

The Church of the Sacred Heart

The Mother Church of East Central Minnesota



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Saturday @ 4:00 pm

Sunday @ 9:00 am

Weekdays:

Wednesday@ 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

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.

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 Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ June 23, 2019

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LIVE THE LITURGY

INSPIRATION FOR THE WEEK

How can we ever succeed at truly loving God and our neighbor and fully embrace Gospel living? Achieving this goal without an intimate connection with Christ is impossible. The Eucharist, the Body and Blood of Christ, connects us with God in a unique and most intimate way. His very life and presence is wedded with ours. Being forgiven and nourished, we are given the strength and conviction to pick up our wounded and broken lives and be living heralds of Good News. Our world is broken and needs authentic, living witnesses to bring it back to truth. Nourished by the Body and Blood of Christ, are you ready to be sent?

GOSPEL MEDITATION - ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

"They all ate and were satisfied." Why read the miracle of the multiplication of the loaves this Sunday? Here we see the mystery of our physical and spiritual realities intermingling. Too often, they can feel separate. When we go to Mass, how often we appear more ordinarily human rather than stretching toward the divine.

Perhaps our experience of the Eucharist is fairly mundane. We notice when a new sacramental wine has been selected. We feel the varying textures of the host and wonder if they'll ever bring back the one that tasted distinctly like wheat. As we shuffle up to the front and stride back to our pew, we notice the looks on people's faces and the clothes on their backs. We get distracted by the crying child, the man blowing his nose, and the mechanical sound of the air conditioner kicking in. How human we are, how earth-bound, how material!

And how good God is for entering into these selfsame realities. How good God is for proclaiming "the kingdom of God," for "heal[ing] those who needed to be cured," for having mercy on a tired and hungry crowd. How many of the crowd noticed what had been done for them? Did they realize their dinner was a miracle? How often do we miss the deeper reality of the Eucharist? Even if in the moment of receiving Communion we don't experience radical ecstasy and don't feel any different, there is a tangible reality to cling to. Our God loves us enough to become bread for us, not only to feed us but to be fed upon by us.

On Communication

What is the meaning of communication? According to the dictionary, it is: "a process by which information is exchanged between individuals through a common system of symbols, signs, or behavior." Furthermore, from the information a person received, he or she gains knowledge about something. One would think that communicating a piece of knowledge to another would be a relatively simple process. While this is true, all too often either the **full piece** of information is not conveyed to another or in other situations the information is not given to the other person who may benefit from receiving it; therefore, causing a misunderstanding or in some circumstances a disagreement.

What might be the explanations for poor communication? Fear- either of what others may think of the what you want to convey or fear of another person since they are deemed more important than yourself. From my personal experience, I have encountered both of these forms of fear.

As I mentioned in my Pentecost homily a few weeks ago, I have conquered most of my fears and in the course have hopefully become an improved communicator. Not only did I fear that my comments would be rejected, but also, I feared dealing with conflict. Yes, especially, after being in other parts of the world such as the deep south of the USA, Scotland, and in the Virgin Islands, I am convinced that we Minnesotans are often times not very good at directly confronting someone or worst yet we ignore that there even is a problem. I am not judging; this is merely what I have observed.

An additional source of poor communication is the fear of approaching someone of authority, such as a parishioner to their pastor, with a concern. Instead of talking to the pastor, a person just, although perhaps angry, unhappy, or hurt, does not approach the priest to express themselves. Unfortunately, this happens more often than I would like to encounter. As a result of not directly approaching the pastor, they may leave the parish, gossip, or stop financially giving to the parish. It can be over a trivial issue or a more significant factor. No matter how minor an issue is, the outcome can be a substantial one. Therefore, as a pastor, I give the same weight to all issues. The problem though is, more times than not, I do not know what I could do to improve my communication to my parishioners.

As I write this article, I am speaking from past experiences at other parishes I have served as well as Sacred Heart. At this time, I feel our communication is good here, although there is always plenty of room for improvement. One thing that I have learnt over the years is that good communication takes contact effort and work.

Have a blessed week, Father Shane

Celebrants

Wednesday, June 26th

Fr. Shane Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Friday, June 28th

Fr. Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Saturday, June 29th

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

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

Sunday, June 30th

Fr. Fitzgerald Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

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

"Blood is poured and flesh is broken, yet in either wondrous token Christ entire we know to be." | Lauda Sion

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, June 29 at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Rick Drevecky

Communion: Jeanne Kay, Ginny Thorn

Gifts: Kay Family

Ushers: Dick Ordner

Servers: Ava Wendorff

Sunday, June 30 at 9:00 am

Lectors: Annette Storm, Sue Roth

Communion: Danielle Peter*, David Prickett, Beth Churchsmith

Gifts: Peter Family

Ushers: David Peter, Dennis Kaufmann

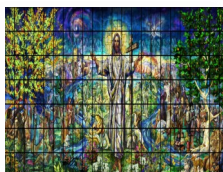
Servers: Maggie Roth, Elena Herberg

Needing our Prayers

When you Pray, God Listens. When you Listen, God Talks. When you Believe, God Works. ~Unknown

Tony Lenneman
Erika Matzke-Stoltz

Sue Roth
Jim Kirchberg



Mass Intentions



June 26th † Orville Fief

June 29th † Anita Paré

June 30th † Chuck Debevec

Financial Update

Totals for the weekend of: 6/16/19	
Plate	450.30
Envelopes	1667.00
Aluminum Cans	81.00
Memorial -Scherer	20.00
Use of Kitchen	50.00
Cemetery Care	100.00
Total:	\$ 2368.30

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S.H Rosary Devotion

Rosaries Said:

6/16: 34
To Date: 1484

News

June is the month of the Sacred Heart of Jesus. The commemoration of The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus will be at 9:00 am. You are invited to attend on this special day recognizing our parish's namesake.

Sacred Heart has a new Facebook page, please go online to like and share it. Thank you.



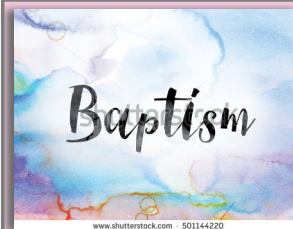
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Reminder on Tuesday, June 25th, the CCW meeting will be at 6:30 pm in Wey Hall and the Finance Council meeting will be held at 7:30 pm in the Parish House.

Peter's Pence Collection
Be a Witness of
Charity

Next week, we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection, which provides Pope Francis with the funds he needs to carry out his charitable works around the world.

The proceeds benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and natural disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.usccb.org/peters-pence.



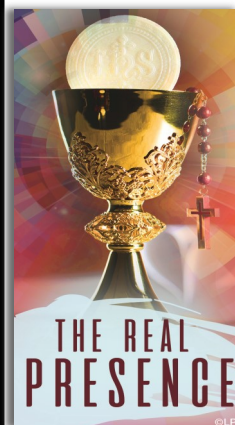
Baptized into the Family of God

Octavia Grace Yurick

Daughter of Curtis & Sara Yurick

May God's grace and blessings that you receive on your Baptism, guide you throughout your life.

The Eucharist



THE REAL PRESENCE

On feasts such as this, we recall miracles like the wedding feast at Cana or the multiplication of the loaves. Perhaps we remember the road to Emmaus, when Jesus was made known "in the breaking of the bread." In these stories, God satisfies our hunger in a supernatural way. But the cry of the human heart goes much deeper. "Man cannot live on bread alone," after all. In the Eucharist, God's supernatural presence takes the form of physical food. In the absence of physical nourishment, the body slowly begins to break down. Without an intentional pursuit of spiritual nourishment, our souls will similarly suffer. Our inner lives need rest and rejuvenation. We need daily connection with our Creator. We need to receive from the One who feeds us. The radical reality of the Eucharist speaks to our deeper aches, to the God who alone satisfies.