

Welcome to The Church of the Sacred Heart

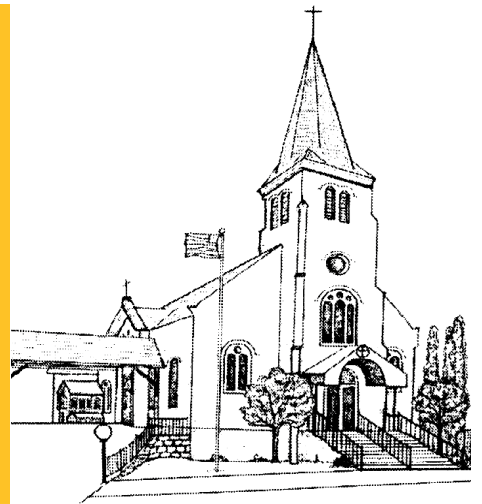
The Mother Church of East Central Minnesota

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Weekend & Weekday Masses

Saturday-Temporarily Suspended
Sunday 9:00 am
Wednesday 9:00 am

Private Prayers:

Wednesdays, Thursdays and Sundays-
8:30-Noon

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am Mass
until Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

Confessions will be heard by request
after mass on Wednesdays or
by appointment.

Clergy

Pastor:

Fr. Shane Stoppel-Wasinger

Assisting Priest:

Fr. Chuck Brambilla
Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald

Office Hours:

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday
8:00 am. - 12:00 pm.

Parish Staff Contacts

Admin Asst: Marsha Marcussen
Bookkeeper/ Music: Steve Yurick
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33rd Sunday IN ORDINARY TIME

"The one who had received five talents came forward bringing the additional five. He said, 'Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.'" - Mt 25:20

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Thirty-Third November 15, 2020

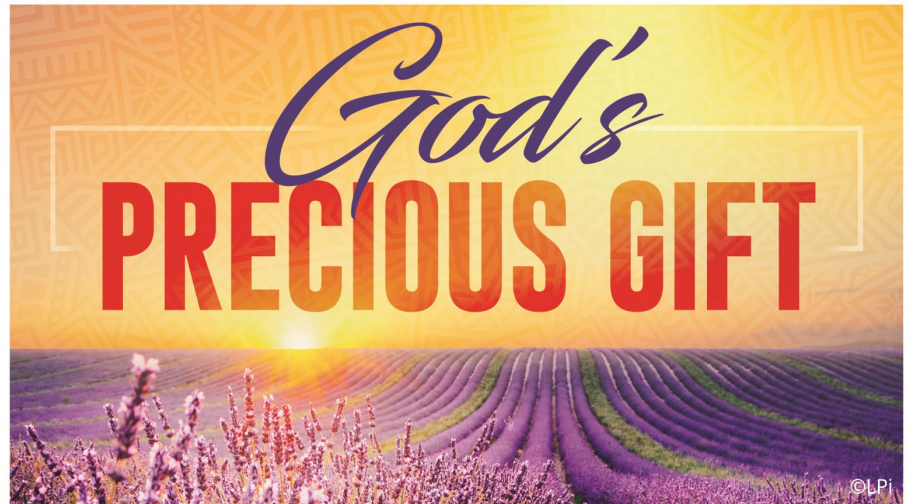
GOSPEL MEDITATION

ENCOURAGE DEEPER UNDERSTANDING OF SCRIPTURE

God gives us the gift of His very self and asks us to invest it. Investing God's greatest gift of Himself wisely, allows God's kingdom to grow and flourish. God trusts us with this pearl of great price in hopes that it will produce abundant fruit. While God's gift of self is realized in the gifts of faith, hope, and love, they are not meant to be solely for personal benefit. They are intended to be shared and are at the heart of Jesus' blueprint for happiness, the Beatitudes.

When we properly invest God's greatest gift, His most treasured possession, we invest in the wellbeing of all of our brothers and sisters and the world in which we live. We take up most seriously our call to be stewards and properly manage, not only our own affairs, but the affairs of those around and before us. God has put tremendous confidence in us. Do we have that same confidence in God?

We often go the extra mile and put in the additional effort when it comes to those concerns closest to us: our families, friends, careers, home and securities. But when it comes to things that are not as



close to us, we can become lax and less conscientious. Tending to God's treasure requires a great deal of focus and persistent hard work. It demands that I see the bigger picture, God's picture, in which self-sacrifice is a given as we labor for the establishment of God's kingdom, God's vision. Fear and a lack of trust can loom large, however. We are afraid of letting go of what is "mine" and apprehensive of jeopardizing what we have in order to venture into something bigger and more promising.

Fear and a lack of trust serve no purpose in God's kingdom. They benefit neither the person

nor God. What is required is a courageous resolve that produces the fortitude necessary to stay the course and do what God is asking. Doing all in our power to cultivate the seeds of faith, hope, and love in our world, working diligently to put all of our relationships in proper order, becoming attentive to systems and ideologies that hurt and oppress people, being mindful of injustice, and laboring on behalf of the poor and the needy are at the core of what each of us is asked to do. It is how we invest God's most precious gift wisely. If persistent, alert and attentive, then life will gradually improve around us, there will be greater peace and we will experience joy.

"Master, you gave me five talents. See, I have made five more.' His master said to him, 'Well done, my good and faithful servant. Since you were faithful in small matters, I will give you great responsibilities. Come, share your master's joy.' " - Mt 25:20b-21

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Local businesses and sponsors that advertise on bulletins need you now more than ever before. Please encourage and remind others to show their support during this time.

If you or a loved one are ill in any way and would like to have your name included on the Prayer Chain, the Sunday Prayers of the Faithful and/or the bulletin contact the Parish office. Permission from the individual must be given before we can list their name in the Prayers of the Faithful or the bulletin.

Prayer, at its heart, is an act of faith, asking God to step in and believing that He is both willing and able to listen to us. There is no prayer intention too large or too small — you can ask for God's help with every need.

Almighty God, we lift up all those who are facing illness today. We ask that you would bring healing, comfort and peace to their bodies. Calm their fears and let them experience the healing power of Your love. Amen.

Continued prayers for:

Sue Roth, Gerald Mollberg, Jim Thorn,
Judy Strandmark, Shirley Kirchberg Traci Bartz,
Joseph Schwaab, Grace Schwaab, David Gamache,
Erin Hestbeck Mielke, Cecilia Shinler, Bret Van Tassel



November 22 & 23 Celebrants

Fr. Shane	St. Gregory	5:00 p.m.
Fr. Shane	Sacred Heart	9:00 a.m.
Fr. Fitzgerald	St. Gregory	9:30 a.m.

November 28 & 29 Celebrants

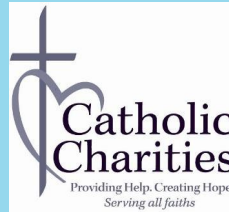
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Fr. Nygaard	Sacred Heart	9:00 a.m.
Fr. Fitzgerald	St. Gregory	9:30 a.m.

PRAYER PARTNERS

We are looking for prayer partners for our 9th Grade Confirmation students. Prayer partners commit to praying for a student for a period of two years until he/she is confirmed in the spring of 2022. If you can help in this important ministry, please sign up on the sheet provided in the vestibule.

KIC - GRADES 1 - 8

The KIC program for Grades 1-8 began on October 21. A parent information meeting was held on October 14 and materials were handed out at that time. Please call Claire at the Faith Formation Office (651.674.7382) for questions you may have regarding this year's at-home lessons.



Sacred Heart Church
Thursday, November 19
10am-11:30 am

Senior Dining
Frozen meal Expansion Project

Catholic Charities Senior Dining is participating in a public food distribution of frozen meals for seniors 60+ on Thursday, November 19, from 10:00-11:30 am at Sacred Heart Church located. Senior Dining will provide packs of 10 frozen meals for seniors during this drive-through, no-contact distribution. There is no fee for these frozen meals; however, contributions are accepted. This project is partially funded under a contract with the Central Minnesota Council on Aging as part of the Older Americans Act.



CHRISTMAS CARING TREE

Any parent in need of help purchasing Christmas gifts for their children can pick up a Christmas Caring Tree application at the

Rush City Food Shelf if they have not received an application by mail. The offer is limited to children infant to 18 years old and live in the Rush City School District. The application deadline is Friday, November 20, 2020.

On Monday, November 23, 2020 The Christmas Caring Tree will be set up in the entry of Creek Side Cafe. It will be decorated with Christmas Wish tags from children in the Rush City School District. Your help is needed to fulfill these wishes!! Select a Christmas Wish tag, purchase gift(s) for the child and bring the unwrapped gift(s) to Creek Side Cafe by Friday, December 11, 2020. Creek Side Cafe is open Sun.-Tues. from 8:00AM - 2:00PM and Wed. - Sat. from 8:00AM - 8:00PM. Please note the change in where the Christmas Caring Tree is located this year. Questions may be directed to Millie Peters at 320-358-3432 or Shari Schlagerl at 320-358-3463.

Christmas Eve Dinner

We were looking forward to celebrating our 20th year Christmas Eve with our community family however due to the many uncertainties and challenges facing us, we regretfully must inform you that this year's dinner is cancelled. We wish everyone the absolute best Christmas season and a much more positive New Year!



The Marcussen Family

Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner

18th Annual Rush City Free Community Thanksgiving Dinner - Thursday, November 26th, 2020 from 11:00 AM – 1:00 PM here at FELC. * Drive-up meals will be delivered to cars outside * (No inside meals will be served this year) Home delivery of meals can be arranged by calling the Church Office at 320-358-4076 by 1:00 PM on Wednesday, November 25th, 2020. Sponsors include: Rush City Churches, Rush City Lions and Thrivent Financial for Lutherans.