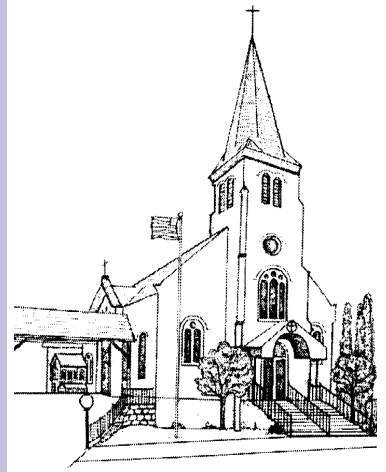


Welcome to
The Church of the Sacred Heart
The Mother Church of East Central Minnesota
"Trust Me" - God



**IF YOU
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PSALM 95



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Liturgy of the Eucharist:

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.

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WHAT REALLY
MATTERS IN LIFE
IS THAT WE ARE
LOVED BY CHRIST
AND THAT WE LOVE
HIM IN RETURN.

ST. JOHN PAUL II

March 15, 2020

Celebrants

Wednesday, March 18th

Fr. Nygaard Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

Saturday, March 21st

Fr. Marcel E. Okwara Sacred Heart 4:00 PM

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

Sunday, March 22nd

Fr. Marcel E. Okwara Sacred Heart 9:00 AM

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



Celebrate the Lenten Journey - Devotions & Prayer



Annual Fish Fry Friday's

5-7PM

Sacred Heart Catholic Church
will be serving a delicious fish fry
dinner on Friday's during Lent.

February 28th- April 3rd

Adults \$11 * Kids 5-12 \$5 * Kids 4 & under FREE

Liturgical Roles

Saturday, March 21st at 4:00 pm

Lectors: Sue Roth

Communion: Frank & Annette Storm

Gifts: Storm Family

Ushers: Dick Ordner, Dennis Kaufmann

Servers: Maggie Roth

Sunday, March 22nd at 9:00 am

Lectors: Jeremy Albright, Al Walz

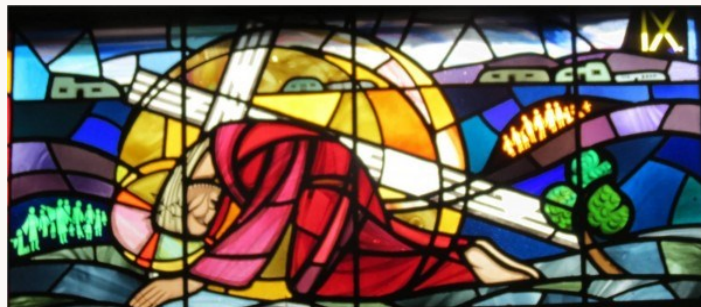
Communion: Jean Peno*, Beth

Churchsmith, Mary Pat Hestbeck

Gifts: Frazier Family

Ushers: Dave Peter, Don Belland, Craig Peterson

Servers: Isabelle Harer, Brayden Ertz



STATIONS OF THE CROSS

We will pray the Stations of the Cross on Friday
nights during Lent, beginning at 7:00 p.m.

This devotion offers witness to Jesus' Passion and Death.
At each station we use our senses and our imagination
to reflect prayerfully upon Jesus' suffering, Death,
and Resurrection, and to simply experience the
visual images to reflect on Christ's love for us.

Mass Intentions



March 18th t Open

March 21st t Richard & Marcella Kemen

March 22nd Parishioners

Prayer makes all the Difference!



Janet Yurick

Sue Roth

Gerald Mollberg

Margarette Brookner

Jean Isackson

Jim Thorn

Jim Kirchberg

Judy Strandmark

John Hatcher

Savannah Yurick

Financial Update

The financial update will be posted in the upcoming bulletin. Thank you.

"Capital Campaign Corner"

Financial Update:

Project Goal \$ 100,000.00

Pledges Received (56) \$ 63,730.00

Paid to Date \$ 42,879.00



Thank you for supporting Capital Campaign- A Call to Restore
and Preserve.

Upcoming Events & Meetings



Progressive Dinner: Friday, April 24th Sacred
Heart Church will be the last stop for desserts.
More details to follow.



Reminder: There will be no Gathering on Wednes-
day, March 25th.

FATHER SHANE LEAVING

Father Shane leaves this Wednesday, March 18 for Coca Beach
and will return on April 1. For emergencies please contact Steve or
Marsha at 320-358-4370.

The Samaritan woman said to him, "How can you, a Jew,
ask me, a Samaritan woman, for a drink?" Jesus answered
and said to her, "If you knew the gift of God and who is
saying to you, 'Give me a drink,' you would have asked
him and he would have given you living water."

— Jn 4:9a, 10

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FROM FATHER SHANE...

On Health Concerns

Since the middle of January, we have constantly heard about the outbreak and spread of the Coronavirus or COVID-19 virus. As your spiritual leader, it is my role to have a balance of spiritual faith when dealing with these concerns as well as to initiate proactive actions we should be taking at each parish. One thing that we must absolutely *not* do, is live our lives in fear and panic.

Psalm 121:7-8 "The Lord will keep you from all harm, he will watch over your life; the Lord will watch over your coming and going both now and forevermore."

Please, if you are sick, stay home. Myself, along with all leadership of our Catholic faith, understand and permit you to skip your obligation to attend Sunday Mass when you are ill.

Other suggestions would be to frequently wash your hands with soap and water for a minimum of 20 seconds or use a 60%+ alcohol-based hand sanitizer. Avoid touching your eyes, ears, nose, or mouth. Cover your cough or sneeze into a tissue or elbow which is what I normally do.

The Eucharistic Ministers at both parishes have been instructed before offering the Body and Precious Blood at Mass, to go into the sacristy at the start of the Sign of Peace in order to sanitize their hands before approaching the altar. The Eucharistic Ministers will also ensure the Chalice is turned and thoroughly wiped with the purificator, before offering the Precious Blood to the next communicant.

Each parishioner has a choice when greeting others or to hold hands during the Lord's Prayer. A friendly word, smile, or nod of the head, are other ways we can show kindness to others if we choose to do so.

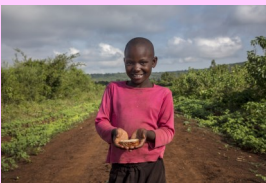
On a brief side note, during my serious illness that put me into the hospital six years ago, I had a trach placed in my throat. The doctor had a difficult time taking the trach out. This incident created scar inside my throat which at times causes me to have an uncontrollable coughing spells. Thus if you see me coughing, it is just my scar tissue acting up. If I am sick, I will abstain from doing anything which potentially could hurt my flock.

Finally, may I suggest that all of us pray for those affected by serious viruses or illness, that they may receive the strength and care needed to assist them in their recovery. Remember, keep your faith and trust in God. He will not forsake us.

Have a blessed week, Father Shane



SOCIAL OUTREACH



Meet Yvone Meet Yvone from Kenya. She learned proper nutrition and hygiene practices to help keep her healthy and in school. Yvone now has a chance to dream and the strength to follow those dreams. How can

you ensure that young people in your community receive proper nutrition? Visit crsricebowl.org for more.



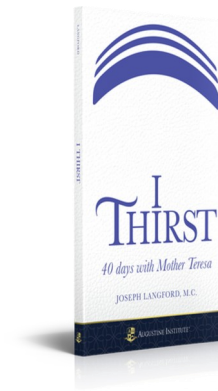
MARCH SECOND COLLECTION: Global Solidarity Sunday Weekend is March 21 & 22. This year the theme is, "...I was blind and now I see" (John 9:25) As we reach out in solidarity to our brothers and sisters around the world, we let our light shine for those who still hunger and thirst for God's mercy, love and healing. On the weekend of March 21/22, a special collection will be taken for four global priorities of the U.S. Catholic Bishops: Africa, Latin America, Central and Eastern Europe, as well as humanitarian activities of Catholic Relief Services.

Thank you.

The Perfect book for Lent.

I Thirst: 40 Days with Mother Teresa

St. Teresa of Calcutta was a woman known and loved for her tender work among the poorest of the poor. Behind her drive and desire to serve Christ's poor was a profound understanding of the thirst of God for man, and man's thirst for God. This guided meditation on Scripture and the teaching of Mother Teresa will lead those who read it into the heart of the mystery of God's thirst for souls, and how man can meet the Lord's thirst. Fr. Joseph Langford, an intimate friend of Mother Teresa's and a co-founder with her of the Missionary of Charity Fathers, leads the reader into Mother Teresa's love of God, and helps foster the love of God in the heart of the reader.



Mother Teresa's holiness inspired many Catholics and non-Catholics alike. What was it that transformed her life so drastically and brought her to sanctity? Explore Christ's thirst for you and how to open yourself up to his love with Mother Teresa as your guide.

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