed Potatoes, Gravy, Dressing, Candied Carrots, Cranberries, Coleslaw, Dinner Roll, Pumpkin Dessert. (All Meals: $17)
*Dine-In or Take-Out Options Available

ST ANNE'S SCHOOL

St Anne School CUF Calendar Raffle Winners

September 14: Micah Fulton
September 15: Ryan Rothmeier
September 16: Ron Baune
September 17: Charlotte Salfer
September 18: Sue Huhnerkoch
September 19: Jameson Plaetz
September 20: Christopher Turbes

Salfer's Receipts

REMINDER: Save your Salfer receipts and turn them into the school office to be tallied!! Receipts collected until 3/3/27. Thank You Holden & Jim for their generous support. This past collection raised over $1,100.

Lockwood Motors Drive for the Kids

Thank You to everyone who helped organize and facilitate, as well as to everyone who participated in this year's Drive for the Kids event at our School Open House in August. *This year's event raised over $1,600.* Thank You Lockwood Motors for their generous support!

ST CATHERINE

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.
Thank You for Considering – Cindy Mumme (Food Shelf Coordinator)

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ST ANNE

Church of St. Anne

Wabasso, MN

Dinner and Festival



SUNDAY, SEPT. 27, 2026

10:00 A.M. MASS

Turkey Dinner with Trimmings
Served from 11:00 a.m. to 1:00 p.m.

Dine-In: Adults: $15.00, **Ages 4-11:** $8, **Under 3:** Free
All Take-outs: $15 (Tickets available at meal ticket table.)
For deliveries (in Wabasso), call 507-828-4808

Serving Apple and Pumpkin Pie!

HOT DOG/POP/BEER STAND, BINGO, GAMES, SILENT AUCTION AND COUNTRY STORE FROM 11:00 – 1:00
NO EARLY SALES

RAFFLE DRAWING AT 1:00 P.M.
(TICKETS AVAILABLE DURING DINNER)

PARKING LOT AVAILABLE AT PUBLIC SCHOOL
SHUTTLE SERVICE PROVIDED

Our Lady of Victory - Lucan, Final Church Mass

Former members and supporters of Our Lady of Victory Parish in Lucan are invited to attend the church's final Mass on Tuesday evening, 10/6, the eve of the Feast of Our Lady of Victory.
The evening will begin with the rosary at 5:30p., followed by Mass at 6p. A reception will follow at Knott's Corner in Lucan, where attendees can gather to celebrate and remember all the parish has meant.

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