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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.



32nd SUNDAY IN ORDINARY TIME

"Afterwards the other virgins came and said, 'Lord, Lord, open the door for us!' But he said in reply, 'Amen, I say to you, I do not know you.'" - Mt 25:11-12

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.

November 12, 2017

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

ON RETREAT AT LOS ALTOS

Every year the priests in the Archdiocese are, in theory, expected to take a retreat. We can go on any type of retreat anywhere they are offered. We can choose to go locally or outside of Minnesota. Furthermore, one can go on a preached, silent, group, or individual retreat for three to eight days. Typically, during my first ten years as a priest, I went on one each year (always in October) to a Jesuit retreat center. Some Jesuit retreats that I went to were in Alaska, North Carolina, Colorado, Chicago, and this year I went to California. My desire to go to these retreats out of state does not have much to do with where they are, but because they are run by the Jesuits. The spirituality of Saint Ignatius Loyola, the founder of the Jesuits, or Society of Jesus religious order, is the one to help me grow the most in my relationship with God.

Having not gone on an "official" retreat in many years, I decided that it was about time that I attend one. In the past, since I have had excellent retreat experiences at El Retiro San Igigo (The Jesuit Retreat Center) in Los Altos, which is between San Jose and San Francisco, I chose to go back there for a fourth time. I was not only happy with my decision, but this retreat turned out to be one of the best ones that I have ever been on.

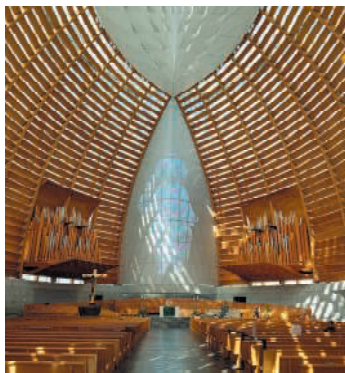
What does one do on an eight-day individually directed retreat? After arriving on the first day early in the afternoon, I napped, attended Mass, ate dinner, prayed, and then went to sleep two hours earlier than I normally do. As I have learned from the past, my body, like most other retreatants, is tired from a hectic life, thus sleeping numerous hours on the first few days of a retreat is typical. This I did!

Each of the seven full days that I was in Los Altos, were spent completely in silence except for two times during the day; when talking with my spiritual director, and of course at daily Mass. That meant no TV, no radio, nor conversation with the other retreatants. The retreat grounds were mostly quiet except for hearing planes flying overhead while approaching or leaving San Francisco airport.

With minor exceptions, my daily routine followed this schedule: up at 7:30 a.m., prayer, breakfast, reading, a forty-five-minute meeting with my spiritual director, prayer and reading, followed by lunch. After lunch, a nap, walk, reading, handwriting letters, prayer, Mass, and Dinner. During the evening, I read, went over to the chapel to pray the rosary, and then walked around the grounds. At 9:00 pm on the last night, I laid on a bench looking up at the clear starry night while praying the rosary in the warm 70 degrees' air.

On the last morning of my retreat following spiritual direction, I left to see and attend Mass at the Cathedral of Christ the Light in Oakland, built between 2005-2008. What a beautiful modern Cathedral!

The retreat left me reenergized, Father Shane



The Thirty-Second Week of Ordinary Time

Being prepared for the coming of the Lord is the nugget in the gospel for the Thirty-Second Sunday in Ordinary Time. We hear in Matthew's Gospel the story of the foolish maidens who are not ready for their master's coming, and miss the wedding feast.

We celebrate the Memorial of Saint Frances Xavier Cabrini, Virgin and the Memorial of Saint Elizabeth of Hungary, Religious.

As we draw toward the end of the liturgical year, our first reading this week is taken from Wisdom, a book written to encourage a downtrodden Jewish community. The vivid imagery offers us a view of the glory and justice of the Lord. "The souls of the just are in the hand of God, and no torment shall touch them."

In Luke's Gospel, Jesus turns his focus away from the Pharisees and back to his followers. "If your brother sins, rebuke him; and if he repents, forgive him." He tells them the duties of discipleship, asking if a master should be grateful to a servant who does what is commanded. "So should it be with you." We read of the curing the ten lepers - yet only one returns to give thanks. "Stand up and go; your faith has saved you." He also tells us that we should not spend our lives looking for the coming of the Kingdom "for behold, the Kingdom of God is among you." The Kingdom of God is coming, when we least expect it and, "Whoever seeks to preserve his life will lose it, but whoever loses it will save it." We must "pray always without becoming weary."

The Thirty-third Sunday in Ordinary Time brings us the familiar and powerful parable from Matthew's Gospel about the servants who are each given sums of money to invest. We are all called upon to use the gifts we have received as gifts, and to return them, fully developed and utilized.

NEWS

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.



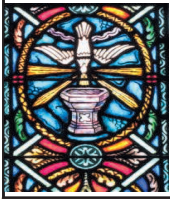
Help Needed : An older gentlemen who lives 1 1/2 miles to the east of church would like to continue going to mass on Wednesday mornings. Usually, he rides his bike but cold weather months make that impracticable. He needs a ride. If you can help, please call the office at 358-4370. Thank you!

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



November 12, 2017

MASS INTENTIONS



November 15 Open
November 18 Parishers
November 19 Tony Debevec†

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Totals for the week of 11/7/17

Plate	225.75
Envelopes.....	1785.00
Bldg. Maint. Env.....	155.00
All Saints	489.00
Fr. Andy.....	15.00
EFT money.....	344.00
All Souls.....	110.00
World Mission	20.00
Bing Crosby CD's.....	20.00
TOTALS	\$ 3163.75

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, Nov. 18 at 4:00 pm

Lector: Al Walz
Communion: Chuck Debevec,
Jeanne Kay
Gifts: Thorn Family
Ushers: Ted Stathes, Dennis
Kaufmann
Servers: Maggie Roth

Sunday, Nov. 19 at 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Jeremy Albright, Mary
Jane Dahl
Communion: David Prickett,
Jean Penos*, Mary Pat Hesbeck
Gifts: Prickett Family
Ushers: Craig Peterson, Ron
Peltier, Bill Penos
Servers: Isabelle Harer, Devon
Larson

UPCOMING

NOVEMBER SECOND COLLECTION

A second collection will be held the weekend of November 18 & 19 for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development. CCHD is the national anti-poverty program of the U.S. Catholic Bishops, working to carry out the mission of Jesus Christ. CCHD offers a hand up, not a hand out. Please support the important need in our larger Catholic Community.

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 15

Communion Service Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, November 18

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, November 19

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

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Jim Kirchberg
Bill Penos	Arlene Greenhagen	Ethel Thomas
Mary Knack	Gerald Mollberg	Tom McKenzie
Wayne King	Jim Mitchell	Sue Roth
Robby Murry	Judie Peltier	Abby Larson
Heidi Blatz	Betty Erickson	Bob Wilbur
David Gaul	Phyllis Swanson	Tom Solorz
Cecilia Shinler	Nick Cieminski	Colleen Najewski
Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson	Lenny Anderson
Ariel Thull-Rulfzen	Jim Bartz	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

In this process of becoming "Contemplatives in Action" by finding intimacy with God in the background of our everyday busy lives, we are seeing more and more clearly that Prayer is not really "saying prayers" but is a relationship that needs to be nourished in an ongoing way. No matter how hectic our week is, it is easy to think about our daily relationship with Our Father, with Jesus, in the Holy Spirit.

As we look ahead to the landscape of our week - with a few big things coming up, a host of ordinary responsibilities, and perhaps several bruised or difficult relationships that trouble us - we can begin to locate and formulate into words, the desires in our hearts for our Lord's help along the way. Perhaps we will have time to



review a Daily Reflection each day or just the readings of the day. We may only have time to have a general sense of the Word of God addressed to us - from last Sunday and what is coming up this coming Sunday. That Word will further inform

and shape how we will be in an ongoing dialogue with our Lord this week.

The rest is about developing the habit of focusing more intentionally on our relationship with our Lord, anticipating the events of our day, preparing for them, and letting our Lord be there in it with us. This is what it is to keep enough oil in our lamps. This is what it is to know that the presence of God is in our midst. This is what it takes to be good stewards of all that our Lord has entrusted to us.



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