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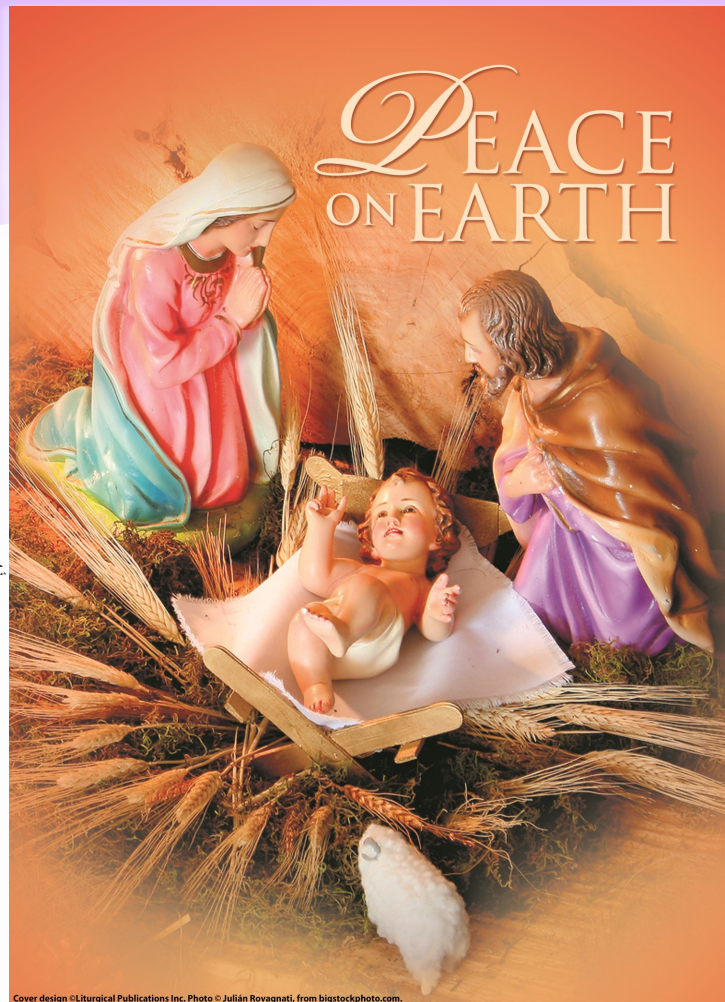
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Mission Statement

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.



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Pastor:

Fr. Shane Stoppel-Wasinger

Weekend Assistants:

Fr. Chuck Brambilla &

Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald

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 am. - 1:00 pm.

Fourth Sunday of Advent ~ December 23, 2018

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Reflections

CELEBRATE 12 DAYS OF CHRISTMAS WITH POPE FRANCIS

A dozen inspirations from our Holy Father...



December 25: "Let us thank the Lord for having given Jesus to us...We bless you, Lord God most high, who lowered yourself for our sake. You are immense, and you made yourself small; you are rich and you made yourself poor; you are all-powerful and you made yourself vulnerable."

December 26: "In the joyful atmosphere of Christmas, [the Martyrdom of St. Stephen] may seem out of place...In reality, from the perspective of faith, the Feast of St. Stephen is in full harmony with the deeper meaning of Christmas. In martyrdom, in fact, violence is conquered by love, death by life...Jesus transforms the death of those who love him into a dawn of new life!"

December 27: "Jesus teaches us that the Good News, which he brings, is not reserved to one part of humanity. It is to be communicated to everyone."

December 28: "And this is important! To know how to forgive one another in families because we all make mistakes, all of us! Sometimes we do things which are not good and which harm others. It is important to have the courage to ask for forgiveness when we are at fault."

December 29: "Christmas without light isn't Christmas. So let there be light in our souls, in our hearts; let there be our forgiveness for others; and let there not be hatred, for this is darkness."



December 30: "[Christmas] speaks of tenderness and hope. When God meets us he tells us two things. The first thing he says is: have hope. God always opens doors, he never closes them. He is the father who opens doors for us. The second thing he says is: don't be afraid of tenderness."

December 31: "God never gives someone a gift they are not capable of receiving. If he gives us the gift of Christmas, it is because we all have the ability to understand and receive it. All of us, from the holiest of saints to the greatest of sinners; from the purest to the most corrupt among us."

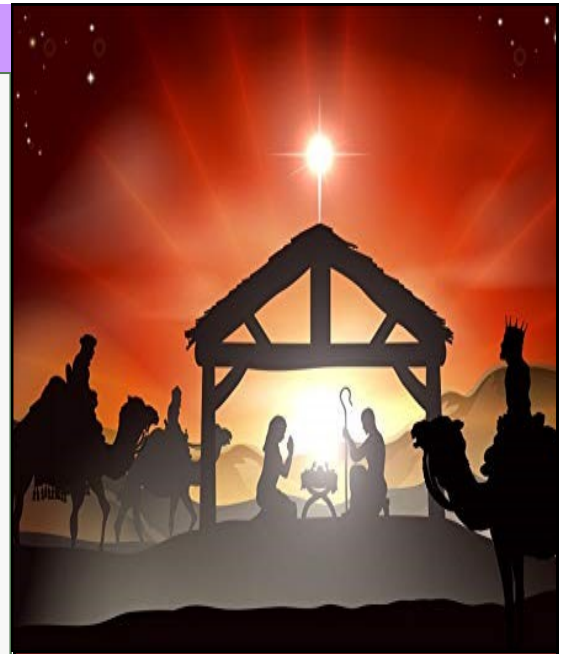
January 1: "The woman is essential for the church. Mary, a woman, is more important than the bishops...We have to work harder to develop a profound theology of the woman...The feminine genius is needed wherever we make important decisions."

January 2: "Christmas is God's meeting with his people. It is also a consolation, a mystery of consolation...For me Christmas has always been about this; contemplating the visit of God to his people."

January 3: "Jesus excluded no one. He build bridges, not walls. His message of salvation is for everyone."

January 4: "The destiny of every person is symbolized in this journey of the Magi of the East: Our life is a journey, illuminated by the lights which brighten our way, to find the fullness of truth and love which we Christians recognize in Jesus, the Light of the World."

January 5: "The world tells us to seek success, power and money; God tells us to seek humility, service, and love."



*Today a light will shine upon
us,
for the Lord is born for us;
and he will be called Wondrous
God, Prince of peace,
Father of future ages:
and his reign will be without
end.*

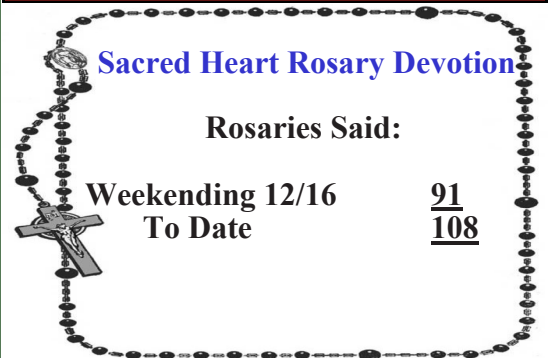
*Isaiah 9:1,5; Luke 1:33
May the Light of Christ be
with you and yours
this Christmas and Always!*

Sacred Heart Rosary Devotion

Rosaries Said:

Weekending 12/16
To Date

91
108



Celebrants

Wednesday, Dec. 26th

No Service

Saturday, Dec. 29th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 pm

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

Sunday, Dec. 30th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 am

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

Holy Mother of God, Tuesday, January 1st

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 am

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, Dec. 29 at 4:00 p.m.

Lectors: Annette Storm

Communion: Ginny Thorn,
Jeanne Kay

Gifts: **Thorn Family**

Ushers: Dick Ordner

Servers: Frank Storm

Sunday, Dec. 30 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Broderick Larson, Al Walz

Communion: Mary Pat Hestbeck,
Melanie Wendorff, David Prickett

Gifts: **S. Larson Family**

Ushers: Joe Moore, Craig Peter-
son, Don Belland

Servers: Isabelle Harer, Ava Wen-
dorff

Financial Update

Weekend of 12/16/2018

Plate	238.00
Envelopes	1161.00
Fr Andy.....	25.00
Bldg. Maint.	10.00
Stipends/Stole.....	57.00
Christmas offerings.....	25.00
Food Shelf	100.00
Immaculate Conception.....	105.00
CCW cookies.....	329.00
Religious Retirement fund	612.70
Christmas flowers	345.00
Total.....	\$3007.70

Mass Intentions



December 29th

† *Lawrence Wheeler*

December 30th

† *Ron & Judie Peltier*

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."

Marvin Johnson Hunter Hermanson
Carole Swanson Mary Pierce
Alison Duffy Jim Kirchberg
Sue Roth



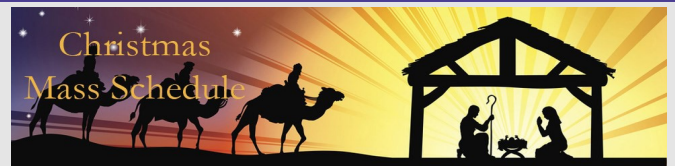
News

Prayer shawls are now available in the back of church. If you know of someone that would benefit from a prayer shawl, please take one and present it to them. You can also contact the parish office with their address and we will gladly mail one to them. If your interested in making a prayer shawl please contact Sue Roth at 651-238-1797.

Parish Rosary Project: Tally sheets are on the back table in church. Please enter the number of Rosaries you have said each week and **place the tally sheet in the offertory basket**, so that they can be counted. Thank you.

The locks on the church property will be changed Thursday, December 20th. Please read our key policy inserted in this weeks bulletin.

Starting January 2019, we will be including an insert of a monthly parish calendar in the bulletin. If you have any parish-related meeting or event that you would like added to the calendar, please contact the parish office.



December 25

The Nativity of The Lord

Vigil Mass: Monday, December 24
at 5:00 PM

Christmas Day Mass:
Tuesday, December 25 At 9:00 AM

January 1

Solemnity of Mary, Holy Mother of God

Mass: Tuesday, January 1
At 9:00 AM

Week 3 Advent Prayer,

Joy

Dear Jesus,

**help us focus on you during this
busy season.**

May we stay aware of the joy you bring into our lives.

**We want to find you in the everyday moments and
come with hearts of**

gratitude to your manger on Christmas.

Amen.

