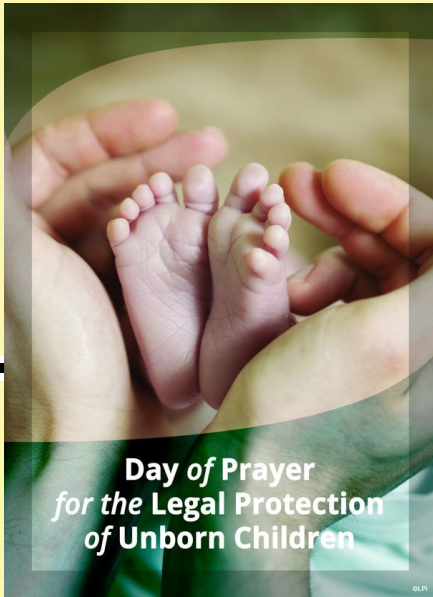




**Day of Prayer
for the Legal Protection
of Unborn Children**

Welcome to
The Church of the Sacred Heart
The Mother Church of East Central Minnesota

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Weekend & Weekday Masses

Saturday-Suspended

Sunday 9:00 am

Wednesday 9:00 am

Adoration of the Blessed Sacrament:

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am

Mass until Noon

Sacrament of Reconciliation:

After mass on the 1st & 3rd Wednesday of the month or by appointment.

Clergy

Pastor:

Fr. Shane Stoppel-Wasinger

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Fr. Chuck Brambilla

Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald

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Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

8:00 am. - 12:00 pm.

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Week of Prayer
for
Christian
Unity

January 18-25

1-16 Second Sunday in Ordinary Time
1-23 Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

ST. MADELEINE SOPHIE BARAT



Madeleine Sophie Barat was born on December 12, 1779 in Joigny, France. There was a house fire next door to where the family was living. The stress and terror of the fire caused Sophie's mother Madeleine Fouffé Barat, then pregnant with her third child, to go into labor.

Born two months premature, Madeleine Sophie was considered so fragile that she was baptized early the next morning in St. Thibault Church, just a few yards from the Barat family home.

Sophie was born into a financially comfortable family whose ancestors had lived in Joigny for generations. Her father Jacques Barat was a cooper and vine-grower. Both professions were respected trades, with centuries of French culture and spirituality behind them.

Sophie's older brother Louis became a teacher of mathematics and decided to take on Sophie's education. He taught her Latin, Greek, history, natural science, Spanish, and Italian providing Sophie with an education rarely available to young women and girls at that time.

She went to Paris in 1795 at the height of the French Revolution and initially considered becoming a Carmelite. This would be impossible however, for the Carmelites had along with many other religious communities been abolished in 1790. For five years she lived in Paris leading a life of prayer and study. She also taught catechism in secret to the children of the Marais quarter. At the age of twenty she abandoned her dream of becoming a Carmelite.

Sophie (along with three other women living in the Paris safe-house) took her vows as one of the first members of this new religious congregation. This marked the foundation of the Society of the Sacred Heart. Because the French authorities had prohibited devotion to the Sacred Heart of Jesus, the society was initially known as *Dames de la Foi* (Women of Faith).

While in Paris she was introduced to Joseph Varin. He wanted to found a religious order of women devoted to the Sacred Heart of Jesus and involved in the education of young women that would complement the work of the Fathers of the Faith. A school giving classes to the poor was opened in Amiens in northern France in September 1801. Sophie travelled there in order to teach. The new community and school grew quickly. At the age of twenty-three Sophie became Superior of the Society of the Sacred Heart.

The Society of the Sacred Heart quickly expanded within Europe and beyond. A second school was established at Grenoble, followed by a third at Poitiers in western France. Father Varin envisioned an entire network of such schools. After these initial establishments in France, between the years of 1818 and 1857 foundations were established in North America, Italy, Switzerland, Belgium, Algiers, England, Ireland, Spain, Holland, Germany, South America, Austria, and Poland.

During this time Sophie Barat also grew, transformed by her experience as leader and friend to many women who joined her. Sophie Barat also was awake to the wider world of her time. By her awareness of their impact on the world of education Sophie Barat ensured the Society's contribution to the education and the promotion of women in her time and into the future.

Over the course of her years as the superior general, Sophie and her Society survived the regime of Napoleon, saw France undergo two more revolutions, and witnessed Italy's struggle to become a full-fledged nation. By the time of her death in 1865 Sophie Barat guided an international community of 3,359 women in Europe, North Africa, North and South America.

Madeleine Sophie Barat was canonized a saint on 25 May 1925.



Guest writer
Bob Rawson, Parishioner

SANCTITY OF LIFE WEEKEND

On the weekend of January 15/16 we will recognize Sanctity of Life Sunday.
Resources are available in back of church.

Our Second Collection on January 22/23 will go to support
Options for Women Pregnancy Resource Center
located in Chisago County, North Branch.

On January 22 each year the faithful are called to remember in prayer the massive loss of life that has occurred since the Supreme Court ruled on the case *Roe versus Wade* on that same date in 1973 which effectively legalized abortion in the United States.

Join us for a "Holy Hour for Life" on Saturday, January 22nd
at 10:00 am in the Church at St. Gregory the Great.

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

"Indeed, the very hairs of your head are all numbered."
- Jesus (Luke 12:7)

Protect the Priceless Sanctity of Human Life

Options for Women Chisago County depends on the generosity of our community members to fulfill our mission. We are always grateful for your prayers, financial contribution & volunteer support.

Options for Women CHISAGO COUNTY

6344 Elm St., PO Box 516
North Branch, MN 55056
www.pregoptions.org
info@pregoptions.org 651-674-2121

Parish News

Catholic Charities Food Distribution

The next food distribution of frozen meals for seniors 60 and older will be on January 20th from 10:00am-11:30 am. Meals are available in quantities of 10 and up to 30 per calendar month.

2022 Calendars are available in the back of church. Please take one or two.



FATHER SHANE ON VACATION

Fr. Shane will be away from January 7th through January 21st. He is making his yearly trip to Cocoa Beach, FL. Communion Services will take place Fridays and Masses will be covered by our retired Priests. Contact the Parish Office at 651.674.4056 for Pastoral Emergencies or Deacon Kevin at 507.202.5304 after hours.

The 2022 envelopes will not be available for 2-3 weeks, as the provider claims they never received our renewal order (mailed to them on 10/28/2021). Meanwhile, please use the supplemental envelopes found in church and BE SURE to put your name or box number on it until this year's has arrived. Thank you.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, January 19

9:00 a.m. † Andrew & Antonette Kuba

Sunday, January 23

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Mildred Johnson

Wednesday, January 26

9:00 a.m. † Open

Sunday, January 30

Fourth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Open



January 22-23 Celebrants

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

January 29-30 Celebrants

Fr. Shane/Dea. Kevin	St. Gregory	5:00 p.m.
Fr. Chuck	Sacred Heart	9:00 a.m.
Fr. Shane	St. Gregory	9:30 a.m.

Father God, we pray for all those who are facing sickness in their bodies. We ask that you would restore their health, soothe their pain, and ease their worry. Give them your peace and comfort as they wait.

In Jesus' name, AMEN!

Continued prayers for:



Erin Hestbeck Mielke, Sue Roth, Gerald Mollberg, Jim Thorn, Judy Strandmark, Grace Schwaab, Cecilia Shinler, Ron Schleicher, Janet Yurick, Maxim Hurwicz, Al Petschl, Jim Mitchell, Marian Schmitz, Laura Saumer, Arial Saumer

PRAYER REQUESTS

If you or a loved one are ill in any way and would like to have your name included in the Sunday Prayers of the Faithful, contact the Parish office. Also, any prayer request or needs can be written in our Parish Intercessory Book in the back of church at any time.

ANointing OF THE SICK

Are you or someone you know having surgery? Seriously ill or suffering in mind, body or spirit? Consider receiving the Sacrament of Anointing.

This rite is intended to convey God's grace to those who receive it, through the power of the Holy Spirit. To set a time that works for you, please contact the parish office.

Faith Formation



FIRST COMMUNION WORKSHOP - RESCHEDULED

The First Communion Workshop for children preparing to receive this sacrament has been rescheduled for Saturday, March 5 from 10:00 a.m. to 12 p.m. noon at St. Gregory the Great Church.



FIRST RECONCILIATION

Please pray for the children who will be receiving the Sacrament of Reconciliation for the first time on Saturday, February 12 at 10:00 a.m. at St. Gregory the Great Church.



PALMS NEEDED FOR ASH WEDNESDAY

We are collecting palms from last year's Palm Sunday celebration for Faith Formation classes. They will be witnessing the burning of the palms before the Ash Wednesday liturgy on Wednesday, March 2nd. We will have baskets in the vestibule by the door to collect your palms.

COMMUNITY NEWS



CHURCH AND SCHOOL OF SAINT PETER

ADMISSION EVENT

Tour our classrooms, meet our teachers, learn about our curriculum, and see how Saint Peter Catholic School can provide the foundation for your child's success.

Open House (Preschool - Grade 8)

Sunday, January 30-10:30 am-12:30 pm

Registration for the 2022-2023 school year begins January 2, 2022. Visit www.school.stpeterfl.org or go to <http://mytads.com/a/stpetersmn> to apply for enrollment.

1250 South Shore Drive, Forest Lake
651-982-2216 / www.school.stpeterfl.org



RETREAT WEEKEND

Give the best St Valentine's Day gift possible by signing up for the February 12-13 Marriage Encounter! Weekends are held at Mt Olivet Conference and Retreat Center in Farmington.

For additional information, visit www.marriages.org or call 651.454.3238

"A great prayer for life is urgently needed, a prayer which will rise up throughout the world. Through special initiatives and in daily prayer, may an impassioned plea rise to God, the Creator and lover of life, from every Christian community, from every group and association, from every family and from the heart of every believer."



Pope Saint John Paul II,
Evangelium vitae, 100