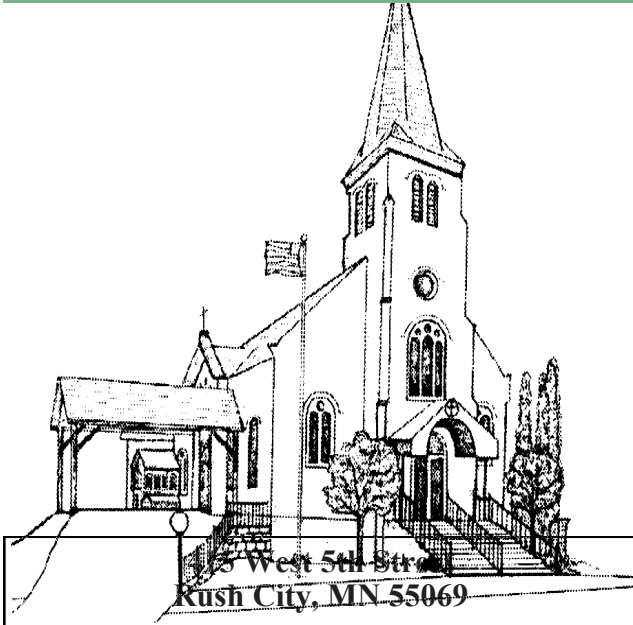


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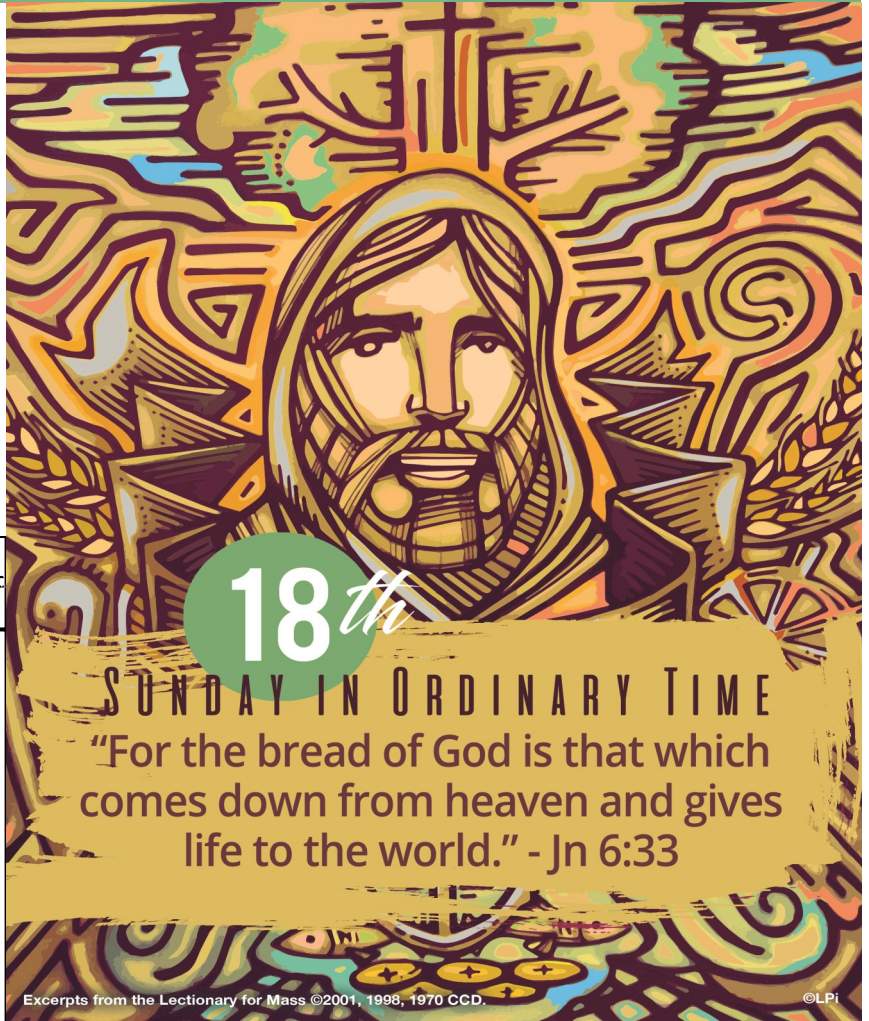
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Mission Statement

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.

August 5, 2018

Weekly Reflections

In the Gospel from John, Jesus advises us, "I am the bread of life; whoever comes to me will never hunger, and whoever believes in me will never thirst." By calling Himself the Bread of Life, Jesus is telling us by what He says, how He acts, and in fact Who He is that He is the Word of God made flesh.

God reveals to us the Word alive in the most complete way possible, through our Lord and Savior Jesus Christ. We are to hear the Word and know Who Jesus is; we are to accept that Word into our minds and hearts — into our spirit — and we are to let that Word begin to change us.

That change is represented by knowing what God wants us to do. Today's Holy Scriptures make that clear. We must pray that we respond and do be good stewards of our time, talent, and treasure so that we can do the work God wants us to do. In the Second Reading, Paul reminds us that we need to undergo a conversion — in effect put on a new self. Our entire lives need to be devoted to change, so that we renew ourselves from the inside and live a stewardship way of life according to God's ways.

Charles Spurgeon, an English minister in the 1800s once wrote, "Conversion is a turning onto the right road. The next thing to do is to walk on it." That is our trial. Once we experience conversion, we must follow through by doing what the Lord wishes us to do.



Catholic Stewardship

His glory is our destiny.

Jesus was transfigured in the presence of Peter, James, and John. For one fleeting moment, these disciples experienced the joy and perfection that awaits us in heaven. And they didn't want that glorious moment to end. Peter was ready to abandon his mission of discipleship. He wanted to establish a dwelling place on the mountain and live there for the rest of his life.

Peter did not get to set up any tents that day. It was not yet his time to share in Jesus' glory for all eternity. He had more work to do.

There may be times in our lives when we are given a glimpse of heaven. But like Peter, we cannot abandon our mission in order to remain in that glorious moment. We, too, have more work to do. Our task was set before us that day on the mountain long ago: "Listen to Him". Living His message is our earthly Christian duty. Sharing in His glory is our eternal destiny.

The Mini Message:

As Christians, it is our destiny to share in the divine glory of the transfigured Christ. But we must first "Listen to Him" and live our lives accordingly.

Daily Prayer This Week



This week we can ask, in the variety of ways and situations each day that our eyes might be opened to see Jesus as he really is - glorified, with the Father, and ready to renew our faith and trust in him.

As we begin our day, and at brief times throughout our day, we can pull our consciousness together by letting the themes of this week's reading guide us. One day, we might ask to keep our eyes fixed on Jesus as we go through a day full of strong wind and waves. We can ask again and again, as things get tougher and more challenging.

Another day, we might focus on what comes out of our mouths. Is there cynicism, judgments, distortions of the truth, divisive and self-serving manipulation, yelling and hurtful put-downs? Do I practice using my voice to give praise to God by affirming others, forgiving them, by telling the truth, by defending the poor and the voiceless, by giving God thanks? Another day, I might be conscious of those I regard as "dogs," those I disdain or think of as "the enemy." I might ask for the grace to open my heart to whatever faith in God they have, however different from mine. I might ask for a sense of solidarity with them, not because it is my desire or inclination, but because it is God's desire for me.

How can I heal and reconcile, at least in my heart, what needs healing: racism, sexism, anti-Semitism, negative stereotypes towards Muslims and those I see as "foreigners." How can I be relieved of my hostility against the poor or being judgmental about sinners. Later in the week, we can get in touch with the call of Jesus to deny ourselves. This is not self-denial for its own sake. This is the dying to self that comes from loving in the self-sacrificing way that Jesus did.

Who in my family, friends, relative, co-workers and members of my parish or congregation needs my self-denying love? How have I focused on "gaining the world" and lost some of my true self in the process? Is there some way this week that I can taste discovering my true self in giving some time, some compassion, some love, some special care to someone who needs this from me?

And throughout the week, perhaps at a special time of powerlessness or some time when I feel that I don't have the energy or gifts to do the "more," to move a mountain, I can ask for faith the size of a mustard seed. And, each night I can give thanks to God for being generous to me all week, for this simple focus on our relationship every day.

August 5, 2018

Weekend Celebrants

Wednesday, August 8th

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, August 11th

Guest Priest Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, August 12th

Guest Priest Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Fr. Chuck St. Gregory's 9:30 am

Wednesday, August 15th

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 5:00 pm



Financial Update

Weekend of :	7/31/18
Envelopes	1198.00
Plate	316.00
Fall Festival.....	320.00
Total	\$ 1834.00

"Thank you for your continuing generosity"

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, Aug. 11 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, Aug. 12 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Sue Roth, Wayne Herberg
Communion: Liz Herberg*, David Prickett, Beth Churchsmith

Gifts: Herberg Family

Ushers: Don Belland, Joe Moore, Dennis Kaufmann

Servers: Maggie Roth, Elena Herberg

Mass Intentions

August 8	Open
August 11	Open
August 12	Dorothy Tomczyk †



Needing our Prayers

Sue Roth
Jim Kirchberg

Jim Bartz

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."

News



We are looking for donations of 2 liter bottles of soda, children's game prizes, and items for Country Store. There are boxes in the back of church to place your donations. We are also accepting donations for the Silent Auction. Please contact the parish office if you have something you would like to donate.

Sign-up sheets are in the back of the church for volunteers for the Fall Festival. Donation envelopes are in the pews for monetary donations.

Food Shelf: Attention Gardeners – if you would like to share your harvest with the Rush City Food Shelf, we will have a basket in the back of church to put your fresh produce. This will be in the back of church throughout the harvest season. You can also drop off your produce at the RC Community Center on Tuesdays between 1-2pm. Thank you!



AUGUST SECOND COLLECTION

Our August second collection will be for Mary, Queen of Heaven Missionaries. Donations will be used for the completion and expansion of the Home of Love, a shelter for women and children victims of human trafficking and prostitution who are willing to change their lives. Sr. Irene Baquiran, MQHM will be here at Sacred Heart to speak on this mission appeal on August 18 & 19 at all the Masses.



Finance Council Member

The next Finance meeting will be held **Aug. 7th at 7pm.** 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.

Parish Council Meeting

The next Parish council meeting is on August 14th at **7:30 pm** in the Parish House.

Foundation Fling



The Rush City Education Foundation is hosting their first annual Foundation Fling on August 11th at the North Folk Winery from 6pm-10pm. Includes live music, hors d' oeuvres, dancing and silent auction. Please see the flyers on the bulletins for more information.

**TRANSFIGURATION
OF THE LORD**