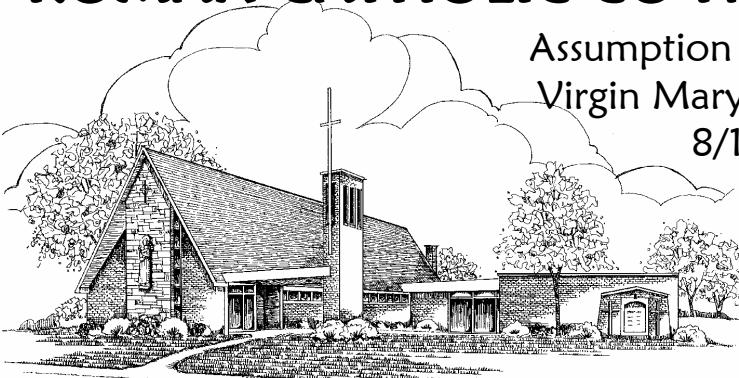
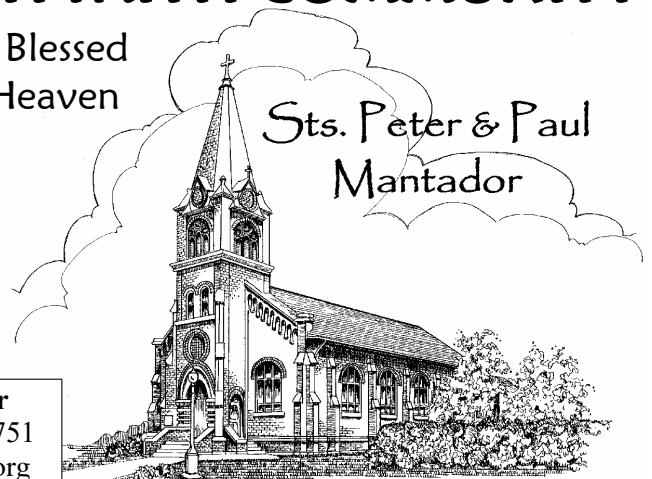


ROMAN CATHOLIC CO-PARISH FAITH COMMUNITY

Assumption of the Blessed
Virgin Mary into Heaven
8/15/21



St. Anthony
Mooreton



Sts. Peter & Paul
Mantador

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St Anthony 8/21 5:00 pm

Lector Joe Braun
Usher Joe Erbes
Servers Pauly's
Sts Peter & Paul 8/22 8:30 am

Lector Craig Pausch
Usher Jeff Mauch
Servers

St Anthony 8/22 10:30 am

Lector Arnel Onchuck
Usher Rich Spellerberg
Servers Onchucks
Gifts Johnsons

Light in Darkness

I hope you read the New Earth magazine (from the Diocese) each month. This week I want to share an article from the current issue for those who might miss it... We are to let God's light shine in our lives so that his light will shine through us to the darkness of our world. Sr. Mary Katherine, SOLT, writes about the increasing darkness of our world and gives three great sources of God's grace (life and light):

I've reached the age (68) when people tend to compare their idyllic childhoods to the present sorry state of the world. You've heard it all too often, but over the last 60 years the American scene has changed dramatically... {The article contains three examples}

When discouraged by current events, I've ventured to share my perceptions with friends, hoping they'd cheerfully persuade me that my fears of an accelerating moral fall are exaggerated. But so far they've all agreed with me.

My friends have readily concurred with my assessment: yes, we are living in times of increasing moral darkness. Why be surprised? Did not St. John Paul II warn us back in 1995 of the possibility of a "new spiritual crisis, whose dangers are apparent not only at the personal level but regarding civilization itself" (Evangelium Vitae, 68)? My spiritual director, who is nobody's fool, refers to our times as "the new dark ages."

It may well be that a good deal of the church attendance of my childhood had more to do with fitting in with the surrounding culture than with a sincere belief in Christ Jesus. However, it seems fair to say that while my friends and I grew up in a society that mostly respected the Christian faith, today's children will come to maturity in one increasingly hostile to it.

If I am correct, how will we remain faithful to Christ the King as we are increasingly ridiculed, calumniated, and marginalized? Where will we gain the strength to swim against an increasingly virulent tide that may include even our own family and friends? From God obviously. He will be with us always, "to the close of the age" (Matt. 28:29). I'd like to suggest three unsurpassable sources of his grace.

THE EUCHARIST We have to begin here, since the Eucharist is the source and summit of all Christian life (Lumen Gentium, 11). The Holy Sacrifice of the Mass gives us Jesus, the Bread of Angels, our Bread of Life on our perilous journey back to our heavenly Father. Faithful assistance at Sunday Mass provides the surest way of growing in friendship with Christ, and strengthens us to remain true to the *{continued back side}*

Mass Intentions - Changes in Bold

Mon, 16 **No Mass** - (m) St Stephen of Hungary

Tue, 17 StsPP 8:30 am Alice Pellman (†)

Wed, 18 StA 5:45 pm Joe, Alvina, Linda, Patty & Franck Bosch (†)

Thu, 19 StsPP 8:30 am John Mertes (†) - (m) St John Eudes

Fri, 20 StA 9:30 am Steve Aberle (†) - (M) St Bernard

Sat, 21 StA 5:00 pm Joyce Driscoll (†) - (M) St Pius X

Sun, 22 StsPP 8:30 am Nettie Mauch

Sun, 22 StA 10:30 am All parishioners

Prayer are requested for the following: Joanne Althoff, Loretta Althoff, Dolores Davis, Kerri Giesen, Jacinta Goerger, Tony Heitkamp, Jackie Lingen, Dennis Mauch, Diane (Jim) Mauch, Macy Mauch, Jim Mitchell, Loran Palmer, Alice Pausch, Marietta Pellman, Elizabeth Thom, Wayne Ward, Aron Waxweiler, Gene Werner, Frances Zajac.
Send names of loved ones needing prayer to Fr Gunwall.

Don't forget! This Sun.,, August 15!

65th Annual Pilgrimage to the Shrine of Our Lady of the Prairies

2 pm The Blessed Virgin Mary, St Joseph, and the Saints - Fr Anderl

3 pm Rosary & Confessions available

5 pm Mass with Bishop Folda

6 pm Picnic

Upcoming Events

Sun 15 StsPP 9:30am Cookies NCSOF 70th Anniv.
Sun 15 StA 11:30am 150 Club drawing
Sun 15 Carmel of Mary 2pm Pilgrimage
Fri 20 StA 6am Men's Group

Question of the Week

What would I choose to include in my own

Magnificat? For what great things would I praise God?

Memorize God's Word: Finally, be strong in the Lord and in the strength of his might. Put on the whole armor of God, that you may be able to stand against the wiles of the devil. (*Ephesians 6:10-11*)

Grow this week: Read along or listen to the entire Bible with Fr. Mike Schmitz. Download the reading plan. Listen to the Bible and a short explanation each day to better understand what you're reading. Use this link to sign-up for a reminder <https://ascensionpress.com/pages/biy-registration>

Reaching out with the Good News - What are **we** doing to reach our communities with the Good News of Jesus Christ and the fullness of the Catholic Faith? What are **you** doing? In the last year, as pastor, I sent my Christmas letter to all our parishioners (those who attend and those who don't). I also sent it to dozens of households, recommended by a few parishioners, that are not part of our parishes with the invitation to join our community of faith and the offer to help them in any way we might be able. This summer we invited a few families in the area to bring their kids to the Bible & Faith Camp in July. I appreciate the help to make those two things happen. What idea do you have to invite people? I will help but **YOU** are the greatest witness for (or against) Christ and his Church.

Religious Education & Faith Formation - We need teachers and helpers for this year. We will continue with our Biblical dramas and with family nights, one or both parents need to join us in person or via streaming as we will prepare parents to teach and model the faith at home. Watch for more details next week.

Sunday Socials - We want to build up our parishes! Simple socials after Mass were recommended as one way to strengthen our parish community. So we need everyone's involvement. St Anthony holds theirs the 2nd Sunday of the month in the parish hall. Sts Peter & Paul has theirs the 4th Sunday of the month in the rectory or over in the Fire hall (when arranged). There is a sign-up for the next six months in the back of each church. Please volunteer as a family or work with 2-3 others. The socials are free-will donation which goes toward the food costs.

Stewardship Moment: "And Mary said, 'My soul proclaims the greatness of the Lord; my spirit rejoices in God my savior.'" (Luke 1:46)

After Jesus, we look to Mary as our model of stewardship. Her entire life was lived in obedience to God's will. Just as the moon reflects the light of the sun, Mary reflects the light of Christ. Like Mary, we too are called to reflect Christ to the world. We do this by living grateful and generous lives. We do this by putting other's needs before our wants.

{continued from front side} teachings of the Catholic Church even if those around us do not. Time spent with the Lord in Eucharistic adoration will further deepen our relationship with him.

SACRED SCRIPTURE "Ignorance of Scripture is ignorance of Christ," as St. Jerome said. Living as we do in a society increasingly hostile to the Gospel message, we can't afford to be ignorant of Christ's teachings. Which is to say, we all need to read the Bible daily, beginning with a prayer to the Holy Spirit, who will teach us all things and bring to our remembrance all Christ has taught us (cf. John 14:26). A good place to start is the Gospel of Luke, followed by the Acts of the Apostles. These twin books highlight the life-giving presence of the Holy Spirit, the same Paraclete who continues to strengthen, guide, and console us.

MARY, VIRGIN MOST FAITHFUL Finally, let us turn to the powerful intercession of the mother of Christ and our mother, who remained faithful to her crucified son on Calvary when others fled. She can be trusted to win all the graces we need for our difficult times. Let us pray the rosary daily, if not in its entirety than at least a decade to honor the mysteries of Jesus and Mary. I also recommend consecrating oneself to Our Lady, either through St. Louis de Montfort's True Devotion to Mary or Father Michael Gaitley's 33 Days to Morning Glory.

The Eucharist, Scripture, and Our Lady mark a sure path to God and our heavenly home in any age and at any time.

The full article and issue of the New Earth is available on page 26 of the July/August issue www.fargodiocese.org/new-earth

Keeping the House of God beautiful!

August - Sts PP: *Tammi Althoff, Jeanne Lugert, Liane Mauch, Sue Mauch, Barb Severson / **St A:** *Jane Althoff, Cindie Althoff, Renata Fobb, Jen Kjar, Jennifer Kjar, Dori Palmer.

Quote for the week

"How much we need Mary to teach us what it means to satiate God's Thirsting Love for us, which Jesus came to reveal to us. She did it so beautifully. Yes, Mary allowed God to take possession of her life by her purity, her humility, and her faithful love...Let us seek to grow, under the guidance of our Heavenly Mother..."

- St Teresa of Calcutta



Jadyn Callenius, Jeremiah Nelson, Randall Mauch, Dawson Pauly, Richard & Beverly Waxweiler, Jeremiah & Ashley Nelson.



This week's celebrations: Jadyn Callenius, Jeremiah Nelson, Randall Mauch, Dawson Pauly, Richard & Beverly Waxweiler, Jeremiah & Ashley Nelson.