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St Anne - Wabasso and St Catherine - Redwood Falls

SEPTEMBER 6, 2026 | 23RD SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME YEAR A



GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

A few summers ago, my family had a big reunion. It included my parents, my four siblings, and all their many children. One of my favorite moments was simply watching my parents' contented faces as they took in all of us together, laughing, sharing food, singing, telling stories. They loved seeing their children happily *together* with each other.

That is something like the heart of God we see in today's Gospel message about Christian reconciliation. These verses come right after Jesus' parable of the lost sheep. He is not giving the disciples a cold formula for dealing with conflict. He is revealing the Father's longing for children who love and reconcile with each other. His heart aches when his children are divided and isolated.

So when Jesus says, **"Go and tell your brother his fault,"** He is not deputizing us as morality police. He is inviting us into his mission of reconciliation. When he adds, **"If he listens to you, you have won over your brother,"** we glimpse the real goal. Not winning arguments, but reuniting a divided family.

These days, we often think religion is just between God and me. But the Father's dream is about a lively family, one in which His children forgive, gather, and rejoice together.

Lord Jesus, give me the courage to seek reconciliation where it is needed. Make my heart resemble the Father's heart, longing and working for unity among His children. Amen.

— Father John Muir ©LPi

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Ministry Schedules are available on our Website

Catholic Teaching on Labor

Question: *As we celebrate Labor Day, can you tell me about Catholic teaching regarding labor?*

Answer: One of the most important principles of Catholic social teaching is the dignity of work and the rights of workers. Four encyclicals address this foundational social teaching: *Rerum Novarum* (1891) by Leo XIII, *Quadragesimo Anno* (1931) by Pius XI, *Laborem Exercens* (1981), and *Centesimus Annus* (1991) by John Paul II. They address both the theology and dignity of work. In Gensis, God takes the initiative in creating the world, calling forth human beings to be faithful stewards of creation. We are thus formed to share in God's continuing creative activity by partnering with God in finishing the world and helping bring it to completion and fulfillment. From this perspective, work can be spiritually understood in terms of sharing in God's ongoing activity to build, create, and transform the world. Human beings are co-creators with God. This vocation demands self-discipline. Besides an exercise in self-discipline, work is also the means by which we develop and fulfill ourselves. In work, we shape the world and our environment. Through work, we also shape ourselves. Pope John Paul II summarized this point in *Laborem Exercens* #6, "the value of work is not primarily the kind of work being done, but the fact that the one who is doing it is a person." Labor Day offers an excellent opportunity to reflect on how we view work in light of our Catholic social teaching. ©LPi

MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS

SA-St Anne; SC-St Catherine; BV-Belview

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

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

Monday September 7
5:00pm | SC | d. JoAnn Sperl

Tuesday September 8
7:00am | SC | d. Donald Frank
8:30am | SA | d. Cyrilla MacDonald
10:00am | BV | Souls in Purgatory

Wednesday September 9
7:00am | SC | d. Frank Rohlik
8:30am | SA | d. Jerome, Daniel, & Mary Lipetzky

Thursday September 10
7:00am | SC | d. Evelyn Gewerth
8:30am | SA | d. Werner Fischer

Friday September 11
7:00am | SA | d. MaryAnn Woelfel
12:00pm | SC | d. Richard Jacoby

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

Next Sunday September 13
8:00am | SA | l&d Baune family members
10:00am | SC | 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

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

WEEKLY READINGS
WEEK OF SEPTEMBER 6-13

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday
23rd Sunday in Ordinary Time	1 Corinthians 5:1-8	*Feast of the Nativity of the Blessed Virgin Mary*	*Memorial of St Peter Claver*	1 Corinthians 8:1b-7, 11-13	1 Corinthians 9:16-19, 22b-27	1 Corinthians 10:14-22	*24th Sunday in Ordinary Time*
Ezekiel 33:7-9	Luke 6:6-11	Micah 5:1-4a	1 Corinthians 7:25-31	Luke 6:27-38	Luke 6:39-42	Luke 6:43-49	Sirach 27:30-28:7
Romans 13:8-10		Matthew 1:1-16, 18-23	Luke 6:20-26				Romans 14:7-9
Matthew 18:15-20							Matthew 18:21-35



WEEKLY STEWARDSHIP UPDATE

FOR THE WEEK OF 8/23/26

St Anne

Weekly Total	$6,724.44
DMA Goal	$23,730.67
DMA Pledged	$34,017.47
DMA Difference	$10,146.80

St Catherine

Weekly Total	$3,788.00
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

9/7: Aaron Struntz, Blaine Stoltenburg
9/8: Logan Wagner, Jordan Warnke
9/9: Jacob Weddle, Johnny G
9/10: Jaydan Baune, Frank Bryson
9/11: All Veterans
9/12: Those considering the military
9/13: Walker Clark II, Logan. DeBeer

VOCATIONS

9/7: Msgr Douglas Grams, Fr Frederick Fink, Dcn Timothy Dolan, Brent Sundve
9/8: Fr Nathan Hansen, Fr Anthony Hesse, Noah U'Ren
9/9: Fr John Hayes, Fr Jeffrey Horejsi, Fr Ronald Huberty, Matthew Collins
9/10: Fr Jeremy Kucera, Fr Dennis Labat, Aaron Geneer
9/11: Msgr Eugene Lozinski, Fr Mark Mallak, David Rabaey
9/12: Fr Brian Mandel, Fr Gerald Meidl, Mark Schommer
9/13: Fr Andrew Michels, Fr Robert Mraz, Dcn Anthony Grack, Dcn Brent Sundve

THE SICK

Week 1: Craig VanLoy, Theresa M, Paula, Al, Barb, Yvonne, Pam, Jared, Elaine
Week 2: Marlene S
Week 3: Jon K, Lynn M, Jean, Al, Gary, Jim, Craig Palan

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 9/6
4p SC Holy Hour

Monday 9/7
8a OLV Rosary/Prayer
4p SC Flame of Love Rosary

Tuesday 9/8

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

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

Friday 9/10
6a SA TMIY

Saturday 9/11
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.

YOU'RE INVITED

SEPTEMBER 12, 2026
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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

St Anne School CUF Calendar Raffle Winners

August 31: Dax Ellanson
September 1: Brady Prowatzke
September 2: Peyton Goblirsch
September 3: Nate Baune
September 4: Kevin Prahl
September 5: Erica Pope
September 6: Jordyn Balis

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.



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	~~$200~~ $300	Games & Prizes
C	$75	Chips	K	$500	Picnic Tables
D	$375	Postage	L	$275	Misc. supplies
E	$150	Water/pop	M	~~$200~~ $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)_____

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.

St Catherine Calendar Raffle Winners

September 2 - Nancy Prahl
September 4 - Barbara Bernardy
September 6 - Cheryl Gewerth

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 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!

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 are now 7:45a-3:15p
*Closed 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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