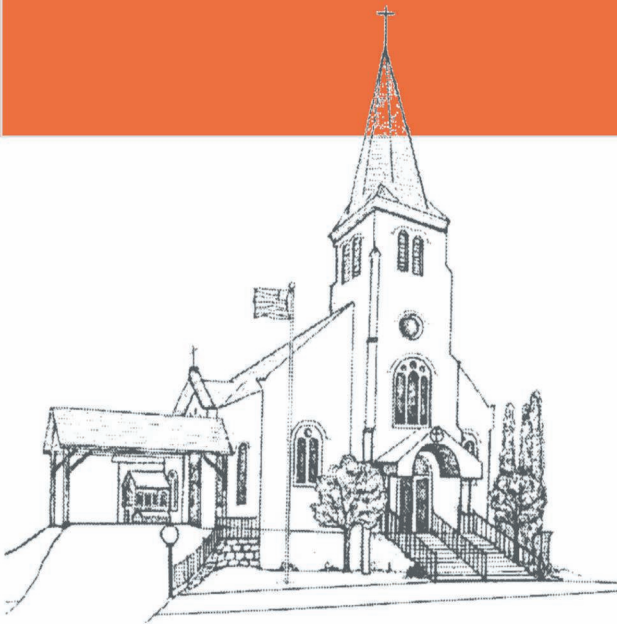


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Mission Statement

Sacred Heart parish is a community of Catholic Christian believers, established by the Archdiocese of St. Paul and Minneapolis. We strive to grow in holiness through prayer, celebration of the Eucharist and other sacraments, and reflection on the scriptures. We work hard to build the kingdom of God through evangelization, catechesis and service for all.



26th Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"Which of the two did his father's will?" They answered, "The first."
Jesus said to them, "Amen, I say to you, tax collectors and prostitutes are entering the kingdom of God before you." - Mt 21:31

Excerpts from the Lectionary for Mass ©2001, 1998, 1970 CCD.

Liturgy of the Eucharist

Saturday 4:00 pm

Sunday 9:00 am

Weekdays

Wednesday 9:00 am

First Friday of each month 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation

First Friday of each month 8:30 am

First Saturday of each month 3:15 pm – 3:45 pm

Or by appointment

Office Hours

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

October 1, 2017



Blessed Stanley Rother

On March 27, 1935 Franz and Gertrude Rother welcomed a son into this world and named him Stanley. Franz and Gertrude raised three sons and a daughter on a farm outside Okarche Oklahoma. Stanley was their oldest son; he was tall, slender, strong and adept at farm work, which he loved. He also loved being an altar boy. When he graduated from high school, those two loves seemed to diverge.

Seminary studies were quite difficult for Stanley. At Assumption Seminary, in San Antonio, Texas, he excelled at his assigned duties, but not at his studies. But Stanley never gave up. He pressed forward to achieve his goal after transferring to Mount St. Mary Seminary in Emmitsburg, Maryland.

Stanley was ordained in 1963 serving five years as a parochial vicar in four churches of the diocese before he volunteered for the Catholic Mission of Oklahoma in the Diocese of Solola, Guatemala. His first assignment was in the old Catholic Church in Santiago Atitlan, a village of 40,000 cradled in the country's western highlands, along the shores of Lake Atitlan. Thirty thousand of them were Tzutuhil Indians, descendants of the Mayans.

Locals were plagued by miserable poverty and malnutrition. Before Rother's arrival, nine out of ten people were afflicted by intestinal worms from drinking polluted water. Flu, diarrhea, and measles claimed the weakest, while malnutrition killed roughly half of the children by the age of six. An Oklahoma contingent of Catholic missionaries fought back after their arrival in 1964. They dug wells, opened a clinic, started an experimental farm, and began schools. Father Stanley rose to the challenge. He mastered Spanish and then Tz'utujil (the local Mayan tongue) and preached and celebrated Mass in it.

In the 1980s, Guatemala was torn by civil war. By then, four priests had already been murdered in Guatemala. In one parish, Father Rother spoke of "about sixty men of the Church lined up by the wall" and soldiers "killed every fourth person." He explained: The Country here is in rebellion and the government is taking it out on the Church. The low wages that are paid, the very few who are excessively rich, the bad distribution of land – these are some of the reasons for widespread discontent. The Church seems to be the only force that is trying to do something about the situation; therefore the government is after us.

Learning that his own name was on a hit list, Father Rother fled for his life, but, back in Okarche, after only two months of rest with his family, Stanley told his brother Tom, "A shepherd cannot run from his flock." The priest returned to Guatemala.

On July 28, 1981, three armed men broke into his rectory and forced a servant to lead them to the pastor's door, which Father Stanley opened to them without hesitation. After giving his attackers resistance, he was shot dead. Outside, villagers began running to the church. By sunrise, thousands of Tzutuhil stood in silent vigilance in the church plaza.

On Dec. 2, 2016, Pope Francis recognized the martyrdom of Servant of God Father Stanley Francis Rother, making him the first martyr born in the United States. The recognition of his martyrdom cleared the way for his beatification. Father Stanley Rother was beatified last week in Oklahoma City-Sept. 23, 2017.

PARISH NEWS

Upcoming Meeting: Parish Council meeting at 7pm on Oct. 10 in the Parish House.

First Reconciliation Workshop will be at Sacred Heart on Oct. 14th from 10am-12 noon.

CCW meeting at 6:30pm in Wey Hall on Oct.17.

FAITH FORMATION

Our first Discipleship Sunday will be Oct. 8. We will have Youth Mass as 9:00 am followed by fellow-ship. Please bring a donation for the Rush City Food Shelf. At 2:00 we will be gathering in Wey Hall to prepare a meal for A Place For You, the transitional shelter in Pine City, and we will be doing needed tasks around the church property. This is an excellent opportunity for Confirmation service project commitments, to earn "do" drops, and to come together as a community in discipleship. ALL MEMBERS OF THE PARISH ARE WELCOME!

October is the Month of the Rosary

By tradition, the Catholic Church dedicates each month of the year to a certain devotion. The month of October is dedicated to the holy Rosary, one of the best known of all Catholic devotions.

The best way to celebrate the month is, of course, to pray the Rosary.



The Rosary draws its mysteries from the New Testament and is centered on the events of the Incarnation and Redemption with each decade referring to an event in the life of Jesus and Mary.

The Mysteries of the Rosary give us "thumbnails" of the life of Christ and his Mother.

- The Joyful Mysteries are taken mostly from Saint Luke's Gospel in the New Testament. They involve the joyful events of Jesus' childhood.
- The Luminous Mysteries bring a deeper understanding to the public life of Jesus. They fill in the blanks between the childhood of Jesus and His suffering and death on the cross.
- The Sorrowful Mysteries remind us of how much Jesus loves us. They recall how He suffered and died just for us.
- The Glorious Mysteries tell us what happened after Jesus died-His Resurrection, the descent of the Holy Spirit and the love Jesus had for his Mother.

Prayer Shawl Ministry

If you or someone you know is in need of a prayer shawl please contact the Parish office at 320.358.4370.



Shawls are provided by the CCW of Sacred Heart.

MASS INTENTIONS



October 4 Edwin Wasinger †
 October 7 Bev Hurley †
 October 8 Ed Chromey †

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 9/26/17

Plate229.00
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"Loving God, we ask that you enfold in your tender compassionate care all those in our community whose hearts are breaking and whose worries consume them."

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, Oct. 7 at 4:00 pm

Lector: Rick Drevecky
Communion: Mary Stenger,
 Kristie Frazier
Gifts: Open
Ushers: Ted Stathes, Dick Ord-
 ner
Servers: Connor Frazier

Sunday, Oct. 8 at 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Sue Roth, Wayne Her-
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Communion: Liz Herberg, Elsie
 Moore, Scott Tryon*
Gifts: Herberg Family
Ushers: Dennis Kaufmann, Joe
 Moore, Don Belland
Servers: Maggie Roth, Elena
 Herberg

*Thank
 You*

Thanks to everyone who worked so diligently these past few months investing countless hours and volunteer time helping to make our parish festival an overwhelming success. This year we served around 600 meals and expect the final financial results to be the best in years. They will be in next week's bulletin.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, October 4

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Friday, October 6

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, October 7

Fr. Chuck St. Gregory's 5:00 pm

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

Sunday, October 8

Fr. Chuck St. Gregory's 8:30 am

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Fr. Chuck St. Gregory's 10:30 am

Daily Prayer This Week

This week we can ask for the desire to become the least, not the greatest, in ways that applies to us. We can ask to experience humility and grace in the real limits we experience in our lives. All of us have some places where we come to know our humanity and are brought to our knees; perhaps we continue to be judgmental of others even after asking for forgiveness ourselves; we keep falling into the same temptations; we present ourselves one way in public, but act a very different way with those closest to us; we never get around to acts of generosity and charity, perhaps even to our parents.



We can all begin our mornings with our own version of this prayer: "Lord, help me to be more simple, authentic, transparent and trusting today. I don't want to try to be someone else." We might ask, "Help me not 'look back' today, Lord" or "Lord, I need your help today to be more accepting of others who are different. Help me to see you in those who suffer or struggle in any way."

For those who have hurt us in some ways, we can do as Thérèse of Lisieux suggests and pray for those people. It is nearly impossible to hold a grudge or hang onto a hurt inflicted by someone when we are praying for that person each day.

Throughout the day this week, we can take brief moments, in the background of our consciousness, while driving, going to a meeting, shopping, doing laundry, to repeat and deepen these prayers. And, may our God send prophets and angels and his own Son to help us find intimacy with God in the midst of our busy lives. We can beg God to increase our faith and in the simplest ways each day, we can let our tiny seed of faith bloom in extraordinary ways in our lives.



Vivian H. Peltier
Mother of Ron Peltier

Passed away on September 19, 2017 at the age of 100.

Mass of Christian Burial was on Friday, September 29, 2017 at St. John's Church of Little Canada.

Our Prayers and Condolences are with Ron and his family.



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