

The Church of the Sacred Heart



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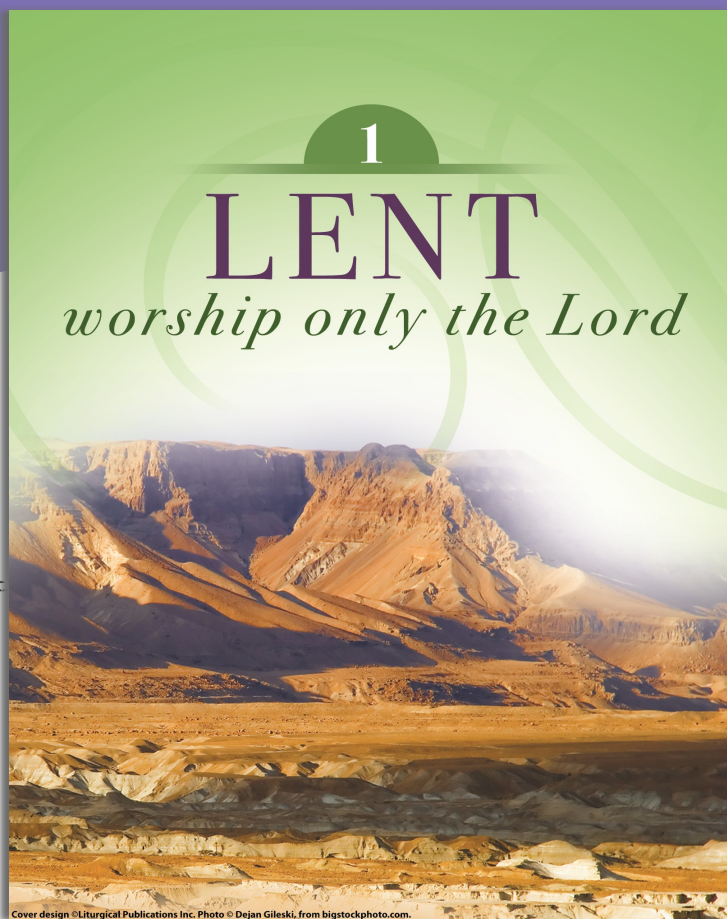
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Mission Statement

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.



Pastor:

Fr. Shane Stoppel-Wasinger

Weekend Assistants:

Fr. Chuck Brambilla &

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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 am. - 1:00 pm.

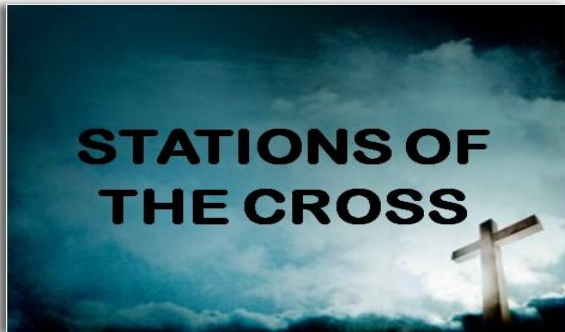
First Sunday of Lent March 10, 2019

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STEWARDSHIP

AND SO IT BEGINS! THE HOLY AND FOR SOME, DAUNTING, SEASON OF LENT. This is the season in our liturgical year when the Church encourages us to increase our prayer, fasting and almsgiving in order to enter more deeply into the mystery of our Lord's Passion and Death and to celebrate more fully His Resurrection. Jesus, by His own example in today's Gospel, demonstrates the necessity of setting aside a period of time devoted especially to prayer and fasting as a means of strengthening our spiritual muscles. Just before the launch of His public ministry, He is "led by the Holy Spirit into the desert for forty days, to be tempted by the devil." In imitation of Jesus, we should ask the Holy Spirit to lead us into the desert, too the desert of our interior lives where our thoughts and desires reside. While our Lord was strong enough to withstand the temptations of the devil on His own, we most certainly are not! We must turn to the Holy Spirit and ask Him to show us where we need to grow, and then rely on the Holy Spirit for strength and guidance throughout these 40 days of growth. Perhaps we will be led to take on a spiritual reading program, or a daily time of meditation on the Scriptures. Maybe we'll be inspired to fast from our favorite food or social media fix and find a project that serves the poor in this community.

If these spiritual exercises hurt a little, that means we are doing them right! At the end of this season, we will be prepared to enter into the grace-filled days of the Triduum and we will, through the power of the Holy Spirit, be resurrected as a new creation with our Lord come Easter. Let us begin!



Stations of the cross will be held at 7:00 pm on each
Friday from
March 8th-29th, April 5th & 12th.
April 19th at 3 pm (Good Friday)

EVERYDAY STEWARDSHIP - RECOGNIZE GOD IN YOUR ORDINARY MOMENTS

It will take too long.
I can't spare it.
I don't know anybody.
I am just too busy.

How many excuses can you think of to put forth as reasons why you should say no to the call of Jesus Christ? Wait. You didn't know to whom those responses were directed? We say no to many things and many people, but we wouldn't say no to Jesus.

Really?

During this Lenten season, like all the other seasons, we will be asked to respond in many different ways. There will be fasting, almsgiving, and abstinence from certain foods. There will be invitations to various devotions and formational studies. We will be asked to reflect on our faith and then dive deeper.

The argument will be made by some that many of these things are being asked of us by others and not Jesus. Of course, that will just be another excuse like those above. For every calling upon us comes with a temptation to take the easy way out or to minimize the value of the request.

We will stay caught up in an endless cycle of excuses that lead us nowhere. That is unless we simply choose to stop the madness and say **YES!**

This Lent, give up and give in.
Let God take over as you surrender all you are and have to Him.

Now is the time to turn to Jesus.
No more excuses.

Article courtesy of Liturgical Publications

Celebrants

Wednesday, March 13th

Communion Service Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Saturday, March 16th

Fr. Sipe Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

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

Youth Sunday, March 17th

Fr. Sipe Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

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

Have a Beautiful Sunday in the Lord.

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, March 16 at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Al Walz

Communion: Mary Stenger,
Chuck Debevec

Gifts: Stenger Family

Ushers: Derrick Murphy, Kevin
Murphy

Servers: Alexis Murphy

Sunday, March 17 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Wayne Herberg, Annette
Storm

Communion: Jean Peno, Kristi
Frazier, Scott Tyron*

Gifts: Frazier Family

Ushers: Rodney Swanson, Joe
Moore

Servers: Frank Storm, Elena Her-
berg

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."*

Mary Pierce
Erika Matzke-Stoltz

Sue Roth
Jane Scherer



Mass Intentions



March 16th † Michelle Stenger-Fisk

March 17th † Bill Peno

Financial Update

Totals for the weekend of: 3/2/19

Plate	93.00
Supplements	2021.00
Food Shelf	20.00
Bldg. Maint.	273.00
EFT Money	224.00
Energy needs	10.00
Total:	\$2641.00

Thank you for your generosity !



S.H Rosary Devotion

Rosaries Said:

3/3: 36
To Date: 854

News

March is Food Shelf Month. Rush City Food Shelf will receive matching funds for all donations they receive in March. The food shelf is currently in need of cereals, peanut butter, and personal care products. Also, donation envelopes are in the pews.

Rush City Food Shelf distributed nearly 69,000 lbs. of food in 2018. They served 468 individuals in 127 households. 43% of their clients are children and 18% are elderly.

For your information, the Rush City food shelf has given a summary how donations and dollars were spent for the year 2018. They are posted on the bulletin boards in the church.

Rush City Senior Dining. Please come join us for lunch. Monday – Friday at the Rush City Community Center. 11:30am – 1:00pm. Cost for age 60+ is \$4.25, and under 60 is \$8.00. Bingo is held on Wednesday and Friday at 11:00am. Meals on Wheels is also available. Meals provided



First Week of Lent

Encounter Norma

In Guatemala, we encounter Norma, who as a young mother, supports her family

and shares her skills with her community. Reflect on the importance of family in your life. How can you contribute to support families in your community? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.

Friday's during Lent Fish Fry's 5-7 PM



Join us on Friday's in Lent for our Scrumptious Fish Fry at Sacred Heart Catholic Church
Frandsen Ave & 4th St. Rush City 320.358-4370
MARCH 8TH THROUGH APRIL 12TH
ADULTS \$11 • KIDS 5-12 \$5 • KIDS 4 & UNDER FREE