

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

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WEEKDAY/WEEKEND MASSES

Saturday-Suspended

Sunday 9:00 am

Wednesday 9:00 am

ADORATION

Every Wednesday after 9:00 am

Mass until Noon

RECONCILIATION

After mass on the 1st & 3rd

Wednesday of the month or by ap-
pointment.

PASTOR

Fr. Shane Stoppel-Wasinger

DEACON

Kevin Downie

ASSISTING PRIETS

Fr. Chuck Brambilla

Fr. Thomas Fitzgerald

Fr. Bob Nygaard

OFFICE HOURS

Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday

8:00 am. - 12:00 pm.

PARISH OFFICE

Admin Asst: Marsha Marcussen

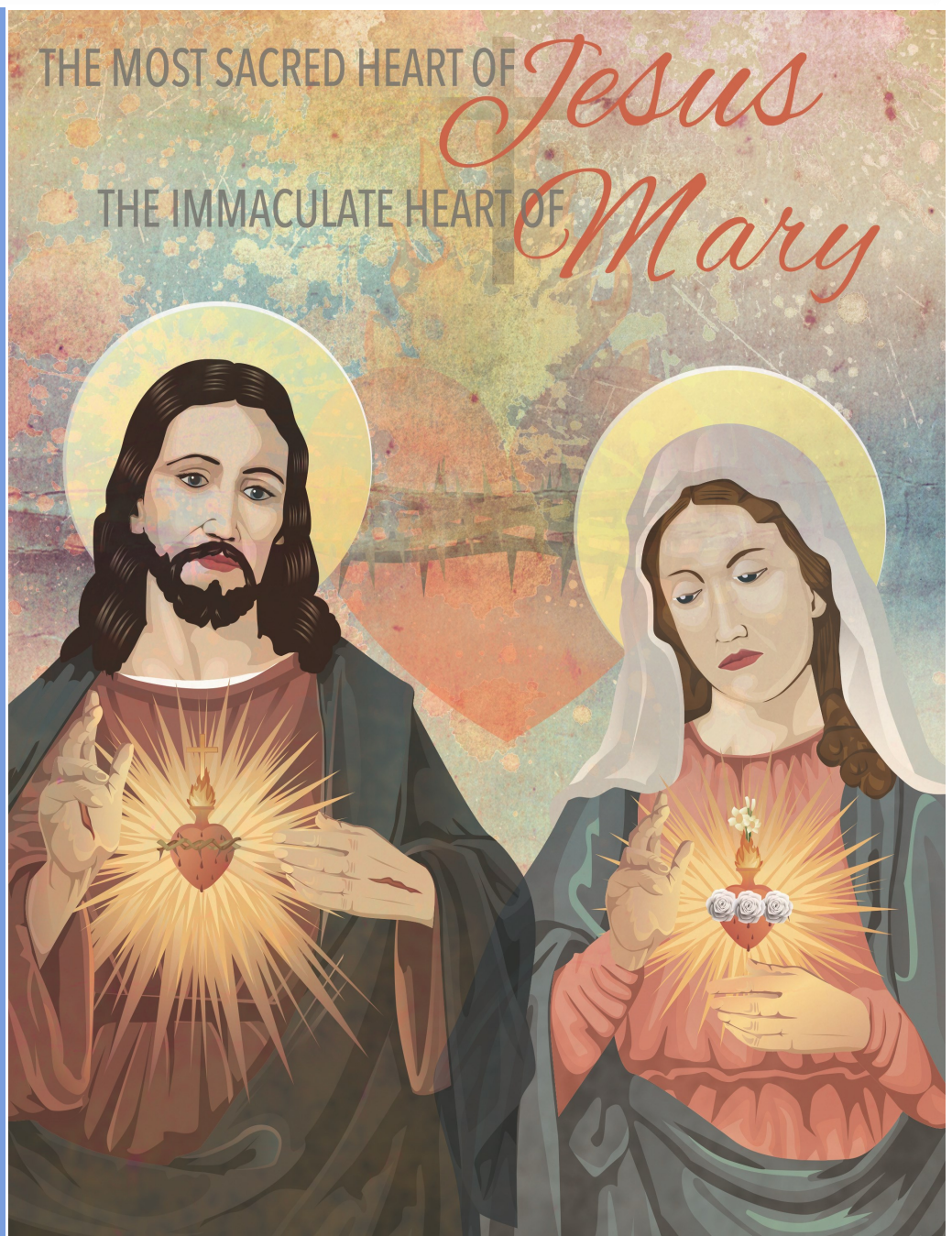
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FAITH FORMATION

Claire Kind

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The Most Holy Body and Blood of Christ -6/19
Thirteenth Sunday in OT- 6/26

A DEEPER SPIRITUAL LIFE

The first time that I arrived at Saint Gregory, on the morning of September 14, 2004, I was greeted with a warm smile, at the parish office door by Diane Daniski. Little did she know how much this calmed me as I nervously began my new assignment. Thus began my journey God had placed me on. Over the course of the next 18 years, God would teach me many, many lessons. No matter how many times I would turn away or choose not to listen, His love remained my constant, and for this, I am eternally grateful.

Looking back, I find it so interesting, how God used me to help others and how God used others to help me. The shy Kansas boy, who led such a sheltered childhood, longed to fit in and be accepted, and it was a difficult road for me to follow. I can see now, how God whispered into the ears of others, as I was invited into their lives. I have fond memories of sharing some of the holidays with my parishioner families. Thank you for those of you who allowed me to be present during these times. This gave me a glimpse of how families are, the ups, downs and everything in between. I feel honored to have been asked into your homes and enjoyed every moment!

Celebrating the Sacraments together was another way God brought us together. It has been so wonderful being able to Baptize a new life to this world, then continue watching these children grow up in their faith community, and celebrating all three of the initiation sacraments with them. I will take some great memories with me. I wish I could share some of the silly things they say during their first Reconciliation, or the looks I have witnessed on their faces when they taste the blood of Christ for the first time. Priceless

The mission trips were important for me to implement. I wanted to give the teens another view of the world, bring them out of their comfort zones, and teach them to give back to others. Funny, but these were exactly the lessons God ended up teaching me! I now find it easier see God everywhere. He is working within us as well as around us. I have been so lucky to witness significant changes for the good as our youth embraced their faith and became confirmed through the Holy Spirit. These times made me feel

so proud to represent our parishes as one true faith family.

So many beautiful Masses, I was able to spend with you all. I remember how scared I was to speak in front of anyone. God has truly transformed me through my time here. I now look forward to creating my Homily and sharing what inspires me as God plants the seeds within me. The Altar Servers have been delightful and fun serving Mass with. I am so proud of each and every one of them, donating their time and embracing their faith! To those who helped by participating; the Lectors, Ushers, Eucharistic Ministers, Parish Staff, Faith formation teachers, Music Ministry, trustees, finance and pastoral council members, and all of the countless volunteers who make these parishes continue. Please know, I sincerely appreciated you, pray for you and will carry you in my heart forever.

Yes, God has transformed me, through others and through my faith. I will leave these parishes a different man. Being able to share the story of my life, so intimately, through my book, has allowed me to accept myself for who God made me to be and to accept others for who they are as well. Another beautiful lesson, taught to me by our Lord, "Love one another unconditionally".

Thank you from the bottom of my heart. I will pray for you always.

Love, Father Shane



Thank you!!

Parish News

Mass on June 24th

Father Shane will be saying mass on June 24th at 9:00am for The Most Sacred Heart of Jesus.



Pro-Life

The Chisago County Fair is July 21-24. Minnesota Citizens Concern for Life will have a booth there again this year. Please consider stopping at the booth and show your support for the UNBORN, Elderly and All life. Call Elaine Schneider at 320-358-4129 or 320-492-2117 to volunteer. You don't need to have all the answers, just your presence is the best witness. Thank you, Elaine

Catholic Charities Food Distribution

NOTE TIME CHANGE: The next food distribution of frozen meals for seniors 60 and older will be on July 21st from **10:00am-11:00 am**. Meals are available in quantities of 10 and up to 30 per calendar month.

Seeking Volunteers!

Looking for volunteers to visit with a blind parishioner on Tuesday's and Thursday's anytime of the day. For more information call David Prickett at 612-703-1112

Don't Forget your Parish

The summer months are truly a time for us to enjoy the wonders of God's creation. When you are away on vacation, please remember how important your weekly offering is to your parish. As you are planning your vacation, remember to mail in offertory envelopes or drop them by the parish office. Thank you for your continued support.

Fall Festival meeting

If you would like to be part of the planning of the Fall Festival and have new ideas, please come to the next meeting on June 21st at 7pm in Wey Hall.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, June 22nd

9:00 a.m. † Open

Sunday, June 26th

Thirteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Jim Puchalski

Wednesday, June 29th

9:00 a.m. † Open

Sunday, July 3rd

Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time

9:00 a.m. † Joanne Marion Walz



JUNE 25 & 26 CELEBRANTS

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

JULY 2 & 3 CELEBRANTS

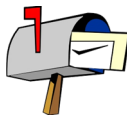
Fr. Matt	St. Gregory	5:00 p.m.
Fr. Matt	Sacred Heart	9:00 a.m.
Fr. Chuck	St. Gregory	9:30 a.m.

Faith Formation

VACATION BIBLE SCHOOL



VBS is coming back to St. Gregory the Great parish this summer with "Marvelous Mystery: The Mass Comes Alive." Save the date for August 7-11 and watch the bulletin for more details to come.



FAITH FORMATION REGISTRATION

Registration forms for the 2022-2023 Faith Formation year will be mailed soon. Please return completed forms as soon as possible. All registrations are due by August 19.

CATECHISTS NEEDED FOR KIC NEXT YEAR

Please prayerfully consider over the next few weeks if you are interested in sharing your faith as a catechist or sub-catechist for the 1st - 8th grade KIC program this upcoming year at St. Gregory the Great Church. Please contact the Faith Formation Office at education@stgregorynb.org or call 651.674-7382 if you are interested or would like more information.

FAITH FORMATION SUMMER OFFICE HOURS

During the months of June and July, the Faith Formation Office at St. Gregory the Great Church will be open on Tuesday and Wednesday from 8:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m.



The best time for a new beginning is right now. Good luck to the High school graduates on their next journey!

HAPPY FATHER'S DAY

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, Jim Mitchell, Marian Schmitz, Phyllis Keating



Peter's Pence Collection

Next Week we will take up the Peter's Pence Collection to support the Universal Church and the work of the Holy See, including helping Pope Francis to carry out his charitable works. These works benefit our brothers and sisters on the margins of society, including victims of war, oppression, and disasters. Please be generous. For more information, visit www.obolodisanpietro.va/en.html.