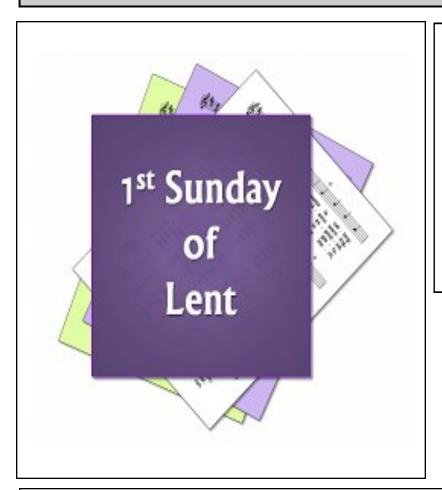


# Shepherd of Souls Area Faith Community "Called to be the Face of Christ" www.shepherdofsouls.org

# Bulletin for Sunday, February 21, 2021 First Sunday of Lent



#### **AFC Mass Times**

#### Saturday -

4:00pm Church of Our Lady, Manannah

5:00pm St. John 's, Darwin

#### Sunday -

8:00am St. Philip's, Litchfield

8:30am Church of Our Lady, Manannah

10:00am St. John's, Darwin

10:30am St Philip's, Litchfield

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

#### **Sacrament of Reconciliation**

Saturday – 3:30 pm at Our Lady Saturday - 4:30 pm at St. John 1st & 3rd Tuesday - 4:00 pm at St. Philip

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#### **WEEKLY SCHEDULE & MASS INTENTIONS**

Monday February 22	8:00 am—Darwin		Word & Communion	
Tuesday, February 23	8:00 am-Darwin	÷	Fr. Joel Kelly	
	8:30 am - Litchfield		Special Intention (A)	
Wednesday February 24	8:00 am-Forest City		People of the Parish	
	8:00 am - Manannah		Shut Ins	
Thursday,	8:00 am - Darwin	÷	Jerry Schaefer	
February 25	9:00 am - Bethany Residents only	Ŷ	Lois Flizen	
Friday, February 26	8:00 am –Manannah	ŧ	Henry & Ida Poepping	
	9:00 am - Litchfield	÷	Tom Wolbeck	
Saturday,	4:00 pm– Manannah	Û	Carlie & Gen Danielson Family	
February 27	5:00 pm-Darwin	•	Claude & Mary Edwards	
Sunday February 28	8:00 am-Litchfield	ŧ	JoAnn DeRamus- Oxford	
	8:30 am-Manannah		Laabs Family	
	10:00 am - Darwin	÷	Paulette Svoboda	
	10:30 am - Litchfield	÷	Elaine Yungk	
	12:00 pm-Litchfield (Spanish)		People of the Parish	

# Area Faith Community Calendar of Events For More Info go to the AFC website

Monday February 22	StP - 1:00 pm Daughters of Isabella
Tuesday February 23	StP - 8:00 am Rosary StP - No Mission Quilters StJ - 6:00 pm Worship Committee Meeting
Wednesday February 24	StP - 5:00 pm Faith Formation Gr. 4-7 StP - 6:30 pm Faith Formation Gr. 8-11 StJ - 6:30 pm Faith Formation Gr. K-11 OL - 6:45 pm Faith Formation Gr. 5-11 & Parent Enrichment
Thursday February 25	OL - 7:00 pm Administrative Council Meeting
Friday February 26	StP - 8:30 am Rosary StJ - 5:00 pm Reconciliation StJ - 6:00 pm Station of the Cross
Saturday February 27	StP - 9:00 am Men's Virtual Retreat & Bible Study in the Social Hall
Sunday February 28	OL - 9:20 am Sunday School

Communion - If you are watching Mass online or on TV and would like the opportunity to receive communion you can come to the St. Philip parking lot on Sundays at 9:00 am. We can walk up for communion or stay in your vehicle

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

**St.P:** Gretchen Condon, Todd Wheeler, Isaac Buhr, Beckie Schaefer, Dan Curran, Beverly Lindell, Fran Tintes, Jasper Kargas, Donald Putney, Theresa Chiarelli, Antonio Franco, Sylvia Johnson, Robert Becker, Jon Laney, Jan Paulson, Jordan Munson, Robin, Caitlin Pitts, Karen Marsh, Shirley Buck, Ed McGraw, Eileen Mihlbauer, Sandra Paulsen, Ann Nonweiler, Dorothy Tacheny, Mary Knutson, Audrey Stoffel, Tim Kapperman, Lindsey Paulsen, Kay Grams, Lou Huber, Philip Johnson, Dale Andersen, Darlene Putney, Addie Fairbairn. Prayer Line phone number 593-8944.

**OL:** Prayer Line: Mary Kalkbrenner, Nancy Haag, George Pfeffer, Dolores Wiechmann, McKenzie Knisley Family, June Tierney, Mary Hansen. Prayer line phone number 693-8900.

**St.J:** Ednel Diedrich, Susan Hummel, Alivia Hemsworth, Amber Walker, Alec McLean, Marlys Roehl, Don Bollman, Luis Larios, Troy Kotila, Kim (Elke) Jack, Raylan Russel, Kathy Thissen, Rosemary Paidl, Glen Worden, Jeffery Baert, Grayson Zimmermann, Patrick Ecklund, Mike Ackerman, Jacob Schmitz, Kathy Eggert, Daralyn Goldsberry, George Olson. Prayer Line Phone Number 693-9496.

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

#### A Note from Fr. Jeff Horejsi ....

As a follow up to our AFC Mission, Deacon Ralph encouraged us to sign up and be a part of a small group during the six weeks of Lent. This is an excellent way to grow in our faith with fellow parishioners. If you have not already signed up, please do so as soon as possible through our shepherdofsouls.org website or by filling out a paper form at church.

Lent is a time of prayer, fasting and almsgiving. If you haven't started these disciplines yet, now is the time.

We will be streaming Mass live on our website using Facebook Live every Sunday at 8:00 am. You can follow us at https://www.facebook.com/pg/Shepherd-Of-Souls-AFC-109977054166477/videos/. The video will remain on our website after the mass is over.

Again, I want to thank you for your continued financial gifts to your parish. Any donations can be mailed or made online at https://www.shepherdofsouls.org/donate. Please specify the name of the parish or fund you are donating to in the comments area.



#### The Daughters of Isabella News:

The Daughters of Isabella will be having their meeting on Monday, February, 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00pm in the Social Hall at St. Philip's Church.

Hostesses will be Renya Mclean and Patricia LaBlance.



#### Faith Formation ...

#### St. Philip - Wednesday, Feb 24

5:00 pm Faith Formation for Gr 4-7 6:30 pm Faith Formation for Gr. 8-11

<u>Sunday School</u> - Sunday School at St. Philip's for children Kind-Gr 3 will meet 9:15 –10:15 am every other week.

#### St. John - Wednesday, Feb 24

6:30 pm Faith Formation Gr. K-11 at Education Center

<u>Children's Liturgy</u> - Sunday, Feb. 21st, for ages 3 to Grade 2 at the 10:00 am Mass.

#### Our Lady - Wednesday, Feb 24

6:45 pm Faith Formation for Gr. 5-11 6:45 pm Parent Enrichment

**Sunday School** - Sunday School for grades K to Grade 4 on Sundays at 9:20 am-10:15 am.

For more information refer to the AFC Google Calendar at www.shepherdofsouls.org

# Please Join us as we gather together to pray STATIONS OF THE CROSS

Each Friday of Lent at 6:00pm.

We once again have planned to schedule "Stations" for each Friday during Lent to be held at one of our Parishes each week. This year we will **not** have a soup supper to follow. Gathering together as members of our AFC Parishes is a wonderful way to pray for each other. Please join us each Friday during Lent as we pray, meditating on the Lord's suffering and death for us.

#### Our Schedule is as follows.

February 26 @ Church of St. John, Darwin March 5 @ Church of Our Lady, Manannah

March 12 @ Church of St Philip, Litchfield

March 19 @ Church of St. John, Darwin

March 26 @ Church of Our Lady, Manannah

**Individual Confessions** will be held from 5:00pm to 6:00pm each of these Fridays before Stations!



#### **Area Lenten Reconciliation Services**

#### Wednesday, March 3rd

6:30pm St. Philip, Litchfield

#### Wednesday, March 10th

6:45pm Our Lady, Manannah

#### Wednesday, March 17th

6:30pm St. John's Education Center

#### Sunday, March 28th

4:00pm St. Philip, Litchfield

The Sacrament of Reconciliation is also celebrated on Saturdays each week. St. Philip offers the sacrament on the first and third Tuesdays of the month from 4-5 pm.

The sacrament will also be held from 5:00pm to 6:00pm each Friday before Stations.

<u>Volunteers Needed</u>: The Lutheran Social Service Meals on Program is in urgent need for Meals on Wheels volunteer drivers in the City of Litchfield, Monday through Friday. If you are interested in volunteering please contact Regional Manager in Litchfield Chrissy Elton 320-905-2528 or at Chrissy.elton@lssmn.org

#### Blood Drive Litchfield Community

St. Philip's Church
Tuesday, February 23, 2021
1:00 pm to 7:00 pm
Please call 1-800-Red Cross (1-800-733-2767) or visit
RedCrossBlood.org enter Sponsor Code: Litchfield

#### Happy 100th Birthday Florence!!!

Florence Rezek, mom to Ginny Olberding and grandma to Andrea Carew and great grandma to Jordan and Alex is celebrating her 100th birthday on March 5th. Notes or cards would be greatly appreciated!!!

901 So Meadow Rd. Litchfield.

THANK YOU!



# **Eucharistic Adoration During Lent**

He waiting for you to come spend time praying.

Eucharistic Adoration will be on:

#### Tuesday, March 2 at The Church of St. Philip

Adoration begins at 8:30 am, Reconciliation at 4 pm, Benediction at 5:15 pm and Mass at 5:30 pm

#### Tuesday, March 16 at The Church of St. Philip

Adoration begins at 8:30 am, Reconciliation at 4 pm, Benediction at 5:15 pm and Mass at 5:30 pm

#### Friday, March 5 at Church of Our lady

Adoration begins at 7:00am, Benediction/Mass at 8:00am

#### Friday, March 5 at Church of St. John

Adoration begins at 3:00pm, Benediction at 8:00pm.

Everyone is welcome to come and pray!



#### **BISHOP LUCKER LECTURE**

Monday, March 8th at 7:00pm This year it's a VIRTUAL EVENT!

To join the event visit www.dnu.org. Click the registration form link to receive login information. Free Admission / Sponsored by the Diocese of New Ulm

# Featured speaker will be Johnnette Benkovic Williams, founder of EWTN's Women of Grace.

A non-practicing Catholic for many years, in 1981 Johnnette experienced a deep conversion back to her Catholic faith that sparked a new vocation of sharing the Gospel message through radio and television. Tune-in to hear her JOURNEY IN FAITH.

For those who would like to gather together to participate in this event, we will live stream it at St. Philip's Social Hall at 7:00 pm.

The Band of Brothers & The Knights of Columbus are sponsoring a gathering to live stream the retreat at St. Philip's Hall on Feb. 27 from 9 am to noon.





Drive-Thru
Soup & Sandwich Lunch
Sunday, February 21st 11-2 pm
(or until sold out)
Church of St. Philip
\$8.00

For Choice of Soup: Chicken Noodle or Beef Barley And Sandwich: Egg Salad or Ham Salad



All Proceeds benefit the School of St. Philip Scholarship Fund



All Catholic United Financial raffle tickets must be turned in by the end of February. That means you still have time to get yours. Stop by the school or church office. Every dollar raised goes to support our school. Plus, you get the chance to win a prize. The winners of the student drawing last week were first grader Emma Springer, 2nd grader Andrew Bartes and 3rd grader

#### Kelsey Schmitz. CONGRATULATIONS!

I hope you have plans for lunch today and I hope it is the Soup & Sandwich Drive-Thru. Today you get soup, sandwich, and a cookie for only \$8. The proceeds go directly into our scholarship fund. Take a break from the kitchen and support our school at the same time.

This week we received a \$1,000 dollar donation for our school. The donor asks to remain anonymous. But I want all of you to know that we pray that God will bless our school and He continues to answer our prayers with this wonderful gift. Thanks be to GOD and blessings on this wonderful benefactor!

The public school recently announced that they will not be having school on the following Wednesdays: February 24, March 10 & 24, April 14 & 28, and May 12. We will not be following that schedule. We will be in school!!

This week's silver donor is SJP DESIGNS in Litchfield. Sara Jo Pollock is ready to help meet all your decorating needs no matter how big or how small. THANK YOU Sara for your kind support of our Small Steps Big Intentions Marathon!

#### Percy Lingen

School of St. Philip ~ Principal 320-593-4774/plingen@schoolofstphilip.org





St. Cloud Lenten Campaign
February 17 to March 28, 2021
Daily Prayer Vigil – Monday – Friday (7 AM -7 PM)
Vigils held ON the public sidewalk in front of Planned
Parenthood For more information contact Judy Haag judy4life@meltel.net 320-453-7592

We now have our own signup calendar: <a href="http://signup.com/go/SNMPKGO">http://signup.com/go/SNMPKGO</a>

The Following is from Ron Leither, our dedicated Friday Captain at "40 Days For Life-St Cloud" It is his story of "calling people to 'come pray' for an END TO ABORTION". You can answer this call by joining the Friday Vigil at Assumption Church in Eden Valley, or by joining us in St Cloud as indicated above. To join at Assumption's VIGIL, contact Joe Loch at 763-438-8362 or Janet Binsfeld at 320-444-1619 Signs will be provided at church or you can bring your own.



#### **OPERATION RICE BOWL**

We encourage every family to participate in this year's Operation Rice Bowl Campaign to help feed the needy of the world.



#### **Knights of Columbus**

Litchfield PJ Casey #2029 15th Annual

Fish Fry

Friday, March 19, 2021

Drive Thru only at The Church of St. Philip Serving from 11:00am - 7:00pm

(or until they run out of fish)

Eden Valley Food Shelf - Is open every 1st and 3rd Wednesday of the month, 1:30 pm to 4:30 pm. They are located at 556 Brooks St N, Eden Valley.

#### FORMED PICK OF THE WEEK

# Something to Watch: The wild Goose: Episode 10 The Spirit and the Desert

Sometimes we might feel like we're stuck in spiritual deserts. In this episode of The Wild Goose, Fr. Dave Pivonka shares how the Holy Spirit is present even in these times of desolation.

#### **Something to Learn: The Next Pope**

As we celebrate the Feast of the Chair of St. Petert his week, join Dr. Tim Gray and George Weigel as they discuss the past, present, and future of the papacy!

#### Something to Listen to: Love, Sacrifice, Trust: He Showed Us the Way By Fr. Mike Schmitz

In this talk, Fr. Mike Schmitz shares with us the need to pick up our crosses and embrace Christ in our own suffering. He reminds us that love often means sacrifice!

Listen on formed.org (AFC access code FQ9PPK)

Help Wanted – The Church of St. Philip is looking for someone with a Special Boilers License to check/maintain the boilers at the School of St. Philip when Dave is off or is unable to check them. Do you have this license or would you like to obtain it and be Dave's helper. Please contact Dave at 320-221-1045 or Brenda at the Parish office.

**Senior Dining** - This is an opportunity for diners 60+ to get a hot meal. Please call (320)693-6318 before 11:30 am at least one day in advance to order meals. No one will answer the phone, so please leave a message. Include your name and the dates you want to order meals. Menu is available in the Narthex

Pietra Fitness—A retreat for body and soul! Pietra Classes now taking place virtual.

for info & dates Marsha Goraczkowski Call: 320-221-1698

Email: magorski65@gmail.com



SUNDAY CONTRIBUTIONS and	February 14, 2021		
OFFERINGS	St. John	Our Lady	St. Philip
Youth & Children Envelope		\$13.00	
Adult Envelope	\$1,515.00	\$1,407.00	\$5,736.00
ACH (Auto payment)	\$600.00		
Loose Plate Collection	\$216.73	\$153.00	\$314.00
TOTAL SUNDAY OFFERING	\$2,331.73	\$1,573.00	\$6,050.00
Weekly Amount needed for budget	\$3,235.30	\$2,042.00	\$7,943.69
This Week's Difference	(\$903.57)	(\$469.00)	(\$1,893.69)
YEAR TO DATE SUNDAY OFFERING	\$105,726.50	\$73,763.91	\$241,349.29
Year to Date Budget Needs	\$106,764.90	\$67,386.00	\$262,141.77
YEAR TO DATE DIFFERENCE	(\$1,038.40)	\$6,377.91	(\$20,792.48)

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!

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Do you have a loved one that you would like to have a Mass Intention memorial said or perhaps a special prayer intention you would like to have said? Call your parish office to schedule your Mass Intention or call Brenda at 320-693-3313 or Julie at 320-693-8900 or 320-693-9496.

Diocesan Catholic Charities:

1-866-670-5163



Bulletin Announcements: Please have your bulletin announcements to Julie at jschmitz@shepherdofsouls.org. By noon on Tuesday. Thank you!

If you, a family member, or someone you are caring for is in need of a visit or communion because you or they cannot be at Mass, or if someone is in the hospital, please contact your parish office, or Fr. Brian, so we can make arrangements for a visit.

**Report Suspected abuse of Minors to Civil and Church Authorities:** Diocese of New Ulm Safe Environment 507-233-5301, Meeker County Sheriff Dept. 320-693-5400, National Child Abuse Hotline: 1-800-422-4453



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