



# Parish Newsletter

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



**ST. WENDELIN'S - LUXEMBURG, MN \* September 24, 2023 - 644th Edition**

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## LUX LIONS IS SPONSORING A AED and CPR TRAINING

**Monday October 9th  
6:30 - 8:30 p.m.  
at Mary Hall.  
Open to the public.**

There is no cost for this event  
and no need to sign up in advance.

**COME JOIN US!!!**

## THANK YOU

Thank you to Pat Salzbrun for volunteering to be the point of contact for coordinating funeral meals at St. Wendelin.

Pat is working on streamlining the process to make it simpler, but she would really like a co-chair for this position to work with the various funeral meal team members. If you are interested in finding out more about this position, or joining the funeral meal team, please contact Pat at [psalbrun@stwendelins.org](mailto:psalbrun@stwendelins.org) or call 320-980-1534.

This is an important benefit that we offer our parishioners and their families, but it can only be offered if we have volunteers to help, so please consider joining this group.

**To: St. Anne's Christian Women**  
**Just a gentle reminder that the \$5.00 Annual Membership fee is now due. If you have not had an opportunity to submit payment, simply put it in the Sunday collection marked "Dues for St. Anne's Christian Women." Thank you and God bless!**

## NEXT NEWSLETTER

**October 29, 2023**

**DEADLINE for News:**

**Monday October 23, 2023**

**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](mailto:alberssheila@gmail.com)**



## **SCHOOL NEWS**

Students and staff have been busy diving into some new curriculum resources.

Weekly magazines in the areas of social studies, science and religion are helping students to match academic topics with current events.

Mrs. Massmann and Joyce Bach have been busy with menu planning and documentation requirements to prepare for the visit from state in regard to the changes for our lunch program.

We have been able to maintain the majority of our previous menus as we have joined the national lunch program.

Breakfast and lunch are now free to families through a national and state of Minnesota program.

**Bonnie Massmann**  
**Principal**

## **PRESCHOOL NEWS**

The preschoolers spent a lot of the first week of school perfecting the sign of the cross. They also visited the church where they were able to practice genuflecting and properly kneeling in the pews. In honor of the Blessed Virgin Mary's birthday on Friday, the 8th, they prayed a Hail Mary and sang her Happy Birthday.

**Kim Gruenes**

## **KINDERGARTEN & 1<sup>ST</sup> GRADE**

We are off to a great start in kindergarten and first grade! We have been busy learning the new routines and expectations and getting to know new friends. I have a wonderful group of students and am very excited for this year. I want to give a big shout out to Bonnie Massmann for all her hard work and long hours helping us prepare for another year and making sure the staff, students, and families have what they need to make our year fruitful and run smoothly. My students got their first visit of the year to our Atrium for the Model Altar presentation, which helps children learn

about all the items used during the Mass which are placed on the altar. We are also adding something new to our religious curriculum called the Gospel Weeklies, so I'm eager to learn about another resource that will help students learn more about the Gospel.

**Mrs. Matchinsky**

## **2<sup>ND</sup> & 3<sup>RD</sup> GRADE NEWS**

We're back in school and life is great again!

A new classroom and a new teacher for these second and third graders. We are all adjusting wonderfully!

The second graders are thrilled to begin lessons for the two Sacraments they will receive in the coming months. Last week we spent a couple days going through the Beatitudes and talked through their meanings. I love these grades and the conversations we can have that are filled with the Holy Spirit.

Today begins our weekly all school Rosary time. We are so grateful and thankful that we can worship Jesus and live the life God intended for us.

**Rebecca Linscheid**

## **4<sup>TH</sup> & 5<sup>TH</sup> GRADE NEWS**

We have had a great first couple of weeks in 4th and 5th grade. We spent time getting to know each other, our classroom rules, expectations, and routines for the year.

We have worked on place value, decimals, and comparing numbers in math.

The students have been showing me their writing skills and are very excited to be starting a novel unit. It's looking like a great year ahead of us!

**Emily Hules**

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

St. Anne's Christian Women met Tuesday, September 12, 2023 in Mary Hall, beginning with social time/refreshments at 6:30 p.m. followed by President Karen DesAutels calling the business meeting to order at 6:45 p.m. with opening prayer and pledge of allegiance. Twenty one members were present.

Minutes from the May 9th, 2023 meeting were approved as read; also approved was the treasurer's report showing a balance of \$2,002.48 in checking and \$2,445.10 in savings for a total of \$4447.58. Treasurer Stacey also noted that per her recent request for Masses to be said for a deceased member, due to the limited number of Masses available, only one will be said here; the other two were sent to the Poor Clares.

**The evening began with Guest, Deacon Dan Dullinger,** speaking, on **Eucharistic Revival**, the program launched in the U.S. in 2022 in response to statistics showing a large number of Catholics no longer believe in the Real Presence. In an effort to restore understanding and devotion to the Eucharist, this 3 year program focused last year on the diocese, this year on parishes and next year will be on Mission. Deacon Dan encouraged all to learn more by going to the website, Eucharistic Revival.com. He closed his remarks saying the culmination of this effort should be that each member go out and INVITE SOMEONE BACK TO THE CHURCH as well as be a PRAYER WARRIOR for the cause.

After his presentation, Deacon Dan then gave his blessing to our **two 50 year members, Sandy Leach and Sandie Weber**, who were given certificates and honored at this meeting. The members gave both of these ladies a warm, congratulatory applause. Following this, all present took time to enjoy cake and refreshments including Deacon Dan. Before he left, President Karen presented him with a gift and a halo which acknowledged all he does as a disciple of Christ. He also thanked the Christian Women for their work, saying all we do really does make a difference.

Following this, the regular business meeting began:

### **OLD BUSINESS:**

**Donations...**Members voted to give the \$250.00 donation received from our parish K of C (in appreciation for our May reception) to our parish quilters. Also, responding to a request from Hildegard Rohe, members voted to give her \$200.00 for her quilting group which makes quilts for numerous area charities.

**May Graduation Mass...**went well. Thank you to Cyntia Lommel and Gina Bartell for their leadership.

**Harvest Mass Update...**was, again, a success. The Mass was held in the church with approximately fifty people in attendance. An outside reception was the enjoyed by all.

### **NEW BUSINESS:**

**October Rosary...**Lisa Lichte will put out a sign-up sheet to lead the rosary prior to October Sunday Masses. Members can lead alone, with several others, or all together.

**Remembrance Mass...**will be Sunday, November 5th at our 10:00 a.m. Mass. Currently we have 7 deceased who will be honored. President Karen recruited volunteers to help with the reception following Mass.

## **CHRISTIAN WOMEN CONTINUED FROM PAGE 3**

**Breakfast...** Our annual fundraiser breakfast, bake/craft sale and raffle will be Sunday, November 19<sup>th</sup>. Menu, featuring "Pep's pork sausage", will remain the same, serving from 8:30 a.m to Noon. Membership voted to increase raffle chances from \$1.00 to \$2.00 with each member receiving 10 chances but declined a raise in breakfast ticket price since those prices were increased just last year. Duty areas were assigned including the following: Food Ordering and Pick Up, Lisa Lichte; Flyer and Publicity, Karen Des Autels; Worker's List, Pat Salzbrun (suggestion made to include a brief dues reminder on the list); Rolls to be ordered by Vicki Kohorst; Craft Area, Jean Schabel; Ham, Judy Walters; Decorations, Karen and Sue; and Raffle, Char Volkmuth. Details will be finalized at the October meeting including procedure for two quilts which will be donated.

**Deanery Board Meeting...** We will host a meeting of our deanery board (about 20 people) here on Tuesday evening, September 19<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

**Halo...** will be given to **Bonnie Massmann**, for her work and dedication as school principal since stepping into the position early last summer.

**Parish Life Committee...** Tracy Dombrovski invited anyone interested to come to the newly emerging "Parish Life Committee" meeting Thursday, evening, September 14<sup>th</sup>, 6:30 p.m. in Mary Hall.

**Request from Quiet Oaks...** Karen received a request from Quiet Oaks asking if our group would like someone to speak at one of our meetings regarding End of Life Arrangements. All members responded affirmatively. Karen will make arrangements with Linda Allen as to which meeting would work the best for this presentation.

**Pro Life...** Char reported that MCCL, in response to the extremism of current state laws which have made Minnesota an abortion haven, is sponsoring sessions (called **Save the 12,000**, the number of unborn lost to abortion last year) throughout the state, laying out practical steps to help confront these challenges. **Meeting for our St. Cloud area is Monday, October 23<sup>rd</sup>, 7:00 p.m. at the St. Cloud Library (Mississippi Room #106).**

**Meeting Concluded...** with sharing of numerous thank you notes received; members were encouraged to go to our diocesan website, [stcloudccw.org](http://stcloudccw.org), to check out the latest diocesan newsletter "Our Catholic Voice" and finally our two 50 year members were given another hearty round of applause.

**Adjournment at 8:15 p.m.** ...with closing prayer and Prayer Partner Exchange; daily prayer this month is to pray for our prayer partner. Next meeting will be Tuesday, October 10<sup>th</sup> in Mary Hall, fellowship at 6:30 pm and meeting at 6:45 p.m.

Respectfully Submitted,  
**Char Volkmuth**, Secretary

## CONGRATULATIONS!!!

Sandy Leach and Sandie Weber just received their “**Fifty Year**” certificates at the September St. Anne’s Christian Women’s meeting. Deacon Dan was in attendance at the meeting and gave them a very special blessing!

Please join us in congratulating both of these ladies in reaching this milestone in life!



## GETTING TO KNOW YOU

### JOSH AND KELSEY HONER

Josh and Kelsey Honer live at 6344 Fallow Road St. Cloud, MN 5630. Josh and Kelsey have two children Avery and Luke. They have been assigned to Group 3.

### LUKE HONER

Luke is the son of Josh and Kelsey Honer. He was born July 12, 2023 and baptized September 17, 2023. His sponsors are Jake and Morgan Honer. Luke has one sister Avery.

## **WELCOME TO ST. WENDELIN'S PARISH COMMUNITY**

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### SHARE

Share a smile or friendly greeting  
To some stranger on the street  
It will bring a ray of sunshine  
To some person you may meet.  
Share a little act of kindness,  
It could brighten someone's day,  
It could bring a spark of courage  
To someone who lost their way.  
And you'll feel much better for it,  
It won't cost a single dime,  
It could make a world of difference,  
Share a minute of your time.

**St. Anne's Christian Women's  
Breakfast Announcement  
Sunday, November 19, 2023  
8:30 a.m. to Noon**

***Breakfast 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 thru 10) \$5.00***

***Children (under 5) Free***

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

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



**NOVEMBER!**

Thank God Always

*Count Your Blessings*

*Give Service to Others*

Enjoy Family Time

**Honor Our Veterans**

**Everyone is  
Welcome!  
St. Wendelin's  
of Luxemburg**



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

## Group One Breakfast....

Thank you, thank you, thank you....We made a profit of \$2458.00 We served 239 adults and 15 children. There were many compliments on how great the food was! Again, a big thank you to those who came to work their shift and to those who stayed to work a second shift, you know who you are!!! So many in our group go over and above to make our breakfast a success!

We would also like to thank all of you who came to our breakfast. An event like this would not be successful without people like you who not only came to the breakfast, but also give so generously to the raffle and bake sale. Listed below you will find the winners of the raffle drawing:

### Raffle Prize List 2023

<b>Prize and Donor</b>	<b>Winner</b>
1. \$50.00 Cash – Group One member	Kevin Lommel
2. \$25.00 Cash – Group One member	Randy Kortlever
3. \$25.00 Cash – Group One member	Dan DesAutels
4. \$25.00 Certificate – Delux Liquor	Roger Jochim
5. \$25.00 Certificate – Delux Liquor	Char Volkmuth
6. Pallet Flag – Group One member	Roger Jochim
7. T-Shirt and Hat - Hayloft	Millie Brunn
8. T-Shirt and Hat - Hayloft	Mike Ritze
9. Car/Travel Wastebasket – Group One member	Elaine Kiffmeyer
10. Market Umbrella - Anonymous	Ann Eldred
11. Insulated Cup w/Straw Group One Member	Molly Schlangen
12. Mack Travel Coffee Mug - Group One Member	Lisa Mullen
13. Grocery Box– Group One Member	Al Bloch
14. Grocery Box– Group One Member	Paul Koshiol
15. Grocery Box– Group One Member	Sandra Harren
16. Grocery Box– Group One Member	Scott Hedlund

**Thank you to all how made the breakfast a success! Charlie and Tracy Dombrovski Group One leaders.**

**CHURCH CLEANING  
OCTOBER 2023  
GROUP 2**

**OCTOBER 7 – 8:00 a.m.**

Barry & Patti Brix  
John & Linda Kaiser  
Dan & Lisa Lichte  
Jerome & Pam Massmann  
Greyg & Mary Schaefer  
Glenn & Lori Winter  
Rick Heid

\*\*\*Pat Notch to make reminder calls

**OCTOBER 14 – 8:00 a.m.**

Jeff & Debbie Bechtold  
Dan & Lucy Garding  
Bob & Jeanie Massmann  
Jean Schabel  
Beth Mueller  
Ron & Sharon Spanier  
Joe & LaVerne Reinert  
Bob & Shelly Gaetz

\*\*\*Delores Heid to make reminder calls

**OCTOBER 21 – 8:00 a.m.**

Tom & Cathy Bautch  
Jeff & Julie Frank  
Terri Gill  
Nick & Mary Leiser  
Ray & Ginia Meyer  
Sue Weber  
Daryl & Janet Albers  
Dale & Jeneen Albers

\*\*\*Cheri Nies to make reminder calls

**OCTOBER 27 – 4:00 p.m.**

Wayne & Lori Albers  
David & Amy Klema  
Ken & Bonnie Massmann  
Matt & Casey Massmann  
Paul & Sue Reinert  
Joe & Kathy Watrin

If you cannot clean your appointed time please switch with someone else.

# RECIPE CORNER

Ron Albers

It is apple season and canning season. This is a very flavorful, easy recipe for a great use of your apples. It is delicious on bread, cream cheese and crackers or to put over ice cream. Enjoy!

## **BOURBON MAPLE APPLE JAM**

3 quarts chopped, peeled, cored apples (about 6 lbs or 18 medium sized apples)  
1 package Sure-Jell (powdered pectin)  
1 tsp. cinnamon  
½ tsp. allspice  
½ tsp. nutmeg  
¼ tsp. ground cloves  
6 cups sugar  
1 cup maple syrup  
½ cup bourbon

Combine apples, Sure-Jell, and spices in a large stock pot. Bring slowly to a boil and cook 10 minutes, stirring often, until apples have softened.

Stir in sugar and maple syrup and return to a rolling boil. Boil hard for one minute. Remove from heat and carefully stir in ½ cup bourbon (mixture will bubble and splatter, so be very careful).

Ladle hot jam into hot jars, leaving ¼ inch head space. Process in boiling water bath for 10 minutes.

Remove jars and let cool undisturbed on your kitchen counter for 24 hours. Jars are sealed when button in the middle of the lid is fully depressed.

Store in your pantry up to one year. Open jars need to be refrigerated.

Makes 5 pints or 10 half-pint jars.



## **GROUP INFO FOR 2023 - 2024**

**Attention Group Leaders: Be sure to mark these dates and times on your calendar to plan ahead for your assigned breakfasts and church cleaning!**

Please contact Julie Kieke at 320-255-5103 before setting a date for your fundraising event to make sure that the date is available. Contact Shelly so she can put in the church bulletin each week at 320-252-1799.

### **GROUP BREAKFAST/FUNDRAISER**

September 2023 Group 1  
October 2023 Group 2  
November 2023 Christian Women Breakfast  
February 2024 Group 3  
March/April 2024 Group 4

### **CHURCH CLEANING:**

Please email your church cleaning list to Sheila Albers at [alberssheila@gmail.com](mailto:alberssheila@gmail.com) so she can publish it in the Parish Newsletter each month. It is also helpful to hang a copy in back of church on the bulletin board in the main entrance. We like to see families with school age children encouraged to come and help as well.

### **The Spring and Fall Cleaning should be scheduled for a Friday evening.**

September 2023 Group 1  
October 2023 Group 2 Fall Cleaning  
November 2023 Group 3  
December 2023 Group 4  
January 2024 Group 1  
February 2024 Group 3  
March 2024 Group 4 Spring Cleaning  
April 2024 Group 1  
May 2024 Group 2  
June 2024 Group 3  
July 2024 Group 4  
August 2024 Group 1  
September 2024 Group 2  
October 2024 Group 3 Fall Cleaning  
November 2024 Group 4  
December 2024 Group 1

## **GROUP LEADERS 2023 – 2024**

**GROUP 1** - Chairs: Tracy & Charlie Dombrovski 320- 255-9354  
Co-Chairs:

**GROUP 2** - Chairs: Kathy Watrin 320-253-4252  
Co-Chairs:

**GROUP 3** - Chairs: Steve & Jolene Brang 320-293-1533  
Co-Chairs

**GROUP 4** - Chairs: Pat Salzbrun 320-980-1534  
Co-Chairs:

### **REMINDER**

The groups will be having their fundraising event the **SAME MONTH EACH YEAR**. This will make it easier for everyone to make their plans for vacations.

The church cleaning list will rotate a bit different each year just to make sure each group still has a chance to decorate for Christmas and Easter.

If anyone has questions regarding any of the information for our groups, or is willing to step up to be a co-chair we would appreciate your help. Please feel free to contact us at any time. Our number is 320-253-8658.

Thanks to all our wonderful Chairpersons who have made this commitment for our Parish! If any of our current Chairpersons find a Co-Chair please let us know so we can add them to the list.

**Dan & Judy Walters**



**Welcome to St Wendelin's Parish**

**Fall Breakfast**

**Luxemburg, MN**

**Sunday, October 29<sup>th</sup>, 2023, at Mary Hall**

**Serving from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.**

**Scrambled Eggs/Egg Bake**

**Sausage**

**Hash Browns**

**Apple Sauce**

**Fresh baked Rolls/Toast**

**Coffee, Milk & Juice**

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**Bake Sale and Raffle**

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