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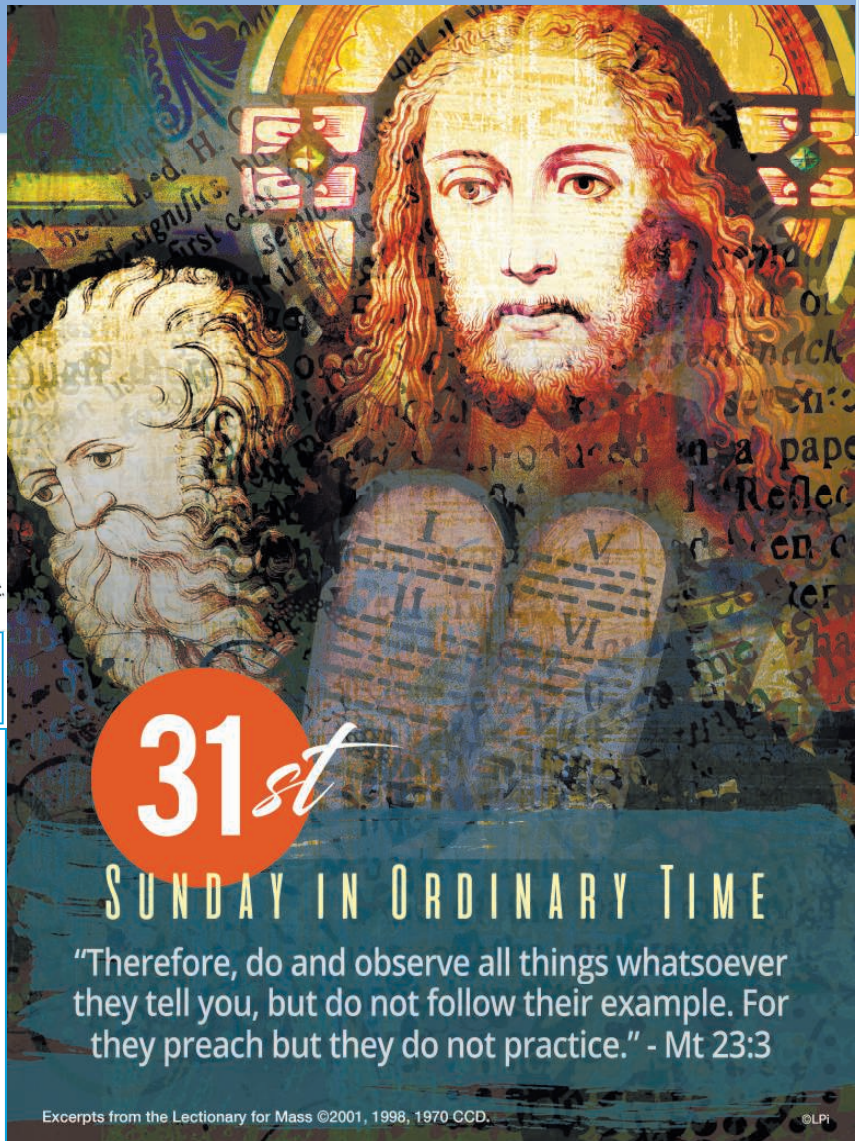
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Mission Statement

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.



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

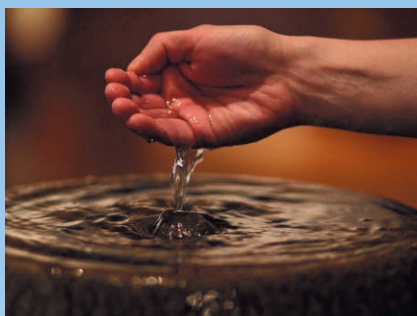
8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m.

November 5, 2017

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

The Place For Baptism

Baptism is the first of the seven sacraments of the Catholic Church. It is the sacrament that incorporates us into the body of Christ, the Church, and is the entryway to the other sacraments. The main characteristics of baptism can be understood through these three images:



baptismal bath, baptismal burial and baptismal birth. In baptism, we are washed clean from everything that prevents perfect union with God, who claims us as an adopted child. In baptism we are buried with Christ so we may rise with him on the last day. Through the waters of baptism, we are born into the Church, the body of Christ.

At first, Christians baptized wherever there was water, which was mostly in rivers. However, by the beginning of the third century, small baptismal tubs were used in house churches that served the small Christian communities. After Christianity became the religion of the Roman Empire in the fourth century, bigger places for baptism were required, so public baths were used. These public baths inspired the construction of baptisteries, the first buildings build exclusively to house the sacrament of baptism. These first baptisteries were large buildings with elaborate decorations emphasizing the importance of baptism. The baptismal fonts that occupied the better part of the main section of these buildings were large and filled with water to allow for the full immersion of adults.

By the seventh century, however, several important shifts took place. The doctrine of original sin resulted in a desire for parents to have their children baptized as soon as possible after birth. In addition, more of an emphasis was placed on the effect of the sacrament rather than how the child was baptized, so a minimal experience of the symbol, such as using only a little water, came to be common and eroded the full experience of water, so much so that the custom of immersion was eventually replaced with the pouring of a little bit of water on the child's head. The final shift sought to cover and lock fonts because holy water was used for witchcraft, and fear abounded around the threat of it being stole. As a result of these changes, baptismal fonts became smaller and smaller and were locked up in a side chapel near the entrance of the church. Elaborate covers protected the water from being seen and touched outside of the celebration of the sacrament. The place for baptism was thus moved from its own building into the church proper, and the font structure changed from a large in-ground immersion vessel to one that could be held on a pedestal.

In light of the Second Vatican Council, the Church rediscovered the way baptism was celebrated in the early Church, and a number of its aspects were brought back into practice. The Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults was reintroduced and became specifically designed for the preparation and initiation of adults. Baptism by immersion again became the norm and was to be done in the presence of the community, since baptism is the sacrament where the baptized join the Church. As a result, the place for baptism is located so that it is visible to the entire assembly in many contemporary or renovated churches. The fonts are also bigger in order to contain more water and allow for adult immersion.

Excerpt taken from **Symbols that Surround Us** by Johan Van Parys.

FAITH FORMATION

Our next Discipleship Sunday will be November 12. We will have Youth Mass at 9:00 followed by fellowship in Wey Hall.

On November 12 we will be participating in "Tie Up Some Christmas Cheer." This is sponsored by Fostering Families and will take place from Noon – 5:00 pm in the Rush City Community Center. Please go to the Fostering Families website at www.fosteringfamiliesmn.com to sign up for a time. All ages are welcome. This organization hopes to make 300 blankets for foster children in Chisago, Pine and Kanabec counties.

They are also looking for donations of money and fleece fabric. If you would like to contribute, go to their website or Facebook page. Contact Sue Roth (651-238-1797) if you have any questions.

We hope to see many Sacred Heart families join in this community event.

There will be no Faith Formation on November 8th.

CONFIRMATION RETREAT

Please pray for our Tenth Grade Confirmation students who will be on retreat at Camp Lakamaga November 11 & 12. Also, please pray for our volunteers who will serve in making this retreat a faith-filled weekend experience.

Prayer for Confirmation Candidates

Father of love and power,

it is your will to establish everything in Christ and to draw us into his all-embracing love.

Guide these candidates as they are on retreat this weekend. Strengthen them in their baptismal promises, build them into the kingdom of your Son, and seal them with the Spirit of your love. We ask this through Christ our Lord. Amen.

Food Shelf

November 11-12 we will be collecting food and donations for the Rush City food shelf. Please place your food in the bins in the back of the church. There are food shelf envelopes in the back of the church if you would like to make a monetary donation. **Thank you!**

MEETINGS

The Parish Finance Council will meet Thursday, November 16 at 7:00 pm in the Parish House.

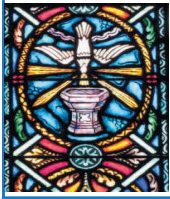
Bing Crosby Christmas CD's

A limited quantity of Bing Crosby CD's narrating the Bible Story of Christmas interspersed with carols performed by The Bonaventure Choir are available in the office at a cost of \$10 each. This is a re-mastered recording of the original from 1957.



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MASS INTENTIONS



November 8 Open
November 11 Madeline Bier †
November 12 Dick & Sally Kemen †

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 10/31/17

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LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, Nov. 11 at 4:00 pm

Sunday, Nov. 12 at 9:00 a.m.

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

Lectors: Youth
Communion: David Prickett,
Elsie Moore, Scott Tryon*
Gifts: Youth
Ushers: Rodney Swanson, Ver-
rick Murphy, Kevin Murphy
Servers: Alexis Murphy, Elena
Herberg

UPCOMING

ANOIDING OF THE SICK AND MASS

On Tuesday, November 14 there will be an Anointing of the Sick at 11:00 a.m. at St. Gregory the Great. **Sacred Heart will hold its Anointing Mass Wednesday, November 8 at 9:00 a.m.** Please join us as this Sacrament is administered to all those needing spiritual and/or physical strength. This rite is intended to convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit.

Pope Francis has inaugurated a **"World Day of the Poor"** which will be on **Sunday, Nov. 19th, this year.** He wants us to plan things for the week before and even suggests inviting the poor to our parishes. **Sacred Heart will be hosting a Community Spaghetti feed at 4 pm,** it will be a free will donation. All donations will go to "A Place For You" in Pine City. Please consider donating a dessert. Thanks.

SPAGHETTI DINNER



WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 8

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, November 11

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, November 12

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

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King
Jean Amunson
Bill Peno
Mary Knack
Wayne King
Robby Murry
Heidi Blatz
David Gaul
Cecilia Shinler
Joan Parkin
Ariel Thull-Rulfzen

Margarette Brooker
Marvin Johnson
Arlene Greenhagen
Gerald Mollberg
Jim Mitchell
Judie Peltier
Betty Erickson
Phyllis Swanson
Nick Cieminski
Betty Anderson
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Tom McKenzie
Sue Roth
Abby Larson
Bob Wilbur
Tom Solorz
Colleen Najewski
Lenny Anderson
Kathy Quinn

"When we pray, God hears more than we say, answers more than we ask, gives more than we imagine...in HIS own time and HIS own way."

Daily Prayer This Week



This week guides us deep into our faith in several ways.

As we go about our very busy lives this week, we can continue to practice focusing our attention on an ongoing conversation with our

Lord throughout the day. Our de-

sires - for union with our Lord, to know God's love for us, to become more aware of our failings, to become more generous with our family and friends, to be more patient and forgiving, to love as we have been loved - can be expressed in these simple expressions. These expressed desires will naturally interact with the real events of our day.

The gospels this week will draw us into desiring to be more merciful and to not let money or pride dominate our behavior. We won't be "unprepared" if we keep making openings for our Lord to enter the ordinary moments of our days. In repeated moments, we can simply open our hearts and ask God for the desire to have our lives focus on God's desires for us, rather than what our culture wants us to focus on so constantly.

Jesus welcomes us - even as sinners - and eats with us. He is the one who invites us to be like him in seeking out the lost, to growing in compassion. We can reflect all week on that call, in concrete terms in relation to the people in our lives and throughout the world.

Of course, we can prepare for Sunday by reflection on how we are prepared with oil in our lamps - and what that might mean for our "readiness" for the calls we are receiving from the Lord.

Each night, let's look back over the day briefly, and give thanks for a God who listens to our desires.



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