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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 for Consecrated Life



"The discernment of a vocation is above all the fruit of an intimate dialogue between the Lord and his disciples. Young people, if they know how to pray, can be trusted to know what to do with God's call."

— Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI

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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.

February 4, 2018

WEEKLY REFLECTIONS

ON AN AWAITING SABBATICAL

"And on the seventh day God finished the work he had done, and he rested on the seventh day from all the work he had done. Thus, God blessed the seventh day and hallowed it, because on it God rested from all the work that he had done in creation." (Genesis 2: 2-3) As quoted above, taking time to rest from one's ordinary work called "Sabbath rest" has its origin in the Bible. Even land, after seven years of cultivation, was to be left alone for a year in Biblical times, so that it too could rest from producing crops.

The purpose of sabbatical leave is to have a period of time in which a person has an opportunity to be renewed through rest and a change of pace. Furthermore, it is noted that in order to have a fruitful and meaningful sabbatical one needs to know why they are going on one. It could be to develop new skills, improve one's health, research, write a book, relieve burnout in one's work, or clarify what to do with one's life. There can be a combination of one or more reasons to take a leave. A sabbatical is not meant to be an extended vacation, sick leave, or a leave of absence.

Typically, priests and religious sisters and brothers are offered to take a sabbatical every seven years for a time period of a few months to one year, often times when an individual is in between assignments. In the Archdiocese of Saint Paul and Minneapolis, priests can take a sabbatical every seven years for two to four months; however, there are exceptions on the length of time. However, we cannot ask for a sabbatical between assignments.

As most people at Saint Gregory the Great recall, after thirteen years of ministry, I went on a six month sabbatical to the US Virgin Islands in 2007 to write a book. Now that eleven years have passed, I made my request last August to Archbishop Hebda to take a second Sabbatical leave in 2018. He gave his approval last month. My Sabbatical will be from October 22 through March 31, first in Perth, Scotland, have a three-week interim, followed by three months in Florida.

The first part that I am away until December 6, I will be at St. Mary's Redemptorist Monastery in Perth for study and relaxation. Each week during the seven weeks in the mornings there are courses such as ministry of healing in the Church of today, Jonah and Jesus, and Canon Law empowering pastoral ministry. Afternoons and evenings are for rest, reading, and visiting others who are on sabbatical. The weekends are free except for when we go on a pilgrimage to Iona, an island where Saint Columba first brought Celtic Christianity in 563.

From December 7 to December 31, I have not finalized my plans. Having said that, a weeklong tour of Ireland most likely will take place. Then I will travel to Cocoa Beach, residing in a friend's condo that overlooks the Atlantic Ocean from the third floor. There I want to write a second book, this time however, a book that is personal and spiritual. My goal is to compose a book based on my experiences before, during, and after my acute pancreatitis attack four years ago. Finally, I hope to improve my health by participating in some exercise program while in the Sunshine State.

If you have any questions about my Sabbatical leave, feel free to ask me.

Have a great week, Father Shane

Daily Prayer This Week

"My heart is moved with pity," Jesus says in one of the gospels this week, and we see his compassion in the healing stories in this week's gospels. This seems like the perfect time for us to ask Jesus for the healing we need in our lives.

We can take one gospel and pray with it as if we were in the story. Jesus and his disciples cross the sea and as soon as they land, people rush to bring those who need healing to him. We can imagine ourselves seeing Jesus, the crowds gathering, the jostle of people bringing their sick on mats. People yelling for Jesus' attention.

Then we can imagine a moment where Jesus steps away from the throng and takes us aside. With loving eyes he looks at us and asks us, "Where do you need healing? Where can I be with you?"

It is there in that powerful moment that we can speak to Jesus as we would a friend. We can search our hearts and ask Jesus for the healing he already knows we need:

- "Help me, Jesus, with my impatience with my family. Let me not nag at those I love so much. Heal my lack of compassion for them."

- "Touch my heart, Jesus. Give me the selfless love I need in my marriage not to 'keep score.' Only with your help can I continue to be loving, even when it feels like some days I am the only one carrying my marriage."

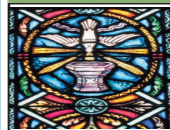
- "Jesus, I become afraid of failing and I feel like one of those people lying on a mat, waiting for you to touch my life. Yet when I sense your healing presence coming close, I roll away from you so you don't see me. Give me the courage I need to ask for your healing and to get up and answer your call for me to serve."

When we pray with a gospel, we can carry an image of that prayer with us all day long. As we get out of bed in the morning, cook meals or go about our day, we can be aware of Jesus standing with us, ready to heal us, if only we would ask.

What is it that needs healing in me this week?
Where will I allow Jesus to touch my life?



MASS INTENTIONS



Feb. 10 Open
Feb. 11 Elsie Moore

CONSECRATED LIFE

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February 4, 2018

WEEKLY SCHEDULE

Wednesday, February 7		
Fr. Shane	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
Saturday, February 10		
Fr. Fitzgerald	Sacred Heart	4:00 pm
Fr. Shane	St. Gregory's	5:00 pm
Sunday, February 11		
Fr. Shane	St. Gregory's	8:30 am
Fr. Fitzgerald	Sacred Heart	9:00 am
Fr. Shane	St. Gregory's	10:30 am

ASH WEDNESDAY MASSES

Wednesday, February 14

Masses with Ashes



9:00 AM at St Gregory the Great—Fr. Nygaard
 9:00 AM at Sacred Heart—Fr. Shane
 6:45 PM at Sacred Heart—Fr. Fitzgerald
 7:00 PM at St Gregory the Great—Fr. Shane
Prayer Service with Ashes
 4:30 PM at St. Gregory the Great—Fr. Shane

Starting Friday, February 16th through the 23rd there will be a Lenten Mass at 4:30 pm.

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Marjorie King	Margarette Brooker	Kim Sarago
Jean Amunson	Marvin Johnson	Jim Kirchberg
Bill Peno	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	Cathy Gamache
David Gaul	Phyllis Swanson	Tom Solorz
Cecilia Shinler	Nick Cieminski	Colleen Najewski
Joan Parkin	Betty Anderson	Lenny Anderson
Ariel Thull-Rulfzen	Jim Bartz	
Jim Notsch	Bob Wilbur	

"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."

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekend of	1/30/18
Envelopes.....	150.00
Food Shelf	20.00
Energy Needs	60.00
Total	230.00

"Thank you for your continuing generosity!"

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, Feb. 10 at 4:00 p.m.	Sunday, Feb. 11 at 9:00 am
Lectors: Rick Drevecky	Lectors: Youth
Communion: Ginny Thorn, Jeanne Kay	Communion: Clarence Larson, Audrey Larson*, Mary Pat Hestbeck
Gifts: Kay Family	Gifts: Youth
Ushers: Don Belland	Ushers: Youth
Servers: TJ Roth	Servers: Brodrick and Devon Larson

NEWS

February 13th will be the next **Pastoral council meeting** at **7:00 pm** in the Parish House.

Tony Melendez in Concert!

Wednesday, February 21 at 7:00 PM
 Pine City High School Auditorium.
 \$10.00 per person or \$40.00 maximum per family.

The Catholic United Financial Council from Immaculate Conception parish in Pine City is hosting the concert. Tony was born without arms and at the age of 16 taught himself to play the guitar. He has performed in all 50 states and 44 countries. As a singer/songwriter he has brought his message of hope across the world. This concert will be enjoyed by young and old alike. Please consider attending this event!



Regarding last weekend

I apologize for the mix-up last Saturday and Sunday. A priest was scheduled, however he didn't show-up. He had been asked two months ago and given a written confirmation. Someone had called earlier that week to see if he was coming. At that time, he said he wasn't since he was going to help out at another church. This information wasn't passed on to me. Due to the miscommunication I wasn't aware of his not coming until late Saturday afternoon, I was unable to find a replacement. The Archdiocese is aware of this situation. Thank you for your understanding. ~ Fr. Shane

FAITH FORMATION

FIRST RECONCILIATION

First Reconciliation will be at St. Gregory the Great on Saturday, February 10 at 10:00 a.m. for St. Gregory and Sacred Heart students preparing for the sacrament of Reconciliation. Please keep these young members of our parish in your prayers as they prepare to receive this beautiful Sacrament, instituted by Christ as a way to offer us His Mercy and Grace.



Join in the Fun and Festivities of Mardi Gras on Saturday, February 10, At St. Gregory the Great
 6 PM—Food & Games Begin
 7 PM to 9 PM—Bingo
 Serving delicious helpings of Creole and Corn Bread! Hot dogs too!

Games of Chance, Bingo, and new this year French Quarter Beignets specially made while you wait.

Please join in the revelry at our annual Mardi Gras Party and support the participants of the 2018 Mission Trip in this Fundraising Effort!



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