



31st Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

When Jesus saw that he answered with understanding, he said to him, “You are not far from the kingdom of God.” - Mk 12:34ab

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November 4, 2018

A Note from Fr. Dave Kohner



Beginning Monday October 22 Fr Shane Stoppel-Wasinger, Pastor of St Gregory's in North Branch and Sacred Heart in Rush City left on a sabbatical which will take him to Scotland initially for some classes and then to Florida to work on writing a book. He will be ending his sabbatical around April 12.

During his absence, of course the ministries of those 2 parishes need to continue to be served, so Fr. Shane has assembled a list of about 4 retired priests from the area to cover the sacramental responsibilities. With the knowledge and approval of the Archdiocese he has asked me to serve as the Temporary Parochial Administrator for St. Gregory's and Sacred Heart to handle the administrative duties, while these priests handle the sacramental duties. They will be responsible for the weekend Masses, Baptisms, Funerals, visiting the sick – basically all of the sacramental ministry for the two parishes during Fr. Shane's Sabbatical.

My role as Temporary Parochial Administrator is pretty much akin to what I did in Taylor's Falls and Franconia when Fr. Frank Wampach was on his sabbatical – namely keep the ship sailing on a steady course. Don't make any significant changes or start any new initiatives during Fr. Shane's absence, just provide a stability and status quo until he returns in April. Any official business requiring signatures or dealings with the Archdiocese, would go through me during this time. (Fr. Shane assured me that there are no big projects that require Archdiocesan approval on the horizon right now.) I would expect that my duties will include checking in with the parishes on a weekly basis, perhaps doing an occasional weekday Mass, and if I have a burning desire to do so, he said that I am free to attend any Council Meetings. The day to day operations of the parishes are already very capably handled by the respective Parish Staffs.

I've already met with Fr. Shane, one of the Trustees and several of the staff members at St Gregory's to bring me up to date and work out any questions. Hopefully the retired priests, the very capable parish staffs and I can partner to make for a smooth and consistent experience for the people of Sacred Heart and St. Gregory's until Fr. Shane returns. Other than my spending a little more time on the road for the next few months I don't envision any significant impact of these changes on St. Bridget's. If you have any questions I'll do my best to answer them. I would also appreciate your prayers. Thanks!

*Article courtesy of Fr. Dave Kohner
Pastor of St. Bridget of Sweden Catholic Church, Lindstrom, MN*



Father Shane writes that he made it to Perth, Scotland without any traveling difficulties. His first week stay at St. Mary's Monastery was filled with many sessions called: Spirituality of True self-esteem. There are 13 in his group that are from around the world and includes 8 nuns, 1 lay person, and 4 priests. The largest representation is

Australia with 4. Father is the only American. He will be updating us from time to time. Below is

a
picture showing the courtyard side of the Monastery.



Prayer for FAITHFUL CITIZENSHIP

Gracious and loving God,
let your Spirit be with us today.
Hear our prayers,
and increase in us the will to follow your Son Jesus.

Help us to draw on the resources of our faith
as we use the opportunities of our democracy
to shape a society more respectful
of the life, dignity, and rights of the human person,
especially the poor and vulnerable.

We ask this through Jesus Christ, your Son,
who lives and reigns with you in the unity
of the Holy Spirit,
one God forever and ever.
Amen.



Celebrants

Wednesday, Nov. 7th

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Saturday, Nov. 10th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, Nov. 11th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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



Liturgical Roles

Saturday, Nov. 10 at 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Rick Drevecky

Communion: Mary Stenger, Jeanne Kay

Gifts: Drevecky Family

Ushers: Ted Stathes, Dick Ordner

Servers: Maggie Roth

Sunday, Nov. 11 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Youth

Communion: David Prickett, Mary Pat Hestback, Scott Tyron*

Gifts: Youth

Ushers: Rodney Swanson, Der-

rick Murphy, Kevin Murphy

Servers: Isabel Harer, Alexis Murphy

Financial Update

Weekend of 10/28/2018

Plate	295.00
Envelopes	3066.00
Candle money	44.00
Food Shelf	25.00
Stipends/stole.....	78.00
All Saints/Souls.....	20.00
World Mission Sunday.....	60.00
Latino Dinner Proceeds.....	542.00
Total.....	\$4130.00

A special thanks to the Garcia Family for donating their time, talents and food for the Latino dinner. Food was delicious. Proceeds came to \$542.00 which will be used towards our building projects.

Mass Intentions



November 7 Open

November 10 †Richard Lehman

November 11 †Conrad Muenzer

Needing our Prayers

"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."

Carole Swanson
Alison Duffy



News

The next Youth Mass will be Nov. 11.

Food Shelf Sunday is the second Sunday of every month. The upcoming Food Shelf Sunday is Nov. 11. Please bring non-perishable food items and leave in the Food Shelf bin in the back of church. Envelopes for monetary donations will also be available in the pews that weekend.

"Tie up some Christmas cheer" Sunday, November 11 at Chucker's Bowl from 12pm to 4 pm. Please come and support Fostering Families' mission to give every foster child in Chisago, Pine, Kanabec, Mille Lacs and Polk counties a hand-made tie blanket. Last year we were able to gather over 360 blankets. How can you help?

* Monetary donations will go to the purchase of fleece. We accept PayPal through our website at fosteringfamiliesmn.com.

* Donate a hand-made tie blanket either at this event or contact us at fosteringfamiliesinc@gmail.com to arrange a time.

*Come to the event and make your own blanket Sign up for your time at <https://signup.com/client/invitation2/secure/2496117/false#/invitation>

Light refreshments for those who would like to attend. Food and beverages will be available for purchase. Questions? Please contact Sue Roth.



CATHOLIC
CAMPAIGN FOR
HUMAN
DEVELOPMENT

The Second collection for the Catholic Campaign for Human Development will be on Nov. 17-18th, the envelopes will be in the pews next weekend.

Rush City Christmas Caring Tree and Winter Coat Exchange

Any Parent in need of help purchasing Christmas gifts for their children can pick up a Christmas Caring Tree application for assistance at the Rush City food shelf. The food Shelf is open every Tuesday from 2-5 pm. This offer is limited to children ages infant to 18 years who live in and attend school in the Rush City School District. Applications need to be submitted by Nov.16 and all information is on the application form. This event is sponsored the Rush City Cares.

Rush City Community Thanksgiving Dinner:

The Rush City churches are again sponsoring a free community



Thanksgiving dinner at the Rushseba Town Hall on Thursday, November 22, from 11 am– 1 pm. Carry-out meals and home delivery will also be available. If anyone from Sacred Heart would like to help plan or serve, please contact Ilene Olson, ileneoh@gmail.com or call 320.358.4406.

Women of the parish are invited and encouraged to get involved in CCW. Our next meeting will be Tuesday, November 27, at 6:30pm in Wey Hall. The CCW will hold their annual Christmas Cookie Sale at the RC Library Saturday, December 1, from 9-12. Reminder to all women of the Parish to please donate cookies for the sale.

*Many thanks to all those who gave to my sabbatical fund these past few weeks. God bless,
Father Shane*

Thirty-First Sunday in Ordinary Time November 4, 2018