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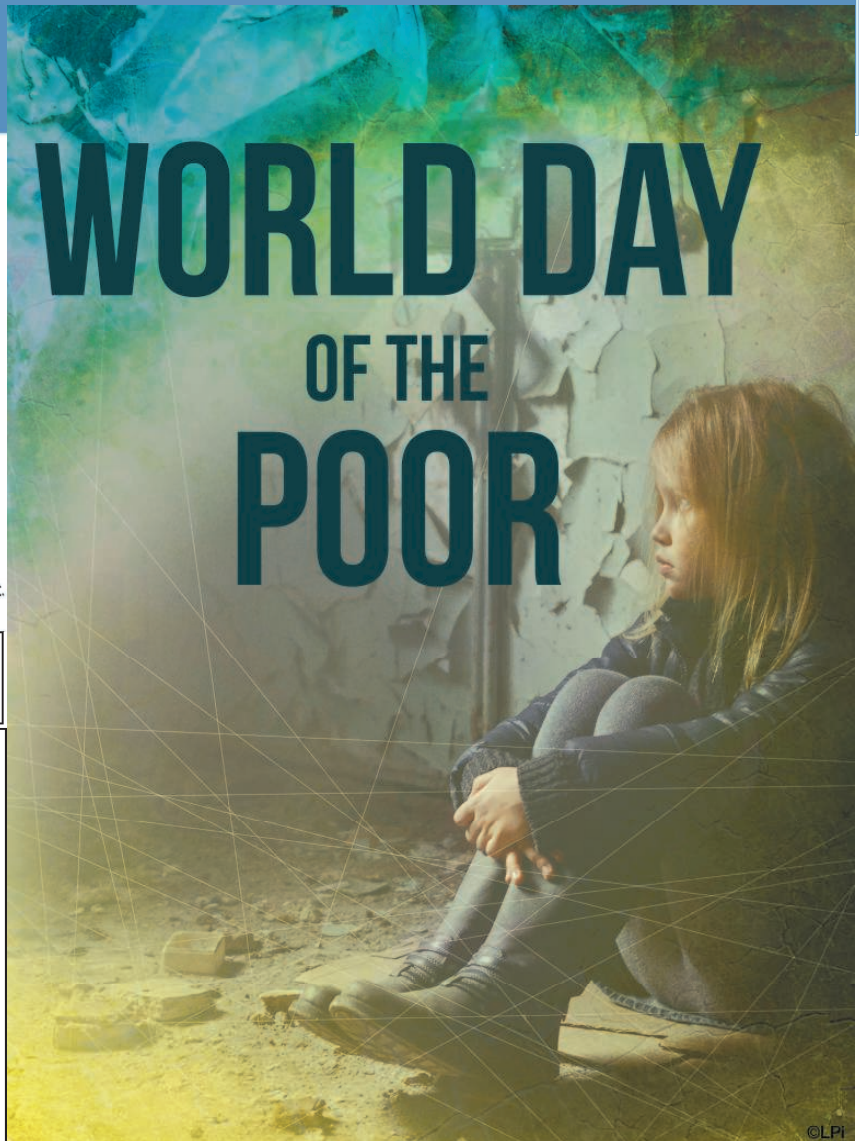
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Mission Statement

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.

WORLD DAY OF THE POOR



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 19, 2017

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

ON POPE FRANCIS AND PHONE PHOTOING

(NOTE: This article is from the November 8, 2017 Catholic News Agency report on the homily from Pope Francis during the Weekly general audience at the Vatican. I believe it is worth reflecting on. -Fr. Shane).

On Wednesday, a fiery Pope Francis chastised those who spend Mass talking to others, looking at their phone or even taking pictures during papal liturgies, saying these are distractions that take focus away from the "heart of the Church," which is the Eucharist. "The Mass is not a show: it is to go to meet the passion and resurrection of the Lord," the Pope said. "The Lord is here with us, present. Many times we go there, we look at things and chat among ourselves while the priest celebrates the Eucharist... But it is the Lord!"

In particular, Francis condemned the use of cell phones to take photos at papal Masses. At one point during the Mass the priest says, "we lift up our hearts," he said. "He does not say, 'We lift up our phones to take photographs!'"

"It's a bad thing! And I tell you that it gives me much sadness when I celebrate here in the Piazza or Basilica and I see so many raised cell phones, not just of the faithful, even of some priests and even bishops. "But think: when you go to Mass, the Lord is there! And you're distracted. (But) it is the Lord!"

During the general audience, Pope Francis said the Eucharist would be the new focus of his weekly catechesis for the year, because "it is fundamental for us Christians to understand well the value and meaning of the Holy Mass to live more and more fully our relationship with God. In the Eucharist we rediscover, through our senses, what is essential, he said. Just as the Apostle Thomas asked to see and touch the wounds of Jesus after his resurrection, we need the same thing: "to see him and touch him to be able to recognize him."

In this way, the Sacraments meet this very "human need" of ours, he said. And in the Eucharist, in particular, we find a privileged way to meet God and his love.

The Second Vatican Council was inspired by the desire to help Christians understand the beauty of the encounter in the Eucharist even better, he continued. This is why "it was necessary first to implement, with the guidance of the Holy Spirit, an adequate renewal of the liturgy."

A central theme emphasized at Vatican II was the liturgical formation of the faithful, which Francis said is also the aim of the series of catechesis he began today: to help people "grow in the knowledge of this great gift God has given us in the Eucharist." As a side note, Francis asked if people had noticed the chaotic way children make the sign of cross at Mass, moving their hand all over their chest, and asked people to teach children to make the sign of the cross well.

"We need to teach children to do the sign of the cross well," he said, noting that this is how Mass begins, because just as Mass begins this way, "so life begins, so the day begins." Concluding his reflection on the Mass and the Eucharist, Pope Francis said that he hopes that through these brief weekly lessons, everyone will rediscover the beauty "hidden in the Eucharistic cele-

Daily Prayer This Week

We can easily spend this week asking for the grace to use the gifts we've been given. We want to recognize that we have gifts, and that they are, in fact, gifts. We didn't "earn" them; we were entrusted with them.

We can reflect upon the potential each gift has and how we might develop and use each gift we have more completely - in loving, in making a difference on behalf of the poor in our world.

Each morning this week, as soon as our feet hit the floor, and while we are washing up and getting dressed, we can have our own version of the following brief conversations with our Lord. These simple prayers can shape our desiring throughout the day, as these longings in our heart grow deeper and interact with the events, encounters and opportunities in our lives.

"Dear Lord, throughout this day, help me count the ways you love me." "Lord, thank you for being so generous to me. I forget the gifts you have given me. Be with me today, so that I might be grateful and use my gifts well."

"Loving Father, today I'm grateful for my parents, for the opportunities I've had up to this day, and for the special privilege this day brings to serve my family and to try to make a difference in this world. Be with me and keep me hopeful and patient, generous and free today."

"Dear Jesus, I spend too much time in a tree, above the conflicts, keeping myself pretty safe. Give me the courage of your presence with me today, so that I might take more risks in loving. There are going to be some hungry, thirsty, naked, sick and imprisoned people crossing my path today. Guide me in loving better. The cry of the poor in our world seems so overwhelming. Help me listen better and imagine what I might do to make a difference, with your help."

Each night, with these prayers in our hearts all day, we can easily give thanks for the experience we were given of intimacy with our God in the midst of our busy days.



Thanksgiving Prayer

This Thanksgiving, let us remember all the good things, and people, who have come into our lives. We focus on thanking each one who has helped us, and ultimately thank God for the good gifts of this world.



Let us pray...
God our Father,

Graciously accept from your humble people
a thankful heart and spirit.

Everything we have and are able to share with others
ultimately comes from your love of your creations.

Often we think that everything we have
is our own creation;

we ask you this day to create in us
a spirit of gratitude,

that we may always know
that all good gifts come from you.

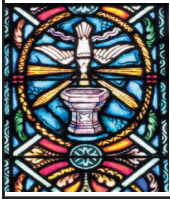
We ask this through Christ our brother,
in the power of the Holy Spirit.

Amen.



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MASS INTENTIONS



November 22 Leona Bier †
November 25 Open
November 26 Open

FINANCIAL UPDATE

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LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, Nov. 25 at 4:00 pm

Lector: Kevin Smith
Communion: Mary Stenger,
Rick Kosloski
Gifts: Stenger Family
Ushers: Ron Peltier, Dick Ord-
ner
Servers: Brodrick Larson

Sunday, Nov. 26 at 9:00 a.m.

Lectors: Wayne Herberg, David
Prickett
Communion: Kristie Frazier,
Beth Churchsmith
Gifts: Moore Family
Ushers: Joe Moore, Don Bel-
land
Servers: Alexis Ertz, Brayden
Ertz

SAVE THE DATE

The Solemnity of the Immaculate Conception,
a Holy Day of Obligation, is on Friday, December 8.

Masses will be held:

Thursday, Dec. 7

5:00 p.m.—Fr. Shane

Sacred Heart

Thursday, Dec. 7

7:00 p.m.—Fr. Shane

St Gregory the Great

Friday, Dec. 8

9:00 a.m.—Fr. Bob

St. Gregory the Great

Friday, Dec. 8

9:00 a.m.—Fr. Chuck

Sacred Heart



There will not be an evening Mass on
Friday, Dec. 8 at either Parish.
Thank You.

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, November 22

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Thanksgiving Thursday, November 23

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, November 25

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, November 26

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

Fr. Fitzgerald 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
Jim Bartz

Kim Sarago
Jim Kirchberg
Ethel Thomas
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."

NEWS



Rush City Santa Day is December 2.

It's hard to believe it's that time of year all ready! CCW will be selling cookies at the Rush City Library beginning at 9:00 a.m.

Those who wish to bring a double batch of their favorite Christmas cookies for us to sell can bring them starting at 8:45.

We have had a wonderful variety of cookies in the past and hope this year will be the best and plentiful sale of all!

Come have lunch with us at the Rush City Senior Dining or have your meals delivered. Cost for 60 and over \$4.00 under 60 \$7.75. Meals are served daily, Monday thru Friday. Bingo every Wednesday & Friday at 11 am. For more information or to order a meal please call 320.358.3611 between 10am and 1pm.

Let's
Lunch



Solemnity of Christ the King

Next Sunday, November 26 is the Solemnity of Christ the King and marks the last Sunday in our Liturgical Year. Advent begins the following Sunday, December 3.

There will not be Eucharistic Adoration or Faith Formation Wednesday, November 22.





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