

The Church of Sacred Heart



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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.



THE HOLY FAMILY

After three days they found him in the temple, sitting in the midst of the teachers, listening to them and asking them questions, and all who heard him were astounded at his understanding and his answers. - Lk 2:46-47

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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.

The Holy Family of Jesus, Mary and Joseph ~ December 30, 2018

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Reflections

CELEBRATE CHRISTMAS WITH POPE FRANCIS

A dozen inspirations from our Holy Father...



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."



Daily Prayer This Week

There is a very quick transition after Christmas. We move into Jesus' public life, almost completely passing over the hidden life years. Before we know it, Jesus is down at the Jordan, waiting to be baptized.

It helps to recognize this and let ourselves enter this part of the mystery of the Incarnation. We are living in the flesh each day of our lives. He came to enter this life and be with us in it. After Christmas, we have a few days to let the blessing of Christmas settle in. Now we are moving toward Ordinary Time in just one week.

Each one of us can begin our post-Christmas and the beginning of our New Years' time by staying in touch with ourselves in the flesh - as people touched by Jesus' coming. We can turn to our Lord throughout each day and have real conversations with our Savior. Over the kitchen sink, by the dishwasher, in front of the washing machine. While driving, walking, going to a meeting, returning from one.

During our preparation for Christmas we were asking the Lord to open our hearts, to let us wait with patient trust, and to come to us. During Christmas week we experienced joy and the mixed challenges of Christmas. This week we have the opportunity to have ordinary conversations with our Lord who came to be with us.

Thank you so much, Lord, for being my savior. And, thank you for being with me now, during each day's joys and sorrows. I ask you to increase my trust in you, my desire for closeness with you and my commitment to turn to you all day long. Continue to be with me when I must make difficult decisions, when I need extra patience and care when in challenging situations. Continue to let my heart experience the joy of Christmas this week as I see signs of your presence with me.

When these words stake on our own voice and our details, it will feel very personal. And, when we speak about our fears, our needs, when we express our gratitude and our deep desires, we are living and intimate relationship with the one who became flesh that we might never need feel alone again.

LET US STRIVE TO IMITATE THE HOLY FAMILY'S MUTUAL LOVE AND CONCERN FOR ONE ANOTHER

By being born into a human family, the eternal Son of God has blessed every family, and so made marriage and family a pathway to holiness and eternal life. In the face of God's ever-flowing generosity, highlighted for us today in the blessing of family life, we become aware of our human shortcomings and our need for God's mercy and love.



MARY, HOLY MOTHER
of God

Celebrants

Holy Mother of God, Tuesday, January 1st

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Wednesday, January 2nd

No Service

Friday, January 3rd

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Saturday, January 5th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

Fr. Nygaard St. Gregory's 5:00 PM

Sunday, January 6th

Fr. Chuck Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

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

Liturgical Roles

Tuesday, Jan. 1st at 9:00 am

Lectors: Al Walz

Communion: Beth Churchsmith, Clarence & Audrey Larson

Gifts: C. Larson Family

Ushers: Craig Peterson, Don Beland

Servers: Broderick Larson

Saturday, Jan 5th at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Annette Storm

Communion: Mary Stenger, Melanie Wendorff

Gifts: Stenger Family

Ushers: Dick Ordner

Servers: Frank Storm

Sunday, Jan. 6th at 9:00 am

Lectors: Sue Roth, Brodrick Larson

Communion: Liz Herberg, David Prickett, Scott Tryon

Gifts: S. Larson Family

Ushers: Don Belland, Dennis Kaufmann, Rodney Swanson

Servers: Maggie Roth, Don Kirshberg

Sacred Heart Rosary Devotion



Rosaries Said:

12/23: 80

To Date: 188

News

2019 Contribution Envelopes

Scheduled to be delivered Monday, December 31st. Will not be available to use for January 1st, the Feast of the Solemnity of Mary, The Holy Mother of God. Please use a supplemental envelope found in the pews for that day. Envelope boxes will be available in church during business hours on Thursday, January 3rd and before and after masses during the balance of January.

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.

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.

January 22nd MCCL March for Life

On Tuesday, January 22, join thousands of Minnesotans at the State Capitol in St. Paul at **12:00 noon** for the 45th annual MCCL March for life. The March commemorates the deaths of more than 60 million unborn babies killed by abortion since the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions legalizing abortion on demand for all nine months of pregnancy. Your presence will help show elected officials and the public the depth of support for pro-life legislation protecting women and unborn babies. For more information, visit mccl.org/march.

Legislative Effort Re: Abortion

Minnesota Citizens Concerned for Life (MCCL) have provided a sign up sheet for those wishing to support MCCL proposed legislation to require abortion facilities to show women the ultrasounds taken prior to the procedure. Most take these pictures but don't show them to the women. The sheets are located in the back of church.

Mass Intentions



January 5th

January 6th

Parishioners

† Douglas DuWayne Hanson

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



Financial Update

Weekend of	12/23/2018	12/25/18
Plate	259.00	411.05
Envelope	1130.00	30.00
EFT	420.00	
Christmas offerings	115.00	2190.00
Food Shelf		25.00
Religious Retirement fund	65.00	
Christmas flowers	195.00	5.00
Total	\$2184.00	\$2661.05

Thank you for your generosity!

May you enjoy the peace and blessings of the Christmas season!