

# SHEPHERD OF SOULS AREA FAITH COMMUNITY



SEPTEMBER 14, 2025

## AFC MASS SCHEDULE

### Saturday

St. Philip, Litchfield ..... 5:00pm

### Sunday

St. Philip, Litchfield ..... 8:00am

Our Lady, Manannah ..... 8:00am

St. John, Darwin ..... 10:00am

St Anthony, Watkins ..... 10:00 am

St. Philip, Litchfield (Spanish)...12:00pm

## SACRAMENT OF RECONCILIATION

### Saturday

St. Philip 4:15 - 4:45 pm

### Thursday

St. John After 8:00am Mass

St. Anthony After 8:30am Mass

(3rd, 4th & 5th Thursday)

### Friday

Our Lady After 8:00am Mass

*Or Please call A Priest for an Appointment*



## THE EXALTATION OF THE HOLY CROSS

For God did not send his Son into the world to condemn the world, but that the world might be saved through him. - Jn 3:17

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### NEW MEMBER REGISTRATION

To register as members of any of our four parishes go to [www.shepherdofsouls.org](http://www.shepherdofsouls.org) and click on "I'm new". If you prefer, you may call the office of the church you wish to register at.

### AFC Mission Statement

Our Mission is to proclaim and celebrate Jesus Christ as the center of our lives and to make disciples for Jesus through building community, serving our Brothers and Sisters, sharing our faith and celebrating sacraments.

### LITCHFIELD CHURCH OF ST. PHILIP

821 East 5th Street | Litchfield, MN 55355 | 320-693-3313

### DARWIN CHURCH OF ST. JOHN

106 N. 4th Street | Darwin, MN 55324

320-693-9496 | 320-275-2915

### MANANNAH CHURCH OF OUR LADY

57482 CSAH 3 | Grove City, MN 56243

320-693-8900 | 320-453-7526

### WATKINS CHURCH OF ST ANTHONY

201 Central Ave S | Watkins, MN 55389 | 320-764-2755

# WELCOME!

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## PARISH STAFF

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### Parish Staff Church of St. Anthony

Jessica Teicher, Secretary/Bookkeeper	764-2755
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## **Never received the sacrament of Baptism? Or the sacrament of Confirmation? Or Holy Eucharist? Want to know more about the beliefs of the Catholic Church?**

OCIA, the Order of Christian Initiation for Adults, is the process by which our Catholic Church prepares adults for the Sacraments of Initiation: Baptism, Confirmation, and Eucharist. This includes Catholic adults who never received these sacraments in their younger years, or adults who are non-Catholics and wish to learn more about and better understand the beliefs of the Catholic Church. The OCIA process for unbaptized children, age 7-17 who want to enter into the Catholic Church is very similar to the adult process. To learn more about OCIA, call or text Pam Osborne 320-583-5206, or send an email to pame-laosborne657@hotmail.com. "Beloved, let us love one another, because love is of God." (1 John 4:7a)

## PASTOR'S LETTER

This Sunday is the Fall Festival at St. Anthony 10am-5pm.

"The situation in Gaza and across the Middle East cries out for the assistance of the Catholic community of the United States," said Archbishop Timothy P. Broglio, president of the U.S. Conference of Catholic Bishops (USCCB). In a letter to the U.S. bishops, he asked them to consider taking up a voluntary special collection in their dioceses, to support the efforts of Catholic Relief Services (CRS) and the Catholic Near East Welfare Association (CNEWA). Both organizations have well-established partnerships with the Catholic Church in the region to allow them to respond quickly and efficiently. "Our Church mourns the terrible suffering of Christians and other innocent victims of violence in Gaza and surrounding areas who are struggling to survive, protect their children, and live with dignity in dire conditions," continued Archbishop Broglio. "The Holy Father continues to call for a cease fire and for aid to enter the territory, noting with great sorrow that 'Gaza is starving,'" and encouraged the bishops to consider the special collection in their dioceses at their earliest opportunity. Bishop Zielinski asks us to take up a special collection for the sad situation in Gaza. We will do so next weekend, Sept. 20 & 21.

Peace be with you,  
Fr. Jeff Horejsi



Greetings from the  
School of St. Philip!

As I write this, the first weeks of school are finishing up and routines are close to being established. I'm thankful for all the smiling faces that enter the building each day and the opportunity we have as a parish to share the Good News with these little ones all day-every day. Thank you for your continued prayers and support as we embark on this year's adventures. Know that you are in our prayers!

Joyfully in Christ,  
Andrea Dietrich, School of St. Philip - Principal  
320-593-4774/adietrich@schoolofstphilip.org

**BLUE MASS** – Bishop Zielinski will be offering a "Blue Mass" at the Church of St Mary in New Ulm on September 29 at 5:30 pm. A "Blue Mass" is particularly to pray for those serving in the military, police and fire, and all first responders. It is offered each year on or near the Feast of St. Michael who is the patron saint of these workers. The Mass will be followed with light refreshments. Bishop Zielinski will be offering this Mass each year, rotating at different parishes throughout the Diocese in future years. Everyone is invited, all police, military, and other first responders are invited to wear their uniforms to the Mass

**St Anthony Church Cleaners:**

Church Cleaners: September 14-27  
 Jack & Rachel Kinzer, David &  
 Connie Kerkaert, Gary & Arlis Klein,  
 Jason & Jen Klein and families.  
 Call Theresa at 764-7251 to unlock.

**Bulletin Deadlines**

Please have your bulletin  
 announcements to Julie at  
 jschmitz@shepherdofsouls.org by  
 noon on Monday.  
 Thank you!

**My Parish App Features**

Did you download the Shepherd of  
 Souls AFC My Parish app yet?

Did You Know that you can pray with  
 the My Parish App?! The My Parish app  
 has over 50 prayers that you can use  
 to pray with. You can also set a re-  
 minder to pray certain prayers at spe-  
 cific times of the day. What better way  
 to incorporate prayer throughout the  
 day!

New: prayer groups and prayer re-  
 quests now accepted through the app.  
 Join the prayer group to pray for in-  
 tentions with the "Groups" button.  
 Request prayers (in the lower right  
 hand corner) of the "Prayers" button.  
 Let's join together as an  
 AFC in prayer to pray for  
 each other's needs!  
 Check it out!

**MASSES & INTENTIONS****MASS SCHEDULE AND INTENTIONS****Monday, September 15****Tuesday, September 16**

St. Philip, Litchfield 6:00 pm ..... † James & Lois Filzen  
 St. Anthony, Watkins 6:00 pm ..... CCW Members

**Wednesday, September 17**

Hilltop Care Center, Watkins 10:30am ..... † Marlene Kramer  
 St. John, Ed Center 7:15 pm ..... Faith Formation Students & Catechist

**Thursday, September 18**

St. John, Darwin 8:00 am ..... † Mary Jo Edwards  
 St. Anthony, Watkins 8:30 am ..... † Gerald Schreder

**Friday, September 19**

Our Lady, Manannah 8:00 am ..... Priest of the Diocese  
 St. Philip, Litchfield 8:30 am ..... † Lou Schutz

**Saturday, September 20**

St. Philip, Litchfield 5:00 pm ..... † MaryAnn Lhotka

**Sunday, September 21**

St. Philip, Litchfield 8:00 am ..... † Renee Brutger  
 Our Lady, Manannah 8:00 am ..... † Richard & Pat Lindmark  
 St. John, Darwin 10:00 am ..... † Bernice Bursch  
 St. Anthony, Watkins 10:00 am ..... † Ron Meierhofer  
 St. Philip, Litchfield 12:00 pm (Spanish) ..... People of the Parish



Mass live streaming on our website using Facebook Live every Saturday at 5:00 pm St. Philip, Sunday at 8:00 am at St. Philip & Our Lady, Sunday 10:00 am at St. John. You can follow us at <https://www.facebook.com/profile.php?id=100069068800296> The video will remain on our website after the mass is over.

**Please pray for those who are sick in the Parish especially...**

**St.P:** Todd Wheeler, Isaac Buhr, Dan Curran, Jasper Kargas, Antonio Franco, Sylvia Johnson, Jon Laney, Jan Paulson, Jordan Munson, Robin, Caitlin Pitts, Karen Marsh, Mary Knutson, Tim Kapperman, Kay Grams, Philip Johnson, Dale Andersen, Darlene Putney, Addie Fairbairn, Peg Shaw, Jeremy Munson, Carole Becker, Jim Knott, Marge Hanson, Pat Aaker, Jodi Henricksen Winkles, Summer Franco, Cordelia Lewandoski, Julie Eck, Pat Munson, Gunnar Pitts, Fae Alvarez, Alma Anderson, Peter Larson, Lynae Hanson. Prayer Line phone number 693-3313 ext 100.

**OL:** Prayer Line: Mary Kalkbrenner, George Pfeffer, Mary Hansen, Rosie Boyer, Art Haag, Grace Struthers, Jacquelyn Valiant. Prayer line phone number 693-8900.

**St.J:** Ednel Diedrich, Alec McLean, Marlys Roehl, Troy Kotila, Kim (Elke) Jack, Jacob Schmitz, Kathy Eggert, Janice Crowe, Lori Ficker, Wes Edwards, Jesse Steuck, Clarence Vorlicek, Mary Levinski, Phyllis Levno, Dale LaPlante, Reiden Cichoska, Tony Marelic, Betsy Wright, Jeff Peller, Debbie Francis, Elyn Guerre, Jon Edwards, Joyce Nyberg, Carlo Iovino, Eugene Stauber, Cassie Spike, Terri Liepold, Helena Posusta, Leon & Carol Schumacher, Ruth Brecht, Krystal Elke. Prayer Line Phone Number 693-9496.

**St.A:** The Jackie Boulton Family, Ron Welle, Luana Ley, Ellen Libbesmeier, Carol Huberty, Tom Huberty, Patrice Canfield, Joyce Manske, Gretta H, Layne Bennett, Ruth Geislinger, Jean Marthaler. Prayer Line phone number 764-2755.

**And all those who have asked for our prayers of healing of their friends and relatives.**



# Stewardship

Due to early bulletin deadlines we do not have current weekend collection numbers.

SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS and OFFERINGS FROM THE WEEKEND OF: August 31, 2025				
OFFERINGS	St. John	Our Lady	St. Philip	St. Anthony
Youth & Children Envelope	\$0.00	\$40.00	\$0.00	\$6.00
Adult Envelope	\$1,660.00	\$1,610.00	\$2,907.00	\$1,750.00
ACH (Auto payment)	\$765.00	\$160.00	\$1,570.00	\$745.00
Loose Plate Collection	\$323.05	\$116.00	\$758.36	\$341.00
<b>TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERING</b>	<b>\$2,748.05</b>	<b>\$1,926.00</b>	<b>\$5,235.36</b>	<b>\$2,842.00</b>
Weekly Amount needed for budget	\$3,902.00	\$2,501.00	\$10,160.00	\$3,785.00
<b>This Week's Difference</b>	<b>(\$1,153.95)</b>	<b>(\$575.00)</b>	<b>(\$4,924.64)</b>	<b>(\$943.00)</b>
YEAR TO DATE SUNDAY OFFERING	\$27,775.55	\$18,293.00	\$90,696.16	\$28,783.00
Year to Date Budget Needs	\$35,118.00	\$22,509.00	\$91,440.00	\$34,065.00
<b>YEAR TO DATE DIFFERENCE</b>	<b>(\$7,342.45)</b>	<b>(\$4,216.00)</b>	<b>(\$743.84)</b>	<b>(\$5,282.00)</b>

**Every Parishioner is a Gift to the Parish and the Church. Your Financial Contributions and the Gift of your time and talents in serving the needs of our Parish and Area Faith Community is a Blessing!**

Any donations can be mailed or made online at <https://www.shepherdsouls.org/donate> Please specify the name of the parish or fund you are donating to in the comments area.

## HAPPENING THIS WEEK

### MONDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

OL 1:00 pm ....OL Quilting

### TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

StP 8:30 am...Rosary  
 StP 9:00 am...Adoration Begins  
 StP 9:00 am....Mission Quilters  
 StP 9:00 am....Bible Time  
 StA 12:00 pm...Blood Drive  
 StP 5:45 pm ....Benediction  
 StJ 7:00 pm...Administrative Council Meeting

### WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

StJ 8:30 am...Quilting  
 StP 5:00 pm....Faith Formation Class Gr 4-6  
 StA 5:45 pm...Family Faith Formation (K-6th Gr.w/parents)  
 StJ 5:45 pm....Faith Formation Kick-Off  
 StP 6:30 pm ....Faith Formation Class Gr 7-11  
 OL 6:45 pm....Faith Formation Class Gr 3-11

### THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 18

StJ 8:30 am... Coffee & Rolls  
 AFC 4:00 pm.....AFC Social Concerns Meeting  
 StP 6:30 pm....Administrative Council Meeting

### FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 19

StP 8:00 am... Rosary  
 StP 6:00 pm...Holy Hour/Happy Hour

### SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 20

StA 7:30 am....Men's Group @ EV  
 StP 9:30 am... Women at the Well

### SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 21

OL 8:45 am...OL Sunday School  
 StJ 10:00 am...StJ Children's Liturgy  
 StP 11:20 am....Spanish Rosary  
 AFC 6:00 pm...The Chosen Watch Party @ StP  
 StA 7:00 pm....Bona Fide

Do you want to deepen ***your personal relationship with Jesus?***

Spend some time in His presence reflecting on His love.

Consider coming **the 1st and 3rd Tuesdays to St. Philip's church. Come and go anytime between 9:am-6:pm and stay as long as you like.**

Jesus will be displayed on the altar not just in the Tabernacle. He especially needs company between 3:00 to 5:00.

Just look at Jesus and let him speak to you.

For more info call Ann 612-201-4187



#### **Eucharistic Adoration**

He is waiting for you to come spend time praying. Eucharistic Adoration will be

**St. Anthony, Every Thursday -Friday**

Thursday 9:00 am to Friday 9:00 am

**St. Philip, Tuesday, September 16**

9:00 am Adoration begins, 5:45 pm Benediction

Everyone is welcome to come and pray!



Our Condolences to the Family & Friends of John Lahr, brother of Kathy Reinke. May John rest in eternal peace. The obituary can be found at [www.danielfuneralhome.com](http://www.danielfuneralhome.com).

# FAITH FORMATION

## Faith Formation Schedule

### **St. Philip - Wednesday, September 17**

5:00 pm Faith Formation Class Gr 4-6

6:00 pm Meal & Fellowship

6:30 pm Faith Formation Class Gr 7-11

**Sunday School** - for Preschool - Gr 3 meet every other Sunday at 9:15 -10:15 am. Beginning on Sunday, Sept 14

### **Our Lady-Wednesday, September 17**

6:45 pm Faith Formation Class Gr 3-11

**Sunday School** -Preschool to Grade 2 after Communion until 9:45 am. We begin on Sunday, Sept. 7

### **St. John, Wednesday, September 17**

Sept 17 - 6:30 pm Faith Formation Kick Off @ Ed Center  
Parents and children in grades 1-11th meet to celebrate Mass, meet their catechist for St. John's Faith Formation @ Ed center. Evening starts with a meal at 5:45 followed by activities, registration and parent meeting concluding with the celebration of Mass at 7:15

**Children's Liturgy** - Sunday mornings at 10:00 am beginning Sept 7th

### **St. Anthony, Wednesday, September 17**

Sept 17 - Family Faith Formation (K-6th Grade w/parents)  
5:45-7:45pm

Sept 24 - Classes for 7th-10th Graders 6:30-8pm  
Confirmation Class for 11th Graders 6:30-8pm

For more information refer to the AFC Google Calendar at [www.shepherdofsouls.org](http://www.shepherdofsouls.org)

## **Sunday Funday at the Farmyard / Good Neighbor**

**Day** - As Mister Rogers famously said, "Please won't you be... my neighbor?" Join us at A Maze'n Farmyard on Sunday, September 28th, from noon to 6PM, to celebrate our neighbors in faith and enjoy a day of fun, friendship, and fellowship. Let them know that you are part of the "church group" to get a discount! Concessions will be available and there is fun to be had by all ages! This event is a wonderful opportunity to connect with members of your own parish and meet new friends, in faith, from neighboring parishes.

**Rosary/Potluck** -The October Rosary/Potluck will be on Friday, October 3rd at 6PM and hosted by YOU? Call the St. Anthony office if you would like to host this fun event!

**Bible Time at St. Philip** - *"To fall in love with God is the greatest of all romances: to seek him, the greatest adventure."* St. Augustine

Join us for a journey through **"Matthew: The King and His Kingdom"** from *The Great Adventure Bible Study* presented by Jeff Cavins. Beginning **9:00 am Tuesday Sept 16th in the St. Philip's social hall classroom.**

Matthew's Gospel offers timeless wisdom and ethical guidance. We will come to see Jesus in a new way. Discover what his life and teaching mean for us while deepening our relationship with Jesus.

No books or homework. Everyone is welcome to any Tuesday session.

## **St. Anthony Donations for Family Faith Formation**

A light supper will be provided, once a month, for Family Faith Formation Nights. If you are able to donate money, food or meat please call our office at 320-764-2755 or drop your monetary donation in the collection marked "Food for Faith Formation Nights". Thank you for your support.

**Catechetical Sunday** - Faith Formation Volunteers are invited to receive a blessing at the Sunday, September 21st Mass. We thank all the volunteers that step up to witness to the faith through teaching, aiding, supervising, feeding and witnessing in the faith formation program. Blessings on a fruitful year May the Holy Spirit fill you with the graces needed.

## **Looking for Speakers for STA/EV Family Faith Formation**

- Would you prayerfully consider speaking at one (or more) of our classes? When shared, our witness and personal experiences can soften the hearts of others listening to our message. This can also help people who are questioning their faith reach out to a smiling face like ours. We have Family Faith Formation in both Eden Valley and Watkins (two separate weeks) and we have been asking speakers to present at both locations (the same topic). Topics include: The Mission of Our Family, Jesus: My Friend and Savior, Family Life: Building Your Domestic Church, The Bible: Our Family's Story, The Holy Spirit: Power and Strength for your Family, The Church and our Journey to Heaven, Mary and the Saints: Family Friends for the Journey & Family and Faith are Forever. Please take this to prayer asking the Holy Spirit to guide you in discerning this call. Do note that with each of these topics there is an outline, video and resources to help you get started with each topic.

## **St. Anthony 7th-12th Grade Youth Night**

All students in 7th-12th grade are invited to attend the first youth night of the year at St. Anthony September 23rd from 6:30 to 8:30pm. FREE Food, games, and Adoration. The topic of the evening is "If you want it, come and get it: Running the Race to Win." Invite your friends and see you September 23rd.

## **Youth Ministry Recommendation**

Does your child have tons of questions about the Faith that you have questions about yourself? Aquinas 101 has tons of short videos and courses explaining various aspects of our Catholic Faith for FREE. I would recommend for grades 4th on up. Look up Aquinas 101 or scan the QR code below.



**Lifeline October 4th**- All students in grades 9th-12th and their parents are invited to attend a Lifeline event at the NET Center in West St. Paul October 4th from 6:00pm-9:30pm. Please look at your email for information or contact Sam at [evwyouthministry@gmail.com](mailto:evwyouthministry@gmail.com) for more details.

Come to the Table

## Holy Hour + Happy Hour

Friday, September 19<sup>th</sup> 6:00 - 8:15

at the Church of St. Philip

Adoration & Confession 6:00 - 7:00

Happy Hour at Three Sons Seltzer in Litch



### Tired of listening to the same thing on the radio?

Give Relevant Radio a try and you will be glad you did! With their free app, stay connected anytime. Listen to inspiring conversations, grow spiritually with powerful devotions, and embrace your journey to be-

come closer to God. There are also two local radio stations who are affiliated with Relevant Radio (their programming hours may differ from the app): St. Cloud KYES 1180AM & MPLS WLOL 1330AM. Each week we will introduce you to a program that Relevant Radio offers. Week 1: 5-8 AM: Morning Air® with John Morales is an inspiring, informative, joyful, and family-friendly way to start your day! From breaking news and social issues to tips for business, parenting and family life, Morales and co-hosts Glen Lewerenz (who grew up in Paynesville, MN!), and Sarah Tafoya cover every topic from a balanced, Catholic perspective. \*Also, visit the Relevant Radio table at the St Anthony Festival for info, brochures and stickers!

**Job opening:** Cleaner at the St. John Education Center near the D/C school. Hours may vary between 2-6 hours per week. Also available: Snow removal for the sidewalk at the Ed Center. Contact Fr. Jeff at 320-221-4120 or [frjeff@shepherdofsouls.org](mailto:frjeff@shepherdofsouls.org)

### Did you know?

That St. Anthony's has a thrift store in their church basement!? The thrift store has been offering bargains on household goods, clothes, home decor and so much more for years! The store is open on Thursdays and Saturdays, 9AM-12PM. In the event that there is a funeral, the thrift store will not be open. They will also take your donations. It's best to drop off your donations during the hours they are open. Please no large items or electronics or things that need to be plugged in.

**St. Anthony CCW:** We are planning a pilgrimage for the year of hope on Wednesday Sept. 24. We will be starting the day with mass at the Hilltop at 10:30 am. We will stop for lunch, go to St. John's Abbey for a tour of the church at 1:30 and finish with a rosary at Assumption Chapel in Cold spring. If you would like to join us contact Kathy Erpelding, 320-248-9908, by Sept 17.

**St. John KC Pancake Breakfast** -The St. John's Knights of Columbus invite you to a pancake breakfast following the 10:00 Mass on **Sunday October 5**. Your generous free-will offering will benefit KC'S programs.



### Silent Auction Items Needed!

The St. Philip Silent Auction Committee is seeking donation items: Baskets/items, tickets to events, etc. All items will be up for bidding starting at St. Philip Turkey Dinner and will run through and wrap up at the Ladies Night Out event.

Please drop donation items off at the St. Philip Parish Office.

For any questions please contact Monica Schreiber, Event Coordinator at 320-693-3313 x106

Help us to help those in need this holiday season!

### Seeking October Kitchen Volunteers!

Seeking kitchen volunteers to go to "A Place of Hope" in St. Cloud to help prepare and serve meals to the homeless on **October 9, 2:00-6:30 PM**. Children are also welcome to help, but should be accompanied by a parent. Contact Jessie in the St. Anthony office to sign up to volunteer.

### 40 Days For Life Opening Rally is Wed, Sept 24 12pm to 2pm at St Mary's Cathedral, St Cloud.

Ramona Trevino from our National Leadership Team will be our speaker at 1pm the lower level with a light lunch & fellowship provided. She will first be joining us for the daily 12:05 Mass in the upper level church, but anyone is welcome to come join us at 1pm for the speaker & light lunch in the lower level. After her talk, Ramona will be joining us at the vigil site for a rosary, which will begin our 40 Days For Life Campaign, Sept 24-Nov 2, 2025 Sign up at [40daysforlife.com/stcloud](http://40daysforlife.com/stcloud). to join us at the vigil

### "The Chosen" Seasons 3 and 4 watch party!

Sunday evenings, 6:00-8:00 pm at St Philip's Church. Whether you've seen it all before or are watching for the first time, this story is for YOU. Jesus is inviting you into his story to share your faith with others. No registration, come when you can.

**No cost, no homework, no studying, no pressure.**

**Everyone is welcome!**

**Season 4 Dates: Sept 7, 14, 21, 28, Oct 5, 12**

**(Please Note: October 5th time will be 3:30 to 5:30 pm instead of 6:00 pm)**



**Church of St. Anthony Fall FESTIVAL**  
**Sunday, Sept. 14, 2025 • 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.**  
 Located at Church of St. Anthony's, Watkins

**Join us for 10:00 a.m. Outdoor Mass**  
 (Weather Permitting, Bring a Chair)

- Schiefelbein Hamburgers • Corn Dogs • Chicken Strips
- French Fries • Onion Rings • Fried Bread
- Nachos • Pie & Ice Cream • Root Beer Floats
- Ice Cream Sundaes • Beer Garden & Bloody Marys

**Live Music!** **Max & Deb Band**  
**Playing 12:30 - 4:30 p.m.**

**\$2,000 Grand Prize Raffle**  
**\$7,000 Paid Out in Prizes**

- 50/50 Hourly Raffle • Bingo
- Childrens' Games & Inflatables (11 a.m. - 3 p.m.)
- Silent Auction • Pull Tabs • Bake Walk

#### St. Anthony Church Project Financials

Remaining Money on Hand: \$201,459.29  
 Remaining Unpaid Pledges: \$41,463.47  
 Remaining 1st Phase Exterior Projects: Sacristy Roof & Tuckpointing



**Spiritual Adoption** "JESUS, MARY, and JOSEPH, I LOVE YOU VERY MUCH. I BEG YOU TO SPARE THE LIFE OF THE UNBORN BABY I HAVE SPIRITUALLY ADOPTED, WHO IS IN DANGER OF ABORTION. AMEN."

Your Spiritually Adopted Baby is 33 weeks old. Baby swallows a gallon of amniotic fluid daily. Baby weighs 4.4 pounds and is 16 inches long!

#### Community Blood Drives

American Red Cross Blood Drives  
**Watkins** - Tuesday, September 16th, from 12-6 p.m. at St. Anthony's Church.

**Darwin** - Wednesday, September 17th, from 12-6 pm at the Darwin City & Township Hall.



The need for blood is crucial and donors of all types are needed. Please consider being a blood donor. To make an appointment, call 1-800-RED CROSS (1-800-733-2767) or visit RedCrossBlood.org and enter: Watkins to schedule an appointment, or download the Red Cross Blood Donor app. Walk-ins are welcome, but appointments are given priority. Remember to bring identification along and complete your Rapid Pass. Thank you for considering giving the gift of life.

#### CHURCH OF OUR LADY, MANANNAH

57482 CSAH 3, Grove City (Manannah)



### Grilled Smoked PORK CHOP SUPPER & RAFFLE

**SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 2025**  
**SERVING FROM 4:00 P.M. TO 7:00 P.M.**

Cost Adults \$15.00 Ages 6-12 \$6.00  
 under 5 Free

Menu: Grilled Smoked Pork Chops,  
 Au gratin Potatoes, Corn, bread & dessert  
**Country Store**

Tickets for the raffle are currently being sold by all Church of Our Lady members.  
 \$5 per ticket - \$50 per book (10 chances)  
 Drawing September 28th, 2025 at 7 p.m.  
 Winner Need Not Be Present



NATIONAL  
**Eucharistic  
 Revival**  
DIOCESE OF NEW ULM

#### "The Body of Christ" AMEN!

By the Words of Consecration pronounced by the priest celebrant in persona Christi at Mass, Jesus comes to us. God is truly present. "What we cannot do, our Lord is able to do. Jesus, perfect God and perfect man, leaves us, not a symbol, but a reality. He will go to the Father, but He will also remain among men. Under the appearances of bread and wine, Jesus is really present, with His Body and Blood, with His Soul and Divinity."

Meditate on the above reflection from St. Josemaria's book, Christ is Passing By

**YOUNG ADULT COMMUNITY**

**TO THE HEIGHTS**  
*Verso L'Alto*

Hosted by the St. John Paul II AFC  
 for all surrounding young adults!

 Join the GroupMe to get connected!

 Fellowship, small groups, prayer and more!  
 Ages 18-30

September 14<sup>th</sup>: Ultimate Frisbee  
 Oscar Olson Park in Glencoe 6-8pm

September 28<sup>th</sup>: Yard Games and Campfire  
 with Fr. Matthew Wiering  
 Holy Trinity Church in Winsted 6-8pm  
 Contact Aleah Vetsch (320) 327-0182 with any questions!