



Parish Newsletter

**"If we can just communicate,
Together we'll walk thru Heaven's Gate"**



ST. WENDELIN'S - LUXEMBURG, MN *

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The secret of happiness is not in doing
what one likes, but in liking what one does.

In order to be irreplaceable,
One must always be different.

In youth we run in to difficulties.
In old age difficulties run into us.

NEXT NEWSLETTER

November 28, 2021

DEADLINE for News:

Monday November 22, 2021

**If you can get your items in earlier,
it would appreciated.**

**Get your articles to Sheila Albers
7876 Ahles Road St. Cloud, MN
Phone 320-251-7116**

Or e-mail: alberssheila@gmail.com

YOUR HELP IS NEEDED

St. Wendelin Parish Festival

We are in need of the following:

General (overall) Chairperson

General (overall) Co-chair

Dinner Chair person

Dinner Co-chair

Games Co-chair

Lunch Stand co-chair

Any or all of the above can be one or two
people per position.

You will have someone work with and show
you what to do your first year.

If you think you can help please call
Julie Kieke at 320-255-5103.

Thank you!!!

Follow your heart,
Listen to your inner voice,
Stop caring about what others think.

We are what our thoughts have made us;
So take care about what you think.
Words are secondary.
Thoughts live;
They travel far.

If wrinkles must be written upon our brows,
Let them not be written upon the heart.
The spirit should never grow old.

I, not events, have the power to make me happy
or unhappy today. I can choose which it shall
be. Yesterday is dead, tomorrow hasn't arrived
yet. I have just one day, today, and I'm going
to be happy in it.

SCHOOL NEWS

Hello Everyone and Happy Halloween!!! Our students had a great time showing off their Halloween costume and taking part in some Halloween fun. May they all stay safe and have fun trick-or-treating!!!

Our Kindness Club, led by Nikki Fischer, started meeting this month. Their fall service project is to collect socks for The Place of Hope. They are calling it Socktober!! Socks are the #1 item requested by organizations such as this as they are the least donated item. There will be many warm toes thanks to our Kindness Club and Socktober!!!

We would like to send a big thank you to Marvin Lommel for bringing pumpkins for our students. We are using the bigger pumpkins as "Blessings Pumpkins". Each classroom is given a pumpkin to write what they are thankful for. We have so much to be grateful for, I hope they have enough room to put all their blessing.

We would also like to thank the St. Augusta Fire Department for spending the day with our students. They talked about fire safety, and the kids got to check out the fire truck. The fire fighters had lunch with our students, and everyone had a great time. We always look forward to our visit from Ben Voigt and the other firefighters☺

Keep school in mind when you do your shopping. We have gift cards for several venders in St. Cloud. Some popular cards are: Target, Walmart/Sams, Coborns/Cashwise, Kwik Trip, Starbucks and Caribou Coffee. We have Menards and Home Depot. Plus, restaurants like Applebees, Red Lobster, Buffalo Wild Wings, Qdoba, Olive Garden, and Texas Roadhouse. Oh, and my favorite...Amazon!!! The school purchases the cards at a discounted rate, and we sell them at face value. The money we make from our sales is used to pay for items not necessarily in the budget. It is a profitable fundraiser with little work involved. Give me a call at school or stop by if you are interested in purchasing scrip cards.

November promises to be another busy month. I hope you stay warm and healthy. Good luck to all the hunters. May your aim be right on!!

Blessings and prayers,
Lynn Rasmussen

KINDNESS CLUB

The first month of Kindness Club has flown by! We have been busy making cards, doing acts of kindness for our families, collecting socks and learning how to be caring to ourselves and others. Thank you to all that made a donation to our sock drive! This year was another successful Socktober.

Our Kindness concept we are focusing on in November is gratitude. We brainstormed together on the community outreach project we are doing for November, and we decided to make artwork to send to the ICU at the hospital. We hope to lift some patients' spirits.

We are grateful to have such a supportive school and church family!
Blessings,

The St. Wendelin's Kindness Club Kids

PRESCHOOL NEWS

"Our Preschoolers had a busy October. This month we had a special visit from the Fire Department. The class LOVED having two firefighters in our room to answer questions, teach us how to dial 9-1-1, and we learned how to STOP-DROP-and ROLL.

This month we complete activities to show how God created our world. The class worked very hard on their leaf rubbings to remind us that God made plants for us to take care of.

The preschoolers are impressing me every day with their eagerness to learn and have fun at school. We are looking forward to November and all the blessings to learn about. "

Thank you!!

Rebecca Linscheid

KINDERGARTEN NEWS

As always, kindergarten is a busy place with lots of exciting things happening, but for this newsletter I would like to share something about another exciting place! Our school is in the process of adding a Catechesis of the Good Shepherd atrium to our community! An atrium is a special place where children can go to develop a deeper relationship with God and learn about the Catholic faith alongside and with the guidance of a catechist who has been trained in the program. It is grounded in the renowned Dr. Maria Montessori's way of teaching. This summer, there were four people who took the first part of the training at St. Mary's Cathedral in St. Cloud. They will complete their training next summer. The atrium will be located in the parish house. The quilters have graciously offered to move their operation into Father Crane's office to make room for the atrium. Volunteers have already stepped up to help make materials, build furniture, and donate money for items that need to be purchased. Putting an atrium together is a huge undertaking but also extremely rewarding. Please keep this project and those working to make it available to our children in your prayers. If you have an

interest in helping out, please reach out to me.

I am the good shepherd. The good shepherd lays down his life for the sheep.

John 10:11

Mrs. Matchinsky

1ST & 2ND GRADE NEWS

Our 1st and 2nd graders have been working hard! Many students have taken an interest in our cubing chain work. Some even added to find the sum of all the chains! $(1 \times 1 \times 1) + (2 \times 2 \times 2)$ all the way up to $(10 \times 10 \times 10)$. The sum was 3,025. Thank you for all your prayers!

In November our 2nd graders will have the opportunity to receive their First Reconciliation. Prayers for each of them as they receive the gift of a new Sacrament!

Paige Becker

3RD, 4TH, & 5TH GRADE NEWS

Happy October from Mrs. Meyer's class! The 3rd, 4th, and 5th graders are busy workers this fall season.

In Math, some children are refining their addition and subtraction skills with large numbers while other students are gaining confidence in multiplication with large numbers.

In Science, we studied the anatomy of the human hand and learned about the bones and tendons that make up these useful parts of our bodies!

We are in the spirit of Fall and Halloween, and the students love making crafts, discussing what we are thankful for, and celebrating the season together.

St. Wendelin's always encourages love of reading, and these students sure love to read (especially Fall- and Halloween-themed books!). Enjoy this weather - I know we will!

Mrs. Meyer

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**CHURCH CLEANING
NOVEMBER 2021
GROUP 4
8:00 A.M.**

NOVEMBER 6TH

Mickie Schriml	Eileen Kunkel
Connie Netter	Bonnie Edelbock
Vickie Bartell	Sandy Leach
Tammy Salzbrun	Boese

NOVEMBER 13TH

Dot Bartell	Denise Brannan
Emily Salzbrun	Janet Lommel
Pam Koshiol	Jackie Eich
Cyntia Lommel	Cheryl Lommel

NOVEMBER 20TH

Michelle Fruth	Mary Jo Klaverkamp
Pat Salzbrun	Patty Brunner
Kathy Kirchhoff	JoAnn Massmann
Kathy Massmann	

NOVEMBER 27TH

Sue Massmann	Mary Kenning
Jody Albers	Vicki Kunkel
Mary Backes	Joey Kiffmeyer
Carol Klein	Jim Opatz
Rose Sauer	

**Live with intention.
Walk to the edge.
Listen hard.
Practice wellness.
Play with abandon.
Laugh.
Choose with no regret.
Appreciate your friends.
Continue to learn.
Do what you love.
Live as if this is all there is.**

RECIPE CORNER

Ron Albers

**WHITE CHOCOLATE PUMPKIN
CHEESECAKE**

1-1/4 cups Oreo cookie crumbs
2 packages (8 oz each) cream cheese,
softened
2/3 cup sugar
2 teaspoons vanilla extract
3 large eggs, lightly beaten
8 ounces white baking chocolate, melted and
cooled
1/2 cup canned pumpkin
1/4 teaspoon each ground ginger, cinnamon
and nutmeg
White chocolate curls and/or crushed Oreo
cookies, optional.

Place a greased 9-in. spring form pan on a
double thickness of heavy-duty foil (about 18
in. square). Securely wrap foil around pan.

Press cookie crumbs onto the bottom of
prepared pan; set aside. In a large bowl, beat
the cream cheese, sugar and vanilla until
smooth. Add eggs; beat on low speed just
until combined. Stir in melted chocolate.

In a small bowl, combine pumpkin and spices;
gently fold into cream cheese mixture. Pour
over crust. Place spring form pan in a large
baking pan; add 1 in. of hot water to larger
pan.

Bake at 325° for 50-55 minutes or until center
is almost set. Remove spring form pan from
water bath. Cool on a wire rack for 10
minutes. Carefully run a knife around edge of
pan to loosen; cool 1 hour longer. Refrigerate
overnight. Remove sides of pan. Garnish with
chocolate curls and/or crushed cookies if
desired.

(Make curls with room temperature big bar of
chocolate using a vegetable peeler)

GROUP 3 BREAKFAST RESULTS

RAFFLE WINNERS

\$50.00 Cash – Anonymous Donation – **Mike Weber**
\$50.00 Hayloft Gift Card – Donated by Mary Broda & Marie Kotzer – **Sue Koshiol**
\$25.00 Cash – Donated by Hank & Vicky Kohorst – **Jake Ducharme**
Bird House – Donated by Ron & Sheila Albers – **Todd & GERALYN HURRLE**
\$25.00 Cash – Anonymous Donation – **Cory Broda**
\$25.00 Casey's Gift Card – Anonymous Donation – **Edmond Hunstiger**
Bird House – Donated by Ron & Sheila Albers – **Gigi Ducharme**
\$25.00 Cash – Anonymous Donation – **Ryan Kotzer**
One Free Oil Change – Donated by John & Marla Honer/C.A.R.S – **Mary Schaefer**
Two Jars Maple Syrup – Donated by Ron & Sheila Albers – **Arlene Kremers**
Autumn Gift Basket – Donated by Judy Walters – **Eleanor Feldhege**
Box of Groceries – Donated by Group 3 – **John Honer**
Box of Groceries – Donated by Group 3 – **Ray & Sharon Gohman**
Box of Groceries – Donated by Group 3 – **Jean Schabel**
Table Runner – Anonymous Donation – **Jake Opatz**

THANK YOU

A big, huge "thank you" to everyone who supported our Group 3 breakfast in any way. We appreciate it so much.

It takes everyone working together to make these fundraisers happen. Seeing all of you helping in whatever way you did was so wonderful, even if it wasn't your normal area to work in or if you kindly agreed to help out when you didn't have to. To those of you who worked both shifts because we were short handed, we thank you so much. To those who donated prizes for the raffle, thank you for your generosity. For those that couldn't work that morning but still supported by turning in your raffles, baked goods & grocery items, we thank you. Helping support in any way you can means a lot.

Thank you to Sheila & Ron Albers for making the beautiful floral arrangements! To Sue & Paul Koshiol for donating the fresh fruit and Sue taking care of that area the whole time. To Mary Broda for taking care of the advertising. And, to Judy & Dan Walters for their continued support and guidance.

Together, your efforts raised \$2,656.56 for St. Wendelin's. Thank you so very much, everyone! We really appreciate working with such a wonderful group of people!!!

Jolene & Steve

Happiness is not the mere possession of money; it lies in the joy of achievement, in the thrill of creative effort.

You will do foolish things,
but do them with enthusiasm.

ABOUT ALL YOU CAN DO IN LIFE IS TO BE WHO YOU ARE. SOME PEOPLE WILL LOVE YOU FOR YOU. MOST WILL LOVE YOU FOR WHAT YOU CAN DO FOR THEM, AND SOME WON'T LIKE YOU AT ALL.

MINUTES FROM ST. ANNE'S CHRISTIAN WOMEN'S MEETING

St. Anne's Christian Women met Tuesday, October 11th 2021, in the Mary Hall foyer area with 14 members present; fellowship began at 6:30 p.m. followed by calling to order of meeting at 6:40 p.m. by President Pat Salzbrun. Opening Prayer and Pledge of Allegiance followed. Minutes from the September 14th 2021 meeting were approved as read. Also approved was the treasurer's report showing \$1,338.35 in checking and \$2,438.78 in savings for a grand total of \$3777.38. President Pat shared thanks yous from Elizabeth Watrin for her 1st Communion gift as well as from Quiet Oaks Hospice and our Decorating Committee.

Old Business:

October Rosary... There's no need for a signup sheet for leading rosary prior to October Sunday Masses as rosary is already being said year round with parishioner leadership.

November 21st Breakfast... Reminder was given that per decision at our September meeting, adult price will be \$10.00. Raffle tickets will remain at \$1.00. Areas of duty were assigned as follows: food ordering and grocery pick up, Lisa Lichte; raffle, Char Volkmuth, Flyer and Publicity, Karen Des Autels. Char will check with Vicky Kohorst regarding the worker's list. There will be no blood pressure checks this year. Other assignments and plans will be finalized at our November meeting.

Motion was made and approved that the quilt made and donated by St. Wendelin's Quilting Group will go on a separate raffle with a free will donation rather than a set chance price.

DCCW Fall Conference... There was no report as we had no one attending the September 18 Conference in Foley.

Sept.ember 28th Harvest Mass... Membership agreed with President Pat's comments that the outdoor Mass at Saint Wendelin's was a beautiful evening of praise and worship with about 45 people in attendance; it was especially good to see attendees from other cluster parishes.

Father Statz's Lenten Chaplets... Per Pat, supplies are here to make about 150 chaplets. A group from our parish will leave from our school Monday morning, November 8th, 9:00 a.m. to visit Brenda at St. Nicholas for instructions, then will come back ready to share those instructions with others who may want to learn. Anyone wanting to go, please call Pat at 980-1534.

Daycare for Catholic Mothers... Per word from Kelli Kleinschnitz, our Faith Formation leader, there is still a need each 1st Wednesday of the month at Holy Cross School, 8:45 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. (October thru April) for adults to watch children ages 18 months to school age. Contact Kelli at 320-252-1799 or Kelli@HolySaintsMN if you are able to help.

New Business:

Remembrance Mass... at SW will be Thursday evening, Nov. 4th at 6:00 pm. Currently we have seven deceased parishioners who will be remembered. Char reported invitation letters have gone out to the seven families who've been asked to RSVP no later than Oct. 24th to let us know how many will come to the reception which we will provide in Mary Hall immediately following the Mass. Pat asked for volunteers to bring bars and help with set up which will be at 4:00 pm., also for volunteers to help at the Mass.

Note: Pat will contact Gary Maus from our local K of C (who are scheduled to meet that evening in Mary Hall) so they can make other arrangements.

CHRISTIAN WOMEN CONTINUED

Sharing Tree... Kelly Knier and Sue Hiemenz reported their families will again take charge of the Sharing Tree with the tree expected to be up November 21st to December 5th. We'll be providing for 2 families (10 to 12 people). Motion was made and approved that our group will pay up to \$250.00 for any tags not taken. A cash box will be under the tree for anyone wanting to donate funds rather than buying items.

40 Days for Life... Char reported our local campaign which will end October 31st is going well and thanked all from our parish and cluster who are taking part whether by prayer, fasting or walking in front of Planned Parenthood in east St. Cloud.

Protective Covers... Motion was made and approved to grant request from Karen Des Autels to pay \$82.85 to purchase 225 new protective clear sleeves for our Breaking Bread hymnals as the current sleeves are wearing out.

Legislative Report... None.

Meeting adjourned at 7:52 p.m. with closing prayer, prayer partner exchange and door prize drawing going to Jolene Brang. Next meeting will be Tuesday, November 9, 2021 in Mary Hall, fellowship at 6:30 p.m. followed by meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully submitted,
Char Volkmuth, Secretary

FREEDOM

To ask nothing.
To expect nothing.
To depend on nothing.

Whatever their backgrounds or interests, grandparents share common ground. They enjoy special family recipes or dishes, they share family jokes, common expressions or songs, and they participate in traditions and special events that bring the family together. But most important of all, they're crazy about their grandchildren, and will go to the ends of the earth to play multiple roles as nurturers, caregivers, mentors, and wizards to them.

Life is not always perfect, even for grandparents, but...the very best part comes when you feel two soft arms around your neck, and you hear the words, "I love you Grandpa and Grandma!"

Grandparents understand the power of love, and they share that message with the entire family. A grandparent shares their love through words and more importantly----through deeds. The beneficiaries of that love are forever blessed.

It's been my experience that you can nearly always enjoy things if you make up your mind firmly that you will.

St. Anne's Christian Women's Breakfast Announcement



Sunday

November 21, 2021

**St. Wendelin's
of Luxemburg**

**(7 miles South of St. Cloud
on Highway 15)**

Breakfast Serving Time: 8:30 AM – Noon

*Menu includes: All You Care to Eat Pep's
Pork Sausage, Ham, Pancakes with
Toppings, Scrambled Eggs, Fresh Fruit,
Toast, Rolls, Juice, Milk and Coffee*

Adults: \$10.00

Children (ages 5-12) \$4.00

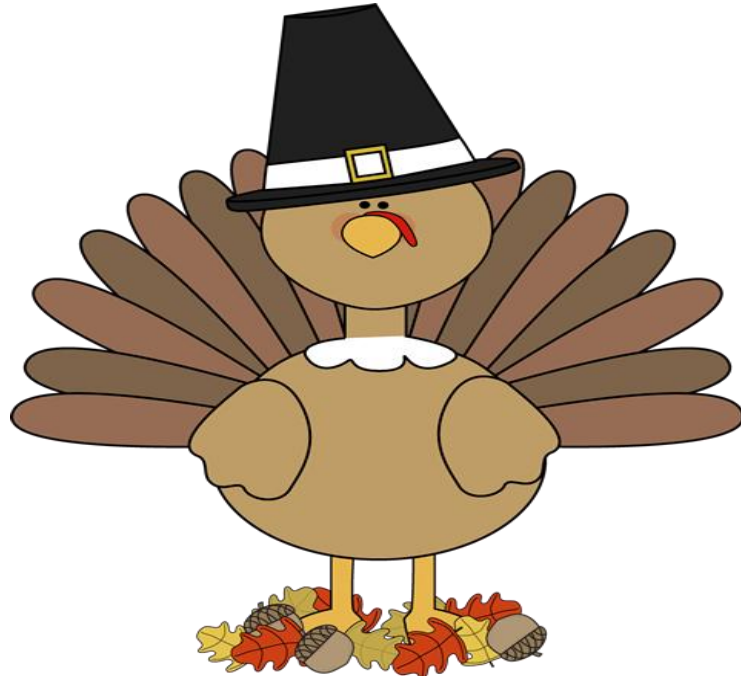
Children (under 5) Free

*This event includes a Craft Sale,
a Bake Sale and a Raffle!*

*Sunday's Mass at St. Wendelin's is
scheduled at 10:00 AM*

**EVERYONE IS WELCOME...
SEE YOU THERE!**





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6:30-8:00pm At Mary Hall

Food & Refreshments will be Available!

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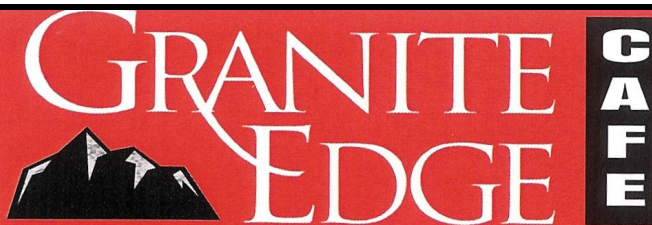
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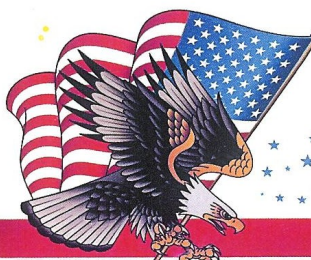
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