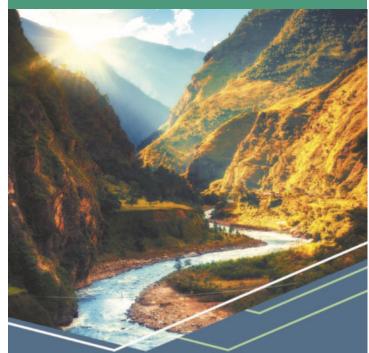
# July 2, 2023 13th Sunday in Ordinary Time



# 13<sup>th</sup> SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Whoever gives only a cup of cold water to one of these little ones to drink because the little one is a disciple--amen, I say to you, he will surely not lose his reward." - Mt 10:42

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	MA	ASS TIMES		PASTORAL SERVICES
Monday July 3 St. Thomas Tuesday July 4 Independence Day	8:00 am 8:30 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 5:30 pm	St. Francis Xavier Annunciation St. Francis Xavier Sacred Heart St. Stephen	NO WORD & COMMUNION † Matthew Beack NO WORD & COMMUNION † Anna Mae Tiemann NO MASS	Reconciliation Saturdays 3:30 pm Sacred Heart 3:00 pm St. Francis Xavier 6:15 pm St. Stephen
Wednesday July 5 St. Anthony Zaccaria Thursday July 6 St. Maria Goretti	8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:00 am 8:30 am	Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen	† Ivan Fiedler Int. Theresa Villeneuve † Loran Hall † David & Carol Cropper	Sunday 7:40 am Annunciation Anointing of the Sick Home Bound Communion Pastoral Visitation, Prayer Reguests,
Friday July 7 Weekday Saturday July 8	8:00 am 8:00 am 4:00 pm	Annunciation Sacred Heart St. Francis Xavier St. Francis Xavier	<ul> <li>† Asha Gregory</li> <li>† Paul Springer Sr.</li> <li>† Max Villeneuve</li> <li>† Paul &amp; Eleanor Solarz</li> <li>&amp; Rose &amp; George Opatz</li> </ul>	Marriage and Baptism Preparation If you have any of the above pastoral needs, please contact your Parish Office.
1 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Sunday July 9 1 4th Sunday in Ordinary Time	5:00 pm 7:00 pm 8:15 am 9:00 am 9:30 am 10:00 am	Sacred Heart St. Stephen Annunciation *Sacred Heart *St. Francis Xavier St. Stephen	For the People of the Parishes † Mike Notsch † Mary Lentner † Alvin & Linda Molitor † Donald Kuklok For the People of the Parishes	Bulletin announcements are due in the parish office by 8:00 am on Mondays. Thank you! Please contact

#### \*Livestreamed Mass

#### DAILY READINGS

**Monday:** Eph 2:19-22/Ps 117:1bc, 2/Jn 20:24-29 **Tuesday:** Gn19:15-29/Ps 26:2-3, 9-10, 11-12

- /Mt 8:23-27
- Wednesday: Gn 21:5, 8-20a/Ps 34:7-8, 10-11, 12-13 /Mt 8:28-34
- Thursday: Gn 22:1b-19/Ps 115:1-2, 3-4, 5-6, 8-9 /Mt 9:1-8

Friday: Gn 23:1-4, 19; 24:1-8, 62-67/Ps 106:1b-2, 3-4a, 4b-5/Mt 9:9-13 Saturday: Gn 27:1-5, 15-29/Ps 135:1b-2, 3-4, 5-6 /Mt 9:14-17

your Parish Office for

more information.

Sunday: Zec 9:9-10/Ps 145:1-2, 8-9, 10-11, 13-14 (see 1)/Rom 8:9, 11-13/Mt 11:25-30

## MINISTRY & LIFE PERSPECTIVES



From Safari.....

Happy Fourth of July week!

On July 4, 1776, delegates to the Continental Congress signed the

Declaration of Independence. The majestic words used to describe their God-given and natural right to self-determination and freedom from oppression have echoed down through history: "We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable rights, that among these are life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Let us compare those majestic words, with this simplified call to discipleship by Jesus in the Gospel, ""Whoever loves father or mother more than me is not worthy of me, and whoever loves son or daughter more than me is not worthy of me; and whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me. Whoever finds his life will lose it, and whoever loses his life for my sake will find it."

Both statements call us to a life of happiness. The difference is in achieving happiness. As a country, the war of independence, enshrined violence to overthrow an unjust government and to protect a democratically elected one. Jesus, by becoming the victim of human violence, rejects the use of killing to save or alter history.

In building the kingdom, we as followers of Jesus, are to use nonviolent means to resist evil and achieve justice through selfless love. This is the very meaning of picking up our cross and following Jesus.

I came across this challenging quote, "If non-violence seems too idealistic or even mystical for the real world, then it is fair to ask the "real" world what war has ever won that diplomacy and determined appeals to justice and morality could not have gained as well. Let history judge that a different America would have emerged without bloody revolution, the forced removal of native peoples, the practice of slavery and expansionist wars

#### (Ministry & Life Perspectives Continued)

against Mexico and Spain. Isn't this the key historical question: What might we have become as a nation had nonviolence been honored as the central tenet of democracy — social change through debate and the ballot box, not by force of arms?"

What keeps us as individuals, as a nation, from resolving differences nonviolently?

In the prayer of St. Francis, "Lord, make me an instrument of your peace: where there is hatred, let me sow love; where there is injury, pardon; where there is doubt, faith; where there is despair, hope; where there is darkness, light; where there is sadness, joy.

#### Fr. Ron



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### STEWARDSHIP AND EVANGELIZATION

## LIVING A LIFE OF DISCIPLESHIP

"...whoever does not take up his cross and follow after me is not worthy of me." Matthew 10:38

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Pope Benedict XVI said "The world offers you comfort. But you were not made for comfort, you were made for greatness". "Comfort" puts me first. "Picking up your cross and following Jesus" puts God and others first. Why settle for comfort when you can achieve greatness! Pick up your cross, ask Jesus for guidance on using your gifts and live the life God intended for you!

**Save the Date:** Diocesan Stewardship Day 2023 will be an online offering from 6 – 8 p.m. on Wednesday, August 23. There is no cost for this bilingual event.

## YOUNG ADULT TEAM

#### **Young Adult Team**

We are now seeking additional members for the One in Christ young adult team! Those interested in visioning, planning, and executing events for young adult ministry will meet the following criteria:

- A Young Adult (18-39)
- Commit to bi-monthly meetings on the third Thursdays
- Associated with Annunciation (Mayhew Lake), St. Francis Xavier (Sartell), or St. Stephen

• [Bonus] if engaged, married, or married with kids If interested in learning more about the team or young adult ministry, please contact Jason Prigge!

## YOUNG ADULT BIBLE STUDY

The next Young Adult Bible Study is this Thursday, July 6th from 7:00 - 8:30 PM at Annunciation in Mayhew Lake. Bring a friend and a Bible as we continue through the Acts of the Apostles. No need to attend previous gatherings, all are welcome!



Thank you to those who have already supported diocesan ministries through the Appeal. As of June 23, the diocese has raised \$1,134,339 in gifts and pledges toward the goal of \$1,400,000, with gifts from 6,239 households. Every dollar raised goes directly to ministries that support our Catholic faith and is not used for any other purpose. Will you help these ministries meet their funding needs? Visit www.stcdio.org/annualappeal.

#### **BANNS OF MARRIAGE**

III Michael Marlin & Rachel Ohde Sacred Heart



## BAPTISMS

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

*Mia Isabelle Peeters*, daughter of Cory & Trina, baptized at St. Francis Xavier.



## SAVE THE DATE

Our Area Catholic Community will be hosting Grammynominated composer and musician Sarah Hart for a night of music and storytelling outdoors at Sacred Heart. **Tuesday, July 18<sup>th</sup> 7-8:30 pm** The event will begin with Mass at 5:30, followed by a meal. If you would like to be on the planning committee, please contact Sarah Woeste to volunteer.

sarahwoeste@sacredheartsaukrapids.org. 320-251-87115 x116. Additional help will be needed on the day of the event with the meal, sales table, ushering, and setup/cleanup.



## VOLUNTEER

CentraCare St. Cloud Hospital is currently accepting applications for volunteers of all ages. Youth may begin volunteering as soon as they are 14 years of age. Volunteers serve as warm and friendly ambassadors for the Saint Cloud Hospital and all CentraCare by supporting staff and patients through a variety of tasks throughout our facilities. Please contact Volunteer Services at (320) 255-5638 for more information or apply online at <u>www.centracare.com/volunteer</u>. We hope to hear from you!

# YOUNG ADULT ACTIVITIES

#### Theology on Draft

Thank you to all who have attended our Theology on Draft series this season. Please take the time to scan the

QR Code and complete a short survey to help us with planning the 2023 - 2024 TOD season. If you didn't join us this year for TOD, please consider taking the survey. If you have questions or need assistance, please contact Jason Prigge.



#### Young Adult Needs Assessment

The Young Adult Team for the One in Christ Catholic Community needs your voice. This Assessment serves as a continuation to the Synod called by Pope Francis in 2021. Your voice plays a vital role in ensuring we are listening and meeting your needs along with the needs of others when we consider ministry with Young Adults. If you are a young adult aged 18-39, please take the time to complete this 10-15 minute assessment. If you feel inclined, we also encourage you to share this assessment with your family and friends. Your submission will remain



anonymous unless you leave your contact information for a follow-up.

If you are having difficulty completing the form, have any questions, or would prefer an In-person conversation, please contact Jason Prigge, Young Adult Minister for One in Christ, for any assistance.

#### \*NEW\* Pray & Play

Join us for an exciting new initiative for young adults and young families! On select Tuesdays, young adults and their young children (toddler - Kindergartenish) are invited for Daily Mass at Sacred Heart (5:30 PM) and then to the playground to play. This is a great opportunity for young adult parents to enjoy fellowship while kids have an opportunity to play and make new friends! If you'd like to pack your family a picnic dinner, that is encouraged. If the weather doesn't cooperate (rain), Daily Mass would obviously still take place but playing on the playground would be cancelled. If you have questions or are interested in learning more, text Jason Prigge (320.281.9486).

Upcoming dates:

\*Tuesday, July 25th

\*Tuesday, August 15th (Holy Day of Obligation - Mass @ 6:30 PM)

\*Tuesday, September 12th

#### Young Adult Bean Bag Tournament

Join us for a casual night of Bags on the beautiful patio at Sacred Heart! Friday, July 14<sup>th</sup>, we'll grill out starting at 6:30 PM, bring a side dish to share. Young adults with children are super encouraged to bring them along!

# **ST. STEPHEN**

<u>Contact:</u> Carol Hellmann 320-251-1520 Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor Hours: <u>Mon-Fri 9:00 AM – 1:30 PM</u> ststephenchurchoffice@gmail.com <u>Faith Formation:</u> Danna Gasperlin 320-251-5066 ststephenfaith@gmail.com

## Financial Offerings - June 24-25

Adults	\$ 1,824.00
Plate	257.50
Children	1.00
Online Giving: June 17-23	685.00
TOTAL	\$ 2,767.50
Weekly Adult income needed for budget:	\$ 2,740.00



**Adoration:** The church will be open for Adoration on Thursday, July 6, from 8:30 am - 4:00 pm. Everyone is invited to come spend some quite time with Jesus.

<u>Corpus Christi chapel -</u> we are looking for a family or two or a group of individuals who would like to take over getting one of the chapels ready for the Corpus Christi procession. Please call Mary Lee Vouk (251-4461) if you have questions or you want to take this over.

## Festival Stand Reminders:

<u>Country Store</u> is looking for new kitchen wares, paper products, snacks, kid's items for school, small playthings. <u>Dice Game</u> will take new items of \$5 value or more for prizes.

<u>Grandma's Attic</u> will take gently used, working items that you no longer want or use.

\*If you come across any of these items, please consider donating them to Labor Day Festival. You can contact the parish office if you have items to drop off for these stands.

## St. Stephen Parish office will also be closed July 4 & 5

#### Upcoming Events:

July 11: Vibrancy Committee meeting 6:15 PM Annex

July 18: Parish Council meeting 7:00 PM Parish Hall

July 22: Fellowship after 7:00 PM Mass

- July 25: Festival meeting 7:00 PM Annex
- Aug 8: 55 Alive class 5:30-9:30 PM Parish Hall
- Aug 22: Festival meeting 7:00 PM Annex

## Well n Fit exercise class - Summer Hours

Wednesday & Friday mornings from <u>9:00-10:00 am</u> in the Parish Hall. Wednesday class followed by half hour Line Dancing.

## <u>Helping Hands Outreach</u>

<u>Senior Dining</u> - Wednesday's at <u>The Rusty Nail</u> at noon followed by 500. Cost-\$6.00 per meal. <u>Monthly Lunch & Learn -</u> No lunch in July due to Holdingford Daze. Feet First Clinic - Call Helping Hands to set up an

<u>Feet First Clinic -</u> Call Helping Hands to set up an appointment. 320-746-9960.

# SACRED HEART PARISH

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

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

# **FINANCIAL OFFERINGS**

#### Income for the Week of June 25, 2023

Adult Collection	\$19,757.35
Children's Collection	\$4.00
Friends in Need	

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

# **STEWARDSHIP OPPORTUNITIES**

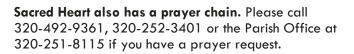
**Festival** Last year we had the option for festival attendees to pay with cash or electronically via credit/ debit cards. While this was positively received, we are in need of making a change with our Point of Sale system to ensure it is easy for all volunteers to use. We are looking for USB Cash drawers from Square to have common registers throughout the festival. This will alleviate confusion and delays among various stands at the festival. The approximate cost of each drawer is \$300. If this is something you'd be interested in contributing to, please contact Jason Prigge or Vicki Sanborn. Thank you for your consideration and generosity!

# LITURGY UPDATE

To better serve those with mobility issues, our extraordinary ministers of Holy Communion gladly bring the Eucharist to those who cannot participate in the Communion procession at Mass. Those who are capable of joining the procession are asked to join the rest of the assembly in the usual manner. Communion brought to the back of the church is a gesture of liturgical hospitality for those who need it and should not be viewed as a mere convenience for those nearby. The United States Conference of Catholic Bishops notes that liturgical processions are "a sign of the pilgrim Church, the body of those who believe in Christ, on their way to the Heavenly Jerusalem." Next time you are in the Communion procession take notice of all of the believers moving forward in faith.

# PRAYER REQUESTS

Please add Gloria, Troy, Gerry Feld and Imelda Stang 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.



# YOUTH MINISTRY

**Re-Branding Youth Ministry** Launch coming in the next week and a half!! Are you excited?! Get involved - become a small group leader! Please contact Jason Prigge!

**FMSC / Valleyfair** Absolute last call for Feed My Starving Children / Valleyfair!! Grades 6 - 12, join us for a day of service and fun on Wednesday, July 12th. Cost is \$40, registration forms are on the website and at Church. Contact Jason Prigge if you have any questions!

# **HELP THE ENVIRONMENT & THE YOUTH**

Recycle those old lnk Jet cartridges, Cell Phones, laptops, or small electronics. Useable ones are repurposed, the rest are recycled for components. Money earned from this goes to the youth group of Sacred Heart. Drop off in the gather space Kiosk or in the Office. Contact Gerry Kittok for more information (320) 420-9050

# AUTOMATIC GIVING

Since it is not always possible to worship with us or bring your giving envelope to Sacred Heart, please consider using Automatic Giving through your checking or savings account.



Automatic Giving provides the opportunity to plan your giving even though you cannot be present. It is convenient, saves time and money and is easy to start and stop. Go to the Parish Website: <u>www.sacredheartsdaukrapids.org</u> and click Online Giving or contact the Parish Office for details.

# **UPCOMING EVENTS**

- July 3; Office Closed
- July 4; Office Closed
- 8am—Mass \*\*Tuesday Mass change
- July 6; 4pm—Discipleship Committee
  - 7pm—Young Adult Bible Study
- July 7; 8:30am—Eucharistic Adoration 11am—Rosary & Benediction
- July 8; 3:30pm—Reconciliation





# **ANNUNCIATION PARISH**

Contact: Cindy Gans 320-252-1729 annunciation@cloudnet.com Fr. Tom Knoblach, Pastor Faith Formation: Shirley Scapanski 320-259-4941 thekids@cloudnet.com

## FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

#### Income for Sunday, June 25th, 2023

Adult Sunday	\$2,750.00
Visitor	
Youth	\$12.00
Votive Candles	\$3.00
Building Fund	\$20.00
Funeral Lunch	
Total Income	1

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

## Mass Schedule

#### Sun. July 9th, 2023

Lector: Judy Kiffmeyer and Shirley Scapanski Eucharist: Karla Koenig(H), John Koenig(C), Brenda Carstensen-Boe(C) Servers: Reid Kiffmeyer & Mariah Simmons Greeters: Dustin, Zoey and Lucas Heck Ushers: John & Barb Bemboom, Dustin & Teresa Heck



Happy Birthday: David Zimmer, Kateri Belgarde, Vince Popp, Paul Keeville, Rita Knott, Griffin Rothstein, Steve Bemboom, Bruce David, Sue Emslander, Evan Brand, Cory Montag, Gregg Pflipsen, Joan Lyon.

**SUMMER SOFTBALL SCHEDULE:** Wed. July 5th at Graham United Methodist, Wed. July 12th at Mayhew Lake, Wed. July 19th at Graham United Methodist, Wed. July 26th at Mayhew Lake for the last games of the season. First games at 6:00pm, Second games at 7:15pm. Everyone is welcome to come and cheer on your favorite player.

SARAH HART OUTDOOR CONCERT: You are invited to an evening of music and storytelling with Grammy-nominated composer and musician Sarah Hart. The concert will be held at 7pm on Tuesday, July 18th at Sacred Heart Church in Sauk Rapids. The concert is free, but a love offering will be taken for Sarah Hart and she will have items available for sale. Bring your blankets or lawn chairs. There will be Mass at 5:30pm and a freewill offering Sloppy Joe dinner at 6pm. Ice cream treats will be sold by our ACC Youth Groups.

**RURAL LIFE CELEBRATION** Sun. August 20th at 10:30am at the grounds of St. Nicholas Church of Belle River with Bishop Neary. Bring your own chair. Food & family entertainment will follow.

**C.R.O.S.S. CENTER OF BENTON COUNTY:** Kids KLUB is up and running again this year. Already in June they have served 159 Students and 165 families (total of 493 people). The center is looking for volunteers, especially on Mon. and Thurs. They are also in need of these items: Peanut Butter, Sugar, Flour, Canned soup: Chicken noodle, Crm of mushroom, Crm of chicken, Vegetables: Peas, Corn, Mixed, Sloppy Joe Mix, Rice, Egg Noodles, Bar Soap, Dish Soap, Shampoo. The Cross Center is located at 150 4th Ave., Foley MN. 56329. 320-968-7012.

# **ST. FRANCIS XAVIER**

Contact: Becky Dingmann — 320-252-1363			
bdingmann@stfrancissartell.org			
Fr. Ron Weyrens, Pastor			
Tom Offerdahl, Business Manager			
Office Hours 8 AM-4:30 PM Monday-Thursday, 8-Noon Friday			
Parish Nurses	Julie Kouba	701-721-5083	
	Bev Wiehoff	320-492-0135	
	Karen Reinholz	320-260-6158	
Prayer Line	Dorothy Frank	320-333-7427	

# FINANCIAL OFFERINGS

Weekly Collection Budget	\$20,192.31
Collected 06/25/2023	\$24,414.04
Excess(Deficit)	\$ 4,221.73
YTD Collection Budget	\$1,050,000.00
YTD Collected	\$1,069,542.34
Excess (Deficit)	\$19,542.34

Thank you for sharing your treasure and for your support and commitment to St. Francis Xavier Parish. The extra income is helpful as we had higher snow removal bills and some other expenses were a little higher. We continue to work at being good stewards of the resources you have given.

## 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY COOKBOOK!

There has been a fantastic response from parishioners and we are so grateful for those who took the time to submit their recipes both online and by recipe form! The committee will be reviewing recipes and finalizing the cookbook within the next week or two. It will then be sent to Cookbook Specialists for editing and printing. We hope to have the cookbook available by September 1<sup>st</sup>!

Our many thanks & blessings to all of the SFX cooks & bakers!

The 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary Cookbook Committee

## FRANNYFLYER

The 13th annual Saint Francis Frannyflyer 5K 10K 1 mile and 1K run will be held on Saturday, September 16 in conjunction with the parish festival. As in previous years a good time is had by all with certified courses, T-shirts, ice cream, ribbons, etc. etc. all information and registration can be found at frannyflyer.eventbrite.com All proceeds from this event go towards Saint Francis church and school activities.

See you there!

Nick Novak Race Director

## **HEALING MASS**

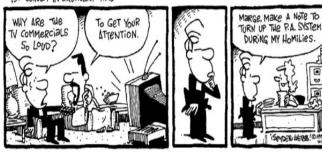
You are invited to join the Crosier Fathers and Brothers in Onamia on Sunday, July 16, at 10:30 a.m., for the annual Healing Mass in Honor of St. Odilia. The Mass will include the Anointing of the Sick and a Ritual Blessing with a Relic of St. Odilia. Parishioners from Holy Cross Parish will serve a brunch following the Mass. Reservations are not needed; tickets can be purchased at the door. For further information, contact the Crosiers at 320.532.3103 or by email at <u>onamia@crosier.org</u>. All are welcome!



# Grief Support Group CHANGE IN SCHEDULE!

The Grief Group will meet again starting in <u>August on</u> <u>the 1st & 3rd WEDNESDAY</u> of the month. All are welcome! Any questions please contact Sandee Kremers at 320-252-1363 x403 or <u>skremers@stfrancissartell.org</u>.

## 13 SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME





Please note the SFX Parish Office will be closed Monday, July 3 and Tuesday, July 4.

# FESTIVAL UPDATE



The raffle ticket is close to getting finalized to go to the printer. The goal is to get it there late next week or the week of the 4<sup>th</sup> of

# July.

We are still accepting donations for prizes and are nearing \$10,000.00 in value for the ticket. Will you help put us over the top for that? Please contact the parish office (320-252-1363) or email <u>toffer-</u> <u>dahl@stfrancissartell.org</u> if you are up for making a donation.

I'm still looking for help with some general chairing of this event as well or people who will help manage pieces of the event. Please email or call me with your offer to help. Thank you. Tom

## **Coffee & Community**

Please join us for 1st Wednesday Coffee & Rolls on Wednesday, July 5th, after the 8 am Mass.

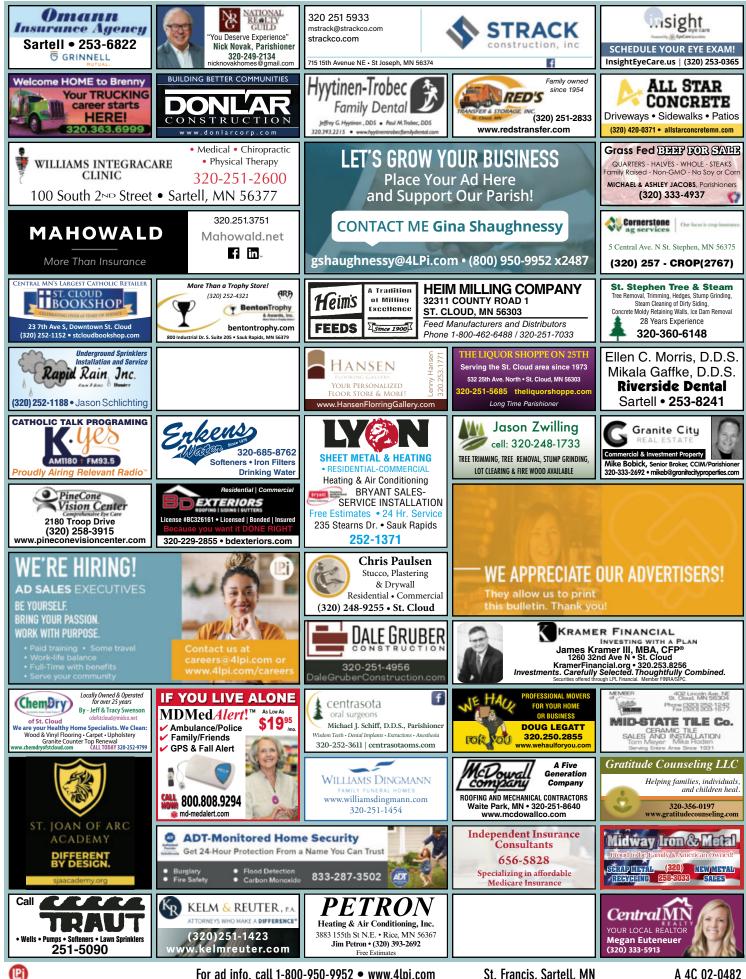




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