

June 16, 2024
11th Sunday Ordinary Time



11th SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"To what shall we compare the kingdom of God, or what parable can we use for it? It is like a mustard seed that, when it is sown in the ground, is the smallest of all the seeds on the earth. But once it is sown, it springs up and becomes the largest of plants." - Mk 4:30-32b

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Annunciation

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MASS TIMES

Monday, June 17	8:00 am 8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier Annunciation	- Word & Communion † Donna Poganski
Tuesday, June 18	8:00 am 5:30 pm 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier Sacred Heart St. Stephen	- Word & Communion † Irene E. Laudenschach † Leonard & Alma Yamry
Wednesday, June 19	8:00 am 8:00 am	St. Francis Xavier Sacred Heart	† Jochum Family † Joan Hall
Thursday, June 20	8:00 am 8:00 am 8:30 am	St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen Annunciation	† Ralph Dehler † JoAnn Smoley † Geno Brown
Friday, June 21	8:00 am 8:00 am	Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier	† Lillian Dullinger † Connie Stang
Saturday, June 22 12th Sunday Ordinary Time	4:00 pm 5:00 pm 7:00 pm	St. Francis Xavier Sacred Heart St. Stephen	† Mary Botz † For the Members of the Parish † Donna Knapp
Sunday, June 23 12th Sunday Ordinary Time *Livestreamed Mass	8:15 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am	*Annunciation *Sacred Heart *St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen	† Dan Slimmer † Elaine Krueger † Judith Vos † Deceased Family Members of Herb & Ida Majerus

PASTORAL SERVICES

Reconciliation Saturdays

3:00 pm St. Francis Xavier
3:30 pm Sacred Heart
6:15 pm St. Stephen

Sunday

7:40 am Annunciation

**Anointing of the Sick
Home Bound Communion
Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Requests,
Marriage and Baptism Preparation**

If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.

Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact your Parish Office for more information.

DAILY READINGS

Monday: 1 Kgs 21:1-16/Ps 5:2-3ab, 4b-6a, 6b-7/Mt 5:38-42	Friday: 2 Kgs 11:1-4, 9-18, 20/Ps 132:11, 12, 13-14, 17-18/Mt 6:19-23
Tuesday: 1 Kgs 21:17-29/Ps 51:3-4, 5-6ab, 11 and 16/Mt 5:43-48	Saturday: 2 Chr 24:17-25/Ps 89:4-5, 29-30, 31-32, 33-34/Mt 6:24-34
Wednesday: 2 Kgs 2:1, 6-14/Ps 31:20, 21, 24/Mt 6:1-6, 16-18	Next Sunday: Jb 38:1, 8-11/Ps 107:23-24, 25-26, 28-29, 30-31 (1b)/2 Cor 5:14-17/Mk 4:35-41
Thursday: Sir 48:1-14/Ps 97:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 7/Mt 6:7- 15	

MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



From Safari.....

Happy Father's Day! I am grateful for the example of my dad, as he taught through his actions the importance of being involved in the life of the community. In prayer, let us express our gratitude for fathers, and that by their work, example, and prayer, they may lead loved ones and others to follow Jesus Christ. Let us also hold in prayer those who struggle with Father's Day because of an uncaring or absent father, or those who desire to be fathers but circumstances keep them from fatherhood.

There is a story about a man who visited an apple orchard in Maine. There he saw apple trees so laden with fruit that their branches had to be propped up to keep them off the ground. When asked about it, the orchard owner told his visitor to go and look at the trunks of the trees near the bottom. When he did, he saw that the trees had been badly wounded with a deep gash. "That is something we have learned about apple trees," said the owner. "When the tree tends to run to wood and leaves and not to fruit, we wound it, gash it, and, almost always, no one knows why, this is the result: It turns its energies to fruit."

This can also be said of every individual. While I believe that God does not intentionally wound us or cause us to suffer, these moments of suffering in our lives can be opportunities for growth and development. These are graced moments that draw us closer to one another. In our unity, we become strong and able to bear the good fruits of justice and peace, harmony and truth. In one of his many eloquent speeches, Martin Luther King said, "No man has learned to live until he can rise above the narrow confines of his individualistic concerns to the broader concerns of all humanity. Length without breadth is like a self-contained tributary having no outward flow to the ocean. Stagnant, still and stale, it lacks both life and freshness. In order to live creatively and meaningfully, our self-concern must be wedded to others' concerns."

(Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

The scriptures this week call us to grow, both individually and together. Like the mustard seed in today's Gospel, we may start small. Wee baby steps, day after day, in communion with the Lord and one another, we become a force to be reckoned with — a community of hope whose witness draws others to God. However, as Paul has pointed out in today's second reading, all of our growth will depend upon our firm faith in God, who gives us the courage we need in every circumstance.

Have a blessed week!

Fr. Ron

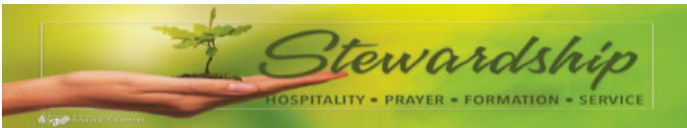


LEADERSHIP

ACC Pastoral Leadership

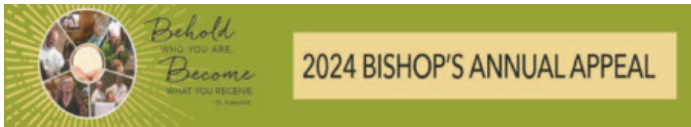


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“For we must all appear before the judgment seat of Christ, so that each one may receive recompense, according to what he did in the body, whether good or evil.” - 2 Corinthians 5:10

We are all accountable for all of the gifts God has given us – our time, our talent and our treasure; everything we have and everything we are. Each of us is accountable not only for our own life but for the lives of others as well. One day God will ask each of us what did we do with the gifts we were given. How will you respond?



The Diocesan TV Mass has been a lifeline for the homebound. Other diocesan ministries continue their work in support of faith formation, family life, Catholic schools, multicultural ministries, evangelization and vocational discernment. Will you help keep these ministries strong? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

COME CELEBRATE SARAH

There will be a reception after the 9:00 Mass on Sunday, June 30th for Sarah Woeste in the gathering space.

Sarah has been responsible for the liturgies and wonderful music at Sacred Heart for the last 20 plus years. She and her family are moving to West Union and she has taken a job at St. Mary's in Melrose. There will be a basket for cards if you wish, and an opportunity to jot down and share a favorite memory with Sarah to be presented to her after the event. Please join us in wishing her well.




EUCCHARISTIC REVIVAL

Bishop Neary's Pastoral Letter

Join a group discussion of Bishop Neary's first Pastoral Letter, "**As the Father has sent me, so I send you.**" The 4 week study will happen on Thursdays from July 11th - August 1st. The morning session is 10:30 am-noon and the evening session is 6:30 - 8pm. Registration forms can be found at the parish or register by calling the parish office. If you have any questions, contact Scott Frieler at the Sacred Heart parish office at 320-251-8115.

—To find out more information about the Eucharistic Revival, please visit the Diocese of St. Cloud Website at <https://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival/>



BAPTISM

We welcome the following children, baptized into our parish family and the Christian community:



Isla Claire Jendro, daughter of Andrew & Emily, who was baptized at St. Stephen and

Marlena Jo Davis, daughter of Christopher & Sara Mabel Elaine Nielson, daughter of James & Jenna and Willow Rose Schutz, daughter of Nathan & Anna who were all baptized at St. Francis Xavier.

FUNERAL BLESSINGS

Remember in your prayers the families of Armella Middendorf, who passed away on June 3 from Sacred Heart and



The family of Arlene Rhode, who passed away on June 4 from St. Francis.

Eternal Rest grant unto them Oh Lord and let perpetual light shine upon them.

BANNS OF MARRIAGE

I Dakota Marsaa & Bonnie Vouk
III Zachary Abfalter & Olivia Miller



SAVE THE DATE

Save the Date – St. John Vianney Drama on September 8—continued from Fr. Tom page 2

Leonardo deFillipis is president of Saint Luke Productions, specializing in Catholic live theater with dramatic presentations on the lives of the saints. (Some may remember him being at Sacred Heart a number of years ago to present St. Maximilian Kolbe, the martyr of Auschwitz.) Leonardo will be in the Saint Cloud Diocese in early September and will be presenting a 90-minute drama on St. John Vianney the evening of Sunday, September 8 at Sacred Heart. This is an event suitable for anyone around teenage and up, and is ideal for the ongoing Eucharistic Revival in our country. This is another “watch for more information” item, but please reserve the evening of September 8 for a moving and inspiring drama.

-To find out more information about the Eucharistic Revival, please visit the Diocese of St. Cloud Website at <https://stcdio.org/eucharistic-revival/>

St. Cloud DCCW “Lord of the Dance” is theme for Fun, Food & Fund Day June 20, 2024

Looking to get out and have some fun? Love Silent Auctions? Gather your friends and head to St. Paul's Catholic Church in Sauk Centre for the St. Cloud Diocesan Council of Catholic Women's Annual Fun, Food & Fund Day on Thursday, June 20. Registration and refreshments start at 8:15 a.m.; silent auction opens at 9:00 a.m. Enjoy entertainment throughout the day while you “shop”.

Mass and lunch included. Silent auction closes at 12:45 pm
Registration is \$25 at the door.

YOUNG ADULTS

Theology on Draft Survey

Thank you to all who attended Theology on Draft this year. We look forward to starting up again on Thursday, September 12th! In the meantime, help us plan for the upcoming TOD season by taking this short survey:



Young Adult Mass & Meal

The next Young Adult Mass & Meal will be on Saturday, June 22nd with 5:00 pm Mass at Sacred Heart. We'll meet in the Gathering Space following Mass and head to the Rapids River Food-Truck Fest. **Make sure you bring CASH.** Come meet meet new people, enjoy the weather, food, music and company!

Mass & Movie

Join us at Sacred Heart on Saturday, June 29th for 5:00 PM for Mass indoors and then stick around for the showing of WALL-E. Movie concessions will be available (free-will offering), feel free to bring a picnic lunch (dinner) if you need more substance. Bring the family, all parishioners are invited!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Feed My Starving Children / Valleyfair

Save the date for FMSC & Valleyfair - Wednesday, July 10th all day. Registration is online and available in your parish office. Cost of the event is \$45 which includes transportation and ticket to Valleyfair. Participants are responsible for their own meals. Contact your Youth Minister if you have more questions or want to register.

*If you'd like to donate or contribute to our bus cost, please contact Jason Prigge.

YOUNGLIFE MINISTRY

Prayer Team Needed

We are looking for people to join us on Wednesdays at Noon for weekly prayer! Prayer generally lasts about 15-20 minutes and we are praying for our new YoungLife chapter, our young people and for kids who aren't a part of our parish communities. If you'd like to join the prayer team but are unable to Zoom, contact Jason Prigge for another opportunity. Scan for Zoom Link:



YoungLife Presentations

Last weekend we heard from Bishop Patrick along with two of our ACC Youth Ministers about piloting YoungLife in our ACC. How have you considered walking with young people?

- Prayer Team - join us weekly at Noon on Zoom or after daily Mass using our prayer cards!
- Contact Team - Formalized training (approx. 10 hours to start) to enter the world of young people. Learn how to evangelize and build relationships!
- Core Team - Help our staff plan and vision the direction of our YoungLife chapter!
- I'm a parent of a middle schooler - Stay tuned for more information for our January of 2025 pilot!

Be sure to check your Gathering Spaces for the YoungLife information. Contact Jason Prigge for further information or questions.

ST. STEPHEN

Contact: Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520
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Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor

Faith Formation: Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066
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Financial Offering for June 8-9

Adult	\$ 2,550.00
Adult Online Giving June 1-7	623.00
Plate	223.00
Peter's Pence & Ascension	60.00
Total	\$ 3,456.00
Weekly Adult income to meet budget:	\$ 3,150.00

Ushers:

Jun 22: Peter Schumer, Sandy Paggen, Will Hellmann
Jun 23: Merlin Berndt, Jake Rothstein, Art Lyon

Parish Office Hours will vary for a few weeks - please call to check the hours before stopping in.

Cemetery Flowers & Decorations: All flowers and decorations stuck in the ground or sitting on headstones **must be removed by June 15** per Cemetery Rules & Regulations. Those remaining after this weekend will be removed and disposed of.

65th Anniversary: Congratulations to Jerome & Delphine Loehlein, who will be celebrating their 65th wedding anniversary, June 23 at the 10:00 am Mass.

Ministry Schedule for July 6-September 29: If there are dates you know you will not be available please call or email the parish office by **June 19**. Included in this schedule: Assumption on Wednesday, August 14, at 6:30pm.

Parish Neighborhood Renewal Ministry raffle: This organization helps spread God's word to the poor and marginalized in many countries. Currently, it is primarily in areas of Latin America. All proceeds go directly to this mission. Drawing is June 19, the price of a ticket is \$20. Grand prize is \$1,000. Donations are also accepted. For tickets, call Kathy Pantzke 320-333-0159

Prayer Line: Please pray for Jim Bieniek and for all those who have cancer. If you have someone to add to the Prayer Line, contact the parish office.

Labor Day Festival is looking for donations:

Grand Raffle letters have been sent out to those who donated last year. If you would like to donate a prize to the Grand Raffle please call the parish office by June 28.

Country Store is looking for kitchen wares, snacks, children's items for school, small playthings, paper products, hair care products to use as prizes. **Dice Game** is in need of new items of \$10 value or greater for prizes. **Grandma's Attic** will take clean, gently used, working items that you no longer want. **Fancy Work** Do you like to embroider towels, crochet animals or doilies, make small quilts or blankets - this is the stand for you. **Silent Auction** is looking for hand crafted items. If you have donations for any of these stands, please contact the parish office.

Well n Fit exercise class: Wednesday & Friday mornings at St. Stephen Parish Hall, **9:00-10:00am**. The Wednesday class will be followed by half-hour line dance.

Holdingsford Helping Hands Outreach:

Senior Dining - Wednesday's at **The Rusty Nail** (April-June) at noon followed by 500. Cost-\$6.00 per meal.
Monthly Lunch & Learn - will return in October.

SACRED HEART PARISH

Contact: Jill Lieser — 320-251-8115, X114
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Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor

Office Hours: Monday – Friday 8:30am-4pm

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Income for the Week of June 9, 2024

Adult Collection. \$8,209.00
Automatic Giving. \$5,275.56
Improvements \$60.00

Weekly adult collection needed to meet yearly budget \$19,673

STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES

Festival Mailing Wednesday, June 19th we will be stuffing the July festival letter following morning Mass. Please join us following 8am Mass to help stuff envelopes. This is a great experience for Confirmation students. Meet in the gathering space.

AV HELP NEEDED

A few more people are needed to help with Audio Visual Ministry about once a month. There are three parts to our system: the projection screens, the sound, and the livestream video. The screens are relatively easy to operate. If you have any experience with PowerPoint you can easily advance the slides during Mass. Basic sound operation includes unmuting microphones and adjusting the volume. Sacred Heart has two cameras that are used for livestream video and a cool camera switching system. For more information contact Sarah in the parish office or stop by the AV desk before or after Mass.

ELECTRONIC GIVING



As summer falls upon us, many people begin thinking of summer weekends at the cabin with family and friends. Please keep Sacred Heart in mind for your charitable giving. One way to give regularly is by electronic giving. That can be set up for weekly, monthly or quarterly donations. Even one time gifts if you so choose. Go to the parish website at www.sacredheartsaukrapids.org to donate. It is easy to set up! Thank you for your commitment and generous support of Sacred Heart and our parish ministries.

PERSONAL PA DEVICES

Did you know? Sacred Heart has Personal PA devices that can be checked out from the AV desk. The device has an earbud or headphones that works with our sound system so the user can control the volume. Stop by the AV desk if you would like to try one.

YOUTH MINISTRY

Grounded Youth Ministry Your summer just got...BETTER. Grades 6-12, join us for Grounded on Sunday, June 23rd for the 1st Annual Pizza Olympics!! Rally up your friends, get excited for the opening ceremony. The fun takes place 6-8 pm at Sacred Heart. See you there!

FAITH FORMATION

Faith Formation schedules are still being finalized and should be ready and on the website in early July. There also are two exciting new initiatives in faith formation that One in Christ ACC will be starting next program year. I think these efforts have potential to strengthen faith formation in the ACC and allow the parishes to better support you as parents in sharing faith. I will send you updates when they are ready. If you have any questions about the registration or faith formation in general, please feel free to contact me.

Faith Formation Registration Link: https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSfupiXBF-XZ-YBCOy61tLmlJvc-zKXfrjyn9vLTYDWcbfHdqA/viewform?usp=sf_link

RECYCLING FOR THE YOUTH GROUP

Help the Environment and the Youth Group Recycle those old ink jet cartridges, cell phones, laptops, or small electronics. Useable ones are repurposed, the rest are recycled for components. Drop off in the gathering space Kiosk or in the office. Contact Gerry Kittok for more information (320) 420-9050

SACRED HEART SOFTBALL

Come out and cheer on your Sacred Heart softball team on Monday nights at Whitney Park in St. Cloud (behind YMCA).
June 17th @ 6:05 PM - Field #4
June 24th @ 6:05 PM - Field #C-1



*Dates, time and locations vary if there is a rain-out. Watch Social Media for any updates.

UPCOMING EVENTS

- June 17; 5pm—Men's Group
7pm—KC Meeting
- June 18; 7pm—Sacred Heart Men's Club
- June 19; 8:45pm—Festival Letter Stuffing
- June 20; 9:15am—Diocesan FF/Youth Ministry Meeting
- June 22; 3:30pm—Reconciliation
5pm—Young Adult Mass & a Meal (SH)

PRAYER REQUESTS

Please add Jeanine Anhorn, Bob Hennen, Patricia Jones, Anita Lehmann, Patricia Olson, Hank Terhaar and Jane Wruck to your prayers. If you know of anyone who needs our prayers and wants to be put on the prayer list, please call 320-251-8115.

Sacred Heart also has a prayer chain. Please call 320-492-9361, 320-252-3401 or the Parish Office at 320-251-8115 if you have a prayer request.

ANNUNCIATION PARISH

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FINANCIAL STEWARDSHIP

Income for Sunday, June 9th, 2024


Adult Sunday	\$2,935.00
Visitor	\$79.00
Youth	\$6.00
Building Fund	\$1.80
Funeral Lunch	\$110.00
Votive Candle	\$2.90
Peter's Pence	\$15.00
Total Income	\$3,149.70

Weekly Income needed to meet yearly budget \$3,037.00

Mass Schedule

Sun. June 23rd, 2024 8:15am

Lector: David Zimmer and Jill Brenny
Eucharist: Katie Lentner (H), Jason Zwilling(C), Anita Montag(C)
Servers: Halle Krajsa and Cole Lentner
Greeters: Chuck Wocken, Carson Zwilling, Mason Zwilling, Spencer Ackerman
Ushers: Jenny Zwilling, Peter Ackerman, Spencer Ackerman, Chuck Wocken

 **HAPPY BIRTHDAY:** Laura Brenny, Teresa Heck, Mazine Pekarek, Kasey Rajkowski, Don Weyer, Scott Kiffmeyer, Mary Novak, Chuck Wocken.

AA MEETING at Annunciation Church Hall on Thurs., at 7pm. Meetings will be held every week. Call Lori for info. 320-406-8742. Everyone Welcome.

WORLDWIDE MARRIAGE ENCOUNTER WEEKEND

is a private weekend away from the distractions of daily life for couples in good marriages. Give your marriage this gift! The next available Weekends are Oct 12-13, 2024 in ALEXANDRIA, MN and Aug 17-18, 2024 in Oakdale, MN. Early registration is highly recommended. For more information visit our website at: northmnwwme.org or contact Miki at 507-227-8229 or applications@northmnwwme.org



PASTORAL COUNCIL OPENINGS: There are two openings at this time. We invite you to nominate any confirmed member of Annunciation for consideration to serve on its Pastoral Council. Nominated persons will be contacted to serve a 3 year term that meet quarterly. On June 19th those willing to serve are invited to an evening of discernment. In the context of prayer to the Holy Spirit names are drawn with selected individuals to begin their service on the Council on July 1.



BAZAAR: Our Lady of Lourdes Church, Little Falls. Sunday, July 28th. 10:30am Polka/Gospel Mass by LaVerne & the Starlites. Live Auction 2pm, Bingo, Pull Tabs, Beer Wagon. 12-4pm Music by LaVerne & the Starlites. Raffle drawing at 4pm. All cash Grand Raffle prizes drawn at 4:30pm.

ST. FRANCIS XAVIER

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Bev Wiehoff 320-492-0135
Karen Reinholz 320-260-6158

Prayer Line Margaret Stang 320-249-9304

FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget	\$20,673.08
Collected 6/9/2024.....	\$20,975.23
Excess (Deficit)	\$302.15
YTD Collection Budget	\$1,035,472.87
YTD Collected	\$1,053,730.55
Excess (Deficit).....	\$18,254.68

RICE BOWL COLLECTION THANK YOU

With sincere 'Thanks' to all who donated to the Catholic Relief Services Collection and to the Rice Bowl program in this challenging time. CRS operates on a grassroots level in over 100 countries around the world and donations like yours continue to make this possible. This is the primary outreach of the Catholic Church in the United States to assist with the global needs of our brothers and sisters in faith. You also contribute toward local hunger relief with 25% of the Rice Bowl funds being distributed throughout our diocese to organizations like area food shelves which are seeing increasing needs during this time. On behalf of those who benefit from your kindness and generosity, our heartfelt gratitude!

PARISH FESTIVAL PLANNING

A short meeting will take place on Sunday, June 16th following the 9:30am Mass in the gathering place. Discussion and planning for the Festival Breakfast will be the center of the discussion. We have some parishioners lined up for managing the drinks. I'm looking for help with planning and preparing the breakfast - including deciding on the menu. The letters inviting donations from past givers for the festival raffle went out last week and the donations are already coming in - thank you. If you wish to make a donation for a prize, just mark the donation as raffle prize and mail in/drop off at the parish office or place in the collection basket on the weekend. Your gifts are appreciated! Questions, call Tom Offerdahl at 320-252-1363, ext. 405.

VBS

WE NEED YOUR HELP transforming the school and Gathering Area into an Underwater Oasis for Vacation Bible School. Join us on Wednesday, June 19th in the Gathering Area at St. Francis Xavier to help. Come anytime it works for you. We will be working on Decorations from 10AM-12PM; 1:00-4:30; 6:00- 7:30PM. Many hands will make light work. Decorations are primarily done, it's a matter of hanging them up and setting them out. Questions, please contact Melissa (mfox@stfrancissartell.org or 320-761-2217).

OFFICE CLOSED

The parish office will be closed the afternoon of June 20 and all day Friday, June 21. We will reopen on Monday, June 24 at 8:00 am.

PROLIFE PREGNANCY CENTER ELEVATE

Moms and babies need our help - LET'S DO OUR PART. Now through June 23rd we will be accepting donations for the local ProLIFE Pregnancy Center, ELEVATE. For many years, Elevate had been known as Birthline, an agency established to help women who are facing an unexpected pregnancy by providing pregnancy testing, education support, counseling, help with needs for baby and much more. Right now, they really need help from all of us. Below is a list of baby items needed to help moms who are coming to ELEVATE. Baby hygiene kits, New summer clothing (size 6 months and up), Baby wipes, socks (neutral colors), \$10 and \$20 gift cards (Target or Walmart), Diapers (sizes newborns, 3,4,5,6), White onesies (size newborn, 6 and 9 month) and Gas cards. If you don't feel like shopping, cash donations will be greatly appreciated as well. Make checks to: ELEVATE. Please bring your items to the designated area in the Gathering Place. As a ProLIFE parish, let us show our support to moms and their babies by packing the pack n'play to overflowing!

Thank you and may God bless you for your generosity!

Sponsored by St. Monica Christian Women and the Walking with Moms in Need Community

SUMMER IMPACT BUTTER BRAID FUNDRAISER

There are 6 youth in our parish that will be participating in Summer IMPACT the week of August 5-9. During this week, we will be volunteering at the following places for our Service Experiences: Country Manor, Feed My Starving Children in Coon Rapids, Franny Camp, Loaves & Fishes, SFX (Xavier Hall). We will also have some fun to celebrate their day accomplishments. The students that are participating in this week of Summer IMPACT are: Elizabeth Hanson, Natalie Grafing, Alyssa Henning, Meira Giroux, Pavel Giroux & Hudson Dingmann. If you know any of the students and want to support them directly, please feel free to reach out and order from them. We will also be selling after the weekend Masses (June 22-23, June 29-30, July 6-7). In next weekend's FLOCKNOTE, there will be an order form that you can fill out and return to Jennifer (more details on this next week). Payments can be made for orders by cash, check (made out to SFX) or credit card (through our Parish website). We want to thank you in advance for your support with this fundraiser and we look forward to you being able to enjoy some yummy Butterbraids!

YOUTH MINISTRY

Feed My Starving Children / Valleyfair

Save the date for FMSC & Valleyfair - Wednesday, July 10th all day. Registration is online and available in the parish office. Cost of the event is \$45. Participants are responsible for their own meals. Email completed registration form to Jennifer at jkaweesa@stfrancissartell.org.

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