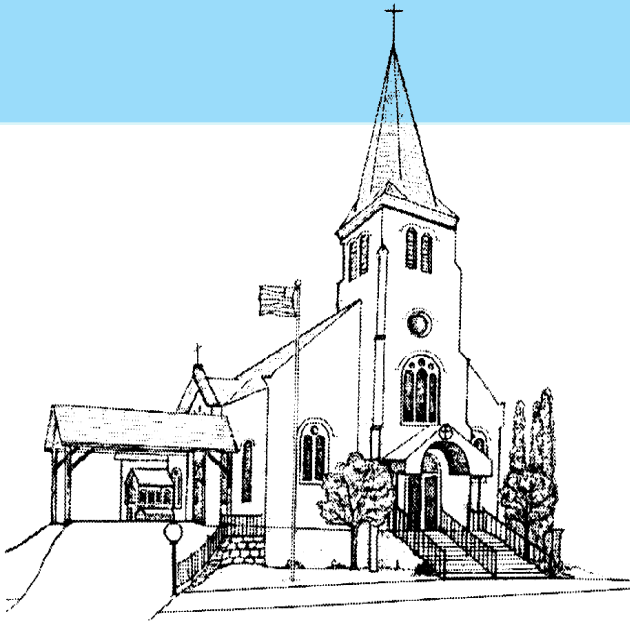


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Mission Statement

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.



Nativity of SAINT JOHN THE BAPTIST

They made signs, asking his father what he wished him to be called. He asked for a tablet and wrote, "John is his name," and all were amazed. - Lk 1:62-63

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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.

June 24, 2018

Pope Francis: Are we truly capable of listening to the cries of the poor?

VATICAN – How is it that God in heaven can hear the cries of the poor, but so many people watching or standing nearby either cannot or just do not care, Pope Francis asked.

People must make "a serious examination of conscience to understand whether we are really capable of listening to the poor," the Pope said in a message for the World Day of the Poor.

The recently established commemoration and the period of reflection and action preceding it are meant to give Christians a chance to follow Christ's example and concretely share a moment of love, hope and respect together with those in need in one's community, the Pope said in the message dated June 13, the feast of St. Anthony of Padua, patron saint of the poor. The Vatican released the message to the public June 14.

The World Day of the Poor – to be marked each year on the 33rd Sunday of ordinary time – will be celebrated Nov. 18 this year and will focus on a verse from Psalm 34, "This poor one cried out and the Lord heard."

"We can ask ourselves, how is it this cry, which reaches all the way to God, is unable to penetrate our ears and leaves us indifferent and impassive?" the Pope asked in his message.

To become aware of people's suffering and know how best to respond with love, people must learn to be silent and listen, the Pope said.

"If we speak too much ourselves, we will be unable to hear them," he said. That is often what happens when otherwise important and needed initiatives are carried out more as a way to please oneself "than to really acknowledge the cry of the poor," he said.

"We are so entrapped in a culture which forces us to look in the mirror" and unduly "pamper ourselves," he said. Such people come to believe their act of altruism is enough without having to feel any empathy or the need to sacrifice or "endanger" themselves directly.

Nobody seeks poverty or its many forms, which include marginalization, persecution and injustice, the Pope said.

Poverty "is caused by selfishness, pride, greed and injustice. These are evils as old as humanity, but also sins in which the innocents are caught up, leading to consequences on the social level, which are dramatic," he said.

"God's answer to the poor is always an intervention of salvation in order to heal the wounds of body and soul, restore justice and assist in beginning anew to live life with dignity. God's answer is also an appeal in order that those who believe in him can do the same," he added.

The World Day of the Poor is meant to be a small contribution that the whole church can make so the poor may know their cries have not gone unheard, the Pope said in his message.

"It is like a drop of water in the desert of poverty; and yet it can be a sign of sharing for those who are in need, that they might experience the active presence of a brother or a sister," he said.

This encounter is a call for personal involvement, not delegation to others, he said. And it is not cold, distant giving, but an act that requires "loving attentiveness" just like God offers everyone.

Daily Prayer This Week

Most of us know that having faith is more about confidence and trust in the Lord than it is about theological understanding or assent to truths. The biggest barrier to our more complete following of our Lord in faith is fear. This is a wonderful week to ask our Lord to heal us so that we can not be afraid and just have faith in him as we place our faith in his calming presence.

We can begin each day, sitting or standing at the edge of our bed and, in 30 seconds, simply name our desire. *"Lord, thank you for this day. Please heal my fears. I want to place my trust in you more completely. Be with me in the tough stuff today."* When we are in the shower or while getting dressed, as we are heading to work or doing laundry, when we are walking down a hall to a meeting or even at a store shopping, we can expand on our prayer - again, briefly and in a friend to friend conversation with our Lord. *"Dear Lord, I'm going to be facing several things today that feel like storms at sea. Don't let me lose sight of your presence with me today. Give me courage and an inner peace to do what you call me to do."*

The phrases from Matthew's Gospel can work their way into our week so easily in this context. *"Lord, let me know your love and mercy, that I might treat those I'm now judging with more of the love and mercy you show me."* *Lord, it feels like you are inviting me to take a narrower path today than the one I usually take, following the way everyone around me goes. Help me choose your way with greater freedom and peace."*

There is a real and sustaining joy that accompanies this sense of intimacy with our Lord, in the midst of our daily, busy lives. It seems right to take a few moments each night to express our thanks to the Lord for the gifts of the day.

In Loving Memory

Nick Cieminski

July 20, 1939- June 20, 2018

"Those we Love can never be more than a thought away...for as long as there's a memory they live in our hearts to stay"

June 24, 2018

WEEKEND CELEBRANTS

Wednesday, June 27

Communion Service Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, June 30

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, July 1

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

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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

FINANCIAL UPDATE

Weekend of	6/19/18
Envelopes	2031.00
Plate	252.90
Bldg. Maint.	50.00
Stipends/Stole	14.00
Cath. Service Appeal	100.00
Total	\$ 2447.90

"Thank you for your continuing generosity"

LITURGICAL ROLES

Saturday, July 7 at 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Rick Drevecky

Communion: Mary Stenger, Bev

Mollberg

Gifts: Drevecky Family

Ushers: Ted Stathes, Dick Ordner

Servers: Ava Wendorff

Sunday, July 8 at 9:00 am

Lectors: David Prickett, Mary

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Communion: Liz Herberg, Kristi

Frazier, Scott Tryon*

Gifts: Herberg Family

Ushers: Don Belland, Joe Moore,

Dennis Kaufmann

Servers: TJ Roth, Maggie Roth

MASS INTENTIONS

June 30th	Dick & Sally Kemen †
July 1st	Jacque Simays (Prayers)
July 7th	Open

NEEDING OUR PRAYERS

Sue Roth Jim Bartz Nick Cimenski
Shirley Kirchberg James Kirchberg Arlene Greenhagen
Bill Peno



*"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."*

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.



NEWS



Sunday, Sept. 16th from 10am-2pm is the Annual Fall Festival. YES, we will be serving Brass Rail chicken! We will be needing volunteers to help with the kitchen, games, silent auction, donations, and baking for the Country Store.

Also, we are in need of a chair person for the kitchen, if you are interested please contact the office. The next meeting is scheduled for July 19th at 7pm.

JUNE 30/ July 1 SECOND COLLECTION

We will have our annual collection for Peter's Pence which

provides the Holy Father with the funds he needs to carry out his most important charitable works. The proceeds benefit the most disadvantaged: victims of war, oppression and natural disasters. Through your generosity we can cast the peace of Christ upon the world.

Last Sunday an umbrella was mistakenly taken off the table in the south Church entryway, please return it to the office or the back of the church. Thank you.

New Gravesite Prices:

Effective immediately , the cost of a gravesite in our cemetery is \$500 per site for parishioners and \$700 per site for non-parishioners.

DON'T FORGET YOUR PARISH

The summer months are truly a time for us to enjoy the wonders of God's creation. When you are away on vacation, please remember how important your weekly offering is to your parish. As you are planning your vacation, remember to add "mail in offertory envelopes" to your "to do list" or drop them off to the Church office. Thank you for your continual support.

ENVELOPE EXCHANGE

We want to make all parishioners aware that if they visit Sacred Heart in Rush City or St. Gregory the Great Parish in North Branch, and want to include your envelope in the visiting collection basket, it will get back to your home parish weekly.

Finance Council Member

A resignation from the finance council has created a need for a new member. We meet 4 to 6 times a year. Please contact the office if interested.

