

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

Parish Office / Mailing Address:

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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 every Wednesday of
the month or by appointment.

PASTOR

Fr. Matt Shireman

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

Bookkeeper/ Music: Steve Yurick

320-358-4370

FAITH FORMATION

Claire Kind

651-674-7382

GO OUT
TO THE WORLD
AND TELL THE
GOOD NEWS.



PSALM 117

Twentieth Sunday in OT -8-14
Twenty-First Sunday in OT- 8-21



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

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.

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.



There are three Sacraments that fully initiate one as a Catholic—Baptism (ideally shortly after birth), First Eucharist (ideally in 2nd grade), and Confirmation (currently celebrated in 10th grade). Thus, if you find yourself, your spouse, your child or grandchild in one of the following categories, I would encourage the concerned party to look into receiving one or more of the Sacraments of Initiation:

- Never been baptized
- Baptized (Catholic or in another church) but never confirmed or received First Eucharist in the Catholic Church
- A Protestant married to a Catholic

For those who are over the age of reason (around age 7), the process of becoming fully Catholic is now called Order of Christian Initiation of Adults (OCIA; the previous name was Rite of Christian Initiation of Adults or RCIA). The typical process begins in the fall and culminates in receiving the sacraments at the Easter Vigil Mass.

If you (or a loved one) would like to explore becoming fully Catholic or to have a non-Church marriage “blessed,” please contact Father Matt at 320-358-4370 or [Father-Matt@stgregorynb.org](mailto:Matt@stgregorynb.org).

In Christ ~
Father Matt



Parish News

Confessions Schedule

Fr. Matt is offering Confession/Reconciliation every Wednesday after mass or by appointment.

Meal with Fr. Matt

Fr. Matt would like to get to know the families of the parish by sharing a meal with you on Wednesday evenings. At Fr. Matt's previous parish, he did lots of work with the children of the school. Since we do not have a school, he would like to make connections with those families who have children at home. If you are interested in hosting a meal with Fr. Matt. Please contact Marsha in the Parish office to get on the schedule. If you are empty nesters, and would also like to host Fr. Matt for dinner, call the parish office for availability.

Catholic Charities Food Distribution

The next food distribution of frozen meals for seniors 60 and older will be on August 18th 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

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 Tuesday, August 16th at 7pm in Wey Hall.

There is a sign-up sheet in back of church for those that are able to volunteer their time during the Fall Festival.

>Please return payment for tickets used and/or any unused tickets by mail, in the collection basket, the office or the ramp drop box no later than Saturday, September 17th. Be Sure to bring family and friends to help celebrate and welcome Father Matt.

Adoration

A Prayer person is needed for Adoration on Wednesday's, either from 10-11 or 11-12. Please contact the church office if you are interested.

Second Collection



Our second collection on August 28th will be in support of the Leo C. Byrne Residence, a home for retired priests of the Archdiocese. You have an opportunity to share your gratitude by supporting the men who have ministered to you and your family for many decades. The residence offers 29 individual apartments for priests who have reached retirement age, most of whom continue to actively serve parishes and organizations around the Archdiocese. The GRATITUDE Capital Campaign Renovation Project will fund work required to bring the entire Byrne Residence to a level of security and efficiency suitable for the safety and well-being of each resident priest. We ask for your support of this much needed renovation.

Faith Formation



REGISTRATION

Please register your child/ren for Faith Formation classes at St. Gregory the Great Church by August 19, 2022. We look forward to seeing you! If you have any questions, please contact the Faith Formation office at 651-674-7382.



KIC VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

As we continue to plan for the upcoming KIC year we are still in need of the following:

- Catechist for 4th grade Sunday morning and 7th grade Wednesday night.
- Sub-catechists for times when a regular catechist is sick or must be gone.
- Volunteer to staff the upstairs office area during KIC class. We are asking parents to volunteer at 1 night of class throughout the year. (We have 24 classes this year)

If you can help in any of these key areas, please contact the Education office at 651-674-7382

Thank you for your consideration and willingness to help our 2022-2023 KIC year run smoothly.

AUGUST 20 & 21 CELEBRANTS

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

AUGUST 27 & 28 CELEBRANTS

Fr. Fitzgerald w/Dn. Kevin	St. Gregory	5:00 p.m.
Fr. Fitzgerald	Sacred Heart	9:00 a.m.
Fr. Matt	St. Gregory	9:30 a.m.

Mass Intentions

Wednesday, August 17th

9:00 a.m. † Open

Sunday, August 21st

Twenty-First Sunday in OT

9:00 a.m. † Francis Reding

Wednesday, August 24th

9:00 a.m. † Terry Solorz

Sunday, August 28th

Twenty-Second Sunday in OT

9:00 a.m. † Frank & Clara

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Community News



Demontreville
Jesuit Retreat House

Looking for a peaceful getaway? Let God meet you at a beautiful retreat location in Lake Elmo, MN. Join us for a men's silent retreat at the Demontreville Jesuit Retreat House September 1st - 4th. The retreat begins on Thursday evening and ends Sunday evening. Free will donations are accepted. For more information, call Demontreville at 651-777-1311 or check out our website www.demontrevilleretreat.com. Other retreat days are also available.



ARE YOU FEELING LIKE YOUR CROSS IS GETTING TOO HEAVY TO CARRY? Are you in need of Simon of Cyrene to come to your aid? CENTRAL MINNESOTA KOINONIA is a week-end Catholic retreat program that is designed to help

you carry your cross. The next retreat is scheduled for September 23-25, 2022, at the TEC Center north of Little Falls, Minnesota. Cost of the weekend is \$70. Go to www.centralmnkoinonia.org



Sunday, August 28, 4 to 7 pm
Harder Park Picnic Shelter
(39257 Harder Parkway,
North Branch)

Join parishioners from Sacred Heart and St. Gregory the Great in this unofficial end to summer break. Brats and hot dogs will be provided; please bring a dish to share and beverages for your family (no alcohol/glass). Fr. Matt will lead the kids in a game of kickball. For more information, contact the St. Gregory parish office.



St. Gregory's 41st annual BOOYA is coming up soon! BOOYA is an upper Midwest tradition of community stew. Be sure to stop and grab a bowl of BOOYA and visit the booths on September 25th.

~Variety Booth
~Bottle Booth
~Mystery Wine Booth
Silent Auction
BOOYA - Garden Veggies, Chicken & Beef

Raffle with a Grand Prize of \$1,000 with additional cash prizes. Contact St. Gregory's office for more details. 651-674-4056.

Fiat Discernment Retreat for Women Sept. 23-25, 2022 | Dunrovin Retreat Center



Single women ages 18-28 who are seeking to do God's will are invited to attend this Fiat Ministries Discernment Retreat. Religious sisters from various religious orders, including the Handmaids of the Heart of Jesus, Pro Ecclesia Sancta Sisters, Carmelite Sisters of the Most Sacred Heart of Los Angeles and the Marian Sisters of the Diocese of Lincoln, assist at the retreat by giving talks, leading small groups, giving their testimonies, and providing a joyful witness of what it means to be a consecrated religious sister. The retreat is unique in that it simply helps young women open their hearts to say yes to Jesus, in any vocation to which He is calling them. Cost is \$100 which includes meals, lodging and materials. Register online by Sept. 19 at <https://fiatministries.org/retreat-minneapolis/>

